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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2015

Bruneau auction scheduled Saturday

The 27th annual Bruneau Boosters Community Auction and Dinner takes place Saturday.

The event held inside the American Legion Post 83 Hall, 32478 Belle Ave., begins at 5:30 p.m. with a free community. The silent auction opens at that time, too. Items will be on display.

Live auction starts at 7 p.m.

Donations are still being accepted for the Bruneau Booster Club fundraiser.

Drop off items at the American Legion Hall between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Friday. Donations will be accepted beginning at 10 a.m. the day of the auction.

For information, call Judy McBride at (208) 845-2842 or Ginny Roeder at (208) 845-2282.

The community dinner menu includes pulled pork sandwich, cole slaw, baked beans, punch and coffee. Homemade pie will be sold by the slice.

Proceeds from the auction benefit various community events and projects each year.

Folks donate crafts, Page xA



HES for heart health

Top: Homedale Elementary School physical education teacher Dan Moore leads children in a warm-up before Thursday's Jump Rope for Heart. Left: Two children get into the event.

SBOC's water outlook guarded

A brief water report delivered at the South Board of Control's monthly meeting revealed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 19 percent full with 143,070 acre-feet of water.

By press time Monday, the reservoir had risen to 22 percent of capacity, holding 154,167 acre-feet of water.

SNOTEL monitors in the Owyhees, however, showed little moisture.

On Monday, the snow water equivalent at Mud Flat was 0.0 inches while Reynolds Creek had 0.2 inches. South Mountain had 3.8 inches of snow water equivalent, down from 4.2 on Thursday.

Snow depth at Reynolds Creek and South Mountain declined during the week. South Mountain went from 10 inches on the ground to seven inches between Feb. 10 and Monday. Reynolds Creek dropped from one inch of

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Man pleads guilty in deadly Reynolds Creek crash



Jacob Canoy

The driver in an off-roading accident that killed an Owyhee County woman last year has entered a guilty plea to two felonies. He could spend a maximum of 14 years in prison.

Jacob Howard Canoy of Melba pled guilty to vehicular manslaughter in the death of his 21-year-old girlfriend Sara Dawn Bronson. He also entered a guilty plea to one count of felony injury to a child.

As part of the plea agreement, Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery will seek a prison sentence no longer than 14 years. Emery said Canoy's attorney could argue for a shorter term.

The sentencing hearing before Third District Judge Molly J. Huskey is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on Friday, April 10.

Emery said the case was resolved

shortly before Canoy was scheduled to stand trial on Feb. 10 on vehicular manslaughter and two felony counts of injury to child.

As part of negotiated agreement, Canoy entered the guilty plea to two felonies and waived his right to challenge the sentence if the penalty Huskey imposes is within the agreed maximum.

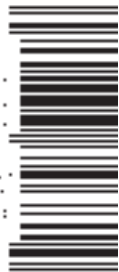
Earlier court-ordered mediation

couldn't resolve the case.

According to Idaho Code, the maximum penalty for vehicular manslaughter is 15 years in prison and/or a \$15,000 fine.

The injury to child conviction stems from the injuries Canoy's two young sons suffered when the Chevrolet Blazer that Canoy, Bronson and his

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Batt, Packer reappointed to Homedale P&Z board

Council OKs road grader replacement

Two longtime members will begin new terms when Homedale Planning and Zoning Commission convenes its second meeting of the year Monday.

With little discussion, the city council reappointed chair Jim Packer and commissioner Reed Batt. The reappointments came on the recommendation of P&Z administrator Sylvia Bahem, who didn't attend last Wednesday's council meeting. Previously, Bahem said she would be out of town

around the time of the meeting. The council approved the appointments, 3-0. Councilman Aaron Tines missed last week's meeting.

Batt has served on the P&Z since 2000. No one knows when Packer joined the board.

The commission will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Batt and Packer are two of the longest-serving P&Z commissioners. Gypsy Jackson has been on the board since 1992, while Stacy Woods and Travis Kerbs were appointed in 2012.

The council will have another appointment decision to make in the coming months. Woods' term

expires on April 25. The P&Z commission is scheduled to meet on the third Monday of each month this year. This month's meeting was moved, however, to accommodate Bahem's schedule.

City to buy road grader

Public works supervisor Bret Smith was authorized to purchase a 1994 John Deere road grader to replace the city's current 1969 Deere model.

Councilman Steve Atkins, who is a John Deere mechanic with Campbell Tractor, was wholeheartedly behind the \$27,500 purchase because of the condition of the 1994 model

and the propensity for engine problems in the 1969 version.

"Quite frankly, it is ridiculous that this thing is available at 800 hours (of operation)," Atkins said. "In my opinion, we'd be absolutely crazy not to do this."

Atkins said the 1969 Deeres are known for having weak engine cylinder liners, which would cost thousands of dollars to repair if they failed.

"(The 1994 model) is literally as close to new as you can get," Atkins said.

Councilperson Kim Murray, who was in the construction industry in Las Vegas and has experience operating heavy equipment, said the ease with

which newer equipment works provides more safety for maintenance crew members.

The council voted to surplus the 1969 grader, which will be put into one of the upcoming equipment auctions in the area. Smith said Rich Pickett or Pickett Auctions in Greenleaf estimated the grader could bring \$8,000 to \$10,000.

Last month, the council spent more than \$10,000 on a new riding lawnmower.

Smith also told the council that he and former Councilman Dave Downum have begun layout of the disc golf course that should be operational later this year at Riverside Park. — JPB



Saying thanks with a free meal

It was all hands on deck Friday for the NAPA Owyhee Auto Supply customer appreciation lunch in Homedale. From right: Nola Cantrell, Brian Shield, Wayne Hendrix, Aaron Randall, Kay Ferguson and Brandon DeMond served up the food in the Matteson's shop.

Homedale Farmers Market to change day of operation

After polling vendors, Denise Dixon got the Homedale City Council's blessing to move the day of the week for the Homedale Farmers Market.

When the market begins its third season in the middle of June, vendors will set up at Bette Uda City Park on Thursdays.

"I think it is a great idea," Mayor Gheen Christoffersen said during last Wednesday's council meeting. "I think you'll get better traffic (on Thursday as opposed to Saturday)."

The market will run from 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. each Thursday until Sept. 24.

The market had been held in

Bette Uda City Park on Saturdays during its first two years, but Dixon began investigating the possibility of changing the market's schedule after Western Alliance for Economic Development executive director Tina Wilson suggested a move away from the busy Saturday and competition for vendors and customers with a Nampa market might spark growth.

"I polled the vendors (about the idea) and got nothing but excited vendors," Dixon told the council. "They're very excited because it didn't conflict with other markets or kids' sports."

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Marsing-Homedale Cemetery financial questions persist

The Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District is now receiving regular ag replacement revenue, but the question of past payments still remains.

Board chair Jay Hall said that Owyhee County officials haven't been in contact about the more than \$10,000 of missed reimbursement for property tax exemptions on farmland.

The board held a short February meeting to pay bills, but nothing else was on the agenda.

The district is now receiving quarterly ag replacement payments of \$325.50 from the county, but the larger sum, which built up over 10 years, remains unaddressed. Hall said the county has never sent a letter or called them.

"The (Board of County Commissioners) has yet to make a decision," Owyhee County Clerk Angie Barkell said.

A clerical error led to the ag replacement payments being sent to the Riverside Cemetery District in the Grand View area instead of the Marsing-Homedale district.

Hall said at this point, "We're just waiting to see what the coun-

ty was going to do."

District board members are now looking ahead to their next meeting, which is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 5 at the cemetery office on Cemetery Road off U.S. Highway 95.

Hall said exactly what the district will put before voters this year might be determined at that time.

"We're going to have to start getting something done about the election," Hall said.

In May, a \$30,000 override levy failed with 458 no votes and 363 yes votes.

The district also ran the same levy in November again without success, but patrons did cast more yes votes (882) than no votes (711).

State law requires a two-thirds majority for a permanent levy increase. A two-year temporary levy can be passed with a simple majority.

Cemetery district commissioner Rick Sherrow has said in the past that the district is still operating on the same levy rate adopted when the cemetery was built nearly 60 years ago.

— SC

BLM hasn't checked Jarbidge RMP for comp plan consistency

County concerned as agency nears EIS completion

The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners has issues with the Jarbidge Resource Management Plan. Commissioners heard an update on the Bureau of Land Management's proposal during their regular meeting on Feb. 9.

County commissioners are still waiting for the BLM to sync up the proposed RMP with the Owyhee County Comprehensive Plan, as required by the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976.

"The county has asked BLM for a consistency review with the Owyhee County Comprehensive Plan and the final Jarbidge Resource Management plan. To date, we have not received that review," District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland said. "Nor have we received a response to our comments on the final. We have pointed out inconsistencies in our comments besides requesting a meeting with their staff for a resolution prior to the final coming out."

"The Jarbidge RMP has been sent to the governors of Nevada and Idaho for their consistency

review to be done by the end of February. The process seems to be on a fast track to avoid a review."

BLM Twin Falls District manager Mike Courtney led the discussion as part of the coordination meeting. Someone from Courtney's office meets with commissioners each month "to let them know what they're working on so there's no surprises," he said.

The BLM has been working on the plan for close to 10 years. Courtney said they're "zeroing in on completion," and a final environmental impact statement should be issued by this fall.

The document explains where the BLM will allow energy development and contains information on livestock grazing, rights-of-way and motorized vehicle use, Courtney said. He also said it covers designated off-highway vehicle areas and recreational opportunities.

Hoagland also said he's frustrated that the BLM national office in Washington D.C. has to review everything the local districts do, which eliminates the possibility of a timely resolution.

During the meeting, Courtney also talked about drought.

He told the commissioners his

office is in pretty close contact with ranchers who are "acutely aware of the potential for drought" this year.

Courtney said he puts a priority on "working with (ranchers) so if there's a shortage of water, the BLM will know that they're prepared to make adjustments." He pointed out to board members that this is an ongoing process.

He also gave commissioners a status update on the Jarbidge field manager vacancy. Courtney said BLM officials have paneled the applicant pool and are working on a selection, which should happen soon.


Owyhee County Assessor Brett Endicott also spoke with commissioners at last week's meeting.

He told them that high winds over the weekend knocked down the flagpole outside the courthouse.

It landed in the parking lot but didn't hit any vehicles. Otherwise, the county might be buying someone a new windshield or even an entire car, Endicott said.


Endicott said the flagpole damage was minor and it looked like it would be a "somewhat easy fix." However, the board told him to price around for a new flagpole because the current one has been broken before.


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County governmental entities face new reporting requirements

Fines, lost revenue among non-compliance penalties

Local governing entities in Owyhee County and elsewhere run the risk of losing state funding if they don't follow a new law aimed at improving transparency.

County Clerk Angie Barkell recently sent a letter to all local government entities alerting the clerks and board members of the new requirement to register with the Legislative Services Office (LSO).

All bodies that impose fees or assessments or receive property tax revenue must register with the LSO through www.legislature.idaho.gov by March 1, Barkell states in her letter.

Entities that are affected include city governments, taxing districts, irrigation districts and

soil conservation districts.

In December, Barkell will be required to lodge a list of qualifying agencies in the county with LSO to ensure that those local agencies are in compliance.

Under the new state law, an agency failing to comply with the reporting requirements faces a fine of up to \$5,000 and/or its portion of state revenue sharing could be withheld.

State revenue sharing includes quarterly payments of sales tax revenue and ag replacement funds as well as the semiannual payment of personal property tax revenue. The entities also could be prohibited from increasing their budgets.

The 2014 Legislature passed the new law to create a central registry for the entities to ensure they are complying with reporting requirements and make it easier to access those entities' financial information.

Information sought from each entity includes:

- Formation history, including the year of inception and which authority and government the entity was formed
 - Name of the current presiding officer of the governing board
 - Date of the board's next election
 - Revenue and expenses from the entity's last completed budget year as well as the current budget
 - A copy of the entity's financial audit, although there are exemptions to this requirement. An entity that spends less than \$100,000 a year doesn't have to submit an audit. Those spending between \$100,000 and \$250,000 per fiscal year will have to provide an audit once every two years. Agencies spending \$250,000 or more will be required to provide an audit each year.
- Going forward, entities will be required to file a report each year between March 1 and Dec. 1.

— JPB

Help needed to decorate Marsing irrigation boxes

Marsing public works superintendent Jonathan Jarboe's department is starting to do regular maintenance on irrigation boxes around town, and he's looking for local artists to help with the effort.

During last Wednesday's city council meeting, Jarboe said he'd like to find some students to paint the lids of the boxes. Jarboe said they could also paint the entire boxes.

If a student organization, class or art group is interested in volunteering for the project, they can contact City Hall at 896-4122 or by email at marsingcity@cablenet.net.

A major facelift is in the works for the Idaho highway 55 bridge leading into Marsing.

Civil engineer Kirby Cook told council members that Mayor Keith Green, Jarboe and city engineer Amy Woodruff recently met with Idaho Transportation Department officials to discuss bridge work.

Cook said one issue they talked about was improvements for pedestrians. ITD is likely to put in a sidewalk, probably on the

"downriver side" — or north side — of the bridge, Cook said.

He also told councilmembers one lane of the bridge will always be open during the work, but a temporary stoplight will be necessary to regulate traffic.

Cook also said ITD informed city officials that the pavement on Main Street through Marsing will be rehabilitated as part of the bridge project but with no major changes. However, he stresses that the plan being developed by ITD is far from complete.

The project could begin in 2017, but Cook said it's unknown how long it would take to complete the work.

City superintendent John Larsen updated the council on the methane gas project. He said so far, the city has spent \$42,000 on the methane dome. That money will now be reimbursed by the Idaho Department of Commerce.

Larsen also said they're working on the design for a shelter above the dome and the next step for the project is to start generating electricity for the city shop.

Jarboe also said his crew has replaced the windows on the green shop at a cost of \$750. He's now seeking bids to paint the building but said putting siding on it may be cheaper.

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Homedale Highway District plans culvert replacements

The Homedale Highway District will spend about \$3,500 this year to repair crossings on two roads.

District commissioners authorized Director of Highways Stewart Constantine to purchase culvert pipe for the projects from Agri-Lines during their monthly meeting last Wednesday.

Constantine reported he had received estimates from Agri-Lines and Interwest Supply Inc., for work that would be necessary on a failed crossing on North Hogg Road and another crossing on South Jump Creek Road.

Both crossings are 60 feet wide.

While Constantine priced 27-inch diameter culvert for the South Jump Creek crossing, he said South Board of Control watermaster John Eells suggested crews replace the North Hogg crossing with the same 24-inch pipe that made up the old culvert.

Agri-Lines quoted Constantine \$1,867 for the 27-inch pipe (\$28.30 per foot) and \$1,572 for the 24-inch pipe (\$26.20 per foot) for a total estimate of \$3,439.

Interwest's price for the 27-inch pipe was \$1,943 (\$29.45 per foot), while the 24-inch pipe would have cost \$1,645 (\$27.42 per foot) for a total estimate of \$3,588.

No time table on the culvert work was given.

Constantine also reported that his crew had completed installation of new road signs throughout the district.

Directional signs, speed limit signs and street signs were re-

placed after Constantine secured a \$25,696.40 grant.

Motorist safety was an impetus for going after the grant. Constantine said the district's old road name signs were anchored on steel poles and cemented deep into the ground, which created a hazard for drivers who may have crashed into the signs.

Constantine told commissioners that Newman Sign, the company contracted to make the new signs for the district, agreed to give a \$570 credit after signpost holes for some of the signs were incorrectly misstamped.

Constantine said district maintenance workers had to re-drill holes in the signs to make them work, and the credit was compensation for that extra labor.

— JPB



This street sign used to mark the intersection of Industrial Road and Pioneer Road. The badly damaged lower portion of the metal signpost was one of the reasons Homedale Highway District Director of Highways Stewart Constantine went after a grant to replace all the signs in the district.

Submitted photo

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✓ Water: March 18 water users meeting set to introduce new SBOC chief

depth to zero in that time.

Mud Flat actually gained two inches of snow in that time after instruments showed no snow depth as late as last Wednesday.

Despite the dwindling numbers, Ridgeview District chair Bret Nielson said during the Feb. 10 SBOC meeting that the current water situation is way better than last year in terms of ground saturation.

However, watermaster John Eells said the area still needs more snow or lots of rain.


Area growers will have a chance to meet new South Board of Control manager Clancy Flynn next month.

A water users meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18 at the Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Irrigation directors said it would be an opportunity for Flynn to introduce himself to the community and for officials to inform water users of what they might expect for this year's irrigation season.


Flynn, 36, has been on the job since Jan. 20. The father of four and his wife moved here from Othello, Wash., where Flynn had worked as assistant watermaster for the Quincy-Columbia Basin Irrigation District since March 2011.

During the Feb. 10 meeting directors also heard financial audit results for the Ridgeview and Gem Irrigation Districts




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SNOTEL report, Owyhee County sensors

	Snow Equiv.	Snow Depth	Year-to-date Precip.	Previous day's temperature		
				Max	Min	Avg
	(measured in inches)			(measured in Fahrenheit)		
Mud Flat						
02/10	0.0	0	8.6	45	30	37
02/11	0.0	0	8.6	49	30	39
02/12	0.0	2	8.6	56	34	43
02/13	0.0	2	8.6	58	33	44
02/14	0.0	2	8.6	56	34	45
02/15	0.0	2	8.6	47	29	38
02/16	0.0	2	8.5	n/a	n/a	n/a
Reynolds Creek						
02/10	0.3	1	10.0	42	31	34
02/11	0.3	1	10.0	46	31	38
02/12	0.3	0	10.0	51	35	42
02/13	0.3	0	10.0	48	35	42
02/14	0.3	0	10.0	53	36	45
02/15	0.3	0	10.0	43	32	37
02/16	0.2	0	10.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
South Mountain						
02/10	4.2	10	16.9	42	31	34
02/11	4.2	10	16.8	49	33	41
02/12	4.2	9	16.8	54	40	45
02/13	4.1	8	16.8	58	42	50
02/14	3.9	8	16.9	54	33	45
02/15	3.6	7	16.8	44	29	35
02/16	3.8	7	16.8	n/a	n/a	n/a

Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 22 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 643 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 11 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 154,167 acre-feet of water on Monday.

Note — SNOTEL statistics were gathered from the Natural Resources Conservation Service website at 3 p.m. Monday (Year-to-date precipitation is measured from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30.)

— Information compiled from the National Weather Service, Bureau of Reclamation, Natural Resources Conservation Service and Helena Chemical in Homedale. Last week's weather statistics were unavailable

fiscal year with \$2.43 million in revenue.

Directors also heard an update on legislation drafted by district attorney Al Barker.

His idea is to create a new statute aimed at protecting district facilities. It would allow the district to bill landowners for the installation of protective measures.

The Idaho Water Users Association legislative committee has approved the proposal, and IWUA executive director Norm Semanko will carry the bill to lawmakers in Boise.

Clancy told directors he would go before legislators to explain the need for the legislation.

Directors also discussed heavy equipment issues.

SBOC is on the lookout for a new excavator, and directors decided to have another excavator repaired. Western States Caterpillar will do the work for \$7,700 and will come with a warranty.

Directors also talked about a dump truck with a bad engine, which could cost \$7,000 to repair. The truck is currently at Jake Volk's shop in Wilder and South Board Div. 3 Director Dennis Turner said he would ask Volk what the status is on the project.

The directors also declared an old International truck surplus, and it will be put up for auction.

— SC

✓ Crash: Hearings in civil lawsuit filed by girlfriend's mother still to come

sons were riding in rolled off an ATV trail and down a hill above Upper Reynolds Creek Road in March 2014.

The trail wasn't open to full-size vehicle traffic, and Canoy was also fined \$156.50 for entering public land in a destructive way.

He also was found guilty of three safety belt infractions and was fined a total of \$160.50.

Canoy still faces a civil lawsuit brought by Bronson's mother. Hearings are scheduled later this year.

In another case, he is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Monday status hearing before Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober on a misdemeanor petty theft charge.

Court records also show that Canoy spent

38 days in jail and was fined \$352.50 for petty theft in Ada County last year. He also was fined \$10 for a May 2014 seatbelt infraction in Ada County.

— JPB

Obituaries

William Sheldon Burghardt

William Sheldon Burghardt, 93, a former longtime resident of Grand View, died, January 9, 2015 in Gresham, Oregon after a long-term health decline. He was born Sept. 7, 1921 to William G. and Inez Burghardt, in Mora, ID. He spent most of his younger years growing up in rural Oregon. He came back to Idaho in his teen years and worked on his Dad’s ranch until he enlisted in the Army Jan. 5, 1943. After basic training, he got his dream job realized when he began training as a pilot. He was assigned to the First Air Commando Group in 1944. He spent the war in India where he flew P-47’s over Burma. He got out of the Service at the end of WWII but was later recalled during the Korean Conflict. He

was honorably discharged from the Air Force in 1958. He returned to Idaho and worked for his Dad until 1966 when he moved to Oregon and opened a “Mom and Pop” corner grocery store in Beaverton. He and the city of Beaverton had a disagreement when he started raising calves in his back yard so they sold the store and moved to Kinton, on Tile Flat Road. They retired and moved to Newberg for a few years and then to Wilsonville and finally back to where he spent most of his youth, in Gresham. He met Ellen Guest in Dec. 1943. They were married Feb. 4, 1944. Out of this union, came 4 living children. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, a sister, two half

brothers, and his very dear friend, Delores Pohl. He is survived by his children, Sheron Johnson, Bob (Julie) Burghardt, Mary Montgomery, and Al Burghardt, his half-sister, Willa Hipwell, and his half-brother, Frank Burghardt. He (aka “Pa”) also leaves behind 5 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren as well as numerous Nieces and Nephews and many friends. He was interred next to Ellen at the Damascus Pioneer Cemetery, Jan. 15, 2015. Condolences can be offered on line at the Bateman Carroll funeral home, Gresham, Oregon. The William Burghardt guest book will remain open until Feb. 12, 2016.

Evelyn Pearl Ensley

Evelyn Pearl Ensley, 97, of Wilder, died on Thursday, February 12, 2015. Evelyn was born on August 15, 1917 in Ainsworth, Nebraska to Howard and Mamie Shaner. She was the 1st of 11 children. She graduated from Ainsworth High School, NE. She married the love of her life, Everett Ensley on December 12, 1936. They moved to Idaho in 1941, where their love of 78 years of marriage grew strong. Mom stayed at home raising their children while dad was in the US. Army Air Corps for 4 years. It was a hard life, but mom was the kind of person that would never complain. She loved gardening, attending to flowers, and sewing. She also enjoyed rock hunting and finding those special rocks. Watching birds outside her dining room window was a favorite pastime of hers. She lost herself in her paintings; she’d say “Well, you just put the brush in your fingers and let God show you what needs to be painted, it’s really that simple.” She was a member of the Re-bekah’s for many years. Evelyn is survived by her hus-



band, Everett, three sons: Jerry (Margaret) Ensley, Dick (Vivian) Ensley and Bob (Mary Sue) Ensley, a daughter, Linda (Jerry) Collingham, 13 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren, and 33 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, 3 brothers: Kenneth Shaner, Donald Shaner, and Glen Shaner, 3 sisters: Lois Miller, Betty Miller, and a baby sister. Mom’s greatest accomplishments and blessings were her children and grandchildren. She loved each and every one without conditions.

Their family and friends celebrated 78 years of marriage on December 12, 2014. Her viewing will be held from 9:00 to 11:00 am on Wednesday, February 18, 2015 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. Evelyn’s Funeral Service will be at 11:00 AM, Wednesday, February 18, 2015 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. Burial will follow at Wilder Cemetery, Wilder, ID. Luncheon will follow at the Homedale Senior Center in Homedale. Condolences may be given at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com My mother may not leave me A legacy of wealth, Of riches, fame or glamour. Nor never-failing health, No rare outstanding beauty, No power to command, No kind of early glory, Just footprints in life’s sand. The world says, “Here, walk this way. The path is smooth and wide.” But I walk in her footsteps, Her path is true and tried, I see her joyful radiance, While on this road she trods, I choose to follow mother, Her footsteps lead to God.

Death notice

WILLIAM F. “BILL” HACKLER, 34, of Melba, died Friday, Feb. 13, 2015 from injuries received in a farming accident in Canyon County. Nampa Funeral Home, Yraguen Chapel is handling the arrangements. (208) 442-8171

School menus

Homedale Elementary

- Feb. 18: BBQ chicken, steamed carrots, roll, veggie bar, fruit bar, milk
- Feb. 19: Cheese pizza ripper, tossed salad, fruit rollup, veggie bar, fruit bar, milk
- Feb. 23: Hot dog, tater tots, veggie bar, fruit bar, milk
- Feb. 24: Spaghetti, green beans, veggie bar, fruit bar, milk
- Feb. 25: Chicken taco, corn, veggie bar, fruit bar, milk
- Feb. 26: Personal pan pizza, tossed salad, veggie bar, fruit bar, milk

Homedale Middle

- Feb. 18: BBQ chicken or pork chop, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, salad bar, fruit bar, milk
- Feb. 19: Personal pepperoni pizza or turkey sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk
- Feb. 23: Beef or chicken taco, salad bar, fruit bar, milk
- Feb. 24: Chicken nuggets or orange chicken, steamed rice, goldfish crackers, salad bar, fruit bar, milk
- Feb. 25: Spaghetti or burrito, salad bar, fruit bar, milk

Homedale High

- Feb. 18: lasagna & breadstick or rib-b-que, green beans, salad bar, fruit choice, milk
- Feb. 19: Nachos or corn dog, salad bar, fruit choice, milk
- Feb. 23: Pepperoni pizza ripper or ham/cheese sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice, milk
- Feb. 24: Chicken tenders or pork chop, scalloped potatoes, roll, salad bar, fruit choice, milk
- Feb. 25: Crispito or hot pocket, salad bar, fruit choice, milk
- Feb. 26: Cheeseburger, hamburger or chicken patty, potato chips, sherbet cup, salad bar, fruit choice, milk

Marsing

- Feb. 18: Rib-b-que, macaroni & cheese, Italian breadstick, corn, salad bar/soup
- Feb. 19: Pepperoni ripper, chili cheese fries w/roll, tossed salad, salad bar/soup
- Feb. 23: Chicken fajita, chicken sandwich, steamed carrots, chocolate chip cookie, salad bar/soup
- Feb. 24: Sub sandwich, beef taco, chipotle rice & beans, mixed vegetables, salad bar/soup
- Feb. 25: Teriyaki chicken bowl w/roll, corn dog, corn, salad bar/soup

Bruneau-Grand View

- Feb. 18: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, salad, peas, breadstick, fruit, milk
- Feb. 19: Haystacks, chips, salsa, refried beans, romaine lettuce, fruit, milk
- Feb/ 20: Pig in a blanket, sweet potato fries, broccoli, fruit, milk
- Feb. 24: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes/gravy, broccoli, roll, fruit, milk
- Feb. 25: Lasagna, spinach salad, steamed carrots, fruit, milk

Senior menus

Marsing Senior Center

- Feb. 18: Chicken patty/bun, coleslaw, potato wedges, carrots, fruit, milk
- Feb. 19: Pork tamales, rice, beans, green salad, peas & carrots, peaches, milk
- Feb. 23: Eggs, sausage or bacon, hashbrowns, toast, fruit, juice, milk
- Feb. 24: Meatloaf, potatoes, broccoli, whole wheat bread, rice & fruit, milk
- Feb. 25: Chicken & noodles, Italian blend vegetables, potatoes, pears, milk

Rimrock Senior Center

- Feb. 19: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, tossed salad, cookie broccoli w/cheese, garlic bread, apple crisp, milk, juice
- Feb. 24: Liver & onions w/gravy, hashbrowns, veggie sticks, bread sticks, mixed fruit, tapioca pudding, milk juice, pizza (alternate food)

Homedale Senior Center

- Feb. 18: Sausage & biscuit, country gravy, mashed potatoes, spinach, milk
- Feb. 19: Baked ham, yams, string beans, bread, milk
- Feb. 24: Chicken & noodles w/broccoli, bread, milk
- Feb. 25: BBQ pork, mashed potatoes, beets, bread, milk

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

Christian Life Club
4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Homedale Elementary School cafeteria, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024 or (208) 337-3464

Thursday

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

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

Bruneau-Grand View school board
7 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School boardroom, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau (unless otherwise listed at www.sd365.us). (208) 834-2260

Friday

Homedale mobile food pantry
10 a.m. to noon, Homedale Elementary

School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4033

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

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

Saturday

Senior center fundraiser breakfast
7 a.m. to 10 a.m., \$6 per plate, all-you-can-eat, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020 Tuesday through Thursday

Friends of Homedale Public Library
10 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

Free lunches
Noon to 1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

Bruneau Boosters dinner and auction
5:30 p.m., dinner and silent auction begin,

7 p.m., live auction, American Legion Post 83 Hall, 32478 Belle Ave., Bruneau

Sunday

Young Life meeting
6 p.m., open to high school-aged youth, transportation available with notice, 15777 Quartz Lane, Homedale. (208) 764-1048 or (817) 229-6850

Monday

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

Parent-teacher conferences
4:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m., Homedale High School, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4613

Parent-teacher conferences
4:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m., Homedale Middle School, 3437 Johnstone Road, Homedale. (208) 337-5780

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

Homedale FFA chapter meeting
7:30 p.m., Homedale High School Ag

shop, corner of North 2nd Street East and East Owyhee Avenue.

Tuesday

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

Senior center pinochle
1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 968-5430 Tuesdays and Thursdays

Wednesday

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

Christian Life Club
4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Homedale Elementary School cafeteria, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024 or (208) 337-3464

Thursday, Feb. 26

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

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.

Group wants to subsidize healthier eating

In the U.S. population today, we have two methods that are utilized to encourage a healthy diet among the people — the Dietary Guidelines for Americans and the recent push on the focus of the Nutrition Facts label and its presence on our foods. Ultimately, the task of consumption lies with the consumer — the purchasing, the preparing and the eventual consumption of these foods. A group of researchers composed from the Friedman School of Nutrition and Policy at Tufts University, Harvard University, and Boston Children’s Hospital do not believe that this should be the case.

This group is proposing that



Surine Greenway

University of Idaho Extension

almost all packaged foods should be taxed and that healthier options should be subsidized in order to encourage individuals to greatly increase healthier food options in their diet.

The ultimate goal is that this change of dietary intake would lend to reducing healthcare costs as well as improvement of dietary intake versus a focus on the caloric intake of individuals. Their proposal of taxation would greatly increase the cost of packaged foods, with the taxes based on the nutritional quality present within the pre-packaged foods. With this suggested effort, funds generated from taxes on the less-nutritious options would be used to offset the costs of subsidizing the healthier, unprepared foods such as fruits, vegetables, whole

grains, nuts and fish.

This proposal stems from research showing that a healthier diet can come with a heavier price tag for consumers, discouraging them from purchasing the healthier foods. The group’s goal would be to equalize food costs to offset the higher prices, creating an opportunity for clientele to purchase foods that would lend to a healthier diet, without having to increase their food budget in order to do so.

— Surine Greenway is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences educator. For more information, you can reach the U of I Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 or owyhee@uidaho.edu. The office is located at 238 W. 8th Ave. W., in Marsing. The source article for this column can be found at http://scholar.harvard.edu/files/rogoff/files/real_cost_of_food.pdf

Homedale Senior Center serves another fundraiser breakfast

The Homedale Senior Center’s monthly fundraiser breakfast will be held Saturday.

The breakfast takes place from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m., at the senior center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

The cost is \$6 per plate for an all-you-can-eat meal.

The menu typically includes omelets, French toast, eggs, ham, bacon, biscuits and gravy, toast, hash browns and pancakes. Coffee, tea or milk comes with breakfast, and orange juice is available

for \$1.


“It’s not your standard pancakes, eggs and sausage where you stand around waiting for your turn to pick up your breakfast on a paper plate,” senior center attendee Eugene Volz said. “You sit down, a wait person asks you what you want to drink and to select your breakfast items from the menu.

“The food is delicious and prepared just the way you wanted it.”

The senior center serves congregate meals Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. It’s open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. each of those days.

The center will be closed Tuesday, and no congregate meal will be served that day.

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Owyhee
Then & Now
Michael F. Hanley

Tales of the I.O.N. Country Trespass (John Scharff)

When John Scharff was forester for the Forest Service in the Blue Mountains he had many experiences.

“One Spring Bill Hanley drove in a big herd of cattle and turned them loose. I counted them and sent Bill a trespass. That fall, he came up and paid \$900 worth of trespass.

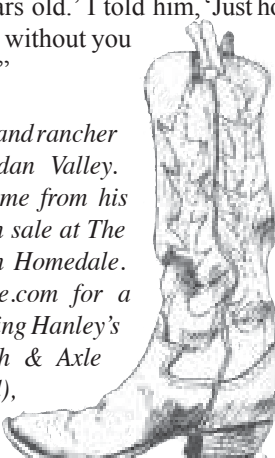
The next spring I was walking down a sidewalk in Burns when I met Bill. He said, “Aren’t you the young man who trespassed me?” I thought he was going to give me heck, but instead he said, “That was the cheapest feed I ever bought.”

College Boys

A rancher was trailing cattle down a mountain trail when they spooked and scattered into the timber.

“I galloped ahead to see what the problem was and there stood a ‘college boy’ standing in the middle of the trail with a clip board in his hand looking up at the fir tree. I asked him how old he thought the tree was, and he said, ‘I guess about 300 years old.’ I told him, ‘Just how in the heck did it get that old without you being around to look at it?’ ”

— 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.



Owyhee Cattlemen's winter meeting



Melba's Ernie Bahem (left), who was Owyhee Cattlemen's Association president 45 years ago, accepts the membership bit from current president Ken Bahem after the drawing Saturday in Oreana. An OCA Life Member since 2008, Ernie Bahem is Ken's uncle.

Owyhee cattlemen hold on to values while embracing future

For whatever reason — be it remoteness or stubbornness — many Owyhee County cattlemen have been slow to turn on to the digital age.

In fact, Owyhee Cattlemen's Association past president Kenny Kershner even took a ribbing at Saturday's winter meeting because he doesn't have (some say reliable, some say any) email.

It's fast becoming time for every rancher to jump on the broadband wagon, though.

The OCA turned the corner Saturday when it unveiled its website, www.owyheecattlemen.com, during the semiannual general membership meeting inside Oreana Community Hall.

Association secretary Scott Jensen handed out interactive devices that allowed members to rate the different aspects of the website. For the most part, the website's formative incarnation was met with approval.

The site is the OCA's latest attempt to educate the public about the challenges county livestock producers face from natural and governmental forces while trying to carry out their mission of feeding the world and caring for the land.

The website will be a place to get news and resources about things that affect ranchers — from wildfires and their prevention to habitat restoration to the latest developments in grazing legislation.

Public Lands Council executive director Dustin Van Liew provided some of those updates in person Saturday, saying that the PLC is working in the new Congress to build on some of the gains seen in the final months of the 114th Congress.

PLC will push for modernization of the Endangered Species Act and a delay on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's final decision on whether to list the Greater Sage-grouse. The group will seek Antiquities Act reform in an attempt to make it more difficult for a president to establish national monument lands.

The PLC is also backing a movement to bar groups without direct cattle industry interests from seeking legal fees reimbursement under the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA).



Dustin Van Liew



Sitting next to fellow OCA board member David Rutan, left, Lorna Steiner uses an interactive device to rate the association's new website.

The target of some of those lawsuits, the Bureau of Land Management, sent officials to an OCA meeting for the first time in a year.

Bruneau Field Office manager Tanya Thrift said she met with the OCA board of directors recently to work out resource strategies with another year of drought looming. Boise District manager Jim Fincher also spoke, but no one from the Owyhee Field Office approached the podium.

Idaho Rangeland Resource Commission executive director Gretchen Hyde told the membership about the organization's educational efforts through its Life on the Range video series. A video shown during the meeting featured Reynolds Creek ranchers Elias and Inez Jaca and promoted harmonious multiple use between ATV riders and ranchers trailing their cattle across public lands.

Hyde also reiterated data from a recently released public opinion poll that reflects Idaho residents find ranchers are better stewards of the land and are more credible sources when it comes to resource-based issues.

Bruneau rancher Chris Black chairs the IRRC.

— JPB



Idaho Cattle Association president-elect Lori Lickley talked about the organization's work on the Idaho Department of Lands draft grazing program business plan, which she said — if finalized as is — could increase rates by 25 percent to \$8.50 per animal unit monthly by 2019.



Bureau of Land Management Boise District fuels specialist Lance Okeson holds up a map outlining the area where juniper removal is being considered as part of the Bruneau-Owyhee Sage-grouse Project, the public comment period for which closes Friday. He also discussed the Tri-state Project, through which the agency would build fire breaks across the Owyhee and Bruneau field offices to cut down on the chance of a large-scale wildfire such as the Murphy Complex of 2007.



OCA president Ken Bahem, left, accepts a \$25,000 donation to the Owyhee Cattlemen's Heritage Fund from Northwest Farm Credit Services and CoBank representative Stephen Parrott. The Jordan Valley Rodeo Association, South Mountain Ranch and Shaw Cattle Co. also made large donations to the fund that helps finance the Owyhee 68 legal battle and other multiple-use causes. Northwest and CoBank also awarded a \$1,000 grant to the Owyhee Rangeland Fire Protection Association.



Grand View rancher Donna Bennett, left, chose a crisp \$100 bill from Joyce Ranch (represented by OCA director Chad Nettleton) when she won the first deck o'cards raffle.

Skilled community members help Bruneau auction

Charmaine and Bill Denton

Barn wood-framed David Stocklein photo print
Charmaine and Bill Denton moved to Bruneau from Salt Lake City in 1993. They previously visited Bruneau for hunting and fishing trips.

Charmaine, 75, says as soon as they settled in, they thought it would be fun to get involved with the auction. They've donated something to the auction every year since moving to town. This year, Bill, 67, has made a frame out of old barn wood and donated it to enclose a David Stocklein photo. A staple of previous auctions, the photo featuring area cattlemen was taken in 1994 at Celia and Tom Hall's ranch. Charmaine said her husband never throws a piece of wood away and has made the barn wood frames for the auction in past years. The prints are always the best-selling items at the auctions and

have sold for \$1,000, Charmaine said. However, she also said their tradition won't continue for much longer. They only have three of the photo prints left. Charmaine says those will be for this auction, next year's and the 2017 auction. The Dentons have donated 10 or 15 Stocklein photo prints over the years. Charmaine will be donating something of her own to the auction this year. She made a flower box out of an old window with a mirror behind it. She says being involved with the auction means "a sense of helping the community, and the social part of the auction is a great night." Since moving to Bruneau, they've made hundreds of friends, and Charmaine calls it "such a social community."

— SC

The 2015 version of the David Stocklein print of a 1994 gathering of area cattlemen, which is encased in a barn wood frame designed by Bill Denton, sits beneath a table of other items that will be available at Saturday's 27th annual Bruneau Booster Club Auction. Submitted photo



Gene and Justin Tindall

Alfalfa/grass hay and beef

Mary and Gene Tindall both went to school in Bruneau starting as small children, and Mary said "we have deep roots in Owyhee County and in Bruneau." Their two sons, Jason and Justin, are graduates of Rimrock High School, and the entire family graduated from the University of Idaho. Jason is now an ag instructor at Meridian High School, while Justin lives at the family farm in Bruneau and raises black Angus cattle. "When the Booster Auction comes around, we do what we can to help out," Mary said. "We always try to contribute either as being a donor, a buyer, or a worker ... some years in all three capacities." She adds the family believes they should be participants and not just spectators in the community. Tindall said for several years they've donated alfalfa/grass hay, and Gene will be doing the same this year. Justin will be donating two boxes of home-raised beef this year, Mary said. That will include more than 30 pounds of hamburger along with roasts and steaks. Both Jason and Justin received

scholarships from the Bruneau Booster Club when they graduated from Rimrock. "Over the years, they have been donors and/or purchasers at the auction, so they can in some small way help another Rimrock student attend college (to) repay the Booster Club for supporting them and also do their part for the community," Mary said. Perhaps participation in the auction is all about community pride, though. It's the competition, too. "Justin was very excited last year to finally be the winning bidder for the Stocklein picture," Mary said. The men in the print are all cowboys Justin admired while growing up in Bruneau. "The Bruneau Booster Club has supported and contributed to many wonderful projects for our town. The latest being the Bruneau Emergency Center," Mary said. She is president of the Bruneau Quick Response Unit, which will utilize the center. Mary thinks the Bruneau Booster Club is to be commended for "preserving the past," "supporting the present" and "promoting the future."

— SC

Justin Tindall, left, stands with his mother Mary in Bruneau. For this year's auction, Justin is donating two boxes of home-grown beef, and his father, Gene, is providing hay.

Submitted photo



Some of the blocks in the local cattle brands quilt that Elizabeth Rarick has been working with plans to donate it to the 2015 Bruneau Booster Club Auction. Submitted photo

Elizabeth Rarick Ranch brands quilt

Elizabeth Rarick, 25, moved to Bruneau in 2006 from Hazelton, which is near Twin Falls. Her father grew up in Bruneau and moved away only to move back home later. Rarick's boyfriend helps run a ranch in Bruneau, and that prompted her to move to Owyhee County. This is her third year donating to the auction, and this time around she made a quilt with 27 ranch brands that were used to mark cattle. Rarick came up with the idea for the quilt from time that she has spent with area ranchers, but she got some help from her boyfriend's cousin, who had a branding book.

The project was familiar territory to Rarick, who has been making quilts since she was a teenager. In 2013, Rarick donated to the auction a basket with an apron and potholders along with homemade jelly. Last year, she made a candy basket and more handcrafted preserves. One of Rarick's favorite stories from the auction was about a lady who for years donated pies to the annual event but is now deceased. Last year, the recipe for one of those pies went for about \$3,000, Rarick said.

— SC

Bruneau resident Elizabeth Rarick sits at her sewing machine with some of her quilt blocks nearby.

Submitted photo





Wilson Butte 4-H announces 2015 officers

The Wilson Butte 4-H Club recently elected its 2015 officers, including, from left, Justin Ineck, vice-president; Tanner Fisher, secretary; Cheylah Volkers, president; Elizabeth Harmon, treasurer and Tyler Roberts, sergeant-at-arms. Submitted photo

Harvest Share set in Jordan Valley

The monthly Rural Harvest Share will be back in Jordan Valley on Thursday, if there is enough produce available. The Oregon Food Bank-

Southeast Oregon Services program provides free fruits and vegetables — and sometimes bread — to anyone who shows up. Distribution takes place at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Jordan Valley Lions Hall, 209 Bassett St. (U.S. Highway 95). Once again, no stop is planned for Arock. Regardless of produce

availability, the Jordan Valley Community Mobile Pantry will be open from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on the same day at the Lions Hall. Unlike the Rural Harvest program, there are eligibility requirements for families to receive help from the mobile pantry. For more information, contact the Oregon Food Bank in Ontario at (541) 889-9206.

New waste transfer station permit process moves forward

County P&Z approves CUP; DEQ steps next

The Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission has approved a conditional use permit application for a new waste transfer station near Homedale. The P&Z board approved the request by Homedale-based garbage contractor Westowns Disposal Inc., after a hearing earlier this month. The CUP is similar to the one Westowns owner Bill Pastoor obtained for a proposed larger project in 2009. He abandoned the plan when the economy weakened. Pastoor plans to build a waste transfer station on his property south of Homedale Municipal Airport. His new plan calls for a building that is 100 feet by 60 feet, about half the size of the 11,250-square-foot structure in the 2009 plans. The project still has to undergo permitting from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality's solid waste division. However, Pastoor says the previous project had received preliminary site approval and he's already in contact with the state agency about the new work. The Idaho Transportation Department's Division of Aeronautics has also re-evaluated the proposed building. A letter from the division stated it has no objections to the project and will

not require lighting and marking of the structure. The city of Homedale and the Homedale School District have sent Pastoor letters stating that neither entity had objections to the new transfer station. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game told Pastoor it doesn't anticipate undue adverse effects to fish and wildlife resources from the proposed project. Pastoor has hired J-U-B Engineering of Nampa for the structural engineering, while Rock Solid Civil Engineering is taking care of other tasks such as topography. The metal building, which will stand about 24 feet high at its roof peak, will be fully enclosed to eliminate odor and mess, Pastoor said. The facility will be used to consolidate trash from route trucks into larger loads to be hauled to Pickles Butte Landfill south of Nampa in Canyon County. Consolidating loads would allow Pastoor's crews to start with empty route trucks every morning and cut down on the number of half-full trucks that are making trips to the landfill now. He says the primary goal is to be more efficient and save fuel. Trucks would enter the building and dump trash on the floor where recyclable materials would be taken out. The garbage would then be pushed off the floor and down a 15-foot embankment into a large rollaway bin. — SC

No Ductwork? No Problem!

If your home's primary heat source comes from electric baseboards, ceiling cables or wall units, Idaho Power has a \$750 incentive to help upgrade your heating and cooling system. A ductless heat pump doesn't require ductwork, increases overall comfort, helps to lessen energy waste and is unobtrusive (unit shown on wall). For program details, go to www.idahopower.com/ductless

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Conservation district changes meeting time

The Owyhee Conservation District board will hold its March meeting earlier than usual. The board, which usually meets on the second Thursday of the month, will convene at 10 a.m. on March 5. Meetings are held at the U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., in

Marsing. The March meeting is the final event before the OCD board starts its daylight saving schedule for meetings. With the time change, the board will meet at 8 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month, beginning on April 9. The evening meetings last through October with the board meeting in the morning from November to March. For more information on the OCD, call (208) 896-4544.

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Front row, from left: Cynthia Mackey, standing in for Erin Nielson, Kellie Barraza and Carlee Morton. Back row, from left: Morgan Bayes, Sundee Speelmon and Quincy Pendergrass. Submitted photo

Adrian FFA speakers reach sectional

by Lauren Barraza, chapter reporter

Adrian chapter members were among competitors who convened for the Snake River FFA District Leadership Career Development Events (CDEs) on Wednesday, Feb. 4 at Nyssa High School.

Several Adrian FFA members from Adrian experienced success in the speaking competitions, and some qualified for today’s FFA Sectional CDEs at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande, Ore.

In the FFA Creed Speaking CDE, Erin Nielson placed first and Sundee Speelmon placed second.

Morgan Bayes was first in Beginning public speaking with “Club Lambs — Their Role in the American Sheep Industry.”

In Sophomore Public Speaking, Carlee Morton placed first with her speech titled “Bringing Back the Beef,” and Lauren Barraza placed fourth with her speech “The Dirty Jobs that America Needs.”

In Advanced Public Speaking, Kellie Barraza placed first with her speech “Women’s Role in Agriculture,” and Quincy Pendergrass placed second with her speech titled “The Deadline is Looming — Sage-grouse Decision of 2015.”

All first- and second-place speakers and teams are eligible to compete in today’s sectional.

The Adrian chapter also had beginning and advanced teams that competed in their respective Parliamentary Procedure contests. Both teams finished fourth.

Homedale FFA Alumni group to present BBQ

The Homedale FFA Alumni Association will hold a family barbecue prior to ag education-related meetings Monday.

The barbecue will be served from 6:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. inside the Homedale High School Ag classroom at the corner of East Owyhee Avenue and North 2nd Street East at the rear of the HHS campus.

The dinner precedes the Homedale FFA chapter meeting and the alumni association meeting. Both begin at 7:30 p.m.

The alumni association encourages membership for anyone who wants to help the FFA chapter with chaperoning trips or judging local and district contests or fundraisers.

“We are always looking for new members that support the Vo Ag/FFA programs in Homedale,” association representative Sue Williams said.

The association also will be planning a summer event during Monday’s meeting.

Parent-teacher conferences also will be held at the school from 4:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.

Man dies in farm accident; Hwy. 78 CDR helps family

Donations are being accepted to help the family of an Owyhee County man killed in a farming accident.

William F. “Bill” Hackler, 34, died Friday in Canyon County.

Owyhee County Hwy. 78 Community Disaster Relief Inc. president Denise Lacy said the organization is accepting tax-deductible donations on behalf of the Hackler family. The CDR already has donated \$500.

The Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire District board asked the CDR to help, Lacy said. She added that donating through the CDR is the only tax-deductible way to help the family.

Make checks out to Owyhee Hwy. 78 CDR Inc., and write “Bill Hackler Fund” and the organization’s tax number, EIN 47-0974631, in the memo line to ensure a tax deduction. Receipts are available for cash donations.

“Finally people are understanding that this is what the community disaster relief is all about,” Lacy said.

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House arrest for man’s second felony DUI

Two others sentenced for drunk driving

A Melba man must serve a year of house arrest and five years’ probation after his second felony driving under the influence conviction since 2009.

Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan originally ordered Michael F. Donaldson to spend a year in jail, but later modified the sentence to 12 months of house arrest.

Donaldson originally was charged with misdemeanor DUI in September before a 6-year-old DUI conviction was discovered from Lewis County.

Ryan also suspended Donaldson’s driver’s license for five years and suspended a state prison term of up to five years.

Donaldson also must pay \$290.50 in court fees.

Nyssa, Ore., resident Ross D. Saldana was given the option of 32 hours community service or

four days in Owyhee County Jail after his sentencing for a second DUI offense on Feb. 4. He must also enter a treatment program.

Homedale Police arrested Saldana in August. Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober pronounced sentence on the misdemeanor charge earlier this month.

Grober suspended all but 10 days of a one-year jail sentence and gave Saldana credit for six days already spent behind bars in Murphy.

Saldana must serve two years’ probation, and will be without a driver’s license for a year. He also has been ordered to pay \$932 in fines and court costs.

Jess Elmer Percifield was sentenced to 12 days in jail after his misdemeanor DUI. Grober sentenced the Marsing man on Feb. 9 in Murphy.

Percifield must pay \$650 in fines and costs.

He was placed on probation for a year and had his driver’s license suspended for six months.

Grober suspended all but 12 days of a 180-day jail sentence.

Wilder man sentenced for burning stolen ATV

Four-wheeler found in Strodes Basin in 2013

A two-year-old felony criminal conspiracy case involving a stolen and burned ATV has been resolved.

Kelsie Demonde Davis, 21, of Wilder has been placed on five years’ probation for his role in the crime. Third District Judge Christopher S. Nye suspended a prison sentence of three to five years and ordered Davis to pay the owner of the 2005 Yamaha 400cc ATV \$2,720.

Davis will serve his sentence concurrently with a Canyon County sentence stemming from the theft of the ATV.

Owyhee County prosecutors said that Davis and several juvenile conspirators colluded to destroy the ATV by setting it on fire and pushing it down a hill toward Strodes Basin.

The ATV was reported stolen to the Canyon County Sheriff’s Office in June 2013. In October, the ATV’s owner called authorities to say that he saw a photo of the ATV on Facebook.

According to court documents, the ATV was taken to Owyhee County and burned after the suspects discovered the photos had been seen on the Internet.

In Canyon County, Davis had a prison sentence of three to six years suspended after completing a rider program following his June 24 sentencing on felony burglary and grand theft.



Proud students get loud

Homedale High School’s cheerleaders and student section get rowdy during the second half of Thursday’s 3A District III girls’ basketball championship game in Ontario, Ore.

Trustees green-light further HMS uniform policy exploration

Parental survey comes back with mixed results

A proposal to require uniforms at Homedale Middle School next year is moving forward.

During their Feb. 9 meeting, school board trustees gave HMS principal Amy Winters the go-ahead to research uniform options and find out what parents might pay.

Other components of the next step include a vote for fifth- and seventh-grade parents on the proposal before the end of the school year and a presentation of the voting results to the school board at its June meeting.

In June, trustees could decide whether or not to implement the policy for the 2015-16 school year.

There also will be outreach to the parents of current fourth-graders, who will transition to the middle school next year.

Winters said the seeds for the mandatory uniform idea were planted two years ago when the school’s parent advisory group created a survey that was distributed at parent nights and parent/teacher conferences.

School faculty and staff were also polled.

Winters shared survey results during last week’s meeting.

She reported that a nearly equal number of parents were for and against uniforms (48 in favor, 44 against), while 36 parents were “possibly in favor” of uniforms. Surveys were sent to each family with a child in the school.

On the district staff side, 14 teachers favored school uniforms, while six didn’t. Ten said they would possibly favor uniforms.

Winters said the hope is uniforms will reduce instances of bullying and help improve inclusion among the student body.

“The idea is middle school students in school uniforms appear to be similar to one another, and this may make a positive

HMS proposed uniform

- Single-colored, short- or long-sleeve polo shirts with no logos
- Any Homedale Trojan apparel purchased to support sports, clubs or other activities.
- Knee-length shorts, skirts or pants in black, white, gray or khaki
- Dark, single-colored jeans without holes meeting the criteria

difference in how they decide to participate in activities or who they choose as friends,” Winters said.

“Additionally, another idea is students in uniform will no longer focus on what ‘things’ make each other different and focus on more on the similarities they all have — learning in their classes.”

Although Winters said she has no record of all the reports of bullying since the start of the 2013-14 school year, she said both she and Garrett have dealt with complaints of students being picked on by other children “on a regular basis,” but adds “they aren’t usually true bullying issues based on the legal definition of bullying.”

“I would guesstimate the number that reflect actually bullying issues is less than 20 within that time frame,” she said.

Discipline for bullying is handled in several different ways, including conversations with students and/or parents, lunch and after-school detention, in-school and out-of-school suspension, school bus suspension and meetings Homedale Police Sgt. Mike McFetridge, the district’s school resource officer.

Winters said there has been one instance of a repeat bullying offender, but the student is no longer at the school. She said the enforcement plan included the school and parents composing a behavior plan with specific rules and consequences.

Winters said uniforms could help eliminate low self-esteem among less-fortunate students whose families may not be able to afford name-brand clothing and

accessories.

“My understanding from conversations with parents is they feel their students are treated with less respect from their peers simply because they cannot afford the more expensive, name-brand clothing and related items,” Winters said.

“This contributes to those low-income students feeling as if they are less valued, less important, less smart, etc., so they typically have lower self-esteem than that of their peers.”

Winters said the next phase of the uniform study will include determining whether low-income families would receive assistance in meeting the dress code if the policy is enacted.

“Currently, several places donate used clothing items to the elementary and middle school for students, and (counselor Randee) Garrett coordinates the distribution of those items to families as needed,” Winters said. “We don’t anticipate that will stop with the uniform change.”

Winters also anticipates that if the policy is instituted, used uniforms would be available as children outgrow them.

Trojans sports gear and clothing sold as a fundraiser by the Parent-Teacher Organization would be included as uniform options to ensure fundraising opportunities could continue, she said.

The parent group, comprised of parents with children in the school this year, and HMS leadership team has come up with a uniform plan, but Winters said it hasn’t been discussed whether teachers will follow the same dress code.

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Homedale High School Drama Club advisor DeAnn Thatcher places marks on the stage indicating where the actors and actresses should stand during the performance of “Holka Polka.”

HHS actors roll out new play

Tayler family immersed in craft

Doing the “Holka Polka” at Homedale High School takes a lot of help. Compared to most plays at the school, the one that starts Feb. 27 involves a number of more people than usual.

Drama Club Advisor DeAnn Thatcher said last fall they did Alice in Wonderland and students immediately wanted to do another production. She responded by telling them, “We have to share the load a little bit.”

That led Thatcher to ask the students if somebody wanted to take on the job of director. Jason Buenrostro stepped forward to oversee the fairy tale mystery.

Thatcher says he’s “doing an awesome job of rallying the troops.” She also said “right away he found out about some of the challenges.”

One of those challenges has been with scheduling because the drama club shares the old

gym with the school’s basketball teams that use it for practice.

She’s also receiving a “ton of wonderful help” from Christy Tayler, Thatcher said. Tayler lives in Wilder, but has two girls in Homedale schools for the music and arts program.

Tayler said helping with “Holka Polka” has been manageable between her, Thatcher, Buenrostro and other students.

A great deal of Tayler’s time with the play was spent making costumes. That included outfits for the gnomes, the bards’ tunics, and the prince’s jacket along with creating props.

She freely admits to being “self-taught behind a sewing machine.”

Her daughter Jessica is a member of the Homedale Drama Club and will portray “Cindy,” a character based on Cinderella.

Tayler’s youngest children, 12-year-old Rachel and 10-year-old Nathan, are also acting in the production.

Her oldest son, Adam, was also in Homedale’s Drama Club.

She says the family got the “drama bug” from a neighbor of theirs who was in the Music Theatre of Idaho. The Taylers were in a couple of MTI productions in 2013.

Besides their time on the stage, Christy says they all enjoy music and singing in their church choir.

Twenty-five students are involved with the production of “Holka Polka,” which was written by D.M. Larson. The club acquired the script from www.freedrama.net.

Performances are scheduled for scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 27-28 inside the school’s auxiliary gymnasium.

Admission is \$2 for students, \$3 for adults and \$10 for a family. Tickets can be purchased ahead of time from drama members or at the door.

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Homedale schools have plan to keep online offerings open

Local school districts offer several programs to help students get a head-start on college courses.

Although some of those courses are offered online through the Idaho Education Network, superintendent Rob Sauer said the Homedale district has a contingency plan in place if the state’s high-speed Internet service lapses at the end of the month.

Sauer said last week that Homedale High School students needn’t worry about the online component even though CenturyLink could shut off the state’s system by the end of the month after a district judge’s ruling voided a contract.

If Homedale has to contract on its own, the district will pay \$6,000 to maintain the connection through the end of the school year, Sauer said.

Eight HHS seniors need the online connection to complete their graduation requirements.

The school offers 60 online courses overall, and 67 students take dual-credit courses.

There is a national trend to help students get to college, HHS principal Dion Flaming said.

“All the core values we teach are geared toward that,” he said.

“Dual credit is only one piece of what we promote to help students get to college,” HHS student services specialist Debbie Flaming said. “It serves the more advanced students, and it’s not for everyone.”

The courses can help make college more affordable.

“The cost of a college education is so high, most being in the \$200 range per credit, it’s a real benefit, because they pay only \$65 per credit,” Dion Flaming said.

Online courses tend to be more rigorous and require more reading than classroom courses.

“A student has to be pretty motivated to take the online courses because it is a different style of learning and requires a certain level of discipline,” Debbie said.

“It’s nice that the dual credit is available. It is a way to stair-step students into the rigor of college.”

Students are encouraged to work with their counselors in exploring advancement opportunities, so individual learning plans and career goals can be identified, as early as seventh grade.

The new “Fast Forward” program provides state funding up to \$200 for juniors and up to \$400 for seniors to pay for up to 75 percent of the cost of dual-credit courses, advanced placement exams and professional-technical exams.

The “8 in 6” program aims to help students in grades 7-12 complete two years of middle school, four years of high school, and two years of post-secondary or trade school in just six years. The goal is achieved by taking online courses during the school year and summers. The state will pay for up to two online summer courses and two online overload courses per year.

Students in the “8 in 6” program can utilize the “Dual Credit for Early Completers” program to get high school credit and qualify for college credit at the same time.

The dual-credit option is available to seniors who complete graduation requirements early and are eligible to take up to 36 college or professional-technical credits of dual-credit courses. The state pays up to \$65 per credit hour for dual credit, and Owyhee County contributes \$50 per credit from its share of the state liquor tax.

HPD chief gets positive feedback in loose dogs campaign

Good PR lessens pain of animal control budget strain

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller recently praised the work of his code enforcement officer.

But Harvey Gist’s performance thus far might be too much of a good thing.

“The problem is our dog catcher is doing too good of a job,” Eidemiller quipped recently, “but on the positive side of that we’re receiving quite a bit of positive feedback from the citizens that they like what’s happening.”

“The dogs running the street, or the population of them, is decreasing by either responsible dog ownership or the dogs being captured and transported.”

Before more folks began buying 2015 dog licenses, Eidemiller reported to the city council that he had spent 40 percent of his animal control budget with only 25 percent of the fiscal year

complete.

“That number would be a little surprising,” Eidemiller said of the expenses, “but we’re also coming into the first of the year.

“We’ll receipt quite a bit from dog licenses.”

Deputy city clerk Rachael Percifield reports that revenue and expense has balanced out somewhat.

The city had brought in \$1,445 on 73 dog tags and seven chicken coop registrations, while boarding for dogs at the City of Wilder pound and the expense of transporting dogs to that location had amounted to \$1,455.

HPD pays a \$40 flat rate for each dog impounded in Wilder.

The good news, though, is that the animal control revenue stream is ahead of projections, too.

The Fiscal Year 2015 animal control budget is \$2,400 for

expenses with \$2,500 in revenue anticipated.

Revenue includes license fees, coop registration fees and kennel fee reimbursements dog owners must pay when they claim their stray animals.

With Gist tracking down more loose dogs, HPD has utilized more of Wilder’s dog kennels. That means paying more boarding fees, and Eidemiller said it also meant Wilder had to expand its kennel facility.

Citizens pay \$10 to register a chicken coop. It costs \$10 to tag a spayed or neutered dog, while owners of unaltered dogs pay \$15 for each license.

Last year, the city sold 236 dog tags for revenue of \$3,800, which was nearly one-third more income than anticipated in FY 2014.

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Rooster leads chicken run

A handful of chickens and one illegal rooster got loose Monday afternoon in an alley behind East Idaho Avenue businesses. When the Homedale City Council revised the animal control ordinance last year to allow chickens within city limits once again, officials stipulated that the fowl had to be housed in a chicken coop that met regulatory standards. It remains illegal to own roosters, which were outlawed in the original 2006 ban. The council upheld that ban last year.



Northwest Farm Credit Services credit officer Jerry Wroten, a Jordan Valley, native (left) presents Jordan Valley Cooperative Weed Management representative Dennis Stanford with a check to purchase a trailer for a rangeland drill. Submitted photo

Jordan Valley group to utilize grant to improve rangeland

The battle to improve the landscape around Jordan Valley can now get rolling thanks to a Northwest Farm Credit Services grant. The Jordan Valley Cooperative Weed Management Area (CWMA) and Owyhee Watershed Council recently received \$1,500 from the Northwest FCS/CoBank Rural Community Grant program. The grant will be used to purchase a trailer for Jordan Valley CWMA's rangeland drill.

The drill will be used to plant new grasses to help improve watershed health and wildlife habitat.

In 2014, Northwest FCS, with support from CoBank, has awarded 83 rural grants totaling nearly \$150,000. Since 2007, Northwest FCS has presented 353 rural grants totaling more than \$710,750.

Rimrock Sr. Center gets Idaho Power grant

The Rimrock Senior Center is step closer to buying a refrigerator and freezer after Idaho Power announced it will award a grant. The public utility last Wednesday released a list of 37 schools and non-profits that would receive Empowering Tomorrow grants. The Grand View senior center was the only Owyhee County organization to receive assistance. The additional refrigerator and freezer will help Rimrock with food storage for meals prepared for residents in Grand View, Bruneau and Oreana.

Idaho Power representatives will deliver a \$500 check to the senior center in the coming weeks, company spokesman Kevin Winslow said.

Idaho Power contributed \$1,000 toward the purchase of a new stove for the senior center last year, Winslow said.

The senior center serves a couple dozen meals each lunchtime on Tuesday and Thursday. Winslow said the holiday meals can draw upwards of 100 people, according to Rimrock's grant application.

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Sr. center renovation complete

After about 500 hours of work, the Marsing Senior Center has a new look. Nina Collett is treasurer of the center's executive board. She said the center's history dates back to 1973 when it was started by 12 or 13 couples. The dining room and kitchen were added on in 1975. Collett said earlier this year eight to 10 volunteers from around the community repainted and reorganized the dining area, which is now "The Red Door Café," named for the red door that leads to the room. A group of Boy Scouts painted the room now called "The Hub" in which the walls were previously gray paneling. The Scouts had to apply a layer of primer first, and the walls are now robin's-egg blue, Collett said. Senior center board vice-president Pete Smit said the idea behind naming that room "The Hub" was to open the building up to more community members of all ages. "The Hub" can comfortably seat around 40 people, and Smit said if they use both rooms, the center could seat 100 people. He adds that the finishing touch for "The Hub" — the installation of a big-screen television — will be happening soon.



Above: The Marsing Senior Center executive board meets in the room now called "The Hub." Below: Roman Usabel mans the new counter in "The Red Door Café,"



Collett said the highlight of the renovation work was a wall they put in to create a room for the senior center's refrigerators and freezers. She said that improvement alone made their kitchen operations much more streamlined and organized. Each freezer is clearly labeled, Collett said. For example, one is only for Meals on Wheels items, one is just for meat and another only stores leftovers. She also pointed out that a log of the temperatures in the freezers is updated daily as required by state law.

The center's pantry was previously in two different rooms, Collett said. It has now been consolidated into one where delivery trucks can pull in right next to the pantry's back door. Smit said "the community has just been wonderful and supportive" for the renovation of the center. Collett echoed those sentiments, saying "they've been great." The facelift isn't the only new thing that has happened at the center. Smit said they recently received a pet food grant.

It was made available by The Banfield Charitable Trust, a national organization that provides financial support to both non-profit organizations and Meals on Wheels Associations of America. Smit said the \$2,000 will go to Marsing seniors who have pets, and it will pay for veterinary bills or even just pet food. The center's Meals on Wheels program has already identified about 10 seniors in town who might benefit from the grant, Smit said.

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Homedale library hosts Chocolate Olympics on Friday

The theme of being sweet continues Friday with the Teens & Tweens Chocolate Olympics. Boys and girls ages 10-17 are invited to the Homedale Public Library for games involving chocolate and games that have chocolate as the winning prize. The event begins at 4 p.m. at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave. The library's 100 Acts of Kindness giveaway continues, too. To qualify for a raffle ticket, a person must do something kind for someone else in the community and come to the library and write it down for display on the kindness tree in the building. The library's Story Time for preschoolers will feature a late celebration of Chinese New Year with the reading of Albert Bitterman's Fortune Cookies. The activity begins at 10:15 a.m. Friday. The story involves a girl who discovered a box filled with seven fortune cookies. As she eats one cookie each day, she realizes the enclosed fortunes predict the future. Story Time also features songs, refreshments and crafts. For more information on any of the library's



Teens & Tweens coordinator Teasha Harris posts a heart on the 100 Acts of Kindness tree. offerings, call 337-4228. The library is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

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Above: Homedale High School junior Nash Johnson, right, controls Skyview's Justin Marin prior to getting the pin for the 145-pounder's 100th career victory Friday on his home mat. **Below:** Trojans coach Toby Johnson embraces his son after the milestone win.

Johnson's historic victory comes on memorable night

Wrestlers from Homedale's rich past witness 100th career win

With the men of history looking on, Nash Johnson etched his name in the Homedale High School's wrestling annals Friday night.

The junior rolled Justin Marin into a small package and pinned the Skyview 138-pounder inside the Trojans' gymnasium for the 100th victory of his career.

Johnson hugged his father and coach, Toby Johnson, after taking care of Marin 59 seconds into the second round.

The win knotted the score, setting up Coty Ford's go-ahead victory at 145 pounds as the Trojans beat the Hawks from Nampa, 39-33, in a non-conference dual during Homedale's first Alumni Night.

Nash Johnson became the first junior to reach 100 career victories in HHS history.

He's the eighth HHS wrestler to reach the milestone.

With the possibility of two more tournaments this season and the potential of more victories,



Johnson could hoist himself higher on the Trojans' century list.

Ron Hooker (seventh all-time at 102 wins),
— See *Victory*, page 6B

Trojans home for district Saturday

Anticipated No. 1 seeds



Andy Montes



Nash Johnson



John Collett

Coach hopes to send at least seven to State

Up to seven Homedale High School wrestlers could be seeded Saturday when the Trojans' play host to the 3A District III championship meet.

The seeding meeting will be held tonight, but 18th-year
— See *District*, page 6B



Homedale, Marsing get tough draws in state tournaments

Loss in district final pits Trojans against No. 2

Fruitland High School ground down gritty Homedale to win the girls' basketball district title Thursday.

The Trojans had a 13-point lead with 13 minutes left in regulation, but the Grizzlies rallied for a 56-53 overtime victory in the 3A District III championship game

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After play-in win, Huskies face state's top team

Marsing High School returns to the girls' basketball state tournament for the first time in two years Thursday.

The Huskies beat St. Maries, 48-41, in Grangeville on Saturday to win a play-in game and earn the opportunity to play the state's top-ranked team in the first round of

— See *Huskies*, page 8B



Jordan Valley's John Echave, right, defends against Ukiah/Long Creek's Sam Studtmann on Friday on the Mustangs' floor. Photo by Tara Echave

Mustangs stand win from state playoffs bye

Jordan Valley High School hammered Ukiah/Long Creek to nail down a trip to the 1A Oregon boys' basketball state playoffs.

A 72-42 home victory Friday gave the Mustangs the 1A High Desert League and the top seed in the 1A District 8 Tournament.

Coach Clint Fillmore's squad

(17-7 overall) can earn a first-round bye in the state tournament with a win in Saturday's district championship game. Jordan Valley will face either Crane or Monument/Dayville at 7:45 p.m. at Grant Union High School in

— See *Mustangs*, page 3B

Sports

Homedale officials continue to gauge football field projects

The drive to construct a new scoreboard at Deward Bell Stadium continues.

Homedale High School athletic director Matt Holtry told school district trustees that there are four advertising positions still available on the proposed football scoreboard.

Ten panels already have been sold.

Businesses have the option to purchase advertising for three years at a cost of \$1,500 or for five years for \$2,000.

District transportation and maintenance director Tom Muir told school board members at their Feb. 9 meeting that he continues to explore options for upgrading the football field press box.

According to Muir's brief report, consultant Burke Deal has suggested adding on to the existing facility. Muir, however, advised the board to consider a new structure.

"There is some dry rot in the existing building and (it) will cause a liability," Muir wrote.

District superintendent Rob Sauer said Friday that the project is on hold.

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If we're going to do it, we want to make sure that it is good long-term," Sauer said.

Holtry also told trustees that repairs at the Bette Uda City Park tennis courts are necessary before the start of practice later this month.

He said two nets and one set of metal support poles need to be replaced, but no estimates have been received.

"We are currently in communication with the city on how we plan on funding these replacements," Holtry wrote in his report to the board.

City public works supervisor Bret Smith told the City Council last Wednesday that it's possible a new exterior net winch could be mounted on the existing support, eliminating the need to dig up the stanchions. Removal of the existing supports would require new cement when they are replaced.

Holtry also continues talks with community members regarding softball facilities. There has been talk of building a new complex at Homedale Middle School.

Holtry said HHS coach Larry Corta and Homedale Youth Sports Inc. president have expressed a need for new diamond dust on the Sundance Park fields. He said the men also said some new fencing would be a possibility.

— JPB

Lowder goes for 26; HHS boys clinch No. 3 by single point

Trojans survive another OT with Wolverines

Homedale and Weiser turned out to be the best-matched teams in what turned out to be the most evenly matched 3A Snake River Valley conference boys' basketball season in recent memory.

In the teams' second overtime encounter of the regular season, the Trojans scored a season high in points to beat the Wolverines, 82-80, on Friday to clinch the No. 3 seed in the 3A District III Tournament.

"It was a game of offensive runs, and I am glad we had two extra points than they did," HHS coach Casey Grove said. "We did have 23 team assists, which was a season high."

The victory meant Homedale (12-9 overall, 5-5 at the end of the 3A SRV season) played Weiser (11-10, 3-7) again Tuesday night after deadline in the first round of the district tournament.

A win would have moved the Trojans into a Saturday semifinal against second-seeded Payette (17-5). A loss would have put coach Casey Grove's team in Tuesday's late elimination game at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

After the host Wolverines erased a nine-point deficit over the final eight minutes of regulation Friday night, the Trojans held on to force



Dillon Lowder

overtime. Homedale owned a 36-28 halftime advantage, but Weiser erupted for 46 points in the second half to tie the score, 74-74, heading into the extra period.

Weiser beat Homedale, 73-72, in overtime on Jan. 29 on the Trojans' floor. Friday's win gave Homedale the tiebreaker for third place by one point.

Homedale's Dillon Lowder dropped six three-pointers — two short of matching Chris Hoshaw's single-game school record of eight — and went off for 26 points to lead all scorers. Lowder scored 14 points in the first quarter.

Evan Loomis led Weiser with 21 points.

Benny Schamber led Homedale with eight rebounds and also scored 11 points, while Connor Carter contributed 14 points. Lawsen Matteson scored eight.

Last Wednesday: Parma 60, Homedale 44 — Missing shots and not getting rebounds spelled doom for the Trojans on the road.

"We shot poorly all night, especially in the first half," Grove said. "We got out-rebounded. I'm not sure how many Parma had, but I am assuming it was much more than we had."

Even shooting just 23.1 percent (6-for-26) in the first half, Homedale trailed by only seven at halftime. The Panthers scored 19 points in the third quarter to widen the lead.

"Our man-to-man defense was horrible, along with our help-side defense," Grove said.

Parma's Tanner Kramer led all scorers with 17 points.

Homedale was 2-for-16 from beyond the three-point line. Lowder hit both of those treys as part of his team-high 13 points.

Connor Carter scored 10 points, converting six of eight free throws, and Garrett Carter chipped in 11 points.

Lowder had six rebounds and three assists, while Josh Tolmie had three steals.

Amos Aguilera and Kincade Kincheloe grabbed five rebounds each.

Elijah Larson scored 12 points for Parma.

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Athlete of the Week

Nash Johnson, jr., wrestling

The Play — Johnson became the eighth Trojans wrestler — and first junior — to achieve 100 career victories when he pinned Skyview's Justin Marin on Friday night at home. Johnson (32-3 this season) won three matches during the week and has 24 pins this season and 65 for his career.

Boys' basketball

Varsity
3A District III Tournament
Treasure Valley CC, Ontario, Ore.
If won Tuesday: Saturday, Feb. 21 vs. Payette, 7:30 p.m.
If lost Tuesday: Tuesday, Feb. 24 vs. semifinal loser, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Wednesday, Feb. 18 at 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament, opponent and time TBA, Emmett (if nec.)

Frosh-soph
Wednesday, Feb. 18 at 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament, opponent and time TBA, Emmett (if nec.)

Wrestling
Saturday, Feb. 21, home for 3A District III Tournament, 9 a.m.

Girls' basketball

Varsity
3A Real Dairy Shootout state tournament
Skyview H.S., Nampa
Thursday, Feb. 19 vs. Sugar-Salem, 6:15 p.m.
If win Thursday: Friday, Feb. 20 vs. Marsh Valley or Shelley, 8 p.m.
If lose Thursday: Friday, Feb. 20 vs. Marsh Valley or Shelley, 3 p.m.
If 2-0 after Friday: Championship game: Saturday, Feb. 21, 3:50 p.m., Ford Idaho Center, Nampa
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Sports

Rolling Adrian girls take apart Crane

Antelopes win ninth consecutive game to secure No. 2 district seed

Adrian High School beat the 1A District 8 girls' basketball tournament's top-seeded team, but the Antelopes could see Crane again Saturday.

The Antelopes destroyed the Mustangs, 62-41, in their 1A High Desert League regular-season finale at home Friday.

Adrian (20-4 overall, 12-2 in league) earned the No. 2 seed in this week's district tournament in John Day, Ore., outright when Crane beat Jordan Valley, 66-58, on Saturday.

The Antelopes, who beat Burnt River, 49-41, on Thursday in Unity, Ore., bring a nine-game winning streak into the district tournament.

Adrian and Jordan Valley (16-8, 11-3) meet in the district semifinals Thursday at Grant Union High School with the winner moving on to the 1A Oregon state playoffs. Before the playoffs, though, Thursday's winner meets Crane on Saturday for the district title. The loser would have to win an elimination game Saturday to earn the district's No. 3 seed into the state playoffs.

The championship game winner will be the district's top seed into the state playoffs, earning a first-round bye and host a second-

round game.

The district champion also needs just one win in the state playoffs to reach the final eight in the state tournament, which takes place March 5-7 in Baker City, Ore.

Friday: Adrian 62, Crane 41 — The Antelopes wiped out the Mustangs with a 24-7 run to open the second half.

Several reserves played as Adrian led by as many as 35 points. The Antelopes forced 39 turnovers and scored 28 points off those Crane miscues.

"Our girls worked extremely hard and put a lot of defensive pressure on them," Antelopes coach Gene Mills said. "We had the best shooting night of the season for the first three quarters."

The hot shooting in the first 24 minutes helped Adrian connect on 52 percent of its shots (23-for-44).

Rebecca Furtado missed just once on six shots and was one of three Antelopes scorers in double figures with 10 points.

Quincy Pendergrass filled the stat sheet with 16 points, eight steals, six rebounds and five assists. Fellow starter Carlee Morton kicked in 13 points and three assists.

Anna Hutchings came off the bench for eight points, six steals and four assists.

Crane's Claire Hammond scored 17 points to lead all players, while teammate Kayla Mims had 10 points.

Adrian boys nab No. 4 district seed

Back-to-back district tournament victories will send Adrian High School to the 1A Oregon boys' basketball state playoffs.

The Antelopes enter Friday's district tournament as the fourth seed after splitting their final 1A High Desert League games of the season last week.

Adrian (16-7 overall, 9-5 in league) lost a chance at a higher seed with a 54-47 defeat against visiting Crane on Friday.

"The boys worked hard; the loss was not for lack of effort," Antelopes coach Aaron Mills said. "We just failed to execute and they shot the deep ball extremely well."

The Antelopes routed Burnt River, 59-39, in Unity, Ore., on Thursday.

Adrian plays the winner of a play-in game Friday at Grant Union High School in John Day, Ore. A win sends the Antelopes into a Saturday game against the loser of Friday's other opening-round game

between Crane and Monument/Dayville. The winner of Saturday's game enters the state playoffs as the district No. 3 seed.

The Crane-Monument/Dayville winner plays top-seeded Jordan Valley on Saturday for the district championship and a first-round bye in the state playoffs.

Friday: Crane 54, Adrian 47 — The Mustangs rained three-point goals down on the Antelopes, hitting seven of 20 attempts (35 percent). William Clark discovered his outside shot, going 5-for-8 from behind the three-point line for 16 points for the Mustangs.

Wyatt Starbuck led all scorers with 17 points for Crane (15-9, 10-4), which broke open the game with a 16-8 run in the second quarter.

Adrian's scoring was spread around. Reagan Shira and Emmanuel Dominguez scored 10 points apiece. Jett McCoy and Tyler Reay notched nine points and 11 rebounds each.

Adrian, JV girls play for state berth

After chasing Adrian all year, the Jordan Valley High School girls' basketball team will meet its archrival one more time Friday.

The Mustangs and Antelopes face off with a 1A Oregon state playoffs berth on the line Friday in the 1A District 8 Tournament at Grant Union High School in John Day, Ore.

Jordan Valley (16-8 overall) and Adrian (20-4) finished one game apart after the final weekend of the 1A High Desert League season.

The teams split their league encounters. Jordan Valley posted a 53-40 victory at home on Jan. 13, and Adrian returned the favor with a 44-31 triumph on Feb. 3.

Friday's winner makes the state playoffs and advances to play Crane (18-6) in Saturday's district championship game. Friday's loser drops into the third-place game, the winner of which also makes the playoffs.

Saturday: Crane 66, Jordan Valley 58 — Coach Kelsi Skinner's team finished off a final weekend split with a setback against the league champion.

Maria Thompson scored half of her 22 points in the third quarter as Crane posted 24 points and erased Jordan Valley's 30-25 halftime lead.

Andi Warn led three Jordan Valley scorers in double figures with 14 points. She hit only two of nine foul shots as Jordan Valley struggled from the free-throw line (11-for-25, 44 percent).



Jordan Valley's Andi Warn (in blue) splits two Crane defenders to take a shot. Photo by Tara Echave

11 points.

Friday: Jordan Valley 69, Ukiah/Long Creek 20 — Andi Warn scored 20 points as the Mustangs cruised at home.

Alisha Rogers connected on all four of her free throws on the way to 15 points for Jordan Valley, which held a 21-point halftime lead and put the game

away with a 21-5 run through the third quarter.

Freshman Cheyenne Davis scored six points, and junior Jaci Larsen contributed four points.

Ukiah/Long Creek, which finished the season 0-19, received 16 points from Bruna Falci as only three players cracked the scoring column.

✓ Mustangs: Boys blow out Tigers Friday

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John Day, Ore.

The Mustangs edged Crane, 57-56, to close the league season Saturday.

Saturday: Jordan Valley 57, Crane 56 — Jordan Valley owned a two-point lead at halftime and were able to hold on for the road win.

"Crane had a good night shooting," Fillmore said. "We made some mistakes on D, but we maintained."

"They got the win in a tough place to play. I'm proud of them on being league champs."

Wyatt Stanford racked up six three-point goals on the way to a game-high 22 points. Lee Stanford had a double-double with 11 second-half points and 10 rebounds.

Braden Fillmore added nine points.

Crane put only eight players on the floor with only its starting five breaking into the scoring column. Travis Landon and Joe Valentine scored 13 points each, while Wyatt Starbuck added 12.

Friday: Jordan Valley 72, Monument/Dayville 42 — With Lee Stanford and Braden Fillmore

scoring six points apiece, the Mustangs built an 18-point lead in the first quarter.

"They played good in that game, getting up early and allowing all the boys to get a lot of time," Clint Fillmore said.

John Echave came off the bench for a team-high 14 points.

Chase Fillmore and Russel Stanford scored eight points each, while Jett Warn and Kasen Skinner chipped in six points apiece.

Massimo Basconi hit three three-pointers en route to 17 points for the Tigers.

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Sports



The Homedale High School cheerleaders show off the awards won in Boise. **Top row, from left:** Delaney Phariss, Jennifer Hernandez, Payton Kerbs and Mindy Padilla. **Middle row, from left:** Elizabeth Hernandez, Nelly Gonzales, Alexis Muir, Taylor Kerbs. **Bottom row, from left:** Marissa Guzman, assistant coach Jessie Kerbs, head coach Wendy Aberasturi and Tanis Lentfer. Submitted photo

Homedale cheerleaders have sights on State competition

Team won titles at first meet in school history

Even with less than two weeks of practice, the Homedale High School cheer squad turned in a championship performance in the first competition in school history

The team, coached by Wendy Aberasturi with assistance from

Jessie Kerbs, won the 3A titles for Pom and Sideline Cheer during a Jan. 24 competition at Rocky Mountain High School in Meridian.

The Trojans squad scored better than Fruitland in both categories in the TecCo Two: Three O competition.

“We had told the girls when we got on the bus to leave that morning that we were already winners because we had made it to our first-ever competition in

the history of Homedale High,” Kerbs said.

“Our new goal is to make it to State, so we are working very hard to do that.”

Next up is the district competition on Saturday, Feb. 28 at Meridian High School. The state competition takes place March 20-21 at the Ford Idaho Center in Nampa.

Homedale’s cheerleaders practiced more than 20 hours in the weeks leading up to the

competition.

They spent 12 days perfecting their sideline cheer and seven on the pom routine.

Typically, they practice about 12 hours each week.

The group includes seniors Marissa Guzman, Delaney Phariss and Jennifer Hernandez; juniors Elizabeth Hernandez and Taylor Kerbs; sophomore Tanis Lentfer; and freshmen Payton Kerbs, Alexis Muir, Mindy Padilla and Nelly Gonzales.

Antelopes medal at PE tourney

The only Adrian High School wrestlers entered collected medals Saturday at the final tournament before district competition.

Florian Nieder, a sophomore from Germany, collected third place at 285 pounds at the Pine Eagle Invitational in Halfway, Ore. Luke Campbell was fifth at 152 pounds.

Nieder was one of only three heavyweight wrestlers in the tournament and the only one not from Nyssa, Ore. After back-to-back byes, he was pinned by Jacob Yruegas in 2 minutes, 59 seconds in the semifinal.

Another bye meant Nieder got the bronze.

Campbell had more competition to sift through.

He outscored Elgin’s Tanner Owen, 21-14, for a major decision in a high-scoring fifth-place match.

Campbell needed two consecutive consolation bracket victories to reach the fifth-place match. He pinned Tim Jaca from the Hep-pner/Ione co-op in 2:18 then beat Joseph Aguilar from the tournament host, 7-2.

Campbell’s tournament began with a 9-4 victory over Crane’s Warren Johnson, 9-4.

He got knocked into the consolation bracket after Vale’s Lane Cummings pinned him at the 2:40 mark of their quarterfinal match.

Adrian is scheduled to compete in the 2A/1A District 4 Tournament, which takes place Friday and Saturday in Enterprise, Ore.

Rimrock’s year ends

Rimrock High School’s girls’ basketball season ended Thursday in the third-place game of the 1A, Div. I District III Tournament.

The Raiders fell to Notus, 41-35, at Mountain View High School in Meridian. The Pirates moved on to a Saturday play-in game with a shot at the Real Dairy Shootout state tournament.

Sakota Hall scored 13 points for Rimrock, which held an 11-10 first-quarter lead. Kyla Mills added eight points, and Angeles Lino chipped in seven.

Feb. 10: Rimrock 34, Horseshoe Bend 26 — The fifth-seeded Raiders reached the third-place game as Hall scored 13 points, and Analeise Mills had eight points and 11 rebounds in Meridian.

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Sports

Trojan signs with TVCC



Jenkins has one more season with Trojans
Homedale High School senior Bo Jenkins got his post-secondary plans out of the way Thursday night when he signed a letter of intent to play baseball at Treasure Valley Community College. He signed his letter on the TVCC campus in Ontario, Ore. On hand were, from left, Trojans baseball coach Burke Deal, Bo's father Bob, TVCC coach Aaron Sutton, Bo's mother Kelli and HHS athletic director Matt Holtry. Submitted photos



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Sports



Huskies head to Garden Valley for district tournament

Above: Marsing High School senior Noah Grossman, left, most likely will face off with New Plymouth's Marcus Davis again as the two vie for the 220-pound championship in Saturday's 2A District III Tournament in Garden Valley. Grossman is the reigning state champion in the weight class. **Below:** Coach Jon Nelson takes a young team to the district tournament with a roster that includes sophomore Oscar Gonzalez, who is shown in action as he won the junior varsity championship in the 152B division at the R.D. Brown Invitational in New Plymouth on Jan. 31. Joseph Ineck (138) and Jesus Duran (160A) also finished fourth in that tournament and will move up to varsity competition Saturday. Photos by Sarah Grossman / Freeze the Day Photography



✓ **Victory:** Trojans win three of four duals during final week of regular season

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Ryan Nash (sixth at 105) and Bryan Martinat (fifth at 107) could still be in reach this year.

Johnson is already the single-season record-holder for takedowns with more than 90 this season.

His milestone victory came in front of an audience that included Nash, his brother Steve, Martinat's father Tony and seven other former HHS wrestlers who turned out for the alumni night.

After Homedale wrapped up its match against Emmett, the current Trojans stood in a receiving line and shook hands with the men who came before them, including:

- Steve Nash, a 1982 graduate who won four district championships and counted two state titles among his three top-four placings.
- Tony Martinat, Class of 1982, who placed fifth at State.
- Bill Maxwell, Class of 1983, who was a State runner-up and a district champion.
- Ryan Nash, Class of 1988, who won three state championships and finished second once. He also captured three district titles.
- Matt Larzelier, a 1998 HHS graduate
- Wade Black, Class of 2001, who won two district titles and placed third and fourth at State.
- Kyle Shanley, Class of 2001, who won a district championship and placed at the state tournament twice.
- Fidel Cardenas, a 2003 graduate
- Juan Garcia, a 2003 graduate who won three district championships.
- Ismael Mendoza, Class of 2012, who finished second and fourth at the state tournament.

Homedale 42, Emmett 40 — Johnson's 99th victory pushed the Trojans in front and allowed Homedale to close its 3A Snake River Valley conference season with a win over the Huskies, who are coached by former HHS football coach Rob Kassebaum.

The Trojans nailed down third place in the conference standings.

Johnson pinned Logan Crawshaw in 59 seconds in the 145-pound match.

Andy Montes pinned L.J. Hadley at 106 pounds, and 113-pounder Anthony Beckman pinned Makayla Galbraith in 68 seconds to tie the dual early after Homedale had given up forfeits in the two heaviest weight classes.

John Collett pinned Emmett's Gavin Urquhart in 1:14 in the 160-pound match.

Homedale 39, Skyview 33 — Ford pinned Josh Anderson in 3:25 during the 145-pound match to snap a 21-21 deadlock.

Other Homedale victories:

- Montes pinned Justin Underwood, 3:02 at 106.
- Andrew Randall edged Cory Choate, 4-1, at 126.
- Miguel Gonzalez pinned Caden Jantz in 27 seconds at 132.

Other results from Friday included Skyview edging Emmett, 45-42. Emmett rallied to nip Timberline, 39-36, and Skyview pounded Timberline, 54-24.

Feb. 10: Weiser 63, Homedale 22 — Montes pinned Alex Raby in 2:12, and Johnson beat Colt Yeager, 8-1, at 138 pounds for the Trojans' only two victories in a home 3A SRV loss to the Wolverines.

✓ **District:** Strong core of wrestlers to compete in before home crowd

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Homedale coach Toby Johnson anticipates three No. 1 seeds and a handful of other athletes to receive favorable placement in their respective brackets.

Johnson admits that hosting the district tournament adds a challenging layer to the job of making sure his wrestlers are ready for their shot at a state berth.

"Fortunately, I have an outstanding assistant coach (Mark Boothby) and an excellent athletic director (Matt Holtry)," Johnson said. "I know the tournament is in good hands."

The same could be said for on the mat as well.

"We're hoping to take as many as possible to State," Johnson said. "We're hoping to qualify at least seven."

The tournament begins at 9:30 a.m. Saturday inside the HHS gymnasium.

Admission is \$8 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and students with activity cards.

The Trojans' wish list begins with reigning state champion Andy Montes, whom Johnson expects to pull a No. 1 seed at 106

pounds. The junior is 22-6 this season with 19 pinfalls. Fifty-four of his 59 career wins have come by pin.

Junior John Collett is in the midst of a comeback season. Injured for most of his sophomore season, the 160-pounder has posted a 27-5 record in 2014-15 with 21 pins, and he's on track for a No. 1 seed this weekend.

A top-four district finish would give Collett his first state tournament berth.

Nash Johnson, a 138-pounder, became the fastest Trojan to 100 career victories Friday, and he has 65 pins in his career. The junior is expected to grab a top seed as he looks to build on a season that includes a 32-3 record with 24 pins.

Toby Johnson calls the Trojans' big three "clear favorites" in their weight classes.

The coach also expects Andrew Randall to be a top-three seed at 126 pounds.

Anthony Beckman (113) and 145-pounders Devon Schoonover and Shane Keller could also receive seeds for Saturday.

Other wrestlers expected to compete in the district tournament include Pedro Vasquez at 120, Miguel Gonzalez at 132, Coty Ford at 138, David Villanueva at 160, Keifer Cooper at 170 and Megan Houser at 182.

The top-four finishers in each weight class Saturday automatically advances to the 3A state tournament, which will be held Feb. 27-28 at Holt Arena on the Idaho State University campus in Pocatello.

Fifth-place wrestlers have a shot at a state berth through a system in which they'll be compared with the third-place wrestlers from the District V tournament.

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Sports

Greats greet current Trojans



Former two-time state champion Steve Nash, left, hugs his nephew Nash as he makes his way through the Alumni Night receiving line of current wrestlers at Friday night's four-way meet inside the Homedale High School gymnasium.



Fidel Cardenas, a 2003 HHS graduate, makes his way through the line.



Tony Martinat, a former wrestler and coach with the Trojans who finished fifth in the state tournament, shakes hands with John Collett as Megan Houser waits to greet him.



Homedale High School wrestler Andrew Randall, right, greets 1983 HHS graduate Bill Maxwell.



Three-time state champion Ryan Nash (HHS Class of 1988) shakes hands with Andrew Randall as he finishes the receiving line.

Sports

✓Trojans: Despite district loss, Homedale heads to third straight State

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at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

The loss gives Homedale (15-6 overall) a difficult draw in the 3A Real Dairy Shootout state tournament.

The fourth-ranked Trojans open their third consecutive state tournament appearance against No. 2 Sugar-Salem (17-4) at 6:15 p.m. Thursday at Skyview High School in Nampa. Sugar-Salem is the District VI champion.

Fruitland's road in the state tournament may be tougher on the other side of the bracket. The Grizzlies (16-7) open the tournament against top-ranked Timberlake, which is the District I-II champion.

Knowing that senior point guard Morgan Nash's injury in the semifinal ended her season, the Trojans showed grit and resilience in the district final.

The grit came from the construction of a 35-22 lead, a project that senior Hattie Mertz capped with a turnaround jump shot with 4½ minutes left in the third quarter.

Another senior, Elise Shenk, showed the resilience when she popped a three-point goal to tie the game, 50-50, with 6.3 seconds left in the fourth quarter to force overtime.

The Trojans seemed slow to react in the extra four-minute period, though.

After Brooke Teunissen, whose rebounding down the stretch shut down Homedale's offense, drove in for a go-ahead layup with 2:52 left, Fruitland settled into a four-corner offense to drain the clock. Homedale played the overtime without junior post Gardenia



Hattie Mertz launches a one-handed jump shot over Fruitland's RaAnna Dahle in Thursday's district title game in Ontario, Ore.

Machuca and junior guard Tristan Corta, both of whom had fouled out.

The Trojans, who missed a pair of layups off turnovers in the overtime, didn't begin to foul the Grizzlies until 90 ticks

remained.

Tory Lane, who scored a team-high 15 points, missed a pair of free throws with 49.6 seconds left in the OT but got the Trojans within one point when she hit a three-pointer 34 seconds later.



Tory Lane pulls up for a jumper on the perimeter as Fruitland's Jordan Stice closes in on defense Thursday at TVCC.

Homedale then to nearly eight seconds to foul Fruitland's MaKenna Little. The senior hit her free throws to cap an 11-point performance.

Shenk missed a three-point try at the final buzzer. She was one

of three Trojans in double figures, scoring 10 points.

Mertz led the Trojans with eight rebounds and added six points.

Makayla Aberasturi continued her strong district play with three treys and 11 points.



Emily Tank, left, takes a run at a jump shot against Melba in the Huskies' home district tournament game. Photo by Dan Pease

✓Huskies: Marsing opens Thursday at BK

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the 2A Real Dairy Shootout.

Second-year coach Jaime Wood's squad (18-7) takes a three-game win streak into a 6:15 p.m. Thursday game against District VI champion Ririe (21-2). The 2A tourney takes place at Bishop Kelly High School in Boise.

The Huskies won for the ninth time in 11 games after making the Saturday trip to Grangeville to face the District I-II runner-up. No game details were provided.

Marsing's last state tournament appearance came in 2013 when the Huskies lost a first-round game to Soda Springs and rallied for a Day 2 win before losing the consolation championship to fellow 2A Western Idaho Conference member Melba.

Thursday: Marsing 38, McCall-Donnelly 28 — The Huskies' defense threw a shutout to start the second half and snap a deadlock in the 2A District III Tournament third-place game at The College of Idaho in Caldwell.

The win sent the Huskies to Saturday's play-in game.

Marsing outscored McCall-Donnelly, 9-0, to take a 23-14 lead heading into the fourth quarter.

Senior Shannon Clover sank a three-point goal and scored 15 points to lead all players. Marsing teammate Shyanne Glorifield chipped in 12. Freshman Emerson Sauer added five.

McCall-Donnelly, which saw its season end, received eight points each from Camille Botello and Lexi Tinney.

Feb. 10: Marsing 46, Melba 31 — The Huskies snapped a halftime deadline with a 16-8 run in the third quarter to end the Mustangs' season.

Playing on her home court, Marsing freshman Emerson Sauer led all scorers with 11 points, while senior teammate Shannon Clover scored 10 points.

Shyanne Glorifield chipped in nine points, and Emily Tank hit a three-pointer on the way to seven points.



Shannon Clover, left, leaps to take a shot Thursday against McCall at The College of Idaho. Photo by Dan Pease



Snacking Done Right

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FAMILY FEATURES

What makes a healthy and satisfying snack for children? A well-balanced snack with good nutrition can help kids grow and provide them with the proper support and energy needed for school, sports and other daily activities. Parents have the best intentions when looking for nutritious options for their children, but challenges related to lack of access or knowledge of nutritious foods have contributed to an alarming trend. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, childhood obesity rates in the U.S. have more than doubled in the past 30 years, with over one-third of children currently overweight or obese.

Kids and snacking

A number of factors contribute to obesity rates, with snacking as a major culprit. While parents need to consider what they provide their children for three main meals a day, what they eat in between is equally important.

Research by DuPont Nutrition & Health shows that children eat two to three snacks each day. Other studies confirm that American kids are consuming more than 700 calories in afternoon and evening snacks alone. Aside from the fact that these calories make up a substantial part of the total daily recommended caloric intake for children, most of the snacks commonly consumed by kids are high in saturated fats or simple sugars in the form of salty snacks, candy and beverages — such as fruit drinks — according to a University of North Carolina study.

Parents face many practical challenges in providing healthful snack options to kids who are on-the-go and may not have access to refrigeration or re-heating capabilities. This often leads to snacks which lack the essential vitamins, minerals and protein a growing body needs. While snacking is essential to give kids the energy they need for the day, it's important to provide snacks that contribute to daily intake goals of nutrients to support healthy growth and development.

“For many parents, the primary reason for giving snacks to children is to stave off hunger until their next meal,” said Megan DeStefano, Global Strategic Marketing at DuPont Nutrition & Health.

“When choosing a snack, parents should avoid those high in carbohydrates, such as simple sugars, since they tend to leave children feeling unsatisfied quickly and often craving additional unhealthy snacks.”

Understanding better snacks

It's important for parents to know what to look for in a snack. For example, protein helps kids feel full longer, which may support weight management. In fact, numerous studies have confirmed that protein is more satisfying than either carbohydrates or fat. And lean proteins, such as soy, can meet needs to support growth and development without contributing to fat or cholesterol intake.

It's challenging for parents to determine what snacks are best. DeStefano shares some tips on healthful ingredients parents should look for in snack foods.

Protein packs a powerful punch

Vegetable proteins are a great way to consume protein without increasing the amount of saturated fats and cholesterol in your child's diet. If you are considering vegetable proteins, try soy protein. Soy protein snack options can be found in a variety of tasty products such as ready-to-drink beverages, bars, cereals and dairy alternatives. Soy protein is also the only widely available vegetable protein that provides all the essential amino acids in the proper amounts that are needed to support growth and development of children.

Parents can also rest easy knowing that soy protein delivers cardiovascular benefits as well. According to clinical research published in the Journal of the American College of Nutrition conducted in both children and adults, soy protein has been shown to help reduce LDL cholesterol, also known as “bad” cholesterol, increase HDL, also known as “good” cholesterol, and decrease triglyceride levels. Just 25 grams of soy protein a day, as part of a diet low in saturated fat and cholesterol, may reduce the risk of heart disease.

Find a fiber-filled option

Fiber is another important ingredient to look for when looking for healthy snack options. Many kids are falling behind on their fiber intake. According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, children

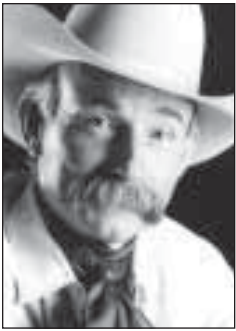
only consume half the amount of fiber that is recommended. For proper digestive health, it is recommended that children get 25–31 grams of dietary fiber per day. Snacking provides another opportunity to help kids to meet this goal. Including a fiber-rich food can also eliminate cravings for additional snacks.

Snacking doesn't have to be bad for your child's health. There are several options that are tasty while delivering a healthy dose of cardiovascular or digestive benefits. With so many great possibilities, parents should continue to offer healthy snack options, with greater nutrient density to their children to help them stay energized throughout the day, while satisfying their hunger and taste. For more ways to get your family to make smarter snacking decisions, visit www.danisco.com.



Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense How cold was it?

It was cold this winter. How cold was it?
It was so cold every calf north of Cabool, Mo., that was at least 1/8th Bramer sold himself and bought a ticket to Brownsville!
-so cold every coyote in Idaho carried jumper cables to start the jack rabbits!
-so cold every vegetable farmer in California remembered where he came from!
-so cold every wild horse in Nevada was callin’ the BLM for room service!
-so cold North Dakota froze in Minnesota and when it thawed and broke off it picked up three new counties and another Congressman!
-so cold in Hyannis, Neb., the hired man broke ice in his stock tank and didn’t hit water ’til Lake McConaughy!
-so cold in Ohio that the ewes all bought down-lined Pendletons
-so cold in Nancy, Ky., that the New Year’s Day Parade was held in the county snow plow!
-so cold in Montana that ranchers were renting mobile methane emitters to shivering environmentalists!
-so cold in Harlan, Iowa, Santy’s sleigh got stuck on top of the water tower. He was rescued and airlifted to the Elks Club in Audobon for treatment.
-so cold in Macon County, Tenn., the local Global Warming Task Force postponed their meeting ’til spring!
-so cold in Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, they put their rye in the refrigerator to warm it up!
-so cold in Oklahoma it laid a sheet of black ice on Interstate 40 so slick that traders as far east as El Reno could tie five steers together, lay ’em down and slide ’m plum to the Elk City auction barn with just one push!
-so cold at Monfort’s feedlot in Kersey, Colo., the horse’s feet looked like coasters on a footstool, the steers humped up like mountains complete with a timberline and every pen checker tore holes in his moon boots tryin’ to get his spurs on!
-so cold between Lander and Casper, Wyo., that the wind froze everything within 168 square miles. Fortunately no one was hurt.
It was so cold! Craig called from Consort, Alberta. I asked him what the temperature was. He said, “Minus 38.”
I asked him if that was Fahrenheit or Centigrade? He said, “It doesn’t make any difference!”

— Visit Baxter’s Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black merchandise, including his newest release, “Cave Wall Graffiti from a Neanderthal Cowboy,” other books and DVDs. Baxter plans to take a break from live performances in April. The final performance before his hiatus is a benefit for the Trailing of the Sheep Festival in Hailey. He’ll appear at the Limelight Room at the Sun Valley Resort in Sun Valley on Saturday, April 4. Tickets are available online at www.trailingofthesheep.org.

Sen. Mike Crapo



From Washington Reform ESA, end heavy-handed federal conservation policies

According to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS), 22 species have been listed in Idaho under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). There are 1,590 ESA listings nationwide. The nonpartisan Congressional Research Service reported that only 28 species have been delisted because of recovery in the more than 40 years since the ESA’s enactment. Considering the long-term, far-reaching and rigid conservation requirements that accompany listings, we must especially ensure that any ESA determinations are guided by sound science that is publicly available in an open process. The lack of transparency is unacceptable.
I recently co-sponsored legislation to further this effort. S. 292, the 21st Century Endangered Species Transparency Act, which is also co-sponsored by fellow Idaho Sen. Jim Risch (R-Idaho), would amend the ESA to require the U.S. Secretaries of the Interior and Commerce to publish on the Internet data used in listing and delisting federally endangered and threatened species. Requiring the Administration to be transparent about the data used for ESA listings can help make certain that the best available science is used in an open, public ESA listing process. The legislation also provides protections for personal landowner information.
Additionally, again, I am co-sponsoring the Secret Science Reform Act with the shared goal of shedding much-needed light on federal regulation. This legislation would prohibit the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency from proposing, finalizing or disseminating regulations or assessments based upon science that is not transparent or not reproducible.
I also co-sponsored S. 293, the Endangered Species Settlement Reform Act. The bill, also co-sponsored by Sen. Risch, would prevent closed-door settlements under the ESA. Such settlements often have far-reaching repercussions and must be transparent. For example, a 2011 settlement led to a six-year listing work plan for the USFWS to review and potentially list more than 250 species. The legislation would open up litigation to local


stakeholders and give impacted states and counties a seat at the table, while also limiting the use of taxpayer dollars to fund ESA lawsuits.
Wildlife and environmental conservation are not only essential goals, but also yield important opportunities and benefits for local communities dependent on recreation dollars, hunters, anglers, sportsmen and women and other outdoors enthusiasts. Nonetheless, I share the concerns of many Idahoans regarding species conservation and ESA impacts on our state. We have seen the potential harm and consequences that result from adding to the list of endangered species
Ensuring species survival and conservation is a worthy goal, but it must be done in balance with many other valid considerations. It remains essential to preserve viable wildlife populations to keep this wildlife management issue at the local and state level and out of the hands of the federal government. Locally driven collaboration is the best means of addressing many of our wildlife, environment and public lands issues, and it must be given every opportunity to work.
ESA reforms are needed to ensure that landowners are best enabled to work with local wildlife managers to recover species and prevent listings while not trampling property rights and local concerns. Making certain that the science used in determining ESA listings and the process is publicly accessible is an important part of this effort. Oversight of the Endangered Species Act to restore local control of conservation efforts is a welcome priority of the new leadership of the Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee. As a member of the EPW committee, I will continue to work to advance common-sense ESA reforms.

— 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.

Letter to the editor Knights of Columbus in Caldwell fish feeds help youth

It has been 17 years since the Caldwell Knights of Columbus, Council 3086 started their Lenten Fish feeds.
From Feb. 20 through March 27, they will serve dinner from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. each Friday. Dinner consists of fried or baked Alaskan cod, Idaho potato French fries, fresh coleslaw and beverages.
The fried fish recipe is a secret recipe that has been around for 17 years, and there are only two people who are still alive who remember the actual recipe.

These fish feeds help support the local Boy Scout Troop No. 277, various charities in the area, local youth groups and now a scholarship fund for local youth planning on going to college.
Come enjoy great food, amazing service, and wonderful conversation among friends, family and neighbors at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church on the corner of Farmway and Linden Roads in Caldwell.
Charles Robinson
Caldwell



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We welcome letters to the editor

The Owyhee Avalanche

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the March 10 elections until noon on Friday, Feb. 27.

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Commentary

Financial management

Gold won't be financial safety net if economy crashes

Dear Dave,
I'm retired, and currently I have about five percent of my retirement savings in gold and silver I've been acquiring over the past few years. I've seen gold prices decline significantly, and I'm wondering if I should hang on to it as a safety factor in the event the economy goes bad in a hurry. I want to make sure I'll still have a safety factor, and something of value, if that happens.

— Steve

Dear Steve,
What's the safety factor here? And if everything goes downhill, why does it have value? Gold has this weird allure and mythology around it that says, "I've still got something that people will take when the economy crashes." But the truth is there hasn't been an instance when people used gold as a medium of exchange in a crashed or failed economy since the Roman Empire.
People still use gold because

they believe in it. We also believe in green paper with presidents' faces on it. So, gold really has no more intrinsic value than that green paper. The only reason we place value on it is because we, the society, place value on it. A failed society might not place value on it anymore.
In a completely failed economy, the first step is usually a takeover by a Fascist government. After that, you get a new color of money — of paper — with a new leader's face on it. Then, the old stuff isn't worth anything. It's very seldom you ever see gold come to the rescue.
I don't believe in investing in gold for that reason. Plus, the track record on gold, as far as a rate of return, is horrible over the long haul. There was a time a few years ago when everyone went crazy on it, but other than that? Ugh!
— Dave
Dear Dave,
We've got our emergency fund



in place, and we're debt-free except for our home. We'd like to have a child soon, but my job requires frequent travel. I don't want to be away most of the time when there's a baby in the house, so I'm thinking about opening my own business. That way, I can set my own hours. What do you think of this idea?
— Ray

Dear Ray,
Ask yourself this question: If time and money weren't considerations, which one would you rather do? You'd be on straight commission as an entrepreneur, so there would be no regular checks to count on as income. You'd have to wake up every single morning, go out and kill something and drag it home. If you don't, your family won't eat.
An entrepreneur is the only person I know who can go from sheer terror to sheer exhilaration and back every single day. You've got to have a strong mind and heart to make things happen, and it will be a rough ride if you don't have both. Plus, it won't last long if you don't absolutely love what you're doing.
Everybody wants to be successful in their job and make lots of money, but personal happiness is just as important. If you wake up jazzed about what you're going to do every day, chances are you'll be successful and happy. But if you wake up dreading the day and your

job, then I can almost guarantee you won't be successful financially or happy.
Do lots of research and planning before you make any big changes, Ray. There are great small business ideas still waiting to be had, but to make something good happen you've got to find the one that's right for you!
— Dave
— Dave Ramsey has authored five New York Times best-selling books: Financial Peace, More Than Enough, The Total Money Makeover, EntreLeadership and Smart Money Smart Kids. His newest best-seller, Smart Money Smart Kids, was written with his daughter Rachel Cruze, and recently debuted at No. 1. Dave's next book, The Legacy Journey, is now available. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the Web at daveramsey.com.

Americans for Limited Government

IRS's illegal alien tax credit plan opens door for GOP

by Rick Manning

If this isn't the last straw in the funding debate over President Obama's unlawful executive amnesty decree, then there is no outrage that will move Senate Democrats to some form of sanity.
Internal Revenue Service Commissioner John Koskinen told the Senate Finance Committee that the IRS is going to give illegals who benefit from Obama's executive amnesty billions of dollars of tax credits for the years they worked here illegally. That's right, illegal workers will be able to claim back tax credits for up to three years in a move that could total tens of thousands of dollars into their pockets.
I am personally sympathetic to those who come to America for a better way of life. That is the way it should be: Our nation is a beacon of freedom and opportunity that attracts people of ambition, strength and character.
However, our federal government's public assistance policy turns this ethos on its head, instead encouraging people to come to our nation illegally under the guise of getting something for nothing. These are hardly the values that our nation should seek to foster.
Please recognize that this is not the fault of those who

have come here illegally. It is the fault of government policy that seeks to create a generational dependency cycle for cynical political advantage.
How else can one explain the eagerness with which the IRS is accommodating illegals in seeking a retroactive tax jackpot?
What is particularly galling is that the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) is a tax policy that allows lower-income workers to get a refund that far exceeds the amount of money withheld from their paychecks. So, amnestied illegals will not only be getting money they paid into the system back, but also a very fat bonus payment on top of it.
Remember that this is the same "benevolent" IRS that has made a practice of targeting conservative groups and donors by delaying applications and putting their tax returns under extra scrutiny. Yet somehow, Koskinen says that they want to err on the side of giving illegals the benefit of the doubt because the law is purportedly vague.
Not surprisingly, it likely never occurred to anyone that you had to spell out that someone working in the country illegally, whom the president waved a magic wand and suddenly made legal, would be ineligible for benefits retroactively. But the new, nice IRS apparently wants to

make certain that they didn't offend these new entrants into the entitlement class — at least not until they register to vote.
If this IRS action does not steel the resolve of the Republican majority in the House and Senate to take every step, including allowing Obama to shut down the nonessential portions of the Department of Homeland Security (about 15 percent of the department and no law enforcement functions would be affected), then I don't know what will.
Rather than submit any new funding bill to the Senate, Speaker John Boehner (R-Ohio) needs to tell Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) that the House has done its work, and let the Democrats stew over the next couple of weeks in the public disapprobation that is guaranteed to follow this latest benefit scam.
If Republicans play hardball, Senate Democrats who claim to be centrists will stew in the public's outrage and will pay the political price for toeing Obama's amnesty line — but that's a big "if."
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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

February 21, 1990

Uria appointed to council

Mayor Paul Fink opened the regular February council session by announcing Dennis Uria’s appointment to fill out the unexpired term of Launie Mashburn, who resigned last month. He said the youthful Uria, a lifetime resident, fireman, community volunteer and employee at Matteson’s Phillips 66 service station, would “be a big asset to the city.”

School board discusses programs, resource officer

Plans are afoot to expand a building trades program and possibly start an auto body repair program for local high school students, Superintendent of Schools Ed Marshall informed the Homedale School Board at its latest meeting Feb. 12.

Marshall indicated the improvements may be possible as a result of new arrangements between Boise State University and COSSA (Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency).

But a proposal for Homedale, Marsing and Bruneau-Grand View school districts to jointly employ an Owyhee County resource officer, in coordination with Owyhee County Sheriff’s office, remains up in the air, he indicated.

Marshall reported that school officials from the three districts favored pursuing the proposal further, but were concerned about finding funding for it. He said he had met with two businesses that may offer financial support for the arrangement.

Golf course takes setback

Plans for the establishment of a public golf course outside Homedale received a serious setback last week when Homedale Mayor Paul Fink received a letter from the Farmers Home Administration office in Marsing notifying him that his application to buy land along Jump Creek had not been selected.

The letter held out a slight possibility that Fink could still be offered the land, however, that led him to say Monday that he will sit tight awhile, to see “if they give me another shot at it.”

Marsing wins A-4 tourney

The Marsing Huskies sledded to a reported automatic berth at the state tournament after defeating the hard-fighting Wilder Wildcats, 61-52, in the District 3 A-4 tournament windup in Homedale Monday night. The extra game for the title became necessary after the Wildcats upset Marsing Saturday night, 58-54, to force a rematch.

Top scorers for Marsing in the key game were Jaime Wood and Tim Ahaus, with 15 apiece, followed by Jesse Paz with 14. Tony Ramirez led scoring for the Wildcats, with 21, followed by Justin Cagle with 11.

Sheriff’s Posse hold banquet

The Owyhee County Sheriff’s Posse held its annual banquet at the Rimrock Senior Center in Grand View Saturday night, Feb. 10.

About 55 people attended, including 23 posse members and their wives, Sheriff Tim Nettleton and his wife, Charlene, and other personnel from the sheriff’s department. Guests included attendees from the Idaho State Police, and from the Canyon County sheriff’s department.

Posse President Ray Mansisor welcomed everyone to the banquet and then introduced the master of ceremonies for the evening, Posse member Roy Beaman of Grand View. Beaman then presented the new Posse officers for the year 1990 — president Fred Jayo, vice-president Bruce Sibert, and secretary-treasurer Le Roy Beaman.

Beaman then told the group that the Posse was begun in 1958 under Sheriff Jim Tucker. He introduced the charter members in attendance, which included Robert Harris, Tom Hall, and Asa Black. Beaman said there have been 28 sheriffs of Owyhee County, beginning in 1865 to the present time.

50 years ago

February 18, 1965

Legislators discuss tax bill at meeting Monday

Owyhee County’s legislators, Rep. Alvin Benson of Wilson and Sen. Walter Yarbrough of Grand View, met with a large group of Homedale and Marsing people Monday night at the American Legion hall to discuss legislative matters.

Representative Benson brought several copies of the recently introduced sales tax bill HB 222, and discussion of the measure drew wide interest.

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce has taken a strong stand opposing the sales tax, and both legislators were pressed to state their views.

Senator Yarbrough declined to commit himself either to oppose or support the 3 percent sales tax. He acknowledged that border communities such as Homedale would be hurt business-wise by the tax but took the stand that someone always gets hurt by more taxes. He said he would be in a better bargaining position if he took no definite stand on the sales tax at this time.

Representative Benson reiterated his previous opposition to a sales tax because he believes it throws the door open to a big surge in government spending. However, he said he believes the measure will pass the House quite readily, since it has passed in previous sessions.

Size of the state’s budget is a big factor in determining what taxes may be imposed. The governor’s suggested increase to \$135.8 million is a major factor in jarring the Legislature away from economy mindedness.

Benson said the needs of education seem to be genuinely accepted, both for public schools and higher education, and the past efforts of education to accelerate support for schools is now paying off.

Girl State delegates selected from Homedale, Wilder

The American Legion Auxiliary met at El Gavilan Feb. 6 with 14 members and one guest, Mrs. Della Rockwood of Wilder, attending the dinner preceding the meeting.

Mrs. Emma Blessing, president, presided. She introduced Mrs. Blanche Johnson and Mrs. Lavon Jackson, co-chairmen of Girls State.

Mrs. Johnson introduced the Girl State Delegates last year: Elaine Eidemiller and Janet Kinder of Homedale, Joan Nelson and Gayle Truesdell from Wilder.

Elaine Eidemiller introduced the Homedale High School candidates: Kathy Brown, Barbara Demshar, Millie Nash, Kathy George, Ann Van Slyke, and Penny Wolff.

Gayle Truesdell introduced the Wilder High School candidates: Barbara Churchill, Robin Trunnel, Judy Jackson, Connie Wagner, Bonnie Butler and Karen Newell.

Jaycees survey reveals residents’ opinions

With 138 returns tabulated, the Homedale Jaycees are well-pleased with their survey of the city, according to Marshel Stoffle.

Final results of the questionnaire, which the Jaycees undertook on a house-to-house basis last week, will be announced later.

Most persons seemed to think more recreation and entertainment facilities are needed for children and teenagers, the survey revealed.

Improvement of existing parks, establishing of a swimming pool and skating rink were suggestions made to take care of these recreational needs. About 65 percent of the questionnaires favored building a swimming pool.

A wide range of opinion seemed to exist regarding Homedale schools, with some expressing satisfaction with the school program and others wishing changes.

Especially liked were the band and music department, coaching staff, parent-teacher cooperation and excellent school spirit.

Criticized were lack of a water cooler and need for safer sports equipment. Suggested were stiffer grade requirements, more vocational training, more modernized high school, more concentration on slow students, and a better program for faster students to keep them busy. Night school classes for adults were also mentioned.

140 years ago

February 20, 1875

OYSTERS OR NO OYSTERS. Joseph Gross, the Commander-in-Chief of Silver City Dancing Club, requests us to say that a vote of the members will be taken next Wednesday night as to whether or not Mrs. Ramsey’s oyster stand shall be allowed to keep open at the Hall during the dancing hours of the club. The occasion will doubtless be characterized by eloping speeches both pro and con, and an interesting time is anticipated. It promises to be the most hotly contested bivalve battle on record, and a full attendance of members is requested.

NO OYSTERS. The members of the Silver City Dancing Club, ladies included, voted on the bivalve question last night, and almost unanimously decided not to have an oyster stand open at the Hall during the dancing hours of the club. We are glad that the “vexed question” has been amicably settled.

SILVER CORD. Yesterday’s report, to the effect that the Silver Cord Mining Company has purchased the Cosmos mill, is now confirmed. The purchase includes the mill and all personal property connected therewith and belonging to the Idaho Mill and Mining Company, such as cordwood, quicksilver and other supplies on hand. Superintendent Lennon is to-day taking an inventory of the property and will immediately take possession. The new shaft of the Silver Cord was yesterday connected with the old works at the 3d level cross-cut. As soon as a 12-foot sump can be sunk, the steam hoisting machinery will be removed to the new shaft and sinking will commence for the 4th level. Mr. Lennon informs us that as soon as the 4th level is opened up he will be able to take out enough high-grade ore to keep the mill running constantly.

CHANGE OF SUPERINTENDENTS. We have been shown a private telegram from San Francisco which states that J.C. Corey was yesterday appointed Superintendent of the Silver Cord mine in place of J.C. Lennon who had filled that position since last spring.

WARNING TO GAMBLERS. Sheriff Hays has a notice in our columns this evening intimating that persons who keep gambling games, unless the taking out a license therefore, are liable to be fined from \$100 to \$200 and imprisoned in the county jail for 90 days. Other businesses who do not take out the license required by law are subject to a fine of up to \$100 and costs.

A CONSECRATED VALENTINE. Last Sunday a married lady in town received a valentine in the shape of a small package of ashes that had been “blessed” by her confessor — she didn’t receive it either, for her husband who is near-sighted, opened the envelope by mistake, thinking it was for him, and, seeing what it contained, threw it in the stove.

AWKWARD. That was a blush-bringing predicament into which a young man got in at a Silver City drug store yesterday. A couple of ladies entered the establishment, and the aforesaid young man arose from his seat and commenced bowing and scraping in the most approved style, with the chair dangling to his coattails. A bottle of whisky in his behind coat pocket had slipped between the slats of the chair and was the cause of the animated appearance of that piece of furniture when the young man arose to his feet.

NO DANGER. It seems to us that Tom Butler, who has taken up his abode in Apache-land, is the tallest man in the world, except George Hardin, of this place. There is no danger of the Indians ever going for Tom’s scalp, as they will think he is a telegraph pole — and the savages have a superstitious dread of telegraph poles and wires over which the whisperings of the “Great Spirit” are flashed.

Public notices

BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

A public meeting will be held on March 2nd, 2015 at 6:00 pm in the annex building of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 17069 Basey St. in Murphy, Idaho. The purpose of this meeting will be to hear public comments on the proposed color-coded road categorization on the RS2477 right of way maps within the following townships and ranges:

SE¼ of 09S06W; E½ of 10S06W; E½ of 11S06W; E½ of 12S06W; E½ of 13S06W; E½ of 14S06W; E½ of 15S06W; E½ of 16S06W; S½ of 09S05W; 10S05W; 11S05W; 12S05W; 13S05W; 14S05W; 15S05W; 16S05W; S½ of 09S04W; 10S04W; 11S04W; 12S04W; 13S04W; 14S04W; 15S04W; 16S04W; S½ of 09S03W; 10S03W; 11S03W; 12S03W; 13S03W; 14S03W; 15S03W; 16S03W; S½ of 09S02W; 10S02W; 11S02W; 12S02W; 13S02W; 14S02W; 15S02W; 16S02W; 08S01W; 09S01W; 10S01W; 11S01W; 12S01W; 13S01W; 14S01W; N½, W½W½W½ of 15S01W; S½ of 06S01E; 07S01E; 08S01E; 09S01E; 10S01E; 11S01E; 12S01E; 13S01E; W1/3W½ of 14S1E; W½W½NW¼ of 15S1E; S½, W½W½S½ of 06S02E; 07S02E; 08S02E; 09S02E; 10S02E; 11S02E; N½ of 12S02E; W1/3 of 13S2E; S½ of 06S03E; 07S03E; 08S03E; 09S03E; 10S03E; N¼, W1/3 of 11S03E; W2/3 of NW¼ of 12S03E; S½ of 06S04E; 07S04E; N¼, W1/3 of 08S04E; W1/3 of 09S04W; W1/3 of 10S04W; NWNW¼ of 11S04E; SW¼ of 06S05E; W1/3 of 07S05E; and the NWNW¼ of 08S05E.

The color-coding categorizes the right of ways lying on federal lands in accordance with Owyhee County Resolution 2011-21, which established the final groups and criteria for such groups. **No groups and related criteria intend to cover the various rights of way located on private lands.** The proposed maps are available for viewing in the planning and zoning office located in the annex building of the Owyhee County Courthouse at 17069 Basey St. in Murphy during regular business hours Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 12:00 pm, and 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.

2/4&18/15

SUMMARY OF OWYHEE COUNTY ORDINANCE 2015-01 ADOPTION OF 2012 BUILDING CODES AND AMENDMENTS Summary of principal provisions of Ordinance:

Ordinance 2015-01 will adopt the 2012 International Building Code, International Residential Code, International Energy Conservation Code, International Existing Building Code, and the 2004 Idaho Manufactured Home Installation Standards.

The following is a summary of the principle amendments adopted in Ordinance 2015-01:

Provision allowing the forgoing codes to be superseded by successive versions of such codes as they are adopted or approved by the state of Idaho building code board.

Amending the definition of Agricultural Building to include a requirement that the landowner have an approved agricultural exemption from the county assessor.

Allowing for agricultural buildings and storage structures less than 200 square feet to be exempt from requirements of the building codes.

Repealing the Gas, Mechanical, and Plumbing codes.

Adding that no building permit may be issued without a certificate of zoning compliance as required by current ordinance 09-09.

Adding that a building permit will expire after two years if the final inspection has not be complete, and a new permit must be obtained to recommence work.

Adding that a final inspection is required after utilities are connected and before occupancy takes place.

Adopting specific snow loads for Owyhee County.

Adopting table r301.2(1) climatic and geographic design criteria.

Outlining the process for setting building permit fees.

Outlining the process for appeals.

Outlining violation provisions, nuisance and abatement procedures, and setting that property owner is responsible for cost of abatement action.

Providing for severability, and repealing prior ordinances.

Effective date and availability

of text: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect on the date of publication of this Summary in the Owyhee Avalanche. The full text of the Ordinance No. 2015-01 is available at the Office of the Clerk of the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners, located in Owyhee County Courthouse, Idaho State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 8:30 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

2/18/15

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

At 11:00 o’clock A.M. (recognized local time) on June 11, 2015, on the Front Steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, located at, 20381 St Hwy 78, Murphy, ID ,First American Title Company Inc., as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 2 of Block 1 of Ponderosa Addition, Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. Information concerning the foreclosure action may be obtained from the Trustee, whose telephone number is (208) 785-2515. According to the Trustee’s records, the street address of 404 W Colorado Avenue, Homedale, Idaho 83628 is sometimes associated with said property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust for Idaho executed by, Kasey A Freelove, a single person, as Grantor(s), First American Title Insurance Company of Idaho, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of, The United States of America acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture, as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust for Idaho was recorded September 29, 2006 as Owyhee County Recorder’s

Instrument No. 258284.

The default for which this sale is to be made is as follows: failure to make the monthly payment in the amount of \$710.76 due for the 28th day of December, 2013 and a like sum of \$710.76 due for the 28th day of each and every month thereafter;

The above Grantor(s) are named to comply with Section 45-1506(4)(a), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation. As of January 16, 2015 there is due and owing on the loan an unpaid principal balance of \$94,846.68, accrued interest in the amount of \$6,723.76, subsidy granted in the amount of \$26,250.07 and fees currently assessed in the amount of \$2,276.08 for a total amount due of \$130,096.59. Interest continues to accrue on the Note at the rate of 6.25% per annum with a per diem rate of \$16.55 after January 16, 2015. All delinquencies are now due together with any late charges, advances to protect the security, and fees and costs associated with this foreclosure. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause said property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

DATED February 4, 2015
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY, INC., SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE
/s/Dalia Martinez, Trust Officer
2/18,25;3/4,11/15

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On June 11, 2015, at the hour of 11:00 o’clock AM of said day, at the Lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, Idaho, JUST LAW, INC., as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit:

In Township 1 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Section 18: That portion of Government Lot 3 of Section 18, Township 1 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, lying South and West of the High Line Canal.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM Any portion thereof which may lie within the East 330 feet of said Government Lot 3.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of 12946 Bailey Rd., Melba, ID, is sometimes associated with the said real property.

This Trustee’s Sale is subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void, the successful bidder’s funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and the Beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Eric J.

Fritzler and Angela M.Fritzler, husband and wife, as Grantor(s) with North American Mortgage Company as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded January 6, 1999, as Instrument No. 227117; Modification Agreement recorded September 26, 2006, as Instrument No. 258249; Modification Agreement recorded April 14, 2009, as Instrument No. 267932; Modification Agreement recorded December 7, 2012, as Instrument No. 279354, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to MidFirst Bank, A Federally Chartered Savings Association, recorded June 19, 2008, as Instrument No. 265399, in the records of said County.

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

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the amount due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows:

Monthly payments in the amount of \$684.33 for the months of July 2014 through and including to the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$111,482.84 as principal, plus service charges, attorney’s fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 4.125% from June 1, 2014, together with delinquent taxes plus penalties and interest to the date of sale.

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

Dated this 10th day of February, 2015.

Tammie Harris, Trust Officer for Just Law, Inc., P.O. Box 50271, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83405. (208) 523-9106 FAX (208) 523-9146 Toll Free 1-800-923-9106
2/18,25;3/4,11/15

NOTICE OF SALE Case No. CV14-0353 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

P E N N Y M A C L O A N SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff, vs.

CAROLINE M. HALL (Deceased) and the Unknown Heirs, Assigns and Devises of CAROLINE M. HALL; RONALD D. HALL (Deceased) and the Unknown Heirs, Assigns and Devises of RONALD D. HALL; THE STATE OF IDAHO, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR; and Does 1-10 as individuals with an

interest in the property legally described as:

Lot 10, Block 3, of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho.

Which may commonly be known as: 634 West California Avenue, Homedale, ID 83628, Defendants.

Under and by virtue of a Order for Sale of Foreclosure executed on January 20, 2015 and a Writ of Execution issued on January 27, 2015 out of and under the seal of the above-entitled Court on a Judgment recovered in said Court in the above-entitled action docketed on the 20th day of January, 2015, in favor of the above-named Plaintiff, I am commanded and required to proceed to notice for sale to sell at public auction the real property described in said Order for Sale of Foreclosure and Writ of Execution and to apply the proceeds of such sale to the satisfaction of said Judgment with interest thereon and my fees and costs.

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

Lot 10, Block 3, of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho.

Which may commonly be known as: 634 West California Avenue, Homedale, ID 83628

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 17th day of March, 2015 at the hour of 10:00 o’clock a.m., at the location of the Front Entrance of Owyhee County Courthouse building, Sheriff Perry Grant, 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 funds to pay and satisfy the Judgment as set out in said Order for Sale of Foreclosure to the highest bidder therefore in lawful money. The time period for redemption of the above property is six (6) months from the date of sale herein.

The Sheriff, by a Certificate of Sale, will transfer right, title and interest of the judgment debtor in and to the property. The Sheriff will also give possession but does not guarantee clear title nor continue possessory right to the purchaser.

DATED This 2nd day of February, 2015.

OWYHEE COUNTY SHERIFF

By: Luisa Basabe, Civil Deputy
Lance E. Olsen/ISB #7106, Derrick J. O’Neill/ISB #4021, RCO Legal, P.C., 300 Main Street, Suite 150, Boise, Idaho 83702. Phone 208-489-3035 Fax 208-854-3998 doneill@rcolegal.com
Attorneys for Plaintiff

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: January 21, 2015 File No.: 7023.110110 Sale date and time (local time): May 27, 2015 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 717 Marion Drive Homedale, ID 83628 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Sergio Renteria and Bertha A Renteria, husband and wife Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company Original beneficiary: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Recording date: December 6, 2004 Recorder’s instrument number: 250163 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of January 21, 2015: \$69,118.44 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property’s legal description is: Lot 2, Block 1, Owyhee Addition to Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho according to the Official Plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and

procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7023.110110) 1002.277258-File No. 2/11,18,25;3/4/15

ANOTHER SUMMONS CASE NO. CV14-0416 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, Plaintiff, vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF HELEN D. SULLENS and RONIM. ATKINS, as Personal Representative of the estate of HELEN D. SULLENS, Defendants.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED PLAINTIFF(S). THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATIONAL BELOW.

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF HELEN D. SULLENS

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED That in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above designated court within 20 days after the last publication date of this Another Summons. If you fail to so respond, the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the plaintiff(s) in the Complaint.

The nature of the claim against

you is for, among other things, judicial foreclosure of real property located at 200 Reich, Marsing, Idaho, 83639.

A copy of the Another Summons and Complaint can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court of the attorney for plaintiff. If you wish to seek the advice of or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected.

An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10(a)(1) and other Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:

1. The title and number of this case.
2. If your response is an Answer to the Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Complaint and other defenses you may claim.
3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.
4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to plaintiff’s attorney, as designated above.

To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.

DATED This 2nd day of Feb. 2015

ANGELA BARKELL, CLERK

By: Trina Aman, Deputy Clerk

Scott E. Fouser, ISB No. 2968, Fouser Law Offices, P.A., 802 Arthur St., PO Box 606, Caldwell, ID 83606. Phone 208-454-2264 Fax 208-454-0136, Attorney for Plaintiff

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TRUCKS: 1988 Freightliner tandem axle 10yd dump truck, Cat engine 9spd trans, Muncie hoist air gate • 1978 Ford 9000 tandem axle truck,cummins, 13spd, comb bed w/hoist grain sides, grain tail gate w/ silage sides & silage tail gate • Freightliner C/O tandem cummins 9spd wet kit 5th wheel hitch • Meyer 10' snow blade, fits dump truck

TRAILERS: 1994 Trinity 40' Eagle Bridge belt trailer, 36" belt • 2001 Wilson 42' belt trailer

EQUIPMENT: Case IH 6814 9 shank ripper w/spring reset • JD 355 13' 6" offset disc • 14' Ace groundhog smyer front, pipe rear • 15' Case IH 770 offet disc • JD 8 row late style 22" corn head • 24' JD triple K w/Danish tines & egg beater baskets • 7 row Valley mound w/gauge wheels & hyd markers • 6 row Alloway corn cultivator 30" row spacing • 8 row hyd fold Lilliston style 3 spider corn cultivator • 20' triple K cultivator w/soil conditioner baskets • 4' Howard rotovator • 3pt 8' rock rake • 3pt dike disc • JD 4 row 71 flex planter • Woods 5' gyromower • 4 bottom 2 way disc plow • JD 12 row 22" corn head

HAY EQUIPMENT: Hesston 4790 3X4 PTO baler w/recutter Harvest Tech conditioner, yearly services, 36K bales • Hesston 4910 4X4 PTO baler • 2- bale handler bale spears w/clamps • shopbuilt bale spear • hay buster H1000 tub chopper • Allen 8803 hyd twin basket rake 5 bar • H&S hay machine 3 wheel hay tedder • 2008 Darf 17 wheel hay rake, exc cond. • McDon 9352 turbo swather w/15' 972 draper head 2370hrs • N H 1002 pull type stack wagon w/self tie

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Sports

Huskies claw their way to a district home game

Boys avoid low seed with OT win in McCall

Defense on the road gave Marsing High School a home game to open the boys' basketball district tournament.

Second-year coach Tim Little is resetting the team's record as the 2A District III Tournament opens at 7 p.m. today against North Star Charter.

Seth Hardy scored the Huskies' only field goal in overtime to create the cushion that allowed Marsing to edge McCall-Donnelly, 34-31, in the 2A Western Idaho Conference finale for both Friday night on the Vandals' court.

The win gave the Huskies (5-11 overall, 5-7 in conference) the No. 4 seed at district.

"The team has been showing the discipline and execution it takes to do well in the tournament," Little said. "Each week, we have seen a gradual improvement. Our record now is 0-0."

Marsing lost two games to third-seeded New Plymouth by a combined four points.

"(That) goes to show how close the team is to making some noise in the postseason and how far they have come over the past three months," Little said. "They continue to improve steadily — although not as fast as I want — at least we are moving forward."

"Anything can happen during districts, and the good news is that this team, along with their coach,

doesn't want a premature ending to this grueling season. One thing that they have demonstrated is they never give up. That is a good thing this time of year."

That point was proven emphatically Friday night in McCall.

Stingy defense throughout the game allowed the Huskies to get the crucial win and avoid a rerun.

"Defensively, we gave ourselves a chance to win by holding MDHS to nine points or less each quarter," Little said.

"That is always a tough trip, and we knew that if we didn't get the win, we would have to make the trip again on Wednesday."

Friday's game reached overtime when Jose Ponce couldn't get a shot to fall after Little called a timeout with nine seconds left in regulation and set up a play.

After Ponce's free throws gave Marsing a two-point lead in overtime, Rodrigo Acuña ended McCall's next possession with a steal.

"We went into a spread offense looking to burn up the 2:30 left on the clock," Little said. "Seth Hardy saw an opening and drove hard to the basket, putting us up four with about two minutes left."

McCall's 6-foot-5 Billy Shipley, who scored 13 points, tightened the score with a couple foul shots before Ponce nailed two more free throws with 35 seconds left.

The foul shots closed the book for Ponce, who scored 10 points, snagged five rebounds and picked

up three steals.

Hardy scored eight points, and senior Garret Briggs had eight points and continued to clean up on the glass with nine rebounds.

Juan Garcia chimed in with four points and two assists, while Acuña had two steals, four rebounds and two assists.

Nick Lankow scored two points and collected five boards.

Marsing's defense was necessary as the Huskies connected on only 29 percent of their shots (14-for-48).

Tanner Borgerson added 10 points for the Vandals.

Last Wednesday: Melba 51, Marsing 39 — Another cold-shooting night prevented the Huskies from causing a splash against the conference's top-seeded team for the district tournament.

"We were satisfied with our execution offensively," Little said. "We just couldn't capitalize as often as needed."

The Huskies shot 29.4 percent from the floor (15-for-51).

"This has been our Achilles heel all season long," Little said. "We have struggled from the outside, but the kids are really starting to see inside and create more shots going to the rim."

Ponce led the team in scoring again with 10 points, while Seth Hardy scored nine points.

The Huskies endured a size disadvantage with Briggs scoring eight points and snagging nine rebounds against the taller Mustangs. Ponce had six boards, too.

"Although we are looking



Marsing High School's Dakota Hardy puts up an outside shot against Melba last Wednesday at home. Photo by Dan Pease

inside more often, our two starting posts are 6-foot-1 and 5-foot-9, so there isn't a huge size advantage there as well," Little said. "We will have a breakout game soon, shooting-wise, and this could be the difference in the tournament."

Melba received 13 points

and eight rebounds from Devin Edmiston, while teammates Chris Young and Nick Fitts scored nine points apiece.

Rounding out Marsing's statistics were Acuña with four points and three assists, Dakota Hardy with four points and Garcia and Lankow with two points each.

MARSING HUSKIES



ATHLETE OF THE WEEK
Seth Hardy, sr., boys' basketball

The Play — Hardy averaged 8.5 points per game in the Huskies' two 2A Western Idaho Conference games, but no shot was bigger than his drive to the hoop in overtime against McCall-Donnelly on Friday night. The basket was the Huskies' only field goal of the extra period and helped secure a 34-31 victory and the No. 4 seed in the District III Tournament.

Boys' basketball
Varsity

2A District III Tournament

Wednesday, Feb. 18, home vs. North Star Charter, 7 p.m.

If win Wednesday: Saturday, Feb. 21 vs. Nampa Christian, Vallivue H.S., 6:15 p.m.

If lose Wednesday: Tuesday, Feb. 24 vs. TBA, site TBA, 7 p.m.

Wrestling

Saturday, Feb 21, 2A District III Tournament, Garden Valley, 10 a.m.

Girls' basketball
Varsity

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Thursday, Feb. 19 vs. Ririe, 6:15 p.m.

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If 2-0 after Friday: Championship game: Saturday, Feb. 21, 1:40 p.m., Ford Idaho Center, Nampa

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