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Marathon man

Therapist makes Boston in first try

Hartley's second marathon will be a famous one

He's serious about fitness, but Nick Hartley isn't a typical marathon runner.

While many people involved in the pursuit of testing their limits see it as a lifestyle, the 28-year-old Hartley views it as a life goal.

The physical therapist at RehabAuthority's Homedale clinic wanted to run the Boston Marathon, and he knew he'd have to qualify for the chance to do it.

So, even though his only competitive running since his middle school days in Nyssa, Ore., had been half-marathons, Hartley trained then ran the Big Cottonwood Canyon marathon



Homedale RehabAuthority physical therapist Nick Hartley gets animated during his Big Cottonwood Canyon marathon run in September in Utah. Photo courtesy Nick Hartley

in Utah in September.

In his first and — to date — only marathon, Hartley finished 15th overall in 2 hours, 57 minutes, 14 seconds to achieve

a Boston Marathon-qualifying time. He was second in his age group and finished 15th overall after running in third place

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Marsing schools to ask for levy

Board floats supplemental levy for May election

Facing aging infrastructure and less state funding, Marsing School District will seek a two-year supplemental levy during the May 19 election.

During a special meeting Thursday, the board of trustees approved the proposal for a two-year supplemental operations levy that would generate \$400,000 each year. The district

has to file the levy question with the Owyhee County elections office by Monday.

If passed by voters, property owners in the district would pay \$78 annually on \$100,000 of net taxable property value. The district bases that figure on a project of "no growth" in the district. With three percent growth, district officials say the cost to property owners would decrease to \$68 per year.

Superintendent Norm Stewart laid out the reasons for seeking a levy during the meeting. No

— See *Levy*, page 5

Emery applies for Oneida judge job

Prosecutor sought Third District slot in 2012

Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery is among 13 men seeking a magistrate judgeship in Oneida County.

This is the second time in three years that Emery has sought a magistrate position. He applied to fill a Canyon County vacancy in 2012.

"There were several factors of consideration, including the favorable magistrate compensation base, benefit package and work load," Emery wrote in an email to The Owyhee Avalanche regarding his

interest in the Oneida job.

Emery, who recently turned 56, has been a licensed attorney since 1988. "I have attained the educational credentials, State Bar membership and experience base required to serve as a magistrate," he wrote.



Douglas D. Emery

As part of the selection process, the 6th Judicial District in Oneida County has circulated statewide a public questionnaire to determine if the applicants are qualified. Owyhee County court clerks have been asked to put the questionnaires in Murphy and Homedale in case someone wants to comment. County Clerk

Angie Barkell said questionnaires also are available at her office or

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OCHS bazaar back in Murphy

Fundraiser features MRW chili cook-off

The Owyhee County Historical Society's annual spring bazaar will be held Saturday in Murphy.

OCHS fundraiser takes place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the

Owyhee County Historical Museum complex. There will be about 25 vendors selling items like homemade pies, breads and preserves. Ceramics, art and woodcraft items will also be for sale.

Local authors also will sell their books:

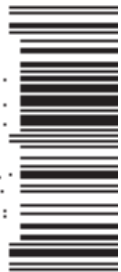
• Merri Melde of Oreana with "Soul Deep in Horses: Memoir of

an Equestrian Vagabond"

• Gus Brackett of Three Creek with another children's book "Badger Thurston and the Mud Pits"

• Chet Brackett also of Three Creek may also be at the bazaar selling copies of his 2013 book "Chet's Reflections"

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One contested race for May 19 election

Homedale trustee Shanley faces another challenge

While some voters will be asked to decide levy questions May 19, there will be only one contested school board race.

Homedale Zone 1 Trustee Kurt Shanley will face a challenge from Jeff Christoffersen. Both filed declarations before Friday's candidacy deadline.

Mostly incumbents filed in other districts — including library and highway boards — and no other seats will have contests yet. April 3 is the deadline to file as a write-in candidate.

Political subdivisions have until Monday to file levy questions for the May 19 election.

The Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District will seek a two-year, \$60,000 temporary levy. The levy, which will provide \$30,000 per year in 2016 and 2017, needs only a simple majority to pass. Last year, the district twice failed to achieve the super-majority to pass a permanent override levy.

According to the district's ballot filing, revenue from the temporary levy would be used to purchase or maintain lawn equipment and maintain the cemetery grounds.

The Marsing School District board of trustees voted Thursday to seek a two-year, \$800,000 supplemental levy in the May 19 election.

In taxing district elections, filings as of Friday include:

Homedale school — Shanley has served as a Homedale school trustee since 2004. He defeated challenger Harold "Hal" Tolmie in the 2011 election. Christoffersen is a former Owyhee County

Planning and Zoning commissioner.

Zone 5 Trustee Shane Muir is running unopposed in the second consecutive election.

Marsing school — Incumbents Chad Showalter (Zone 2) and Michelle Jacobi (Zone 4)

Bruneau-Grand View school — Incumbent Scott McNeley (Zone 4). Zone 2 incumbent Peter Jackson Jr. did not file, but Billie Rutan will seek that position.

Pleasant Valley school — Sean Burch (Zone 1) and Doug Rutan (Zone 2)

Homedale Highway — Incumbents Larry Prow (Subdistrict 1) and Scott Salutregui (Subdistrict 3)

Gem Highway (Marsing area) — Zone 3 incumbent Jay Hall

Three Creek Highway — Jake Brackett

Lizard Butte library, Marsing — Neither incumbent (Becky Salove or Neal Durham) filed candidacy papers by the deadline, and Owyhee County deputy clerk Brook Russell said Julia Burham plans to run as a write-in candidate after it was discovered her petition had enough signatures, but some were disqualified because they were from people who weren't registered to vote.

Eastern Owyhee library — Incumbent Marilyn Dean and newcomer Tamy Noffz-Wilson filed for separate board positions. Another incumbent, Dixie McDaniel, didn't file.

Bruneau Valley library — Incumbents Elizabeth Ogg and Judith Erwin



Kurt Shanley



A fire of as-yet unknown origins caused extensive damage to a Homedale Police patrol car late Thursday night. Officer Andrew Arnold, who was driving the car, emerged unharmed.

Officer OK after HPD car burns

A Homedale Police officer escaped injury late Thursday night when his patrol car caught fire.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said Officer Andrew Arnold was turning onto West Idaho Avenue from North 3rd Street West when he heard a pop and saw flames.

Arnold was able to exit the vehicle.

"He's fine," Eidemiller said. "Luckily, he was driving at a low

enough speed that he was able to evacuate the car and grab some of the critical equipment out of it and got out OK."

Homedale Fire Department volunteers responded and extinguished the fire, but Eidemiller said the 2010 Dodge Charger most likely is a total loss.

"(Insurance adjusters) haven't told us officially, but you can't melt the subframe of the car,"

Eidemiller said.

The source of the fire hasn't been determined, but Eidemiller said officials from city insurance carrier Idaho Counties Risk Management Program were in town Monday to assess the damage.

In the meantime, Arnold is driving one of the police department's other vehicles.

— JPB

Homedale roadwork begins Friday

The Homedale Highway District has two projects scheduled over the next week.

On Friday, crews will start crossing work at River Road.

Director of Highways Stewart Constantine said the project was set for a Friday because there is no school that day, which eliminates disruption of school buses.

The culvert under the roadway

will be located half a mile north of Idaho highway 19 at the end of the Kenne Metzger property.

Work on the South Board of Control crossing for Johnstone and Cemetery roads is scheduled for next Wednesday.

Constantine said he will try to keep the corner open so that vehicles coming from the south on Johnstone can turn east onto

Cemetery. That would also allow drivers coming from the east on Cemetery to turn south onto Johnstone.

However, he points out that traffic will not be able to go straight through on either Johnstone or Cemetery.

Constantine also said the crossing is at an angle and is about 80 feet long from end-to-end.

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Food bank restocks
El-Ada pantry

Volunteers unloaded an Idaho Food Bank semi-trailer packed with commodities on Friday at the El-Ada Community Action Partnership Owyhee County office in Homedale. **Top:** Ascencion Montez Alvarez helps Marcos Preciado guide boxes of food through the front door as Miguel Bedolla, right, and Darwin Ramirez prepare to take more boxes inside. El-Ada administrative assistant Nohemi Pena kept track of the food dropped off by truck driver Jay Mouser. **Right:** Ramirez stacks the boxes in the El-Ada pantry.



Crash north
of Grand View
kills motorist

A Grand View woman and two juveniles were sent to a Boise hospital last week following a car crash that claimed the life of a Mountain Home man.

Idaho State Police investigated the two-vehicle crash that occurred at about 1:35 p.m. on March 17 at milepost 3.7 on Idaho highway 167 north of Grand View.

ISP said 33-year-old Christopher Standage died from his injuries at the scene.

Standage was driving north-bound on Idaho 167 when his 1988 Chrysler New Yorker was struck by a 2005 Chevrolet Trailblazer driven by a 15-year-old juvenile.

Another 12-year-old juvenile and 36-year-old Jodi Jewett of Grand View were also in the Trailblazer. Jewett is Bruneau-

Grand View School District clerk and Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School secretary.

According to an ISP press release, the Trailblazer was south-bound on Idaho 167 when it went off the right shoulder of the road. The driver overcorrected, came back on the road and crossed the center line where the Trailblazer collided with the New Yorker.

Both vehicles came to rest off the left should of the road.

The Trailblazers' three occupants, who were wearing their seatbelts, were transported by ground ambulance to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

ISP reports Standage was not wearing a seatbelt.

The roadway was blocked for about 3½ hours.

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✓ Emery: Pay, work load attracts elected official to 6th District job opening

she will email a copy to anyone who calls (208) 495-2421 with a request.

Candidate evaluations must be returned to the Trial Court Administrator’s Office, 624 E. Center, Room 220, Pocatello, ID or by email to suzyj@bannock-county.us by 5 p.m. on Monday, April 13.

The 6th District’s Magistrate Commission will review the evaluations and make its selection on May 1. The successful candidate will replace Judge David L. Evans this summer. Evans will become a senior judge on June 30.

Emery pointed out that magistrate judge hopefuls sometimes apply several times before being chosen.

“The selection as magistrate tends to be a process, rather than a single event,” Emery said.

If chosen, Emery would be required to move to Oneida County and would probably take office on July 1.

Upon receiving his resignation, the Board of County Commissioners would seek applicants to fill the prosecutor role on an interim basis. The BOCC could contract with a non-resident prosecutor if no attorney living in Owyhee County applies, Emery said.

State law requires a prosecuting attorney to move to the county where he or she seeks to serve within 30 days of the general election.

A Homedale resident, Emery is midway through his second term as county prosecutor. He’s up for re-election in 2016. Before his election in 2008, Emery served stints as deputy prosecutor in Owyhee, Canyon and Ada counties. He was in private practice from 1992 to 2001.

Other candidates for the 6th District magistrate job include:

- David Brent Eames, Canyon County deputy prosecutor, Caldwell
- Dylan Orton, Ada County public defender, Boise
- James E. M Craig, assistant chief counsel, Homeland Security, Orlando, Fla.
- David Andrew Hooste, private attorney and special tribal judge, Firth
- Monte Christopher Gray, private attorney, Pocatello
- Ian C. Johnson, Pocatello city deputy prosecutor, Pocatello
- Manuel Travis Murdoch, private attorney, Blackfoot
- Nick L. Nielson, private attorney, Pocatello
- Craig W. Parrish, private attorney; Chubbuck
- Dustin W. Smith, Oneida County Prosecutor, Malad
- Brendon Coy Taylor, private attorney, Pocatello
- Warren C. Webber, private attorney, Pocatello

— JPB

✓ Boston: Hartley’s wife, mom and dad will make the East Coast trip, too

before hitting a “big wall” at the 19-mile mark. The qualifying mark for his age group (18 to 34) was 3:05.

Now, he’s set for the April 20 marathon in Beantown, and when he crosses the finish line, he’ll cross that off his list.

“I don’t really want to do them forever. I just kind of want to achieve the big goal and move on. I just like exercise in general,” he said, adding that an Ironman in Hawaii is another objective.

“You only have so long that you can really use your ability, so I figured I might as well do it now.”

Not everyone qualifies for one of the most prestigious marathons in America after just one race, of course.

And, in the true spirit of marathon running, Hartley’s looking at the experience on the whole. Life is a marathon, not a sprint, and so he will savor each moment he is on the course (even Heartbreak Hill), and he will also make sure he’ll cover more than the 26 miles and 385 yards of Boston’s neighborhoods when he and his family are back east.

“My goal is to enjoy the run, enjoy the culture of Boston and remember it,” he said. “If you’re killing yourself out there, it’s hard to remember things except for, ‘I’ve gotta finish this thing.’”

He has a goal of running faster than he did six months ago outside Salt Lake City: “2:55 would be great, but the reality is I’m probably not in as good of shape as I was for the other one. I’ve started a new job and moved my family.”

Hartley has been in his Homedale PT position for just three months, and he and his wife recently moved to Nyssa from Boise.

Enjoying Boston will include a trip to Fenway Park for a baseball game and a trek down the Freedom Trail for Hartley, his wife Kim and his mother and father, Nyssa onion farmers Sam and Sydney Hartley.

It’s a rare trip outside the area for Nick Hartley. He served a mission in Mexico for his church, but admits he’s “not a big traveler, otherwise.” His wife has been to Boston.

Hartley’s wife played a role in his training regimen for the Big Cottonwood Canyon event. Before the couple moved west, she would drop him off at the top of Bogus Basin Road, and he would run 20 or so miles back to their Boise home. The Big Cottonwood Canyon marathon was held at the Brighton Ski Resort and featured lengthy uphill and downhill portions with a six percent grade.

While the Bogus training came in handy, Hartley said he learned a valuable lesson during his Utah marathon that he will apply in Boston, especially at Heartbreak Hill, a grueling half-mile uphill stretch between the 20th and 21st miles that is the last of four Newton Hills that test athletes beginning 10 miles from the finish.

He said he missed a nutrition stop at mile 15 in Utah, and then pushed too hard to maintain his six-minute pace through the uphill climb.

For Boston, he plans to load up on energy between miles 13 and 17.

And he’ll slow down through the uphill portion and enjoy himself.

— JPB

✓ Levy: Superintendent’s presentation points to insurance rates, infrastructure

patrons were present.

Stewart itemized reasons that the district’s fund balance decreased by \$140,000 from fiscal year 2012 to FY 2014:

- The district is \$66,582 over in administration costs by what they’re funded by the state. Stewart attributed the spending to the salaries of the district’s three principals, his own pay and two employees of the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency (COSSA).
- For certified teaching staff salary, Marsing schools spend \$75,000 more than what the state has allocated for those positions.
- For this school year, the district received \$26,000 less in state funding for transportation than it did last year. Some itemized transportation costs are only reimbursed by 50 percent, the maximum is 85 percent and some categories aren’t reimbursed at all.

District business manager Debbie Holzhey said the drop in funding was because of changes made to those reimbursement regulations. She added that their per-mile costs went up to \$3.88 from \$3.18. She explained this was because while salary expenses remained the same, fewer miles are being put on buses as a result of going to a four day week.

No drivers have been let go but Holzhey said the district is trying to scale down salaries to reduce their per-mile costs.

- Marsing schools saw an \$85,168 increase in district-sponsored employee-only health insurance. Stewart said the Affordable Care Act was to blame, and Zone 3 Trustee Betty Ackerman responded, “it’s not affordable.”

Stewart said another problem the district is facing is aging equipment. In a recent meeting with district maintenance supervisor Justin Freeman, trustees learned that the high school’s 25- to 30-year-old HVAC components have either failed or are failing.

Parts of the units are now obsolete and can no longer be ordered, so the district is forced to replace them entirely. The district will use current funds to replace the HVAC units at the high school and elementary school (a project estimated to cost \$220,000), but the levy money would be used to replace units at other facilities over the next two years.

“So there are things around the district that we need to be considering as far as us moving forward and being able to maintain those buildings in the condition that they need to be,” Stewart said.

The district also will update its curriculum to common core standards, which will cost \$77 per student each year.


Considering all of the financial issues facing the district, Stewart said they need \$354,000 for each of the next two years.

In recent months, the district has seen a decrease in enrollment, which could affect state funding. However, Stewart said that has no direct correlation with the levy request and is only a consideration, not a driving force behind the levy.

— SC

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Marsing library director selected for unique committee

Streibel works to increase volunteerism

An Owyhee County library staff member is part of a project aimed at getting more volunteers involved with libraries across the country.

Lizard Butte Library director Janna Streibel traveled to Sacramento, Calif., last month to serve on a committee for “Get Involved; Powered By Your Library.” Get Involved is raising awareness about high-skilled volunteers and preparing libraries to recruit, engage, train and support volunteers. The project is currently only focused on California.

During the February meeting, Streibel said the committee worked on how to scale the project to other states and how the program might be altered to better fit different areas of the country.

“They wanted people from smaller libraries to be involved because a lot of times smaller libraries aren’t included because they don’t always have time to go to things like that,” Streibel said.

The Idaho Commission for Libraries tabbed Streibel for the committee, which included three other Idahoans:

- Amy Campbell, a library assistant from Marshall Public Library in Pocatello
- Sue Walker, library consultant for the underserved with the Idaho Commission

for Libraries

- Sheila Winther, volunteer coordinator with the Idaho Commission for Libraries

About 16 other people from various states were sent to serve on the committee.

Streibel’s trip was free.

“The California State Library in Sacramento wrote a planning grant to pay for everything, so airfare, hotel was included,” she said.

Streibel has implemented parts of Get Involved into her own library’s operations and she uses the project’s companion website, www.volunteermatch.org, whenever she looks for new volunteers. She said other libraries around Idaho are also using Get Involved.

Streibel isn’t sure if she’ll be invited back to participate with Get Involved, but says libraries in Texas and Arizona are really interested in the project. However, those libraries are currently examining what funding they have and how to use it, Streibel said.

She also said serving on the committee “was interesting, it was neat.”

According to the project’s website, Get Involved has successfully recruited high-skilled volunteers in positions like: job center coach, event planner, computer coach, graphic designer, photographer, adult literacy tutor, after school program coordinator and homework coach.

— SC

Death notices

PATRICIA (PAT) DENT, 73, formerly of Caldwell/Marsing, died Friday, March 13, 2015.

GRACE E. HOLTON, 94, of Homedale, died Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at a Homedale care facility. Arrangements are with Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

GRACE ELLEN THOMAS, 88, of Bruneau, a Marsing High School graduate who worked in Homedale and Marsing, died Friday, March 13, 2015. A viewing will be held from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 26, 2015 at Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel, 500 N. 18th E., Mountain Home. A graveside service will be held at noon on Friday, March 27, 2015 at Wilder Cemetery.

ARTHUR “ART” GLEN ZILLIG, 90, a 1941 Homedale High School graduate and Homedale resident after returning from World War II, died Tuesday, March 17, 2015.

Holy Week luncheons set

The Homedale Ministerial Association’s annual Holy Week Luncheons begin Monday.

Meals will be served from noon to 1 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W.

Pastors from different churches will share devotional thoughts, and there may be music. The lunches are free, but donations will be accepted. Churches include:

Monday — Wilder United Methodist Church, Homedale

Christian Church and the ministerial association

Tuesday — Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church

Next Wednesday — Mountain View Church of the Nazarene

Thursday, April 2 — Homedale Friends Community Church

Friday, April 3 — First Presbyterian and Trinity Holiness

For more information, call Friends church pastor Luke Ankeny at 337-3464.

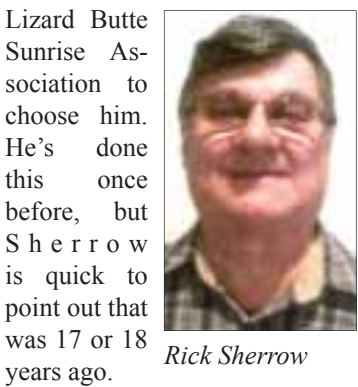
Marsing pastor picked to lead Easter sunrise service

Sherrow gave sermon nearly 20 years ago, too

Next month’s Lizard Butte Easter Sunrise Service will include a familiar face to members of the Marsing community.

Rick Sherrow, pastor at the Marsing Assembly of God Church, is the guest pastor for the 78th annual Easter Sunday morning service. The event will start at 7:15 a.m. on April 5 on Lizard Butte off of Idaho highway 55 on Symms Road just north of Marsing.

Sherrow said he was surprised to be selected to speak and thought it was very nice of the



Rick Sherrow

During the Easter sermon, Sherrow said he will be speaking on Bible verses John 11:25-26 regarding the Resurrection.

“It’s an honor to be part of such a long-standing tradition and to be able to represent the Christian church,” Sherrow said. He adds that writing his script for Easter Sunday is like taking five

years’ worth of sermons and cutting them down to 15 minutes.

The annual service began in 1938 and with two exceptions, both the result of extreme weather, has been held continually for 78 years with an average attendance of 1,400 people.

The earliest services at Lizard Butte were supported financially entirely from dues levied at 10 cents per meeting per member. It wasn’t until 1942 that the committee decided to ask for a free-will offering from those in attendance. The first offering received totaled \$9.62.

The Sunrise Association encourages attendees to dress warmly and to bring a blanket or lawn chairs to sit on.

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✓ Bazaar: Event has music, crafts sale

Raffle tickets will also be on sale for a homemade quilt and a rifle. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5, and the drawing will be held June 7 during Outpost Days in Murphy.

Live music during the event will be from Givens resident

John Larsen and his band Blue Dove.

All proceeds benefit the museum, which will be open during the bazaar.

The fourth annual Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire and Rescue firehouse chili cook-off will be held in conjunction with the bazaar.

The entry fee for aspiring chefs is \$15 for their first entry and \$5 for each additional entry from the same team.

Chili tasting will be open to the public starting at 11 a.m. with a donation of \$5.

Awards will be handed out for first place in four categories along with a people’s choice award.

The cook-off is a fundraiser for MRW’s fire, rescue and emergency medical services departments.

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- *State Medical Programs (at or below 135% of federal poverty guidelines)
- *Medicaid
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- *Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)

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Illness alters swine project protocol

Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea Virus (PEDV) has developed into a serious concern in the swine industry since it was first diagnosed in the United States in May 2013. PEDV affects only pigs (not humans or other livestock). It causes severe diarrhea in pigs of all ages. It has almost a 100 percent mortality rate in pre-weaned pigs. Literally millions of baby pigs across the United States have died from PEDV since it was first diagnosed here.

Currently there are no effective vaccines to combat PEDV. Sows that have been exposed to the virus can pass immunity on to their offspring through their colostrum; however, immunity is not long-lasting.

PEDV is transmitted by oral contact with contaminated feces. This means that other pigs, boots, trucks/trailers, and clothing can all vector the disease. Cleanliness and good biosecurity practices are essential to limiting the spread of the virus.

In order to prevent the potential



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spread of the virus in pigs owned by 4-H and FFA youth, Owyhee County will be holding an initial “tag-in” rather than a weigh-in for youth swine exhibitors in the county. Tag-ins will be held on April 13 in Homedale, Marsing, Bruneau and Jordan Valley.

The following procedures will be followed at each of the tag-in locations:

- Trailers will be staged in the parking lot, and exhibitors will proceed one trailer at a time to the designated tagging area. Do not leave your vehicle until directed.
- Volunteers will be available to direct traffic and answer questions.
- Only two people per truck/trailer will be allowed to get out of the vehicle.
- Each person (maximum of two) that gets out of the vehicle must put on a pair of disposable boots.
- The individuals will get into the trailer and be given an ear tagger and tags for the pigs in that trailer.
- When all the pigs in that trailer are tagged, the ear tagger will be disinfected.
- Disposable boots and gloves will be provided.

- As the individuals prepare to exit the trailer, they’ll take off the gloves and boots and put them in a trash bag.
- Step directly into a disinfectant boot wash out of the trailer and get back into the vehicle.
- Drive to the designated area to turn in paperwork.
- Exhibitors that want to deworm pigs will be provided with a needle, syringe and dewormer.

It is suggested that exhibitors with a swine breeding herd at home not attend this tag-in day. They must make arrangements with the extension office prior to April 13 to get their pigs tagged.

As is the case with any virus, preventative precautions will go a long way in keeping animals and individuals safe. Taking the time to keep things clean is the most important step. At home, it is equally important to keep things clean to maintain animal health and keep the pigs on feed so they will make weight at the fair.

— Scott Jensen is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension educator, and he welcomes questions on livestock care. He can be reached at the office in Marsing, 238 8th Ave. W., at (208) 896-4104 or scottj@uidaho.edu.

Calendar

Today

Owyhee County P&Z hearings
10 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse Annex, 17069 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2095, ext. 2

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

Thursday

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

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

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

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

Friday

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

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

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

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

Marsing Booster Club meeting
6 p.m., Marsing High School library, 8th Avenue West, Marsing.

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

Wednesday

Military veterans coffee
9 a.m., Phipps-Watson American Legion Hall and Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing

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

Let’s Talk About It book series
12:45 p.m., soup lunch, 1 p.m., discussion, free. Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Thursday, April 2

COSSA College @ Career Expo
8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., COSSA Regional Technical Educational Center, 109 Penny Lane, Wilder. (208) 482-6074, ext. 256

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


After-school program
4 p.m., open to kindergarten through fifth grade, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2478 or (208) 832-1949

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

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

Homedale Rod & Gun Club meeting
7:30 p.m., Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st W., Homedale. (208) 921-6578 or (208) 283-0431

Owyhee Then & Now



Michael F. Hanley IV

Tales of the I.O.N. Country Environmentalists

In the 1960s and '70s a movement to protect the environment swept the country. Advocates of the cause were referred to as environmentalists. They set out to correct dangers to the environment. There were problems aplenty; however, the cures they prescribed were often as bad or worse than the issues they focused on. For example, while one group pressured the courts to force Bureau of Land Management and ranchers to improve the range as they saw fit, others pushed for legislation that allowed wild horses and burros to run destructively on the same land.

Streams were listed for clean-up, and an attempt was made to confiscate all water that originated on federal lands. While we were defending the states’ right to appropriate and adjudicate water, agricultural chemicals came under fire. Herbicides and insecticides were either banned or restricted, and toxic wastes were recognized as long-term threats. To our dismay, we discovered how much of the toxic waste was cleaned up. The unwanted material was shipped to Owyhee County and dumped near Grand View and Bruneau.

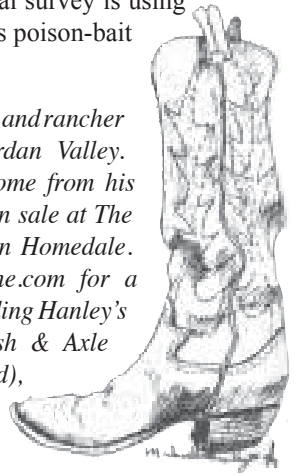
In the meantime, wilderness advocates lobbied hard to turn federally owned land in the county into wilderness. In 1972, President Nixon by executive order banned the poison 1080, which was used to control coyotes. The resulting coyote population explosion threatened livestock and wildlife.

Perhaps the controversy over the environment will result in finding solutions to some of the problems and issues. Some of the solutions may be found in the past. In 1924, wild horses and coyotes were controlled together as the following article shows:

WILD HORSES From The Idaho Statesman, April 1924, KILL “BROOM TALES”

“Gunmen” have been at work on the Fishlake National Forest in Utah, according to word reaching the Boise National Forest here, clearing the ranges of “broom tail” horses. “A broom tail,” said officials, “is a wild horse, whose tail, long and unkept, sweeps the ground like a broom.” The Grass Creek Grazing Association of the Fishlake section was responsible for hiring the riflemen, and up to the first of the month 65 horses had been shot. The United States biological survey is using the dead horses to set out as poison-bait for coyotes.

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



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School menus

Homedale Elementary

March 25-27: No school
March 30: Hot dog, tater tots, veggie & fruit bar
March 31: Spaghetti, green beans, veggie & fruit bar
April 1: Personal pepperoni pizza, tossed salad, veggie & fruit bar

Homedale Middle

Mar 25-27: No school
March 30: Popcorn chicken or beef nuggets, cheese stick, salad & fruit bar
March 31: Sloppy Joe or hot dog, corn, salad & fruit bar
April 1: Stuffed crust pizza or chicken patty, salad & fruit bar

Homedale High

March 25-27: No school
March 30: Personal pepperoni pizza or roast beef sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice
March 31: Orange chicken or popcorn chicken, egg roll, steamed rice, salad bar, fruit choice
April 1: Chicken taco or fish sticks, corn, salad & fruit bar, cookie

Marsing

March 25-27: No school
March 30: Chicken fajita or chicken sandwich, steamed carrots, chocolate chip cookie, salad bar & soup
March 31: French dip sandwich or beef taco, chipotle rice/beans, mixed veggies, salad bar & soup
April 1: Teriyaki chicken w/chow mein or corn dog, buttered corn, salad bar & soup

Bruneau-Grand View

March 25-27: No school
March 31: Chicken & noodles, romaine salad, steamed carrots, fruit
April 1: Chicken patty/bun, seasoned black beans, steamed broccoli, fruit

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar available each day
March 25: BBQ chicken, potato salad, broccoli, bread
March 26: Salisbury steak w/onions mushrooms, mashed potatoes/gravy, carrots, bread
March 31: Baked ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, bread
April 1: Tuna salad, lettuce & tomatoes, carrot salad, bread and milk

Marsing Senior Center

March 25: Spaghetti w/meatballs, Italian green beans, tossed salad, garlic roll
March 26: Hot turkey sandwiches, potatoes, California blend vegetables, coleslaw, hot cinnamon apple slices
March 27: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, winter blend vegetables, carrot salad, peaches & pears
March 31: Breakfast, biscuits & sausage gravy, eggs, fruit, juice

Rimrock Senior Center

March 26: Pot roast, potatoes/gravy, mixed veggies, roll, fruit
March 31: Tacos w/fixings, corn, fruit, flan & cookie

Conservation district sets first spray day of the year

Property owners will be able to pick up herbicide to battle puncture vine on Saturday, April 18. The Owyhee Conservation District's board of directors has decided to distribute chemicals at two locations that day. The distribution runs from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., in Marsing. Spray also will be available from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., in Homedale. Only containers approved to hold herbicide will be filled. The district usually sets days to distribute herbicide to eliminate white top and perennial pepper weed, too. For more information, call the OCD at 896-4544, ext. 101.

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Next phase of Homedale sign complete
Top: Steve Wynia of Steve Wynia Masonry installs rocks around the base of the Welcome to Homedale sign at the entrance into town. *Left:* Kurt Greenfield helped him work on the project. The rocks are native to Owyhee County and were donated by the Morris family and Tim Downing. Landscaping around the sign will be done later this spring in conjunction with the Owyhee Gardeners.

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Above: Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman, left, checks a report as dispatchers work among new surroundings in their pod inside the jail in Murphy. **Below:** Part of the upgrades will be organizing a tangle of computer interfaces in an area called the computer equipment backroom (CEB).

County upgrades emergency dispatch environment

Grant money used to purchase mapping system

Part of the dispatch center in the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office is undergoing a remodel this month.

The computer equipment backroom (CEB) houses things like servers, routers, radio gear and backup storage drives. The small room has fallen into a state of disarray, and dispatch supervisor Christine Ballard said there was never a clear, long-term plan for the area.

"As equipment was put in, there was no rhyme or reason, and they just threw stuff in willy-nilly," Ballard said. "We're at a point where you can't get to the original stuff you put in because stuff is in the way."

She also said there are too many wires coming into one piece of conduit and new equipment needs to be grounded. In fact, dispatchers have been getting a lot of static over their radios because the entire room wasn't properly grounded.

The Idaho Transportation Department recently donated a new equipment rack for the CEB room. The \$10,938 remodel was paid for through the county's Haz-Mat fund. The work should be complete by mid-April.

This isn't the first time Ballard has coordinated a major remodeling project at the jail in Murphy. When she first started her job, the dispatch center was divided into two areas. There was the dispatch "pod" on the jail floor, but another part had been moved into a break room.

"The theory behind that is not terrible because if something in the pod was to happen, in the dispatch pod up there, you would have a totally separate area that you could run your 911 center out of," Ballard said.

However, she said the concept really wasn't feasible because of the way the dispatch center is set up because "a dispatcher does fire,



ambulance, warrants, and on top of all that they're also a second set of eyes for the jail and the control for the jail." By that she means if anybody needs to come up out of the jail, the dispatcher has to let him or her up.

Fiber optic cables were installed during the process of moving the equipment back into the main pod, Ballard said.

Ballard relies heavily on grant money to pay for equipment upgrades or maintenance work. She said the funding source is "incalculable" in terms of importance.

In the past three years, Ballard has received at least \$50,000 from the Idaho Emergency Communications Commission (IECC). The county also gets around \$100,000 a year from cell phone fees, but Ballard said that's not enough to pay for their entire dispatch operation.

Another IECC grant for about \$40,000 financed Owyhee County's 911 mapping system. To understand how the system works, Ballard gives the example of

someone in Silver City calling 911. If it's coming from any smart phone, the call shows up in her dispatch center and gives an approximate location of the caller.

Ballard said her dispatchers can locate where about 80 percent of calls are coming from, but the other 20 percent are from older phones that the system can't track.

Owyhee County's system also includes geographic information of surrounding counties and states.

However, Ballard said if the 911 call routes to Canyon County dispatch, it might not show up in their mapping system because they don't have other counties in the system.

Ballard said the work in the CEB and other upgrade projects shows that the county commissioners put a priority on serving and protecting residents and people passing through the area. She also said the sheriff's office continues to make significant strides in technology.

— SC

Security upgrades planned for county facilities in Murphy

Grant money to pay for improvements

The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners is looking for a well-qualified company to install new security equipment at the courthouse and jail in Murphy.

County dispatch supervisor Christine Ballard said the project will include panic alarms for everyone in the courthouse. She clarifies that the jail doesn't need panic alarms because there are armed deputies in the building 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The improvements will also include an upgraded camera software system that is Web accessible, additional cameras (including any necessary wiring or cabling installation) and some upgrades to the jail video system.

The project was discussed at a BOCC meeting earlier this month, and county emergency services coordinator Jim Desmond told commissioners he expects it to cost about \$35,000.

The project will be funded through a variety of grant sources, including one from the Bureau of Homeland Security, and Desmond said there is enough money available.

Desmond added that the reason for using the grant funds is "critical infrastructure improvement," which would be the specified grant allocation area.

The county has issued a Request For Proposals (RFP) to seek contractors for the work, and County Clerk Angie Barkell said bids will be due next week. The contract will be awarded the

following week.

Desmond said the RFP was drafted along the lines of "what we need and we'll leave it to the vendors to tell us how they would fulfill that."

Commissioners will schedule a day for all potential bidders to tour the courthouse and jail to help determine the scope of the project.

In order to use the grant money — and because of the price tag — Owyhee County has to put the project out to competitive bid.

Desmond said if a nearby county had previously done a courthouse and jail security upgrade, Owyhee County could have simply hired someone to do the work without shopping around.

"We attempted to get information from both Boise County and Ada County," Desmond said. "They thought they had participated in a competitive bid (previously)."

He explained that when he "talked to the folks in Boise County, it wasn't a competitive bid. It was less than \$25,000. The county just went out and solicited a couple of bids and gave the contract to M2 (a Boise-based security system installation company). So that doesn't meet the standards of a competitive bid in the state."

State law requires the county to obtain at least three bids if a project is expected to cost more than \$25,000.

Desmond also corresponded with some Ada County officials, and said, "they're in the middle of a multi-million dollar jail security upgrade, and it's not complete yet."

— SC

Marsing FFA plans for annual auction

Marsing's FFA chapter will hold its eighth annual auction and barbecue next week.

The fundraiser starts at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 3 inside the Marsing schools cafeteria on 8th Avenue West.

"The auction is our big fundraiser of the year," FFA advisor Mike Martin said.

Proceeds help fund the majority of FFA activities throughout the year, including from trips to the state and national conventions and chapter leadership activities.

The auction will feature alfalfa and grass hay, straw bales, welding helmets, grass seed, mechanic tools, fishing equipment and Stephanie Beagley's homemade pies, which Martin says are annual favorites.

There will be a live and silent auctions and a bucket auction.

The dinner will consist of tri-tip steak, western potatoes, mesquite corn, salad and ice cream.

For more information, contact Martin at 914-1608 or at mmartin@marsingschools.org.

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Trustees shuffle Homedale wrestling hierarchy

Out after 18 years, Johnson will assist new coach Ryan Nash

The longest-tenured coach currently at Homedale High School has stepped down, but he's not going anywhere.

The school board accepted wrestling coach Toby Johnson's letter of resignation after a lengthy closed session last Wednesday then ensured his relationship would continue by hiring him as an assistant coach.

In separate 4-0 votes, board members accepted Johnson's resignation and hired former HHS star wrestler and assistant coach Ryan Nash as the 10th head coach in the program's 50-year history.

Zone 3 Trustee Dwayne Fisher cast the lone dissenting vote when trustees decided to retain Johnson as an assistant. Board members Shane Muir, Shelley Shenk and Stacy Woods voted yes.

School board chair Kurt Shanley left the boardroom during the executive session. He is Nash's cousin by blood and Johnson's cousin by marriage. Johnson is married to Nash's sister Shannon. As vice-chair, Muir conducted the meeting.

Nash's history with the wrestling program stretches to the 1980s. He won three consecutive state championships between 1986 and 1988 after finishing as runner-up as a freshman. At one time, Nash held the school record for victories in a career, and he finished with a four-year record of 105-7.

Nash was as an assistant coach in two Trojans regimes, beginning with Bob Stancliff in 1996 and continuing when Johnson succeeded Stancliff two years later.

Nash will be only the third head coach the Trojans' program has known in the past quarter-century.

The school board spent most

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Ryan Nash



Toby Johnson



Wrestlers win championships at home

Homedale Wrestling Club's Matthew Randall pins Colson Miller from the Idaho Rattlers to win the 105-pound Schoolboy title during Saturday's tournament in Homedale. Photo by Machele Randall

Other Homedale freestyle champions included Intermediates Isaac Silva (50-55), D'orr Packer (80), and Riley Meyers (103-112); Novices Joseph Egusquiza (70-75), Brayden Christoffersen (95) and Owen Houser (120); Pre-Bantam Shade Volk (54-58); Bantams Sebastian Larzelier (50-51), Ryker Harrison (57-65) and Terry Volk (80-92); and Sierra Pesnell (Women Cadet 172-198 and Cadet 182). Greco-Roman champions from Friday were: Bantam Isaac Bullard (65-70); Meyers at Intermediate 112; Christoffersen (95) and Houser (120) in Novice; and Pesnell at Cadet 182.

Freshman influx broadens Homedale's track outlook

Youngsters help teams to fourth in Parma

Combining forces among Homedale's track and field teachers may only strengthen what seems to be an already promising program.

High school coach Heidi Ankeny developed a community of coaches for both the high school and middle school Trojans prior to this season, and some of the young talent that got started with seventh- and eighth-grade teams already has shown their mettle after the Parma Ice Breaker.

Homedale's boys and girls teams both finished fourth in the

"For the first time since I have been coaching here, we have a well-rounded group of kids."

— Heidi Ankeny HHS track coach



March 17 meet.

Freshman Ashley Burks collected one of two championships for the Trojans in the girls' competition. She soared 15 feet to win the long jump, and also finished third in the triple jump at 29 feet, 8 inches. She finished fourth in the 400 meters in 1 minute, 10.51 seconds and ninth in the 100 meters in 14.13 seconds.

Another freshman, Eva Symms, was sixth in the shot put at 27-6, and fellow ninth-grader Mia Sickinger was seventh in the discus (65-07).

In fact, Ankeny lists three freshmen — Burks, Lainey Johnson and Max Mertz — among athletes expected to make an impact.

"There are a lot of other athletes who could do very well, but

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Sauer softball tourney gets message across

Visiting team shows its appreciation

A lot of softball was played, and athletes got in some much-needed innings, but organizers called the inaugural Taylor Sauer Memorial Tournament a success for a completely unrelated reason.

"I think we did a lot of educating, and that's what I was really excited about," Shauna Sauer, the mother of the tournament's namesake, said.

The message was to Put It Down, an anti-texting campaign the Sauer family launched after Taylor's death while texting and driving on Interstate 84 outside Mountain Home three years ago.

"As far as the message, I think it came across real well," Marsing High School softball coach Barry Kendall said.

The tournament played Friday and Saturday at the Marsing High School softball field attracted teams from as far away as Burns, Ore., and Gooding and as nearby as Weiser, Vallivue in Caldwell and Rocky Mountain in Meridian.

"I enjoyed the heck of it," Kendall said of the exhausting tournament experience. "I thought it went real well."

His informal poll also reflected success in the eyes of the

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Trojans carry big sticks into ISG tournament

Season-opening win streak grows to six games

With the way Homedale High School is playing, its opponents in the Idaho Sporting Goods softball tournament may get no spring break.

The Trojans on a tear to start the season, and coach Larry Corta's club brings a 6-0 record into its kickoff game of the two-day tournament at 10 a.m. Friday against Capital at Borah High School.

Homedale will take on Eagle at Mountain View High at 2 p.m. Friday then return Saturday for back-to-back games at noon and 2 p.m. at Centennial against Jerome and Idaho Falls, respectively.

Saturday: Homedale 15-16, New Plymouth 5-4 (5) — Both ends of the non-conference doubleheader at Sundance Park were halted by the five-run rule.

Gardenia Machuca and McKenna Calzacorta both homered in the first game. Calzacorta was 2-for-3 with a triple and four RBI, while winning pitcher Dakota Kelly was 2-for-3 with a double and four RBI.

Machuca knocked in two runs and scored three times, while Elise Shenk ripped two triples.

Kelly struck out five and didn't walk any batters.

Shenk hit two home runs in the finale, driving in three runs and scoring three times.

Machuca was 3-for-4 with three RBI, while Tori Nash was

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Gardenia Machuca

Sports

Several state tennis qualifiers back in the fold for HHS

A deep roster filled with experienced players could have Homedale High School in a better position for tennis.

“We will have better depth this year, which will help in match-ups and competition for positions,” Trojans coach Scott Michaelson said.

Five of 13 returning players completed the 2014 season in the 3A state tournament, including top singles players Kincade Kincheloe and Hattie Mertz. They finished fifth at the district tournament and grabbed top-eight spots at State.

“Hattie Mertz and Kincade Kincheloe should be (HHS’ standouts) with confidence from two successful years at state tournament as well as an active summer of tennis,” Michaelson said. “Alec Egurrola and Delaney Phariss are playing very well also.”

Kincheloe is off to a 2-0 start after getting No. 1 victories in last week’s opening meets against Nyssa and Ontario in Oregon. He beat Nyssa’s Joshua Rindlisbacher, 6-1, 6-0, on Thursday and downed Ontario’s Kaleb Pince, 6-1, 6-2, on March 17.



Andrew Randall leaps for a shot against Nyssa’s No. 1 boys’ doubles team as his brother Ryan backs him up during Homedale High School’s match in Oregon. Photo by Machele Randall

The Homedale boys are on a 12-0 roll to start the season. Egurrola teamed with Dylan Phariss in a 6-0, 6-0 No. 2 doubles win over Nyssa’s Jeremiah Kaija and Camaron Woodruff, and they

beat Ontario’s Agustin Lopez and Antonio Tadeo, 6-2, 6-1.

Mertz is unbeaten after two outings. She held on in the second set of a 6-0, 7-5 triumph against Alicia Maldonado for the HHS girls’ only victory against Ontario then dispatched Nyssa’s Becky Benjamin, 6-3, 6-2.

Delaney Phariss played No. 1 girls’ doubles with fellow returner Marissa Guzman in the first week. They beat Nyssa’s top team, 6-3, 6-3.

Delaney Phariss and Egurrola played mixed doubles at State last season after finishing third in districts. They haven’t had a chance to play together this season because Oregon schools don’t field mixed doubles teams.

Andrew Randall is another returning state tournament player. He’s back at No. 1 doubles with his brother, Ryan. They edged Ontario’s Ozzy Gonzalez and Michael McLay, 7-6, 7-6, and rallied from a tight first set to crush Nyssa’s Andy Esplin and Monson Vinyard, 7-5, 6-1.

With that core leading the way, Michaelson also looks to contributions from newcomers, although he admits the overall experience won’t match Parma and Fruitland because of their solid programs.

“Several hard-working and athletic freshmen are out for the team this year, but with no middle school team they will likely not be competing for any of the key No. 1 positions this year,” he said.

Thursday: HHS boys def. Nyssa, 6-0 — Coy Gardner beat Zach Brunell, 6-0, 6-1, at No. 2 singles, and Ben Holloway rolled past Ryan Benjamin by the same score at No. 3.

Thursday: HHS girls def. Nyssa, 4-1 — Tanis Lentfer (No. 2) and Sara Jones (No. 3) wrapped up a sweep of the singles matches. Lentfer beat Maddy Richards, 6-0, 6-4, while Jones swept Jesse Davis, 6-3, 6-3.

March 17: HHS boys def. Ontario, 6-0 — Some younger Trojans got a chance on the court as Jason Buenrostro (No. 2) and Jose Uriarte (No. 3) picked up singles shutouts.

March 17: Ontario def. HHS girls, 5-1 — Elizabeth Hernandez and Jessica Taylor (No. 2) and Lena Westphal and Megan Houser (No. 3) got some playing time in the doubles ladder.

✓ Trojans: Annual trip to Idaho Sporting Goods tournament begins Friday

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3-for-4 with a double, three RBI and three runs.

Michelle Castro went 1-for-2.

Friday: Homedale 17, Vale, Ore., 3 (5) — The week of blowouts continued with an easy non-conference win on the road

behind Machuca’s home run and seven RBI.

Nash drove in three runs, and Shenk was 2-for-4 with a triple, an RBI and three runs scored.

Tristan Corta got the win with five strikeouts.

March 17: Homedale 30,

Weiser 0 (5) — They only managed three extra-base hits (all doubles), but the Trojans still unloaded on their hosts in the 3A Snake River Valley conference opener for both teams.

Sydnee Shanley was 4-for-4 with four RBI and two runs

scored. Machuca was 4-for-5 with two doubles, four RBI and five runs scored.

Kendall Nash knocked in four runs, and Kelly had a double and three RBI. Aberasturi also had a big game, going 3-for-6 with three RBI and four runs scored.

Kelly was the winning pitcher, striking out six and walking none during a complete-game three-hitter.

The Trojans launched a 13-run assault in the top of the first inning and never looked back, racking up 17 hits.

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HHS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Riley Portwood, sr., track and field

The Play — Portwood opened the season in the March 17 Parma Ice Breaker by getting two victories. He ran a 4-minute, 52.77-second 1,600 meters and captured the 800 with a time of 2:09.3, which was eight seconds faster than the runner-up. Portwood's efforts helped the Trojans finish fourth in the eight-team meet.

Baseball
Varsity
Tuesday, March 31, home vs. Payette, 5 p.m.

Junior varsity
Tuesday, March 31 at Payette, 5 p.m.

Track and field
Wednesday, April 1 at New Plymouth Invitational, 3:30 p.m.

Golf
Monday, March 30 at 3A Snake River Valley meet, Scotch Pines GC, Payette, 3 p.m.
Tuesday, March 31 at Emmett Invite, River Birch GC, Star, 11 a.m.

Tennis
Tuesday, March 31, home vs. Weiser, 4 p.m.

Softball
Varsity
Idaho Sporting Goods Tournament
Friday, March 27 vs. Capital, Borah H.S., Boise, 10 a.m.
Friday, March 27 vs. Eagle, Mountain View H.S., Meridian, 2 p.m.
Saturday, March 28 vs. Jerome, Centennial H.S., Boise, noon
Saturday, March 28 vs. Idaho Falls, Centennial H.S., Boise, 2 p.m.
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Sports

Heidt, Saenz get MHS’ Ice Breaker top-fives

Junior Alexandre Heidt led Marsing High School’s top-five finishes in the Parma Ice Breaker track and field meet.

Heidt had three of the Huskies’ four top finishes, including a championship in the long jump. He cleared 19 feet, 4 inches.

Heidt was third in the triple jump (36-2) and the 100 meters (11.65 seconds).

Fellow junior Andy Saenz grabbed fourth place in the 200 in 24.63.

Angie Draper was the only girl listed in the Marsing results posted on Athletic.net.

The sophomore finished eighth in the 300 hurdles (57.10) and ninth in the 100 hurdles (19.87).



Marsing’s Hunter Gibson pitches with a Glenns Ferry man on the move Friday as Tyler Wood covers first base.

Marsing Booster Club to meet

The newly formed Marsing Booster Club will meet again Monday.

The club is comprised of people who want to raise funds to support Marsing High School athletics.

The group will approve bylaws at 6 p.m. inside the MHS library.

Any interested parties are invited.

✓Tourney: Audra Kendall, Thea Ugland named all-stars

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participating teams.

“I was impressed with Burns and Gooding,” Kendall said. “The traveled quite a few parents.”

Gooding’s team showed its gratitude when it returned for Saturday’s action.

After Friday’s dinner and Put It Down presentation, the Senators spent some time at Big Al’s in Meridian. They pooled the tickets they won on various games to buy a giant softball. They signed the ball and presented it to Taylor’s parents Clay and Shauna Sauer.

The Sauers helped close the tournament by handing out all-star medals to two players on each squad. The players were selected through a coaches poll. Coaches couldn’t vote for their own players.

First baseman Thea Ugland and pitcher Audra Kendall represented Marsing on the all-star team.

“The coaches gave it to Thea because of her very positive attitude and to Audra because she just pitched and pitched and pitched and kept battling,” Kendall said.

— JPB

Bats keep Huskies afloat

Glenns Ferry rallies to even Marsing’s record

Statistically, the hitting is ahead of the pitching thus far, but coach Travis Jarvis figures things will even out once the Marsing High School baseball team shores up its fielding.

The Huskies (2-2 overall) have committed 17 errors in four non-conference games, including eight in Friday’s wild 15-11 loss to visiting Glenns Ferry.

Marsing has a team batting average of .526 with an on-base percentage of .643.

“We can’t ask for much more than that,” Jarvis said. “I’m very proud of how this team is adapting to the new program the we are trying to install.”

Friday: Glenns Ferry 15, Marsing 11 — The Pilots scored 10 runs in two at-bats, including eight in the sixth inning, to erase the Huskies’ 8-3 lead.

Marsing rallied for four runs in the bottom of the sixth inning, but couldn’t match Glenns Ferry’s comeback knock.

Hunter Gibson started the game and gave up four hits and three unearned runs in the first three innings. He was 2-for-4 with a double and three RBI.

“The opponents’ ERA is 7,” Jarvis said. “I consider that pretty good from my inexperienced staff.”

Hayden Dines took the loss. He struck out five and walked no one in two innings of relieve. Glenns Ferry reached him for six hits, and half of the Pilots’ eight runs were unearned.

Marsing finished with 14 hits as Clay King went 1-for-1 with a double and two RBI. Seth Hardy was 3-for-4, and Garret Briggs, Brett Grossman, Dines and Dakota Hardy picked up two hits apiece.

Thursday: Marsing 11, Horseshoe Bend 7 — Marsing scored five runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to take control in a seesaw non-conference game against the visiting Mustangs.

Marsing’s five-run rally snapped a 6-6 deadlock.

Junior catcher Brett Grossman continued his early-season tear,

going 3-for-4 with two doubles, three RBI and two runs scored. Dines was 2-for-4 with two RBI, and Dakota Hardy doubled, knocked in a run and scored twice.

Casey Yeingst got the win, striking out three and dodging three hits, two walks and an earned run in the final two innings.

March 16: Payette 17, Marsing 6 (6) — The Huskies crept within two runs, 6-4, in the top of the third inning, but couldn’t take advantage of their opportunities in a non-conference loss on the road.

“We left too many men in scoring position and had too many errors,” Jarvis said. “With some work at practice on our pitchers and base running, the team should progress nicely.”

Marsing managed 12 hits in six innings, but Payette blew the game open with four runs in the bottom of the third inning.

Brett Grossman, Jayden Kinney, Hayden Dines and Casey Yeingst knocked in runs as Marsing got on the board in the third inning.

Dines and Clay King scored runs in the fifth inning for Marsing.

MARSING HUSKIES



ATHLETE OF THE WEEK
Alexandre Heidt, jr., track and field

The Play — Heidt turned in three top-three finishes March 17 at the Parma Ice Breaker to help the Huskies to fifth in the boys’ team standings. He won the long jump with an effort of 19 feet, 4 inches and finished third in the triple jump (36-2) and the 100 meters (11.65 seconds).



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Softball
Varsity
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Go Huskies!

Sports



Shortstop Carey Dines catches Sheyanne Glorfield's throw from home plate Friday as a Gooding baserunner slides in safely with a stolen base.

MHS softball players keep eye on ball with WIC play looming

Marsing High School's inexperienced softball team has the week off as it recovers from a lot of games and prepares for the conference season.

The Huskies haven't won in six outings — including four in last week's inaugural Taylor Sauer Memorial Tournament — but Marsing hasn't played a team in a classification lower than 3A, so first-year coach Barry Kendall isn't concerned.

"None of these games count until I get into conference anyway," Kendall said. "This is just time and experience."

The 2A Western Idaho Conference season begins Tuesday at New Plymouth. In the meantime, the Marsing players will work on getting comfortable in game situations and finding a way to make a slew of hits finally pay off.

"Right now, our biggest issue is the timely hits," Kendall said after the Huskies made contact but couldn't score many runs in the Sauer tourney. "We're getting more and more, but we're not getting any timely hits."

"Defensively right now the issue is the routine plays. We get two outs and should get that third out and then they get a bunch runs."

Saturday: Weiser 19, Marsing 4 (4) — Destiny Reynolds and Carey Dines were 2-for-3 for the Huskies.

Dines drove Reynolds home with a first-inning single, and exchange student Thea Ugland scored on Reynolds' base hit in the second inning. She also scored in the fourth inning when Marsing scored two runs on hits from Dines and Audra Kendall.

Saturday: Vallivue JV 20, Marsing 2 (5) — Kendall and Ellie Folwell scored the Huskies' runs on errors in the fourth inning.

Kendall, Dines, Folwell, freshman Bailey Bowman and sophomore Sheyanne Glorfield all had hits.

Friday: Vallivue JV 10, Marsing 1 (4) — In a game that was halted because of the tournament's 90-minute rule, Reynolds scored on Kendall's sacrifice bunt in the third inning.

Reynolds and Dines were 2-for-2, and Ann Quiroz and Kendall went 1-for-2.

Friday: Gooding 13, Marsing 3 (5) — Kendall and Dines had three hits each and both scored a run.

Kendall (3-for-3), Reynolds (2-for-2) and Holly Hobbs collected RBI. Dines was also 3-for-3.

Folwell singled and scored a run, and Bowman notched a base hit.

"Gooding was a good club, and we played against them pretty well," Barry Kendall said.

March 16: Payette 13, Marsing 3 (5) — Dines and Bowman ripped doubles as six different Huskies got hits in a non-conference loss on the road.

Kendall singled and scored a run, while Glorfield, Quiroz and Hobbs had base hits.

"We are making progress, starting to make good contact with the ball and looking for the timely hits," Barry Kendall said after the game.

"We are working hard on defense. The routine plays are our focus right now. We have to make these plays, and we will. It's all about continuing to work hard."

Golfers finish second against wind

The TimberStone wind struck again, but Homedale High School's golfers held on in the conference opener.

Three Trojans broke 50 as Homedale finished second to Weiser in the first 3A Snake River Valley conference meet of the season on March 17 at TimberStone Golf Course outside Caldwell.

"It wasn't a good day for anyone, really," HHS coach Casey Grove said. "It was the first time in a long time, nobody in the conference had shot in the 30s."

Weiser's Matt Hurd finished one stroke off the medalist pace with a 6-over-par 42 to help the Wolverines notch a 178.

Lawsen Matteson fired a 47 in the nine-hole match to lead Homedale, which finished at 194.

"I was pleased with the way Lawsen played," Grove said. "With our team this year, there really isn't a 1 or a 5. Any one of the kids could beat one another on any given day."

Proof of the parity was the close proximity of the Homedale golfers on the scorecard last week.

Chase Martell shot a 48, and Kaden Henry came in at 49, while Kyler Landa's 50 rounded out the qualifying scorers. Noah Frelove shot a 55.

Emmett's Ryan Matthews and Payette's Bailey Reese were co-medalists after shooting 41s.

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Trojans use power to bounce back from SRV-opening loss

Weiser's fifth-inning uprising spoiled Homedale High School's conference baseball opener.

The Wolverines took advantage of a rough patch for Trojans pitchers, scoring six runs to snap a stalemate and set up a 7-3 3A Snake River Valley conference victory at Walter Johnson Field.

Homedale (3-2 overall, 0-1 in conference) snagged a 1-0 lead in the top of the first behind early Weiser miscues.

John Collett reached on an infield error to lead off the game, recorded the first of his three stolen bases and eventually scored on the second of two passed balls.

Homedale pitcher Bo Jenkins and his Weiser counterpart, Matt Pritchard, settled into a duel before the Wolverines tied the game on an infield single, two errors and a wild pitch in the fourth inning.

William Elordi doubled and scored on Jenkins' sacrifice fly to end the Trojans' scoring in the seventh inning.

Collett scored again in the sixth on Connor Carter's infield single.

Jenkins and Nash Johnson also had singles.

Friday: Homedale 6, Vale, Ore., 3 — It was the Trojans' turn for a comeback in a non-conference road game.

Trailing 3-2, Homedale scored four times in its final at-bat to cap five unanswered runs over the sixth and seventh innings.

The Trojans did most of their damage on the infield in the pivotal seventh inning.

Jake Deal reached on an error by Vale third baseman Gage Fortin, and Matt Thatcher beat out a hit to shortstop.

Deal tied the game on Gunner Clapp's pop-up single to first base, and Thatcher scored the go-ahead run when Jenkins bunted.

Michael Lejardi lined a single into center field — the only hit to leave the infield in the inning — to bring in Clapp and Jenkins.

Jenkins pitched 3 1/3 innings of no-hit relief to get the win.

Last Wednesday: Homedale 16, Melba 0 (5) — Connor Carter struck out 10 and walked none while spinning a two-hitter on the Mustangs' field. Carter retired nine of the last 10 batters he saw without incident.

The Trojans erupted for seven runs in the second inning, including five with two outs.

Deal, who was 2-for-3 with a home run and three RBI, reignited the inning with a two-run single to plate Jenkins and Collett. Carter drove home Deal with a single then scored on Clapp's triple.

Deal homered to lead off the fourth, and Jenkins pounded a two-run triple.

✓ Wrestling: Johnson's time featured 12 state champions

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of last Wednesday's 68-minute meeting in an executive session to discuss the personnel issue.

At one point, Tony Martinat — a longtime assistant for Johnson — was called to testify in the closed session. He was the only person other than trustees, superintendent Rob Sauer, HHS athletic director Matt Holtry and district manager Faith Olsen to sit in on the meeting.

Neither Johnson nor Nash appeared at the district office.

Johnson's 18-year stint as coach featured the creation of the wrestling room near the high school's main gymnasium, and out of that room emerged 41 athletes who placed in the state tournament 70 times. While placing more than five dozen times, HHS wrestlers competed for the state championship 25 times, winning 12 titles.

Johnson's teams finished in the top five at state tournaments six times, including third in 1999 and fourth on three occasions.

— JPB

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Rocky Mountain's Carly Warr, Taylor Sauer's cousin, receives her participation trophy from Clay and Shauna Sauer.



A Gooding High School softball representative, right, presents Clay and Shauna Sauer with a giant ball that all the Senators signed as a tribute to Taylor Sauer and the tournament named for her.

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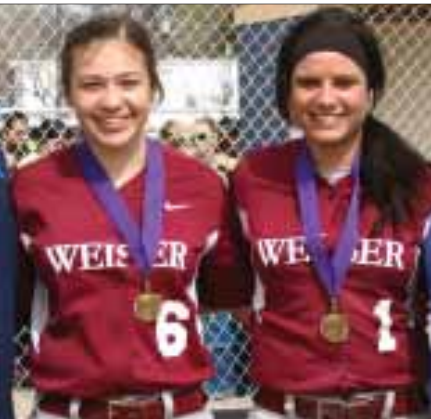
Burns, Ore.'s Carli Feist, left, and Miranda Carpenter



Marsing senior first baseman Thea Ugland, left, and senior pitcher Audra Kendall receive their all-star medals from Clay and Shauna Sauer.



Gooding's Savannah Fleming, left, and Ashley Carter



Weiser's Alicia Egner, left, and Theresa Moyle



Vallivue JV's Alyssa Goff, left, and Courtney Flaherty



Rocky Mountain JV's Kaylee Lamont, left, and Almira Vega

Bill limiting eminent domain heads to governor

by Jeff Myers
The Owyhee Avalanche
legislative correspondent

Senate Bill 1044 has passed the House and Senate after considerable debate and has been sent to Gov. C. L. “Butch” Otter for signing. The bill prevents eminent domain from being used to acquire lands for “trails, paths, greenways or other ways for walking, running, hiking, bicycling or equestrian use, unless adjacent to a highway, road or street.”

Sen. Jim Guthrie (R-McCammon) sponsored the bill on the Senate floor.

“This legislation is so impor-

tant because we are seeing more of these kinds of takings across the country,” Guthrie said. “The playing field needs to be level. Negotiate not take.”

Sen. Lee Heider (R-Twin Falls) voted against the bill.

“I look at the Boise Greenbelt along the Boise River,” Heider said. “Without eminent domain, that beautiful trail would not be there. Hundreds if not thousands of people each day ride that trail on their bikes, run that trail, walk that trail, walk their dogs on that trail, and without eminent domain that trail would probably not exist.”

Rep. Christy Perry (R-Nampa) sponsored the bill in the House.

“According to testimony, eminent domain has rarely been used for this purpose,” Perry said. “What city and county governments (have) found is that the threat of eminent domain is actually more efficient and effective than the lengthy process of eminent domain and condemnation itself.”

Guthrie said that while eminent domain is rarely exercised the potential for its use can be an unfair advantage at the negotiation table.

“To believe that eminent domain is rarely used in these takings,”

Guthrie said, “you would have to surmise that the only time a gun is used in the commission of a crime is when it’s actually fired.”

Much of the opposition to the bill revolved around concerns that local governments’ ability to use eminent domain for paths and trails could be necessary for future development of walkways similar to the Boise Greenbelt. In the House, Rep. Ilana Rubel (D-Boise) spoke passionately against the bill.

“I do feel that were on the brink of making a potentially serious mistake with this bill,” Rubel said. “While I’m sure it’s not the intent

of this bill to stop the development of greenways and bike paths in Idaho, I think that will be the effect. If we pass this bill, I don’t believe we’ll see the development of more greenbelts or bike paths of any significant length or quality in our state.”

For Guthrie, however, the bill is not anti-greenway. Instead, he said, it is pro-private property rights.

“Certainly, they’re (greenways) nice. I’m a supporter of them, in fact,” Guthrie said. “It’s just when you start taking something that belongs to someone else I kind of draw the line there.”

State officials praise districts on broadband transition

by Jeff Myers
The Owyhee Avalanche
legislative correspondent

All 129 Idaho school districts previously covered by the Idaho Education Network have negotiated new broadband Internet contracts to carry them through the rest of the current school year.

The total price tag for new services, which includes one-time setup costs and Internet coverage through June 30, is expected to be more than \$1.9 million. That’s more than \$1.2 million less than what the state would have paid under the now-defunct Idaho Education Network contract. Gov. C.L. “Butch” Otter has already signed a bill that allocates just over \$3.6 million from the general fund to cover schools broadband

costs through the year.

According to a press release from the office of Idaho Superintendent of Public Instruction Sherri Ybarra, “The Legislature is now considering a bill that would extend the superintendent’s authority beyond this fiscal year, which ends June 30, and provide funding to reimburse districts for broadband costs in the next fiscal year (for the 2015-16 school year).”

Kelly Everitt, communications specialist for the state Department of Education, said the Legislature is holding off on setting the SDE budget, which would include funding measures for Internet services next year, until after a public school budget has been determined. Kelly said that some kind of plan for broadband fund-

ing, at least through next year, will be necessary.

“They are going to have to do that before they leave,” Everitt said, “otherwise (schools’ broadband services) will all go dark on July 1.”

Currently the public school budget is being held up as a controversial teacher salary restructure, known as the career ladder, makes its way through the Statehouse.

SDE chief technology officer Will Goodman was pleased with how well the transition to new Internet providers went. According to the Department of Education, all of Idaho’s public schools were able to seamlessly transition to new plans.

“We want to compliment the vendors, some of whom are pro-

viding service at or below cost in order to help support schools in this difficult time,” Goodman said. “They were as concerned about the kids as everyone else in education.”

Goodman also praised school districts for their swift action.

“The districts did an incredible job getting their services switched quickly and at little disruption to the students,” he said.

While many individual schools have negotiated contracts with new Internet service providers several have opted to draft new contracts with the original providers, Education Network of America and CenturyLink.

Schools were instructed to find their own service plans in February after CenturyLink threatened

to pull the plug. CenturyLink did not carry out the threat but did issue a press release stating that they expect to be paid for services rendered: “...our primary focus is on the students of Idaho who have become dependent on these services. We committed to work with the Governor, State leaders and ENA to find a path forward that continues providing this essential service to Idaho students and teachers without interruption, and addresses our need for payment for all services delivered.”

The state cannot pay on the contracts after they were deemed void by district courts. CenturyLink and Education Network of America have filed legal claims against Idaho for back payments on services provided.

Sports

✓ Track: Handful of state meet qualifiers return

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because it is so early in the season ... it’s hard to say who will excel,” Ankeny said.

Don’t let the youngbloods fool you. This is not a rebuilding year for Ankeny, whose coaching staff includes husband Luke as well as Dan Holtry and middle school teacher Nick Ketterling.

“For the first time since I have been coaching here, we have a well-rounded group of kids,” third-year coach Heidi Ankeny said.

“In the past, we have been strong in one or two event areas, but this year we have great talent in all events.”

There have been some key losses with state meet competitors Luke Flaming and Britt Eubanks graduating and distance standout Cole Hungate skipping his senior season to concentrate on work and other commitments.

Then there is a strong group of returning athletes, most of whom started the season on a good pace last week.

Reigning 3A District III 1,600-meter champion Riley Portwood kicked off his senior season with first-place marks in the 800 (2:09.3) and the 1,600 (4:52.77).

Junior Josh Tolmie won the boys’ 400 (54.82) and finished third in the 200 (24.16). He was district runner-up in the 400 a year ago.

Richard Symms, who placed fourth in the discus at State as a sophomore, started his junior campaign with third-place marks in the shot put (37-8) and the discus (121-11).

Symms and Tolmie are part of the football contingent that contributed in 2014, but Ankeny hopes a campaign will beef up the crossover this spring.

“We have recruited some of the

quicker football players who we hope will play a key role in our sprints and relays success,” she said.

The girls’ team also has a group of state-caliber returners.

Junior Elizabeth Vargas won the Parma Ice Breaker shot put title at 29-5 with teammate Bailey Adams, a senior, taking second at 28-5. Vargas was third in the discus at 83-6.

Another thrower, Kerigan Morris, is back for her senior season, but didn’t score in the Ice Breaker.

Junior Maya Correa finished third in the 3,200 at 13:44.16, and took fifth in the 1,600 (6:35.96).

Sophomore Carlie Sawyer also had top showings in Parma. She was second in the triple jump in 30-8, and took third in the long jump (13-7) and 100 meters (13.67).

— JPB

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By Janet Tharpe

Two Desserts, One Amazing Pecan Pie Cheesecake

“This pie is something special!”



Pecan pie and cheesecake in one bite? My oh my. Tammy Brownlow’s Pecan Pie Cheesecake will be a hit at your next gathering! You may want to consider making two pies—it’s that good. The sweetness from the pecan pie, combines with the creaminess from the cheesecake for one impressive dessert.

See step-by-step photos of Tammy’s recipe plus thousands more from home cooks nationwide at: www.justapinch.com/pecancheesecake

You’ll also find a meal planner, coupons and chances to win! Enjoy and remember, use “just a pinch”...

- Janet

Pecan Pie Cheesecake

What You Need

1 pie crust 9” refrigerated or frozen

PECAN PIE LAYER:

3 eggs
1 c light corn syrup
1/4 c sugar
1/2 tsp pure vanilla extract
1 c pecans, in pieces or halved

CHEESECAKE LAYER:

2 pkg 8oz cream cheese, room temperature
1/2 c sugar
1 egg
1/2 tsp pure vanilla extract

Directions

- Take pie crust from refrigerator or freezer. If frozen, let stand on counter 30-45 minutes.
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- In your mixer, combine 3 eggs with 1/4 cup sugar.
- Add corn syrup and vanilla. Stir in pecans.
- Pour into pie crust.
- In your mixer, beat cream cheese on medium until light and fluffy.
- Add sugar and salt. Mix on low speed until combined.
- Add egg and vanilla gently spread on top of pecan pie layer.
- Bake 45 minutes.
- Once baked, refrigerate at least 2 hours before serving.

Submitted by: Tammy Brownlow, Bryan, TX (pop. 76,201)

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense
Hello, my name is Mud

January 1980 is a month I'll never forget. It all started out about Jan. 7. The previous spring, I had a big hand in selecting the bulls we were gonna use on Albert and Louie's heifers. Albert had 400 head, and we decided to artificially inseminate (A.I.) them one cycle, then use clean-up bulls. After much discussion with the local A.I. man, I chose a Brangus bull; an easy calver, the book said. For Louie's 125 heifers, I bought him six brown swiss bulls.

That fateful morning I called Albert on the phone: "Mornin', Albert! How's it going?"

Silence.

"Albert? Are you there?"

"Ten calved so far. ... Three live calves ... had to pull all ten ..."

"Oh."

"Maybe you better come out to the ranch."

"Sure, sure, I'll be right out."

"Uh, maybe you better bring a bedroll."

I called Louie before I left for Albert's: "Louie, how's the calving going?"

"What are you doing for the next six weeks?"

"What do you mean?"

"Four have calved. We pulled 'em all. One's still alive. Oh, by the way, three of the heifers are down. On second thought, the way the boys are cussin' you, you better wait a day or two ... 'till they've cooled off. You'd stand a better chance of leavin' in one piece!"

I spent the next weeks in a daze. Drivin' the hundred or so miles back and forth between Louie and Albert. Sleepin' in the straw every chance I got, eatin' when they took pity on me, and calvin' heifers. They made me tie a white flag on my antenna and wear one of those convention name tags that said, "Hello, my name is MUD"

I got run over, stepped on, kicked, mashed, mauled, horned, hammered and cussed, and the heifers did a lot of damage, too! I learned how to do a Cesarean section in my sleep, sutured my surgical glove to a uterus twice and lost 25 pounds! The boys stayed by me every step of the way, but they never once put their arm around me and said, "Don't worry, Doc, it could have happened to anybody."

I hit bottom the day I went out and looked at two downer heifers I'd been feeding and watering for three weeks. One of 'em, No. 258, I'd been getting up every day and she'd try a little. I thought she had a chance. The other one hadn't gotten up for 10 days in spite of all my magic medicine and physical therapy. She was failing fast. Both were thin-horned herefords. I examined them that morning and decided to euthanize the worst one. I was just puttin' my rifle back in the pickup when Albert walked up and said, "Why'd ya shoot that one?"

Yup, you guessed it. ... I shot the wrong cow!

They didn't ask me to help select sires for this year. The last I heard, they were looking for 500 A.I. ampules from a small Suffolk buck!

— 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.

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

Eyes on Owyhee
Unfortunate coaching change



Last Wednesday's special Homedale School Board meeting produced ironic, unfortunate and revealing results.

Ironic because the closed session came at a time when many across the state celebrated Sunshine Laws enacted to shed light on government's machinations.

Unfortunate because the end result of the meeting saw the end of one of the longest and most respected coaching tenures in Homedale High School history.

Revealing because despite the reason for the executive session — a personnel issue — all parties involved in the matter were named when the trustees opened the meeting to make their final decision.

And that final decision may have revealed more than a simple roll call vote.

For starters, let's be clear. After 18 years of molding young men into champions on the mat and in society, Trojans coach Toby Johnson fell on his sword for the benefit of the HHS wrestling program and its future.

The school board — minus chair Kurt Shanley, who recused himself because of his relationship to both coaches involved in the ultimate decision — unanimously accepted Johnson's resignation as head coach then unanimously appointed Ryan Nash as his successor.

Then came the most telling moment of the hour-long

meeting. The trustees voted, 3-1, to hire Johnson as assistant wrestling coach.

A roll call vote was held, and Zone 3 Trustee Dwayne Fisher — whose son was a three-time state tournament placer for Johnson but didn't compete as a senior — was the only person to say nay. Shane Muir, Shelley Shenk and Stacy Woods approved of Johnson staying with the program.

Because the issue is ultimately a personnel matter, Fisher doesn't have to give his reason for voting against the idea of keeping one of the most influential men on the staff of what — in the end — is a program that teaches integrity, honor and individual sacrifice.

That's not going to stop people from reading between the lines.

And it's not going to stop the murmurs that last Wednesday's meeting was the latest revolution for a Homedale sports machine that has worked hard — and for the most part successfully — over the past few years to shake the reputation of being a meat grinder for coaches.

It's unfortunate, but we must now add Johnson's name to the list that includes Asbury, Potter, Kassebaum and others.

— See *Change*, Page 19

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington
Proposed program cuts contradict Medicare's mission



I recently led a bipartisan group of 52 senators in calling on the Obama Administration to refrain from making additional harmful cuts to the successful, market-based Medicare Advantage (MA) program. These targeted cuts, coupled with the drastic reductions to the program under Obamacare, mean increased out-of-pocket costs, fewer coverage options, reduced benefits and, in many cases, cancelled plans for seniors. This shortchanging of America's seniors must stop.

Medicare Advantage, which remains one of the most popular programs in Medicare, continues to be an attractive option for seniors seeking comprehensive, high-quality coverage at an affordable price. Additionally, this program is a successful effort to push Medicare more toward market-based health care. MA offers beneficiaries the opportunity to enroll in private health plans best suited to their individual health care needs outside of the fee-for-service model of traditional Medicare. MA plans typically include a range of innovative services and benefits not available to standard Medicare beneficiaries. Examples of these services include vision and dental services and important prescription drug coverage, among others.

More than 16 million seniors and individuals with disabilities, including more than 70,000 Idahoans, seek health care coverage through the MA program, and that number is growing. Despite widespread enrollment and high rates of satisfaction from beneficiaries, the Administration, in an attempt to force seniors into one-size-fits-all traditional Medicare, has left Americans with fewer and fewer health care options. On top of the new reductions proposed recently, the program faces more than \$200 billion in cuts in the coming years as a result of Obamacare.

In rural areas, such as much of Idaho, MA plans are a significant part of the insurance coverage network for Medicare patients. Idaho, which has one of the higher percentages of seniors nationwide who utilize MA coverage, has felt the impact of reductions to the program

in recent years with MA plan availability decreasing dramatically. As a result of the Administration's move, no longer are MA plans offered in numerous counties in Idaho. For example, in Custer County in 2013, the number of MA plans available to seniors was six. After reductions to the program, seniors were forced to enroll in traditional fee-for-service Medicare as there was no longer an option to enroll in an MA plan for 2014 — as was the case in Lemhi, Bear Lake, Butte, Clearwater, Idaho and Lewis counties.

Further, studies have shown that additional cuts to the MA program are likely to disproportionately affect beneficiaries with low incomes — the very people President Obama pledged to protect. Forty-one percent of MA enrollees have annual incomes below \$20,000. The increase in out-of-pocket expenses would constitute a significant burden to these enrollees.

In the letter to the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, 52 of my Senate colleagues, including fellow Idaho Republican Sen. Jim Risch, and I wrote, "At a time of broad agreement on the need to shift U.S. health care to focus on care coordination, quality and value-based payments, it would be counterproductive to jeopardize a program that is already driven and aligned toward these goals. We urge you to provide stability to the MA program that will protect MA enrollees from disruptive changes in 2016."

Implementing additional cuts to the MA program is unreasonable, as we have seen the dramatic impact cuts are already having on beneficiaries. This dynamic must not continue, and the President must quit contradicting his oft-repeated pledge, "if you like your plan, you can keep it."

— 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.

Commentary

Financial management Beau unwilling to bring his wealth into marriage

Dear Dave,
I'm 64, and I've been dating a 73-year-old man for four years. We're talking about marriage, and we've been discussing finances. He's retired, but I still work part-time even though I'm in pretty good shape financially. His plan, if we get married, is to give his house and his savings to his children, while we live in my home. We'd still have his small pension, what I bring home and my savings, but I think he should invest at least half of what he has in our marriage and relationship. What do you think?

— Betty

Dear Betty,
So, his wealth goes to his kids and you get to feed and take care of him until he dies? In my mind, this is not a good plan. I think what you're discovering

here is that this guy just doesn't want to be lonely. It sounds, too, like he's dipping into your wealth while all his stuff goes to his kids. I'd be a little frustrated with this idea if I were you. And I think the two of you need some premarital and relationship counseling before you take another step forward. Right now, you're in third place behind his kids and his belongings.
I'm not saying he has to give everything to you, but you guys definitely need to have a serious talk and find a little balance. Right now, he's clinging to everything in one way or another, and not really offering to take care of you. In my mind, you need to be ready to take a bullet for someone when you want to marry them. And this guy hasn't shown that he's ready to put you first.

— Dave



DAVE Says
by Dave Ramsey • www.davesays.org

Dear Dave,
My daughter is in her late 20s, and she has a good job making \$50,000 a year. The other day, she told me she has \$15,000 in credit card debt and has financed an expensive car she's upside down

on. Her apartment in Omaha costs \$600 a month, and she is asking for help to get out of the hole. We tried to teach her how to handle money, but apparently it didn't work. How do you think I should handle this situation?

— Cindy

Dear Cindy,
Here's what I would tell her if she were my kid in that situation. First, I'm not paying for your problem to go away. I'd tell her to sell the car and get a cheap little beater. She'll have to get a small loan to cover the difference, but it will rid her of a car payment. And hey, a little bit of debt is better than a whole lot of debt — especially when the debt is on something that's going down in value. After that, she can get a part-time job and work her tail off until she cleans up the mess she made.

I know all this sounds harsh, but this girl had a good thing going and she screwed it up by being impulsive and immature. Think about it; she's making \$50,000 a year, and only \$7,200 of that was going toward rent. Her taxes aren't that much, so where's the rest of the money going? I'm guessing a big chunk is being wasted on restaurants, goofing off and other stuff she doesn't really need.
Let her wallow in it and worry about things for while first, though. Then, if she's willing to accept responsibility for her actions, and she starts working hard toward handling her money wisely, you might help her out once in a while. Every time she pays off \$1,000, you could add \$500 to the next payment. But I'd test her resolve first to see if she wants it badly enough!

— Dave

Vision and Values Vietnam's golden anniversary holds lessons for Obama

by Dr. Earl Tilford

"A Great nation cannot wage a little war."
— Duke of Wellington to Parliament, 1838

In September 1964, shortly after Congress passed the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution authorizing President Lyndon Johnson to conduct military operations against North Vietnam, the administration tasked the Departments of Defense and State for military options. The recent stalemate in Korea warned against future ground wars in Asia. Additionally, as November elections neared, Johnson promised "no wider war" in Vietnam. Johnson instead focused on restructuring America into the "Great Society."



Meanwhile, after reviewing options, the administration turned to air power for quick results with minimal risk. Johnson compared air power to a thermostat allowing him to selectively apply the "heat" to North Vietnam. Johnson opted for a "slow squeeze approach" starting in North Vietnam's panhandle and expanding northward toward the capital of Hanoi enlarging the target list — 94 in all — until communists stopped supporting aggression against South Vietnam and negotiated an end to the conflict. All he needed was the right provocation to get started.
On Nov. 1, 1964, Viet Cong insurgents attacked Bien Hoa Air Base outside South Vietnam's capital of Saigon killing five American airmen and destroying six B-57 bombers. With the election 48 hours away, Johnson demurred. On Feb. 7, 1965, the Viet Cong attacked Pleiku Air Base in the central highlands, killing eight Americans and destroying nine aircraft. Following two small retaliatory raids

rendering insignificant results, the Johnson administration launched "Operation Rolling Thunder," a 28-day limited air campaign. Rolling Thunder lasted three years and eight months. In July, further attacks in South Vietnam prompted the deployment of U.S. ground combat forces to defend American air bases. In November 1965, American and North Vietnamese forces clashed for the first time in the Battle of the Ia Drang Valley, a bloody fight immortalized in the motion picture "We Were Soldiers." Two years later, 500,000 Americans were stationed in South Vietnam.
Fifty years ago, to satisfy domestic political considerations, President Johnson chose air power to avoid a potentially costly, bloody ground war. He knew Democrats lost the presidency in 1952 partly because Republicans blamed them for losing China to communists. He feared a communist takeover in South Vietnam risked winning his second term in 1968. Johnson needed two full terms to entrench Great Society programs in education, expand medical care, and pursue civil rights legislation, especially registering Democratic voters in the no longer "solidly Democratic" South. Johnson also feared a military miscalculation might provoke a massive intervention by communist Chinese troops like in Korea in 1950 or a nuclear war with Russia. American strategy revolved around negatives: not losing, not risking a wider war, not causing collateral damage, and not suffering too many casualties. Wars are lost by not fighting to win.
From 1975 until the quick victory over Iraqi forces in Kuwait in Operation Desert Shield/Storm in 1991, civilian scholars and military strategists pored over the "lessons learned" from Vietnam. Some concluded the United States should never again become involved in a land war on the other side of the world, in a former European colony governed by an unstable regime against an enemy with outside sources of help, driven by a determined ideology and operating in jungles and mountainous terrain. Syria and Iraq have no jungles.

The greater lesson was that sound strategy wins wars. An appropriate strategy, coupled with superior tactics employing superior firepower, wins quickly. Example: Israel in June 1967 during the Six Day War. A superior strategy employed by larger forces pitted against determined foes with equal technologically advanced weaponry can be bloody — perhaps enormously so — but the side with the bigger battalions and better strategy wins. Example: the United States, Britain, and Soviet Union winning World War II.
Superior forces burdened by flawed strategy, even with a decided technological edge, will lose to an enemy driven by desperation or fanaticism and a willingness to bear the cost. If the weaker side prolongs the conflict despite losing most of the battles, it still can win the war. Example: The Americans during the Revolutionary War.
A significant weakness of democracy is that its policy makers often fail to appreciate the military capabilities and strategic acumen needed to survive in a hostile and envious world. President Barack Obama's desire to satisfy his far-left base with its polemically skewed understanding of American history will result in a strategic blunder and another lost war. He would do well to study Johnson administration decision-making in 1964 and 1965.

— Dr. Earl Tilford is a military historian and fellow for the Middle East & terrorism with The Center for Vision & Values at Grove City College. He currently lives in Tuscaloosa, Ala., where he is writing a history of the University of Alabama in the 1960s. A retired Air Force intelligence officer, Dr. Tilford earned his PhD in American and European military history at George Washington University. From 1993 to 2001, he served as Director of Research at the U.S. Army's Strategic Studies Institute. In 2001, he left government service for a professorship at Grove City College, where he taught courses in military history, national security, and international and domestic terrorism and counter-terrorism.

✓ Change: Johnson stays on, but complexion of program has been altered

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It's unfortunate that Johnson — a man who takes pride in every one of his wrestler's successes and has always worked hard to keep failures in perspective — won't be able to sit first chair to inspire athletes to attain their full potential, much like he did this past season when a group

composed primarily of underclassmen thrived.
It's unfortunate that Johnson — the last man that anyone would accuse of having an agenda or personal stake in any of his decisions or actions — won't be able to sit first chair as his son continues a journey that already has put him among the best to ever don a Trojans singlet (including

Nash Johnson's uncle, Ryan Nash).
Make no mistake. Last week's events will impact how folks perceive the Homedale program, and that will impact its young athletes more than it will the adults who created the situation.
And that's the most unfortunate development of all.

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

March 28, 1990

Dorothy Aldrich portrayed in 3-act centennial play
Dorothy Aldrich of Homedale was one of 21 Idaho women portrayed in a three-act play, “Celebrate Idaho Women,” staged in Nampa recently in observance of the state’s centennial this year.

The play was presented March 2-3 at the Nampa Civic Center by the Snake Basin Theatre, a community theater group, and the city of Nampa. It was intended to show the contributions made to society over the years of Idaho history by a variety of women achievers, ranging from pioneer settlers and early-day teachers to suffragettes, writers, nurses and others.

The role of Aldrich was taken by Jackie Belville, and the production portrayed actual incidents from Aldrich’s life. Norma Walker of Homedale, who attended one of the performances, said Aldrich was first shown in nursing attire, receiving her degrees from Yale University’s pioneering nursing program. During the Great Depression that soon followed, Aldrich, then living at home, was shown rushing to aid a Fargo woman about to give birth.

Twins chosen for Boys State

Heith and Harvey Allen, twins active in football and other school sports, FFA and Industrial Arts organizations, have been selected to represent Homedale at Boys State this summer by the local American Legion Post No. 32.

Academic decathlon students win medals

Homedale High School’s Academic Decathlon team came home from the state AD championship rounds in Boise shy of a ticket to the national competition, but with several individual medals, AD Coach Frank Craig reported.

Kristin Smyth, a senior, “was the high scorer on our team with 5,600 points,” Craig said following the windup of the statewide mental gymnastic matches on the BSU campus. She won a sliver medal for a 2nd place finish in the essay category among A-3 competitors, and took a bronze medal in the fine arts category, Craig said.

Three other competitors won A-3 gold medals in specific categories of learning — Jeremy Stokes, Joe Malmberg and Patrick Stowell.

Track team takes off

Both Homedale boys and girls track-field squads appear to be off to exceptionally fast-paced season starts, posting strong wins at meets in Payette and Melba last week.

The boys team collected 121 points to win at Payette, and local girls posted 108 points at Payette, to win.

Coach Troy Sullivan had particular praise at Payette for the outstanding performance of Mike Lowder, who hit 6’7½” in the high jump. “That’s probably one of the best jumps in the state so far,” he said, pointing out it shattered Lowder’s own old HHS record by several inches. It was a jump off a grass field to boot.

Taking firsts at Payette among the boys were: Ryan Landa, long jump; Tyler Haylett, pole vault; Scott Ethington, shot put; Josh Hays, 110 hurdles; Brad Dines, Kory Bean, Mike Hallenberger, Brian Tarr, 4x200 relay; Dusty Linder, 100 meter dash; Mike Lowder, high jump; Hallenberger, 800 meter run; Landa, triple jump; Dines, Landa, Tarr, Linder, 4x100 relay; Ethington discus; Dines, 400 meter; Sean Morford, 300 hurdles; Jeremy Elliott, Tarr, Bean and Klin Hawks, medley relay; Linder 200 meter dash; Hallenberger, 1600 meter run; and Tarr, Bean, Dines and Linder, 4x200 relay.

Posting firsts for the girls at Payette were: Stacey Kelly, high jump; Kathy Coons, discus; Kellie Purdom, shot put; Micki Jordan, Anne Fergestad, Melanie Walker and Jennifer Ethington, 4x200 relay; Wendy Muir, 100 meter dash; Elise Eidemiller, 800 meter run; Heather Good, Tasha Salisbury, Marne Boian and Muir, 4x100 relay; Good, 400 meter run; Salisbury, 300 hurdles; Boian, Muir, Kelly and Eidemiller, medley replay; Jordan, 200 meter dash; Good, Angie Grant, Tony Baker and Julee Salmeier, 4x400 relay.

50 years ago

March 25, 1965

Hibbs elected president of Jaycees
Elected to hold office in the Homedale Jaycees are Dwaine Hibbs, president; Ed McNelis, internal vice president; Terry Wirth, external vice president; Russell Hibbs, secretary-treasurer; Dave Imel, local directory and Marshel Stoffle, state director.

Tom Dabb, Joe Jensen, and Glenn Mathias were visitors from the Caldwell Jaycees at the Thursday night meeting.

The club discussed projects of improving Riverside Park and obtaining flags to display on city streets.

Ray Mansidor to head local Farm Labor ass’n

The Homedale Farm Labor association held its annual meeting Monday evening, March 22, at the American Legion hall, according to Joe Eiguren, secretary-manager.

New officers elected were Ray Mansidor, president and Johnny Krzesnik, vice president. Outgoing officers are president Mac Parkins and Masa Nishihara. Three hold-over directors are Sam Fujishin, George Kubosumi and Jim Hinton.

A discussion was held on the problems and general operation of the Homedale labor camp, and other current labor issues.

Vance Smith of the Employment Security Agency, gave a run-down on the expiration of the PL79, known as the Bracero Law. He stated that the expiration of this law would not affect this area this year.

Norman Tolmie, local fieldman for the Amalgamated Sugar Co., was also present to give information concerning acreage allotments and the outlook on sugar beets.

Allen Bidwell wins ‘Save Your Vision’ poster contest

Allen Bidwell, 8th grade student at Homedale Junior High School and son of Mr. and Mrs. Morse Bidwell, took first place honors in the recent “Save Your Vision” poster contest.

Over 250 entries were submitted to the Southwest Idaho Optometric Association Auxiliary, sponsors of the contest. About 130 of these entries were by Homedale Junior High students, all science students with Duane Ash as teacher.

Bidwell was presented with a \$10 cash award at a special awards banquet held Friday, March 12 at the Dixon’s Seafood in Boise. He received a first place certificate for his meritorious efforts. Bidwell was also a guest on the “Hometown Reporter,” channel 7. He was a winner in last year’s contest, taking second place honors.

Honorable mention was received by Bonnie Takasugi and Jeanne Louder, both 7th grade students at Homedale Junior High.

Three to graduate at Caldwell Memorial

Nancy Friedrichsmeier, Dolores Thompson and Mrs. Shirley Kushlan will graduate Friday from the medical secretary course offered at the Caldwell Memorial hospital.

The course consisted of six months of training which now qualifies the graduates to work in any medical center as a secretary.

Homedale poet wins 2nd in Guild contest

A poem written abut his 1½-year-old daughter won second place honors for Mac Parkins, in a recent poetry contest sponsored by the Idaho Poets and Writers Literary Guild.

The poem entitled “Daughter” was published in the summer quarterly edition of the “Guild.” Parkins received a “Book of Poetry” as a prize for his poetic attempts.

Parkins is author of a book of verse entitled “Ballads of Owyhee Mine Days.”

Homedale locals

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Matteson and family attended the 50th wedding anniversary open house honoring his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Cal Hutchinson of Boise, Sunday. Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Clint Smith and Mr. and Mrs. John Matteson.

140 years ago

March 27, 1875

ONE OF OUR MERCHANTS recently received a letter from a miner in Ophir, California, who formerly worked in the mines in Silver City. He says that he wished himself back here again; that it is true the climate of that region is very fine, with plenty of fruits and all natural advantages. But with all these he thinks he would prefer good old Silver. He always got his pay here regularly every month, and got good wages too. Not so there, where wages are \$3 per day and pay day comes once in 3 months and frequently never comes at all. This man’s experience is that of many who come to Silver City, pocket all the money they earn beyond bare living expenses and then “pull up stakes” for other parts thinking that they can do better. Some of them we are doubtless well rid of, while others who are honest, industrious and not too mean, had better remain here.

THE NEW STRIKE in the War Eagle mine, recently alluded to in the Avalanche, was made in the 7th level 250 feet north of the shaft. The ledge is from 2 to 2½ feet wide and will pay away up in the hundreds per ton. If this rich deposit proves as extensive as it now promises, all the upper levels will be driven north into the same body of ore. Superintendent Miller has shown his views have been correct as to the finding of a rich ore body in the War Eagle by running north into the Poorman hill.

SOME OF OUR YOUNG folks in Silver City have hit upon a new way of courting. When the houses are in sight of each other, the young lady goes to the window and breathing on the glass incites epistles which are read and responded to in a similar manner from over the way by her lover. This is courting on homeopathic principles. We are stupid enough to agree with the veteran dame who liked the “old way the best.”

A PHOTOGRAPH. We opine that the laziest and meanest man in the world lives in Silver City, Owyhee County, Idaho Territory. His wife is compelled to burn candles in the house all day, because he is too lazy to shovel the snow away from his windows. Beat that for laziness if you can! His innate meanness crops out in a variety of ways. He never lets an opportunity slip to annoy his neighbors. For example: The other day he shoveled the snow from a shed roof down against a neighbor’s door when there was an abundance of room for it elsewhere. The inmates of the blockaded house made their ingress and egress through a window until they could get the snow removed. Although one of the laziest of men, yet he will occasionally bestir himself a little, if he can effect any meanness by it. Aside from being lazy and mean, he is too stingy, thought abundantly able, to take and pay for the local paper, and every evening when the hour arrives for the appearance of the Avalanche, he can be seen crawling out of his snow bank and wending his way to some store or saloon ready to seize upon it as soon as it is dropped by the carrier. It is unnecessary for us to publish his name, as our local readers cannot fail to recognize him in the pen picture herein given. He is a fitting illustration of the old saying that “it takes all kinds of people to make up a world.”

A HUNTING EXPEDITION. This morning a set of as jolly-looking pirates as ever banded themselves together left on a hunting expedition to the Cow Creek Lakes, with the intention of being absent about two weeks. The party consisted of Ben. Davis, Dick Pucket, Jack Stuker, Rus. Carter, Frank Hunt and Bill Gabriel, who drove the team. Arrayed in their hunting rigs, with double-barreled shotguns on their shoulders and pistols and Bowie-knives in their belts, they forcibly reminded us of the old Italian brigands that we read about. If the Winnemucca stage doesn’t arrive tonight, people will know what the matter is. Russ Carter took along 10 pounds of powder and 150 pounds of shot. Their commissary is reported to consist of the following articles: Five gallons of whisky; 3 lbs. crackers; 5 gals. whisky; 1 can lard; 3 gals. whisky; 1 kit mackerel; 2 gals. whisky; 15 lbs. tobacco; 1,000 cigars and one gross of matches. We hope they succeed in having a good time rusticating, bag plenty of game and all get back home “right side up with care.”

Public notices

**INVITATION TO BID
BUS MAINTENANCE
NOTICE IS HEREBY**

GIVEN: Sealed bids will be received in the District Office of the Superintendent of Schools located in Bruneau, Idaho 83604, 39678 State Highway 78, Telephone (208)-834-2260, until 5 o'clock p.m., April 15, 2015 for bus maintenance, materials and services for two years, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school year.

Please pick up the bus maintenance information packet with specifications and bid forms at the District Office, 39678 State Highway 78 Bruneau, Idaho. For additional details contact Superintendent Dennis Wilson at 208-834-2260.

The bids will be opened at the regular board meeting, April 16, 2015 at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School Board Room, at 7 p.m.

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept the bid deemed best, or reject any and/or all bids and to waive any technicality.

By Order of the Board of Trustees, Joint School District No. 365, 39678 State Highway 78, Bruneau, Idaho 83604, Jodi Jewett, Clerk
3/25/15

**NOTICE OF HEARING
ON NAME CHANGE
CASE NO. CV2015-480-H
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
FOR THE STATE OF
IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE
COUNTY OF OWYHEE**

IN RE: Enrique Jimenez
A Petition to change the name of Enrique Jimenez, a minor, now residing in the City of Marsing, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to Enrique Quebrado.

The reason for the change in name is: I would like him to have his fathers last name.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on April 15, 2015 at the Homedale Court Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.

Date: March 4, 2015
Clerk of the District Court
By: Cindy Chaves, Deputy Clerk
3/11,18,25;4/1/15

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. CV2015-0447
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE
MAGISTRATE DIVISION**

In the Matter of the Estate of, OLLIE LOETA DOBYNS aka LOETA DOBYNS, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above entitled estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to DOROTHY MARCELLA ARCHER, the Personal Representative of the estate at the office of Fouser Law Offices, P.A., Attorney at Law, 802 Arthur Street, Caldwell, Idaho, 83605, this being the place fixed for the transaction of the business of said estate, and filed

with the Court.
Dated this 9th day of March, 2015.
/s/Dorothy Marcella Archer,
Personal Representative, 12399
Riverside Rd., Caldwell, Idaho
83607
3/18,25;4/1/15

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S
SALE**

TS No. ID08000128-14-1 APN RP00840001008C TO No. 1914730/237811 On June 24, 2015 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650 in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Alliance Title and Escrow Corp as successor Trustee on behalf of Bank of America, National Association, 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: LOTS 9 AND 10, BLOCK 1, HIDDEN VALLEY ESTATES SUBDIVISION, O W Y H E E C O U N T Y, I D A H O, A C C O R D I N G TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED FEBRUARY 16, 1995 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 214934, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY. AND THE SOUTH 45 FEET OF SAID LOT 8, BLOCK 1, MEASURED PERPENDICULAR TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 8. 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 that the address of: 7682 RIVERFRONT DRIVE, MARSING, ID 83639, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by SHARON BROWN AND GERRALD K. BROWN, WIFE AND HUSBAND as Grantors, to First American Title Company of Idaho, Inc. as Trustee, for the benefit and security of BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. as Beneficiary, dated as of March 4, 2008 and recorded March 5, 2008 as Instrument No. 264143 of the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. 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 set forth herein. The default for which this sale is to be made under Deed of Trust and Note dated March 4, 2008 is: failed to pay payments which became due. The monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$1961.61, due per month from May 1, 2009, and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$302,135.13, plus accrued interest at the rate of 6.62500% per annum from April 1, 2009. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, Trustee's fees, attorney's fees and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the Beneficiary elects to

sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Alliance Title and Escrow Corp c/o Trustee Corps 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 949-252-8300 Dated: 2-20-2015 Alliance Title and Escrow Corp By: - Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.lpsasap.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Agency Sales and Posting at 800-683-2468 FOR REINSTATEMENT / PAY OFF REQUESTS CONTACT: 949-252-8300 or rprequests@trusteecorps.com Alliance Title and Escrow Corp may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. To the extent your original obligation was discharged, or is subject to an automatic stay of bankruptcy under Title 11 of the United States Code, this notice is for compliance and/or informational purposes only and does not constitute an attempt to collect a debt or to impose personal liability for such obligation. However, a secured party retains rights under its security instrument, including the right to foreclose its lien. A-4512112
3/4,11,18,25/15

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S
SALE**

TS No. ID08000005-13-3 APN RPA0010040010AA TO No. 8482411 On June 24, 2015 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650 in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, First American Title Company as successor Trustee on behalf of MandT Bank, 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: LOTS 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 AND 16 OF BLOCK 40 OF THE AMENDED TOWNSITE PLAT OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, A C C O R D I N G TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO. 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 that the address of: 219 WMONTANA AVE, HOMEDALE, ID 83628, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by JAN L BRYANT, A SINGLE WOMAN as Grantors, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY as Trustee, for the benefit and security of SILVER HILL FINANCIAL, LLC, A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY as Beneficiary, dated as of January 27, 2006 and recorded January 30, 2006 as Instrument No. 255026 and the beneficial interest was

assigned to MandT Bank and recorded August 26, 2013 as Instrument Number 281785 of the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. 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 set forth herein. The default for which this sale is to be made under Deed of Trust and Note dated January 27, 2006 is: failed to pay payments which became due. The monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$1,846.51, due per month from May 1, 2014, and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$118,205.35, plus accrued interest at the rate of 9.75000% per annum from April 1, 2014. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, Trustee's fees, attorney's fees and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. First American Title Company c/o Trustee Corps 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 949-252-8300 Dated: 2/20/2015 First American Title Company By: LAURIE P ESTRADA, AUTHORIZED SIGNOR Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.lpsasap.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Agency Sales and Posting at 800-683-2468 FOR REINSTATEMENT / PAY OFF REQUESTS CONTACT: 949-252-8300 or rprequests@trusteecorps.com First American Title Company may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. To the extent your original obligation was discharged, or is subject to an automatic stay of bankruptcy under Title 11 of the United States Code, this notice is for compliance and/or informational purposes only and does not constitute an attempt to collect a debt or to impose personal liability for such obligation. However, a secured party retains rights under its security instrument, including the right to foreclose its lien. A-4512256
3/4,11,18,25/15




**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S
SALE**

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: February 11, 2015 File No.: 7037.106471 Sale date and time (local time): June 12, 2015 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 6450 Aurora Drive Marsing, ID 83639 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: Adam Percifield, An Unmarried Man Original trustee: Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely

as nominee for MetLife Home Loans, a Division of MetLife Bank, N.A. its successors and assigns Recording date: 11/30/2009 Recorder's instrument number: 269817 County: OWYHEE Sum owing on the obligation: as of February 11, 2015: \$293,516.92 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: A part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 10, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (W 1/16 corner), said corner monumented with 3 inch Diameter brass disk; thence 219.00 feet along the arc of 215.62 foot radius, tangent curve right, the long chord of which bears North 29 degrees 27'47" East, a distance of 209.71 feet a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; North 58 degrees 33'39" East, a distance of 303.36 feet to a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence 148.74 feet along the arc of 250.00 foot radius, tangent curve left, the long chord of which bears North 41 degrees 31'01" East, a distance of 146.55 feet to a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence South 89 degrees 38'05" East, a distance of 461.75 feet to a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence South 41 degrees 32'33" West, a distance of 36.71 feet to a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; South 74 degrees 54'32" West, a distance of 77.21 feet to a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence South 40 degrees 28'48" West, a distance of 108.99 feet to a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence South 28 degrees 44'41" West, a distance of 116.51 feet to a 1/2 inch diameter iron pen; thence South 21 degrees 53'58" West, a distance of 235.87 feet to a point of the Southerly boundary of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter said point monumented with a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence North 89 degrees 38'05" West, a distance of 607.23 feet along the Southerly Boundary of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter to the POINT OF BEGINNING. 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# 7037.106471) 1002.277927-File No.
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Owyhee County Church Directory		
	Golden Gate Baptist Church Wilder Pastor Robert Potter, Jr., CLP Corner of Second and "B" Streets Church time is 11:00 am on Sunday Call (208) 880-4308 for information	Our Lady of Tears Church Silver City For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031
Iglesia Misionera Biblica Homedale Pastor Silverio Cardenas Jr. 132 W Owyhee • 337-5975 Servicios: Vier - 7pm - Oracion Mier - 7pm Predicacion Dom - 10am Esc. Dom y 6:30pm "Una Iglesia Diferente."	Knight Community Church Grand View Pastor Ivan Shetler 630 Idaho Street 208-834-2639 Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service 10:45am	Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder Pastors Ron & Martha Hwy 19 & 95, 890-9132 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm
Assembly of God Church Homedale 15 West Montana, 337-4458 Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm	Friends Community Church Wilder - Homedale 17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 5:30 pm Wednesday CLC: 3:15 pm	Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church Caldwell 1122 W. Linden St. 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon
Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Homedale 337-4248 Sunday Services 10am Pastor Sean Rippey Adult and Children Sunday School 9-9:45am Visitors Always Welcome! Call Church for Prayer requests	Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House Welcoming Families, especially those with special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767 Jake & Alisha Henriouille, Youth Pastors 761-6747 Sunday Services at 10 am	Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Travis Kraupp Bishop Robert T. Christensen Sunday 1st Ward 1pm Sunday 2nd Ward 9am
Homedale Baptist Church Homedale 212 S. 1st W. 841-0190 Sunday School 10am-11am Sunday Worship 11am-Noon Wednesday Evening 7pm Pastor James Huls	 Wilder Church of God Wilder 205 A St. E, 469-7698 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm	Mountain View Church of the Nazarene Wilder-Homedale 26515 Ustick Road 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm Children's Caravan Program
MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY  Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 107 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Jose Gutierrez 208-461-9016 or 880-6172 Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Service 1 pm • Wednesday Service 7 pm Bilingual Services/Español	Iglesia Evangelica Wilder 317 3rd st., Pastor Ramiro Reyes 10 am Sunday School 11 am Service 482-7484 Bilingual	St. David's Episcopal Church 1800 Arlington Ave. Caldwell, ID 83605 208-459-9261 stdavids@stdavidscaldwell.org www.stdavid.episcopalidaho.org
Christian Church Homedale 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastor Maurice Jones Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45	Bible Missionary Church Homedale West Idaho, 337-3425 Pastor Ron Franklin Sunday School 11am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30	Assembly of God Church Marsing 139 Kerry, 965-1650 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm
Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing Pastor David London 116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059 Sunday worship: Morning: 11am-Noon• Evening: 6-7pm Sunday school 10 am-10:55am Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm	Nazarene Church Marsing Pastor Bill O'Connor 649-5256 12 2nd Avenue West Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Sunday School - 9:45am Mid Week TLC Groups	Trinity Holiness Church Homedale 119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Sunday 1st Ward, 1:00 p.m. Bishop Rowley Sunday 2nd Ward, 9:00 a.m. Bishop McIntyre	Vision Community Church Marsing 221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-779-7926 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.	United Methodist Church Wilder <i>Exploring the Bible: Public Invited</i> 2nd & 4th Tuesday: 4-5pm Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. Pastor Dave Raines 208-880-8751 Sunday Service 9:30am
First Presbyterian Church Homedale 320 N. 6th W. Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am	Calvary Holiness Church - Wilder Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave. • 208-989-0196 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. • Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday: 6:00 p.m. • Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Food Pantry hours • 208-989-0226 2nd & 4th Friday of month 2pm-4pm 3rd Friday of month 11am-1pm	Seventh Day Adventist Homedale 16613 Garnet Rd., 573-4574 Sabbath School Sat. 10:45am Worship 9:30am Wednesday Prayer Mtg. 7:00 pm
Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale 711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am	Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church - Oreana 2014 Mass Schedule - the following Saturdays at 9:30am Jan. 11 - Feb. 8 - Mar. 22 - Apr. 26 - May 10 June 14 - July 12 - Aug. 23 - Sept. 27 Oct. 25 - Nov. 22 - Dec. 27 All are welcome! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031	Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC Esquina de 4 y calle B Domingos Servicio: 12:00 pm El Ropero (Banco de ropa) Miercoles 12- 2pm Martes y Jueves: 6:30 pm Ingles Sabados: 12:00 pm Arte Infantil Todo en Espanol, Inf. 989 7508

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YARD SALE

Yard Sale!! Friday & Saturday, March 27th & 28th from 8am to ? Lots of items to choose from! Located at 19450 Fargo Rd, Wilder

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School events go live over the Internet

Parents of Rimrock High School students no longer have to leave the house to watch their children participate in sports or other activities.

A newsletter recently sent home to parents said now every school event can be seen on the Internet.

The school explored the possibility to stream athletic events earlier in the school year and was able to create a connection with a provider. High School Cube works with high schools across America to broadcast events on the Internet at no cost to the school.

Through www.highschoolcube.com, parents or students can create a free account and watch all events scheduled to be filmed at Rimrock.

Rimrock officials said broadcasting the events has also allowed students to learn how to use a video camera and gain experience in media production.

This isn't the only recent technological advancement in the Bruneau-Grand View School District.

A grant from the Idaho Leads Project, which is funded by the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Foundation, provided teachers with iPads to be used in the classroom and help them in their instruction.

The goal of the Idaho Leads Project is to build leadership capacity in the state's public schools, based on the belief that strong leadership is the key to meaningful, sustainable education reform.

In its newsletter, the district said it is grateful to be able to provide this new technology to the staff.

District officials also said when teachers use technology in their daily lessons, student engagement increases, which improves learning.

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Students, teachers alike praise HSD award winner

Trustees honor Shannon Johnson

Lifelong town resident Shannon Johnson earned the Homedale School District Award of Excellence for March.

The middle school teacher received the monthly honor during this month's board of trustees meeting.

"Mrs. Johnson seems to be the most beloved teacher in the building as students enjoy taking her classes and learning with her on a daily basis," HMS principal Amy Winters said. "She is always fair, helpful, encouraging and sets high expectations for learning."

Johnson has assumed a string of responsibilities during Winter's four years as the school's chief executive, including seventh-grade AVID, art and math. AVID is Advancement by Individual Determination, a program aimed at closing the achievement gap and preparing students for postsecondary opportunities.

"This year, Shannon agreed to work during her prep period so the middle school would have elective classes available to kids each period of the day," Winters said.

Winters shared several comments from students, but remarks from her colleagues made it clear that Johnson has fans throughout the campus.

"She has such a positive outlook, quick wit and great sense

of humor that my day is always brightened with her laugh," counselor Randee Garrett said.

"To be truly inspired by a teacher's hard work and the learning process of her students, one need only attend the art show featuring her students' work. The amount of art work produced in a semester is unbelievable."

The positive vibe extends into Johnson's room décor as well.



Shannon Johnson

"I always love going into her room because of how colorful her board and room is," teacher and activities director Nick Ketterling said.

Winters shared comments from some of Johnson's students:

From Nelson — "Mrs. Johnson is a really awesome teacher. I can talk

to her without being shy. She is a teacher with a really smart brain even though she doesn't teach every subject, I can still ask her a question about a subject and she will try her best to help me. She is a teacher that wants you to have straight A's. She believes that every student is successful to do that. I like that about her because she has always encouraged me to get good grades."

From Caleb — "Mrs. J. is a very good teacher. She keeps me on track in school. Also, I can talk to her and she's very easy to trust."

From Nadia — "Mrs. Johnson is a great teacher. She is like family. She is a person to look up to, is a great teacher, and I love her so much."

COSSA group plans cancer fundraiser

The Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency's Health Occupations Society of America chapter is preparing for its state leadership conference.

Before the April 8-10 conference in Boise, though, the members will play host to a Mexican dinner. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Foundation.

The dinner takes place from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Friday, April 3 at the COSSA Café, 109 Penny Lane in Wilder.

The event includes a guest

speaker, silent auction of themed baskets, live music and children's games.

The menu is carne asada with beans and rice.

Prices include \$15 for 13 and older, \$10 for children ages 7-12, and free for children 6 and younger. A table of eight is available for \$100, and the sponsor's name will be displayed.

HOSA members are selling tickets. Call Aundra DeWitt at 482-6074, ext. 234 for more information.

During the state conference, local HOSA members will compete in several contests, including HOSA Happenings (chapter newsletter), Medical Math, Medical Terminology, Forensic Medicine, Health Care Display, Prepared Speaking and Researched Persuasive Speaking.

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