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## Sage-grouse suit doesn't surprise Hoagland

Environmentalists blame grazing for cheatgrass, fires

Environmental groups sued Thursday to force the Obama administration to impose further restrictions on activities some blame for the decline of sage-grouse in the West.



In a lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court in Idaho, the groups say a sweeping sage-grouse conservation effort the government announced in September is full of loopholes and will not be enough to protect the bird from extinction.

Owyhee County District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland thinks such a lawsuit such was expected from the beginning.

"The Governor's Task Force knew back when it was formed (that) a lawsuit would be filed and (task force members) worked on solutions that would meet the 'regulatory mechanism' the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service was seeking to prevent a listing," Hoagland wrote in an email. Hoagland was a task force member.

Wildlife biologist Erik Molvar is with WildEarth Guardians, one of the four groups that filed the suit.

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**Rash of wrecks keeps emergency responders on the go**  
Crews from Marsing Ambulance work to free Jessica Baker of Campbell, Calif., after a Thursday morning crash about 13 miles from the Oregon border on U.S. Highway 95. The accident was one of a handful that kept emergency responders busy last week. For more see *Page 9A*

## Jordan Valley Ambulance inches toward new building

City council approves land exchange deal

After a year of negotiations, the Jordan Valley Ambulance Service is a small step closer to a home to call its own.

"The stress relief was ... I was speechless,"

ambulance service board president Heather Phipps said after the city council's special meeting to ratify a land swap.

The council voted unanimously on Feb. 23 to an agreement in which the ambulance service will receive a bare city lot in exchange for two other lots,

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Jordan Valley Ambulance Service currently uses the blue shed and the second floor of the building on the right. An agreement finalized last week gives the City of Jordan Valley sole ownership of the building and an easement to use the fire station to the left. Submitted photo

## County set for GOP presidential primary

Constitution Party primary also slated Tuesday

Candidates for the Republican and Constitution Party presidential nominations appear on ballots in Tuesday's primary election.

Polls will be open from 8 a.m.

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## Malheur to vote on monument question

Advisory vote ends Tuesday

Malheur County has a primary election coming up in May, but a non-binding vote that ends Tuesday may send a bigger message.

The county's registered voters have just a few days left to chime in on Measure 23-51, which is an advisory vote regarding a proposal to create a national monument in Malheur County.

The voters are being asked a simple yes or no question — Should 2.5 million acres of the Owyhee Canyonlands be designated a national monument under the Antiquities Act of 1906

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# South Board will wait to find new boss

## Irrigation officials to meet Tuesday

South Board of Control directors aren't in any hurry to land a new manager.

However, they still might talk about the process of hiring Clancy Flynn's successor at Tuesday's monthly meeting.

Two weeks ago, Flynn announced he is resigning after a little more than a year on the job. His predecessor, Ron Kiester, served for eight years. Flynn's first day on the job in Homedale was Jan. 20, 2015.

Flynn is still determining when his last day on the job will be, but said it will be sometime this month. He has secured a new job working with family and friends close to his former home in Washington state.

South Board secretary and treasurer Connie Chadez said Flynn will not be replaced right away. In fact, a decision may not be made until September or later.

"The board of directors will go through the hiring process after the water season," Chadez wrote in an email.

She added that when the search began to replace Kiester, the job was posted through Idaho Water Users Association, the Oregon

Water Resource Committee and the Bureau of Reclamation and in two newspapers.

The irrigation directors' next series of meetings begins at 1 p.m. Tuesday downstairs at the SBOC office at 118 S. 1st St. W. in Homedale. The Ridgeview Irrigation District directors start the meetings and are followed by the Gem directors at 1:15 p.m. and the SBOC at 1:30 p.m.

Typical items that come up include a review of finances, paying bills, and a summary of any needed equipment repairs.

The directors also usually discuss an updated water report.

By press time Monday, the Owyhee Reservoir was 29 percent full with 210,226 acre-feet of water.

That compares to the reservoir being 12 percent full with 82,783 acre-feet of water on Jan. 18.

Warmer temperatures in February caused some early snowmelt in the Owyhee basin that has raised water levels. The streamflow forecast for the rivers below the Owyhee Dam in the coming months is 150 percent of average.

Ron Abramovich, water supply specialist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service, said that the streamflow forecast means an adequate irrigation flow for farmers around Homedale and Marsing this summer.

The annual South Board water users meeting is scheduled for 1 p.m., on Wednesday, March 23 at the Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. — SC



### Monitoring well work concludes

A crew from Earth Energy Precision Drilling of Boise spent most of Wednesday afternoon running conduit under Main Street in Homedale. The work was part of a project to expand a mitigation system for the Mattesons fuel bank, which is located to the northwest of the work area.

# Hurry up and wait on Succor bridge

## City meets water main deadline; ITD work delayed

After a hiccup, the City of Homedale water main relocation project reached a major milestone last week.

Crews from Ontario, Ore.-based Warrington Construction completed sinking the new 12-inch line under Succor Creek and finished connecting the new pipe to the city system.

But, city public works supervisor Bret Smith told the city council at its Thursday meeting, hooking back into the city's network of water pipes didn't come without some difficulties.

City Hall was inundated with phone calls Thursday as customers complained of low water pressure after the new pipe was tied in. Smith said the pressure issue was temporary — it lasted only about 90 minutes — and had been resolved by the afternoon.

The council approved a \$69,160 payment to Warrington for the majority of the work that had been completed. The city still owes \$21,290 on the project, and that payment could be approved at one of March's council meetings.

The last major component of the new water line will be carried out this week as River Road will

be closed as crews pave the area where the new line was put in near the right-of-way.

While the city met the deadline to relocate the water main under Succor Creek, water line project engineer Andrew Kimmel from Riedesel Engineering Inc. told council members that the Idaho Transportation Department's plan to replace the Idaho highway 19 bridge over the creek has been delayed.

"They're not even expecting to have a contractor on board now until, hopefully, end of March. Contract sometime in April, so there is going to be about a two-month delay on the start," Kimmel said.

Replacing the 50-year-old bridge is a two-phase project that won't be completed until 2017.

— JPB

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# Tiny Bruneau faces big price tag to fix sewer problem

## Arsenic solution brought on wastewater woes

Planned Bruneau wastewater improvements are a step closer to starting after a recent Idaho Department of Environmental Quality finding.

After a public comment period, which ends on March 18, Bruneau Water and Sewer District officials will be able to start the arduous task of finding funding for the sewer lagoon reconstruction.

DEQ analysts found no significant environmental risk for an alternative of two lagoons and a pipeline to a land application site.

District board president Stacey Buckingham said the alternative chosen by state officials in its environmental impact determination (EID) is a costly proposition to solve a problem that wasn't foreseen when the town's reverse osmosis water treatment plan was built years ago to combat non-compliant arsenic levels.

Buckingham explains that water that engineers first thought would be safe for agricultural application actually must be sent to the town's sewer lagoons. In the summer, that's not a problem

because evaporation is efficient.

However, in the winter months, when evaporation low, the town's one "good" lagoon overflows whenever the RO system backwashes and sends thousands of gallons of water into the wastewater network.

Water can't run onto fields in the winter because the frozen ground won't absorb the moisture.

"The only alternative I've had for several years is to put the wastewater into another lagoon where the liner is compromised by groundwater," Buckingham said.

About \$38,000 has been spent to find a solution. Nearly \$5,000 came from district user fees, and the rest was funded through DEQ and U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development grants.

According to a legal notice published in The Owyhee Avalanche two weeks ago, the accepted plan of action is a three-phase project to re-line the lagoons, build a fence to keep deer out of the area and run a pipeline from one of the lagoons through a transfer structure and pump station to an existing land application site.

It's a complex solution to a simple problem, Buckingham is concerned about the availability of funding to carry out the construction. The facility plan compiled by J-U-B Engineers sets

the estimated construction cost of \$1.25 million, including nearly \$680,000 for the lagoons.

Construction grants are getting harder to come by, and Buckingham says another loan would be too burdensome for the small collection of customers. There are only 78 meters on the system, he said.

To Buckingham's relief, DEQ hasn't set a firm deadline to get the construction done, but the plan would bring the Bruneau system back into compliance with winter wastewater guidelines.

The public has until March 18 to submit comments on DEQ's decision. Copies of the district's wastewater system master plan and wastewater system environmental information document are available for review in Boise at the DEQ Water Quality Division at 1410 North Hilton and the DEQ Boise Regional Office, 1445 N. Orchard St., or by contacting the Bruneau Water and Sewer District at P.O. Box 194, Bruneau, ID 83604 or by Buckingham at (208) 845-2188.

Public comments must be submitted online at [www.deq.idaho.gov/public-comment-opportunities](http://www.deq.idaho.gov/public-comment-opportunities) and should be addressed to Mike May of the IDEQ Water Quality Division's loan program.

— JPB

# Marsing council to discuss dissolving P&Z

The City of Marsing might not have a Planning and Zoning Commission after next Wednesday.

A public hearing will be held during the city council meeting at 7 p.m. in City Hall, 425 Main St., to consider whether to repeal City Ordinance No. A82.

Repealing the ordinance would disband the P&Z commission and repeal the corresponding ordinance provisions detailing the respective duties of the commission and of the Planning and Zoning administrator.

Marsing Mayor James Ferdinand said having a quorum at P&Z meetings has been an issue for years, and he thinks eliminating the commission will streamline the process for residents pursuing new development.

A similar argument was used last year when the Homedale

City Council voted to abolish that city's P&Z commission.

Also during next Wednesday's meeting, the Marsing City Council will also hold a public hearing on Resolution No. 131, which — if adopted — would establish what city officials are describing as "reasonable fees" to offset certain administrative costs.

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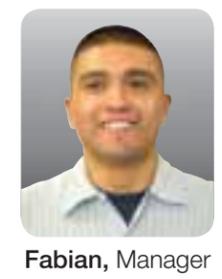
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# Homedale Police arrests men on drug charges

Homedale Police made a couple drug-related arrests last week.

Fonnie D. Kandler, who lives in the 300 block of West Owyhee Avenue, was charged with misdemeanors for possession of

marijuana and paraphernalia.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said that 21-year-old Kandler was arrested after Sgt. Mike McFetridge performed a traffic stop at North 4<sup>th</sup> Street West and West Utah Avenue just before 7

p.m. on Sunday.

McFetridge also arrested 22-year-old Cody McDaniel on a Canyon County warrant on Feb. 22.

McDaniel also was charged with misdemeanor drug paraphernalia

possession when he was picked up just before midnight on Feb. 22 near a bar on West Idaho Avenue.

According to the Idaho courts repository, McDaniel faces controlled substance and

paraphernalia misdemeanor charges in Parma.

A \$10,000 warrant was issued when he failed to appear for a court date in September.

— JPB

## From page 1A

### ✓ Sage-grouse: Commissioner outlines detrimental affects of grazing cuts

“Federal agencies are very fond of pointing to cheatgrass infestations and wildfire as being the most imminent threat to sage-grouse in Idaho, but the single root cause of both of those things is inappropriate livestock grazing,” Molvar said. “When you overgraze the land you get

cheatgrass infestation, and those things burn on a very rapid scale and wipe out the sagebrush.”

Hoagland believes the groups in the lawsuit have an agenda to remove livestock grazing, mineral extraction and recreation from public lands.

“They have no interest in pro-

tecting species or the local economies built on these resources,” Hoagland wrote. “Only to use the Endangered Species Act as a tool to end uses of all lands, private and public. Interestingly, they filed in an Idaho Federal Court where they know they have a friend.”

U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winmill has ruled in favor of environmentalists in previous public lands-related lawsuits.

Molvar concedes the current conservation effort has some measures for livestock grazing that would improve sage-grouse habitat — if they were implemented.

“The problem is that the plans do not require the grazing conservation measures to actually

be applied right away to federal grazing allotments,” Molvar said.

Hoagland said, historically, cuts in livestock grazing have led to an equal reduction in sage-grouse populations.

“In the 1960s, there was a 33 percent across-the-board cut in cattle numbers, and within a year the sage-grouse population declined nearly the same percentage,” Hoagland wrote. “The greatest numbers of sage-grouse reported by locals were during the implementation of the Taylor Grazing Act in the 1930s when there was so-called ‘improper grazing.’”

WildEarth Guardians is also worried about the Boardman-to-Hemingway and Gateway West electrical transmission line projects.

Molvar cites raptor hunting

along the lines as the reason for the concern.

“Yet, these two major transmission lines are exempted by name from complying with sage-grouse protections that apply to every other power line,” Molvar said.

Hoagland thinks the power line exemptions are as bizarre as the rest of the Bureau of Land Management’s Land Use Plan Amendment.

“There are people in Washington D.C. that believe the Birds of Prey area is sacred and are not going to let a line in there, even though it is crisscrossed with numerous power lines,” Hoagland said. “So, this shows how important the sage-grouse are by allowing a corridor through sage-grouse habitat.”

— SC

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## ✓ Ambulance: Service wants two- or three-bay building for vehicles

including a piece of ground where the current ambulance service and fire station buildings stand.

“Our licensure is up for renewal again this June, and so now we have even more documentation that we’re moving forward,” Phipps said.

At the end of a 45-day escrow, the ambulance service will be able to start in earnest efforts to build a structure to house two ambulances and a rescue truck, which is used whenever extrication is needed at the scene of a car crash.

“We have a basic idea of a (60 foot-by-60 foot) building,” Phipps said. “It’ll have two, maybe three bays.”

Other concepts for the building include a meeting room, a kitchenette and a restroom with a decontamination shower adjacent to a laundry area.

The exchange was necessary because the city and the ambulance service hold half-interests in all three properties in question.

To make the deal equitable, the city also will pay \$14,500 because of the improvements on the lots that



The Jordan Valley Ambulance Service plans to erect a building on this vacant lot next to the fire department. Submitted photo

it is receiving. The agreement had been delayed once before because Jordan Valley’s city attorney had insisted on an appraisal to ensure Oregon state law was followed. That’s when it was discovered the city would have to kick in some cash on the deal.

Another hang-up included the ambulance service’s after-sale use of city-owned improvements, such as the upper floor of an existing building and a city-owned shed for ambulance parking.

Under the contract approved last

week, the ambulance service will be able to use the city properties until March 31, 2019. If a new ambulance facility isn’t built by then, the ambulance service agrees to pay \$200 in monthly rent as well as a pro-rated fee for utilities.

The city also agreed to waive the construction permit and related fees when the ambulance service begins to build.

The ambulance service also granted an easement in front of the city shed so Jordan Valley’s fire department can continue to

roll. The way the property is laid out, the exchange would have landlocked the fire trucks without the easement.

Phipps said the ambulance service probably has enough money in savings to pay for 50 percent or more of the construction costs, but board members may look to a small business loan and fundraisers to get the rest of the capital.

“Grants are hard to come by,” Phipps said.

One of the biggest ambulance

service fundraisers is a food booth during May’s Big Loop Rodeo. Proceeds from food sales help buy supplies, equipment and clothing for the emergency medical technicians, but Phipps said a donation box for the building fund may also be set up.

“We have a considerable amount already in our savings to facilitate ground-breaking and the bulk of (the project),” Phipps said.

“We haven’t gotten very far on the fundraising because of the land aspect.” — JPB

## ✓ Primary: Democratic presidential county caucus slated for March 22

to 8 p.m. at the following voting locations:

- North Homedale — Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.
- South Homedale — Magistrate court building (City Hall), 31 W. Wyoming Ave.
- North Marsing — Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. N.
- South Marsing — University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- Wilson — Wilson Fire House, 10427 Johnston Lane
- Murphy — Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78
- Oreana — Oreana Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Road
- Grand View — Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave.
- Bruneau — American Legion Post 83, 32536 Belle Ave.
- Absentee or mail ballot — Owyhee County Courthouse

The deadline to request a mail-in absentee ballot has passed, but folks have until 5 p.m. Friday to request an in-person absentee ballot.

Only voters registered as Republicans can participate in

the GOP primary.

The Democratic presidential caucus will take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22 in the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office conference room, 238 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. W., in Marsing. For more information, call county chair Roylance at 250-2458.

Candidates paid \$1,000 each to throw their hats into the ring for the state’s Republican primary, which the Idaho Legislature voted to move from May to March with an eye toward improving Idaho’s profile in the 2016 primary season.

Retired neurosurgeon Ben Carson, Texas congressman Ted Cruz, Ohio Gov. John Kasich, Sen. Marco Rubio of Florida

and businessman Donald Trump are among the candidates on the ballot.

Some candidates who have dropped out or suspended their campaigns are still on the Idaho ballot, including former Florida governor Jeb Bush, New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, former CEO Carly Fiorina, former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee, Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky and former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum.

Three men are listed on the Constitution Party primary ballot, including Texas minister and businessman Scott Copeland, J.R. Myers of Alaska and Patrick Anthony Ockander of Texas.

The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners officially listed

the polling places for the March 8 Republican presidential primary during the board’s meeting on Jan. 25.

The polling places remain the same as they have been for recent elections:

Polling places will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Today is the final day to apply for a mail-in absentee ballot, and in-person absentee ballots can be requested until 5 p.m. on Friday.

Idaho’s GOP primary elections are closed to voters who aren’t

registered as a Republican.

Lawmakers approved moving up the presidential primary from May to March last year with the intent of improving Idaho’s profile in the 2016 primary.

According to the law, candidates who wish to be on the primary ballot must pay a \$1,000 filing fee. At the time, Idaho’s minority Democratic lawmakers opposed the estimated \$2 million change in the election schedule because they said Idaho taxpayers were being asked to fund a closed election.

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## Homedale Elementary

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 March 3: Pepperoni pizza ripper, tossed salad, veggie & fruit bar, fruit rollup, milk  
 March 7: Hamburger, french fries, veggie & fruit bar, milk  
 March 8: Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes/gravy, veggie & fruit bar, milk  
 March 9: Orange chicken, steamed rice, steamed broccoli, veggie & fruit bar, milk  
 March 10: Chicken patty sandwich, coleslaw, veggie & fruit bar, milk

## Homedale Middle

March 2: Pork chop or chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes/gravy, fruit & salad bar, milk  
 March 3: Lasagna or mini corn dogs, steamed carrots, cinnamon roll, fruit & salad bar, milk  
 March 7: Nachos or toasted cheese sandwich, fruit & salad bar, milk  
 March 8: Wiener wrap or calzone, string cheese, fruit & salad bar, milk  
 March 9: Hamburger or chicken patty, potato wedges, fruit & salad bar, milk

## Homedale High

March 2: Crispito or BBQ chicken & roll, steamed carrots, salad bar, fruit choice, milk  
 March 3: Chicken parmesan w/pasta or corn dog, green beans, salad bar, fruit choice, milk  
 March 7: Pepperoni pizza ripper or roast beef sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice, milk  
 March 8: Beef taco or burrito, salad bar, fruit choice, milk  
 March 9: Orange chicken or popcorn chicken, steamed rice, cookie, salad bar, fruit choice, milk

## Marsing

*Salad bar is available to Mid High or High School students daily*  
 March 2: Rib-b-que, macaroni & cheese, breadstick, buttered corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk  
 March 3: Pepperoni ripper or chili cheese fries, wheat roll, tossed salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk  
 March 7: Sub sandwich or beef taco, rice & beans, mixed veggies, fruit & veggie bar, milk  
 March 8: Chicken fajita or chicken sandwich, steamed carrots, fruit & veggie bar, milk  
 March 9: Teriyaki chicken bowl, wheat roll or corn dog, buttered corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk

## Bruneau-Grand View

March 2: Little smokies, scalloped potatoes, steamed broccoli, fruit, wheat roll, milk  
 March 3: Tortilla chips & salsa, refried beans, corn, fruit, milk  
 March 4: Cheeseburger salad wrap, celery sticks & cauliflower, fruit, jello, milk  
 March 8: Stomboli, spinach salad, fresh broccoli, fruit, milk  
 March 9: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, romaine salad, peas, breadstick, fruit, milk

## COSSA

March 2: Meatloaf, potatoes/gravy, corn, fruit  
 March 3: Grilled cheese, tomato soup, salad & carrots, fruit  
 March 7: Popcorn chicken, potatoes/gravy, corn, fruit  
 March 8: Taco salad, refried beans, condiments, fruit  
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 March 10: Pizza pocket, salad & ranch, fresh broccoli, fruit

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# Obituaries

## Kenneth D. Eoff



Kenneth D. Eoff lost his battle with cancer and died from complications February 12, 2016 at Yuma Regional Medical Center. Kenneth, known as Kenny, was born February 21, 1955 to Boyd R. Eoff and Betty Rae (Reed) Eoff of Homedale, Idaho.

He went to school in Homedale and graduated high school in St. Louis, Mo. He worked for the Kodak Co. in St. Louis. When he developed health issues, he moved back to Homedale with his family. He had a car lot in Homedale and later in Caldwell. He married Barbara Mills of St. Louis and they later divorced. He married Jo Ann Eggleston of Homedale in 2007.

Kenny, Jo Ann and their little Poodle, Foxy, were snow birds the last four years, wintering in Yuma, Ariz. They made a lot of wonderful friends there. Kenny

and Foxy loved to go bike-riding. She was by his side and followed him everywhere (taking care of him). She will really miss him, as the rest of us will.

He is survived by his wife Jo Ann of Yuma, mother Betty Rae Eoff of Homedale, son Nathanel Eoff of Bainbridge Island, Wa., daughter Kara (Eoff) Minor, son-in-law Justin Minor of Caldwell, Id., four grandsons Miles, Soren, Rogan and Delton. Stepchildren Theresa (Dave) Wilson, Debbie (Clark) Hansen, Robert (Sandra) Perry, Roger Perry, Lisa Walker

and Jeffery (Tammy) Perry, and numerous step-grandchildren, great-grandchildren, his brother Kelly Eoff, sisters Tamara (Sam) Roberts, Jo Ann Redburn Garcia. Numerous uncles, aunts, nephews and nieces.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, father Boyd R. Eoff, sister Yvonne Whitman, granddaughter Adelaide Katherine and nephew Bryon Hunt. There will be a Celebration of Life for Kenny at a later date in Homedale. Kenny will be laid to rest in the Homedale-Marsing Cemetery at that time.

Kenny was a great father, wonderful husband and through all his health issues he never lost his faith, sense of humor and never complained. Kenny was a good and faithful servant to his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and now is home resting in the arms of Jesus, no more pain.

## Frank W. Leonard



Frank W. Leonard died in Boise on February 23, 2016 at 90 years of age. Born in Boise on May 4, 1925 to Claude and Gladys Leonard, Frank was the oldest of five children with siblings John (a.k.a. Jack), Fred, Jane, and Judy.

After growing up in Boise and graduating from Boise High in 1943, he served as a Second Lieutenant aerial navigator in the U.S. Army Air Corp Eighth Air Force during WWII, flying combat missions over Germany in a B-24 bomber. After the war, he married Barbara Grissom from Lincoln, Nebraska, and moved back to Boise, attended Boise Junior College (now BSU), and then transferred to the University of Colorado where he graduated in 1951 with a degree in civil engineering. Frank and Barbara had five children.

Frank worked for the Idaho Department of Highways from 1951 to 1964, six years as Chief Design Engineer. From 1964 to 1970, he worked for DeLeuw Cather International. During this time, he lived in

Bangladesh, where he met his second wife, Mosse. They then lived in Thailand, and Tanzania. He served as vice-president in Asia for the last three and a half years with DeLeuw Cather.

In 1970, he moved back to Boise and founded Trusscraft, a manufacturer of roof trusses. In 1982, he opened a branch of Trusscraft in Phoenix, Arizona where he lived until he moved back to Boise in 1990. He managed Trusscraft as president until he

sold the company in 1999.

Frank lived in Boise until 1998 when he and his wife Mosse moved to Marsing, Idaho. In 1999, he sold Trusscraft and retired. After Mosse died in 2002, he continued living an active life in Marsing. He was intelligent, creative, multi-talented, and a great conversationalist who was admired by those who knew him. Frank will be missed by his family and friends.

Frank is survived by his brother Fred Leonard, daughter Kathi Anderson, sons Steven Leonard (Mary), John Leonard (Donna), Tom Leonard (Linda), Rod Leonard, stepdaughters Berit Kuykendall (Al) and Eva Golightly (Dennis), 10 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held on Saturday February 27th at 11:00 a.m. at Cloverdale Cemetery. The family would like to extend its gratitude for the kind and compassionate care provided to Frank and his family by the staff at Overland Court Senior Living and Encompass Hospice.

**LUCILLE DINES ALDRICH**, 81, who was born in Marsing and attended schools there, died Monday, Feb. 22, 2016. A viewing was held on Thursday, Feb. 25, 2016 at Alsip and Persons Funeral Chapel, 404 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. So., Nampa. Funeral services were held on Friday, Feb. 26, 2016 at Alsip and Persons Funeral Chapel.

**MARY McNEMEE**, 88, of Homedale, died Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2016. Cremation is under the care of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale.

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# Calendar

## Today

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

**Coffee club**  
9 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

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

**Wilson Sagehens meeting**  
1 p.m., Wilson schoolhouse, 10427 Johnston Lane, Wilson.

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

**After-school program**  
3 p.m. to 6 p.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2639

**Kid's Club**  
4 p.m. to 5 p.m., open to all school-aged children, Crossroads Church, Idaho highway 19 and U.S. Highway 95, Wilder. (208) 789-3432

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

**NOCWMA meeting**  
7 p.m., Owyhee Conservation District office, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., Marsing. (208) 896-4544, ext. 101

**Marsing Sr. Center public hearing**  
7 p.m., City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122

## Thursday

**Veterans of Foreign Wars meeting**  
9 a.m., Samuel Phillips III Post 11065, 208 3rd St., Wilder. (208) 250-7780

**Foot clinic**  
9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., free, appointments necessary, Marsing Senior Center, 218 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4634

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

**Vision Church food distribution**  
2 p.m. to 4 p.m., donations welcome, Vision Community Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 779-7926

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

**AA meetings**  
7:30 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 U.S. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-3464

## 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., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228 afternoons Monday through Saturday

**Knights of Columbus fish fry**  
5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Our Lady of the Valley

Catholic Church, 1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell.

## Saturday

**Owyhee County Fair beef weigh-ins**  
7 a.m. to 9 a.m., Burgess Angus Ranch, 2725 Mule Springs Road, Homedale. 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Hyde Angus Ranch, 18138 Oreana Loop Road, Oreana. (208) 896-4104

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

**Benefit fish and oyster feed**  
5:30 p.m., \$14 adults, \$5 ages 6-12, American Legion Post 83 Hall, 32536 Belle Ave., Bruneau. (208) 845-2842

**Marsing Lions bingo**  
6:45 p.m., early bird game, 7 p.m., regular games, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing.

## Sunday

**Faith Riders winter ride**  
4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Rafter S Indoor Arena, Allendale Road, Wilder. (208) 249-1595 or (208) 816-0714

**Young Life meeting**  
6 p.m., open to high school-aged youth, transportation available with notice, 15777 Quartz Lane, Homedale. (208) 794-1048

## Monday

**County commissioners meeting**  
9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse,

20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421

## Adult book club

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

## Tuesday

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

**Senior center pinochle**  
1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 350-7359 Tuesdays and Thursdays

**Ridgeview irrigation board meeting**  
1 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

**Gem irrigation board meeting**  
1:15 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

**South Board of Control meeting**  
1:30 p.m., SBOC office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

**Homedale Sr. Center board meeting**  
1:30 p.m., open to public, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

**After-school Story Time**  
4:15 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. Kindergarteners through third-graders. (208) 896-4690

**Library board meeting**  
5 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

## Priorities pull funds myriad directions

Finding yourself encountering more money dilemmas than usual? Wondering where you should start to draw that line? Take a tip from the two different situations below:

### Pay with credit or debit card?

While many would argue that this isn't a question that they would consider a dilemma — it may also be one that you have not given much thought. Financial experts would say that paying with a credit card over a debit card would be a clearly better choice. Please keep in mind that they are also assuming that the credit card is not being used to provide funds that they do not currently have in their possession, but instead to allow some protection for the purchase that they are making.



Surine Greenway

If you use a credit card to make your purchases, you are allowed a longer grace period to report loss or stolen cards as well as a higher security than a debit card — instead of having direct

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access to the bank account, a credit card allows for more barrier between the actual card holder's credit account and bank account. Additionally, many credit cards also provide additional warranties on large-ticket items, which can be a hidden extra that your debit card cannot provide.

The key: never take out more credit than you can handle. While the financial experts are assuming that those using their cards have enough funds to cover their purchases, this is not always the reality. Some individuals neglect to realize that a credit limit and actual monetary funds can be very different realities and that some people tend to abuse their credit cards rather than handle them responsibly. Avoid this by creating a spending plan (otherwise known as a budget) and sticking to it.

### Should you save for retirement or for a college fund?

If you are a parent, it can be hard to imagine saddling your children with large quantities of debt. Even public university education is projected to cost close to \$100,000 by the time

an infant today is ready to leave the nest (roughly 16-17 years from today). Still, you really need to take this reality to heart: your child can take out loans for school; you do not have the same option for retirement.

While the two topics have been briefly covered above, it is important to take a more in-depth look at your spending and saving habits. If you are looking for more information on either of these two financial topics, then contact the Owyhee County Extension Office at 208-896-4104 and direct your questions to Surine Greenway, FCS Extension Educator.

— Surine Greenway is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences educator. For more information on this week's financial topics, you can reach Greenway at the U of I Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 or [owyhee@uidaho.edu](mailto:owyhee@uidaho.edu). The office is located at 238 W. 8th Ave. W., in Marsing. Greenway will present a free class, "Financially Stable," at 6 p.m. on Tuesday at the Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave. Call the library at (208) 337-4228 or the Extension Office.

### Submitting calendar items

Submit information on upcoming fundraisers, meetings, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays for inclusion in the calendar. 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](mailto:jon@owyheeavalanche.com). For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681.

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SEQUICENTENNIAL SAMPLINGS

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LO & CO.'S EXPRESS — A new Express Line and Sanitary Commission have been permanently established in Idaho. They are conducted by Lo & Co., headquarters Boise City, and his Excellency Gov. Lyon Principal Director and Distributing Agent. The principal stockholders "are addicted to a wild state," but the messengers are friendly to make the 'policy' of the firm harmonize. This Company has been making uninterrupted trips from the head office to the Owyhee, Malheur and Bruneau rivers, thence to their employees on all the different routes to the Owyhee mines. On the out trips, they go l(e)aden with butter, lard, flour, sardines, blankets, ammunition and the usual sanitary stores. These enable the "nomadic" members of the firm to play the innocent games of war, theft, torture, arson, and other features of the "Christian polley" of the head Agent. Capt. Walker recently committed an inhuman outrage by destroying a large and well selected stock of delicacies and substantial essential for hospital and campaign purposes. He attempted to mitigate the act by inducing more than a score to take up their abode in the Happy Hunting Grounds. To what extent the firm of Lo & Co. is damaged, remains to be seen.

ON THE strength of that story about the Indians on Bruneau River last week, it is reported that Arch. Turner, Indian Agent for the section, has, in pursuance of "instructions," gone thereaways treaty making. He goes out armed and otherwise equipped in anticipation of having to either fight or feed them. He has had his hair shingled, and the programme is, if he is compelled to fall back, to have the Governor and several others naturally thin-haired in reserve. Arch's baggage and train consists of a bottle of cocktails, a carpet-sack full of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Sirup, a Deringer with a blank cartridge, and a big John with a long pole over his shoulder. Arch is to use the Sirup, if permitted, and make overtures to have the airy dress of breech cloth and moccasins give away to cassimere pants and redtop boots; chip hats are suggested for summer wear. Arch, we have every reason to believe, will make an efficient agent and good use of the means at hand — say nothing of the cocktails. We await the result with interests.



**Above:** A U.S. Fish and Wildlife firefighter stands by as a controlled burn on Wright Island rages. Photo by Jim Forsythe / USFWS **Below:** Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson District volunteer firefighters Louis Monson (center) and Mike Beavers (far right) talk with U.S. Fish and Wildlife personnel Jim Forsythe (left) and Jeff Krueger, the Minidoka National Wildlife Refuge manager in Rupert, during last week's operation. Submitted photo, MRW

## Controlled fire first step toward healthier river island habitat

Smoke spotted last week on the Snake River was the latest sign of a habitat improvement project.

Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson volunteers served on a standby basis with federal firefighters Feb. 23 as Wright Island undergrowth was burned about a half-mile downstream from the Walters Ferry bridge.

The controlled burn on the Owyhee County island is part of Idaho Power Co.'s plan to expand wildlife habitat on nearby Bayha Island, company spokesman Brad Bowlin said.

"We have temperature monitors and flow monitors there," Bowlin said.

"What we'll want to do when we get this project done is to evaluate if that work will help us lower the temperature of the water there."

Idaho Power is still awaiting a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit to do the in-stream work around the two islands, but the burning of vegetation is aimed at preserving the project for years, Bowlin said.

Noxious weeds were eliminated on Wright Island so that they wouldn't spread to Bayha Island to ruin the habitat restoration. The habitat is part of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife's Deer Flat refuge.

"That island was completely choked with invasive, noxious weeds," Bowlin said. "Every kind of thistle, peppergrass, tamaris and Russian olive. There was no native vegetation to salvage with chemicals."

The in-stream work includes narrowing and deepening the channel around Bayha Island, which has an area of about eight acres. Bowlin said the work will also help reduce aquatic vegetation build-up around the island.



"It's an exciting project with potentially significant positive impacts to water quality in that stretch of the Snake," Bowlin said.

The permit could be finalized in the summer, and Bowlin anticipates the channeling work will begin in early September.

"The reasons for the timing are that we don't want to be until after June in order to avoid disturbing any bird nesting activity in the area," Bowlin said.

Starting earlier in the summer would endanger any vegetation that's planted, too, because of the heat.

"But we are also planning to be done before waterfowl hunting season in the fall," Bowlin said.

Idaho Power will restore native vegetation on Wright Island as well. Bowlin said the work to reduce weeds on the island could also improve conditions for agricultural producers who work farmground along the Owyhee County shoreline.

— JPB

## Fair beef weigh-in slated for Saturday

The Owyhee County Fair season kicks off for 4-H and FFA market livestock participants with beef weigh-ins Saturday.

There will be a series of weigh-ins throughout the area.

Homedale weigh-ins will take place from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. at Burgess Angus Ranch, 2725 Mule Springs Road.

Hyde Angus Ranch will host the beef weigh-ins for the east side of the county from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., at 18138 Oreana Loop Road in Oreana.

Jordan Valley-area exhibitors will weigh beef animals at Todd Gluch's place. Members are asked to call Doug Rutan at (208) 583-4444 for the time.

For more information on the weigh-ins, call the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office in Marsing at (208) 896-4104.

The maximum weight for a beef animal at the time of the initial weigh-in is 900 pounds, according to the county's 4-H

newsletter. The suggested weight is between 750 and 850 pounds.

Other animal weigh-ins are:

- **Swine** — 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday, April 11 at both the fairgrounds in Homedale and at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School

Times and location for April 11 in Jordan Valley have yet to be announced.

Maximum initial weight: 85 pounds. Suggested initial weight: 65-80 pounds.

- **Sheep** — Friday, May 20 in Homedale, the Bruneau-Grand View area and Jordan Valley. Times and locations have yet to be announced. Maximum initial weight: 90 pounds. Suggested initial weight: 75-85 pounds.

- **Goats** — Friday, May 20 in Homedale, the Bruneau-Grand View area and Jordan Valley. Times and locations have yet to be announced. Animals must be born after Jan. 1.

The 2016 Owyhee County Fair takes place from Aug. 8 to Aug. 13 this year.



Jonathan Ineck, 11, helps himself to a few slices of bacon during the Marsing FFA's thank you breakfast Thursday morning. Jonathan is the son of Jason and Kelly Ineck.

## Marsing FFA serves breakfast to say thanks

The Marsing High School ag shop didn't smell like welding torches or farm animals for a change Thursday morning. Instead, people walking into the building were met with the aroma of pancakes, biscuits and gravy, bacon and sausage.

The Marsing FFA chapter hosted a breakfast for FFA alumni, advisory board members and friends of the FFA.

FFA advisor Mike Martin said the students also wanted to give two Marsing Elementary School classes a lesson in parliamentary procedure.

"We have our beginning freshman team. They'll be making a presentation for them," Martin said.

Alan Davis, owner of Greybell Swine and Feed, is the coach of the parliamentary procedure team.

"Davis has been doing a fantastic job with the team," Martin said. "Besides being great kids, much of their success can be attributed to Alan."

Second-graders from the classes Dorothy Hutchings and Wendy Stansell watched the presentation.

All 64 FFA members at the school attended the lunch.

The event also served as a send-off for the high school wrestlers, who left for the 2A state tournament in Pocatello immediately after the meal.

— SC



### HHS actors step into spotlight

Cast members perform Friday in the Homedale High School Drama Club's first presentation of *The Clumsy Custard Horror Show* melodrama.



Marsing Ambulance emergency medical technician Pete Smit checks on Melody Cook in the aftermath of a vehicle-vs.-semi accident on Main Street in Marsing last Wednesday.

## Law enforcement responds to rash of highway crashes

A Nampa man was transported by ground ambulance to St. Luke's Nampa Medical Plaza with a cut to his head as a result of an accident involving his car and a semi truck pulling a fertilizer trailer.

The crash happened just after 8 a.m. on Thursday on Idaho highway 78 near Upper Reynolds Creek Road.

Gerald McFadden, 84, of Nampa, was driving a 1996 Chevrolet Lumina when he hit a trailer being pulled by a semi driven by Ronald Whetzel, 56, of Nampa.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said McFadden struck the rear of Whetzel's rig.

"He was cited for misdemeanor inattentive driving. He was passing a truck, and another truck was in front of that truck turning onto Upper Reynolds Creek Road," Bowman said.

Whetzel was not injured.

Deputies blocked Upper Reynolds Creek Road for some time after the accident.

### Woman hits semi-trailer in downtown Marsing

A Marsing woman was given an infraction for failing to yield at a stop sign after a crash in Marsing.

The accident happened around 3 p.m., last Wednesday at the intersection of Idaho 78 and Idaho 55.

A Lexus being driven by Melody Cook, 58, of Marsing hit the side of a semi-trailer being driven by Donald Gonyer, 41, of Cardiff, Calif.

"The semi was going north on 55 (Main Street), and she was attempting a right-hand turn onto Main from 78," Bowman said.

Cook received minor injuries, but Gonyer was not hurt in the crash, Bowman said.

### Out-of-state driver injured in U.S. 95 crash

A California woman was hurt in a two-vehicle accident on U.S. Highway 95.

The crash happened about 10 a.m. on Thursday between mile

markers 13 and 14.

A Subaru being driven northbound by Jessica Baker of Campbell, Calif., crossed the center line and hit the rear of a southbound Ford F-150 driven by Julian Keri Peterson, 31, of Boise. Stephanie Nelson, 44, also of Boise was a passenger in the pickup.

Peterson and Nelson were not injured, Bowman said.

Bowman said Marsing Ambulance transported Baker to West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell, but he did not know the extent of her injuries.

"ISP took this and I don't know what they determined for sure, I know that they were going to possibly pull blood on the Subaru driver, but I don't know if they did that or not," Bowman said.

He added that the Subaru was also searched for drugs but nothing was found.

Bowman did not know how old Baker is.

— SC

## Free well water tests offered in Homedale

Southwest District Health will offer free drinking water testing for private well owners as part of its annual observation of National Ground Water Awareness Week.

Free nitrate screening will take place from 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday at the Homedale SWDH location, 132 E. Idaho Ave.

Folks must bring their water sample in a wide-mouth canning jar or food-grade container.

Private wells aren't tested or regulated like municipal water systems.

"Just as you check your smoke detectors seasonally, well owners should also test their well water annually to ensure water quality," SWDH director of environmental health services Brian Crawford said.

Transportation fees will be waived for samples sent to the Idaho State Lab using the SWDH courier. However, well owners will have to pay State Lab fees.

For more information, call Southwest District Health at (208) 455-5400.

At a minimum, well owners should test for bacteria, nitrates, and any contaminant of local concern. The water should be tested more frequently if there is a:

- Change in the water's taste, odor, or appearance
- Problem such as a broken well cap or a new contamination source
- Family member or houseguest who has recurrent incidences of gastrointestinal illness

- Pregnant woman or infant living in the home
- A dangerous contaminant shows up in a neighbor's water

Water quality concerns in Owyhee County have primarily been nitrates, arsenic, and fluoride. Owyhee County ground water problems are found sporadically across the county.

In general, Givens Hot Springs and regions in Bruneau are well known for high fluoride.

Arsenic has been seen throughout the county, but especially high levels have been tested south of Homedale. Nitrate problems have been noted in many wells less than 100 feet deep in the county.

Crawford suggests simple steps to protect your groundwater.

- Test your well water yearly.
- Don't over apply pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers. Follow manufacturer's instructions.
- Keep hazardous chemicals, such as paint, paint thinners, fertilizer, pesticides, and motor oil far away from your well. Handle hazardous substances over cement to avoid groundwater infiltration or runoff into surface water. Keep at least 50 feet between your well and kennels or livestock operations.
- Don't dispose of household hazardous wastes by dumping them on the ground, pouring them down the drain, or flushing them down the toilet. Instead, contact local waste authorities about proper disposal. Store hazardous household substances in sealed containers in a secure place.

## Basque dance on horizon

The 16<sup>th</sup> annual Txoko Ona Basque Dance, which is open to the public, takes place Saturday, March 12.

The Basque culture will be showcased with performances from the youth dance troupe Herribatza Dantzariak and Oinkari Dancers from Boise. There also is a weight-carrying competition (known as Txinga) with cash

prizes for the winners.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m., and admission is \$5 per person. Chorizos, chili, soft drinks, wine and beer will be available.

Silent and live auctions featuring handmade and homemade items will be held.

The band Amuma Says No! will provide live music for dancing.

Ben Badiola is dance chairman.

## K of C Lenten fish fries continue

Disabled veterans were honored at the second of the Knights of Columbus Lenten fish fries in Caldwell.

Publicist Pat King reports that hundreds of people arrived early for the event as word spread that members of Disabled American Veterans Carrie L. French Chapter 1 were the guests of honor.

"Hundreds of guests came early and stayed to greet the men as they arrived, and (the guests) stayed to show their respect," King wrote.

More than 350 guests were served in two hours at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church.

Proceeds from the dinner, which is one of six planned during Lent, benefitted Knights of Columbus Council 3086 and its community service projects

"We want to thank all who came out to support these men and the Knights of Columbus," King said after the Feb. 19 dinner.

The fish fries continue each Friday through March 18.

The cost each night is \$10 per person, \$8 for senior citizens and children ages 5-12, and a family can eat for \$35. The menu includes baked or fried Alaskan cod, homemade coleslaw and chips (fries).



Members of the Disabled Veterans of American Carrie L. French Chapter 1 were honored during the Feb. 19 Knights of Columbus Lenten fish fry at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church. **Top row, from left:** Paul Kalb, Dave Parks, Mike Smith, Wes Garvin, Terrance Biggers and Denny Hay; **Bottom row, from left:** Terry Harrell, John Muirhead, Bud Weise and Tom Prall. Submitted photo



Coat drive founder Arlett Quezada, right, and her friend, Angel Zaragoza, show off the book that started it all.

## Homedale Elementary friends team up to keep classmates warm

Spurred by a book, a Homedale fourth-grader and her friend made sure there would be warmth for their schoolmates.

Arlett Quezada started a coat drive at Homedale Elementary School after reading “The Berenstain Bears and the Joy of Giving” around Christmastime.

She returned from the holiday break and – with the help of fellow fourth-grader Angel Zaragoza – began her campaign to stock the school’s coat closet.

The 9-year-olds made posters at home and spent their recesses putting them up around the school and collecting coats. They also set up a collection box and brought in about 20 coats during their two-month drive.

Arlett, the daughter of Rudy and Catalina Quezada, said she knew there was a need and that children grow out of their outerwear quickly.

The coats are stored in a closet at the school, and teachers give them to children who come to school ill-prepared for the elements.

“It felt good,” Arlett said. “It was a lot of hard work.”

HES counselor Randee Garrett said the school’s closet is filled with donated coats and supplies. Idaho Power contributed about eight coats to the closet, and local churches have provided backpacks filled with school supplies.

But Angel and Arlett’s campaign struck a unique chord.

“They are both very responsible,” Garrett said.

The daughter of Carlos and Nancy Zaragoza, Angel asked to help her friend in her campaign.

“I want to respect my friend because I didn’t want her doing it alone,” she said.

Arlett said she got the idea for the coat drive from a list of tips on how to help in the back of the Berenstain Bears book. She and Angel are now putting together thank you posters to put on the school’s walls.

That sentiment wasn’t something in the suggestion list, though.

“Angel was so persistent,” Garrett said. “She didn’t count on me to guide her. She just did it.”

— JPB

## Engagement Terence Thomas, Meredith Ellis to wed in Washington

Thomas and Sherry Thomas of Caldwell have announced the engagement of their son, Terence Thomas, to Meredith Ellis, daughter of Eric and Marianne Ellis of Seattle.

The couple will wed on March 26, 2016, in a beautiful park in Everett, Wash.

After attending Homedale High School and graduating from Vallivue High School, Terence moved to Seattle to play football for the University of Washington Huskies. Shortly after graduating, he met Meredith Ellis at a health club and the two fell in love.



Terence Thomas and Meredith Ellis

They plan to honeymoon in Alaska and settle down in Seattle.

## Rimrock Senior Center plans bus trip

The Rimrock Senior Center has increased services in an attempt to expand its patrons’ horizons.

The Grand View-based community center’s bus makes a trip to Mountain Home on the first Wednesday of each month so folks can keep doctor appointments or just go shopping and enjoy lunch.

Coordinator Sandi Burnett said the bus driver usually takes the group on a sightseeing tour on the way back from Mountain Home.

The bus usually leaves at about 9:30 a.m. The March trip is today, and the next jaunt to Mountain Home will take place on April 6.

The senior center’s bus also will be used for a sight-seeing trip that’s planned for Friday, March 25. Burnett said the bus will leave the senior center, which is located at 525 Main St., in Grand View at about 8 a.m.

At Thursday’s lunch, Grand View Fire Chief Charles Ensz spoke about fire safety, including what to do if a fire breaks out in

your home and tips on how to stay safe in a smoke-filled room and how to use a fire extinguisher.

Burnett said she wants to plan more informational chats in the future.

The senior center is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and folks can drop in during that time to play card games or browse the Trinkets and Treasures thrift shop.

The monthly family night, which includes games, a potluck meal and a movie, will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday, March 11.

Tuesday, March 15 is a busy day at the senior center, too.

The monthly foot clinic will be held with appointments beginning at 9:20 a.m. Appointments are \$15 apiece. Call the senior center at (208) 350-7359 to make an appointment.

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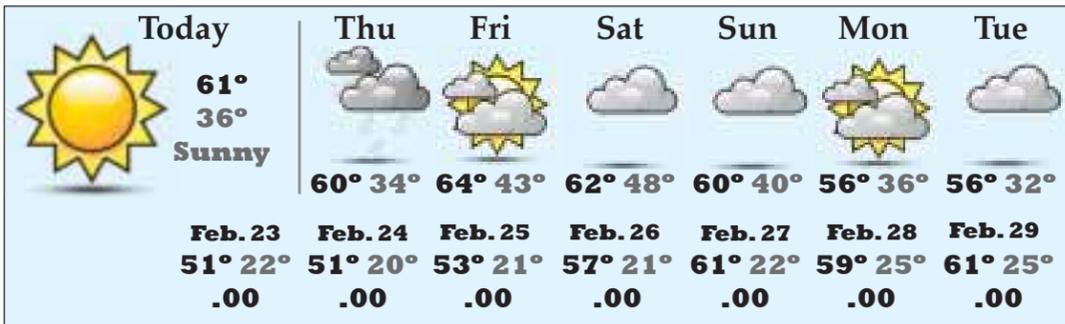
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				Max	Min	Avg
<b>Mud Flat</b>						
02/23	5.3	14	9.9	38	12	26
02/24	5.2	14	9.9	44	22	33
02/25	4.8	14	10.0	49	26	38
02/26	4.6	14	10.0	52	29	41
02/27	5.0	13	10.1	46	28	39
02/28	5.1	13	10.0	51	27	39
02/29	5.0	12	10.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>Reynolds Creek</b>						
02/23	4.7	n/a	12.1	38	22	30
02/24	4.4	n/a	12.1	43	27	36
02/25	3.8	n/a	12.1	46	31	39
02/26	3.2	n/a	12.1	52	35	45
02/27	2.7	n/a	12.2	45	33	38
02/28	2.2	n/a	12.3	49	33	42
02/29	2.1	n/a	12.2	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>South Mountain</b>						
02/23	14.7	33	22.7	38	21	30
02/24	14.4	33	22.8	51	29	39
02/25	14.2	33	22.9	55	36	44
02/26	13.7	32	22.9	55	41	47
02/27	13.3	31	22.9	45	32	37
02/28	14.0	31	23.0	48	32	49
02/29	13.5	31	23.1	n/a	n/a	n/a

**Water report**

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 29 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 3,330 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 14 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 210,226 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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

— Information compiled from the National Weather Service, Bureau of Reclamation, Natural Resources Conservation Service and Helena Chemical in Homedale

**Senior menus**

**Homedale Senior Center**

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- March 2: Cheese ravioli w/meat sauce, roll
- March 3: Salisbury steak w/onions & mushrooms, mashed potatoes w/gravy, peas/carrots, roll
- March 8: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, beets, roll
- March 9: Sausage & biscuits, mashed potatoes, carrots

**Marsing Senior Center**

*Vegetable served every day but March 28*

- March 2: Pork roast, potato
- March 3: Soup & grilled cheese sandwich
- March 7: Sweet & sour chicken, rice
- March 8: Tilapia, chili
- March 9: Pork chop, potato

**Rimrock Senior Center**

*Milk and juice served every day*

- March 3: Beef & cheese enchilada, tossed green salad, strawberry shortcake, corn
- March 8: Chicken & noodles, veggie platter, cheese bread, canned peaches
- March 10: Cheeseburgers, variety of veggies, coleslaw, fruit tray

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**Marsing Legion hosts stew feed, moves monthly meet**

The Marsing American Legion Post 128 annual free stew feed will be held Friday, March 18 at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St.. N.

Doors will open at 6 p.m., with stew served at 6:30.

There will also be an auxiliary dessert and white elephant auction.

In other Post 128 news, the

monthly meeting usually held on the second Tuesday has been moved to 7 p.m. on Monday at the community center, which is being used as a polling place for Tuesday's Republican and Constitution Party presidential primaries.

The Post 128-sponsored gun show in the community center will be held Saturday and Sunday, April 2-3.

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## Husky PRIDE award

*Alejandra Miranda, freshman*

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**Resource Room teacher Margaret Sewell-Dewey's nomination:** "Alejandra completes her work on time, is extremely respectful and friendly to peers and staff. She is very considerate of others and always willing to help anyone. She needs to be recognized for the work and effort she gives."



The Husky PRIDE award is selected by Marsing High School staff or students and submitted to The Owyhee Avalanche each week. PRIDE stands for "Positive, Responsible, Integrity, Determination, Everyone/Everywhere."

## Marsing Lions bingo moves for March

Typically held in the second week of the month, the Marsing Lions Club bingo night has been moved to Saturday for March.

Club president Herb Churruca announced the move at last month's fundraiser when 85 people played.

Churruca said organizers decided to move the game night because several patrons also attend the Txoko Ona Basque Dance, which is scheduled for March 12 at Badiola Arena in Homedale.

So, bingo night will move to Saturday at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.

No other details will change. The schedule modification was

originally announced at last month's bingo game.

The event begins at 6:45 p.m. with an early bird game. The 12-game regular series begins at 7 p.m.

The early bird game costs \$1, and the first set of game cards for the regular series is \$15. Each additional card set costs \$5. Bingo supplies also will be sold.

There is free popcorn plus refreshments and food are available for a price.

The Lions Club meets at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at Alejandra's Mexican Restaurant, 208 Main St. The next meeting is March 15, and the group plans its Charter Party for April 19.

## Marsing staff collaborates on all-inclusive approach to teaching

Finding ways to enhance learning among students has become a group effort in the Marsing School District.

Middle school principal Jacob Skousen said the faculty has implemented cross-curriculum teaching this year after starting a conversation about the technique during the last school year.

One example of the concept at MMS involved a team of sixth-grade teachers creating a theme.

Skousen said English teacher Melaney White had her students read "I Survived The Destruction of Pompeii, AD 79," and the theme continued in Lachelle Wood's social studies class.

"They talked about the geography of a volcano, how they exist and why they exist," Skousen said. Then in science they talked about the different types of volcanoes."

The lesson culminated with Petra Vawter's science students building miniature volcanoes that erupted after a chemical reaction.

Teachers were surprised how the vocabulary involved in the lessons transferred from class-to-class.

"The teachers started recognizing, 'Hey, they used this word.' Or, 'How did they know it was this type of volcano?'" Skousen said. So when they were reading the novel, and the volcano erupted, the kids started debating what kind of volcano it was."

Seventh-grader in Carol DeWitt's English class also experienced some cross-curriculum learning this year.



Marsing sixth-graders, from left, Tyrel Barker, Luke Westrand, Colton Brown, Miles Jerome, Daniel Cervantes and Lizbeth Moreno at the culmination of a science project on volcanoes. The project was part of a new focus on cross-curriculum teaching at the school.

The class read "A Long Walk to Water," which takes place in Africa, and the lesson continued in Wood's classroom.

"The seventh-grade social studies teacher (Wood) taught her unit on Africa, which included the geography and how the people live, and focused on the area that was discussed in the book," Skousen said.

He's encouraging all of the middle school teachers to work together on cross-curriculum efforts. Skousen set up a white board in the school's faculty conference room for teachers to share ideas on what they're working on.

Skousen thinks the concept is being well received.

"It aligns the context of what they're learning, and they talk

about it throughout the day," Skousen said. "It holds true in those other classes."

High school principal Tim Little said similar collaborative teaching techniques also happen on his campus.

"Students may be reading a novel regarding non-fictional characters, such as Martin Luther King, and then U.S. history will begin their unit on civil rights," Little wrote in an email.

He added that many essays and research assignments are used across the classes to increase and deepen understanding in lessons at the high school.

Skousen said elementary school administrators are in the beginning phases of setting up a cross-curriculum program.

— SC

## MMS launches program to encourage acts of kindness

Good deeds can turn into good stuff for Marsing Middle School students.

Students are given Husky Bucks when they do something above and beyond what is normally expected of them.

School principal Jacob Skousen said the program is based on a system called Positive Behavior Intervention Support, or PBIS. The idea is to encourage positive behavior among students through teaching and intervening on inappropriate actions.

Students watched a video explaining the concepts of PBIS, and the Husky Bucks program

was launched in January.

Examples of acts of kindness, Skousen said, include "If we see a student holding a door for another student who's got their hands full, or if we see a student carrying someone's lunch tray because they're hurt."

One MMS student recently had foot surgery and is in a wheelchair. Fellow students who have been pushing her wheelchair were rewarded with Husky Bucks, Skousen said.

The students can use Husky Bucks to purchase items from the "school store" display cabinet.

"We did the scratch for tickets,

the Lottery program for schools. We used that money for items for the school store," Skousen said.

MMS won \$493 in the scratch-off competition last year. All of the money was used to purchase items for the Husky Bucks program.

The items in the display cabinet include stickers, pencils, cans of soda, candy bars, gift certificates, games, T-shirts and sweatshirts.

The students were thrilled the first time they saw the display case, Skousen said.

"They're like, 'What is this stuff? I want this, and I want that.' They were talking about it. They were excited about it," he said.

The Husky Bucks program is currently only in the middle school, but Skousen said it could be expanded to the district's other two schools.

He's positive Husky Bucks will return for the next school year.

"It's really helped build our positive school climate that we have," Skousen said.

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# Homedale City Council gets lessons in state law

## Police chief, councilman spar over UTV

Three men interested in joining the Homedale City Council got a first-hand glimpse at rocky procedure during Thursday's meeting.

The council voted, 3-0, to surplus the public works department's 2002 Kawasaki Mule 3020 after a sometimes-pointed discussion about city resources. Former councilmen Tim Downing and Dave Downum, and citizen Michael Aebischer looked on from the gallery.

Substitute city attorney Tony Pantera also had to rein back council members when they started to discuss a citizens' request to park a motor home at a West Washington Avenue property, saying that the officials were close to tainting any future public process in possible violation of open meeting laws.

Public works supervisor Bret Smith said that the new UTVs, which the city bought for more than \$22,000, have arrived, and the larger of the two units already had been used to spray weeds at

the Sundance Park parking lot. When the council voted to buy the new UTVs in January, Councilman Aaron Tines said he would support the move only if both of the city's old UTVs were declared surplus and the auction proceeds used to cover the purchase of the new machines.

But Thursday's meeting covered only the surplus of the larger 2002 model. The smaller 2007 Kawasaki Mule that was replaced with a similar 2016 model remains in the city fleet.

"Are we not going to discuss the 2007, about surplus it or not?" Tines asked when the vote came up. Mayor Gheen Christoffersen pointed out that action on the 2007 Mule wasn't on the agenda, but allowed the discussion.

Tines argued that the 2007 Kawasaki should be sold and the money put back into the water fund because the machine was purchased with water user fees.

"The taxpayers are coming in, they're paying into these line items that we used for parks. I think it's the city's responsibility to replenish as much as we can when we make these type of purchases," he said.

Councilman Jerry Anderson

suggested keeping the smaller one as a backup.

"The way I look at it, it's paid for and we've got it. I personally think we ought to hang on to it for a while and see if we can utilize it on the police side and public works side," Christoffersen said.

Earlier this year, city attorney Paul J. Fitzer had told officials that even though the machines were purchased with dedicated funds, once they became city property they could be used in any necessary capacity.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said it was suggested that the smaller 2007 UTV could be used for public events and code enforcement when preliminary discussions on replacing the UTVs arose.

"If we're going to talk about prudent expenditures of finances, of the city's hard-earned taxpayers' money, then why did we buy two?" Eidemiller asked.

"You've got a machine that's only cost \$300 to run the last two years in maintenance."

Councilman Steve Atkins agreed with Christoffersen and Anderson that the city should retain the machine and look to surplus it at a later time, such as when it became more of a main-

tenance liability.

"It's just that we've had numerous discussions on trying to recoup as much money on our equipment, have we not? Vehicles, everything," Tines said. "It's one of those things that we get to the point where they're not worth anything."

The 2002 Kawasaki was declared surplus, but the machine probably won't be sent to auction until April.

## Woman must seek permit for motor home

Pantera discouraged the council's attempt to discuss a request to allow a woman to live in a motor home parked on property in the 100 block of West Washington Avenue.

The premise of Betty Eoff's appearance Thursday was to gauge the council's reception of the idea. If the feedback was positive, then Eoff's family would pursue a special use permit through the planning and zoning process.

Because the discussion amounted to an "ad hoc" special use permit hearing, Pantera warned the council against proceeding because no legal notice had been

published.

"I don't believe that's been properly noticed or submitted at this point before the council, so I have some concerns about the council making comment, taking any action really, or taking comment on it without a proper application before them so they have an opportunity to review that before the applicant makes their pitch," Pantera said.

"Likewise, like I said, the notice part is also particularly troubling because I don't think the community at large would have notice of a request for a special use permit at tonight's meeting."

Eoff's family wants to move her into a motor home at the rear of their property so relatives can help with caregiving. Eoff said she is battling cancer.

The motor home can be parked at the residence, Eidemiller said, as long as it is properly licensed. However, it cannot be hooked up to utilities and no one can live in the RV until the council approves a permit.

The family plans to submit a permit application, at which time neighbors will be notified that a public hearing will be held.

— JPB

## From page 1A

# ✓ Monument: Local ballot boxes located in Jordan Valley and Nyssa

or wilderness by Congress?

The Malheur County Court — Judge Dan P. Joyce and commissioners Don Hodge and Larry Wilson — decided in December to hold a special election.

Mail ballots were sent out last month and voters can drop them off in several places in Malheur County. There is a drop site at the county right-of-way across from the post office on Yturri Boulevard in Jordan Valley. The closest drop site to Adrian is the Nyssa City Library, 319 Main St., in Nyssa.

Voter turnout was 25.6 percent as of noon Thursday. More current numbers weren't available at press time.

The elected officials will use the election results to create a policy, and the results will be sent to President Obama, Oregon Gov. Kate Brown, Oregon state legislators and the state's congressional delegation.

The area proposed for designation as either a national monument or wilderness is about half of Malheur County.

Monument designation would put the area under federal management by agencies such as the Bureau of Land Management, the National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service and U.S. Fish and

Wildlife Service.

Similar national monument grumblings during the waning days of the Clinton administration spurred Owyhee County commissioners to form a diverse group of conservationists, ranchers and public lands users to create the Owyhee Initiative.

Anyone who wants to run for an elected position in Malheur County's May 17 primary has until Tuesday to filing his or her nomination papers.

Open positions for which pa-

pers must be filed with the county clerk include county commissioner No. 2, a partisan position, and non-partisan posts for sheriff and assessor.

The Secretary of State is accepting nomination forms for the non-partisan positions of county judge and district attorney.

Incumbent Larry Wilson has filed for re-election to the county commissioner position.

Incumbent Sheriff Brian E. Wolfe has been challenged by Brad Williams, and incumbent

Assessor David Ingram is the only person who has filed for that position so far.

All three county offices have four-year terms.

According to the Oregon Sec-

retary of State website, Dan P. Joyce will seek re-election as county judge.

Current county assistant district attorney Erin Landis has filed to seek the top job.



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# Safety bill forwarded after Marsing superintendent speaks

## Legislator pushes for panel to study school funding formula

by Nishant Mohan

For The Owyhee Avalanche

After Dist. 23A Rep. Rich Wills' motion, the House Education Committee on Friday moved a public school security bill to the floor.

Dist. 30 Rep. Wendy Horman's (R-Idaho Falls) bill would create an Office of School Safety and Security and a Safety and Security Advisory Board.

"I think this is absolutely, critically necessary and has been for a long while," Wills, a Republican from Glens Ferry, said.

Marsing School District superintendent Norm Stewart, who testified in favor of the bill, said his community does not have its own law enforcement and instead contracts with the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office, which in turn provides a school resource officer.

Stewart said OCSO is spread thin, with only 12 full-time officers and two part-time deputies to cover 7,697 square miles. He said they perform their job to the best of their abilities, but that the job is

an enormous undertaking. OCSO also has a handful of reservists and sheriff's Posse volunteers to help when needed.

"My first year as superintendent, we had an intruder who was being chased by law enforcement. He was able to find a door that didn't close properly and was in the building for about two minutes before he left and was apprehended," Stewart said, recalling a January 2014 incident. "It brought even more attention to the fact that even though we have our safety protocols, there's still a lot of room for improvement."

Horman was active on the education front in other areas last week, presenting to the Senate Education Committee a House concurrent resolution to appoint a committee to study the public school funding formula.

"It became apparent that it was probably time to take an overall, big-picture look at a formula that was built in 1994, before charter schools and online education were there," said Horman, who sits on the Joint Finance and Appropria-

tions Committee, which sets the annual budget. "Our current formula does not recognize that the cost of a playground supervisor and a network administrator are different."

Horman pointed out that student populations have changed, with more English Language Learners and special education students, and that learning environments have changed as well, with large amounts of schooling available to students online, especially in rural areas.

"Those changes have impacted our budget," Horman said. "We can't fit it on an 8½-by-11 sheet of paper anymore."

She said the committee likely should consist of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, another State Board member and legislators.

"We know we cannot solve this problem without the expertise of our teachers and administrators," Horman said. "It will need to be an inclusive (process)."

Superintendent of Public Instruction Sherri Ybarra's Rural Education Centers plan has been absent from education committee discussions.

Ybarra's plan, which is the most

striking difference between her budget request for public education and Gov. Otter's proposal, would create staffing resources such as reading coaches or nurses that could be shared between schools that would pay only for what they need. Ybarra requested \$300,000 for a pilot program, which would be implemented in North Idaho.

While speaking in front of the budget committee Feb. 16, Dist. 14 Rep. Reed DeMordaunt (R-Eagle) alluded to draft legislation that he said lacked detail, but no such legislation has surfaced.

In higher education, the Senate Education Committee introduced to the floor a bill that would establish a start-up account to convert Eastern Idaho Technical College (EITC) to a community college in a 7-2 vote Thursday.

Dist. 31 Rep. Julie VanOrden (R-Pingree), who sits on the House Education Committee, also spoke favorably of the possibility of the school getting an upgrade, saying it could provide more people from her area the opportunity to have the experience she did at the College of Southern Idaho.

"I think it will be very beneficial," she said. "The people as

well as the business have asked for it. Businesses need educated employees."

VanOrden also said the college could particularly help Hispanic residents, who she said are already at a disadvantage because of a language barrier and economic status.

"The demographics of higher education do not reflect the demographics of our community in Idaho," she said.

Also Thursday, Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter announced the State Board of Education approved the creation of the Idaho College of Osteopathic Medicine at the Idaho State University campus in Meridian.

— Nishant Mohan and Taylor Nadauld, both University of Idaho students, are covering the 2016 Idaho Legislature session for The Owyhee Avalanche as interns supported by the U of I's McClure Center for Public Policy Research. This is the second year that the Avalanche and the McClure Center have collaborated on the project, which assists a handful of weekly newspapers around the state. Nadauld also is reporting for Idaho Public Radio.

# Surprise assessment tests security at Marsing schools

## Another community safety meeting planned

Marsing School District officials learned a lesson or two about security after a pop quiz of sorts.

The Wednesday, Feb. 3 safety assessment was conducted by Brian Armes and Guy Bliesner, who own and operate the consulting firm Educators Eyes. Both are former teachers from the Bonneville School District. They market their services under the slogan "School safety, security and risk management for educators by educators."

Marsing superintendent Norm Stewart said the idea behind the surprise assessment was to see what the intervention would look like if someone was seen wandering around the schools campus.

Stewart explained every school visitor must check in at an individual school's office.

"When staff members see an individual who does not have a visitor's badge on, then they are supposed to have those individuals report to the office to sign in," Stewart said.

Dressed in everyday clothes, Armes and Bliesner walked the campuses without guest badges as part of their assessment exercise. When school staff approached the pair, the men sometimes became confrontational to gauge how certain situations were handled.

"Staff would typically say, 'Can I help you? Who are you?'" Stewart said. "And they would respond back, 'Well, who are you?'"

Exactly which staff members confronted the men will be detailed in a written report from Armes and Bliesner. However, Stewart said he has already heard about a few people who stepped in.

One counselor immediately approached one of the men in a back parking lot, and another test happened in a classroom with a

teacher and one student inside.

"He was really testing the teacher in regards to, 'OK, what are you going to do? I'm not going to go to the office,'" Stewart said.

"If we do have an intruder, chances are they're not going to be cooperative."

The safety assessment started about 7 a.m., and lasted about six hours.

While Stewart hasn't yet received the written report on the assessment, he did hear a verbal report at the end of the day.

"We talked about some different aspects that could help us and (what could) improve within the district," Stewart said.

Plans are under way for another community safety meeting, which is tentatively scheduled for April 7. Bliesner and Armes will be attending the meeting.

"We'll have them come in and present some of the information that they evaluated us on, and for us to further our discussions not only with the school, but with the

community, to really follow-up on what we've done in our last two safety meetings," Stewart said.

The first safety meeting was held in January 2015 and the second was held in November.

A few years ago, Armes and Bliesner evaluated 74 Idaho schools, and reported their findings to a governor's task force on school safety.

"At that same time, we experienced our intruder situation three years ago," Stewart said. "How I became aware of these two gentlemen is that I was asked to testify before a committee during the Legislature that year, and they were testifying at the same time."

In January 2014 William Calvillo fled from sheriff's deputies on foot after a car chase and entered Marsing High School through an unlocked door before being arrested.

Stewart has maintained contact with Armes and Bliesner since he first met them. Late last fall, they told him they had been awarded

more state funding to expand their school safety outreach.

"They wanted to know if we were interested, and I was very enthusiastic because we've tried to spend a lot of our time reworking our security procedures, and looking at safety, and students and staff," Stewart said. "This was a great opportunity, I thought, to really evaluate how far we've come."

He wasn't told exactly when the assessment would be conducted, but the men gave Stewart one day's warning before arriving for the exercise.

To really evaluate the safety protocols, none of the district staff could know about the assessment, Stewart said.

"I was the only one that really knew," Stewart said. "Although the board (of trustees) and the administration — even the teachers — knew that this had been offered to us and we wanted to pursue it, no one knew that it was actually going to take place."

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# Bruneau property adjacent to park gets tax-exempt status

County commissioners took on a different task as representatives for citizens during their Feb. 22 meeting.

The three commissioners recessed from being the Board of County Commissioners, and reconvened as a Board of Equalization to bestow tax-exempt status on a piece of property in

Bruneau.

County assessor Brett Endicott presented the request to declare land next to Bruneau City Park exempt from property tax.

"The Bruneau Valley Boosters purchased this property in 1999," Endicott said. "It had a mobile home on it that belonged to somebody, so they continued

to lease the ground, or rent the ground."

The mobile home is no longer there, and the boosters cleaned up the property several months ago.

The land, which Endicott said is valued at \$7,209, is now being used as a parking lot for the park. The parking lot covers .276

acres.

Bruneau Boosters president Judy McBride, thinks about 40 vehicles could fit in the parking lot.

Pat Davis, McBride's mother, said they were happy to help.

"The Booster Club takes care of a lot of things, we work to improve our little community,"

Davis said.

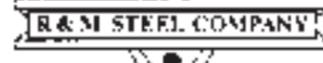
The commissioners voted unanimously for the tax exemption. District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi confirmed that the Bruneau Booster Club is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

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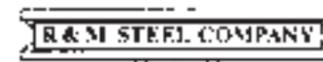
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# Commissioners reviewing Jacks Creek Road testimony

## No one opposed abandonment

A public hearing more than three years in the making was finally held last week to determine the fate of Jacks Creek Road between Bruneau and Grand View.

The hearing was part of the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners Feb. 22 meeting.

The southern end of the 1.8-mile stretch of road being considered for vacation begins at the intersection of Jacks Creek Road and Davis Road.

It extends northeast where the section of the road would end before it crosses into Bureau of Land Management land and intersects Idaho highway 78.

Owyhee County natural resources director Jim Desmond conducted the meeting as a hearing officer.

Commissioners told him they had no conflicts of interest that

would affect their decision in the hearing.

"The request was initially made, I believe orally, by the Simplot Co., at a Board of County Commissioners meeting in 2012," Desmond said.

That was followed by a written request, which led to a hearing that determined the road is a public right of way.

The determination made it possible for Simplot to request that the road be abandoned.

Three people testified at last week's hearing.

James Alderman, legal counsel for Simplot, said the county's Planning and Zoning commissioners suggested the road be closed when they approved the company's plan to create a confined animal feeding operation on an old feedlot near Jacks Creek. Simplot houses Bureau of Land Management wild horses at the site under a five-year contract.

County P&Z administrator

Mary Huff disagreed, though, saying the commissioners did not recommend closing the road.

Desmond made the audio recording of the P&Z meeting from last April available for commissioners to consider in their deliberations.

"From a safety standpoint, I think the road would need some improvements if it continues to be a public road," Alderman said. "We think it's in the public's best interest to vacate this road to help provide for the security and safety."

Gates would be placed at each end of the road, and keys would be given to the county to allow emergency services and sheriff's deputies to have access. Mailboxes for the only two homes — both owned by Simplot and occupied by company employees — on the road would be moved in front of the gate on the southern end of the road.

"The mail carrier would be

happy to have the mailboxes moved up to that front location by Eric Davis' house," Simplot consultant Ron Parks said.

Any UPS or FedEx deliveries would be made to Simplot's headquarters in Grand View.

Area neighbor Sid Erwin told commissioners that over the 41 years he's lived there, he's had a problem with people using the section of the road to trespass onto his property to hunt.

"I take a rather dim view of that. I'd prefer that people come by the house and secure permission," Erwin said. "So as a result, I have been quite vocal about closing this section of road."

He added that the road is narrow, making it impossible to pass other vehicles.

"You have to be vigilant and watch to see that if a manure truck is coming, you don't get in the way," Erwin said.

District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi said the safety con-

cerns were being exaggerated.

"I can name you numerous roads in this county, that are county-maintained roads, that two semis cannot pass," Aberasturi said. "One of them is Bachman Grade, you can go up Flint Creek. There is just numerous places that even two cars are going to have a hard time."

A letter from Eric Davis supporting Simplot's plan for road abandonment was not submitted in time for the hearing. Desmond left the record open and gave Davis until the end of last week to get correspondence to County Clerk Angie Barkell.

Desmond told the commissioners to review the documents in the record individually, not as a board. He also said once they have determined when they will be able to deliberate orally, commissioners will tell Barkell to put it on a meeting agenda.

— SC

# More county vehicles headed for Homedale auction

Owyhee County will further thin out its fleet of vehicles during Saturday's consignment auction in Homedale.

County commissioners declared two Road and Bridge District 1 work trucks as surplus during their Feb. 22 meeting in

Murphy. Both vehicles are 2002 Dodge pickups.

On Feb. 16, the commissioners also declared a 1998 Ford F-150 as surplus from the road and bridge district.

A total of eight county vehicles will

be in the Baker Auction Co.'s Open Consignment Equipment Auction, which begins at 9:30 a.m., on Saturday at the Amalgamated Sugar Co. beet dump in Homedale.

On Feb. 8, commissioners declared

five vehicles from the sheriff's office as surplus.

Proceeds from the auction will go into the General Fund from which the commissioners could appropriate money for new vehicles.

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## Volunteers sought to plant Soda Fire seedlings

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game is looking for volunteers to plant sagebrush and bitterbrush seedlings on land scorched by the Soda Fire.

On Saturday, April 2, volunteers will plant on state land at the Cow Creek sage-grouse lek near where the Soda Fire started.

Fish and Game volunteer coordinator Michael Young said staff members from the agency will meet volunteers at 9 a.m., April 2 at the ION Truck Stop at the corner of Idaho highway 55 and U.S. Highway 95 west of

Marsing. Planting tools and materials will be provided. Interested volunteers should contact Young at r3volunteers@idfg.idaho.gov to sign up and learn more information.

## Adrian returns to state tourney

Girls meet District 7 champ in Baker today

Adrian High School left little doubt in qualifying for its fifth 1A Oregon girls' basketball state tournament in the past nine seasons.

The Antelopes raced to a 22-point halftime lead and coasted to a 56-23 home triumph in the second round of the 1A Oregon state playoffs Friday over Perrydale.

"It was a great game all the way around. All of the girls got to play and played well," Adrian coach Gene Mills said. "We shot the ball well from the field and the line, just what you want to do heading to Baker City.

Fifth-seeded Adrian (20-5) takes a three-game winning streak into the state tournament,

— See *Adrian*, page 2B

## Marsing's magic runs out

Last-second shots put MHS boys a win from State

His players' dramatic, last-second style of play may have been too much to take at times, but Marsing High School boys' basketball coach Tim Little coped with it just fine.

Unlike earlier in the week, there would be no last-second Huskies heroics and no Dakota Hardy buzzer-beater in Saturday's 47-31 2A state tournament play-in game loss to District IV champion Wendell.

But Hardy and his teammates took their coach and fans on a wild, careening ride that can only be experienced in a basketball gymnasium.

"Looking back on the season,

— See *Marsing*, page 5B

# Locals stake State claims



## Trojans' Johnson finishes career at the top

Nash Johnson completed his record-setting Homedale High School career with a state championship, one of two medals for the Trojans at the 3A wrestling tournament.

Johnson won the 145-pound title, and fellow senior John Collett captured bronze at 160 on Saturday at Holt Arena in Pocatello.

Two other HHS wrestlers picked up victories during the weekend at the Trojans finished 12<sup>th</sup> in the team standings on the Idaho State University campus.

Johnson's championship run concluded with a 5-1 decision over American Falls sophomore Luis Cervantez. The win gave Johnson a 48-5 senior record and solidified his school-record career victories mark at 154.

Collett (30-3) closed out his career with a 5-1 decision over No. 2 seed Robby Smith of Kellogg in the third-place match.

He dominated his first two opponents before stumbling in the semifinals with an 8-3 loss to Snake River's Wyatt Vogler. Vogler won the state championship later.

A pin at the 1-minute, 47-second mark of his consolation semifinal against Snake River's Ceaton Howell put Collett in the bronze medal match.

He opened the tournament with a 20-5 technical fall against Filer's Preston Stoddard and then ran over Bailey Houston of Timberlake with a 47-second pin in the quarterfinals.

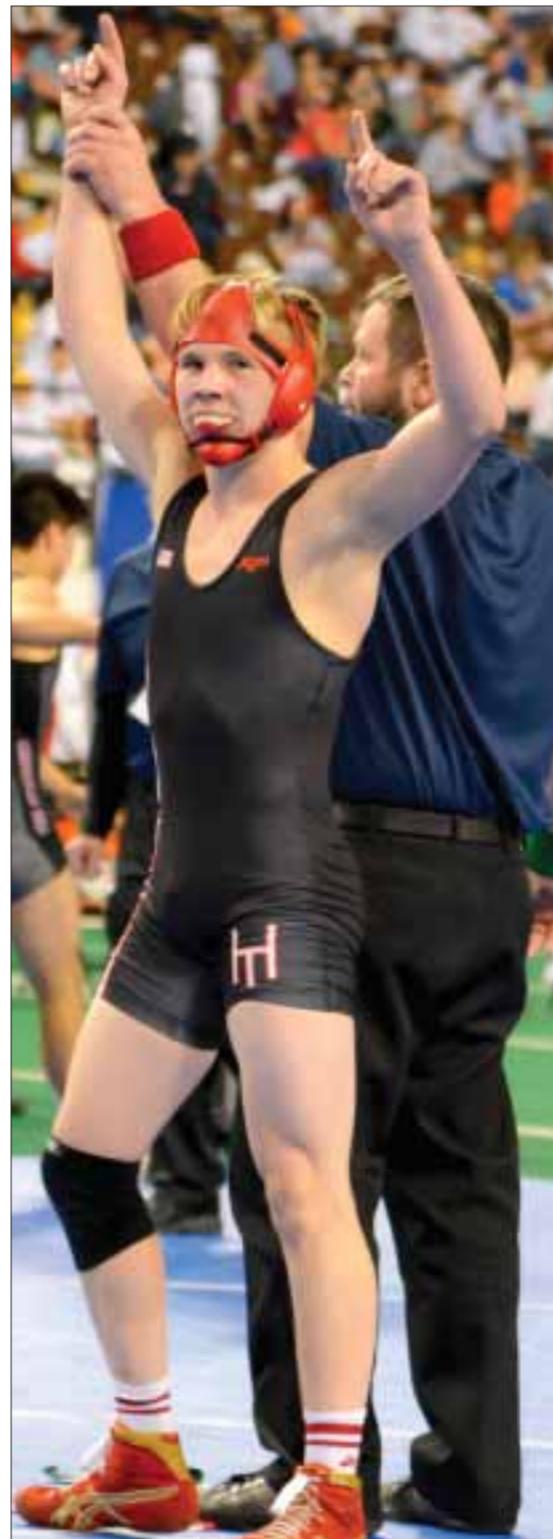
Johnson worked his way through a tough bracket at 145 pounds, edging old rival Shane Loughran of Weiser, 4-2, in the semifinals.

The senior's last high school tournament began with a 7-2 decision against Teton's Ben Hale on Friday. Another District III opponent, Fruitland's Jose Carbajal, fell at the 4:57 mark of a quarterfinal match. It was Johnson's 30<sup>th</sup> pinfall of the season.

Junior Caleb Meligan (28-17) was the only other HHS wrestler to collect a victory in the championship bracket.

The 126-pounder pinned Kellogg's Jace Hunt in 4:46 during their opening-round match Friday. Meligan came back from a

— See *Trojans*, page 3B



**Top:** Homedale senior John Collett battles Snake River's Ceaton Howell in the first round of their consolation semifinal Saturday. Photo by Machele Randall. **Above:** Homedale senior Nash Johnson reacts after winning the 145-pound Class 3A state championship. Photo by Sarah Grossman / Freeze the Day Photography

## Huskies' Hall takes 4th place

Sophomore wrestler Mason Hall rallied to fourth place Saturday in the 2A state tournament in Pocatello.

The 220-pounder joined junior Oscar Gonzalez (152) as the only two Marsing High School athletes to notch championship-bracket victories at Holt Arena on the Idaho State University campus.

"I'm happy with the way things turned out," fourth-year MHS coach Jon Nelson said. "I would have obviously liked to have seen Mason in the finals."

Hall (39-10) fell to Clearwater Valley junior Trae Dominguez in the third-place match Saturday at Holt Arena. Dominguez got a pinfall at the 3-minute, 37-second mark.

Hall's fourth-place finish is the best result a sophomore has pulled at the state tournament for Nelson.

— See *Huskies*, page 3B

## Adrian's Furtado places 3rd

Adrian High School's Marcus Furtado dominated a familiar foe Saturday to finish third in the 1A Oregon state tournament.

The unseeded 106-pounder beat No. 3 freshman Shane Lund of Enterprise, 9-1, in the third-place match of their bracket at Portland Memorial Auditorium.

Furtado reached the semifinals of the eight-team bracket when he pinned Willard Neary of Nestucca with seven seconds remaining in the first round of their opening match.

Top-seeded Culver freshman Lorenzo Vasquez's 16-2 major decision sent Furtado into the consolation semifinals, where the Adrian junior moved on with a pinfall (4:28) against Bonanza freshman Joshua Fellows.

Vasquez went on to win the state championship.

Furtado is the first of coach Eddie Kinkade's wrestlers to place in the state tournament since Mark Ishida finished third at 152 pounds in 2012.

# Sports

## Jordan Valley squads lose first-round games

Jordan Valley High School's basketball teams exited the 1A Oregon state playoffs with narrow opening-round defeats.

Coach Clint Fillmore's boys lost at home, 39-36, to Triad last Wednesday to close the year with a 19-6 record.

Coach Kelsie Skinner's girls' squad saw its season end in North Powder, Ore., on Feb. 23 with a 50-47 setback to Powder Valley. The Mustangs closed the year 18-10.

No statistics were provided for either game.



Gene Mills coaches up his Adrian High School girls' basketball players during a timeout against Perrydale. AHS Yearbook photo

## ✓ Adrian: Antelopes look to improve on 4th in 2015

From Page 1B

which starts at 4:15 p.m. MST today against District 7 champion Nixyaawii (24-2).

The Eagles have seven in a row and have lost only once in the past 25 games. Adrian has won 13 of its past 14 contests.

Nixyaawii won the 2011 state championship. Adrian has never won the title, but the Antelopes finished fourth last year.

The Antelopes hammered 12<sup>th</sup>-seeded Perrydale (18-10) to reach this year's state tournament.

Morgan Bayes scored 13 points and helped limit Perrydale's

second-chance shots with six defensive rebounds.

The Antelopes shot 43 percent (19-for-44), while the Pirates connected on just nine of 42 attempts (21 percent) and were out-rebounded on their own glass, 27-4.

Overall, Adrian held a 42-13 rebounding edge with Anna Hutchings leading the way with nine boards. She also scored nine points.

Kylie Skerjanic led the Antelopes' defensively with four steals, and Lauren Barraza came off the bench to dish four assists.

## Late charge can't save Trojans

### Fruitland halts HHS' district run

Another red-hot offensive team ended Homedale High School's boys' basketball season.

For the second 3A District III Tournament game in a row, the Trojans watched their opponents score seemingly at will inside John J. Easley Gymnasium on the Treasure Valley Community College campus.

Fruitland built a big lead then held off Homedale's fourth-quarter comeback from the foul line to secure a 73-60 victory on Feb. 23 in Ontario, Ore.

The Trojans (12-11 overall) trailed by just three points at the end of the first quarter.

Homedale pulled to within five points twice in the game — including 38-33 when senior Connor Carter hit a pair of free throws to cap an 8-3 run late in the first half — but the Trojans couldn't sustain the momentum as Fruitland ruled the defensive glass and hit shots when it was necessary.

Carter roared in for an offensive



Homedale's Benny Schamber tries to work his way around the defense and the glass for a layup.

put-back after Chase Martell's steal and missed layup to get Homedale back within five points, 64-59, with 2 minutes, 9 seconds left in the game. But shortly afterward, Carter left the game for a key 26 seconds with what

appeared to be an injured right shoulder after fighting Fruitland's Conner Benear for a rebound with 1:40 remaining.

During Carter's absence, the Trojans' offensive tempo broke down, and the Grizzlies resumed their campaign of stifling whomever had the ball.

Fruitland iced the game, knocking down five of six free throws in the final 65 seconds.

Conversely, Homedale missed on its final three foul shots. Josh Tolmie's free throw with 55.6 seconds to go was the Trojans' only point after Carter's aggressive offensive rebound.

Carter scored six consecutive baskets in Homedale's final flurry. Tolmie blocked Benear's shot and Carter snagged a big defensive rebound in a sequence that ended with Martell emerging from a scrum and rushing in for his layup attempt.

Carter scored 20 points for the Trojans.

Benear knocked down four of Fruitland's 11 three-point goals and led all players with 24 points. Walker Whaley drilled three treys en route to 18 points.

## New Homedale coaches enlisted

With spring sports in the starting gate, Homedale trustees approved baseball coaching positions.

Jason Rangel and Mitch Quintana have been hired as junior varsity coaches, and Tyler Ford was appointed a volunteer assistant for the program.

All three are former Homedale

High School players.

The JV baseball season starts Friday, March 11 with a non-conference game in Marsing. The varsity team competes in a jamboree at 10 a.m. on Saturday at Rodeo Park in Nampa.

There have been middle school coach changes, too:

- Brothers Tony and Darren Uranga resigned as eighth-grade football coaches.

- David Hann (eighth grade) and Debby Turner (seventh grade) will coach volleyball.

- Jamie Mertz and Ryan Ryska will coach the eighth-grade football team in the fall. Both men coached the seventh-grade team last year.

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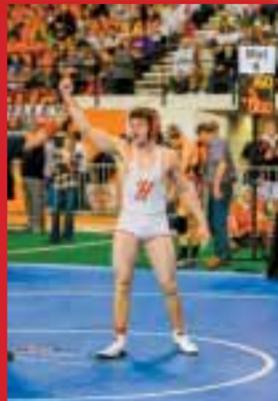
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Go Trojans!

# Sports

## ✓ Huskies: Head coach praises Pocatello performances

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“He performed well when he needed to. He’s a sophomore, he’s young pretty, so this is a good place to start,” Nelson said. “I expect him to be a state champion next year. There’s not reason that he’s not going to be.”

After losing to Malad’s Rhett Daniels with 34 seconds remaining in their quarterfinal match, Hall fought his way through the consolation bracket.

He pinned West Jefferson’s McKay Terry (2:23) and edged Declo’s Bryson Robinson, 11-9, before needing just 50 seconds to dispatch Oakley’s Remington Sagers in the consolation semifinals.

Gonzalez (22-13) opened the tournament with a rigorous 5-3 decision over Oakley’s Jesse Clearwater. He picked up one other victory in the consolation bracket — beating St. Maries’ Caden Hall, 5-3 — before bowing out against Ririe’s Michael Stevenson (a pinfall 32 seconds into the third round).

Gonzalez’s win over Clearwater avenged a pinfall loss earlier this season in the Glenns Ferry tournament. Nelson said the 152-pound bracket was one of the toughest draws of the tournament. Last year’s 145-pound state champion, Clay Elkington of Firth, sent Gonzalez into the consolation bracket with a pin two seconds before the end of the first round of their quarterfinal match.

“Oscar this year is really disappointed with the state tournament, but he has nothing to be disappointed about because last year he didn’t even qualify out of district and had a losing record,” Nelson said.



**Above:** Marsing 152-pounder Oscar Gonzalez makes a move on Jesse Clearwater during Friday’s first round at Holt Arena. **Below:** Joseph Ineck (top) drives against West Jefferson’s Ty Eliason in a first-round match at 138 pounds. Photo by Sarah Grossman / Freeze the Day Photography



“Not only does he come into the state tournament never having won a match at the state tournament, but with a winning record

and pinning a kid that beat him.” Sophomores Joseph Ineck (21-27) and Jaden Kinney (13-15) were the only other Huskies to pick up wins during the two-day tournament.

Ineck blitzed Clearwater Valley’s Hunter Bubar in 26 second during their 138-pound consolation match.

At 160, Kinney also pinned a Clearwater Valley opponent in his first consolation match, taking care of Taylor Roy in 2:01.

Freshman Jesse Hay Smith (126, 13-32) and junior Ben Gerthung (285, 3-31) lost both of their matches.

Hay Smith was eliminated with an overtime loss to Shoshone’s Jorge Alonzo.

Both of Gerthung’s matches ended with first-round pins.



Arnulfo Llamas pulls up for a jump shot in the Homedale eighth-graders’ semifinal victory over Weiser. Photo by David Hann

## ✓ Trojans: Beckman pins Bonners Ferry foe in consolation

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quarterfinal loss to pin Andrew Cook of Snake River in 3:19 in the second round of the consolation bracket.

Sophomore Anthony Beckman (15-20) pinned Bonners Ferry 120-pounder Denton Eby at 4:20 of their consolation bracket match for Homedale’s only other win.

Three other Trojans exited after two matches each, including freshman Jorge Vega (9-30), who drew No. 2 seed Sway Cook of Snake River to start his stay in the 106-pound bracket; freshman 126-pounder Jaeger Rose (30-19); and junior Swiss exchange student Julian Hartmann (12-18 at 182).



Homedale 126-pounder Caleb Meligan works to pin Snake River’s Andrew Cook during a consolation bracket match. Photo by Machele Randall



Homedale 120-pounder Anthony Beckman tries to gain control in his final match of the tournament against South Fremont’s Konner Hiatt. Photo by Machele Randall

## HMS nabs 2nd at SRV tourney

Homedale Middle School’s eighth-grade boys’ basketball team lost the conference championship last Wednesday.

The second-seeded Trojans (8-4 overall) fell, 59-34, to Fruitland inside the HMS gymnasium in the 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament title game.

Homedale’s fifth-seeded seventh-graders (5-7) lost in the semifinals, 38-22, to Fruitland on Feb. 23. The Grizzlies went on to defeat Weiser for the conference championship inside the HMS gym last Wednesday.

The eighth-graders reached the tournament final by beating visiting Weiser on Feb. 23.

The seventh-grade Trojans reached the semifinals by downing Ontario, Ore., in Payette on Feb. 22.

### The 100 club

Nash Johnson	154
Jeremy Ensley	129
Tyler Christoffersen	119
Adam Duryee	117
Justin Ensley	110
Bryan Martinat	107
Ryan Nash	105
Ron Hooker	102

# Looking back...

*from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle*

## 25 years ago

March 6, 1991

### Idaho Cattlemen take on challenge

Idaho Cattle Association President Dan Hammond announced the 1991 ICA motto of "Unity and Excellence in the Cattle Industry today means Quality Beef Tomorrow" at an ICA Board of Directors meeting.

"This motto sets a challenge for cattlemen to live and work by," Hammond told ICA board members. "Our goal as an industry is that we speak with one united voice, take every effort to do the right things in our individual operations and strive for superior quality in our product.

"We have supplied the American consumer with safe, wholesome beef for many years and we want our product to maintain the quality image it deserves," Hammond added.

Other highlights of the Board meeting included passage of a resolution supporting U.S. troops in the Middle East, a presentation on the "Salomon Summit," by Andy Brunell, Special Assistant to Governor Andrus, and a seminar for cattlemen and women on public speaking and responding to media reports by Donna Schmidt, Director Of Public Relations of the National Livestock and Meat Board in Chicago, Ill.

### Local post office has new clerk

The Homedale Post Office has a new clerk, Larry Sitts, as well as a new computer system in place to serve local postal patrons. The changes prompted Postmaster Joyce Turner on Monday to urge all local mailers, including business users, to double check addresses on their mail before it is posted.

"So often business mail has been misaddressed," she said, pointing out that delays can be avoided by correctly addressing bills, letters or parcels.

Sitts replaces Cheryl Anderson, who transferred to Kalispell Post Office in Montana in fulfillment of a longtime dream to live near Glacier Park, according to Postmaster Joyce Turner. Anderson has been here six years.

Sitts has been in the U.S. Postal Service since 1977, and transferred here from Marsing where he had served for a time as the postmaster. He and his family reside in Parma. They may move here after school is out, he said Monday. The Sitts children include Mike, 18; Kevin, 15 and Von, 13.

### Sommercamp Road money okayed

Federal highway authorities have re-evaluated the situation and agreed to provide \$50,173 for a surface on Sommercamp Road between U.S. Highway 95 and State Highway 78 outside Marsing in the Opaline area, according to the office of U.S. Senator Steve Symms.

Symms worked with Federal Highway Administrator Thomas Larson to obtain the funding because the surfacing work had not been included in original funding and Owyhee County was going to get stuck with the cost, according to Symms's office.

### Auction raises \$27,671

Marsing held its 30<sup>th</sup> annual Disaster Auction last Saturday and raised \$27,671 for its disaster funds. The smell of cotton candy and chorizos filled the cafeteria where the donated items were auctioned off. If chorizos, corndogs, homemade donuts or hamburgers didn't hit the spot, you could have fresh pie and homemade chicken noodle soup. For dessert you could also take your choice from the baked food table or brave a blue tongue and have a snow cone or cotton candy then you could wash it down with fresh apple cider right out of the tap from Robison Fruit Ranch.

A plaque and a dozen roses were presented to Paul and Blanche Swann in appreciation of their part in establishing the disaster auction. The Swanns held the first auction at Riverside school in 1958 to help a resident with medical expenses. Both are members of the hospice volunteer program at Mercy Medical Center and are active in the senior citizens center. They have served in various capacities in the community throughout their lives and well deserved the recognition.

## 50 years ago

March 3, 1966

### Kiwanis Club, C. of C. schedule joint meeting

A joint meeting is planned of the Homedale Kiwanis club and Homedale Chamber of Commerce to be held Wednesday noon, March 9, when Louise Shaddock, Boise Secretary of the Idaho Department of Commerce and Development will speak. Visitors are welcome and should contact a club member so that the Eastern Stars serving the meal will know how many to prepare for.

Building and improvement plans for the Owyhee County Fair were explained by Jesse Wilson, fair manager, at the regular Wednesday noon luncheon meeting of the Homedale Kiwanis club in the Masonic hall basement.

Wilson said a 40x100 building to serve as a fair office, with conference room, hall and restrooms is planned for 1967 construction. It will be built on the site of the present office, just east of the armory.

The building would provide space for community booths, and exhibits of historical and museum articles, now badly crowded in the armory building.

Radiant heat would be installed and the building would provide off-season use for scouts and other community groups. Year-round use of the fairgrounds facilities is an aim of the fair board, Wilson said, to further justified the huge investment in grounds and buildings. An all-girl rodeo May 7-8 will be sponsored by the Homedale Jaycees with greater use in mind.

Covering of the grandstand may be a project started in 1968, he said. Immediate improvements will be the building of a fence along the east side of the rodeo arena comparable to the one now in front of the grandstand. A gate will be provided in the northeast corner to make entrance of horses to the arena easier, such as the Eh Capa riders of Boise, who will be back again for the 1966 rodeo.

Decoration of livestock barns by 4-H members vying for a prize will help attract visitors to the barn area this year. Another attempt to get grass started, and planting of trees to beautify the grounds, is an objective.

### Robinson is named head of Owyhee Posse

Merville Robinson of Oreana was elected president of the Owyhee County Sheriff's Posse at the meeting last Wednesday in the Murphy courthouse.

Roy Beaman of Grand View was elected Vice President. Nick Ihli of Murphy was re-elected as Secretary-Treasurer.

### Coin-operated station opens this week

The conversion of the former Frontier service station into a coin-operated station was completed this week, according to Frank Matteson. The new station will be called The Robot and is situated across the street north of Owyhee Motor Sales.

A five-minute coin-operated car wash was also built into the station, which will be open 24 hours daily.

Mr. Matteson also reported that the former Simco building, next to Owyhee Motor Sales on the east, is being torn down by Claude Huckabee of Wilder. Plans for any construction on the site are still indefinite, he stated.

### Davis attends national ASC training session

Eugene C. Davis, Bruneau, Vice-Chairman of the Owyhee County ASC committee, participated in a two-day session of the national training committee in Washington, D.C., Feb. 14-15.

The committee meets annually to review training activities of ASC and to plan current training programs. Mr. Davis was appointed to the 12-member committee in January.

Included were sessions on training needed for working with centrally-located computers, the implications of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act on training, methods and materials available for training, seminars for management and for new media, and the operation of county and state training centers.

## 140 years ago

March 4, 1876

PRESENT STRENGTH OF THE ARMY – The whole force comprised in the army of the United States at the present time numbers nearly 25,000 men. This includes staff officers and others not in active service who attend to the purchase and transportation of supplies, paying troops and other duties. There are in all ten regiments of cavalry, twenty-five of infantry and five of artillery. They are distributed as follows: In the military division of the Missouri, Lieutenant General Sheridan has 95 posts and 14,841 troops; Major General Hancock has twenty posts and 2,044 troops in the Atlantic Division; Major General Schofield in the Pacific Division has 34 posts and 3,704 troops; Major General McDowell in the Division of the South has 19 posts and 1,859 troops. West of the Mississippi and the Pacific Slope the assignment of troops is about in the proportion of one to every one hundred and fifty square miles of Territory. The cost of the maintenance of the army proper, nearly 23,000 men, during the past year was about \$1,000 for each man. The disbursements for the different branches of the army were about as follows: Cavalry \$10,567,500; artillery \$3,486,000; infantry \$9,225,000; Indian scouts \$155,060, miscellaneous \$234,400. The threatened aspect of affairs on the Mexican border will necessitate the sending of more troops to the section. More troops will also be required for the theater of operations in the vicinity of the Black Hills, and with these necessities to be supplied, and other emergencies liable to arise it is difficult to see how the active strength of the army can be materially reduced. There are probably many superfluous officers whose services might be dispensed with, without detriment, and the expense thus saved might be very considerable.

ON SINKER CREEK – I noticed considerable new ground being cleared for farming purposes and quite an addition to the already abundant yield of vegetables, grain, etc. may be expected this season. The grass on the foothills in that vicinity is now very good, and stock-owners are driving their herds there, to protect them from the poison-weed, which is beginning to make its appearance on the low lands and river banks. From Mr. M. Joyce's place, on the Sinker, I found the roads dry and dusty, affording quite a contrast to our roads twelve miles distant. Innumerable herds of cattle and horses are scattered over the Snake River Valley, which subsist entirely on white sage, and I was surprised to see them in such good condition; but it appears they do equally as well, in fact prefer the sage to bunch grass.

SHERIDAN SAYS if the Government will give him 10,000 men with full power to act at his discretion he will restore quiet on the Mexican border. If the Mexicans should be disposed to act obstreperously he would establish a new boundary between the United States and Mexico, annexing to the United States that portion of Mexico north of a line extending from a point on the Sierra Madre Mountains to El Paso, including about 500,000 square miles of very rich mineral country. The better plan, it is claimed, would be to make a demand on Mexico for the payment of all losses sustained by our citizens on account of these raids, amounting to \$11,000,000. Mexico could not pay this amount and on her failure to do so our Government should demand the immediate abrogation of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, and the forming of a new treaty, which would contemplate the annexation of the same strip of territory which it is proposed to acquire by General Sheridan's plans.

FROM JORDAN VALLEY – A. B. Farnsworth arrived from Jordan Valley yesterday where he had been rusticated for the past ten days. He reports no snow in the valley, and but little at Trout Creek which is rapidly disappearing. The farmers in that section are preparing to commence seeding in a few days. The Jordan Valley stock owners are all at the Owyhee River on a general rodder. Tom Pierson, of Silver, is in the valley trading off his stock of harness, saddles, whips etc., for live stock of all kinds, having already bargained for a large lot of chickens and other fowls. He expects soon to make a drive.

# Sports

## ✓ Marsing: Hardy's buzzer-beater gives Huskies third in district tourney

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the boys truly overachieved thanks to buying into a defensive mindset and out-working opponents," They all should be commended, as they continued to battle and improve the entire season, never giving up."

Ranked third in the Class 2A state poll, Wendell took control in the third quarter Saturday at Mountain Home High School. The Trojans used transition buckets and a tough rebounding strategy to break open the game. Wendell was 9-for-11 from the foul line after halftime.

The Trojans held Marsing (8-17 overall) to just 17 rebounds. The Huskies shot 33 percent (12-for-36) from the field and managed only five offensive boards.

Wendell's Hunter Laudert led all scorers with 13 points, while fellow all-leaguer Johnny Lancaster dropped in 11.

Freshman Enrique Quebrado dropped half of his field goals and was perfect in three trips to the free-throw line to lead Marsing with nine points. Senior Rodrigo Acuña wrapped up his high school career with seven points, five rebounds and three steals.

Junior Nick Lankow had five points and six rebounds, including four on the offensive end. Adam Marcial nailed a three-pointer.

**Thursday: Marsing 32, Cole Valley Christian 29** — For the second time in as many 2ADistrict III Tournament games, Hardy hit a last-second shot to push the Huskies to third place at Vallivue High School in Caldwell.

"Looking back, we had six



Marsing High School boys' basketball players and their coaches celebrate after Thursday's last-second victory over Cole Valley Christian at Vallivue High School in Caldwell. Photo by Dan Pease

losses on the year that were four points or less," Little said. "Their work ethic and defense kept them in games and paid off for them as they qualified for the state play-in game."

Hardy's buzzer-beater — his second three-pointer of the game -- gave Marsing its third narrow district tournament victory. The games were decided by an average margin of two points, and Hardy had the game-winning shot in the Feb. 23 losers bracket game against North Star Charter. He also hit a game-winning shot to beat New Plymouth, 50-49, in a Jan. 27 2A Western Idaho Conference season.

Against the Chargers, Marsing

rallied from a 23-20 deficit after three quarters.

The 29 points allowed to the Chargers (9-14) was the lowest total all season for Marsing's defense and marked the fourth time in five games that the Huskies had held opponents to 47 points or fewer. Cole Valley was held below 30 points for the second time since Feb. 12 and for the third time this season.

Hardy finished with eight points. Lankow led all players with 13 points and nine rebounds. Quebrado scored seven points.

James Lamb led the Chargers with nine points.

**Feb. 23: Marsing 36, North Star Charter 35** — Once again

with their backs against the wall, Marsing's players showed determination and defensive prowess to stay alive in the district tournament.

Hardy hit another game-winning shot, and Lankow and Acuña came up with clutch steals in the final 20 seconds against a North Star team that had played its way into the tournament then upset third-seeded Cole Valley Christian to reach the semifinals before losing to No. 2 Nampa Christian.

"It was a physical game, and the boys played extremely hard — definitely proving they want the season to continue," Little said. "The Marsing fans should be proud of their effort."

Coming out of a timeout, Hardy penetrated into the lane, head-faked and popped a 10-foot jump shot with seven seconds left for the game-winner.

Thirteen seconds earlier, Lankow prevented North Star's Grant Egan from hitting a breakaway layup to set the dramatics in motion. The junior hustled to tip the ball out of Egan's hands as he was going in for a layup that would have given North Star a three-point lead.

Lankow recovered to save the ball to Quebrado, and Little stopped the clock.

North Star had a chance after Hardy's clutch shot, but with six seconds left Acuña stole an inbounds pass at half-court to seal the victory. It was the senior guard's third steal of the game.

Marsing played catch-up throughout the game. Little said the team led for about 10 seconds in the second quarter, but North Star inched ahead for a 22-21 lead at the break.

Marsing held North Star to just three points in the final eight minutes and further stifled the visitors' offense with a 14-6 rebounding edge on North Star's backboards.

Acuña and Hardy scored 10 points each, and Lankow had eight points and a team-high eight rebounds.

Quebrado notched a team-high four assists and scored four points.

Jon Berger scored a game-high 11 points for North Star, while teammates Egan and Max Ledesma scored seven apiece.

# MARSING HUSKIES

## Athlete of the Week

Congratulations to Mason Hall, Marsing High School's only medalist at the 2A state tournament. His fourth-place finish at 220 pounds is the best for a sophomore in coach Jon Nelson's four years with the Huskies.

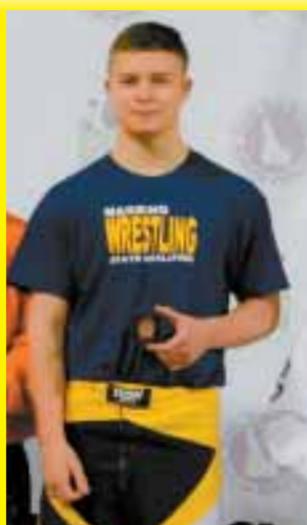


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Winter sports  
Boys' basketball  
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Third place, 2A District III  
Season complete, final record 8-17

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Mason Hall — 220-pound fourth place

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# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

## On the edge of common sense The tranquilizer gun



Unless you're a tiger trimmer in Tanganyika, the tranquilizer gun has not lived up to its potential. During its preliminary promotion, it was touted as the greatest invention since the rope. But, in the livestock business, it has never quite fulfilled its expectations. The biggest problem seems to be its predictable unpredictable results.

Most large-animal vets have tranquilizer guns. Some of my colleagues learned the fine art of using one. The rest of us have stuck away with our fleams and hog cholera vaccine. I suspect "operator error" had a lot to do with our failures.

Dr. Green said he and Dr. Corley used a tranquilizer gun with success when they were gatherin' wild cattle down in Mississippi. It gave them an advantage over better ropers in the area. Even a good roper has to get within throwin' distance.

The Outlaw family had eight cows and one uncatchable, wanderin' bull. The bull was part Braymer ... the uncatchable part. Mr. Outlaw kept 'em in a scrubby pasture next to his neighbor. This neighbor practiced rotational grazing, and his pasture was lush. Mr. Outlaw's bull spent most of his time at the neighbors'. Since the bull managed to crawl back through and breed the eight cows every spring, Mr. Outlaw saw no reason to be concerned.

When the threats became unbearable, Mr. Outlaw finally agreed to sell his wanderin' bull. He called on Drs. Green and Corley to expedite the matter.

Our boys arrived on the scene, chased the bull back onto the Outlaws' property and began to trail him through the brush. The bull took a breather in a clearin', and our ballistic vets pulled down and nailed him with the tranquilizer dart. They got him roped and staggered to the open-top trailer, where they tied him in. The bull laid down and passed out.

Mr. Outlaw was pleased: "I'm takin' him over to Bryan Brothers ... Oughta get a pretty penny for him!"

"Yup," Dr. Green said. "But he'd be worth more if he walked outta the trailer, fer sure."

"You bet, Doc. How long you reckon it'll take this tranquilizer to wear off?"

"Forty-five minutes to an hour."

"Great! I better git goin'!"

That afternoon, they saw Mr. Outlaw back home at the coffee shop.

"How'd it go?" they asked.

"Oh, fine, fine. Made a lotta money. Only had one problem. He was still down when I got there. I had to run him through the car wash twice to get him awake enough to sell!"

— Visit Baxter's Web site at [www.baxterblack.com](http://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.

Fred Kelly Grant

## Guest opinion

### We the people are the "Government"

Traveling through the West, talking to Tea Party meetings, I encounter many people new to the trials that besiege ranchers for. Some ask when the regulatory system got out of control. My answer is "About a decade before our Revolutionary War, 1766."

Westerners today face the exact issues faced by the citizens of the Colonies: a Congress (Parliament) that has no real regard, overall, for the West's problems, a President who has never put the benefits of the West into a high priority, and bureaucrats who overreach on a daily basis. Our courts are as out of touch with western land, water, minerals and abusive bureaucrats as were the English courts in 1776.

George Washington presided over those who wrote our Constitution for the purpose of replacing the King with the People. The Constitution made the People the Government.

As a people, we are the "Government." We elect lawmakers into the Congress and a law enforcer to the Presidency. We then rely on their integrity and good judgment to appoint the Judges who protect us under the Constitution. We elect state and local officials to serve us, but we do, in fact, control the government. It is up to us to assure that we are served well.

The Government is us. If we rationally and honestly examine the mess in which we find ourselves, if we analyze

the relationship between appointed bureaucrats and ranchers, farmers, loggers, miners, families who use the natural resources for recreation, we, like Walt Kelly's delightful cartoon opossum Pogo, must announce "We has meet the enemy and he is us."

The enemy is us because we tend to relax once we set the elected officials and appointed bureaucrats straight as to their duties. We let them slip back into old habits.

The People can again change that. An aggressively implemented coordination authority changed it once before in Owyhee County. Here, they wrote a plan that called for stable grazing levels and prevented a 40 percent reduction in grazing. They secured the delisting of the Bruneau Hot Springsnail by a District Court. By adopting a mini-plan for co-existence of grazing and the snail, even when the decision was reversed, there was no adverse impact from the listing. They prevented the listing of the spotted frog through coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

That history prepares them to prevent actions and plans based on fiction and policy rather than fact and science. They can deal with Bureau of Land Management employees who again try to overreach by extorting lengthy,

— See *Government*, Page 7B



Sen. Mike Crapo

## From Washington Congress must stop costly double-regulation of pesticides



Legislation that would eliminate a costly and redundant U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulation affecting pesticide users progressed in Congress when the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works (EPW), on which I serve, approved it as an amendment to S. 659, the Bipartisan Sportsmen's Act. This is an important step in clarifying congressional intent concerning federal regulation of pesticides and codifying long-standing interpretation of regulatory statutes after a 2009 court ruling imposed an additional layer of needless red tape.

For more than 30 years, the EPA has implemented a comprehensive and rigorous regulatory structure for pesticide applications under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). FIFRA governs the sale, distribution and use of pesticides, with the goal of protecting human health and the environment. The statute requires pesticides to be evaluated (undergoing more than 100 tests) and registered with the EPA. Users must comply with agency-approved, uniform labeling standards. Unfortunately, despite this federal regulatory framework already in place, a 2009 court decision forced EPA to begin requiring Clean Water Act (CWA) permits for certain applications of pesticides in or near water. This duplicative regulatory requirement went into effect in 2011.

Consideration of the Sportsmen's Act provided an opportunity to advance relief from this regulatory burden. The amendment approved by the EPW Committee was based on the bipartisan, standalone bill S. 1500, the Sensible Environmental Protection Act (SEPA), which I introduced with fellow Sen. Claire McCaskill (D-Mo.). Idaho Sen. Jim Risch is also among the 16 fellow senators from both sides of the aisle who joined me in introducing and co-sponsoring the measure. SEPA clarifies that CWA permits are not required for pesticide applications in or near water. The bill also requires the EPA to report to Congress on whether the FIFRA process can be improved to better protect human health and the environment.

As a result of this dual regulation, EPA has estimated an additional 365,000 pesticide users — including farmers, ranchers, state agencies, cities, counties, mosquito control districts, water districts, pesticide applicators and forest managers that perform 5.6 million pesticide applications annually — will be required to obtain CWA permits. This is nearly double the number of entities previously subjected to permitting requirements, costing more than \$50 million a year. In addition to the added compliance costs, the extra permitting requirement exposes regulated entities to increased litigation risks.

Pesticides are utilized by property owners, land and wildlife managers to combat invasive species, manage vegetation and promote healthy forests, rangelands and waterways that provide habitat for fish and wildlife. As such, the Sportsmen's Act was an appropriate measure to advance this regulatory relief issue. Healthy habitats support our communities and the outdoor recreation activities we cherish in Idaho and millions of Americans participate in each year. Eliminating regulatory burdens will free up time and resources for our land and wildlife managers to do their jobs and execute on-the-ground management objectives, which will benefit all our communities.

I continue to maintain that we must have clean water, but overloading land and resource stewards with paperwork and red tape is not the way to achieve this goal. Far more can be achieved by working with producers and water users to institute sensible practices. I will continue to work for approval of this legislation as we continue to push back against the inappropriate regulatory expansion of the CWA.

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

# Commentary

## Financial management

### Keep retirement money out of CDs to protect against inflation

**Dear Dave,**

My wife and I are in our early 70s, and we're retired. We have about \$136,000 in corporate bonds and \$200,000 in mutual funds. Considering our age, should we move the investments into a CD?

— Kurt

**Dear Kurt,**

There's always a chance you'll lose money if you leave it in mutual funds and bonds. That's the nature of the market. But there's another kind of risk based on what you're proposing, and that's risk of value because of inflation.

Assuming you two are in good health, you could expect to live another 10 to 20 years. Most current CD rates are less than 1 percent. Even if they rise to 2 or 3 percent in the future, do you really

want to see that kind of return when inflation is likely to rise 4 percent annually? That's, in itself, a type of risk, so I would urge you to keep that in mind.

No, I wouldn't advise moving all of your money to CDs. If I were in your shoes, I'd live off the income generated by my mutual fund investments. As for the corporate bonds, I'm not a big fan of those. They entail almost as much risk as mutual funds without the good returns (on average) over a long period of time.

If you're concerned about stability, I'm OK with you taking a little money from your bonds and putting it into a CD right now. But I wouldn't touch the mutual funds.

—Dave

**Dear Dave,**

My wife received \$100 from



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her parents for her birthday. When I asked what she planned to do with it, she said she was going to add it to her spending money. I think she should put it toward us paying off debt, but

I bit my tongue and didn't say anything. We're in pretty good shape financially, so should I mention it or just let it go?

— Charles

**Dear Charles,**

I'm sure you're a smart man, so you'll understand when I tell you — for the sake of your marriage and mental health — to let this one go. Seriously, is \$100 going to move the needle that much? It's her birthday, and it was a gift designed to let her do something nice for herself. There's absolutely nothing wrong with her spending a little bit on herself on her special day.

If she had asked me about this, I would have told her it was fine. If she had asked me about putting it toward debt, I would have said that's fine, too. It's not a big deal

for someone to have a little fun once in a while. But it's a bad plan for you to try to get at her gift. Just let it go, and do your part to make sure she knows that you love her and that she has a great birthday!

—Dave

— Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business as well as the CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored five New York Times best-selling books. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 11 million listeners each week on more than 550 radio stations and digital outlets. Dave's latest project, EveryDollar, provides a free online budget tool. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the Web at daveramsey.com.

## Letters to the editor

### As Paul's ends, so does era of quality, customer service

Bye, bye, friend.

We will start this letter by saying to all parties profiting from the loss of a Homedale success story, "Good for you."

Paul's was a benchmark for other markets to strive for in customer service and product excellence. A meat department that had no equal, a deli and bakery that knew no strangers.

We have watched other markets where the new Albertsons conglomerate bullied their way in, and the customers have always lost.

The Albertsons stores of today would have Joe Albertson spinning in his grave. We can only hope the future will not have Paul Zatica spinning in his.

We will be looking forward to our now longer drive to find that personal connection and quality control we took for granted. Driving to Kuna or Middleton from Homedale or on our trips to the family cabin in McCall, it will now be Ridley's as our primary store for our groceries, but we are sure since Albertsons will be in those same markets as Paul's was, Ridley's will be bullied, in time, similar to Smith's Food King and the old IGA stores. Stand strong, Ridley's and fight.

We also would hope that Albertsons retains as many of the fabulous employees that have been fortunate enough to have been under the tutelage of Paul Zatica, an "old school" patriarch, and to have learned the right way to run

### Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the May 17 primary election until noon on Friday, May 6.

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

For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

a hometown business, believing that the customers, quality products and dedicated service is what builds a company that customers want to support with their hard-earned dollars, as did "Joe" Albertson.

Doug and Tauna Brodhecker  
Homedale

### Choose Cruz over Trump in Tuesday's GOP primary

This letter is aimed at Trump supporters. Donald Trump is saying what every right-thinking American wants to hear. I hope that you will take time to check into his past. He

says he will build a wall and the Mexicans will pay for it. How? He will put tariffs on Mexican and Chinese goods. What he will do, is get us in a trade war.

He has no political philosophy. He is a PAC (political action committee). He distributes money wherever it will do him the most good. He gives money to Harry Reid, Charlie Rangel, Charles Schumer, the Democratic National Committee or the Clintons. Is this the man you want to nominate the next Supreme Court justice? Think about it.

Instead of picking a brash unknown quantity, think about putting that X in the Ted Cruz box. Ted has a philosophy that he practices every day of his life. He will appoint a nominee who will defend the Constitution of the United States. He will defend and control the borders. He will demand a rewrite of our tax laws that will bring corporate money back and also encourage businesses to expand and new businesses to start. He will undo Obamacare. He will tear up the agreement with Iran and track and annihilate ISIS. He will strengthen our military and be proud that we are the most powerful country in the world. He will work to balance the budget and reduce the national debt. He will defend the second amendment of our constitution. He will undo all of the regulations that stifle business that Obama enacted without the consent of Congress.

Ted believes in LIMITED government!

Think about it folks. This might be the one and only time to get it right. Vote for a proven conservative.

P. T. Rathbone  
Marsing

## ✓ Government: Owyheans must remember their power in fight against federal overreach

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multi-year rest contracts from ranchers in the post-Soda Fire aftermath. They simply have to remember how they did it before.

In The Owyhee Avalanche's photos of the Soda Fire meeting, I saw stress and anxiety reminiscent of those early days of coordination. It hurt to see familiar faces again distraught. But the hurt was comforted by the knowledge that these People know their authority and know how to pressure elected officials to exercise it for them. So, once again in 2016, the Government — the People — of Owyhee County must show bureaucratic appointees that they are not the governing but the governed.

In his farewell address to the nation, George Washington pointed out that the People must prevent overreach of the law by appointed servants. The Government is us, and We don't have to be the enemy.

— Fred Kelly Grant is currently counsel for The Stand and Fight Club ([www.standandfightclub.com](http://www.standandfightclub.com)). He served on the first Owyhee Initiative Board and was Owyhee County consultant on coordination for more than 10 years. Member of Maryland Bar, graduate of Nampa High School, The College of Idaho and University of Chicago Law School. He wrote this editorial on Feb. 22, which is George Washington's birthday.

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# Public notices

## BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

A public meeting will be held on March 28, 2016 at 6:00 pm in the annex building of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 17069 Basey St. in Murphy, Idaho. The purpose of this meeting will be to hear public comments on the proposed color-coded road categorization on the RS2477 right of way quadrangle maps within portions of the following townships and ranges:

01S02W; 02S02W; 03S02W; S½S½ of 01S01W; 02S01W; 03S01W; 04S01W; N½ of 05S01W; W½W½ of 02S01E; 03S01E; 04S01E; N½ of 05S01E; SWSW¼ of 03S02E; 04S02E; 05S02E; 06S02E; SWSW ¼ of 04S03E; 05S03E; 06S03E; 05S04E; 06S04E; 05S05E; 06S05E; 07S05E; N½N½ of 08S05E; S½S½ of 05S06E; 06S06E; 07S06E; N½N½ of 08S06E; S½S½ of 05S07E; 06S07E; 07S07E; N½N½ of 08S07E; SWSW¼ of 05S08E; W½ of 06S08E; 07S08E; and the N½N½ of 08S08E.

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

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Marsing City Council will hold a public hearing at Marsing City Hall, 425 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. to consider whether to repeal Ordinance No. A82 A thereby disbanding the planning and zoning commission and repealing the corresponding ordinance provisions detailing the respective duties of the Commission and of the Planning and Zoning Administrator.

Any and all persons desiring to comment may appear and be heard at the appointed time. Written comments accepted at City Hall, 425 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho, until 5:00 p.m. on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

Any person with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation to make it easier to use City facilities or programs, or request that the City provide information in a different way. Any person needing special accommodations to participate in the above noticed meeting should contact Marsing City Clerk, Janice Bicandi, telephone: 208-896-4122, two (2) days prior to the meeting.

Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Marsing City Council will hold a public hearing at Marsing City Hall, 425 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. to consider whether to adopt Resolution

No. 132 thereby establishing reasonable fees to offset certain administrative costs.

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Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

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## NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE CASE NO. CV-2016-866-H IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

IN RE: Edna Marisela Vazquez.

A Petition to change the name of Edna Marisela Vazquez, now residing in the City of Homedale, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to Edna Marisela Flores. The reason for the change in name is: to have the same last name as my husband.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on April 20, 2016 at the Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.

Date: February 25, 2016

Clerk of the District Court

By: Cindy Chaves, Deputy Clerk

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV2016-0837 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

In the Matter of the Estate of MARY ELLEN LOOTENS, Deceased Person.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be both filed with the Court and presented to the Personal Representative of the estate at the law office of DAVID E. KERRICK, 1001 Blaine Street, (Post Office Box 44) Caldwell, Idaho 83606.

DATED this 11 day of February, 2016.

Helen Nicolosi, Personal Representative

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV-2016-0843

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN under Idaho Code section 15-3-801 that, in connection with the foregoing case number in the Owyhee County District Court,

SCOTT WILLIAMS has been appointed Personal Representative of the probate estate of JOSEPH SWINDELL, deceased. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned attorney at number 101 Eagle Glen Lane, Eagle, Idaho 83616 (telephone no. 208-939-2600), and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

Barry Peters, Attorney at Law

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## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Tuesday, the 24th day of May, 2016, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m. of said day in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Ryan M. Fawcett, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

LOT 5 OF BLOCK 1 OF BIG SKY ESTATES NO. 1, PART OF GOVERNMENT LOT 4, SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, BOISE MERIDIAN, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF FILED OCTOBER 26, 1978 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 156593 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 600 E. Selway Dr., Homedale, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by FRED CUELLAR JR. and BELINDA CUELLAR, Husband and Wife, Grantor, to Ryan M. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of FIRST SECURITY BANK, N.A., recorded May 15, 2000, as Instrument No. 232341, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to the IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on May 15, 2000, as Instrument No. 232342, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated May 12, 2000, in the amount of \$678.00 each, for the months of June through December, 2015, inclusive; and for each and every month thereafter until date

of sale or reimbursement. All delinquent payments are now due, plus accumulated late charges, plus any costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure. The accrued interest is at the rate of 7.25% per annum from May 1, 2015. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$38,767.24, plus accrued interest at the rate of 7.25% per annum from May 1, 2015.

DATED This 22nd day of January, 2016

RYAN M. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE

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## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. No. 036088-ID Parcel No.: RPA0010052011AA NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE On 6/14/2016 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), in the LOBBY OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, located at 20381 HIGHWAY 78, MURPHY, ID 83650, in the County of Owyhee, SYDNEY K. LEAVITT, ESQ., a member of the State Bar of Idaho, of ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit: LOTS 11 AND 12 IN BLOCK 52 OF THE AMENDED PLAT OF THE TOWNSITE OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 122 W MONTANA AVE, HOMEDALE, ID 83628, is commonly associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by JULIE A SCOTT, MARRIED, SOLE AND SEPARATE, as Grantor(s), to PIONEER TITLE CO., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST MORTGAGE COMPANY OF IDAHO LLC, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 7/15/2009, recorded 7/17/2009, as Instrument No. 268715, official records of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please note: The above named Grantors are named to comply with Idaho Code Section 45-1506(4)(a); no representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for the obligation. The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to make monthly payments when due from 7/1/2015 and all subsequent monthly payments thereafter, including installments of principal, interest, impounds, advances, plus any charges lawfully due under the note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust, Deed of Trust and as allowed under Idaho Law. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust as of 2/1/2016 is \$42,547.35 including interest, costs, fees, including trustee and/or attorney fees and costs, and expenses

actually incurred in enforcing the obligation thereunder or in this sale and to protect the security associated with the Deed of Trust, as authorized in the Note, Deed of Trust or as allowed under Idaho Law. Because interest, late charges, fees, costs and expenses continue to accrue, the total amount due varies from day to day. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after receipt of funds to satisfy the debt. For further information, write the Trustee at 4375 Jutland Drive, Ste. 200, San Diego, CA 92117, or call (866)931-0036 DATED: 2/1/2016 SYDNEY K. LEAVITT, ESQ., a member of the State Bar of Idaho, of ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP

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## THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN FILED TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO:

57-11857, FLYING M PROPERTIES LLC, PO BOX 7, HOMEDALE, ID 83628

Point of Diversion NWN S8 T03N R05W OWYHEE County Source SUCCOR CREEK Tributary SNAKE RIVER

Point of Diversion L3(NWSW) S7 T03N R05W OWYHEE County Source SUCCOR CREEK Tributary SNAKE RIVER

Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to 11/15 0.18 CFS

Total Diversion: 0.18 CFS

Date Filed: 1/26/2015

Place of Use: IRRIGATION

T03N R05W S5 SWSE

Total Acres: 9.2

57-11866, ARNOLD H HIPWELL, JOYCE HIPWELL, 21674 RIVER RD, GRAND VIEW, ID 83624

Point of Diversion SWSE S27 T04S R02E OWYHEE County Source WASTE WATER Tributary SNAKE RIVER

Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to 11/15 1.52 CFS

Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 to 12/31 0.12 CFS

Total Diversion: 1.64 CFS

Date Filed: 7/27/2015

Places of Use: IRRIGATION, STOCKWATER

T04S R02E S27 SWSW

T04S R02E S28 SENE NESE

T04S R02E S34 NWN NENW

Total Acres: 76

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208) 334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s), please see [www.idwr.idaho.gov/WaterManagement/WaterRights](http://www.idwr.idaho.gov/WaterManagement/WaterRights). Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of the application(s) must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 3/21/2016. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Director

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trade it, rent it...  
in the  
**Classifieds!**

# Public notices

## PUBLIC NOTICE: REQUEST FOR

### Notice of Intent to Approve a Draft Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, Disposal Permit Renewal for US Ecology Site B [Docket # 10HW-1601]

Notice Issued: March 2, 2016

**What is the purpose of this notice?** The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is proposing to approve a renewed Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facility Permit for the U.S. Ecology Idaho (USEI) Site B Facility. The draft Permit is based on the Permit renewal application submitted by USEI as required under Idaho's Hazardous Waste Management Act. Such Permit renewals are not unilaterally approved by DEQ. Before approval, you (the public), and the applicant are provided an opportunity to comment on the draft Permit which was prepared by DEQ.

**What Is Proposed?** The draft Permit specifies procedures to manage and operate the Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facility. The draft Permit, in its entirety, is open for public review and comment. The draft Permit is hereby proposed for approval.

**Facility description:** USEI Site B is located approximately 10 miles west of Grandview, Idaho. The present facility consists of operating and closed landfills, surface impoundments, treatment areas, and storage areas.

**Where can I get more information?** **In person:** The draft Permit, Fact Sheet, and Administrative Record for the facility may be reviewed at the DEQ State Office, located at 1410 North Hilton, in Boise, Idaho. **Online:** A copy of the Fact Sheet and the draft Permit is available on-line via the DEQ web site: <http://www.deq.idaho.gov/news-public-comments-events/> **By phone:** Call Kim Custer at (208) 373-0130.

Persons wanting to be added or deleted from the facility mailing list may contact Ms. Rene Anderson at the same address and/or at (208) 373-0210.

**When are written comments due?** 5 p.m. MST on April 18, 2016.

Comments should be addressed to Robert Bullock, c/o Jenny Shafer, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706. Comments may also be submitted via the online form at the DEQ website listed above.

**DEQ Contact Name:** Robert Bullock **Phone:** (208) 373-0502 **Fax:** (208) 373-0154 **E-mail:** [robert.bullock@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:robert.bullock@deq.idaho.gov)

**US Ecology Idaho, Inc. Contact Name:** Noel Bailey **Address:** P.O. Box 400, Grand View, ID 83624 **Phone:** (208) 834-2275 ext 314 **Email:** [NBAILEY@usecology.com](mailto:NBAILEY@usecology.com)

**Who will be responsible for implementing this permit?** U.S. Ecology Idaho, Inc.

**Who is the issuing office?** Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 North Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706

**What are DEQ's responsibilities?** DEQ is the regulatory agency that helps protect and enhance Idaho's water and air quality and helps ensure proper management and disposal of hazardous and solid wastes. One way DEQ does this is by requiring permits for certain activities.

**What legal requirements apply?** Idaho's rules for administrative procedures require that DEQ provide an owner (or operator) and the public, through a newspaper notice, the opportunity to

submit written comments on the draft Permit.

**What happens next?** DEQ will consider any comments and/or requests for a hearing on the proposed permit and will either announce a time and place for a hearing, revise the draft Permit, or approve the draft Permit as proposed.

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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Idaho Power Company Project No. 2055-099

NOTICE OF APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, AND PROTESTS

(February 10, 2016)

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Application Type: Amendment to Land Management Plan  
b. Project No: 2055-099  
c. Date Filed: December 29, 2015

d. Applicant: Idaho Power Company

e. Name of Project: C.J. Strike Hydroelectric Project

f. Location: The project is located on the Snake and Bruneau Rivers, in Elmore and Owyhee counties, Idaho.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791a - 825r

h. Applicant Contact: L. Lewis Wardle, Senior Biologist - Licensing Program; [lwardle@idahopower.com](mailto:lwardle@idahopower.com); (208) 388-2964

i. FERC Contact: Krista Sakallaris, (202) 502-6302, Krista.Sakallaris@ferc.gov

j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests: March 10, 2015.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, or recommendations using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-2055-099.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. Description of Request: Idaho Power Company (IPC) filed a five-year compliance report for the C.J. Strike Project's approved land management plan as well as proposed updates to the existing plan. Updates include new land-use classification maps based off previously approved changes

and modifications to the use classification of private boat docks on conservation and agriculture/grazing land. IPC proposes to change the use classification of private boat docks to "conditional" in conservation and agriculture/grazing land-use areas, which are currently listed as prohibited uses. To remain consistent across projects, IPC proposes the modification due to changes in land ownership and land use patterns from open-range grazing to private/rural-residential uses in the project area, as well as at several other IPC projects. IPC states that by listing private boat docks as conditional it would review all applications to ensure the proposal does not have adverse resource effects. Additionally, all dock applications would be required to meet the IPC's existing boat dock standards and applicants would be required to obtain the required state and federal permits and consult with specified resource agencies.

l. Locations of the Application: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/subscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214, respectively. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. Filing and Service of Documents: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting, protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis. Any filing made by an intervenor must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission

in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr., Deputy Secretary.  
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## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

**On FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 2016, AT THE HOUR OF 11:00 o'clock A.M., local time, of said day, at the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650,** Jonathon D. Hallin, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, together with fixtures, of the following described real property in Owyhee County, Idaho:

This parcel is a portion of Government Lot 3 of Section 14 and the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 15 of Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and is more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Northwest corner of said Government Lot 3; thence

South 00°04'05" West along the West boundary of said Government Lot 3 a distance of 309.62 feet to a point on the North boundary of Parcel 5 as shown on R.O.S. Instrument No. 165969 on file in the Office of the Recorder, Owyhee County, said point also being the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence

South 89°54'51" East along the North boundary of said Parcel 5 a distance of 439.88 feet; thence leaving said North boundary and bearing South 24°27'45" West a distance of 165.26 feet; thence

South 56°24'01" East a distance of 141.72 feet; thence

South 00°03'35" West a distance of 211.27 feet to a point on the South boundary of said Parcel 5; thence

North 89°54'51" West along said South boundary a distance of 787.33 feet to the Southwest corner of said Parcel 5; thence traversing the West boundary of said Parcel 5 as follows:

North 10°57'29" West a distance of 254.02 feet;

North 51°42'29" West a distance of 226.70 feet;

North 20°13'29" West a distance of 53.82 feet to the Northwest corner of said Parcel 5; thence

South 89°55'08" East along the North boundary of said Parcel 5 a distance of 542.88 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Together with a 60.00 foot wide ingress-egress easement described as follows:

A 60.00 foot wide ingress-egress easement being a portion of Government Lot 3 of Section 14, Township 2 North, Range 4 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, the centerline of which is more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Northwest corner of said Government Lot 3; thence

South 00°04'05" West along the West boundary of said Government Lot 3 a distance of 309.62 feet to a point on the North boundary of Parcel 5 as shown on Record of Survey Instrument No. 165969, on file in the Office of the Recorder, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence

South 89°54'51" East along the North boundary of said Parcel 5 a distance of 1265.77 feet to a

point on the centerline of the Old Bruneau Highway; thence

South 08°13'59" West along said centerline a distance of 223.80 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence leaving said centerline and traversing a curve to the left having a radius of 95.84 feet, a central angle of 37°25'19", an arc length of 62.60 feet and a long chord which bears South 61°19'15" West a distance of 61.49 feet; thence

South 42°35'57" West a distance of 66.89 feet; thence along a curve to the right having a radius of 150.26 feet, a central angle of 62°19'14", an arc length of 163.44 feet and a long chord which bears South 73°45'34" West a distance of 155.50 feet; thence

North 75°04'49" West a distance of 185.28 feet; thence

North 84°44'08" West a distance of 318.06 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Commonly known as: 6900 Wild Game Lane, Marsing, Idaho 83639.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrance to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust described as follows:

A Deed of Trust to secure an indebtedness of \$232,987.00, and any other amounts as therein provided, payable under the terms, conditions, provisions and stipulations thereof:

Dated: May 8, 2009

Grantor: Joseph Hill and Loreta Hill, husband and wife

Trustee: Title One

Beneficiary: Mountain West Bank

Recorded: May 14, 2009

Instrument No.: 268175

Re-recorded: June 19, 2009

Instrument No.: 268467

THE GRANTORS NAMED HEREIN ARE LISTED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506 OF THE IDAHO CODE. No representation is made whether or not they are currently responsible for the obligation listed herein.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is in default for failure of the obligors to pay the monthly payments for September, October, November and December 2015, and January 1, 2016. As of January 11, 2016, the outstanding principal balance owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust was \$203,174.45, plus accrued interest and late charges in the amount of \$5,935.90. Additional interest accrues at the rate of 4.980% per annum or \$26.92806 per day. Grantors must also pay outstanding taxes, interest, penalties, late charges, service charges, appraisal fees, title policy fees, and any other disbursements, costs, fees or expenses incurred or paid by the Beneficiary and/or Trustee associated with this Notice of Default and/or foreclosure as provided by the Deed of Trust, Promissory Note, or by Idaho law. JONATHON D. HALLIN, Attorney at Law, is successor trustee of said Deed of Trust.

DATED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2016.

JONATHON HALLIN, Trustee, 601 E. Front Ave., Suite 502, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814 (208) 667-0517

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# Public notices

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Thursday, June 9, 2016 at the hour of 10:30AM, of said day, on the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashiers check, certified check or tellers check, (from a bank which has a branch in the community at the site of the sale), money order, State of Idaho check or local government check, or cash equivalent in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the same time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit:

### Tract 1:

A portion of the South One-Half, Section 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the North Quarter corner of Section 3, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, from which the center of Section 3, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, bears

South 01°55'38" East, 2,547.15 feet; thence

South 0°18'00" West 90.00 feet along the Westerly right-of-way line of the Bruneau Highway to a point; thence

South 32°58'00" East 11.92 feet along the Southwesterly right-of-way line of the Bruneau Highway to a point; thence

North 89°57'44" West 50.54 feet along a line parallel with and 100.00 feet Southerly from (measured at right angles) the Northerly boundary of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 3; thence

North 24°45'55" West 236.65 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing North 24°45'55" West 10.49 feet to a point; thence

North 60°33'13" East 74.50 feet to a point on the Southwesterly right-of-way line of the Bruneau Highway, said point being

South 33°18'36" East 135.75 feet from the Southeasterly right-of-way of 1st Street South; thence

South 33°18'36" East 49.25 feet along said Southwesterly right-of-way of the Bruneau Highway to a point; thence

South 86°44'03" West 87.67 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Excepting all mineral and mineral rights as reference in Deed recorded June 18, 1992 as Instrument No. 208169 official records, and in Deed recorded June 1, 1998 as Instrument No. 225034 official records of Owyhee County.

### Tract 2:

A portion of the South One-Half, Section 34, Township 3 North,

Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, and a portion of the North One-Half Section 3, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the North Quarter corner of Section 3, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, said point being the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING from which the center of Section 3, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian bears

South 01°55'38" East 2,547.15 feet; thence

South 0°18'00" West 90.00 feet along the Westerly right-of-way line of the Bruneau Highway to a point; thence

South 32°58'00" East 11.92 feet along the Southwesterly right-of-way line of the Bruneau Highway to a point; thence

North 89°57'44" West 50.54 feet along a line parallel with and 100.00 feet Southerly from (measured at right angles) the Northerly boundary of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 3; thence

North 24°45'55" West 236.65 feet to a point; thence

North 86°44'03" East 87.67 feet to a point on the Southwesterly right-of-way line of the Bruneau Highway, said point being

South 33°18'36" East 185.00 feet from the Southeasterly right-of-way line of 1st Street South; thence

South 33°18'36" East 102.53 feet along said Southwesterly right-of-way line of the Bruneau Highway to a point; thence

South 0°18'00" West 34.22 feet along said Westerly right-of-way line of the Bruneau Highway to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Excepting all mineral and mineral rights as reference in Deed recorded June 18, 1992 as Instrument No. 208169 official records, and in Deed recorded June 1, 1998 as Instrument No. 225034 official records of Owyhee County.

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH IDAHO CODE, SECTION 60-113, THE TRUSTEE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE STREET ADDRESS OF: 117 Bruneau Highway, Marsing, ID 83639, MAY SOMETIMES BE ASSOCIATED WITH SAID REAL PROPERTY. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THE EXACT LOCATION OF SAID PROPERTY, PLEASE CONTACT ALLIANCE TITLE & ESCROW CORP. AT 208-947-1553.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust

executed by Paul B. Silvis and Heather A. Silvis, husband and wife, as Grantor to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Mark D. Perison an unmarried man as Successor Beneficiary, recorded July 11, 2012 as Instrument No. 278089, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is failure to:

Make principal and interest payments as set forth on said Deed of Trust and Promissory Note. The original loan amount was \$70,692.28 together with interest thereon at the rate of 11% per annum, as evidenced in Promissory Note dated June 29, 2012. Payments are in default for the months of November 2015 through and including January 2016 in the amount of \$244.34 per month and continuing each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance as of February 9, 2016 is \$23,401.98 together with accrued and accruing interest thereon. In addition to the above, there is also due any impound fees, late charges, advances, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this foreclosure.

The balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$23,401.98, excluding interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder or in this sale, as trustee's fees and/or reasonable attorney's fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust.

Dated: February 5, 2016

Alliance Title & Escrow Corp.,  
By: Melissa Ambriz, Trust Officer,  
Phone: 208-947-1553. File No.:  
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This communication is on behalf of a debt collector and is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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## NOTICE

The Idaho State Treasurer's Unclaimed Property Program acts as a consumer protection agency to ensure forgotten funds are returned to their rightful owners. Idaho Unclaimed Property regularly posts an updated list of owners on the internet. This online list can be viewed at [yourmoney.idaho.gov](http://yourmoney.idaho.gov). Unclaimed Property consists of abandoned bank accounts, forgotten refund checks, utility deposits, gift certificates, and more.

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## 2016 EARLY SPRING INTERNET AUCTION

### INTERNET ONLY BIDDING

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### SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2016

Located: At the East Edge of Homedale, Idaho at the Homedale Beet Dump.

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**COMBINE:** JD 9750 STS combine w/925 R grain head & cart • JD 8 row 22" corn head

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## The Owyhee Avalanche

**337-4681**

# Public notices

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE 2016 REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION IN OWYHEE COUNTY**

The Owyhee County Republican Presidential Primary Election will be held on Tuesday March 8th 2016 from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm at the following precinct polling places:

- Precinct 01 North Homedale – Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Avenue Homedale
- Precinct 02 South Homedale – Homedale City Hall, 31 W.

- Wyoming Avenue Homedale
- Precinct 03 North Marsing – Marsing Community Center 126 2nd Ave. N. Marsing
- Precinct 04 South Marsing – Extension Office, 238 W. 8th Ave. Marsing
- Precinct 05 Pleasant Valley – Mail Ballot
- Precinct 06 Wilson – Wilson Fire Station, 10427 Johnston Lane, Wilson
- Precinct 07 Murphy – Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78 Murphy
- Precinct 08 Oreana –

- Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Road, Oreana
- Precinct 09 Grandview – Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave Grand View
- Precinct 10 Bruneau – American Legion Building 32536 Belle Ave. Bruneau
- Precinct 11 Riddle – Mail Ballot
- Precinct 12 Three Creek – Mail Ballot
- Precinct 13 Absentee - Courthouse 20381 State Hwy 78 Murphy 3/2/16

**SAMPLE BALLOT PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY REPUBLICAN PARTY OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO MARCH 8, 2016**

INSTRUCTIONS: Vote for the candidate as you desire by placing an X in the small square at the right of their name.

**CANDIDATES FOR THE REPUBLICAN PARTY**

**FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for One)**

- Jeb Bush .....
- Ben Carson.....
- Chris Christie .....
- Ted Cruz.....
- Carly Fiorina .....
- Lindsey Graham.....
- Mike Huckabee .....
- John R. Kasich.....
- Peter Messina.....
- Rand Paul.....
- Marco Rubio .....
- Rick Santorum .....
- Donald J. Trump .....

**SAMPLE BALLOT PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY CONSTITUTION PARTY OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO MARCH 8, 2016**

INSTRUCTIONS: Vote for the candidate as you desire by placing an X in the small square at the right of their name.

**CANDIDATES FOR THE CONSTITUTION PARTY**

**FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for One)**

- Scott Copeland.....
- J.R. Myers .....
- Patrick Anthony Ockander.....

# Sports

## Former prep softball standouts cross paths on college diamonds

The college seasons of a trio of former local high school softball are mirroring each other in the early going.

Former Homedale High School all-conference players Katie Deal and Elise Shenk, and former Marsing all-conference standout Mariah Kinney will compete in the Inter-Region Tournament on Friday and Saturday in Lacey, Wash.



Mariah Kinney

The three athletes also shared the field last weekend during a preseason tournament in Richland, Wash.



Elise Shenk

Deal is a sophomore at Wenatchee Valley College in Washington state, while Kinney, a sophomore, and Shenk, a freshman, both suit up for Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

One of two Idaho players on Knights coach Shelly Pflugrath's roster, Deal is the starting third baseman at the Wenatchee, Wash., school. She's also a team captain this year. Deal started a third for the Knights as a freshman in 2015. She's on track to graduate in June with an Associate's degree in Science. The daughter of Kathy and Burke Deal plans to become a physician's assistant.

The daughter of Dave and Shelley Shenk, Elise Shenk redshirted last year after signing to play with coach Gordy Ogawa's Chukars. She and Kinney are utility players



Homedale High School graduate Katie Deal is a sophomore third baseman at Wenatchee Valley College in Washington State. Submitted photo

for TVCC, according to the team's online roster. She's majoring in Pre-Occupational Therapy.

The daughter of Jeff and Shari Kinney, Mariah Kinney will graduate in June with a Physical Therapy degree. She is active in student leadership as a special events coordinator.

The three former all-conference prep players will reunite in Wenatchee on March 25 for a Northwest Athletic Conference (NWAC) doubleheader, and the Knights visit TVCC for a twin bill at noon and 2 p.m. on April 30.

TVCC's first games close to home come Tuesday with a non-conference doubleheader in Caldwell against The College of Idaho, at 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The Chukars' first home appearance is a NWAC doubleheader against Spokane Community College at 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. on March 18.

## Owyhee desert bike races start Saturday

The Southwest Idaho Desert Racing Association season begins Saturday in Owyhee County.

The Oreana 100 is the first of four races planned for the county in March and April, according to www.sidraracing.org.

The 19<sup>th</sup> annual Oreana 100 Hare and Hound race starts at 9 a.m. for mini-bikes and 11 a.m. for big bikes.

Registration will be taken

between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Friday and between 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. on Saturday.

Other upcoming races include:

- The Oreana 100 on Saturday, March 20, west of Grand View
- The Rabbit Creek 100 on Saturday and Sunday, April 2-3, off Silver City Road is the annual American Motorcycle Association National Hare and Hound Association race presented by DIRT Inc.

• The Owyhee Outlaws will present a race April 23 near Murphy.

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