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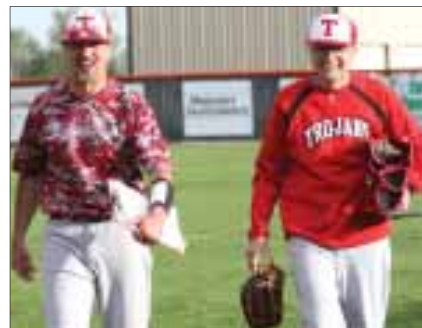
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County P&Z OKs Simplot wild horse operation

No opposing views raised during hearing

A proposed wild horse feedlot could improve Owyhee County grazing lands and benefit its agricultural economy, the county's Planning and Zoning Commission

surmised Thursday.

P&Z members unanimously approved J.R. Simplot Co.'s new plans for a confined animal feeding operation (CAFO) on an old feedlot near Jacks Creek outside Bruneau.

The approval came after a two-hour hearing in Murphy during which Idaho Cattle

Association executive vice-president Wyatt Prescott testified that many in the ranching industry like the Bureau of Land Management's idea of using feedlots to get wild horses and burros off precious rangeland.

"We'd rather see the horses in there than continue to populate on our ranges," he said, adding that transferring the animals

to feedlots is the "only tool they have to free up more land."

Prescott pointed out that BLM officials have admitted that the herd management program is well beyond its capacity of 26,000 head, and that the inability to

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Marsing resident Dan Pease's photography, such as this shot taken in the Owyhees, will be part of the local collection on display during Saturday's Gateway to the Owyhees Art in the Park event in Marsing.

Art in the Park set for Marsing

Local artists to be featured

Plans for the first Marsing Art in the Park are complete.

It will be held on Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Marsing City Park at the corner of 2nd Avenue West and 2nd Street North.

In the case of inclement weather, the event will be moved inside the nearby Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center next to the park.

The Marsing Chamber of

Commerce is sponsoring the Gateway to the Owyhees Art in the Park, which draws its name from the city's trademarked logo. The event will include a Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Artist in Residence art exhibit and overview of the program that showcases the natural beauty of the Owyhee Canyonlands.

"As a business manager and leader in Marsing, I am excited to see how well this has come together with us working in partnership with BLM on this

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Seniors leave their mark on HHS

Two projects put weight room in new light

The Homedale High School weight room has transformed from a sweat locker into a sweet locale.

And Kyler Landa, the HHS student whose senior project played a big part in the remodel, can now step foot in the space that he once dreaded.

"Every time you walk in there,

it's like a dungeon," Landa said of his take on the weight room before he and fellow senior and boys' basketball teammate Amos Aguilera mounted makeovers.

"As a freshman being in there, you're like, 'Oh man,' seeing all these seniors put up all these



Amos Aguilera

big weights; it's got a dungeon feel."

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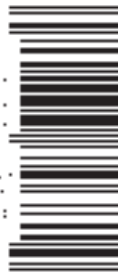
Landa installed windows on the north-facing wall, bringing light into the room. He raised \$4,000 through a lift-a-thon last month and sponsors from various businesses in the community.

The sponsorships and pledges from students in the lift-a-thon generated enough money to install a new sound system ("The stereo was from, like, 1950, and

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Kyler Landa studies a safety window frame to ensure it is lined up correctly during installation at the Homedale High School gymnasium.



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Angel Walk alum gets new heart

A Homedale toddler who benefitted from last year’s Angel Walk received a new heart earlier this month.

The 201-day wait for 2½-year-old Tristen Thomas and her family came to an end April 18 at the Lucile Packard Children’s Hospital on the Stanford University campus in Palo Alto, Calif.

The heart transplant operation took nine hours and was completed around midnight, family friend Jamie Kraupp said.

“They said the first 48 hours (after the transplant) was most critical,” Kraupp said. “When the 48 hours were up, the team said it had been a long time since they had seen someone do as well as Tristen at that point.”

Kraupp said Tristen fought off a lung infection after the transplant, and doctors had hoped to have the daughter of Kade and Stephenie Thomas breathing without the help of a ventilator Monday or



Tristen Thomas, right, and her brother Wyatt before her transplant. Submitted photo

Tuesday this week. She remains in the cardiovascular intensive care unit at the Packard Children’s Hospital.

Having dealt with oxygenation issues that kept her skin a blue tint, Tristen is pink for the first time in her life, Kraupp said. She

also has a strong enough heartbeat for her family to see her heart pounding in her chest for the first time.

“If the Thomas family could say anything, they want to express their appreciation to this community,” Kraupp said. “(Community members) have been so thoughtful, and they’re prayers are so appreciated.

“The family also wants to show their appreciation for the donor family and that they choose to let their child become an organ donor.”

Tristen and Stephenie spent the 201-day wait in California, hoping for the phone call that finally came late in the night on April 17.

Kraupp said Kade got a job in Oakland, Calif., and has been living with his family in the local Ronald McDonald House since a few days after Christmas.

— JPB



This car-themed quilt is among the raffle prizes up for grabs during the third Angel Walk car show on May 9.

Homedale P&Z still looking for new members to expand ranks

The City of Homedale is still seeking a new Planning and Zoning commissioner.

P&Z administrator Sylvia Bahem said Stacy Woods resigned in March and her term would have expired this month.

Now there are only three people on the P&Z commission: chairman Jim Packer, Reed Batt and Gypsy Jackson.

Bahem said ideally officials would like to have five to seven

people on the commission. However, Homedale can have up to 12 P&Z commissioners, according to the city’s ordinance.

Prospective P&Z board candidates must have lived within the city limits or Homedale’s area of impact for the past two years. For more information on the open positions, Bahem says residents should call her at 899-0826.

“We’ll take anybody who’s

interested, basically,” Bahem said.

Bahem and the commission typically meets with people who want to be on the board and before drafting a letter of recommendation to the mayor and city council.

The board meets on the third Monday of each month. The next meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on May 18 inside City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Children begin Angel Walk pledge drive

Annual medical fund benefit event nears

Homedale schoolchildren have begun their Angel Walk fun run pledge drive.

The fifth annual five-kilometer fun run, walk and bike ride takes place Saturday, May 9.

Proceeds will help the family of Roswell boy David Addington with medical costs. David was born with a congenital defect known as the Vein of Galen Malformation, a condition that triggers seizures and has led to a secondary diagnosis of congestive heart failure.

Homedale Elementary School students will seek pledges for their participation in the event, which stretches through downtown Homedale.

The boy and girl who earn the most pledges will win bicycles and helmets donated by Frontier Communications.

High school and middle school students are vying for iPads donated by JC Watson and Homedale-area resident Mark Asumendi.

In addition to the Angel Walk fun run, the third annual classic car show will be held on West Idaho Avenue.

Car registration runs from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., with both the car show and the fun run getting under way at 10 a.m.

Proceeds from the car show registration donations and a related raffle also will benefit the Angel Walk medical fund. In addition to several prizes provided by local businesses, separate raffles will be held. One prize is a Chevrolet 350-cubic-inch engine being built by the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency diesel program with help from NAPA Owyhee Auto Supply.

Another prize is a car-themed quilt hand-made by Meridian resident Marge McDonald. The quilt features photos of several classic vehicles, many of which have been on display at previous Angel Walk shows.

For more information on the Angel Walk fun run, call 941-4163 or 249-5040 or visit the event’s website at www.angelwalk.blogspot.com.

Registration forms for the fun run and the car show are available on the website as is information on how to become a sponsor for the event.

For more information on the car show, call 880-5782 or 412-8782.

The Homedale Senior Center also will present a fundraiser breakfast the morning of the Angel Walk. The center is located at 224 W. Idaho Ave.

The City of Homedale sponsored the first of two citywide cleanups Saturday in preparation for the Angel Walk. The second cleanup day begins at 8 a.m. Saturday at Riverside Park.

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Marsing High grad receives high honor at U of I

Dr. Charles Mitchell cited for engineering career

A 1955 Marsing High School graduate is among the new inductees into the University of Idaho's Academy of Engineers. Dr. Charles Mitchell, 77, who now lives in the Los Angeles suburb of Valencia, Calif., was in a group of six people honored at the annual College of Engineering awards ceremony on April 9.

He received a medal and a pin and spoke for three or four minutes at the ceremony, Mitchell said. He took being inducted into the academy to mean: "Well, I guess my life went OK."

Mitchell flew up to the awards



Charles Mitchell

ceremony for his first visit back to the U of I since 1962. He was amazed at how much the school has grown.

The U of I's Academy of Engineers honors alumni who are deeply connected to the university's strong legacy of global engineering impact, Mitchell said. He added that inductees are recognized for their personal contribution to engineering achievement, leadership, engineering education, and lifetime commitment to advancing quality of life through service to the profession and society.

Mitchell was less than a year

old when his family moved to Marsing from Missouri, and his mom and dad worked for farmers around Owyhee County. His mother later got a job as a clerk at a market in Marsing.

Mitchell had a 4.0 grade-point average in high school and was valedictorian of his graduating class. He also said he boxed for the first two years he was there but "wasn't very good at it."

He only returned to the Owyhee County area once every five years or so while visiting his brother who lives in Boise. The last time Mitchell went to a high school reunion was in 2010, but he plans on attending this summer. It will be the 60th anniversary of the graduating class of 1955.

After high school, Mitchell said people told him electrical engineering was the toughest

thing you could take at the U of I, so that's what he studied. He ended up at the top of his class.

However, Mitchell always wanted to be in the military. He joined the Army and had four overseas tours of duty, five years in Germany and two one-year combat tours in Vietnam.

While he was in Vietnam, Mitchell said Rodney Hawes, the publisher of The Owyhee Nugget in Marsing (which would be merged with The Owyhee Chronicle to later become The Owyhee Avalanche), would send him copies of the paper to keep him up to date on what was happening back home.

After Vietnam, the Army sponsored his attendance at Arizona State University where he earned a Master's degree and a Ph.D in engineering. Mitchell stayed in the Army for 21 years and said

he only got out to spend more time with his wife and children.

He spent the next 23 years working in the Los Angeles area for Litton Data Systems. Mitchell said he was assigned to their Navigation Systems Division and designed several strategic and tactical command, control, communications and intelligence systems for the U.S. military and foreign governments.

During his time with the company, Mitchell traveled all over the world, including Argentina, Venezuela, India, Singapore, Egypt and Belgium. He also had two full trips around the world.

Mitchell married his wife Leta in 1965. Their four daughters, three sons-in-law, and seven grandchildren also currently live in Southern California.

— SC

Man wanted in Owyhee County back behind bars

Subject convicted of 2014 crime in Marsing

A man arrested in an April 22 incident in which a dog was shot by Meridian Police was wanted on an Owyhee County probation violation warrant.

William Calvillo, 22, of Lodi, Calif., was on probation after being released

from prison months after leading Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies on a high-speed chase on Jan. 30, 2014. Calvillo ran into an unlocked door at Marsing High School in an attempt to elude authorities after crashing his car near a cornfield behind the elementary school.

Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said an arrest warrant was issued because Calvillo recently violated his probation.

When Meridian police tried to serve that warrant on April 22, Calvillo ran out of a home into a backyard, through an opening in a wooden fence and down a canal bank. A pit bull ran behind him and attacked a police K-9 handler and his dog.

The officer shot the pit bull, but it is expected to survive. Calvillo was arrested near the canal bank.

Calvillo is currently being housed in the

Ada County Jail, but Bowman said he should be returned to Owyhee County this week. However, that depends on what charges might be filed against him in Ada County.

If he gets jail time for allegedly running from police in Meridian, Calvillo would serve that in Ada County before being sent back to Owyhee County to face a probation violation hearing, Bowman said.

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Windows of the unit where a January fire broke out remain boarded up at the Sunnydale Motel.

Part of Homedale motel still closed

It’s been more than three months since a fire ripped through a room in Homedale’s Sunnydale Motel.

Unit 1 of the business at 2 E. Colorado Ave. was deemed a total loss after the blaze broke out around noon on Jan. 26.

At the city’s Planning and Zoning Commission’s regular monthly meeting on April 20, P&Z administrator Sylvia Bahem said the owners of the motel originally told building inspector Steve Pierson that the damage would have been repaired by now and, “obviously that’s not happened.”

No visible progress has been made on restoring Unit 1, but a woman who answered the phone at the motel Thursday said they hope to have the unit rebuilt in about a month.

Unit 2 of the motel had some water damage from the fire but Units 3-8 had no noticeable damage. Bahem also said Units 7-8 in the motel do not have functional bathrooms.

After the fire, Pierson found that there weren’t any functional smoke detectors in any of the units, Bahem told P&Z commissioners. Pierson told the owners they would need to put in new hard-wired detectors in each usable unit, and Homedale City Clerk Alice Pegram confirmed for The Owyhee Avalanche that the detectors have since been installed.

Homedale Fire Chief Dennis Uriasaidtheinvestigationshowed that the blaze was caused by a problem in an electrical outlet. Investigators originally believed a wall-mounted air conditioning unit was the culprit.

The room’s four occupants were not inside at the time of the fire. However, their belongings were in the unit and were completely destroyed.

A total of three families were temporarily displaced because of the fire. Uria said nine people lived in the next two units of the motel.

— SC

DEQ confirms Homedale water planning grant

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality officially announced a grant award to the City of Homedale.

Homedale will receive \$40,000 to help pay for development of the city’s drinking water plan.

The city has contracted with Riedesel Engineering Inc. for the project, the cost of which is not to exceed \$80,000.

According to DEQ, the plan will cover a planning study and an environmental information document. The project aims to evaluate deficiencies in the Homedale municipal water system.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development recently awarded \$30,000 to help fund the water plan, and the city will spend \$10,000 in water department funds to complete the 50 percent match required by DEQ.

Homedale pool has job openings for the summer

With the end of the school year approaching, the City of Homedale is making preparations to open its swimming pool.

The city has a handful of openings for lifeguard.

Applications and a job description is available at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., and applications will be accepted until all positions are filled.

Anyone who intends to work as a lifeguard at the pool must be available for employment and certified as a lifeguard by May 26.

For more information, call 337-4641.

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Jeanne Percifield of Marsing has been permitted to serve 40 hours of community service in lieu of 10 days in jail that remained when 170 days of a six-month jail sentence was suspended following a recent conviction.

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Marsing Legion Post 128 gains new commander

Boys State nominees announced

American Legion Post 128 in Marsing has a new set of officers. Rick Sherrow has been installed as post commander, succeeding Julie Sterling.

Other officers include: Steve Carlin, first vice-commander; Darryl Burham, second vice-commander; David London, chaplain; Darrell Brown, service officer; Garry Qualman, sergeant-at-arms; and Kathy Barton, adjutant. Post 128 also announced the two young men it will sponsor for the annual Gem

Boys State, which takes place June 7-13 at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa. Cooper Folwell, 17, is the son of Ron and Sari Folwell of the Sunnyslope area. He is completing his junior year at Vallivue High School. Folwell's grandfather served in World War II and his uncle was an Army

Ranger. Alexandre Heidt, a junior at Marsing High School, is the son of Steve and Alexandra Fialho Heidt of Marsing. His grandfather served in the Korean conflict. His father is also a veteran. Alexandre currently competes for the Huskies' track and field team.

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✓ Park: BLM's Owyhee Canyonlands artist program will be on display

first-ever event. It should be a fantastic day and I am hoping everyone will have fun," Burbank said. There will also be works on display by local artists and a children's art table. Dan Pease is one of the local artists who will attend and does landscape photography. A contributing photographer for The Owyhee Avalanche, Pease lives just outside of Marsing and said he's been taking photos, mostly just for fun, for 20 years. He describes himself as an avid backpacker and has been in the Sawtooths, the Jarbidge area, Seven Devils, the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness and other parts of Idaho. Burbank invited him to participate in this weekend's event, and Pease has been featured as a Friends of the Lizard Butte Library artist of the month. Pease said he's looking forward to Saturday, and he will have a number of his works for sale during Art in the Park.

Gloria Vogt of Marsing is another local artist who will be at the event. Vogt said she uses water colors like they're an oil medium and the first painting she ever did was of Mother Teresa, which she donated to her church. At the Lady of the Valley Catholic Church's annual dinner auction five years ago, the painting fetched \$900. The next year, Vogt painted Pope John Paul II for the auction, and it brought in \$2,000. She also puts her works in the Western Idaho Fair, and the fair board has bought two of the paintings for \$500 each. "I'm not a prolific painter, I just take a long time," Vogt said. In addition to portraits, she also paints hunting scenes and cowboys. Vogt is planning to put seven of her works on display at Art in the Park. Note cards featuring her artwork will be for sale. A live birds of prey presentation is scheduled for noon,



Gloria Vogt, far right, is another local artist who will be featured at Saturday's Art in the Park. She also has hung works in the Lizard Butte Library as part of the Friends of the Lizard Butte Library artist of the month program. Submitted photo

and cowboy singer Tom Angle of Jordan Valley will perform during Art in the Park. Food trucks will be located around the park, and several booths will feature wine tasting from local vintners. The BLM's Artist in Residence program encourages selected artists to use their skills to depict the variety of cultural and natural resources on BLM lands. Those resources might include historic structures, artifacts, cultural landscapes, geologic features and plant and animal life. BLM spokeswoman Krista Berumen said last year the agency picked three artists — a painter, a photographer

and a writer — to create pieces featuring the Owyhee Canyonlands Wilderness. It was the first year Idaho has participated in the national BLM program. The painter is JanyRae Seda of Boise, the photographer is Scott Carter of California, and University of Idaho professor Annie Lampman was selected to write about her experiences in the Owyhee Canyonlands Wilderness. Berumen said BLM rangers guided the artists during their journey through the area. Carter will be at the event on Saturday displaying some of his work and speaking about his experiences in the canyonlands, Berumen said. — SC

✓ Simplot: Company official says BLM contract will last at least 5 years

effectively manage the tens of thousands of equines "comes at a cost to the resource, damaging riparian areas and forage." Prescott agreed with P&Z chair Connie Brandau's observation that removing the horses from public lands would improve the ecology and also make things better for hunters and wildlife. Under a five-year agreement with the BLM, Simplot will house no more than 3,500 equines on 80 acres of the former Bruneau Cattle Co. feedlot. Simplot Land and Livestock president Tom Basabe testified that each horse will consume about 20 pounds of long hay each day. He said the necessity of up to 15,000 tons of hay per year will require Simplot to do business with local growers. The horses' diet won't be high in protein, so there will be less odor than a cattle feedlot, Simplot officials said. However, the CAFO application sought

permission to house 3,500 head of horses, cattle or a combination of the two species to ensure continuous operation if and when the BLM agreement ends. The feedlot has been in use for more than 50 years, a fact on which Simplot hinged an earlier argument that a new conditional use permit wouldn't be necessary. County officials countered that the change of use from cattle to equines did require a new CUP application. Every person but one who testified at Thursday's hearing was in favor of Simplot's proposal. Representing the Idaho State Department of Agriculture's CAFO siting team, John Bilderback stood as a neutral party to help explain the siting report requested by the Board of County Commissioners. No wild horse advocacy groups were represented at the hearing, and P&Z administrator Mary Huff said no one wrote letters in oppo-

sition prior to the hearing. The P&Z commissioners gave a verbal approval last week. A 20-day appeal period will open on May 27, which is the day the commission is scheduled to sign the written decision. P&Z commissioners did have some concerns about security and water quality. Although the ISDA site suitability study he signed determined the environmental risk was high because of the soil characteristics, Bilderback testified that, in his personal professional opinion, the site was viable for the proposed use. Saying that the document's conclusion on soils was based on a general snapshot of the area's primarily sandy composition, Simplot officials disagreed with the state agency's report. Contrary to the surrounding area, the feedlot soils are clay-like, Simplot officials said, and that would prevent animal waste from contaminating groundwater.

"I guarantee that both Don and Gene Davis picked the best part in the world for a feedlot," Basabe said. The P&Z commission added a special condition that Simplot submit a nutrient management plan before land-applying any manure. Simplot also will build stem walls to keep any potential runoff out of Jacks Creek. Simplot also has done further mitigation on the portion of the feedlot that led to Environmental Protection Agency sanctions against the previous owners nearly a decade ago. Simplot environmental consultant Ron Parks told the commissioners that the area where contaminants escaped into nearby Jacks Creek would not be used as part of the modern feedlot. Brandau worried about the security of the area given radical activities by wild horse advocates in other locations. In at least two instances between 1997 and 2001,

members of the Animal Liberation Front set fire to BLM corrals in Burns, Ore., and Litchfield, Calif. Simplot officials said they will build a chain-link fence topped with razor wire around the site's perimeter and that the corrals will be constructed of metal, not wood. There already is a bunkhouse on site that houses Simplot employees, providing an around-the-clock presence. Sid Erwin, a feedlot proponent and a neighbor of the proposed location, suggested that the county close Jacks Creek Road to the public to prevent traffic issues from potential protesters. Hearing officer Jim Desmond informed Erwin that Simplot already had gone before the BOCC in an unsuccessful attempt to get the road closed nearly three years ago. Erwin suggested that Simplot should refile its application for a road closure. — JPB

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Canal dangers rise as water flows

Janice Benedict of the Boise Project polls third-graders in Robyn Chandler’s Homedale Elementary School class about canal safety during an April 20 visit.

Marsing library group takes a look back at the past year

Friends of the Library is seeking new members

An association that assists Marsing’s Lizard Butte Library elected some familiar folks to familiar positions, but the Friends of Library would like to see some new faces.

Friends of the Library president Dawn Roy said she will retain her title, while Marge Bachman will return as vice-president. Regi Nachbar will again serve as treasurer.

Roy said former president Jack Muldoon regularly attends meetings and while he doesn’t have a title, he is considered a member of the board.

During a recent meeting, the Friends of the Library talked about a grant that they worked on last year. The group found

some money available through the Libri Foundation to purchase children’s books. Roy said the friends put in \$350, which was matched with \$1,400 from the foundation.

The Friends of the Library is currently wrapping up a book bag sale. The idea behind selling the tote bags was to make it easier for patrons to carry books out of the library and to generate some additional revenue for the library. Roy said the group is working on ideas for the next fundraiser, but hasn’t come up with any firm plans.

The group also briefly discussed their local artist program. The Lizard Butte Library is currently featuring works by Marilyn Lees. She paints in mostly watercolors but also has done some oils, Roy said. Lees’ paintings will be on display through the end of May, and the pieces are also for sale.

Roy said the Friends of the

Library has about 20 members. Those individuals pay \$10 in annual dues, but some people donate more than that each year. However, Roy said most members never attend meetings or even participate in events.

Exactly what the group does for the library depends on what the facility needs from year to year. In the past, they have built shelving, displays and bulletin boards among other things that the library’s board of trustees asked them to do, Roy said.

She added that essentially, the group helps complete projects suggested by the board or comes up with ideas for the library, which the board either approves or passes on.

The Friends of the Library is always seeking new members. Roy said anyone interested in joining should call her at (208) 896-4067.

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School menus

Homedale Elementary

- April 29: BBQ chicken, steamed carrots, roll, veggie & fruit bar
- April 30: Cheese pizza ripper, tossed salad, veggie & fruit bar, fruit rollup
- May 4: Hot dog, tater tots, veggie & fruit bar
- May 5: Spaghetti, green beans, veggie & fruit bar
- May 6: Pizza, tossed salad, veggie & fruit bar

Homedale Middle

- April 29: Pork chop or chicken tenders, mashed potatoes/gravy, salad & fruit bar
- April 30: Stuffed crust pizza or chicken patty, salad & fruit bar
- May 4: Nachos or ham/cheese hot pocket, salad & fruit bar
- May 5: Hamburger or spicy chicken sandwich, salad & fruit bar
- May 6: Crispito or PB&J, cheese stick, salad & fruit bar

Homedale High

- April 29: Spaghetti w/bread stick or corn dog, salad & fruit bar
- April 30: Chicken taco or fish sticks, corn, salad & fruit bar, cookie
- May 4: Pepperoni pizza ripper or turkey sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice
- May 5: Chicken tenders or beef nuggets, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, salad bar, fruit choice
- May 6: Enchilada, burrito or toasted cheese sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice

Marsing

- April 29: Teriyaki chicken bowl w/roll or corn dog, buttered corn, salad bar & soup
- April 30: Lasagna w/breadstick or turkey sandwich, potato salad, green beans, salad bar & soup
- May 4: Pulled pork sandwich or enchilada w/rice, baked sweet potato pie, salad bar & soup
- May 5: Cheeseburger or chicken nuggets w/whole wheat roll, potato wedges, salad bar & soup
- May 6: Chicken squealer or fish taco, steamed carrots, pudding, salad bar & soup

Bruneau-Grand View

- April 29: Cook’s choice
- April 30: Corn dog, tots, steamed broccoli, fruit
- May 1: BBQ pork/bun, sweet potato fries, seasoned black beans, fresh fruit
- May 5: Mac attack, tossed salad, steamed broccoli, fruit
- May 6: Orange chicken, stir-fry veggies, oriental rice, fruit

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

- Milk served with each meal
- April 29: BBQ pork on bun, coleslaw, bread
- April 30: Baked fish, baked potatoes, peas & carrots, bread
- May 5: Salisbury steak w/onions & mushrooms, mashed potatoes/gravy, peas & carrots, bread
- May 6: Pasta primavera, bread
- May 7: Roast pork, mashed potatoes/gravy, broccoli, bread

Marsing Senior Center

- Milk served with each meal
- (Monday breakfast 8:30-11:30am)
- orders come with meat, egg, fruit, toast juice, milk)
- April 29: Roasted pork loin, navy bean soup, spring vegetables, stewed tomatoes, oranges, cornbread
- April 30: Chicken, potatoes, carrots, rice salad, pears, roll.
- May 4: Breakfast special, Sausage, egg, cheese on English muffin
- May 5: Pepper steak, rice, green salad, apricots, roll
- May 6: Chicken, potatoes, green beans, peaches, corn bread

Rimrock Senior Center

- May 5: Ham hocks & beans, cabbage/pineapple salad, Mexican corn bread, sundae bars
- May 7: Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes, toast, veggie tray, lemon pie

Opaline irrigation meeting moves

The Opaline Irrigation District board of directors has changed its meeting location. The board will hold its monthly meeting at 7300 Opaline Road in the Melba area beginning Tuesday. The irrigation district board meets at 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month.

Death notices

ROBERT “SPANKY” BACZIK, 65, of Marsing, died Saturday, April 25, 2015 at home. Services are under the direction of Accent Funeral Home, Meridian. (208) 888-5833

MICHAEL TODD METCALF, 49, of Greenleaf and formerly of Homedale, died Monday, April 20,

2015. Cremation is under the care of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. (208) 459-0833

JACK K. THOMSON, 69, of Marsing, died Thursday, April 21, 2015. Cremation Society of Idaho is handling arrangements.

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First, take a look at the refrigerator that you are using to store animal health products. Where is that refrigerator located? Does it function properly and is the tem-



Scott Jensen

University of Idaho Extension

perature set correctly? In a study of “ranch” refrigerators conducted in Idaho by University of Idaho Extension Educators, 67 percent failed to maintain temperatures within the recommended range for vaccine storage. Some froze the vaccine, some were too warm, and some were both too cold and too warm over a 48-hour monitoring period. Freezing, by the way, is one of the worst things that can happen to a vaccine. Refrigerators that are located in uninsulated rooms or porches can freeze over the course of several cold days. Temperature for most vaccines should be maintained between 35° F and 45° F.

Syringes, needles, and other equipment should be clean and dry. In the cleaning process, soaps and/or disinfectants should not be used on internal parts of syringes. Residues in a syringe can inactivate a vaccine, especially when using modified live vaccines. Once the syringe is cleaned after use, it should be stored in a clean, dry environment.

Chuteside practices can also have a significant effect on vaccine efficacy. Vaccines should remain refrigerated until use. This means that a cooler at the chute is essential (and I am not talking about one for water, Gatorade, pop, or beer!). Vaccine bottles and loaded syringes should be kept out of direct sunlight. Modified live vaccines should not be mixed until just prior to using them. They should also be mixed one bottle at a time. Any leftover vaccine should be discarded. Needles should be changed frequently and bent or burred needles should be immediately discarded.

Good vaccine handling practices can help ensure disease protection for your livestock.

— For more information, contact Scott Jensen at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension at scottj@uidaho.edu or (208) 896-4104 or visit rangecenter.org or call (208) 885-6536. Jensen is the U of I county extension educator, and he welcomes questions on livestock care.

Calendar

Today

Story time

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

Lizard Butte Library District candidates night

5:30 p.m., Lizard Butte Library community room, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing.

Homedale FFA banquet

6:30 p.m., Homedale High School cafeteria, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4613

Thursday

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

Health fair

5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Jordan Valley Elementary School gymnasium, 604 Oregon Ave., Jordan Valley.

Homedale Schools Hispanic Parent Night

6 p.m., Homedale High School, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

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

Daddy Daughter Dance

7 p.m. to 9 p.m., \$12 per pair, \$4 for each additional person, Marsing Elementary School blue gymnasium, 8th Avenue West. pto@marsingschools.org

Saturday

City cleanup

All day, throughout Homedale. (208) 337-4641

Gateway to the Owyhees Art in the Park

11 a.m. to 2 p.m., City Park, 2nd Avenue West and 2nd Street North, Marsing.

Free lunches

Noon to 1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N.

6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

Marsing Meals on Wheels benefit

6 p.m. to 8 p.m., tamale dinner, \$12 adults, \$6 for 10 and younger, \$15 for a dozen tamales (must pre-order by April 25), Marsing Senior Center, 218 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4634 or (208) 899-9864

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting

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

Marsing-Homedale Cemetery board meeting

2 p.m., Marsing-Homedale Cemetery office, Cemetery Road, Marsing.

Homedale High School Senior Projects

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Homedale High School, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4613

Faith Christian School open house

6 p.m., Faith Christian School, 630 Idaho St., Grand View. (208) 834-2953

Tuesday

Kindergarten registration

1 p.m. to 7 p.m., Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4033

Senior center bridge

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

Dance class

1 p.m., free, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3254

Homedale High School Senior Projects

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Homedale High School, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4613

Adrian City Council meeting

7 p.m., Adrian High School library, 305 Owyhee St., Adrian. (541) 372-2179

Marsing P&Z meeting

7 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122, ext. 1

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

Owyhee Then & Now

Michael F. Hanley



Sagebrush and Axle Grease

Stagecoach Attacks, Part I

William Hemmingway was another of the well-known drivers. He had a reputation of always getting the express through regardless of risk. As the following story relates, he faced many tense situations.

The stage had changed horses at the Ruby Ranch and was nearing Sheep Ranch, the last stop before it would cross the Owyhee River. Sitting beside Hemmingway, on the box, was Jack Bowden, Wells Fargo Express Agent. As passengers, he had with him Mrs. T. C. Fletcher of Ontario, then a resident of Jordan Valley, and another lady. It was just prior to the Battle of South Mountain. This was the battle in which a group of volunteers from Silver City and Jordan Valley engaged the Indians in a brief fight resulting in the death of several volunteers and the Bannock Chief, Buffalo Horn.

Mrs. Fletcher related that upon entering a narrow canyon near Sheep Ranch they suddenly came in sight of a large band of Indians a short distance in front of them. The road was narrow, making it impossible to turn around. There was nothing to do but drive straight ahead. The two men drew their revolvers and prepared for a fight while the women resigned themselves to the fate which seemed inevitably in store for them.

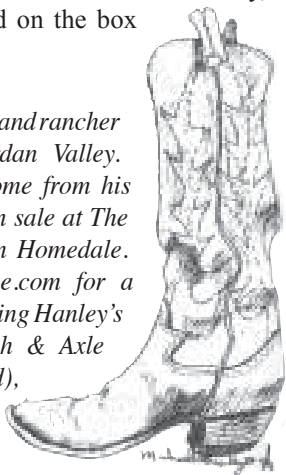
As soon as the Indians discovered the stage, they stopped and formed two rows, one on either side of the road. Hemmingway slowed his team down to a slow walk and entered the passageway. Mrs. Fletcher said that every Indian stood erect, hideously daubed with war paint and well-armed. The stage moved slowly down the line and when the end was reached, the Indians once again continued on their way.

Both passengers and drivers were bewildered and puzzled over the Indians' behavior, as they rode on toward the fortified sanctuary of the Sheep Ranch. The only explanation offered for the unusual behavior of the Indians was that they were massing by previous arrangement to attack the whites. They did not want to arouse the people of Jordan Valley until they had joined forces with other hostiles.

Mr. Hemmingway should have taken this experience as a warning of what was to come, for shortly afterward the Indians erased his previous good fortune.

On July 31, 1878, the stage for Silver City was attacked by a small band of Indians shortly after Hemmingway had crossed the Snake River at Walter's Ferry. Though mortally wounded, he managed to turn the stage and drive back to the ferry. When his coach arrived at the ferry, the attendants found him dead on the box (driver's seat).

— 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*.



Submit information on upcoming fundraisers, meetings, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays. Drop off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale, mail to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, fax to (208) 337-4867 or e-mail to jon@owyheeavalanche.com. Call (208) 337-4681.

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Owyhee County probation chief retiring after 17 years on the job

Doris Jewett looks forward to time with her grandchildren

Another longtime Owyhee County employee is getting ready to call it quits. Chief Probation Officer Doris Jewett has worked for the county since 1998, and her last day on the job will be Sept. 30.

Though she now lives in Caldwell, Jewett has strong ties to the Bruneau-Grand View area where she used to live. Her husband died in 1997 but was from Bruneau, and Jewett has a daughter who lives at Pleasant Valley in Indian Meadows where her husband is a rancher. Jewett has another daughter who is a legal assistant in Boise.

Prior to becoming chief probation officer, Jewett worked at the battered women's shelter at the Women's and Children's Alliance (WCA) in Boise. She



Doris Jewett

moved to Boise from Bruneau to take the job.

Shortly after starting with the WCA, then Owyhee County Commissioner Dick Bass told her about the opening for a chief probation officer position. Jewett thinks she got the job because she "knew Owyhee County quite well."

Looking back on her time with the probation office, Jewett said she always enjoyed working with young people and "if you can help a young kid change something about their life, then you might have changed a lot of things about their life."

Jewett admits she once had some problems with the county commissioners but not the current commissioners.

"When I started the job, my supervisor was the magistrate judge and then it got moved, so commissioners were my supervisor, and I didn't feel like they had all the understanding of what happened in Probation as much as the judge did. So it was a tough transition," she said.

Jewett started thinking about retirement two or three years ago. Once she gets used to not going to work every day, she plans on doing proofreading for court reporters through a company based in Boise.

She'll also be spending plenty of time with her five grandchildren. Jennifer, Laura, Matt, Samuel and Elizabeth range in age from 12 to 25 years old.

Jewett said she has another friend whose husband has also passed away, and they have some plans to travel a little bit. One of those adventures might be a trip to Italy where she's never been before, but Jewett clarified none of her ideas about traveling are set in stone.

She's not sure who her probation office replacement will be.

"I will really miss being out here because there's nothing about Owyhee County that I don't like," she said.

A group going-away party for Jewett and two other county employees — Trina Aman and Diane Kukla — will be held well in advance of her actual retirement date. It is set for late in the afternoon on May 9, but Jewett said the people throwing the party are keeping details about it very quiet.

Kukla worked as chief deputy assessor for 31 years and retired on April 10. Owyhee County district court clerk Aman's last day on the job will be Thursday. She was with the county for 35 years.

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Silver City Masonic Lodge No. 13 Sr. Warden Blake Titus, left, and Jr. Warden George Decker unload one of the bicycles.

Masons' Bikes for Books returns to HES

Silver City Lodge No. 13 Masons have been busy in Homedale.

A new front door was installed April 13 at the lodge on West Idaho Avenue, and it received a coat of trim paint a week later.

Also on April 13, Sr. Warden Blake Titus and Jr. Warden George Decker delivered children's bicycles to Homedale Elementary School to kick off the Masons' third annual Bikes for Books literacy campaign.

Four bicycles were put on display inside the library, signaling the start of this year's contest, which is open to first- through fourth-graders.

A girl and a boy in the first- and second-grade division will each win a 20-inch bicycle, and a girl and a boy in the third- and fourth-grade division will each win a

24-inch bicycle. The names of all eligible readers will be placed into a drawing, and the winners pulled during the May 21 year-end assembly.

Students earn tickets for achieving certain reading criteria set according to their grade level. First- through third-graders will get a ticket for every 10 tests they pass after reading books. Fourth-grade tickets are based on the number of Accelerated Reader points each student earns.

Tickets can be earned until May 14.

The Masons also have begun sorting through applications in preparation of awarding their annual scholarships to high school seniors next month. Silver City Lodge No. 13 also honors teachers of the year in the Homedale and Marsing school districts.

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Bruneau Sand Dunes State Park observatory opening Friday

People are invited to star gaze at the Bruneau Dunes Observatory on Friday night. The telescope in Bruneau Dunes State Park at 27608 Sand Dunes Rd. recently started operation for the season. The observatory will be open Friday and Saturday nights through mid-October. Free tours and solar viewing through a specially adapted telescope will begin one hour before sunset. For the next month the start time will be 6:30 p.m., but that is approximate, and depends on conditions regarding the sunset. Afterward, visitors can view a short orientation program and look at the sky through the observatory’s collection of telescopes. There is a \$3 fee for telescope viewing, but children 5 and younger can see the stars for free. The observatory features the “Obsession” 25-inch Newtonian Reflector telescope. Programs at the observatory are conducted on a weather-permitting basis.

HHS senior project schedule

Monday

- 4:30 p.m. — Cole Hungate: Welding Ford F250 bumper
- 4:40 p.m. — Daniel Silva: Constructing a hard drive from scratch
- 4:50 p.m. — Jazmin Albor: Zumba instructional videos
- 5 p.m. — Vianey Alcantara: Nursing
- 5:10 p.m. — Kamryn Weatherly: Physical therapy
- 5:20 p.m. — Melody Woods: Soccer coach
- 5:30 p.m. — Kimberly Vincent: Mural
- 5:40 p.m. — Jake Allen: Rebuilding dirt bike motor
- 5:50 p.m. — Jose Martinez: Building go-kart
- 6 p.m. — Abraham Monreal: Automotive electrical
- 6:10 p.m. — Richelle Dickinson: Community mental health brochure
- 6:20 p.m. — Matt Garrison: Military research and dog house construction
- 6:30 p.m. — Gunner Clapp: Boys baseball camp and constructed new baseball benches
- 6:40 p.m. — Miguel Salazar: Built a flying drone from scratch

Tuesday

- 4:30 p.m. — Bo Pickett: Rodeo fundraiser
- 4:50 p.m. — Alyx Christensen: Job shadow and research on insurance agencies
- 5 p.m. — Colton Osborn: Built bucking barrel to teach kids in the community
- 5:10 p.m. — Brianna McLay: AVID at the middle school
- 5:20 p.m. — Kerigan Morris: Started nonprofit to help families in community
- 5:30 p.m. — Makenzie Anderson: Created science unit and taught at middle school
- 5:40 p.m. — Spencer Mast: Created video game
- 5:50 p.m. — Miguel Montejano: 3-on-3 basketball tournament and middle school basketball court improvements
- 6 p.m. — Dayne Jacobs: Created a display to track top weight lifters and held weightlifting competition
- 6:10 p.m. — Morgan Nash: Became certified SCUBA instructor
- 6:20 p.m. — Hattie Mertz: Blood drive
- 6:30 p.m. — Kyler Landa: Lift-a-thon fundraiser to put new equipment and windows in weight room
- 6:40 p.m. — Nathan Harris: Tutor/activities leader for kids in the community



Homedale High School senior Kerigan Morris sells raffle tickets to a man Sunday at Paul’s Market.

Father, daughter strive to help vet

Foundation part of Homedale senior project

A Homedale High School senior and her father spent part of their Sunday trying to help a disabled veteran who has two young children living with muscular dystrophy. Kerigan Morris and her father, Brian, manned a booth at Paul’s Market from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. to sell raffle tickets for football helmets signed by former Glenns Ferry High School standout Corey Hall.

The family’s foundation is called Hoopsters Helping Heroes, and Brian said there is a Facebook page to get more information. “Two years ago, my father and I felt the need to give back, and with our respect and passion to help our veterans we started a non-profit called Hoopsters Helping Heroes,” Kerigan said. “The goal of Hoopsters is the combine the aspect of athletics with giving back to veterans.” The memorabilia — helmets from Boise State University and the Green Bay Packers, teams for which Hall played — are being raffled to raise money to support a local veteran whose 10-

and 11-year-old sons have been stricken with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. The sale of raffle tickets began Sunday. Tickets cost \$1 each or six for \$5. “Our hope is to build this family a house that is completely paid off and theirs,” Kerigan said. Brian Morris said he and his daughter, who is using the foundation as the basis for her senior project this year, will be out selling raffle tickets in other locations in the future. Cash donations are also accepted, he said.

— JPB

From page 1

✓ Seniors: Landa shines light for family, future Homedale High athletes

it was terrible,” Landa said), and he’s working on some new equipment. “It also gives it a little different perspective for the coaches where they could send players outside,” Landa said of the windows that enable instructors to keep eyes on students in the weight room as well as those outside doing other activities. Aguilera worked to put a fresh coat of paint on the interior walls and added new trim around the mirrors on the room’s south wall. His senior project presentation took place last semester, HHS senior project instructor Janee Brumfield said. Landa will make his senior project presentation at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday inside the school library. Senior project presentations will take place beginning at 4 p.m. both Monday and Tuesday. “I seriously can’t say how proud I am of him and his senior project this year,” HHS athletic director and dean of students Matt Holtry said. Landa worked with Barney Harper on the construction, and he secured windows from Superior Glass in Caldwell. Bodybuilding.com backed his lift-a-thon fundraiser, and other assistance came from Ben Badiola, Landa Farms, Tamura Farms, the Homedale Boosters and A&S Lumber. He also received help from the Conner Landa Memorial Fund, which was started to honor his older brother who died at the age of 14 in an auto accident six

years ago. For Kyler Landa, the weight room project was much more than just a way to fulfill a graduation requirement. “A lot of people do projects where they just do something that really doesn’t make an impact, so I kind of really wanted to put the Landa name out there and let people know we support the community,” Landa said. “I really wanted to do something that would last a long time.” Landa said he wanted to do something to help youth understand the importance of weight training as part of an overall healthy lifestyle. “I think kids need to be more aware of that because when you’re a senior, you’re like, ‘Man,

looking back to my freshman year, I wish I would have gotten more serious,’” Landa said. He speaks from experience. Landa didn’t really buy into the strength training idea until Homedale boys’ basketball coach Casey Grove challenged him at the end of the last school year. “Leading into my senior year, Grove kind of talked to me and said, ‘Listen if you want to see the floor, you need to put on some weight and some muscle,’” Landa

said. And with that, Kyler braved the dank dungeon and began lifting, and the work paid off in a senior season in which he had flashes of power. “I wasn’t where I wanted to be, but still just because I only had that short amount of time,” he said. “I felt a lot better. I could get in there down low and have a chance against some of the guys, which I love.”

— JPB

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Homedale girls run to second at SRV meet

Six Huskies in top 10 at WIC track meet

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Homedale High School baseball coach Burke Deal, left, celebrates with his assistants after the big win over Fruitland. Photo by Kelli Jenkins

Historic victory puts HHS in first

Trojans end 15-year baseball drought in Fruitland series

Junior right-hander John Collett left the tying run on third base Thursday to close out a historic Homedale High School baseball victory.

The Trojans edged Fruitland, 4-3, for the first victory over the Grizzlies in 3A Snake River Valley conference play.

The first win against Fruitland in coach Burke Deal's tenure is also believed to mark the first time in 15 years that Homedale has come out on top against the longtime state baseball powerhouse.

"We really have a good team — great young men, great chemistry," Deal said. "This is a fun group. They all really love the game."

"Our lineup is so tough that if you look at how we scored our runs we did it without our 3-4 guys, which is a real indication of a tough lineup."

The victory on the Grizzlies' home turf couldn't have come at a more opportune time.

Homedale (17-4 overall, 7-2 in conference) drew into a first-place tie with Fruitland heading into

Tuesday's season finale against Emmett, which was played after deadline. The Trojans also won their 10th consecutive game.

Should Fruitland and Homedale finish tied for the conference lead, the Grizzlies most likely will earn the top seed into the 3A District III Tournament based on their 13-1 win over Homedale on April 7.

The district tournament starts Saturday back in Fruitland.

Homedale rallied quickly against Fruitland after falling behind 1-0 in the bottom of the first. Collett drilled a two-run single to plate Matt Thatcher

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Marsing cowboy shines at CNR site

Marsing High School's Lorenzo Lankow was unofficial winner in both bareback performances Saturday and Sunday at the District 2 high school rodeos held inside the Caldwell Night Rodeo arena. For more photos, see **Page 15**. Photo by Cherie Rolland / Cherie Rolland Photography

Homedale golfers reel in SRV win

Martell misses medalist; district meet Monday

It seems that Casey Grove's catch phrase is coming to fruition once again.

Throughout his time as Homedale High School golf coach, Grove has used the cliché "peaking at the right" more times than anyone can probably remember.

Last week, he looked like a sage again.

Junior Chase Martell fired his personal-best round and just missed low medalist honors.

The Trojans edged Weiser by one stroke to win the 3A Snake River Valley conference nine-hole meet at Scotch Pines Golf Course in Payette.

Martell shot a 5-over-par 41 and lost low medalist honors to Emmett's Ryan Matthews in a one-hole playoff.

"We played by far our best nine-hole match of the year, we

played with a full varsity roster for the time in over a month, and Weiser had their worst nine-hole match of the year," Grove said.

Matthews led Emmett to a third-place score of 180.

Every Homedale golfer who stepped on the course shot 46 or better. Kaden Henry came in at 44, while Noah Frelove shot a 45. Kyler Landa and Lawsen Matteson both carded 46s.

"We are starting to play our best golf of the year at the right time. Hopefully the boys can keep it up for two more weeks," Grove said.

"Everyone played well for us. It is great for the kids to play well and hopefully get some much needed confidence going into districts."

The 18-hole 3A District III championship tournament will take place at 1 p.m. Monday at Rolling Hills Golf Course in Weiser.

The Trojans played an 18-hole tournament after deadline on Monday in Baker City, Ore., and they'll wrap up the conference season with a nine-hole meet at 3 p.m. today in Weiser.

Trojans steam toward high seed in District III tourney

Softball team powers to four more victories

Homedale High School stands one victory away from another trip to the 3A softball state tournament.

The Trojans (18-1 overall at the end of the week) closed out the 3A Snake River Valley conference season Tuesday with a first-place showdown against Emmett, the only team to beat Homedale this season. The game was played after deadline and

served as the Trojans' final game before the start of the 3A District III Tournament on Tuesday in Payette.

Homedale (8-1 in conference before Tuesday's season finale) will be seeded no worse than No. 2, meaning coach Larry Corta's squad will have a bye into the semifinals. The top-seeded team plays a 5 p.m. semifinal Tuesday, while the No. 2 seed plays a semifinal at 1 p.m. next Wednesday.

The semifinal winners will earn passage

— See *Trojans*, page 15



Second baseman Morgan Nash, left, makes the stretch for the putout at first base during Homedale High School's softball victory over Parma last week at Sundance Park.

Sports

HHS girls finish No. 2 at SRV meet

Athletes notch several PRs ahead of district meet

Track and field is one of those sports in which athletes are out to beat their best marks with nearly more vigor than they put forth against their opponents. Homedale High School's individuals broke through another ceiling at the first of two meets last week, posting 31 personal records in the 3A Snake River Valley conference meet in Emmett. The Huskies swept the team honors, but Homedale's girls finished second.

Coach Heidi Ankeny reported that the April 21 conference meet showed great promise for the 3A District III championship meet, which will be held Tuesday and next Wednesday in Weiser. The coach said if last week's conference meet had been the district championships, 17 athletes would have posted qualifying marks in 25 events for the 3A state meet.

The 31 PRs at the conference meet bettered Homedale's 22 PRs in Middleton two weeks ago. According to Athletic.net the Trojans have 14 top-10 marks among the state's Class 3A athletes, including junior Richard Symms' second-ranked distance

of 144 feet, 9 inches in the boys' discus, junior Maddie Conant's No. 2 shot put distance of 34-7 and junior Josh Tolmie's fourth-ranked 51.64-second time in the 400 meters. Four HHS girls are ranked in the top nine in the state shot put rankings. Symms achieved his No. 2 state ranking by winning the discus at last week's conference meet. It was one of three Homedale championships. Tolmie teamed with Manny Baltierrez, Max Mertz and Riley Portwood to win the boys' sprint medley relay in 3 minutes, 51.01 seconds. On the girls' side, junior Elizabeth Vargas led a top-four sweep in the shot put with a winning throw of 33-10. Maddie Conant was runner-up, one-half inch behind Vargas, while Kerigan Morris (33-3) and Eva Symms (32-10¾) finished third and fourth, respectively. Other boys' top-five placings in the conference meet: **Portwood** — Runner-up in the 800 (2:06.02) and 1,600 (5:00.6) **4x100 relay** — Baltierrez, Brady Brown, Colton Grimm and Symms were fifth at 49.18 **4x200 relay** — Bailey Satterfield, Dayne Jacobs, Grimm and Brown were fifth at 1:45.91 **Symms** — Fifth in the shot put (42-4) Other girls' top-five placings: **Conant** — Runner-up in discus (100-8¾) **Jennifer Hernandez** — Runner-up in the 100 (13.8) and third in the 200 (28.37)

Carlie Sawyer — Runner-up in the long jump (14-9½) and triple jump (31-4¾). **Symms** — Third in discus (98-8¾) **Ashley Burks** — Third in the triple jump (31-½) **Lainey Johnson** — Third in the 400 (1:04.61) **Maya Correa** — Third in the 1,600 (6:18.45) and fourth in the 3,200 (13:33.33) **Ashley Burks** — Third in the triple jump (31-½) and fourth in the long jump (14-4½) **4x100 relay** — Hernandez, Sawyer, Burks and Lexie Doss were third at 53.56 **Lexie Doss** — Fourth in the 200 (28.47) **Hannah Egusquiza** — Fourth in the 1,600 (6:58.18) **Jennifer Bautista** — Fifth in the 1,600 (6:58.83) **4x400 relay** — Ember Christensen, Brianna McLay, Justine Rose and Lauryn Fisher were fifth at 4:43.16 **Sprint medley relay** — Hernandez, Sawyer, Doss and Johnson were fifth at 2:01.34 **Skyview Invitational** Richard Symms continued his strong week Friday in Nampa with a second-place distance of 137-9. Vargas had the girls' best finish with a fourth-place toss of 34-5 in the shot put, while Morris was fifth at 33-11. Portwood was fifth in the boys' 3,200 (10:35.1), and he teamed with Baltierrez, Mertz and Tolmie to finish fifth in the sprint medley relay at 3:53.5.



Practicing his craft Cole Fossette, the 5-year-old son of Amy and Rusty Fossette of Homedale, is the new batboy for Homedale High School's baseball team.

✓ Victory: Year of last win ended with a state crown

From Page 12 and Nash Johnson in the second inning as the Trojans took the lead for good, 2-1. Homedale mounted a two-out scoring strike in the fifth inning as Thatcher and Blake Patton came home on Bo Jenkins' double into right field. Collett was 2-for-3, and Deal said he just missed a bases-clearing triple when Fruitland center fielder Casey Rodriguez mad made shoestring catch at the warning track to end the fifth inning. Collett went the distance, mixing what Deal calls an "exceptional" fastball with off-spined pitches to strike out four. He allowed only one walk and one earned run. "(It's) got to be the best pitching performance since I have been here, and that is saying a lot with Zac (Lowder) and (Collett teammate Connor Carter) being so good over the years," Deal

said. Homedale committed four errors, but Fruitland was unable to capitalize in substantive way. Only five runners got to third base or further against Collett. "We had really good defense, Jake (Deal) made a couple great plays at short," Burke Deal said. "They never tried to steal on Nash, which is a huge sign of respect to how good of a defensive catcher Nash is." The Trojans' triumph over Fruitland is believed to be the first since a 19-6 win over the Grizzlies in 1999, which is the last time Homedale brought home a state championship. "We won't be overlooked anymore," Deal said. "We will have a target on us, so now we have to start getting used to that. "We are just going to take it one game at a time and keep pushing towards our goal." — JPB

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HHS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Chase Martell, jr., golf

The Play — Martell led the Trojans' resurgence April 21 with a runner-up finish at Scotch Pines Golf Course in Payette that sparked Homedale's first 3A Snake River Valley conference meet victory of the season. Martell fired a personal-best 5-over-par 41 in the nine-hole tournament, losing low medalist honors in a one-hole playoff.

Baseball

Varsity
3A District III Tournament at Fruitland H.S.
Saturday, May 2 — opponent TBA, noon or 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 5 — Semifinals at 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 6 — Losers bracket games at 4 p.m.
Junior varsity
3A Snake River Valley conference Tournament at Emmett H.S.
Saturday, May 2 — Games scheduled at 10 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 3 p.m.
Monday, May 4 — Championship game, 5 p.m.

Softball

Varsity
3A District III Tournament at Payette H.S.
Tuesday, May 5 — Opening-round games at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. First semifinal at 5 p.m.
Wednesday, May 6 — Second semifinal at 1 p.m. Losers bracket games at 3 p.m. and 5 p.m.
Junior varsity
3A Snake River Valley conference Tournament at Sundance Park, Homedale
Saturday, May 2, semifinal vs. No. 4 seed-No. 5 seed winner, Field 1, 1 p.m.
Saturday, May 2, championship game, opponent TBA, Field 1, 3 p.m.

Track and field

Friday, May 1 at Moke Strong Canyon County Classic, Caldwell H.S., 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 5 at 3A District III championships, Weiser, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, May 6 at 3A District III championships, Weiser, 4 p.m.

Tennis

Thursday, April 30, home vs. Emmett, 4 p.m.

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Marsing High School first baseman Casey Yiengst makes the stretch and the scoop for the out during the Huskies' game in McCall. Photo by Sarah Grossman / Freeze the Day Photography



Marsing High School senior Destiny Reynolds catches a fly ball in softball action against Melba. Photo by Dan Pease

Huskies hang tough early vs. Melba

District baseball tourney starts Monday

A run in the bottom of the third inning helped Melba High School thwart upset-minded Marsing in a Friday baseball game.

The Mustangs snapped a tie with their run in the third inning and went on to a 6-2 victory in a 2A Western Idaho Conference game played in Melba.

Two of Melba's first three runs, including the go-ahead score, were unearned. The Huskies (3-10 overall, 1-5 in conference) committed six errors.

Marsing most likely will be

the fourth seed in the 2A District III Tournament, which begins Monday in New Plymouth.

The Huskies snagged a 1-0 lead on Brett Grossman's base hit in the top of the first inning as Seth Hardy scored an unearned run. Marsing had to score again in the second inning to tie the game after the Mustangs pushed two runs across in the bottom of the opening frame.

Dakota Hardy walked, stole second and advanced on successive passed balls to score Marsing's final run.

Grossman was 2-for-4, while Hayden Dines and Garret Briggs also picked up singles.

Last Wednesday: Nampa Christian 14, Marsing 1 (6)

— Casey Yiengst drove home Hunter Gibson with the Huskies' only run in the bottom of the fourth inning. The Trojans had built a 6-0 lead in the conference game played in Marsing by that time.

Gibson, Hayden Dines and Dakota Hardy picked up singles against Harrison Neidermeyer, who combined with Nick Tuttle on a five-hitter for Nampa Christian.

Grossman's ground-rule double sent Gibson to third base ahead of Yiengst's RBI single as Marsing strung together three consecutive hits to start the fourth inning.

Lex King went 3-for-4 with a double, three runs scored and two RBI to lead the Trojans.

Folwell triples twice for Marsing softball

Huskies lose three conference games

Ellie Folwell's one-out triple drove in Marsing High School's only run in a 2A Western Idaho Conference softball loss Friday in Melba.

Carey Dines scored the Huskies' lone run after leading off the fourth inning with her second hit of the 12-1 loss to the Mustangs.

Destiny Reynolds laced a one-out single in the fifth inning, but was stranded at second to end the game.

Only three of Melba's runs were earned as Marsing (2-19 overall, 0-7 in conference) committed seven errors.

April 22: Nampa Christian 17, Marsing 1 (5) — Ann Quiroz's two-out single scored Thea Ugland in the fifth inning with the Huskies only run in a conference loss at home.

Ugland had led off the inning with a single, and moved to third on an error and a single by Lizzie Stanbury.

Dines, Reynolds and Sheyanne Glorfield also picked up singles for Marsing, which trailed 3-0 after the top of the first inning.

April 20: McCall 14, Marsing 3 — Audra Kendall, Ugland and Reynolds scored runs for the Huskies in a conference loss on the road.

Folwell tripled and drove in a run, and Kendall had a base hit.

MARSING HUSKIES



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

The Play — Heidt strung together three top-three finishes in last Wednesday's 2A Western Idaho Conference meet in Nampa. He won the long jump with an effort of 18 feet, 7½ inches and finished second in the triple jump in 39-5½. He ran a third-place time of 11.4 seconds in the 100 meters.

Baseball

Varsity

Friday, May 1, home vs. Wilder, 5 p.m.
Monday, May 4 at 2A District III Tournament, New Plymouth
Tuesday, May 5 at 2A District III Tournament, New Plymouth

Softball

Varsity

Friday, May 1, home vs. Wilder, 5 p.m.

Track and field

Friday, May 1 at Moke Strong Canyon County Classic, Caldwell H.S., 3:30 p.m.

Go Huskies!



Sports

Prep rodeos attract local talent



One of the top all around cowboy contenders, Tyler Reay of Adrian piled up more points last weekend in the District 2 high school rodeos in Caldwell. Results are unofficial because they haven't been posted to the district website yet, but Reay had the top time in Saturday's steer wrestling at 7.11 seconds, and he was runner-up on Sunday at 7.5. Photo by Cherie Rolland / Cherie Rolland Photography



Homedale's Taylor Ann Fisher placed fourth in pole bending during Sunday's junior high school rodeo in Caldwell. She was clocked at 25.494 seconds. Photo by Cherie Rolland / Cherie Rolland Photography

Conference's top teams take down Trojans tennis

Homedale beats Baker boys on Saturday

A forfeit accounted for Homedale High School's only point in a rough week against the conference's best tennis teams.

The Trojans bounced back from 3A Snake River Valley conference losses to Parma and Fruitland to split the boys' and girls' meets in a non-conference encounter against Baker, Ore., on Saturday at the Bette Uda City Park courts.

Saturday: Homedale boys 3½, Baker, Ore., 2½ — Homedale's No. 2 doubles team of Dylan Phariss and Ryan Randall clinched the victory with a tiebreaker win over Baker's Hunter Stone and Ezra Taylor.

After dropping the first set by a narrow margin, Phariss and Randall stormed through the second set and tiebreaker for a 6-7, 6-2 (10-2) triumph.

Kincade Kincheloe got back to his winning ways with a 6-0, 6-0 shutout of the Bulldogs' John Cunningham in the top singles match.

The Trojans' No. 1 duo of Andrew Randall and Orion Cardenas beat Baker's Brandon Stairs and Ryan Schwin, 6-2, 6-2

Delaney Phariss and Alec Egurrola beat Baker's No. 1 mixed doubles team of Ryan Schwin and Kate Aveerett, 6-1, 7-5 for a half-point.

Saturday: Baker, Ore., girls 5½, Homedale ½ — The Phariss-Egurrola victory accounted for the only scoring by the HHS girls' squad.

At No. 1 singles, Baker's Grace Huggins pushed senior Hattie Mertz past regulation in a 7-5, 7-5 victory.

Thursday: Fruitland boys 6, Homedale 0 — The Grizzlies were pushed to three sets in two matches.

Dylan Phariss and Ryan Randall won the second set but couldn't gain any third-set traction in a 6-3, 2-6, 6-1 loss to Fruitland's No. 2 doubles team of Parker Lloyd and McKay Olsen.

Coy Gardner suffered a similar fate after knotting his No. 2 singles match against Noah Roberts at a set apiece. Roberts rolled through the decisive set to clinch a 6-1, 3-6, 6-0 victory.

Thursday: Fruitland girls 6, Homedale 0 — Mertz won the first set of her No. 1 singles match, but Chance Lee rallied to take the next two sets in a 4-6, 6-2, 6-4 victory.

The Grizzlies posted whitewashes in three of the other four girls' matches. Homedale No. 2 Tanis Lentfer lost, 6-1, 6-2, to Fruitland's Carleigh LaCrone.

In the mixed doubles matches, which are scored in both the boys' and girls' meet, Homedale's No. 2 team of Marissa Guzman and Ben Holloway won the opening set but lost, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4 to Jessica O'Dell and Alek Farmer.

April 21: Parma boys 6, Homedale 0 — Kincheloe couldn't capitalize on a first-set victory and fell to Panthers No. 1 Tanner Kramer, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4. Parma swept the rest of the boys' matches.

April 21: Parma boys 5, Homedale 1 — Lentfer's forfeit victory at No. 1 singles accounted for the only point for the Trojans.

Holloway and Guzman put up an epic struggle against Parma's No. 2 mixed doubles team of Grant Stockett and Kassidy Forsberg, who needed extra games in each set and a tiebreaker to win 7-5, 7-6 (14-12).

✓ Trojans: Dismantling of Fruitland, Parma keeps Emmett within reach

From Page 12
to the state tournament, which will be played May 15-16 at Ramsey Park in Coeur d'Alene.

Saturday: Homedale 15-19, Baker, Ore., 3-4 — Tristan Corta hit a home run in the first game, and Tori Nash and Makayla Aberasturi homered in the second game as the Trojans swept a non-conference doubleheader in Oregon.

Leading 3-2, Homedale broke open the first game with a six-run

second inning. Corta knocked in three runs and scored three times.

Gardenia Machuca doubled twice and collected two RBI, while Aberasturi was 2-for-5 with four RBI.

Kayla Davis hit two home runs and drove in all of the Bulldogs' runs.

In Game 2, Tori Nash was 5-for-5 with her homer, four RBI and four runs scored. The game was halted after five innings.

Homedale set up the 10-run rule with a 10-run fourth inning.

Aberasturi was 2-for-5 with the homer, four RBI and three runs.

Dakota Kelly went 3-for-3 with four RBI, while Elise Shenk was 3-for-5 with two doubles and two RBI.

Winning pitcher Morgan Nash scattered five hits and was touched for only one earned run.

Friday: Homedale 18, Fruitland 2 (5) — Shenk and Aberasturi

drilled home runs as the Trojans won their last conference game before a showdown with 3A SRV leader Emmett.

Shenk scored four runs and collected three RBI. Aberasturi was 2-for-4 with a triple, three runs and two RBI to go with her homer.

Tori Nash was 3-for-4 with two doubles, three runs scored and three RBI. Machuca and McKenna Calzacorta each doubled.

April 21: Homedale 12, Parma

2 (6) — Staked to a seven-run lead after two innings, Kelly pitched a five-hitter to win the conference game. She struck out seven and walked none.

Machuca had a big day at the plate, smacking two doubles and driving in three runs. Aberasturi also collected three RBI, while Corta doubled and scored four runs.

Tori Nash was 3-for-3 with a double.

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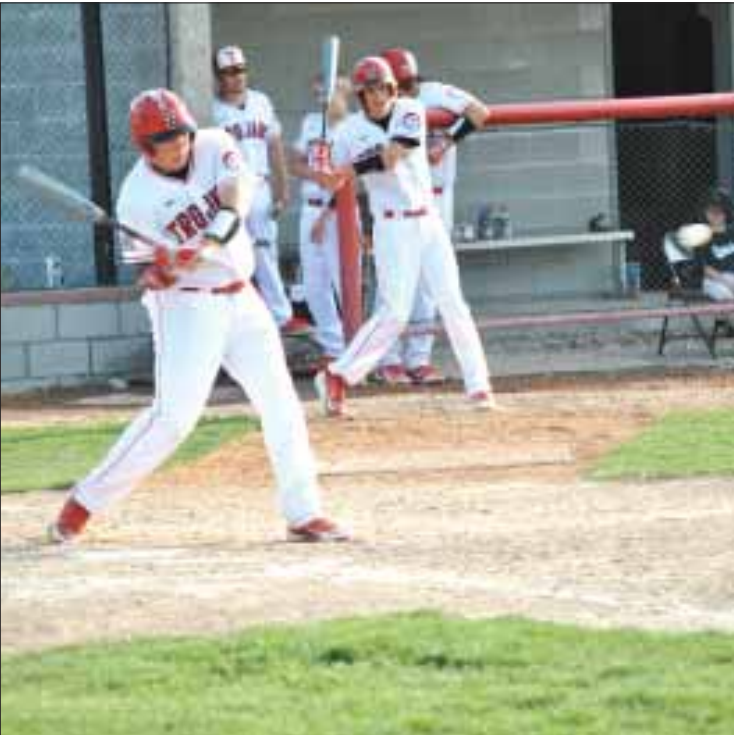
Six Huskies finish in top 10 at WIC track and field meet

Marsing High School athletes pulled in a dozen top-10 finishes at the 2A Western Idaho Conference track and field meet. Alexandre Heidt led the way for the Huskies last Wednesday at Nampa Christian High School. The junior edged Melba's Christian Chavez for the boys' long jump title. Heidt hit

a distance of 18 feet, 7½ inches, which was 2¼ inches better than the Mustangs' junior. In the triple jump, Heidt took second at 39-5½ behind Melba senior Wyatt Helm. Heidt also ran third in the 100 meters at 11.4 seconds, and he was ninth in the discus with a throw of 89-3. Sophomore Angie Draper had two top-10

finishes in the girls' hurdles. She finished fifth in the 100 hurdles at 18.59 and was seventh at 300 meters (55.17). Another sophomore, Sam Galligan, finished fifth in the discus at 101-8 and 10th in the shot put at 31-5. Several freshmen also put together notable performances.

Landry Villa was eighth in the 3,200 meters in 12 minutes, 50.87 seconds, and finished 10th in the 1,600 (5:50.06). Dalton Withers finished right behind Villa in the 3,200 with a ninth-place time of 13:01.21. Matthew Lee cleared 30-4½ to finish 10th in the triple jump.



Gunner Clapp takes a cut during Homedale High School's rout of Parma on April 21 on the Trojans' field.

Trojans bump Baker in two seesaw battles

The Homedale High School baseball team used a couple of one-run decisions to stretch its winning streak to 10 games Saturday. The Trojans scored twice in the top of the seventh inning and then endured a two-run rally to hold off Baker, Ore., 14-13, in the second game of a non-conference doubleheader played in Baker County. Homedale won the first game, 8-7, in its final at-bat. Colton Osborn tied the game on Connor Carter's fielder's choice, and Carter scored the winning run from second base on Gunner Clapp's two-out base hit. **Saturday: Homedale 8-14, Baker, Ore., 7-13** — Both teams combined for 10 runs over the final three innings as the lead changed hands three times. The Trojans built a 6-2 lead in the top of the fifth on RBI singles from Nash Johnson, John Collett and Jake Deal. Baker scored five runs in its next two at-bats to grab a 7-6 lead before Homedale's winning rally in the top of the seventh. Bo Jenkins and Blake Patton both doubled in Game 1 with Clapp knocking in three runs to highlight a 3-for-4 plate performance. Collett doubled and, on the next time around in the same slot in the batting order, Blake Patton tripled in a wild start to Game 2 as the Trojans scored eight times in the

top of the first. Clapp smacked a two-run homer in the third inning to give Homedale a 12-8 lead. Baker had scored seven times in the bottom of the second to creep to within two runs, 10-8. The Bulldogs tied the game on a single run in the sixth inning. Homedale struck again in the top of the seventh. Colton Osborn led off with a single, and tied the score on Collett's triple. Jake Deal's sacrifice bunt brought Collett home with what turned out to be the winning run. Osborn was 3-for-4, and Carter and Deal had two singles each. **April 21: Homedale 31, Parma 0 (5)** — Jenkins hit a two-run home run and teamed with Jose Ibarra on a one-hitter in the Trojans' lopsided 3A Snake River Valley conference victory. Jenkins was 3-for-3 with five runs scored and five RBI. Clapp scored on his two-run shot in Homedale's seven-run third inning. Matt Thatcher batted leadoff and went 4-for-5 with a double, four runs and three RBI. Clapp also was 5-for-5 with two doubles, four RBI and four runs scored. Colton Osborn was 3-for-3 with five RBI. The Trojans finished with 28 hits and threw a knockout punch with a 16-run fourth inning. Wyatt Baird led off the game with a single against Ibarra for the Panthers' only hit.

Homedale youth baseball camp



Pouring the program's foundation
In a Homedale Youth Sports baseball camp directed by Gunner Clapp as his senior project, Homedale High School players taught fundamental aspects to 32 of the town's 9- to 14-year-old athletes. Counter-clockwise from top: Blake Patton handled infield drills; Bo Jenkins was in the bullpen with pitchers; and Matt Thatcher handled the baserunning training. Submitted photos





Homedale High School students inducted into the National Honor Society last Wednesday included: **Front row, from left:** Savannah Hayward, Noe Sanchez, Jennifer Bautista, Kirsten Egurrola, Maya Correa, Elizabeth Hernandez, Makayla Steinmetz, Raquel Palacios, Justine Rose and Gardenia Machuca. **Middle row, from left:** Matthew Thatcher, Madison Conant, Marissa Cole, Jordan Stuart, Megan Aman, Shyanne Kelly, Alexandria Doss, Makayla Aberasturi, Madison Fisher and Nash Johnson. **Back row, from left:** Michael Lejardi, Dylan Burks, Brandon Geertson, Lawsen Matteson, Derek Pfost, Conner Carter, Orion Cardenas-Ritzert, Josh Tolmie, Richard Symms and Benjamin Schamber Submitted photo

Homedale High holds National Honor Society induction

Fifty Homedale High School students joined the National Honor Society last Wednesday. The ceremony took place inside the school cafeteria. HHS chapter president Alec Egurrola delivered the welcome and president’s message, and chapter PR officer Hattie Mertz gave the invocation. Egurrola would later swear in the new chapter members, and chapter advisor Bethany Updike presented certificates. Treasurer Michelle Castro told of the history of the NHS, and vice-president Tori Nash explained the selection criteria. Chapter members also undertook a candle-lighting ceremony. Delaney Phariss lit the candle of Knowledge, Sierra Bowman lit the Scholarship candle, Miguel Salazar lit the Service candle, and chapter scribes Morgan Nash and Carlie Purdom lit the Leadership and Character candles, respectively. Principal Dion Flaming spoke, and HHS U.S. History and English teacher Ed Lee gave the keynote. Chapter member Isabelle Fogg played a musical selection before Tori Nash closed the evening with the benediction prayer.



The 2015-16 Jordan Valley FFA chapter officers were announced during a recent banquet. **From left:** Chelsie Fugate, advisor; Kirk Eiguren, alternate; Kasen Skinner, sentinel; Emilee Burch, historian; Taylor Warn, reporter; Regann Skinner, treasurer; Garrett Youren, secretary; Chantel Brundage, vice-president; and John Echave, president. Submitted photo

Jordan Valley FFA wraps up year

by Taylor Warn
Chapter reporter

The Jordan Valley FFA chapter had its year-end banquet earlier this month. The banquet consisted of a delicious dinner, many awards, and a great deal of memories shared from throughout the year. Baylee Davis, Wade Raine, Kort Skinner, and Don Youren were successful in acquiring their Discovery FFA Degrees. Candidates of the Greenhand FFA Degrees were awarded to Cheyenne Davis, TJ Davis, Chase Fillmore, Kirk Eiguren, and Wade Stanford. Chapter Degree members included JJ Echave, Joey Martin, Kasen Skinner, Alisha Rogers, and Garrett Youren. Chantel Brundage, Fabian Mendoza, and Sage Raine met all the requirements to be awarded for their State Degrees at the state convention in Silverton, Ore. Star Greenhand Awards were given to Cheyenne Davis and Kirk Eiguren. The Outstanding Sophomore award went to JJ Echave and Garrett Youren, and the Outstanding Member award went to Chantel Brundage. The Outstanding Senior award was given to retired president Nick Eiguren. Lastly, the chapter proudly honored Nancy Tuttle with the Honorary Chapter Degree. Without this woman, our chapter wouldn’t be complete, and we admire her deeply. Retired officers consisted of president Nick Eiguren, vice-president Stephanie Youren, secretary Sage Raine, treasurer Braden Fillmore, reporter Chantel Brundage, sentinel JJ Echave, historian Garrett Youren and alternate Kasen Skinner. The night ended with instillation of new officers: JJ Echave as president, Chantel Brundage as vice-president, Garrett Youren as secretary, Regann Skinner as treasurer, Taylor Warn as reporter, Kasen Skinner as sentinel, Emilee Burch as historian, and Kirk Eiguren as alternate. The Jordan Valley FFA chapter would like to thank everybody for their unconditional support, and we are very eager to continue producing unforgettable FFA years.

Health fair planned in Jordan Valley

Several free health services will be available during a wellness fair in Jordan Valley. The Spring into Wellness fair for residents of the surrounding communities will take place from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday inside the Jordan Valley Elementary School gymnasium. The Eastern Oregon Coordinated Care Organization (EOCCO) will present the fair, and several different service providers are expected to participate. Free children’s dental screenings and free books for boys and girls to age 6 will be available. There also will be school readiness exams and blood pressure checks. An adult bike and a children’s bike and helmets will be given away. Raffle tickets will be available at the fair. The Jordan Valley fair is the four of five similar events planned in Malheur County. The final event for the Nyssa area will take place during the Nyssa Kids Fair on Saturday.

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense

One of the mysteries of life

Why is it that we know couples that beg the question, “What does she see in him?” I’m not going to use names for the sake of privacy. I can’t actually say “to protect the innocent.” I’m just going to use the aliases of Geraldo and Lucinda.

I was on the phone with one of my good friends, Geraldo Uno. He had thrown a team roping party and asked our mutual friend, Geraldo Dos, to come and help. “He’s the best there is at what he does.”

“You bet,” I agreed. “He sure got lucky.” I was referring to Lucinda Dos, his second official wife. After what seemed years of relationships and children, child support and houses, she showed up in his life. Now he has a business, grandkids and the “Doses” are happy. “I never could figure out what she saw in him?”

Geraldo Uno said, “Well, look at *you!*” I had to agree. A failed marriage, two failed proposals, miles of alimony, a victim of mergers that cost my jobs, frivolous relationships, lack of discipline and no real concept of a happy home. Then out of the blue my own Lucinda stuck an arrow in my heart that has lasted for years.

I did point out that he, Geraldo Uno, had no room to talk: married once, alimony, child support payments, she kept his mother’s wedding ring, had job after job, fell in love with a lady that was fatally ill, then Lucinda Uno found him. They are a power couple today and inseparable.

“Why” I asked, “did we get so lucky?”

In our circle of friends there seems to be a preponderance of flawed Geraldos, as I refer to them, “People you wouldn’t have in your home on a holiday.” Some of us have not found our Lucinda. When you look at our accomplishments, you begin to understand why. Captured with a stun gun, been in a Mexican jail, officially detained for molesting a stamp machine in the John Wayne Airport, owns a bank but can’t get a date, is a charter member of Alcoholics Anonymous, crashed his helicopter trying to dive under a power line, has been run over by a jeep while hunting and sold used cars ... and they are still out there!

But there is a legitimate handful who, like myself, has somehow found true happiness.

Geraldo Uno said, “I think I know how it happens. Look at what they endured before we came along.”

He was right. Most all of the Lucindas that found us Geraldos have come from a previous life so unhappy and unfulfilled that we looked good! We’re not abusive or stingy or overbearing or mean, we’re just not quite housebroken.

Our Lucindas simply had lesser expectations the second time around, and we fit the bill.

— 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.

Letter to the editor

Threatening weather can’t hold back Easter Service

The Board of Directors of the Lizard Butte Sunrise Association wish to express our sincere appreciation for the coverage you gave to us for the Sunrise Service on Easter Sunday.

So many people help to put on the service, and we thank them for it.

We thought we were going to have to cancel, but the rain held off. Many people braved the weather to come.

Connie Hill
Lizard Butte Sunrise Association

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington

Dept. of Justice program choking legitimate commerce

Last summer, news reports surfaced regarding a U.S. Department of Justice-led (DOJ) initiative that targets certain industries’ ability to access banking services without first showing the companies are not breaking the law. Rather than targeting bad actors for illegal activity, this effort, known as Operation Choke Point, is causing banks to deny or terminate credit lines out of fear of DOJ subpoenas or unjustified regulatory action by federal banking regulators. Legitimate industries — legal, but not acceptable, apparently, to the Obama administration — are now experiencing difficulty finding essential banking services. This commerce-stifling, unjust federal overreach must stop.

Small businesses, banks and payments processors have all been targets of this expansive regulatory approach. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce has stated that enforcement agencies have the tools to root out fraud and predation directly, and the Chamber supports their efforts to do so. But under Operation Choke Point, government authorities punish entire categories of lawful businesses by instilling fear in the institutions that bank with them. This has left banks with little choice but to terminate longstanding relationships with customers, because of inappropriate explicit or implicit pressure.

Now, who are these disfavored industries? One of them is the firearms and ammunition industry in the United States. I have heard from several Idaho business owners involved in the guns and ammunition business who experienced difficulty finding essential banking services as a result of this fear and uncertainty on the part of the banks.

At the urging of many members of Congress, the

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the May 19 elections until noon on Friday, May 8.

The usual letters to the editor guidelines apply, including letters must be no more than 300 words and letters must include contact information, including a phone number, of the letter-writer. Submit by:

- Email to jon@owyheeavalanche.com
- Fax to (208) 337-4867
- Mail to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628
- Or drop off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale

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Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) updated its regulatory guidance and retracted the target list. The withdrawal of the list of targeted businesses was a good first step, but we must eliminate this inappropriate DOJ program.

That is why I offered an amendment to address this concern during the Senate Budget Committee’s markup of the Senate’s version of the budget blueprint for Fiscal Year 2016. The provision would begin the process of ending the DOJ’s Operation Choke Point while protecting Second Amendment rights. The committee approved this amendment by a vote of 13-9, and it was contained in the balanced budget resolution passed by the U.S. Senate in March.

President Ronald Reagan’s words from 26 years ago remain ageless counsel: “I hope we once again have reminded people that man is not free unless government is limited. There’s a clear cause and effect here that is as neat and predictable as a law of physics: as government expands, liberty contracts.”

Americans must guard against and stop the increasingly creative and complex efforts to expand the federal government’s reach into our lives while stifling our constitutional rights. I will continue to work to stop this overly aggressive enforcement effort that jeopardizes Second Amendment rights.

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

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Commentary

Financial management Financial maturity is controlling your inner impulsive child

Dear Dave,

My wife and I are on Baby Step 3 of your plan. We're also saving up to buy a car with cash. We're about \$3,000 away from our goal, but now my wife wants to go ahead and finance the rest. She has started wondering what the difference is in borrowing to buy a car and borrowing to buy a house.

— Lex

Dear Lex,

This is a good question. It sounds like you guys have made good progress, but now one of you is running out of steam. That's OK. Getting out of debt and staying out of debt can be a tough road.

For one thing, cars go down in value. The second thing is I don't like debt of any kind. I don't really like borrowing for a house even, but I tolerate it as long as you use a 15-year, fixed-

rate mortgage with payments that are no more than a fourth of your take-home pay. I mean, it's a *much* larger purchase. You can get a great car for \$15,000 to \$20,000. Depending on where you live, a good home can cost you 10 times that or more.

Still, the best way to build wealth and have a high-quality financial life is to not be in debt. You're never going to win with money in the long term if you can't learn to delay pleasure. That's the bottom line. Personal finance is about controlling the person you see when you look in the mirror.

Every one of us has that little 4-year-old kid inside, a little kid whose name is Immaturity, and he or she wants what they want right now. What your wife is asking is a normal request, but it's also a sign that we all have to address that little kid that's inside us once in a while — and tell that kid no!



— Dave

Dear Dave,

My wife and I have just started getting on track with our money. We have \$2,000 in savings, and the only debt we have is our house and two cars. I work in the oil and gas industry and make about

\$180,000 a year, but things are pretty volatile right now. We're upside-down on both vehicles, and we owe \$39,000 on one and about \$48,000 on the other. Under the circumstances, should we go ahead and build a fully funded emergency fund or work on paying off the cars?

— Kendall

Dear Kendall,

Are you kidding me? Sell the cars, dude!

You need to go to Kelly Blue Book's website right now, and find out what your cars are really worth. Then, put them on the market as a private sale. You'll get thousands more selling them that way than you will at a dealership. You'll have to talk to a local credit union or bank for a small loan to cover the difference, plus a little bit more so you guys can get a couple of little beaters to drive for a while.

But man, you've got close to \$100,000 in car debt hanging over your heads. That's a disaster! I want you to take a moment and think about how things would be without these stinking car payments. Your lives would change completely!

Hopefully, you'll be able to keep your job. But this car debt is the scariest thing I've heard in a long time, even with your great income. Get rid of those things now!

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey has authored five New York Times best-selling books. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8.5 million listeners each week on more than 550 radio stations. Dave's latest project, EveryDollar, provides a free online budget tool. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

Americans for Limited Government 1974 law helps Pacific trade deal sidestep Constitution

by Robert Romano

Since passage of the Trade Act of 1974, every trade agreement the U.S. has entered into under trade promotion authority has not been considered a treaty under U.S. law. This includes the Trans-Pacific Partnership currently under negotiation between the U.S. and Australia, Brunei Darussalam, Canada, Chile, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore, and Vietnam.

It is not a treaty, says President Obama and members of Congress; and, as such, it is not subject to a two-thirds ratification vote in the Senate. Our trade partners certainly seem to think it's a treaty, like Australia, but let's leave that aside for the time being.

But that is not how commercial treaties were originally treated under the U.S. Constitution.

In 1795, Supreme Court Chief Justice John Jay negotiated a commercial treaty with Great Britain, "The Treaty of Amity, Commerce, and Navigation, Between His Britannic Majesty and The United States of America."

It was put to the Senate for ratification by a two-thirds vote, which eventually came on June 24, 1795. But not before the House of Representatives raised several objections, chiefly, that the treaty could not be binding if the House did not approve, too, because it regulated commerce with foreign nations, a power the Constitution vested in all of Congress.

Heretofore, the congressional foreign commerce power had simply been thought to include tariffs and sanctions and the like. But not treaties, which were the sole province of the president and Senate. This was a new argument and was led, oddly enough, by James Madison, the so-called Father of the Constitution and leader of the then-Republican Party in the House.

Oddly, because throughout the entire ratification process for the Constitution, nobody had considered the House would have any role in approving treaties, let alone commercial treaties.

In fact, countered the Federalist Party, if the Virginia ratifying convention, led by Madison, had thought that commercial treaties required additional House approval to be binding, then why did it propose an amendment that

would have required commercial treaties to only be ratified by two-thirds of all sitting senators, rather than those present. This clearly indicated the ratifying conventions believed the treaty power also included trade agreements with foreign nations.

The matter was such a controversy that, even after the treaty's ratification, then-President George Washington had to send a letter to the House dated March 30, 1796 to address it.

Treaties, including commercial treaties, were only to be put to the Senate for ratification, per Washington, as a matter of federalism and states' rights. Because, he wrote, "the smaller states were admitted to an equal representation in the Senate with the larger states, and that this branch of government was invested with great powers, for on the equal representation of those powers the sovereignty and political safety of the smaller states were deemed essentially to depend."

That is to say, the smaller states would not — and did not — agree to a Constitution where the proportionally represented House of Representatives would have final say on treaties. Including commercial treaties.

In fact, according to Washington, at the convention a motion was made "that no treaty should be binding on the United States which was not ratified by law," and, wrote Washington, "the proposition was explicitly rejected."

So, everyone at the convention agreed that commercial treaties had to be put to the Senate for ratification. The state ratifying conventions, even ones that raised objections to the provision asking for a higher threshold for commercial treaties, agreed that these agreements had to be put to the Senate for ratification. The constitutional convention, which Washington chaired, even considered the question of including the House in the treaty process, and explicitly rejected it.

Thus, Washington said, "The assent of the House of Representatives is not necessary to the validity of a treaty."

That more or less settled the matter such that when it came time for President James Madison to submit his own commercial treaty with Great Britain, the United Kingdom

Commerce and Navigation Treaty of 1815, which was a free trade agreement, it too required a two-thirds Senate majority to ratify. By that time, Madison had ceded the argument.

200 years later, however, the two-thirds vote in the Senate constitutional requirement for commercial treaties is nowhere to be found.

Thanks to the Trade Act of 1974, which created an entirely new method of enacting trade agreements. Gerald Ford signed it into law. Now, the House and Senate authorize the President to negotiate trade deals, and then they are adopted by simple majority votes in the House and the Senate on an expedited basis — so-called fast-track legislation.

Consider that not even the Madisonians denied that the two-thirds vote in the Senate was necessary. Their only quibble was that the House had no say. But they never would have considered a construction that allowed a commercial treaty to be adopted by simple majorities in both houses.

As Americans for Limited Government President Rick Manning recently noted, "Trade promotion authority via an executive-legislative branch agreement is an unconstitutional fabrication of the modern administrative state."

Yet, every single trade agreement the U.S. has entered into for the past 40 years was somehow not considered to be a treaty, was not submitted to the Senate as such, and was adopted via this dubious process. This raises the worrisome prospect that every one of those trade deals is unconstitutional. Too bad.

The point is, members of Congress who claim fidelity to the Constitution, and to be an originalist, cannot in good conscience embrace trade promotion authority for any president. It is an aberration under the constitutional framework set forth in 1787, designed to get around the two-thirds majority requirement for treaty ratification in the Senate. Nothing more.

So stop pretending.

— Robert Romano is the senior editor of Americans for Limited Government.

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

May 2, 1990

Hawes, wife are honored guests at retirement dinners

Retirement dinners were held in Marsing April 25 and 26 for Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hawes of Marsing for serving as secretary-treasurer of the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District for forty years; for serving as secretary-treasurer of the Gem Highway District, Marsing, for forty-seven years.

In 1946 after the circulation of petitions by Rodney Hawes, then publisher of the Owyhee Nugget, addressed to the Owyhee County Commissioners asking them to call an election for the formation of a cemetery district from Givens Springs to the Oregon line west of Homedale, an election was held on the question by area residents and carried on April 6, 1946.

April 17, 1946, Governor of Idaho Arnold Williams, appointed George Upton of Homedale, Mark Marsing of Marsing, and Vene Foster of Opaline to the board.

December 9, 1953 the board purchased the present site of the cemetery half-way between the towns of Marsing and Homedale. The first burial, Theodore Ritterbush, took place in September of 1958.

Present members of the board include John Matteson of Homedale, Chairman; Jay Hall of Opaline and Donald Osterhoudt of Marsing, commissioners. Mrs. Kendall Hopkins (LoRetta) is the new secretary-treasure, Marsing.

The Gem Highway District was created Tuesday, March 6, 1917, by the Owyhee County Commissioners when they met in special session at Silver City to canvass the votes of the residents of the proposed highway district at an election held on Saturday, February 24, 1917.

Two file for Homedale zone 3 trustee position

Two candidates, Petra Rose and C. Harold Bingham, both of Central Cove, have filed for Zone 3 seat on the Homedale School Board, with the winner to be decided by that zone’s voters in a school board election Tuesday, May 15.

The passage of Friday’s filing deadline for school trusteeships also revealed that incumbent Trustee Frank Haylett is running unchallenged for re-election to his Zone 4 seat from south Homedale.

Owen graduates from POST

Owyhee County Deputy Sheriff Mark A. Owen was graduated April 20 from the Idaho Peace Officers Training Academy (POST) at Boise, according to the Idaho Department of Law Enforcement.

Officers enrolled in the six-week program receive training in a variety of subjects. These include the proper use of pistol and shotgun, handling of a police vehicle during pursuits, state criminal laws, police report preparation, accident investigations, court and fingerprinting procedures and the study of human behavior.

The program also teaches cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) techniques, first aid practices and self-defense tactics.

Athletes achieve personal feats

Some amazing personal best feats were achieved by Homedale athletes in the frigid polar zone known as the Emmett track meet Saturday, in their final tune-up for today’s and Friday’s WIC competitive melt-down at New Plymouth.

Dusty Linder ran the 100 meter dash in 11.4, a mark he’d achieved only once before this year, equaling the track record there and placing himself in the top ranks of racers in the event statewide this season.

Head Coach Troy Sullivan pointed out afterwards that Linder had run against the wind, which would mean his time in windless conditions was probably 11.1 or 11.2.

The 4x100 relay team that includes Brad Dines, Ryan Landa, Brian Tarr and Linder also zipped to a 1st in 45.1, shattering the Emmett track record and improving on their recent 45.5 time on Parma’s soggy track.

50 years ago

April 29, 1965

Highway meeting favors river bridge, route plan

Formal authorization of a new bridge and relocation of Highway 95 was made by the state highway board Tuesday. The board also authorized the highway department to advance purchase of right-of-way necessary for the East route.

Testimony favoring Plan 2 and the eventual construction of an East route was heard at the public hearing conducted by the state highway board, at the Washington grade school in Homedale Wednesday night, April 21.

The plan, as outlined by Jack Pearring, planning engineer for the state highway department, calls for construction of a new bridge over Snake River just below the present structure.

Highway 95 would be relocated on the Canyon County side, with the bridge approach straightened. The highway would proceed northeastward from the bridge and join the present highway at a point near the substation in Fargo.

The urban loop presently being used through the city, which enters Homedale on Idaho Avenue at the bridge and turns south at Main Street, would be improved for present local and through traffic.

An East route would be constructed some years later, when through traffic warrants, which would turn southwest from the bridge and connect with present 95 near the Slatter Implement in South Homedale.

Owyhee County’s 1963 business census released

Owyhee County’s 38 service establishments had total receipts of \$282,000 in 1963, an increase of 56 percent from 1958, according to a report of the 1963 census of business just released by the Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce. The last previous census of business covered operations during 1958.

Five mill school levy passes by single vote

Patrons of the Homedale school district Tuesday approved the continuing plant facility levy fund of five mills by a single vote.

The tally, according to Jim Duncan, school board clerk, was 65 in favor to 32 against, making a total of 97 votes cast. The levy was carried with a 2/3 majority. The vote was to continue the levy for 10 years which has already been in existence for several years.

Polling places were at the Homedale High School and at the Wilder Rod and Gun clubhouse in Central Cove.

The school board met Tuesday evening to canvass the vote and during the special meeting offered three contracts for next year.

A three-year contract was offered to Supt. Deward Bell. Contracts were also offered to Harold Root as music instructor for the 1965-66 school year, and to Marshal Jones as football and track coach at the high school.

Grand View airport closed; flyers warned

The Grand View airport has been closed permanently. Chet Moulton, state aeronautics director, warned flyers who have used the facility against further use, and a ditch across the runway is further cause for heeding the closure notice.

The Grand View airport has been operated by Owyhee County since 1948. It was constructed under a joint project between Owyhee County and the State Department of Aeronautics.

Moulton explained that the airport was made possible by a land-use easement 17 years ago. The Hipwell Bros., current owners of the land, have cancelled the public-use easement, notified the Department of Aeronautics that the field is closed, removed aviation facilities, and dug a ditch across the runway.

Normally, Moulton said, any closure gives the management time to properly publicize the action through proper media. In this case, the news reaches airport users in the spring when flying picks up and many will be flying to Grand View for the first trip in 1965. Both Owyhee County and the Department of Aeronautics will begin a search for a new site.

140 years ago

May 1, 1875

FIRE. The roof of the store of Mr. Labrecht caught fire to-day from a defective stove pipe which was too close to the shingles. As soon as discovered the neighbors came to the assistance of Mr. L., and by carrying several buckets of water to the roof, the fire was extinguished. Some damage was done by the water which dropped inside. Had this fire occurred in the night, or during a heavy wind, most of the town would probably have been laid in ashes, and as the buildings are all uninsured, the loss would have been very serious. Such lack of vigilance as this, displayed by property owners, is grossly culpable, and we hope it will be a warning to all to be on the lookout for such blemishes hereafter.

PISCATORIAL. Dr. J. A. Rupert, A. W. Rose and Wm. Moody left this morning on a piscatorial expedition to Trout Creek. They went in a private conveyance and expect to be gone a couple of days. Their commissary consisted of a sack of salt and half a dozen bottles of pepper; hence, if they do not succeed in capturing a goodly number of the “finny beauties,” they will be rather a gaunt looking trio when they return.

BREVITIES. Stages late yesterday. Fine weather for promenading. Fishing will be good in a few days.

Climbing the foothills is said to be good to develop the calves.

“Eat and run” seems to be too much of a practice with our business men.

The boys are beginning to find plenty of dry spots for their favorite sport with marbles.

The dust is making a speedy exit from various houses while the carpets are taking an airing outside.

A young lady in this town wants to know why one of the compositors in the Avalanche office calls it an “impression” every time he kisses her. It is the force of habit, dear.

It is a good time to organize a street cleaning brigade.

IDAHO HOTEL. Attention is directed to a change in the advertisement in this establishment. The proprietors of which are now H. B. Eastman and T. Regan, B. M. Eastman having sold his interest in the property to the latter named gentleman.

THERE is a scarcity of milk here, occasioned by the cows straying so far away from home. There does not seem to be any larger number of calves than usual.

THE TELEGRAPHIC report to-day announces that there was a Cabinet meeting yesterday, at which the condition of the Texas border, in connection with the question of Mexican raids was discussed. It was proposed to open a correspondence at once with Mexican “government,” preparatory to writing a formal note. This is just what might be expected.

THE ACTUAL cost of the great bridge across the Mississippi at St. Louis was \$4,999,108. The total outlay connected with the construction of the work, such as losses by failure of contractors, salaries, rents, bonuses, &c., reaches \$6,680,332. The cost of right of way, charter, legal expenses and the like, aggregate an additional six million dollars.

THE WEATHER was occasionally cold here during the past winter, but not quite as bad as it was in some western cities in one of which we read that a girl who went to the door to bid her lover good night was discovered a few minutes after by the mother with their lips frozen together.

ODD FELLOWS. The celebration to-day has brought quite a number of the fraternity in from the surrounding country. Professor Butler’s oration was delivered at Jones’ Hall this afternoon. The dancing will be at the same place this evening, and the members of the Order and invited guests will at a late hour sit down to supper at the War Eagle Hotel.

Public notices

In accordance with Idaho Code 31-3908, AMBULANCE DISTRICT AUTHORIZATION; The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners has received a **PETITION FOR THE CREATION OF MARSING AMBULANCE DISTRICT** signed by fifty (50) qualified electors as certified by the County Clerk. A public hearing will be held on the proposed Marsing Ambulance District formation on Monday May 11, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. MDT, at the Marsing American Legion – Community Hall, 126 S 2nd Ave N, Marsing, ID. All persons who desire to be heard in regards to the formation of the district are encouraged to attend. Any person needing special accommodations to participate in the above noticed meeting should contact the Owyhee County Clerk’s office 10 days prior to the meeting at 208-495-2421 ext. 142., Owyhee County Courthouse, PO Box 128, Murphy, Idaho 83650.

MARSING AMBULANCE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES 2015

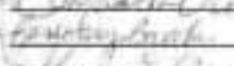
This description defines the revised Marsing Ambulance District boundaries of 2015 and is situated within Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:

- **BEGINNING** at a point on the boundary common to the State of Oregon and the State of Idaho and marking the southwest corner of Section 23, Township 3 South, Range 6 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho;
- thence east along the south boundary of Sections 23 and 24 of said Township 3 South, Range 6 West to a point on the west boundary of Section 19, Township 3 South, Range 5 West;
- thence south along said west boundary to the southwest corner of Section 19, Township 3 South, Range 5 West;
- thence east along the south boundaries of Sections 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24 of said Township 3 South, Range 5 West to the southwest corner of Section 19, Township 3 South, Range 4 West;
- thence east along the south boundary of Sections 19 through 24 of said Township 3 South, Range 4 West to the southwest corner of Section 19, Township 3 South, Range 3 West;
- thence east along the south boundary of said Section 19 to the southeast corner of said Section 19 and a point on the west boundary of Section 20, Township 3 South, Range 3 West;
- thence south along the west



PETITION FOR THE CREATION OF MARSING AMBULANCE DISTRICT

We the undersigned electors in and for the County of Owyhee are in favor of the proposed creation of the MARSING AMBULANCE DISTRICT in accordance with Idaho Code 31-3908, as presented on the attached map and further described by legal description. We understand that the creation of this taxing district may further call for a tax levy upon our property in amounts not to exceed .0004% (\$40.00 per \$100,000) of our market value or as allowed by Idaho Code 31-3908 (4).

Signature of Petitioner	Printed Name	Residence Address	Date Signed
	David Green	126 S 2nd Ave N, Marsing, ID 83650	5-25-15
	Kimberly Fenn	536 Wagon Wheel Rd, Marsing, ID 83650	5-25-15
	Elizabeth Verna	536 Wagon Wheel Rd, Marsing, ID 83650	5-25-15
	Robert Davis	4017 Wagon Wheel Rd, Marsing, ID 83650	5-25-15
	John Green	2415 E Main St, Marsing, ID 83650	5-25-15

- boundary of said Section 20 to the southwest corner of Section 20, Township 3 South, Range 3 West;
- thence east along the south boundary of Section 20, Township 3 South, Range 3 West to a point on the centerline of the Black Mountain-Power Line Road as it now exists;
- thence meandering northerly along said centerline to a point on the south boundary of Section 5, Township 3 South, Range 3 West;
- thence east along the south boundaries of Sections 5, 4, 3, 2 and 1, Township 3 South, Range 3 West to the southeast corner of said Section 1 and a point on the west boundary of Section 6, Township 3 South, Range 2 West;
- thence north along the west boundary of Section 6, Township 3 South, Range 2 West to the southwest corner of Section 6 of said Township 3 South Range 2 West;
- thence east along the south boundaries of Section 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1, Township 3 South, Range 2 West to the southwest corner of Section 6, Township 3 South, Range 1 West;
- thence east along the south boundaries of Sections 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1, Township 3 South, Range 1 West to the southwest corner of Section 6, Township 3 South, Range 1 East;
- thence east along the south boundary of said Section 6 to a point on the thread of the Snake River and the boundary common to Owyhee and Canyon County;
- thence northwesterly along the boundary common to said Owyhee and Canyon County

- to a point on the west boundary of Section 18, Township 3 North, Range 4 West;
- thence south along the west boundary of Sections 18, 19 and 30, Township 3 North, Range 4 West to the southwest corner of said Section 30;
- thence west along the north boundary of Section 36, Township 3 North, Range 5 West to the northwest corner of said Section 36;
- thence south along the west boundary of said Section 36 to the northeast corner of the southeast ¼ of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 5 West;
- thence west along the north boundary of said southeast ¼ to the northwest corner of the southeast ¼ of said Section 35;
- thence south along the west boundary of said southeast ¼ to the northwest corner of the northeast ¼ of Section 2, Township 2 North, Range 5 West;
- thence south along the west boundary of the northeast ¼ of said Section 2 to the northeast corner of the southwest ¼ of said Section 2;
- thence west along the north boundary of the southwest ¼ of said Section 2 to the northwest corner of southwest ¼ of said Section 2;
- thence south along the west boundary of the southwest ¼ of said Section 2 to the northwest corner of Section 11, Township 2 North, Range 5 West;
- thence south along the west boundary of Sections 11 and 14 of said Township 2 North, Range 5 West to the northeast

- corner of Section 22, Township 2 North, Range 5 West;
- thence west along the north boundary of said Section 22 to the northeast corner of Section 21, Township 2 North, Range 5 West;
- thence west along the north boundary of the northeast ¼ of said Section 21 to a point on the centerline of Poison Creek Road as it now exists;
- thence southwesterly along said centerline to a point on the west boundary of the northeast ¼ of said Section 21 Township 3 North, Range 5 West;
- thence south along the west boundary of the northeast ¼ of said Section 21 to the northeast corner of the southwest ¼ of said Section 21, Township 3 North, Range 5 West;
- thence west along the north boundary of the southwest ¼ of said Section 21 to the northeast corner of the south ½ of Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 5 West;
- thence west along the north boundaries of the south ½ of Sections 20 and 19 to the northeast corner of the south ½ of Section 24, Township 2 North, Range 6 West;
- thence north along the east boundary of said Section 24 to the northeast corner of the south ½ of said Section 24;
- thence west along the north boundaries of the south ½ of Sections 24 and 23 of said Township 2 North, Range 6 West to a point on the boundary common to the States of Oregon and Idaho;
- thence south along said common boundary to the **POINT OF BEGINNING.**

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The lowest acceptable bid will be awarded the contract, the bid is not to exceed, \$57,000.00.
Bids must be sent by email to: Rayola_1@msn.com Bids will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., May 15th, 2015.
The bid opening will take place May 19th at 6:00 p.m., in Bruneau, Idaho at the Idaho Power Company, Jacks Creek Facility. Notice of winning bid will be provided by May 25th to applicants.
For questions or information contact: Rayola Jacobsen, email Rayola_1@msn.com ; by phone: (208) 338-0019 or cell: (208) 249-0234. By mail, 248 E Bayview Ct., Boise, Idaho 83706.
4/29;5/6/15

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: April 6, 2015 File No.: 7023.112652 Sale date and time (local time): August 07, 2015 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 132 E Washington Ave Homedale, ID 83628 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Brett W. McMichael and Carol McMichael, husband and wife Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company Original beneficiary: Wells Fargo Financial Idaho, Inc. Recording date: August 13, 2007 Recorder’s instrument number: 262078 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of April 6, 2015: \$108,869.53 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: Lots 1 and 2, Block 77, Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the Official Plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7023.112652) 1002.279483-File No.
4/22,29;5/6,13/15

NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the Opaline Irrigation Board Monthly Meeting held on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. has changed its meeting location. The new location here forward is at 7300 Opaline Rd. Melba, ID. 83641.
Dan H. Birmingham, Secretary/
Treasurer, Opaline Irrigation District (208) 896-5273
4/22,29/15

INVITATION TO BID
GRAND VIEW GYM FLOOR
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., May 13, 2015 for Gym floor repairs and installation of new flooring.
Please pick up the Grand View Gym Floor information packet with specifications and bid forms at the District Office, 39678 State Highway 78 Bruneau, Idaho 83604 or email jaquiso@sd365.us. For additional details contact Superintendent Dennis Wilson at 208-834-2260.
For additional details contact Superintendent Dennis Wilson at 208-834-2260.
Option for Grand View Gym Floor
• Remove and replace existing sub-flooring.

- Install Commercial Vinyl
 - Install Seamless Sports Flooring
 - Vinyl Removal and Polish Bathroom Floors
- The bids will be opened at the regular board meeting, May 14, 2014 at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, 7 p.m. At this time proposals submitted after that time will be returned to the sender.
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, JayDene Aquiso, Assistant Business Manager

4/29/15	
REQUEST FOR BID:	
The Eastern Owyhee Cooperative Weed Management Area Steering Committee is requesting bids for chemicals to be used in noxious weed control.	
Product	Package Size
Basecamp	1 Gallon
Basecamp	2.5 Gallon
Garlon 4 Ultra	2.5 Gallon
Unstist 90	2.5 Gallon
Opsight	20 Ounce
Perspective	20 Ounce
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R-11	2.5 Gallon
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Syltac	1 Gallon
Syltac	2.5 Gallon

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CITY OF MARSING

Quarterly Expenditure & Revenue Report
2nd FISCAL QUARTER, FY 2014/2015

FUND	BUDGET AMOUNT	Expended to Date	% of Budget Expended	Revenue to Date	% of Budget Revenue
01 General	\$593,140.00	\$101,552.00	17.00%	\$150,868.00	25%
Law Enforcement	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%
02 Roads & Streets	\$136,678.00	\$52,684.00	37.00%	\$50,308.00	37.00%
03 Parks	\$135,954.00	\$19,424.00	14.00%	\$11,583.00	9.00%
05 Planning & Zoning	\$23,500.00	\$7,316.00	31.00%	\$10,915.00	47.00%
Sub-Total	\$889,272.00	180,976.00	0.80%	\$223,674.00	25.00%
25 Water	\$780,600.00	\$243,929.00	31.00%	\$182,251.00	23.00%
29 Irrigation	\$45,925.00	31,480.00	68.00%	\$34,317.00	75.00%
30 Sanitation	\$85,150.00	\$43,877.00	51.00%	\$30,212.00	36.00%
35 Sewer	\$486,920.00	25,332.00	5.00%	\$83,844.00	17.00%
Sub-Total	\$1,398,595.00	\$344,618.00	15.00%	\$330,624.00	23.00%
TOTAL (all funds)	\$2,287,867.00	525,574.00	22.00%	\$554,298.00	24%

The General Public is invited to inspect all supporting documents for the above Financial Statement at City Hall during regular business hours.
Financial figures may include fund transfers, service charges, refunds, reimbursements and other accounting procedures.
Publish: 29-Apr-15 Janice C. Bicandi, City Clerk-Treasurer

TRUSTEE’S NOTICE OF SALE
Reference is made to that certain trust deed made by Luis R Oliveira, a married man, as grantor, to Lawyers Title as trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), solely as nominee for Aegis Wholesale Corporation, as beneficiary, dated April 4, 2006, recorded April 11, 2006, in the mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho, as Document No. 255929, and assigned to Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Trustee for Residential Accredit Loans, Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-QS5 by assignment recorded on April 30, 2013 in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho, as Document No. 280796, covering the following described real property situated in said county and state, to wit:
LOTS 6, 7, 8 OF BLOCK 81 OF THE HOMEDALE TOWNSITE AS SHOWN ON THE AMENDED PLAT THEREOF FILED AUGUST 9, 1911 AS NO. 7284 ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 102/112 East Wyoming Avenue, Homedale, ID 83628
There is a default by the grantor or other person owing an obligation or by their successor in

interest, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, or by their successor in interest, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of default of such provision. The default for which foreclosure is made is grantors’ failure to pay when due the following sums: monthly payments beginning February 1, 2013 through February 1, 2015 in the total amount of \$18,972.91; together with title expense, costs, trustee’s fees and attorney’s fees incurred herein by reason of said default; any further sums advanced by the beneficiary for the protection of the above described real property and its interest therein; and prepayment penalties/premiums, if applicable.
By reason of said default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by said trust deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to wit: \$84,794.67 with interest thereon at the rate of 7.37500 percent per annum beginning January 1, 2013; plus escrow advances of \$2,915.46; plus other fees and costs of \$1,384.00; together with title expense, costs, trustee’s fees and attorney’s fees incurred herein by reason of said default; any further sums advanced by the beneficiary for the protection of the above described property and its interest therein; and prepayment penalties/

premiums, if applicable.
WHEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the undersigned trustee will on July 24, 2015, at the hour of 11:00 AM, at Owyhee County Courthouse Lobby, 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, in the City of Murphy, County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the real property described above, which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by grantor of the trust deed together with any interest which the grantor or grantor’s successors in interest acquired after the execution of the trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of the sale, including reasonable charges by the trustee.
In construing this notice, the singular includes the plural, the word “grantor” includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the trust deed, and the words “trustee” and “beneficiary” include their respective successors in interest, if any.
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REAL ESTATE

Building Lots For Sale. 2 view building lots in Greenleaf, \$19,900 each; .8 acre view building lot south of Wilder, \$39,900; 4.8 acres, view building lot w/irrigation water, off Rodeo Ln., south of Parma, \$49,900. Call Clay @ 880-1623 Clayton L. Brown RE, LLC

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Owyhee County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for the position of Dispatcher. Dispatch experience not required. Starting wage is \$13.67 per hour with an excellent benefit package including health, dental and vision insurance as well as retirement program. Equal Opportunity Employer. Full job descriptions and applications may be obtained at the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office or www.owyheecounty.net. For additional questions, please contact Christine Ballard at 208-495-1154 ext. 101

City of Homedale has openings for the position of Lifeguard at the City Pool; Applications and Job Description is available for pick up at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming. Applications accepted until all positions filled. Must be available and certified by May 30, 2015.

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YARD SALE

Wilson Butte 4-H Club. 20 family yard sale. Sat-May 2 from 9 till 5. Main street & corner of 4th ave west. Marsing. Donations excepted. 896-4512

THANK YOU

I'd like to thank Owyhee County Sheriff's, Homedale Ambulance & a special thank you to Deputy Terri McGrew of the Owyhee County Sheriff's department for the assistance in saving my brother's life. Thank you, Phil Lootens



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READY FOR YOU - 3/bed 2/bath, 5.2 ac w/irrig, VV Sch Dist, 2-car garage, outbldgs - \$345,000

RARE FIND - 1 ac. lot, Hdale Sch Dist, CUP req'd for bldg. permit, Owyhee Co. - \$30,000

PRICE REDUCED - Pkg. of two 1-ac bldg. lots, Hdale Sch Dist, w/irrig - **NOW** only \$35,000

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County jail back to full staffing level

The Owyhee County Jail is back to full staffing levels after taking on a new employee.

The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners approved hiring detention deputy Kyle Monroe during its April 20 meeting.

Sheriff Perry Grant said the new jailer has no prior law enforcement experience and previously worked for Xerox for three years. Monroe's starting salary is \$13.67 per hour, and commissioners made his employment effective on April 20.

Grant said Monroe takes over Kyle Pearson's former jail position, so the new hire will not be an additional expense for the department. Pearson transferred to a patrol position, and Grant said former OCSO chief deputy and District 3 county commissioner Dick Freund

has been filling the open jailer position on a part-time basis.

"A reserve deputy or a patrol deputy can cover as long as there is one certified detention deputy on duty and that keeps us in compliance," Grant said. He added that Freund will not be in a paid position any longer since he has no open line items for a detention deputy in his budget at this time.

Grant will send Monroe to the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) academy sometime this year. The new jailer will have one year from his date of hire to obtain a POST certificate.

Commissioners also signed off on a pay increase for Mykaela Dines. Dines works part-time at the University of Idaho Extension Office, and County Clerk Angie Barkell said the raise will

come from the extension office's regular budget.

Dines' pay rate goes from \$8 an hour to \$9 effective April 1. Extension secretary Debbie Titus said Dines helps with newsletters, tracking 4-H and FFA weigh-in information and fair awards.

Dines is a 10-year member of the Owyhee Gems 4-H club and has worked in the extension office during the summers and spring breaks since graduating from Marsing High School in 2013. She will graduate from Treasure Valley Community College in June, and Titus said Dines will continue her education at another school.

"Though for a short time each year, she's a great asset to our office, and we are fortunate to have her back again this summer," Titus said.

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Marsing schools to honor greatness

Community invited to suggest award winners

The Marsing School District is gearing up for its second annual Celebration of Success.

District officials will recognize outstanding students and staff during an awards banquet and dinner at 6 p.m. on Monday, May 18 in the Phipps-Watson American Legion Community Center.

Students are recognized in each subject for kindergarten through 12th grade, and an outstanding student of the year is selected from each school.

Marsing School District Superintendent Norm Stewart said community members can visit the district website at www.marsingchools.org to nominate people for the following categories:

- Classified Staff Member of the Year
- Certified Staff Member of the Year
- Alumni of the year

That nominee will need to have been out of Marsing schools for at least 10 years and was either a past student or staff member, Stewart said.

Stewart said last year's volunteer award went to Shawna Sauer, who worked with the athletics booster club.

The last day to file a nomination online is Monday.

A committee goes through the nominations and selects a winner for each category. Stewart said they're getting a lot more submissions than last year.

There's also a Parent Satisfaction Survey on the district's website.

The district is "trying to look at different programs and different staff members as far as a parent's perception and a parent's impression of how the schools are doing overall," Stewart said. He added that the goal is to evaluate success or any need for improvement.

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Marsing PTO stages daddy-daughter dance

The Marsing School District and Marsing Elementary Parent Teacher Organization will present at Daddy-Daughter Dance fundraiser Friday.

The dance will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. inside the Marsing Elementary blue gym. Tickets are \$12 per pair and \$4 for each additional person.

Pre-K through eighth-graders are invited to join for music, dancing, cookies and punch. A photographer will be there, and photos will be available for purchase.

Proceeds from the dance go towards putting on the Celebration of Success, an event that recognizes students, staff and community members for accomplishments from the 2014-15 school year.

Anyone with questions about the Daddy Daughter Dance can email the Marsing Elementary PTO at pto@marsingchools.org.



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