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HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO



Afternoon shower brings colorful sight

The end of the rainbow landed at the entrance into Homedale on Thursday evening. The rain storm started shortly after 4 p.m, and lasted about two hours. Data provided by Helena Chemical of Homedale shows .11 inches of rain fell during the storm.

Homedale could get new council member tonight

The Homedale City Council could return to its full complement of members tonight.

The council could discuss Mayor Gheen Christoffersen's appointee and possibly make a decision. are former city councilmen, and Samuel Page ran for mayor six years ago. Citizen Michael Aebischer also submitted a letter of interest last month.

The council also will hear summer feeding program



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2016

Marsing could end its P&Z tonight

Hearing on new fees slated, too

Getting rid of Marsing's Planning and Zoning Commission will be the main topic tonight in City Hall.

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.

If the council approves the proposal, the P&Z commission would be dissolved and the corresponding ordinance provisions — See Marsing, page 5A

Incumbents are all in for primary

Homedale Dem files to seek 23A seat again

After the first week of candidate filing, the anticipated Republican

The item is the first on the agenda for the meeting, which begins at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Four men have been named as possible candidates to serve the final two years of the term for the office left vacant when Vonnie Harkins died earlier this year. Tim Downing and Dave Downum coordinator Teresa Bettleyon's request to serve free meals to children ages 1-18 at Riverside Park this summer.

The regular departmental reports also will be heard from Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller and public works supervisor Bret Smith.

— JPB

Classmates for a day

Emma Nelson (left) and Marsing Elementary School principal Mary Lou Lopez hold up their completed spelling tests Thursday. For more on Lopez's Shadow a Student, see **Page 9A** County prosecuting attorney has materialized.

Two-term incumbent Douglas D. Emery and former two-term prosecutor Ed Yarbrough both filed their nomination petitions with the county clerk's office. Thus far, the prosecutor race is

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Owyhee issues dominate next BLM RAC meeting

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Several Owyhee County-related issues will come before a Bureau of Land Management advisory panel next Wednesday.

The BLM Boise District Resource Advisory Council meets from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. inside the district office, 3948 S. Development Avenue. A public comment period will be held at 11 a.m.

The meeting will include updates on the Soda Fire emergency stabilization and rehabilitation efforts, the greater sage-grouse conservation plan implementation, the Gateway West Transmission Line Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for segments 8 and 9 and the Bruneau Off-Range Corrals, which is the Simplot Co.-owned wild horse facility on Jacks Creek Road.

The RAC's subcommittee formed for the Proposed Tri-State Fuels Project will provide a report on their first meeting.

There will be a presentation and discussion on the use of native versus non-native plants in rehabilitation of public lands.

To receive an agenda for the meeting or for more information, call BLM Boise District RAC Coordinator MJ Byrne at (208) 384-3393.

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Adrian gets grant, will seek levy

Adrian School District patrons soon will be invited to an information night to learn about plans to build a new gymnasium.

In the district's March newsletter, superintendent Gene Mills announced that a \$945,000 Oregon School Construction Improvement Matching grant has been approved.

Now, the district must come up with another \$945,000 to match the grant. The plan is to float a levy election on May 17.

The school board probably will set a date and time for a public meeting during at its regular meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday inside the Adrian School Library.

The information night will be held in late March or early April, and patrons will be able to ask questions and make suggestions.

In the district newsletter, Mills said that \$1.89 million would be used to build a new gym on the site of the old elementary school and remodel existing structures.

"It should be noted that we will not receive the grant amount unless we pass a 'matching' local levy," Mills wrote.







Remembering a First Lady

Homedale public works employee lowers the U.S. flag to halfstaff Monday morning after President Barack Obama ordered all flags lowered in honor of former First Lady Nancy Reagan, who died at the age of 94 on Sunday. The flags will be raised to their normal position after her funeral, which is set for Friday afternoon.

HOMEDALE BOOSTERS THANK YOU! Another Successful Fundraiser!

Homedale Boosters are happy to report another successful year for the Crab & Steak Feed & Auction. The combined event raised a profit of nearly \$28,000. The Boosters would like to acknowledge what outstanding donations and support have been given toward this fundraiser and it definitely confirms the historic "Homedale Pride."

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Woman allegedly found drinking at scene of rollover

A woman was reportedly found drinking a beer after emerging from a vehicle rollover unscathed last week.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said a reservist found 32-year-old Crystal Gazpar Cardenas outside her 2001 Chrysler Sebring and unhurt after the crash, which occurred shortly before 11 a.m. on March 1 on Idaho highway 19 west of Purdom Lane.

Although responding law enforcement officials found alcoholic containers inside the vehicle, no drunk driving charges are expected. Bowman said a field sobriety test wasn't performed because the priority was to make sure that Gazpar Cardenas was uninjured.

transported the Homedale resident to West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell, but Bowman said Gazpar Cardenas walked out of the emergency room before a deputy could arrive with a warrant to compel a sample for blood alcohol content testing.

Gazpar was cited with two misdemeanors, including inattentive driving and possessing an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle. She also received infractions for failure to provide proof of insurance and failure to register a vehicle.

Bowman said Gazpar was traveling westbound on Idaho 19 when she apparently lost control of the vehicle west of Purdom Lane. The car rolled once into a freshly plowed field.

— JPB



Homedale volunteer firefighters stand in the debris field left when a Chrysler Sebring rolled into a field west of town on March 1.

Homedale Ambulance

Driving under influence calls keep sheriff's deputies busy

Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies made driving under the influence arrests hours apart Feb. 29.

The first arrest on suspicion of DUI came shortly before 9 p.m. when Deputy Larry Kendrick found a man slumped over at the wheel a white 2013 Ford Explorer that was parked with the engine running on the eastbound shoulder of Idaho highway 78 near Murphy.

OCSO Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Kendrick detected

the strong odor of an alcoholic beverage when Oreana resident Brian Whitear, 53, opened his vehicle door.

Whitear was arrested on suspicion of DUI, but Bowman said no field sobriety tests were performed out of concern for the suspect's safety.

Whitear was taken to jail and charged with misdemeanor excessive DUI and possession of an open container in a vehicle.

Bowman said Whitear's bloodalcohol level was .288.

About three hours later, Deputy Cody Hammond arrested 50-yearold Boisean Greg Smellage after 11:45 p.m., in Marsing, ending a search that had begun with a citizen's complaint two hours earlier.

Bowman said Smellage apparently parked his 1996 Nissan Sentra, which had two flat tires and body damage, and tried to force his way into a house. After a struggle, Bowman said Smellage fled the scene when he was told sheriff's deputies were en route.

Later, sheriff's dispatch received a call that Smellage had returned to the area to pick up his car.

After Hammond arrested Smellage, the suspect said he didn't know how his vehicle was damaged. Bowman said anyone who noticed their fences or vehicles

damaged on Feb. 29 can call the sheriff's office to make a report.

Smellage was arrested for misdemeanor DUI. Bowman said Smellage's blood-alcohol content was measured at .084. Homedale Police Cpl. Andrew Arnold administered the field sobriety test, which Smellage failed, Bowman said, because Hammond hasn't completed his Idaho Peace Officer Standards and Training academy stint.

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Assessor's staff offers Circuit Breaker | Homedale Chamber tax reduction help in various locations

Owyhee County Assessor Brett Endicott and his staff are hitting the road to help qualifying property owners again.

The annual push to help with Circuit Breaker property tax reduction applications begins next week in Homedale.

Endicott said many property owners called his office after Circuit Breaker reminders were included in property tax bills sent out by county Treasurer Brenda Richards' office.

"We're extremely happy," Endicott said. "When Brenda sent out her taxes, we put a flyer in there and we had a big response from that about Circuit Breaker.

"A lot more than I thought looked into it. There were some people that I would have thought

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that would in-the-know, community-minded people, and they didn't have a clue.'

Folks must filed by April 15. The schedule includes:

• From 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Thursday, March 17 and Tuesday, March 22 at the Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

• From 10 a.m. to noon on Thursday, March 24 and Tuesday, March 29 at the Marsing Senior Center, 218 Main St.

• From 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, April 5 at the Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., in Grand View.

• From 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5 at the Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St.

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The assessor's office staff also will be available for home visits for those who are unable to attend the workshops.

Call (208) 495-2817 to schedule a visit or for more information.

seeks 2016 renewals

Now is the time for members of the Homedale Chamber of Commerce to send in their renewals for 2016.

The original membership deadline was two months ago, but the timeline has been extended to the end of March.

Chamber president Gavin Parker announced the new deadline at the business organization's March 1 luncheon meeting.

Annual fees range from \$35 to \$60 depending on how many employees a business has.

Membership benefits include a Chamber sticker for a storefront window and a listing on the jointly owned Chamber and City of Homedale website with a link to the member's business website.

"If you get us your logo in a format that the web designer can work with, we'll get you on the scrolling banner ad on the home page at the City of Homedale website," Parker said.

The joint city/Chamber website is www.citvofhomedale.com.

Parker added that while the Chamber has 48 members, fewer than 12 people typically show up for the monthly luncheons held at Owyhee Lanes Restaurant.

The next Chamber meeting will begin at noon on Tuesday, March 29. The monthly gatherings will return to the normal schedule of every fourth Tuesday on April 25. The city's Easter egg hunt was also discussed. The Easter egg hunt will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, March 26 in Sundance Park.

It is one of the annual events that the Chamber helps with.

"Technically it's city-sponsored anymore, but we do all the leg work on it," Parker said.

He is in the process of getting candy to fill 2,000 plastic eggs, which was the same number placed around Sundance Park last year.

"Turnout was a little lower last year, it's usually weather related, and it was a little chilly, you just never quite know what you're going to get," Parker said.

He added it may be necessary to make a small change in how the Easter egg hunt is organized.

"That is the end of spring break, so we are running into an issue with our volunteers at the high school stuffing the eggs," Parker said. "We might be stuffing eggs a week early. If we catch them before they go on spring break, we could have a last-minute stuffing party."

He's looking for volunteers to help direct children to the right field for their age group.

Anyone with questions about joining the Chamber, or helping with the Easter egg hunt, can call Parker at Bowen-Parker-Day CPAs at (208) 337-3271. — SC

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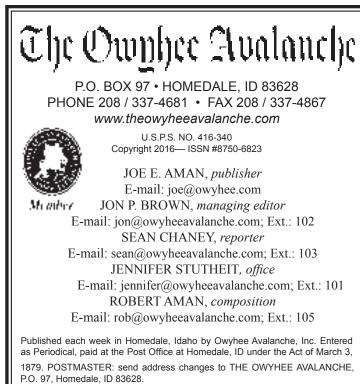
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$\sqrt{\text{Marsing:}}$ P&Z commissioners skeptical that council can do their job

the commission and the Planning and Zoning administrator would be repealed.

Deputy city clerk Annie Campbell is the current P&Z administrator. City clerk Janice Bicandi clarified that Campbell would still handle planning and zoning duties for the council, but would not have the same title.

Bicandi added that if the council disbands the panel, people seeking new development would only have to pay for one legal notice of a public hearing, which would be held before the council

Bicandi thinks having new developments go through both P&Z and the council is unnecessary.

"They have to have their hearing, and then they make recommendations to the council, but those people have to pay for two

detailing the respective duties of legal notices, and it's just awful because we're not very busy," Bicandi said.

> Marsing Mayor James Ferdinand thinks eliminating the commission will streamline the process for residents pursuing new development.

> Bob Ramos has been serving on Marsing's P&Z panel for five months and isn't sure if the mayor's prediction would be accurate

"We don't know because they have not done anything yet, so I guess time would tell," Ramos said.

An argument similar to Ferdinand's was used last year when the Homedale City Council voted to abolish that city's P&Z commission

Ferdinand has also cited concerns that it was taking the panel's members too long to approve simple applications.

Ramos said he couldn't address that complaint, because there haven't been any new applications since he started on the commission.

Ramos plans on attending tonight's public hearing, and said former Mayor Keith Green and P&Z commissioner Noyam Hale will be there as well.

Ramos said more input on new development is valuable.

"I would express the same thought as I have before. I think that there should be more people involved in voicing their opinion," Ramos said. "That's my position. I think more people should be involved."

Hale wants people to know that she and Ramos are very enthusiastic to be on the commission.

"We are dedicated to attending every meeting and work-

ing hard," Hale said. "We know that there's a lot more work that needs to be done, and I don't believe that the city council has the time or interest in specializing in doing that work."

However, Hale realizes the decision to dissolve the panel is entirely up to the mayor and council.

"I don't really care. If they want to disband us let them do it, but I'm going to come to the meeting and hear what's said," Hale said.

P&Z chairman Hayzen Corder did not want to comment on the potential disbanding of the panel.

"I don't know what the point of me commenting about it would be," Corder said.

He won't attend tonight's public hearing.

"Wednesday night, my wife

goes to church with the youth, so I have to stay home and watch our kids, so I won't be able to go," Corder said.

Ramos, Hale and Corder are the only members of the P&Z panel. Hale said Eugene Enrico left the commission a month or two ago for health reasons.

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

Deputy City Clerk Annie Campbell said she and Bicandi had not seen Resolution No. 131, and the city attorney drafted it. Campbell added that more information would be presented at tonight's meeting.

-SC

Primary: Former district judge seeks reaffirmation on appellate bench

on the May 17 primary ballot.

Candidates have until 5 p.m. Friday to throw their hats into the ring for this year's election cycle.

Joe Merrick, the District 3 county commissioner, and District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi, the current board chair, and firstterm Sheriff Perry Grant will seek to retain their offices.

Two of the three District 23

the only contested county office legislative incumbents have a spot in the Idaho Legislature, joined the fray — state Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson) and District 23A Rep. Rich Wills (R-Glenns Ferry).

> District 23B Rep. Pete Nielsen (R-Mountain Home) has yet to file, but his challenger for the GOP nomination, Hammett's Megan Blanksma has filed a petition.

Homedale Democrat Mary Ann Richards once again is seeking filing to challenge either Wills or Republican challenger Christy Zito in November.

Thus far, only third-term Republican Mike Crapo has entered the race for the U.S. Senate spot. Republican Isaac M. Haugen of Ketchum has challenged Rep. Raúl Labrador for the First Congressional District seat, and Moscow's Staniela Nikolova and Boise's

James Piotrowski will seek the Democratic nomination.

The primary election also marks the time partisan voters select precinct representatives for their respective county committees.

Six Republicans have entered their committee election, including Brett Endicott (South Marsing precinct), Brenda Richards (Murphy), Teresa Kershner (Pleasant Valley), Lavada Loucks (North Marsing), Robin Aberasturi

(North Homedale) and Lena Winchester (South Homedale).

On the Democratic side Dale Hooley will seek the committee seat for the Bruneau precinct, and Laura Coontz has filed for the Wilson precinct spot.

Former Third District judge Molly J. Huskey is up for reelection to the state court of appeals, while Supreme Court Justice Roger S. Burdick also is up for reaffirmation.

Year's first Masons breakfast scheduled

Proceeds from the semiannual Masonic pancake breakfast will benefit the Silver City Lodge No. 13 scholarship fund.

The breakfast will be served from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Sunday at the Masonic Lodge, 19



W. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

The all-you-can eat breakfast costs \$7 per person and includes pancakes, scambled eggs, ham, sausage and Ava's Red Syrup.

Tours of the lodge building, including historical artifacts, will be available upon request.

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Homedale businessman and Silver City property owner Vern Tunnell takes photos when he's not serving as a volunteer emergency medical technician or a reserve sheriff's deputy. His photographs are on display currently at the Lizard Butte Library in Marsing. Submitted photo

Local business owner, volunteer places photos at Marsing library

With March, another featured artist was installed at the Lizard Butte Library in Marsing.

Vern Tunnell's photography will hang on the library's walls through May.

"Photography has been a hobby for years, but I began getting more serious over the last three years investing in better equipment," Tunnell said.

Tunnell and his wife Linda own Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant in Homedale. He is also an Owyhee County Sheriff's reserve deputy and a Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson District emergency medical of Idaho contest, and he has

technician.

The son of an Air Force veteran, Tunnell grew up traveling the world. He was self-employed for 25 years in Portland as owner of a dental equipment repair company.

He purchased property in Silver City in 2006 and moved to Idaho in 2009.

Tunnell has entered photography in the Western Idaho Fair in Garden City and the Owyhee County Fair in Homedale.

He also has competed in The Professional Photographers contributed scenic photography to The Owyhee Avalanche's annual calendar.

"I occasionally do individual, family or event photography, but mostly enjoy landscapes and wildlife," Tunnell said. "I do attempt to keep it more of a fun hobby, otherwise it becomes a job and you then feel the stress and enjoy it less."

The Lizard Butte Library is open from noon to 6 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from noon to 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Death notices

NELLIE "TOMI" BIDWELL, 88, of Nampa, died peacefully in her sleep Monday, March 7, 2016 at a local care center. A celebration of her life will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at Homedale First Presbyterian Church. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell.

JAMES A. "BERT" McMICHAEL, 55, of Caldwell and formerly of Jordan Valley, died Thursday, Feb. 25, 2016 following an extended illness. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at Dakan Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. Condolences may be shared with the family at www.dakanfuneralchapel.com

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Veggie & fruit bar and milk served each day March 9: Orange chicken, steamed rice, steamed broccoli March 10: Chicken patty sandwich, coleslaw March 14: Corn dog, potato wedges March 15: Fish nuggets, green beans March 16: Chicken burrito, corn March 17: No school

Homedale Middle

Fruit & salad bar and milk served each day March 9: Hamburger or chicken patty, potato wedges March 10: Pepperoni pizza ripper or PB&J, tossed salad March 14: Beef or chicken taco, corn

March 15: Spicy chicken sandwich or hamburger

March 16: Chicken nuggets or corn dog, broccoli, cheese cracker March 17: Crispito or hot dog, potato chips

March 21-24: No school

Homedale High

Salad bar, fruit choice and milk served each day

March 9: Orange chicken or popcorn chicken, steamed rice, cookie

March 10: Enchilada or toasted cheese sandwich

March 14: Chicken stir fry w/rice & egg roll or rib-b-que, fortune cookie

March 15: Chicken tenders w/roll & butter/herb potatoes or corn dog

March 16: Chicken nuggets or fish sticks, macaroni & cheese March 17: Chicken patty or cheeseburger, tater tots March 21-24: No school

Marsing

Salad bar is available to Mid High or High School students daily March 9: Teriyaki chicken bowl, wheat roll or corn dog, buttered corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk

March 10: Lasagna, breadstick or turkey sandwich, potato salad, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, milk

March 14: Pulled pork sandwich or enchilada & rice, sweet potato, fruit & veggie bar, milk

March 15: Cheeseburger or chicken nuggets, wheat roll, sidewinders, fruit & veggie bar, milk

March 16: Malibu chicken or fish taco, steamed carrots, pudding, fruit & veggie bar, milk

March 17: PB&J w/sun chips or pepperoni ripper, tossed salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk

Bruneau-Grand View

Fruit and milk served each day

March 9: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, romaine salad, peas, breadstick March 10: Chicken taco, black beans, romaine salad

March 11: Ham/cheese on bun, sweet potato fries, baby carrots March 15: Mac attack, breadstick, romaine salad, steamed carrots March 16: Teriyaki chicken bowl, stir fry veggies, oriental rice

March 17: Beef & bean burrito, romaine & tomato, corn

COSSA

March 9: Chicken pot pie, carrots, fruit crisp, fruit

March 10: Pizza pocket, salad & ranch, fresh broccoli, fruit

March 14: Chicken enchiladas, corn, salad, fruit

March 15: Sweet sour chicken, oriental veggies, egg roll, broccoli, fruit

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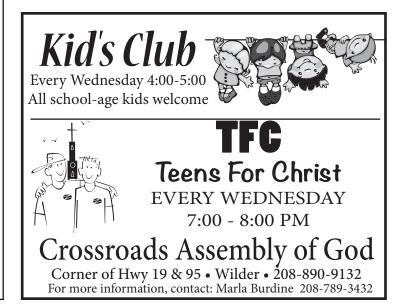
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March 16: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, corn March 17: Chicken sandwich, tater tots, green beans, fruit March 21-24: No school





Calendar

Today

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 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 School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4757

Grand View City Council meeting

6 p.m., Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, (208) 834-2700

Homedale Highway District meeting

6 p.m., Homedale Highway District office,

102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale Homedale City Council meeting 6 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.,

Homedale. (208) 337-4641 Marsing City Council meeting 7 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122

Thursday

Owyhee Conservation Dist. meeting

10 a.m., 250 N. Old Bruneau Highway, Marsing. (208) 896-4544

Vision Church food distribution

2 p.m. to 4 p.m., 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 p.m. to 8 p.m., Homedale Friends 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

Grand View Lions Club meeting

11:30 a.m., Grand Owyhee Restaurant, 230 Main St., Grand View.

Teens and Tweens program

4 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

Knights of Columbus fish fry

5 p.m., Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church, 1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell.

Quaker Village Auction

6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Greenleaf Friends Academy gymnasium, 20565 Academy Road, Greenleaf. (208) 459-6346

Family movie night

6 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 968-5430

Saturday

Ouaker Village Auction

7:30 a.m., pancake breakfast, 10 a.m., live auction, silent auction, speciality booths, GFA gymnasium, 20565 Academy Road, Greenleaf. (208) 459-6346

Rimrock food pantry distribution

9 a.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2419, (208) 834-5170 or (208) 834-3199

Veterans of Foreign Wars meeting

9 a.m., Samuel Phillips III Post 11065, 208 3rd St., Wilder. (208) 896-4465 **Free lunches**

Noon, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

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Txoko Ona Basque Dance

5:30 p.m., \$5, Badiola Arena, 406 Hwy. 95, Homedale.

Game night

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

Sunday

Masonic scholarship breakfast

8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Silver City Lodge No. 13, 19 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

Young Life meeting

6 p.m., open to high school-aged youth, transportation available, 15777 Quartz Lane, Homedale. (208) 794-1048

Monday

Idaho Foodbank drop-off

9 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 473-9331

County Commissioners meeting

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

Calendar submission deadline is noon Fridays. Call (208) 337-4681 for more information.

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Mineral supplements improve herd

Herd health and breeding management practices often top the priority list for livestock producers. The success of each is affected

by the mineral nutrition of the animals. Mineral nutrition in heifer and cow diets is crucial through the fall and winter in spring

calving herds

to ensure a



Scott Jensen

healthy calf crop and successful breed back. Calves need minerals to stimulate their immune system response to vaccinations. Proper mineral nutrition will also help them overcome the stresses of weaning and shipping.

Calf-hood vaccination and good mineral nutrition go hand-in-hand. A study from Colorado showed that among pre-conditioned calves (vaccinated prior to weaning and weaned prior to shipment) about 30 percent were still getting sick at the feedlot. This sickness was

University of Idaho Extension

agement starting at the cowherd. Trace minerals have a significant carryover effect on calf health and feedlot performance.

Mineral supplementation of cows and calves enhances fertility, fetal development, and disease resistance. Copper, zinc, and phosphorous are three of the most important trace minerals for calves. Vitamins A, D, and E are also important and may need to be supplemented, especially during drought conditions.

Trace minerals play a key role in enhancing fertility in cows and heifers. Even though beef cows require only 3-4 ounces of trace minerals per day, it plays a crucial role in the cow's ability to rebreed and produce a healthy calf every 365 days. Free choice minerals should be available in the months leading up to calving through rebreeding time.

For example, a spring calving cow's phosphorus and calcium requirements are high during the

ment. Zinc and copper have also been shown to be an important part of the cow's diet just prior to and after calving. Thus, trace minerals are especially important during the last 90 days before calving and then through the breeding season. Providing trace minerals prior to weaning can also help produce a better immune response and weaning weights among calves.

Mineral supplements need to be utilized in a well-balanced program that matches the forage base. Thus, an occasional forage analysis should be conducted on your ranch for the major minerals, calcium, phosphorus and magnesium, and the trace minerals, copper, zinc, sulfur and manganese. Getting a water quality analysis is also a good idea to help ensure that your livestock's nutritional needs are being met.

- For more information, contact Scott Jensen at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension at scottj@uidaho.edu. Jensen is the U of I county extension educator, and he welcomes



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STATE OF THE GOVERNMENT - By an Act of the recent Legislature the people are called upon to vote for or against State Government in Idaho in August next; and at the same time elect delegates to a Constitutional Convention. If the people pronounce in favor of Statehood, the Convention is to meet in Boise City in October next. The passage of the bill is probably well enough as a measure to convince a few old hulks of politicians the absurdity with which the real men of Idaho view the proposition. The real question for the people to decide is whether they will ruin themselves by excessive taxation to sustain or boost into high places a score of old ringboned and pole-eviled politicians, or whether they will consult self-interest by setting the seal of condemnation on the whole tribe. The people have no heart in this move to rob them in a legal way. Those who favor the project are about equally divided between the "Democratic" and "Union" parties. They are of that class who have nothing to lose, no matter which way the question is decided, and everything to gain, if successful. We can name a number of three public pestilences in both parties – and probably will ere long. Men who are struggling for a small fortune (and probably only secure a scanty means of existence,) in these mountains, should not allow themselves to be caught in this trap. Men of capital and property must remember that their taxes will be anywhere from five to ten times greater than now. And for whose benefit? A few old political wrecks. The whole amount of taxes paid into the territorial Treasury from May 19, 1864, to

December 4, 1865, was \$5,585.43, and if all that should have been paid had

been, it would only amount to \$16,573.02. Instead of paying this small sum, the people would have to ante fully \$300,000, annually, or be continually

borrowing and paying enormous interest. The State tax would be about nineteen times as much as the Territorial. Advocates of State Government will say this is an exaggeration. We say it is not, and will give the figures

in due time to show the truth of our proposition. Again, our Territory only

contains about sufficient population for respectable County. Very correct

observers say that whites, blacks Chinamen and Indians - including the

Governor – would aggregate not more then fifteen thousand. There are

a thousand Counties in the United States with greater population and far

F&G officers to visit Bruneau library



The newest area Idaho Fish and Game conservation officer will be one of the guests at the Bruneau Valley Library's next speaker series installment.

Brian Perkes, the department's new officer for the Grand View Area, and Sr. Conservation Officer Jeff Day will take part in the luncheon, which is set for noon next Wednesday at the library, 32073 Ruth St., in Bruneau.

The men will talk about the variety of wildlife in the area as well as share stories from their experiences working with IDFG.

The luncheon is free, but organizers ask folks to RSVP if they plan to attend. This will ensure enough food is prepared and enough room is available.

RSVP by Monday by calling (208) 845-2282.

This spring's speaker program is made possible by a Troxell Small Community Library Fund grant through the Idaho Community Foundation.

more developed wealth. Look at the condition of Idaho Territory to-day. Politically and financially Boise County has thus far felt herself to be the Territory. In another year, according to residents of that county, it will be principally owned and populated by Chinamen. The future of Alturas is entirely problematical, and in a great measure the same is true of Owyhee. The other counties are mere ciphers in a mineral sense, and are not much to boast of in any way - except Ada, whose motto is: "In union there is strength." We believe Idaho second to no Territory or State in mineral wealth. But it is undeveloped, and to blight development by the enormous and useless burden of a State Government, is the greatest folly, and it will be our duty to prove this to be true in future numbers of our paper.

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Idaho DEQ proposes 10-year USEI permit

Comment on US Ecology Idaho's permit renewal is being accepted until April 18.

The Grand View-area hazardous waste disposal site is seeking to renew its Site B.

The draft permit covers treatment, storage and disposal and specifies procedures to manage and operate the facility that consists of hazardous waste landfills, surface impoundments, and treatment and storage areas 10 miles west of Grand View.

DEQ has reviewed the permit renewal application, determined that legal requirements designed to protect human health and the environment have been met, and proposes to issue the 10-year permit renewal.

The draft permit, public notice, and fact sheet are available for public review on DEQ's website and at DEQ's state office in Boise.

The deadline for submitting comments is April 18 at 5 p.m. MDT.

Submit written comments on DEQ's website or by mail to: Robert Bullock c/o Jenny Shafer, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality Waste Management and Remediation Division, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Milk and salad bar served daily March 9: Sausage & biscuits, mashed potatoes, carrots March 10: Baked fish, baked potato, spinach, roll March 15: Taco salad w/salsa, cheese & chips March 16: Hot wings, baked potato, California blend veggies, roll

Marsing Senior Center

Vegetable served every day but March 28

- March 9: Pork chop, potato
- March 10: Chicken, potato
- March 14: Meatloaf, potato
- March 15: Pork, potato
- March 16: Round steak, couscous

Rimrock Senior Center

Milk and juice served every day

March 10: Cheeseburgers, variety of veggies, coleslaw, fruit tray March 15: Pork roast, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, apple sauce, cake

March 17: Corn beef & cabbage, carrots, Irish soda bread, green beans, shamrock cookie

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Owyhee County Museum, Murphy, ID. (On the lawn outside, In conjunction with the Murphy Spring Bazaar)



Homedale High School student services specialist Debbie Flaming opens Thursday's assembly, which was organized by senior Jordan Stuart, right. Guest speakers, from left, state Sen. Patti Anne Lodge, Rep. Christy Perry and legislative lobbyist Kelli Brassfield await their turn at the podium. Submitted photo

Girls State project opens eyes, doors

Homedale senior, legislators lobby girls to seize opportunities

Jordan Stuart's Senior Project focuses on Syringa Girls State, but her Thursday presentation dealt more with empowerment.

Three women who are involved in the 2016 session of the Idaho Legislature encouraged girls to experience the world, get an education and give back to their communities during a morning assembly inside the Homedale High School gymnasium.

Stuart, who is a 2015 Syringa Girls State alumna, put on the assembly as a way to bring awareness to the civics program that is open to incoming high school seniors each summer.

Homedale American Legion Auxiliary Unit 32 vice-president Tamara Patrick said that 10 girls turned in applications after the assembly and will be considered for this summer's weeklong event. More information on Girls State is available at the school office, and Patrick said she hoped that a similar campaign would be mounted to bolster the number of applicants for the American Legion Boys State program.

Unit 32 provided two Girls State scholarships last year. A junior from Wilder High School joined Stuart at Girls State. George D. VanDerhoff Post 32 also has scholarships to send two area juniors to Boys State.

Stuart's presentation included a video about the 2015 Girls State, and she shared her memories from last year's event, which includes a mock government with legislative proceedings and debates.

Two District 11 legislators from Canyon County — state Sen. Patti Anne Lodge (R-Huston) and Rep. Christy Perry (R-Nampa) — addressed the freshman, sophomore and junior girls in attendance. Kelli Brassfield, a lobbyist for the Idaho Association of Counties, also spoke.

Lodge, who didn't attend Girls State, said competing in rodeo queen pageants — and qualifying for a shot at Miss Rodeo America — led to other opportunities for her.

She also said her time on the family farm, and wearing her trusty cowboy boots, prepared her for challenges.

"When I know it's going to be a tough day, I put my boots on, and it gets me through," Lodge said.

She encouraged the girls to take advantage of opportunities to get involved in public life, including looking into being a legislative page at the Statehouse in Boise.

"There are opportunities out there for you," Lodge said. "You just have to look for them and be aware."

Stuart itemized last summer's

Girls State experience and said that the more involved participants are in the event, the more they get out of it. She also warned that the six-day event is informative, fun and grueling.

"Many of the girls said there wasn't a worst part, but personally the worst part for me was I averaged about four hours of sleep a night," she said.

But it was rewarding both from an educational standpoint and in community service opportunities.

Stuart and her fellow delegates built scrapbooks for military veterans, and during the Poppy Luncheon, they made artificial poppies like the ones American Legionnaires sell around Memorial Day. The girls also made a wreath of poppies and placed it at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery after taking a tour of the grounds.

Perry attended Girls State between her junior and senior years at Middleton High School.

"I grew up in a time when if you were a girl, girls weren't meant to do certain things," Perry said.

Perry said her Girls State experience opened the door to possibilities, including serving in government. She has been a District 11 legislator since 2010.

"The skies the limit for each and every one of you," she said. "I want you to take opportunities whenever they come your way." — JPB



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New Homedale homes taking shape

A crew from Kouba Homes works to put siding on one of the two single-family homes being built in the Santa Fe subdivision Friday afternoon. **From left:** Ryan Shippy stands on the ladder with a nail gun, while Leon Burgess watches his work and Charley Combs prepares another slat of siding.

Marsing principal spends day in a student's shoes

Marsing Elementary School principal Mary Lou Lopez spent Thursday seeing what a typical day is like for students at her school.

From the beginning of the day until the final bell, Lopez shadowed Emma Nelson, 9, a fourthgrader in Loretta Rost's class.

Lopez joined Emma for all of the lessons and activities that the day entailed, from math class in the morning, to a lunch of pepperoni pizza the noon hour, to a spelling test and P.E. in the afternoon.

The exercise was part of the Shadow a Student program coordinated by the Albertson Foundation.

Ken Price, Marsing's 21st Century Community Learning Center (CCLC) after-school program director heard about the program during a CCLC meeting with the foundation officials.

He suggested to district super-

intendent Norm Stewart that a few school administrators participate in the exercise in Marsing.

"I thought it was a great opportunity to jump on board, and it would be a great opportunity to see what the students are experiencing," Stewart said.

The goal of the new program is to let school administrators see what students deal with on a dayto-day basis "from peers as well as from staff members, and to get a true understanding of what their schedule looks like and what they experience," Stewart said.

The Shadow a Student program initially was scheduled to run only four days last week, ending Thursday, but was extended through this week.

Price and middle school principal Jacob Skousen also shadowed students last week while Stewart and high school principal Tim Little are shadowing stu-



Fourth-grader Emma Nelson (left) and Marsing Elementary principal Mary Lou Lopez listen to instructions from teacher Monique Smart before P.E. class.

dents this week. Students from all three schools volunteered to be shadowed.

Lopez thought it would be a good idea to see her school through a student's eyes.

"Being a new administrator,

to see it from their perspective as a student, just to better inform me," Lopez said.

Rost gave Lopez several names of students who volunteered to be shadowed, and she chose Emma because she had met her before.

The principal knew she wanted to shadow a fourth-grader.

"I was a primary teacher when I was teaching, so I wanted to experience the upper grades," Lopez said.

Emma, daughter of Shanna and Bill Nelson, said when she told her parents that Lopez would be shadowing her, they replied with "Go Emma!"

Emma added that she got excited when Lopez asked if she could be her shadow.

"I jumped up and down going 'Yes! Yes!'" she said.

She hoped to show her principal how fun school is for her and that she doesn't find anything

difficult about attending MES.

Emma also said having Lopez with her all day didn't make her feel uncomfortable or self-conscious

Lopez was surprised by how hectic mornings are for Emma and her classmates.

"They had a 15-minute break for recess, but that wasn't until 11 o'clock," Lopez said. "It's a lot of heavy content that our kids are dealing with, but the teachers are really making it engaging."

Emma told Lopez that she happened to shadow her on what would turn out to be a very typical day for her, with nothing extraordinary about it.

Making time in her schedule to shadow Emma was a priority for Lopez.

"There's always stuff that needs to be done; I'll have the weekend to do that," Lopez said. -SC

State schools budget rises 7.4 percent

bv Nishant Mohan McClure Center intern The Idaho Legislature's budget committee on Feb. 29 increased the K-12 schools budget 6.8 percent higher than last year's appropriation, but several policy items remain pending.

More funding will likely come in the form of "trailer bills," bringing the increase to around 7.4 percent, but still short of the governor's proposed 7.9 percent.

The committee funded the second year of the career ladder to increase teacher pay, as expected, and also appropriated \$5 million for career counseling and \$2.3 million for professional development.

The committee passed the budget after a failed substitute motion from Democrats that would have resulted in an 8.2 percent hike.

"The real difference here is line item 1, where we are increasing funding by \$5 million to the discretionary funds," said Sen. Dan Schmidt (D-Moscow), speaking

in support of the motion. "When I talk to the schools in my district, this is the issue that comes up discretionary funding."

Education Committee chair Sen. Dean Mortimer (R-Idaho Falls) opposed the motion, saying there are already other items that take care of the need for discretionary funding, a line item that appropriates funds for school districts to use however they like.

Budget co-chair Sen. Shawn Keough (R-Sandpoint), who said at the start of the session she would have liked to have seen more discretionary funding in the governor's proposed education budget, voted against the motion, which failed, 15-4, along party lines.

"Every dollar that comes from the state helps relieve supplemental levies," Keough said. "So we were able to add a little more to the discretionary than the governor recommended, but we also recognize there are other costs both in the K-12 and the budget overall."

The committee focused on a

trailer bill that could cost as much as \$10.7 million to provide literacy intervention for kindergarteners through third-graders who are reading below grade level.

A second bill, by Rep. Julie Van-Orden (R-Pingree) would require schools to contact parents soon after diagnosis of a deficiency so they can help create a plan.

On Thursday, the use of the Idaho Reading Indicator to determine the need for intervention was criticized. Agreeing the Indicator has issues and that the assessment could be improved or replaced, VanOrden said she still wants to move forward and start the process now.

At a press event Friday, Senate Pro Tem Brent Hill spoke favorably of the literacy bills, but said he thought success would require the legislation and change in society.

"The only thing we can change is the schools," Hill said. "I think we need a societal change. There's more public understanding that needs to be achieved about how important that is."



Police call leads to fire call

With help from Fire Chief Dennis Uria, right, Homedale volunteer firefighter Casey Christoffersen kicks out a charred slat in a fence along an alleyway off North 2nd Street West south of the 100 block of West Oregon Avenue where Homedale Police had detained a man on a mental hold. HPD Chief Jeff Eidemiller called in the fire when he arrived on scene.

ounty 911 maintenance contract renewed

of a maintenance contract for the county's 911 communications system.

The Board of Owyhee County only for Monday-through-Friday, 8-to-5 counties have discussed doing something to get their information to us, and since we Commissioners has approved the renewal (coverage), and that doesn't work for us." The \$26,396 contract includes \$1,800 for one year of software subscription, and one year of software protection and remote technical support. The remainder of the sum is for work onsite in Murphy. CenturyLink provides round-the-clock maintenance for the dispatch system on a call-out basis, and the company aims to respond to calls for service within two hours.

like that.

don't have fiber optic all the way out here, fiber ends at the Blue Canoe (restaurant on Idaho highway 78 a few miles from Murphy)."

The Positron Viper system was purchased by the county from CenturyLink in 2011 for \$219,576. At that time, the county had an Idaho Emergency Communications Commission (IECC) grant of \$246,323.

Dispatch supervisor Christine Ballard said maintenance contract price tag of \$26,396 is exactly the same as last year. She said this is the last year for the maintenance agreement.

County Clerk Angie Barkell said the annual fee was paid through the county's 911 fund budget line. No grant money was used to renew the contract.

District 3 Commissioner Joe Merrick asked Ballard if the renewal cost ever goes down.

"Ι asked specifically why this maintenance is so high," Ballard said. "They do have a lesser program, but it's

Ballard plans to meet with Canyon County and Nampa law enforcement officials this week to discuss the future for what she simply calls "Viper."

"My grant through the IECC this year will probably be as a joint Viper with Nampa or Canyon or all three of us, as us being a remote off of them, which would reduce our costs significantly," Ballard said

District 2 Commissioner and BOCC chair Kelly Aberasturi said several

Being that it's all digital, it can cover a wide, vast area," Aberasturi said. "So why does everybody have their own?"

Ballard said sharing maintenance costs and equipment has always been possible, but the cost to connect networks used to be more expensive than buying a standalone system.

However, that is no longer the case.

"At this point we are looking at a more long term cost savings by connecting the network which allows us to not have to buy new 911 equipment every six years or so," Ballard said. "Predicting the future of communications is difficult at best but sharing equipment is the trend."

Her plan is to have multiple agencies sharing the Viper system by next year.

"So that's why we're looking at that," Ballard said. "The only issue I see is that we're required to have a redundant way for them (other law enforcement agencies)

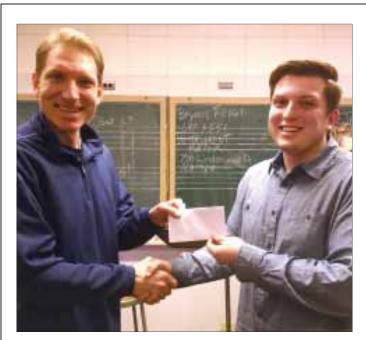
She thinks the sheriff's office might be able to use a microwave tower as a redundant system. Ballard does not have an exact figure on how much the county might save by sharing maintenance costs and equipment.

Merrick has envisioned Viper as a shared system with other agencies ever since it was purchased five years ago.

"This was one of the reasons that we thought the Viper system would work rather well out here, because it would work in conjunction with Canyon County or any county that has the same system that we do now," Merrick said.

He added that law enforcement agencies in the Idaho Panhandle are the only ones in the state that do not use Viper.

-SC



Church concert a smash hit with audience, beneficiaries

Homedale First Presbyterian Church member Ben Cardenas, right, presents a check to The College of Idaho choir director Dr. Brent Wells on Friday. The recent Under the Shadow of the Owyhees concert raised \$535 for The College of Idaho choir's trip to China and produced 110 cans of food for the El-Ada Community Action Partnership's Owyhee County food pantry. One of the concert's organizers, Homedale resident Janet McCornack, said there were numerous requests to bring the benefit concert back next year. Submitted photo



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Dinner with friends to help Homedale woman's cancer fight

Public invited to Legion Hall event

Throughout months of her aggressive fight against cancer, Michelle Fleck has been blessed with help from her friends.

"If it wasn't for help from the community and all my family and friends here, I wouldn't have been able to do it," the Homedale resident said.

The help continues Saturday, March 19 when George VanDerhoff American Legion Post 32 sponsors a barbecue dinner to help Fleck pay her bills.

Fleck, who many know from her waitressing at the Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, thinks her Stage 3 squamous carcinoma — a type of skin cancer — may have developed from her habit of using a tanning bed.

She began aggressive radiation in October, about a month after her diagnosis. Visiting the clinic for a half hour a day five days a week, Fleck underwent 33 treatments to shrink a 6-inch tumor found in her lymph nodes. She underwent chemotherapy drips for 72 hours at a time, but didn't lose her hair.

"She's had that attitude through the whole thing that she was going to beat it," friend Jody Miller said. "She stayed strong and positive."

Fleck, 41, finished her treat-



Michelle Fleck, right, stands in her Homedale home with friend and event organizer Bob Warner.

ments in December. She returns to the doctor regularly to check the status of the disease.

Next week's barbecue is just an extension of the fight.

"I'm still not done fighting," she said.

Fleck's ferocity inspired Post 32 Cmdr. Bob Warner to put together the alcohol-free benefit dinner. It'll take place from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on March 19 at the Legion Hall, 14 E. Owyhee Ave.

"I appreciate Magic (Warner's nickname)," Fleck said. "As soon as I found that I was sick, he came to help me."

The meal will include potato salad, beans, roll and a beverage as well as a choice of one of three entrees, which include (with prices):

• Three ribs, \$8

Two chicken leg quarters, \$8
A combination of two ribs and a chicken quarter, \$12

The deadline to order tickets is Saturday to ensure that the right amount of food is prepared. Retired Air Force veteran Henry Commenia is doing the cooking, and Bruce Caba has provided his commercial smoker for the event, Warner said.

Tickets are available at the Owyhee Lanes Restaurant or by calling Warner at (208) 965-0314.

Fleck is grateful for her friends' help. She said that the Homedale LDS church also has provided assistance.

"I'm not fighting for myself," she said. "I'm fighting for everybody out there. They're counting on me." — JPB



MES students jump rope for Homedale school American Heart Association | concerts scheduled

Students at Marsing Elementary School gathered a lot of money for this year's Jump for Heart campaign.

The fundraiser for the American Heart Association brought in \$4,016.

MES physical education teacher Monique Smart was surprised with the final tally.

"We set the goal of \$3,500, not knowing exactly how high to go, but they have well exceeded expectations," Smart said.

Last year, Marsing students raised \$2,800.

Smart said the annual fundraiser starts with the students taking home a parental permission slip to allow the boys and girls to collect money for the American Heart Association.

"Then they just asked family and friends, and a lot of the students actually donate their own money," Smart said.

The donation drive started at the end of January, and 87 MES students participated in this vear's fundraiser.

Last week's Jump for Heart sessions in the school's gymnasium wrapped up the fundraiser.

"This is kind of a celebration during P.E., and some extra fun activities focused on the heart,"



Fourth-grader Diego Margarito in midair during Jump for Heart Thursday. He's the 9-year-old son of Griselda and Christobal Margarito.

Smart said. "We have a few heart models for the kids to look at, they get water, treats. We just try

to make it special to celebrate their accomplishment." SC

Homedale schools music teacher John Zieske has announced the schedule for second semester concerts.

At 6 p.m., Tuesday the high school spring concert will be held in the school gymnasium at 203 E. Idaho Ave.

Zieske said the performance will feature the high school jazz band, choir and concert band.

The set list includes:

• Jazz band — Tootsie, My Funny Valentine, and Doxy

• Choir — Blessing, O Domine Jesu Christe, and Bonse Aba

• Concert band — Flight of Eagles, Air, and King Cotton

At 6 p.m., Tuesday, May 10 the young conductors concert will be held in the middle school gymnasium.

Zieske has not yet prepared a set list for the concert.

Unwanted woman turns out to be wanted in Ada

A woman wanted after she failed to appear for sentencing in Ada County was arrested after a man reported an unwanted subject at his Marsing residence.

Linda Garrett, 45, whose residence is listed as Marsing, was arrested last Wednesday on a \$10,000 warrant. She didn't show up for a probation violation sentencing on Feb. 29.

Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Garrett at a residence in the 900 block of Gem Street.

OCSO Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said the man living at the residence reported that there was an arrest warrant out on Garrett.

Garrett was extradited to Ada County in the days after her arrest.

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Jadeyn Armfield, sophomore

Parents: William and Rebecca Armfield

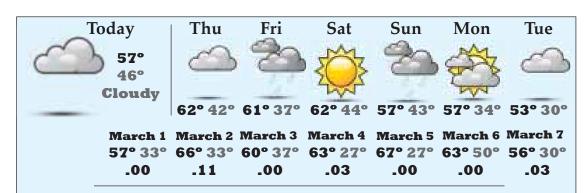
Principal Tim Little's nomination: "Late last week we had a group of students and professors from BSU visiting while they are assessing the district in hopes to implement some changes that will increase overall student health. The group of about 20 individuals were observing by the cafeteria and one of the professors dropped his wallet.

"Jadeyn showed great Husky PRIDE when she found the wallet later that day and turned it into the district office. Full of money, when returned, the professor found nothing missing and was extremely grateful for her actions.



He wanted me to recognize her with the Husky PRIDE award. Another great example of the character our students display on a daily basis. "

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."



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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 37 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 5,155 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 16 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 264,712 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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

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



COSSA reschedules wildland firefighting class

A wildland firefighting class originally scheduled for February at the Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency (COSSA) campus has been rescheduled.

COSSA short-term training coordinator Kristie Dorsey did not get the minimum number of people needed to conduct the class.

"We had to cancel it because I need 10 participants in order to pay for the instructor, the materials and the instructor's travel time," Dorsey said during the March 1 Homedale Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

The classes have been rescheduled for Friday and Saturday, March 25-26 and Saturday and Sunday, April 2-3. The classes will be held from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. each day and field exercises require boots and gloves.

People will need to pre-register by Thursday, March 17. A \$40 deposit will hold a spot in the class, and the remaining \$200 of the fee is due the first day of class. "If I don't fill the class with 10,

then I'll give them their money back," Dorsey said.

After the four-day class, participants are certified to apply to fight wildland fires. Dorsey recommends the course for high school seniors and college students who will be looking for temporary jobs this summer.

The course includes A-130 Firefighter Training, S-190 Introduction to Fire Behavior, I-100 Introduction to ICS (Incident Command System) and L-180 Human Factors. The class will also cover fire shelter education as required prior to certification as an entrylevel firefighter (classification Firefighter Type 2, or FFT2).

FFT2s participate in prescribed fire and other wildland fire operations, including ignition, control, mop-up, suppression and monitoring.

The COSSA class is a collaborative effort with the Center for Business Workforce and Community Learning at Treasure Valley Community College.

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Rimrock actors present comedy and cobbler

The Rimrock Drama Club's latest production, "A Crust of Bread," is a dessert and play set for Friday and Saturday.

The play, written by Heather Lynn and produced by special arrangement with Big Dog/ Norman Maine Publishing LLC, Rapid City, S.D., will be performed at 7 p.m. each night inside the Rimrock High School auditorium, 39678 State Hwy. 78, in Bruneau.

In this wacky, family-friendly comedy, three ridiculous and hungry princes are interested in marrying the princess (who secretly loves the woodcutter), but it is up to the king and queen to pick the prince with the kindest heart to marry their daughter.

With admission, folks will also receive drinks and fruit cobbler. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for senior citizens and students. Grand View and Bruneau Elementary students accompanied by an adult get in free.

Rimrock music teacher Catherine Volk and volunteers Sariah Pearson and Lori Bennett are directing the play.

The cast includes seniors Hailey Pearson (Queen), Nick Bennett (King), and Hunter Sanders (Blue Prince), juniors Taylor Pearson (Woodcutter), Kyla Mills (Princess) and Rigo Lino (Yellow Prince) and freshman Todd Marvin (Red Prince).



The Rimrock Drama Club is ready for its next production. **From left:** Hunter Sanders, Kyla Mills, Hailey Pearson, Taylor Pearson, Todd Marvin, Nick Bennett, and Rigo Lino. Submitted photo

Owyhee youth fiddlers to play in Nampa

Several Owyhee County children will play fiddles in concert Saturday in Nampa.

The Junior Jammers Greatest Hits, which will feature the Junior Jammers and the Little Hoedowners, will have two shows — 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. — at the Nampa Civic Center, 311 3rd St. S.

The playlist for the show presented by Junior Jammers director Roberta Pearce and Grand Master fiddle champion/co-director Katrina Nicolayeff grew out of an audience survey Pearce conducted in the fall during the fiddlers' annual Country Harvest Hoedown.

The audience chose from four styles of music — Old-time, Swing, Bluegrass and Show Tunes — and the following songs will be part of the Junior Jammers' set Saturday:

Old-Time — "Kentucky Waltz," but "Beer Barrel Polka" was a close second-place finisher.

Swing — "In the Mood"

Bluegrass — "Fire on the Mountain"

Show tunes — "Dueling Fiddles" and "Foggy Mountain Breakdown" medley

More than 20 all-time fiddle favorites, including "Orange Blossom Special" will be part of the Junior Jammers' show Saturday.

"These kids are excited to play these songs. This promises to be one of the best performances the Jammers have ever done," Pearce said in a press release.

The Little Hoedowners, Pearce's group of beginning fiddlers, will perform old-time favorites like "Tennessee Waltz," "Rocky Top," and "The Chicken Dance."

Free tickets for the matinee are available to nursing home and retirement home residents. Activity directors can call the Nampa Civic Center box office at 468-5555 to reserve tickets.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens and students, and \$7 for children 11 years old and younger. Tickets will be available at www.nampaciviccenter. com or by calling the box office.

For more information on the fiddlers, visit www.jrjammers. com or call 407-2967.

Saturday's shows will raise funds for the Idaho Open Fiddle Contest (IOFC). The regional contest open to all fiddlers will be held June 17-18 at Caldwell High School. The Idaho Open winners qualify to compete in the National Oldtime Fiddlers Contest, which takes place from June 20 to June 25, in Weiser.

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Wrecks lead to power outages

Fewer than two dozen Idaho Power customers were affected by a series of vehicle-versus-power pole accidents last week.

Thirteen customers lost power for nearly five hours Saturday morning after a 37-year-old Marsing man ran a stop sign and hit a power pole off U.S. Highway 95 outside Marsing.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Jody Raplee was given a verbal warning for an unspecified infraction after the accident, which was reported shortly after 5:30 a.m.

Raplee's 2003 Volvo wound up in a ditch after he apparently ran a stop sign at Poison Creek Road while traveling northbound on Jump Creek Road.

Idaho Power spokesman Brad Bowlin said crews had power restored to the area by 10:51 a.m.

Raplee was uninjured. Another power outage was reported after a 78-year-old Marsing woman drove a 2010 Ford Eclipse into a power pole near Pershall Road and Old Bruneau Highway.

Bowman said Sharon Fanning, who refused medical treatment at the scene, told responding deputies that she drove off the road when she was blinded by the setting sun.

No citations were issued.

Electrical service was interrupted for nearly three hours, Bowlin said. Crews had to replace the pole and had the power flowing by 9:34 p.m.

The first accident involving a power pole last week took place before 11 a.m. when tires came off a Nederend Dairy truck near the intersection of Thompson Road and Dobbin Lane northwest of Marsing.

Bowman said the rear dual tires off the 1991 Ford careened through a fence and hit a power pole.

Bowlin couldn't confirm that a power outage affecting 310 customers was caused by the crash.

That outage lasted from 10:15 a.m. to 11:09 a.m. The brevity of the outage indicates its could have been weather-related, Bowlin said.

— JPB



Youth start on road to 2016 county fair



Tanner Kerr looks on as University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Educator Scott Jensen takes the hip height measurement on his animal during beef weigh-ins at Hyde Angus Ranch in Oreana on Saturday.



Marsing's Bailey Bowman tags her steer at Doug and Janice Burgess' ranch in Homedale. Doug Burgess chats in the background. Submitted photo





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South Mountain Livestock 4-H group completed weigh-in of its beef projects Saturday in a day that included tagging a vaccinating animals. From left, Owyhee County 4-H coordinator Georgia Goodwin, Kelsey Gluch, Cassity Gluch, Allisyn Reynolds, Owyhee County University of Idaho Extension Educator Scott Jensen and Shailee Rutan. Photo submitted by Allisyn Reynolds



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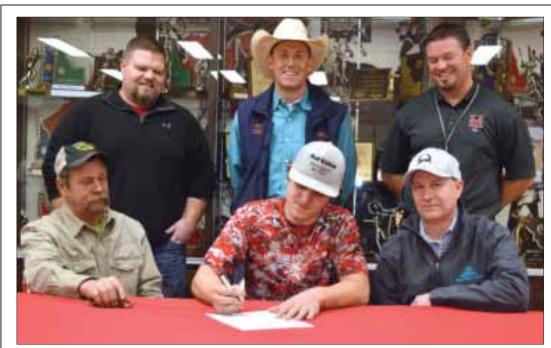
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Flanked by his dad, Mike, at left, and his mentor Clay Sauer, Homedale High School senior Jacob Falls signs his letter of intent to rodeo at Treasure Valley Community College. Standing are, from left, HHS co-athletic director Dan Holtry, TVCC coach and Homedale resident Aaron Marts, and Homedale principal Matt Holtry.

Prep bull rider keeps sport going

Homedale's Falls signs with TVCC, helps stage rough stock clinic

Jacobs Falls' plate is a little less full these days.

The Homedale High School senior took care of an item Thursday when he signed to rodeo for Treasure Valley Community College.

"I look for great things from Jacob," Homedale resident and fifth year Chukars rodeo coach Aaron Marts said.

A bull rider, Falls' Senior Project could turn out to be a great thing for his sport and perpetuating rodeo among youths.

He is helping promote the 2016 Superior Rodeo School, which will take place April 2-3 at the Caldwell Night Rodeo arena. It previously has been held in New Plymouth.

"His senior project is a huge asset to the rodeo world," Marts said.

The rough stock school with its slogan of "working to strengthen the future of the great



Jacob Falls listens to Clay Sauer after Thursday's signing.

sport of rodeo" is open to junior high and high school rodeo riders ages 12-19 who want to hone their skills in bull riding, bareback and saddle bronc.

The 17-year-old son of Mike and Brandy Falls, Jacob Falls is one of the few bull riders in District 2, and he said he got involved with the rodeo school in an effort to promote the sport and — See Sport, page 3B

Morton scores big, Adrian girls finish sixth at state tourney

Trojans reload for another baseball season

Senior-laden club opens with road twin bill vs. Filer

Burke Deal has a lot to smile about these days.

With spring on the horizon, the man is back in his element, coaching the Homedale High School baseball team for the ninth season.

The Trojans play a doubleheader at home Saturday against Filer to begin their quest to build on the momentum of its winningest season under Deal's tutelage.

Homedale has a ton of talent

returning from last year's 19-win squad.

And Deal is about two weeks away from the dedication of his dream field.

"I am very excited. We have a very solid group of great young men who know the game and are working hard," Deal said.

"We finally have some depth at the varsity level as far as numbers, and most importantly on our pitching staff. Our JV program is solid as well. Several of those players could easily jump up to the varsity and excel if needed."

But the depth at the top also gives Deal the luxury of another — See Trojans, page 3B



Homedale High School's baseball team gets ready in its clubhouse prior to Friday's practice at the revamped home field.

Homedale's revamped baseball field to be **dedicated April 2**

season, the Homedale High of the entrance will feature photos School baseball program will of the current Trojans. The ticket

About halfway through its project donors, and the east wall

Chilly shooting game dooms team in finale

Adrian High School's second consecutive trip to the 1A Oregon girls' basketball state tournament ended with a sixth-place finish.

The fifth-seeded Antelopes (21-7) lost the fifth-place game at Baker High School on Saturday when No. 2 Rogue Valley Adventist used defense to post a 24-19 victory.

Saturday: Rogue Valley Adventist Academy 24, Adrian 19 — The Hawks (25-4) took

State stalwarts

How the Antelopes have fared at the state tournament during Gene Mills' coaching tenure: 2016 — Sixth place 2015 — Fourth place **2010** — 0-2 2009 — Sixth place 2008 — Fourth place

advantage of the Antelopes' 13.8 percent field-goal shooting to grab fifth place.

The Antelopes connected on eight of 58 shots, while Rogue Valley was 8-for-20 (40 percent)

from the field.

The teams opened the game with a 5¹/₂-minute scoreless streak, which Adrian's Selina Villarreal snapped with a three-point goal with 2 minutes, 24 seconds to go in the opening quarter. Rogue Valley didn't score until Savanah Zamora hit a jump shot with 18 seconds left in the period.

Villarreal hit Adrian's first two baskets for all five of her points. Lauren Barraza grabbed nine rebounds, and Morgan Bayes led the scoring with six points. She also had eight rebounds.

Second-team all-tournament

— See Adrian, page 3B

celebrate its glorious past and gleaming present and future.

After two years of construction and \$50,000 in donations to Owyhee Baseball Inc., the town's baseball field is ready for the spotlight at an April 2 dedication.

At that time three of HHS baseball's all-time greats will be inducted into a new wall of fame that will populate the west side of the entrance structure.

The field will be dedicated in honor of one of the largest donors to the project, too.

No game time has been set yet for the Saturday non-conference game against Nampa Christian. There will be a wall saluting

booth also will be housed in the new structure on the third-base side of the diamond.

HHS and Owyhee County Rivercats American Legion coach Burke Deal said artificial turf will be installed in a couple places to enhance the field. Part of the turf will be used in the new batting cage in front of the concession stand. Another piece of turf will cover an area between the Trojans' dugout on the third-base line and the bullpen. The area will be used by home-team players warming up to pinch-hit.

The home team also has new digs with a professional-style locker room behind the dugout.

— See Field, page 3B

Sports

Homedale golfers tee up for another championship drive

Season starts with 18-hole Icebreaker

Homedale High School's golfers begin the season at home Thursday with high hopes.

"I think if everyone stays healthy and eligible, we have a chance to qualify for State again," fifth-year HHS coach Casey Grove said.

The 18-hole Icebreaker seasonopening tournament starts at 11 a.m. at River Bend Golf Course in Wilder, but many of the Trojans may be in full swing already.

Grove has four of the top five golfers from last year's 3A state tournament-qualifying squad back, including two seniors who spent a lot of time on the links during the off-season.

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The returning seniors include: • Chase Martell — Grove anticipates Martell will be a key contributor for a team that lost only Kyler Landa among its frontline players on the 2015 team.

"Chase have been a very consistent player for us the past three years," Grove said. "He has played a lot of golf in the summer."

• Lawsen Matteson — The coach said Matteson played a lot during the summer and has shown improvement throughout his first three years with the program.

• Noah Freelove — "Noah has the potential to be the best player on the course at times," Grove said. "If he can be more consistent, he could battle for a district championship."

Sophomore Kaden Henry is back after making an impact during the Trojans' run to another state tournament berth last year.

"Our of anyone on the team, Kaden puts in the most time in the summer getting better," Grove said. "I expect a lot out of Kaden this year."

There are four other boys on the team including senior Garrett

Carter, sophomore Scott Matlock, freshman Ben Holt and junior Tanner Miller, who transferred in from Vallivue. That quartet will battle for the fifth spot in the varsity lineup, Grove said.

Grove also has one girl freshman Emily Kent — on the 2016 roster.

The coach anticipates another competitive three-way race for the 3A District III championship between his squad, Weiser and Fruitland.

The Trojans are used to tight competition from its 3A Snake River Valley conference opponents. Homedale finished second in the district tournament a year ago, beating Emmett by two strokes for the final team berth to the state tournament. Martell finished fourth in the district tournament last spring.

The 2016 district championship will be decided May 11 when the Trojans play host to the district tournament at River Bend.

Homedale is returning to River Bend for its home competition after spending last season at TimberStone Golf Course outside Caldwell.





Connor Carter goes to the rim against Payette.

Benny Schamber shoots a free throw against Fruitland.

Trojans' top scorers named all-conference

Connor Carter's habit of attaining double-doubles on the basketball court wasn't lost on the coaches who had to figure out ways to stop him this season.

The Homedale High School senior forward was placed on the All-3A Snake River Valley conference first team.

Fellow senior Benny Schamber earned an honorable mention nod.

Carter averaged 16 points and

10 rebounds per game and shot 82 percent from the free-throw line during his final season with the Trojans.

The forward wrapped up his prep career Tuesday after deadline as Homedale's lone representative in the 2A/3A District III Senior All-Star Game in Fruitland.

Schamber scored 10.3 points a night and collected 6 rebounds per game.





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Varsity Saturday, March 12 at Filer (2), noon and 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 15, home vs. Vale, Ore., 5 p.m.



Junior varsity Saturday, March 12 at Filer (2), noon and 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 15 at Vale, Ore., 5 p.m.

Sports

Trojans: Coach credits youth program with building depth and talent

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season to build a strong feeder system. He sees this year's junior varsity team as probably the best in his nine years at the helm.

The JV players will be able to learn from the example set forth by another strong set of seniors. The leadership doesn't waver from last year's squad that finished tied for second in the 3A Snake River Valley conference regular season and took fourth in the district tournament.

"We have a lot of depth in the pitching staff, and a number of players could post big numbers at the plate, and it will really be an honor to be in our batting order 1 through 9," Deal said. "We should be very tough on defense as well."

Connor Carter returns as the anchor of a strong pitching staff, and he'll play the infield. During his all-conference junior season, he hit .395 and drove in 22 runs while posting a 5-2 record with

a 2.73 earned-run average and 45 strikeouts in 38 1/3 innings.

"He has come up through our youth program and has lots of baseball experience and baseball savvy," Deal said.

John Collett, an outfielder, is another all-conference first-teamer who will provide pitching depth. He had a 2.15 ERA with 48 strikeouts in 39 innings last year, and he carried one of the steady bats for Homedale, hitting .452.

"He had a phenomenal junior season, and we're expecting big things from John again," Deal said.

"He is really an amazing athlete. He has matured into a superb outfielder — the best I have had."

Nash Johnson returns to the catcher position where he was a second-team All-3A SRV pick last year. He hit .369 as a junior. The senior will also pitch again this season.

"He's rock-solid behind the plate, a top-notch catcher, Deal said. "He worked very hard physically and mentally over the summer, which I expect will pay off on the ball field as well."

Matt Thatcher was a secondteam all-conference player last season after splitting time between the mound and infield positions. He hit .375 and posted a 3.62 ERA.

"He's a tough competitor, a hard worker, a great defender and a tough out," Deal said. "He has become an on-base machine."

Honorable mention all-conference player Michael Lejardi rounds out the senior class.

"He has worked real hard over the winter, and we're hoping for big things from Michael," Deal said. "He's a superb young man, and we love having him around."

Those five seniors replace the leadership core — and large chunk of offensive production — that went away with graduation last year. Gone are all-conference players Gunner Clapp (.500, 37

RBI), Blake Patton (.348, 17 RBI) and Bo Jenkins (.397, 30 RBI) and contributors Colton Osborn (.519, 14 RBI) and Jose Ibarra.

Also offering leadership potential is coach's kid Jake Deal, a junior who will spend time in the infield and on the mound. He hit .441 and knocked in 17 runs during his first-team all-conference sophomore season.

"He has worked hard over the offseason and had a real good summer season," Burke Deal said.

A handful of players has moved up from the JV squad to solidify the Trojans' depth.

Drew Taylor will play multiple positions and pitch after also making an impact with Deal's Owyhee Rivercats American Legion team.

"He has worked very hard on his skills, and it is paying off," Deal said of the 6-foot-2 junior.

Kendall Freelove also will contribute in several facets during his junior season.

Wyatt Dorsey is a junior who is

pegged as an infielder.

Sophomore Wyatt Wolfe will play all over the field.

Freshman Drew Deal, Jake's younger brother, will play outfield and fill in behind the plate when Johnson is pitching. He starts his high school career after a summer in which he was third on the Rivercats in batting average and on-base percentage.

Burke Deal doesn't seeing any let-up in the 3A Snake River Valley conference pennant race even with Fruitland losing a couple key elements from its state championship team. He expects big improvement from Payette and a tough fight from Weiser.

"Bottom line is that our district is the toughest in the state at the 3A level, hands down, and we will have to prepare to battle it out every game," Deal said.

"Our goal, as always, is to be playing in Ontario for a state championship in May."

— JPB

$\sqrt{\text{Field: First}}$ home games set Saturday vs. Filer

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Although the project has enhanced a piece of school district property, organizers say no public money has been used to build the improvements.

In addition to the \$50,000 construction costs, Deal said another \$30,000 in heavy equipment rentals were donated.

"It's hard to quantify some of the donations and how people have helped," Deal said.

Preparation for the season continues, as well, as outfield wall advertising spots are available for \$200 apiece.

— JPB

Left: Homedale coach Burke Deal stands outside the new entrance to the ballpark.

$\sqrt{\text{Sport:}}$ Rodeo season nears $\sqrt{\text{Adrian:}}$ Win vs. Crane keeps year going

From Page 1B bring more riders into the rough stock trade.

He has been one of the veteran riders on the HHS club for the past two years. He has competed in rodeo for five years, starting with steers and graduating to bulls.

"I try to be an older role model for the younger guys," Falls said.

Bull riding was a natural progression for Falls, whose family raises bulls.

"I've always had a passion for it and decided to start doing it," he said.

His mentor has been Clay Sauer, who is active in District II.

"Clay has been there for me all

the time to help me get on bigger and ranker bulls," he said.

With the high school season set to resume, Falls has spent the past month or so working out with the TVCC rodeo team.

The high school season picks up again on April 16-17 at Badiola Arena in Homedale. Other dates include April 30-May 1 at the Payette Fairgrounds in New Plymouth, May 14-15 at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in Homedale and on May 29-30 at the CNR grounds in Caldwell. The cutting horse competition will be held March 19-20 and

April 9-10.

— JPB

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player Ashton Petray converted six of nine free throws and led Rogue Valley with eight points. She also grabbed six rebounds, while teammate Rose Tovar had eight boards and six points.

Friday: Adrian 35, Crane **30** — Carlee Morton scored 15 points to push the Antelopes past their rivals in an elimination game.

The 1A High Desert League teams played to a 12-12 halftime tie before Adrian took over with a 10-6 run through the third quarter

Bayes scored nine points, and Anna Hutchings pulled down seven rebounds.



Carlee Morton prepares to shoot against Nixyaawii. Photo by Bob Radford

Savannah Maupin paced the Mustangs with 12 points.

Thursday: Nixyaawii 50, Adrian 30 — The Golden Eagles recovered from the Antelopes' strong first half to dominate the opening-round game.

Nixyaawii went on an 18-4 run and took control when firstteam all-tournament player Mary Stewart, a sophomore, stole the ball and hit a fast-break layup with 6:46 left in the third quarter.

Stewart scored 22 points, including three three-point goals and a 7-for-10 showing at the foul line. Teammate Desire Maddern chipped in 15 points, while Stacy Fitzpatrick notched eight rebounds.

Morton led Adrian with 20 points, and Hutchings snagged nine rebounds.

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

March 13, 1991

Citizens' committee recommends new jail proposal

Proposed plans for a new 30-bed jail facility were recommended by the Owyhee County Criminal Justice Facility Committee at a recent meeting in Murphy.

The estimated cost of the facility is \$1.7 million. The County Commissioners Monday voted to appropriate \$100,000 of building and grounds funds to the project, leaving \$1.6 million to be financed by a bond levy. The committee, which consists of a cross-section of citizens throughout the county, has been meeting weekly since early January.

The plans call for a 12,500-square-foot facility, which would be adjacent to the courthouse. It would house all sheriff's functions, including the jail, the sheriff's office, dispatch, civil, and drivers' license facilities. The present jail and office area could then be used for other muchneeded space, according to committee reports.

Commissioners adopt resolution for bond election

The Owyhee County Commissioners adopted a resolution "ordering a special election to be held on the question of the issuance of general obligation bonds of the county in the principal amount of \$1,600,000 for the purpose of erecting and furnishing a county jail" during its meeting Monday.

The total cost of the proposed facility is estimated at \$1,700,000. In related action Monday, the commissioners voted unanimously to transfer \$100,000 from the building and grounds fund to be applied to the jail construction. The commissioners retained \$131,724 in the fund for upgrading the water system and remodeling of the present jail and sheriff's offices for use by other departments.

Young seeks NNC job

Bobby Young, Homedale High's varsity basketball coach in the season just ended, intends to apply for the job of the Northwest Nazarene College head basketball coach.

"I'm definitely going to apply for that job," Young said last week after NNC Athletic Director Eric Forseth announced that the college will not renew Garry Matlock's contract as head basketball coach. Young conceded that he doesn't have an (advanced) degree yet, which could hurt his chances. "Still, I'm going to apply for it. I have nothing to lose. They recognize the job I've done."

While coaching NNC's JV team under Matlock, Young said the team averaged 100 points per game. He has a number of good friends at NNC, including Forseth.

Asked if he would return to Homedale next year if the NNC job doesn't pan out. Young replied, "I would have to look at that situation. I signed a one-year contract and my contract is up. It's really up to them (school officials) to evaluate me."

Baseball opener tomorrow

With a bunch of topflight players back, including two A-3 State All-Stars, Chris Hoshaw and Josh Hays, Homedale's varsity baseball team kicks off its season tomorrow at 4:30

50 years ago

March 10, 1966

Illness forces Homedale schools to close Wednesday – Class to resume at usual time Monday

Homedale schools will close for the remainder of the week, due to such a high percentage of absences from illness, High School Principal Darrel Reisch announced Tuesday.

Students will return to classes Monday, at the usual time.

All school activities scheduled for the week will also be cancelled or postponed to a later date.

Anyone purchasing tickets to the Del Roby wildlife show will either be refunded his money or the tickets will be good for a later date.

South Canal to get irrigation water March 21

Water will tentatively be turned into the Owyhee South Canal Monday, March 21, and the Gem Pump Canals Monday, March 28, according to Tom Cotton, manager of the South Board of Control. All ditch riders will attend a one-day school next Monday, March 14, he said. All rides will be served by the same personnel as last year.

Owyhee County Rodeo officers are re-elected

Officers were re-elected by the Owyhee County Rodeo board Tuesday night when Bob Basey was again named president, John Malmberg, Jr., Vice President and Al Curtis, Secretary-Treasurer.

The board has contracted with Prunty Bros. of Elko, Nev., to produce this fall's 4-night rodeo at the Owyhee County Fair. Mrs. Prunty will act as Rodeo Secretary.

A wide-open contest to choose the rodeo queen will be held here in late June, with girls throughout Treasure Valley eligible to compete, according to Paul Zatica, rodeo board member.

He said rules of the contest will be announced later. Plans call for making the queen contest an annual affair with prizes to be given the winners.

The Eh Capa riders, a popular young riding group of Boise, who captivated rodeo audiences here last year with their colorful Indian costumes, extraordinary riding ability and exemplary behavior both in and out of the arena, will again be featured. The group will again camp at the rodeo grounds during the performance.

Grand View girls enter tourney finals

Grand View marched into Wednesday night's District 4-5 girls basketball tourney finals via a 28-26 win over Middleton Tuesday night meeting Dietrich at 9 p.m. for the championship.

Other action Tuesday saw Bruneau trip Council, 29-7. Other games Wednesday night featured Richfield against Bruneau at 6 and Council and Middleton at 7:30.

Cathy Cook with 10 and Carla Davis with 9 placed the Bruneau win while Diana Beaman tossed in 12 points to lead the Grand View club with Barbara Hopkins netting

140 years ago

March 11, 1876

REORGANIZATION OF THE JUDICIARY - A bill to reorganize the Federal Judiciary has passed the United States House of Representatives. It is based on the fact that the Supreme Court of the United States, organized as the Court of last resort for three millions of people, is not able to act in the same capacity for population of forty-four millions. Under the bill in question the Supreme Judge is no longer to discharge the duties of Circuit Judge. But he, a new Circuit Judge, and the several District Judges in his circuit, are to form a Court of Appeals, which is to have final jurisdiction over all writs of error where the sum involved does not exceed \$10,000. It will practically give us nine Supreme Courts of the United States for the great mass of Federal litigation. The present Supreme Court will have nothing to attend to but the great cases involving constitutional construction.

WATCHING THE 'CLIPSE – In the western suburbs of Silver City a certain young man and his sweetheart sat on the doorstep from 7:30 last night till 1 o'clock this morning watching for the eclipse to appear. It was tolerably cold, but, by making one shawl do for both, and sitting in very close proximity to each other, they managed to keep from freezing. Just as the clock struck one the door opened and a night-cap hove in sight with remark: "Daughter, it is cloudy, you can't see the moon; and if you could, 'numbra has gone out of it half an hour ago. Come to bed." The young couple sadly detached their noses from the smoked glass, darted a heartrending glance into each other's liquid orbs, and regrettingly tore themselves asunder.

THE SOUTH CHARIOT - We understand that this mine has been temporarily closed down in consequence of the Superintendent, Mr. Crutcher, not receiving the financial aid that was promised him by the company some days ago, wherewith he expected to pay off a portion of the indebtedness. The workmen of the mine have now been without their pay for three months. Many of them have families, and it seems an act of wanton cruelty to deprive them of the compensation to which they are entitled. Other parties to whom the company may be indebted could afford to wait much better than they. Mr. Crutcher has been doing his utmost to keep this mine running, working a limited force and turning out what bullion he could. Work may possibly be resumed in a day or two, as funds are hourly expected at the Bank to pay the checks which were due on the 8th instant.

NARROW ESCAPE – Mr. Baldwin, Superintendent of the Golden Chariot, and Captain Joe Brown had a narrow escape from being snowed under this forenoon. They started for Fairview at 11 o'clock and encountered a huge drift of wet snow a short distance beyond the scales. While reconnoitering the position, Mr. Baldwin pushed forward under an overhanging drift, and just as he had emerged from it the whole pile came down, he escaping by almost a miracle. His dog, which was right behind him, was submerged in the slide. The parties immediately returned to town and reinforced by Gilmore, Crutcher, Bishop Sands and others started out on a fresh expedition, intending to get to Fairview this evening.

p.m. in Middleton with every happy prospect of enjoying a crackerjack year.

"I think so. We're going to do real well," new Head Coach Will Julian agreed. "I'm looking forward to it. It's a lot of fun already, and the kids are really enthusiastic."

For starters, about a dozen experienced players are back from last year's talented squad that took 4th statewide at the A-3 tournament. The senior returnees include Mike Weimer, centerfielder, Kevin Alambra, pitcher/3rd base/shortstop; Mike Warwick, left fielder/infielder; Brad Dines, shortstop; Hoshaw, 3rd base/pitcher and Gabe Almaraz, right fielder/outfield.

The juniors include last year's batting champ, Hays, catcher; Trent Galloway, 2nd base/catcher; Rick Zehr, 2nd base/pitcher and Justin Sherfick, rightfielder.

Sophomores on the current 19-member squad are Tony Uranga, who was a pitching standout in his freshman year; Shane Dines, 3rd base/outfielder; Frank Hendry, 1st base/ pitcher; Rod Linder, outfielder/left fielder; Perry Grant, 1st base/outfielder; Austin Heady, outfielder; Sam Simpson, pitcher and Marvin Peterson, outfielder/infielder. 10 and sister Sheila collecting nine for Middleton.

Owyhee Lanes team wins Treasure Valley title

The Owyhee Lanes team won the championship in the Treasure Valley Ladies Bowling League in an exciting finish of the season Sunday, March 6 at the Talbot Lanes in Caldwell.

At the close of the schedule on Sunday a tie existed with Caldwell Bowl from Caldwell, Automatic Amusement from Boise and the Owyhee Lanes, each with 45 winning points.

This three-way tie was rolled off with a three-game match for total pins. The scores were close all the way and the local team won by a close margin of 56 pins, making this an exciting match for both the spectators and the bowlers.

The team is sponsored by Ray Tolsma, owner and operator of the Owyhee Lanes, and the team members are June Ward, Annie Julian, Verna Costley, Virginia Tolsma and Iris Parker. SOME OF our young men who are waiting to marry rich wives should emigrate to India. In that country it is the custom for parents to pay men to marry their daughters. In Calcutta, recently, a rich Hindoo paid a man who came from a family of considerable distinction the sum of \$300,000 to marry his daughter. The fellow married the young girl, a mere child in years, and pocketed the money. Within two years he had gambled away all of it and was in debt besides. In this straight he sent the girl to her parents' home, demanding \$100,000 more as a condition of living with her longer. The proposition was rejected. It is a stigma upon a Hindoo Family if the daughters are not married before arriving at the age of thirteen.

Sports

MHS coach wants to cultivate new diamond culture

Baseball team has third leader in three years

For Wes Tankersley, this season is about more than just winning baseball games.

Marsing High School's new coach wants to change the Huskies' DNA, and he'll start that process with Friday's home opener against the Homedale junior varsity.

This is Tankersley's first varsity baseball job, but he has been around some of the Treasure Valley's best baseball settings, and he hopes to bring to the Huskies what he has learned as a Capital High School assistant and a student teacher under former Rocky Mountain, Borah and Skyview coach Jake Taylor.

A freshman team coach at

Battling Cole Valley Christian

players during the third-place

game of the 2A District III

Tournament last month, junior

Nick Lanknow (left) shows off the

tenacity that made him Marsing

High School's leading rebounder

and a second-team All-2A Western

Idaho Conference selection. Photo

by Dan Pease

Capital and a student teacher under Taylor's tutelage, Tankersley acknowledges that there is a difference between the 5A programs he has been around and a smaller school such as 2A Marsing.

But even though athletes specialize at the larger schools, there also is a common thread that helped those find success in the state tournament and can also translate with the Huskies.

"I think the culture is a big thing," Tankersley said. "A lot of times the work ethic is a big thing. Just coming from a small area like Marsing, they have to play three sports."

Tankersley's education at Capital last year, however, can help as he takes over from Travis Jarvis, who stepped down after one season as head coach and a handful of years as an assistant for Jerry Stacy.

"I think one of the biggest things is there are a lot of things that I learned as far as drills and pitching to motivate the kids," Tankersley said.

"The biggest thing is to motivate the kids to let them know that anything is possible as long as they're willing to work hard."

A physical education and health teacher at the middle school, Tankersley served as an assistant football coach in the fall and has plenty of opportunities to shape MHS athletes' attitudes this year. Jarvis and Stacy were off-campus coaches, but still managed to lead the Huskies to state tournament appearances and build an attitude through the American Legion summer program.

Tankersley said he is exploring the possibility of starting a Legion team in Marsing (the Owyhee Rivercats transferred to Homedale coach Burke Deal after Stacy and Jarvis gave up the program a couple summers ago). "Otherwise, I'll find a way to get involved with Babe Ruth and take the coach under my wing," he said.

Tankersley doesn't know much about the Huskies program that he inherited, but he's ready to also take the young squad under his wing.

"We're putting in a whole new program. We do a lot of things differently from what they did last year," he said. "I think we have a pretty good team. I think they're just going to have to learn a new program."

Tankersley said the Huskies are young, and while that probably could be seen as weakness, it might make installing a new program easier for the head coach and assistants Jim King and Sean Hughes.

The head coach has about six key returners from last year's squad that went 4-13.

Outfielder-pitcher Connor Rho-

des, a senior, is one of the veterans on the 15-player squad.

Returning juniors include Clay King, who will play several different positions including shortstop and starting pitcher, and outfielder Wyatt Grim.

Coming back for a second varsity season are sophomores Tyler Wood at first base, Jaden Kinney at third and second baseman/ outfielder Brian Purtell.

Tankersley, who will handle pitching coaching duties, says Wood, Kinney, King and freshman Dwight Sevy will start on the mound throughout the season. Sevy will be behind the plate when he's not pitching, and junior Cody LaPlante will pitch, catch and play center field.

"We have a lot of freshmen coming up," Tankersley said. "It's going to be a young team, but I think they're going to be pretty good." — JPB



Little named WIC coach of year

All-conference honors go to Acuña, Lankow

After his team parlayed a strong finish into third place in the district, Marsing High School's Tim Little was selection as the 2A Western Idaho Conference coach of the year.

Little's selection and the allconference team were released at the close of the boys' basketball season Saturday.

The Huskies rallied from an 0-7 start to the 2015-16 season, kicking in a strong defense and clutch performances down the stretch to secure the No. 4 seed into the 2A District III Tournament.

While Marsing's season ended in the state play-in game last month in Mountain Home, all-conference second-teamer Rodrigo Acuña completed his prep career Tuesday after deadline in the 2A/3A District III Senior All-Star Game in Fruitland. Acuña led the Huskies in steals (3.3 per game) and assists (2.2 per game) while averaging 7.5 points a night.

He also was Marsing's secondleading rebounder, grabbing 4.6 boards per game.

The Huskies' leading rebounder, junior Nick Lankow, was the team's other all-conference second-team selection.

Lankow averaged 9.2 rebounds per game and was Marsing's fourth-leading scorer, putting in 6.2 points per night.





Baseball Friday, March 11, home vs. Homedale JV, 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 15 at Parma, 5 p.m.



Softball Tuesday, March 15 at Parma, 5 p.m.

Track and field Thursday, March 17 at St. Patty's Meet, Melba, 4 p.m.





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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense A letter from Rudy

Dere felo caowdogs. Its bin a wile sinc I ben abel to sneek in a collum. B. Black dvm (dip vat maneger, ha, ha) has ben wathing me pretty clos.

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I tink my contsent viglens has cut dowen on Backstirs cowdog kritasizein. Besides, wot he nose abowt anemil behavyer wood fit in a pinewurms poketbuk!

He went to a horstraning klinick. That's a laff! "Bekum won with yer hors." The pore fule izent evun won with his dandrif! Bowt the onely thing hez wone with is his ropping dummy!

I spent the somer waching his gippo cow opurashun. Thank goodness, because he strung fifteen mils of hot whire all ofer twelve akers to maksomize his grazeing. The paschur lookt like Flanderz Feld! The cowz finly gave upp an lerned to cral under it!

I don't know how many mor trips to the sale the Valdez will make. Itz his 1982 stoktraler with skower yelo primer an smooth tires. He maks me staye in it wile hez in the sale barn.

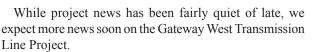
Ane way, nuthinz chang mutch. I stil ride in the bak of the pikup sumtimz. But he never swepes it hout. All that brush and sand an hay. I set bak ther in a blizerd of trash!

But I'm wurkin on him. It cood be worz. I cood be a towen dog.

PS Lefte sez shez doon better after the

Mitch Colburn, projects lead

Gateway West project Electrical transmission line will bring many benefits



Idaho Power and Rocky Mountain Power are proposing to build the project, which includes approximately 1,000 miles of 230-kilovolt (kV) and 500-kV electric transmission lines between the Windstar substation near Glenrock, Wyo., and our Hemingway in Wilson.

We're building this new transmission line to provide electricity for increasing customer needs, to enhance the regional grid and to support economic development in southern Idaho. It will deliver power from existing and future electric resources including renewable resources like wind energy. In addition, the line will improve the reliability of the region's transmission system.

More specifically, a large amount of Idaho Power's electricity moves between southeastern Idaho and southwestern Idaho on existing transmission lines between the Portnuef, Magic, and Treasure valleys. These lines are heavily utilized. Idaho Power's need for the Gateway West project is to provide more capacity for moving electricity across southern Idaho, primarily from east to west.

With more capacity, Idaho Power will be able to serve

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington Borrowing resources to fight fires perpetuates dangerous cycle

Disaster-scale wildfires are going to continue to be a threat. We can better prepare for the increasing costs of wildland fire suppression by providing land managers and firefighters the certainty needed to plan and allocate resources properly without robbing from other priorities during each fire season. I recently had the opportunity to join fellow Sen. Ron Wyden (D-Ore.) in speaking on the Senate Floor and offering a bipartisan amendment to draw attention to the need to permanently fix wildfire funding now and end the senseless practice of raiding fire prevention and other U.S. Forest Service accounts to fight this year's fires.

We introduced an amendment to the energy bill being debated by the full Senate that would end fire borrowing for good, stop the erosion of the Forest Service budget and amp up fire prevention projects, thereby reducing wildfire risks and fire suppression costs. This followed our work with lawmakers from both parties and from both the House and Senate to develop the amendment, which would update the Wildfire Disaster Funding Act we introduced. That bill has support from 21 Senate co-sponsors, 145 House cosponsors and more than 250 groups representing hunters and fishers, timber companies and conservationists. Although a spending bill passed in December increased fire funding for one year, it still leaves agencies vulnerable to fire transfers, does not solve the problem long-term and does little to hold down long-term firefighting costs. Every opportunity to achieve a permanent fix must be used, because a lack of a solution enables the problem to worsen. The statistics from last year's fire season are sobering. Nationally, 68,151 fires burned 10.1 million acres and cost more than \$1.7 billion in suppression operations. These

fires accounted for the loss of roughly 4,600 structures, and most tragically, the lives of 13 wildland firefighters. When it comes to how wildfires are budgeted, we are in a crisis. For more than a decade, as fires have raged across the West, necessary suppression costs associated with these disasters have been seriously under-budgeted.

To make matters worse, the lack of resources to fight the worst of our annual fires has forced land management agencies to engage in so-called "fire borrowing" that results in fewer resources for the very activities that can prevent the large, devastating fires from happening in the first place. When the Forest Service is forced to "borrow" funds to fight fires, they are actually borrowing against Idaho jobs and recreational opportunities. Fire borrowing results in less timber, jobs and access.

Less work in the woods means this harmful fire cycle is only going to get worse. Fire itself is the only thing worse than fire borrowing for work in our forests that improves the health of our forests and enables recreational activities on our public lands.



future customer load growth, whether it's commercial, industrial, residential or agricultural. The project brings a lot of benefits to Idaho residents, from local tax payments in the counties to reliable electric service. Gateway West is also seen as a tool to help alleviate a future of uncertainty with respect to where and what kind of generation Idaho Power will need to supply low-cost and reliable electric service to its customers.

Idaho Power looks forward to the release of the supplemental draft environmental impact statement (SDEIS). Once it is released by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Idaho Power and Rocky Mountain Power will review it and prepare joint comments for BLM to consider in making its final decision.

The companies were not involved in the development of the SDEIS and are receiving information on routes at the same time as the public. We appreciate your patience as we go through the document and determine how it will affect the Gateway West project.

— Mitch Colburn is the leader of Idaho Power's 500kV projects group. The SDEIS covers Gateway West Segments 8-9, which are proposed for construction in Owyhee County.

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— Visit Baxter's Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black merchandise, including his newest release, "Cave Wall Graffiti from a Neanderthal Cowboy," other books and DVDs.

Letters to the editor

All letters to the editor submitted to The Owyhee Avalanche must be no longer than 300 words, signed and include the writer's address and daytime phone number.

The deadline for submitting letters is noon on Friday. Letters can be submitted in these ways:

• E-mailed to jon@owyheeavalanche.com

• Faxed to (208) 337-4867

• Mailed to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628

• Dropped off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale

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

While lawmakers on both sides of the aisle and in both Houses of Congress are in agreement that a fix to fire borrowing is needed, there are different approaches on a legislative solution. I continue to work with these lawmakers and members across the political and jurisdictional spectrums to find common ground on a solution that ends fire borrowing for the betterment of Idaho communities.

- 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.

"Where there is little or no public opinion, there is likely to be bad government, which sooner or later becomes autocratic government."

William Lyon Mackenzie King, Canadian prime minister, 1935-1948

Commentary

Financial management

Don't buy life insurance for parents unless it's necessary

Dear Dave,

My boyfriend is wondering if he should buy life insurance for his mom and dad. They're both in their 70s, and they're no longer married to each other. His mom is disabled and remarried, and she doesn't have any life insurance coverage. The only coverage his dad may have would be through his employer. He's afraid he would have to pay funeral expenses if one of them died, and he's not in good enough shape financially to do that right now. What's your advice?

— Cherie

Dear Cherie,

If the only insurance his dad may have is furnished through his employer, then, yeah, when he stops working he probably won't have life insurance anymore. It would be fine if he wanted to buy them each a small policy, but it's going to be very expensive at their age. He would have to get them to sign off on it, and they'd also

have to be healthy enough to have a policy issued.

This isn't a good long-term plan, however. As a long-term plan, I'd tell your boyfriend that he needs to build up his own wealth. If he had \$15,000 to \$20,000 in savings, that's more than enough to bury two people. I don't mean to sound insensitive, but we're talking about the economics involved in this kind of situation. You can have a nice funeral for as little as \$5,000.

The other thing I'd do if I were him is I'd have a discussion with Mom as to whether or not the stepfather has the funds to handle this sort of thing. When it comes right down to it, that would be *his* responsibility, not the son's. Then, he should have a similar discussion with his dad. If his dad's got insurance through work, and the stepdad is ready to pay for his mom's burial, then I wouldn't buy insurance on them. They're covered for the



immediate future.

So I wouldn't do it unless they absolutely don't have this sort of thing covered. Even then I'd prefer you just cover it with cash, because all we're talking about is just enough to cover burial costs. Nothing needs to be elaborate.

I hope this helps, Cherie!

Dear Dave.

My wife and I are in Baby Step 2 of your plan, and we've got our 20th wedding anniversary coming up in a few months. We had always planned on taking a 10day luxury trip to celebrate, but now that we're trying to get out of debt it seems pretty unrealistic. Should we pause the Baby Steps and celebrate like we originally planned, or would it be better to concentrate on paying off debt?

— Don

Dear Don,

If it were me, I'd want to pause and celebrate in a smaller way. Then, in a year or two when you've reached your goal of being debt-free, you could have a big double celebration — for your anniversary and for gaining control of your finances.

Think about it. Why isn't the 21st, 22nd or 23rd anniversary just as big as the 20th? No reason — **Dave** really. It's just an arbitrary milestone we as human beings decided on and created. But you can "undecide" stuff like that anvtime vou want.

If you two, as a couple, are in agreement on that point, then it suddenly becomes easier to delay pleasure in order to win. And trust me, when you agree on things like that, the celebrations become even sweeter!

- 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.

Americans for Limited Government Will GOP establishment try to steal the nomination?

by Robert Romano

As the Donald Trump presidential campaign continues to gather momentum and delegates toward the July 18-21 Republican nominating convention in Cleveland, there is an emerging theme in GOP establishment circles:

A brokered or even stolen convention in which the candidate with the most delegates or even a majority of the delegates still somehow does not emerge as the party's nominee.

Normally, such speculation might be consigned as unadulterated nonsense, the fantasies of losing campaigns desperate to justify continued fundraising and public support amid mounting defeats. After all, it has not succeeded before in modern history. It is a hope, but what Mitt Romney alluded to in his address last week is not much of a strategy.

Yet here we are, with Romney's Thursday speech and a Feb. 27 story in the New York Times, "Inside the Republican Party's Desperate Mission to Stop Donald Trump," by reporters Alexander Burns, Maggie Maberman and Jonathan Martin, where the writing is clearly beginning to be an illusion, because his supporters would never show up at the polls and the ground game would fail to identify them if he even had one.

Maybe he's that good at this. Or perhaps his competition was never up to the task in the first place, in which case, is that really who should be taking on Hillary? In that context, talk of a brokered convention is just a Hail Mary, a lastminute play with low percentage odds of success

On the other hand, it is hard to fault campaigns for strategizing on taking the convention. When you're trying to win, you consider every possibility — even long shots.

The last time such an endeavor came close to happening was in 1976 when sitting President Gerald Ford showed up at the nominating convention short of the majority of delegates he needed, thanks to the insurgency by Ronald Reagan.

Even then, although it was close, Ford won the nomination on the first ballot after the states that lacked a primary process at the time had weighed in.

Of course, it is theoretically possible no candidate gets a clear majority going into the convention, but now with every state with some form of a primary or caucus process for allocating delegates — in 1976 that was not the case with only 28 primaries and caucuses - the fact it has never happened before looms large. So, perhaps this is just all the final death throes of a Washington, D.C. political establishment after it was unable to get its preferred candidate. In other words, pure desperation not to be taken seriously. To his credit, Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus has discounted such a possibility. On Feb. 24 on CNN he said, "My job is to put forward the fairest process that we can put forward, to not put my hand on the scale, to allow our delegates to make the choices that they want to make and then accept the decision that the delegates make, unlike on the Democratic side where they have superdelegates and could give a darn about what the grassroots are telling the party. That's not how we operate our party on our side."

But, still, what if there is something more to this?

What antidemocratic lengths would the party go to in order to deny the people's choice of a candidate? Say, a bid to take the convention fails. What's next? Trying to rig the electoral college with third party, regional bids to somehow force the election into the House of Representatives? If no candidate emerges with a majority of the electoral college, presidential elections go to the House of Representatives per Article II of the Constitution.

In many ways this is the same type of thinking that goes into a lame duck session of Congress, where many Republican leaders and some retiring politicians are already preparing to get one more bite at the legislative apple during the Obama administration.

One key item that may be considered during a lame duck would be the controversial, 12-nation Trans-Pacific Partnership trade deal, which might not otherwise pass if the vote occurred before the election. Also of note, the current Republican frontrunner, Trump, opposed the

to appear on the wall.

The odds in favor of a Trump nomination are going up as the calendar proceeds beyond Super Tuesday. And Washington, D.C. insiders will do almost anything to stop it.

"At least two campaigns have drafted plans to overtake Mr. Trump in a brokered convention, and the Senate majority leader, Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, has laid out a plan that would have lawmakers break with Mr. Trump explicitly in a general election," report messengers Burns, Maberman and Martin.

On one hand, it is easy to appreciate just how wrong all of the experts were about Trump, as he was consistently underestimated last year. He was a clown. Couldn't win anything. Would disappear in a week or a month. Wasn't really running. In the meantime, ever since he rose in the polls, he has been winning. And even that was supposed trade deal.

Would a Republican Congress push the unpopular trade deal opposed by its own nominee across the finish line for fear that a Trump administration might go back to the drawing board?

For obvious reasons, a lame duck Congress is the wrong approach, as it defies the people's express will, all in the pursuit of outgoing Congressmen and their staffs' next jobs on K Street.

Yet, again, here we are, with talk of brokered conventions and last-minute back-room deals cementing the Obama legacy — all as an antidemocratic stench permeates the rotten GOP establishment. And folks wonder why voters are so upset?

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

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Sports

Region's top college rodeo competitors head for CSI

The 15th-ranked College of Expo Center box office. Southern Idaho men's rodeo team plays host to its annual rodeo on Friday and Saturday in Twin Falls.

The Golden Eagles aren't the only nationally ranked team at the meet. Colorado Northwestern is 18th in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association men's standings

The CSI men's team leads the Rocky Mountain Region standings, while the women are in eighth place.

Tickets are \$10 for each performance, and children ages 6-12 get in for \$5. Doors at the CSI Eldon Evans Expo Center opens at 6 p.m. each night with the rodeo starting at 8 p.m. Advance tickets for adult general admission are \$8 at the CSI

Idaho State University, which has the ninth-ranked women's team, also will be on hand this weekend as is No. 25 Southern Utah

Other schools making the trip to the Magic Valley include Weber State, Utah Valley, Snow, Southern Utah, Utah State, Dixie State, Colorado Mesa, and Utah State-Eastern.

CSI also has nationally ranked individual talent on its roster, including:

• Klancy Krenka, who is 10th in the national men's all around standings and 18th in steer wrestling

• Mitchell Allen Pollock, sixth in saddle bronc

• Anthony Jefferson Barrington, 16th in bareback

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 Case 600 3 bottom spinner plow, slatted
 Ace 3 bottom plow packer • Ace 12' ground hog pipe roller front & rear • Bix Ox 7 shank V ripper • Northwest 8' 3pt PTO tiller • 5 shank disc corrugator • Pak Flail 8' PTO brush shredder JD 14' double blade gyromower • Dandle 12' pull type shredder w/gauge wheels • Hobson 5 row straw mulcher • Lilliston 6' 3pt gyromower • 8- sections of steel harrow • 4- sections or • shopbuilt 14' cultipacker • Martin 12 wood harrow • 10' 3pt triple K c 3nt crus breaker w/Brillion wheels • Sunflower 3shank alfalfa crowner • Grahmhome 3pt crowner • Alloway 6 row cultivator w/shields • Lilliston 4 row 4 spider rolling cultivator • 6 row 3pt bed harrow 44" • 3pt hyd ditcher • 2- 3pt PTO ditch cleaners • JD 3pt 8' coil shank cultivator • JD 5 shank straight ripper • 3 shank Valley Mound corrugator w/smooth roller • 3 shank Valley Mound corrugator SPRAY EQUIPMENT: Rule 600 gal SS nurse tank · Ace 200 gal SS 3pt sprayer w/80' booms, foam marker, raven monitor, hyd pump & agitator • Ace 135 gal SS 3pt sprayer w/ booms • Ace 150 gal SS saddle tank set IRRIGATION: 4- 1/4 mile sprinkler hand lines, hook & latch • approx 37 joints of 6" alum gated pipe • 12- joints of PVC 6" gated pipe • 24- joints of PVC 6" mainline pipe • 7- joints of alum 4" mainline w/valves PLANTERS: Heath 6 row air planter w/large assortment of plates • Beck 6 double row onion planter on 8 row bar w/liquid & gandy units • Planet Jr. 6 row planter • Milton conversion 6 row alfalfa seed planter w/gandy units • JD 70 flex 6 row planter • JD 10' grain drill w/seeder on steel • Acme 4 row cup planter

Owyhee County Church Directory

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Fellowship Calvary Homedale Pastor Rich Wright 20 West Idaho Ave Church time is 10:00 am on Sunday & Wednesday at 7:00 pm (208) 880-4033	Golden Gate Baptist Church Wilder Pastor Robert Potter, Jr., CLP Corner of Second and "B" Streets Church time is 11:00 am on Sunday Call (208) 880-4308 for information	Our Lady of Tears Church Silver City For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031
Iglesia Misionera Biblica Homedale Pastor Silverio Cardenas Jr. 132 W Owyhee • 337-5975 Servicios: Vier - 7pm - Oracion Mier - 7pm Predicacion Dom - 10am Esc. Dom y 6:30pm "Una Iglesia Diferente."	Knight Community Church Grand View Pastor Ivan Shetler 630 Idaho Street 208-834-2639 Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service 10:45am	Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder Pastors Ron & Martha Hwy 19 & 95, 890-9132 Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morring Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm
Assembly of God Church Homedale 15 West Montana, 337-4458 Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm Wed. Children & Youth Ministries 7:00pm	Friends Community Church Wilder - Homedale 17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays Wednesday CLC: 4:00 pm www.homedalefriends.org	Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church Caldwell 1122 W. Linden St. 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon
Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Homedale 337-4248 Sunday Services 10am Pastor Sean Rippey Adult and Children Sunday School 9-9:45am Visitors Always Welcome! Call Church for Prayer requests	Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House Welcoming Families, especially those with special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767 Jake & Alisha Henrioulle, Youth Pastors 761-6747 Sunday Services at 10 am	Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Mark Thatcher Bishop Robert T. Christensen Sunday 1st Ward 1pm Sunday 2nd Ward 9am
Homedale Baptist Church Homedale 212 S. 1st W. 739-5952 Sunday School 10am-11am Sunday Worship 11am-Noon Wednesday Evening 7pm	Wilder Church of God Wilder 205 A St. E, 649-7698 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm	Mountain View Church of the Nazarene Wilder-Homedale 26515 Ustick Road 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm Children's Caravan Program
MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 107 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Jose Gutierrez 208-461-9016 or 880-6172 Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Service 1 pm • Wednesday Service 7 pm Bilingual Services/Español	Iglesia Evangelica Wilder 317 3rd st., Pastor Ramiro Reyes 10 am Sunday School 11 am Service 482-7484 Bilingual	St. David's Episcopal Church 1800 Arlington Ave. Caldwell, ID 83605 208-459-9261 stdavids@stdavidscaldwell.org www.stdavid.episcopalidaho.org
Christian Church Homedale 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastor Maurice Jones Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45	Bible Missionary Church Homedale West Idaho, 337-3425 Pastor Ron Franklin Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30	Assembly of God Church Marsing 139 Kerry, 965-1650 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm
Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing Pastor David London 116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059 Sunday worship: Morning: 11am-Noon• Evening: 6-7pm Sunday school 10 am-10:55am Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm	Nazarene Church Marsing Pastor Bill O'Connor 649-5256 12 2nd Avenue West Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Sunday School - 9:45am Mid Week TLC Groups	Trinity Holiness Church Homedale 119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Sunday 1st Ward, 1:00 p.m. Bishop Rowley Sunday 2nd Ward, 9:00 a.m. Bishop McIntyre	Vision Community Church Marsing 221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-779-7926 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.	United Methodist Church Wilder Exploring the Bible: Public Invited 2nd & 4th Tuesday: 4-5pm Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. Pastor Dave Raines 208-880-8751 Sunday Service 9:30am
First Presbyterian Church Homedale 320 N. 6th W. Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am 208-473-9331	Calvary Holiness Church - Wilder Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave. • 208-989-0196 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. • Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday: 6:00 p.m. • Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Food Pantry hours • 208-989-0226 2nd & 3rd Friday of month 2pm-4pm 4th Friday of month 12-1pm	Garnet Seventh-Day Adventist Church 16613 Garnet Rd., Wilder 208-649-5280 Email: garnetSDA@icloud.com Worship 9:30am Sabbath School 10:45am Wednesday Bible Study 7:00-8 pm
Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale 711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am	Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church - Oreana 2016 Mass Schedule - the following Saturdays at 10:00am Jan. 23 - Feb. 27 - Mar. 19 - Apr. 23 - May 28 June 25 - July 16 BBQ - Aug. 27 - Sept. 24 - Oct. 22 - Nov. 26 - Dec. 17 All are welcome! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031	Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC Esquina de 4 y calle B Domingos Servicio: 12:00 pm El Ropero (Banco de ropa) Miercoles 12- 2pm Martes y Jueves: 6:30 pm Ingles Sabados: 12:00 pm Arte Infantil Todo en Espanol, Inf. 989 7508

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NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that declarations of candidacy for the offices of Owyhee County Sheriff; Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney, Owyhee County Commissioner, District 2, for four (4) years; Owyhee County Commissioner, District 3, for two (2) years; and Owyhee County Precinct Committeeman, for 2 (two) years must be filed with the Owyhee County Clerk's Office, whose address is 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, 83650, between 8:00 a.m. February 29, 2016 and 5:00 p.m. March 11, 2016. (I.C. 34-704; 34-708)

Such declarations are available at the Owyhee County Clerk's office or at www.owyheecounty. net under the Clerk's tab.

Individuals who run as write-in candidates must file a declaration of intent no later than 5:00 p.m. April 19, 2016 (I.C. 34-702A) 3/9/16

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 3/2,9,16,23/16

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV-2016-0849 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO. IN

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

In the Matter of the Estate of ROBERT GLENN BRIGGS and JUNE ROSE BRIGGS,

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 16th day of February, 2016.

Barry Peters, Attorney at Law 2/24;3/2,9/16

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, <u>Idaho Code</u>, 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

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, PRESENTLÝ **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 2/17,24;3/2,9/16

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 Northerly boundary of the 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 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:

Commending 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

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 rightof-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.

THÉ 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 ÍNFORMED 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.: 300320 / Customer Ref No. Silvis/ Perison

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.

2/17,24;3/2,9/16



Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned were appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the abovenamed estates. 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 both be presented to the undersigned at address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

Dated: 2-29-2016

Jim Briggs, Barbara Hecker, Co-Personal Representatives c/o Wm. F. Nichols, ISB #3496, White Peterson Law Office, Attorneys for Personal Representative, 5700 E Franklin Road, Suite 200, Nampa, Idaho 83687. Phone 208-466-9272 Fax 208-466-4405 3/9,16,23/16 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

Public notices

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 secured by said Deed of Trust as of 2/1/2016 is 42,547.35including 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 2/24,3/2,9,16/16

LEGAL NOTICE OF **TERMINATION TRIAL** CASE NO. CV2015-792-H IN THE DISTRICT COURT **OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL** DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF

OWYHEE In the Consolidated Matter of the Termination of Parental Rights of: TAMARA L. REYES and LAMONT L. BECK.

In the Matter of the Adoption of: L.D.B., Minor Child.

To: LAMONT BECK, the natural father of said L.D.B.

YOU AND EACH OF YOU, will hereby take notice:

That a Petition under the Termination Act was filed in the above entitle matter on the 17th day of December, 2015.

That a Termination Trial on the Petition has been set for May 18, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magistrate Court, Owyhee County Courthouse, Homedale, Idaho. Unless you file a responsive pleading within twenty (20) days, a default judgment may be entered against you.

That you have the right to be represented by Counsel of your choosing or upon good cause shown, providing you are financially needy, the Court may appoint Counsel to act in your behalf.

That you are required to register your claim of paternity with the Vital Statistics Unit of

DATED this 1st day of March, 2016

Clerk of the District Court By Cindy Chaves, Deputy Clerk

3/9,16,23,30/16

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 NWNE 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

Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to

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 NWNE NENW

Total Acres: 76

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SPRAY RÍG: Wilmar 6200 Explorer, EZ guide GPS, 600 gal poly tank, 70' booms, triple nozzles, foam markers on board air compressor, 9.5 X 36 rear & front rubber 3632 hrs COMBINE: JD 7720 turbo hydro stat drive w/218 grain head

FORKLIFTS: 1995 Toyota forklift 5000lb clear view mast, dual 7.00/12 rubber, side shift & tilt, propane (reserve for load out) • 1984 Toyota forklift 5000lb dual 700 X 12 rubber side shift tilt, propane (reserve for load out)

TRUCKS: 1997 GMC C 8500 tandem axle Caterpillar 3116 diesel engine Allison auto trans 20' LL self unload bed, electric or PTO drive • 1983 Ford 9000 tandem axle 3208 Caterpillar diesel engine, Allison auto trans, 20' LL self unload bed, PTO drive • 1977 Chevy tandem axle 427 V8 5spd 4 spd air brakes, 20' Logan dual drive self unload bed electric or PTO drive • 1975 Chevy C 6500 tandem axle 427 V8 Allison auto trans, air brakes, 20' Lockwood self unload bed electric or PTO drive

 1975 Chevy C 65 tandem 427 V8 5spd 4spd air brakes, 20' LL self unload bed electric or hyd drive • 1974 IHC tandem V8 5spd 4sdp air brakes, 20' combination bed w/hoist & grain sides • 1977 Chevy tandem 427 V8 5spd 4spd 20' flatbed • 1976 Chevy tandem 427 V8 5spd 4sdp 20' flatbed • 1975 International tandem V8 5spd 4spd 22' flatbed • 1964 Chevy single axle 292 engine 4spd 2spd 16' flatbed

TILLAGE: JD 995 6 bottom switch plow • JD 915 9 shank ripper w/gauge wheels & pipe roller • JD 610 3pt 14 shank 13' chisel plow • JD 15' 3pt 400 rotary hoe • Frontier 10' 3pt hyd terrace blade • JD 115 3pt 9' hyd terrace blade • Big Rhino 7' 3pt terrace blade • Frontier 25' tandem disc hyd fold gooseneck hitch • Unverferth 1225 hyd fold 30' double rolling harrow, dual gauge wheels • NMW 28' 3 section hyd fold tire roller • Parma 16' groundhog 4 bar leveler smyzer front & rear • Parma 3pt 20' land plane hyd fold • Miskin M 700 7yd hyd carryall • Ace 12 row 3pt 25' markout bar w/hyd fold, Ace gauge wheels

CULTIVATORS: Alloway 3130 8 row w/rolling shields, side knives set up for onions, like new • Alloway 2130 8 row w/shields, cutaway disc, side knives • Alloway 2040 6 row w/ side knives & shields • Alloway 6 row w/cutaway discs & shields • Alloway 2040 4 row corn cultivator • Alloway 2040 6 row w/crop shields

PLANTERS: Beck 8 row late style onion planter w/gandy's & liquid chemical applicator boom • Beck 8 row onion planter w/gandy units • Beck 6 row alfalfa seed planter w/gandy units

SPRAY EQUIPMENT: Ace 1500 gal SS nurse tank w/transfer pump · Ace 1000 gal SS tank on rubber w/transfer pump • Ace 200 gal SS 3pt sprayer, hyd pump 42' booms

AUCTIONEERS NOTE: This is just a partial listing. This is a very clean line of equipment, well cared for & maintained. Everything is field ready. This is just a partial listing please check our website for a pictures & a full listing.



SNAKE RIVER 11/15 1.52 CFS

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