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## Children find ways to celebrate

### Dr. Seuss' birthday

*Above:* Crystal Sotka (left) and her 5-year-old daughter Grace wear candy mustaches inspired by "The Lorax" during Dr. Seuss night at the Homedale Public Library on Thursday.

*Right:* The Homedale Elementary PTO surprised students Thursday with free books for Mystery Day that coincided with the Dr. Seuss celebration.

Isaac Silva (left), a fourth-grader in Rebecca Coffman's class, and Brooklyn Patterson, a second-grader in Nancy Smith's class, read some of the books available. Isaac is the 10-year-old son of Trine Campos. Brooklyn, 7, is the daughter of Brittany Patterson.

For more photos from the Dr. Seuss celebrations, see Page 9



# School voters face funding elections

## Marsing: Bond would build new middle school, H.S. gym

A new middle school and additions to the high school are among the priorities that a proposed bond would accomplish in the Marsing School District.

Voters in the district, which serves parts of Owyhee and Canyon counties, will head to the polls Tuesday to decide the fate of the 25-year, \$13.5 million bond.

The bond is five times larger

than any bond sought by the school district in the past 25 years.

Voting locations will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and a super majority of 66 2/3 of the vote is required for the bond to pass. Pre-election voter registration has closed, but residents can register

— See *Marsing*, page 4

## Bruneau-GV has history of tough levy elections

Officials say that even with a new supplemental levy Bruneau-Grand View School District property owners will see a lower tax obligation.

On Tuesday, voters will be asked to approve the district's fourth supplemental levy in five years. Polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Although pre-election registration has closed, citizens can register to vote at their respective polling places Tuesday. Voters must bring an ID

card and proof of residency within the district.

Voting will take place by mail-in ballot in the Riddle precinct, while patrons can cast votes in person in the Oreana, Grand View and Bruneau precincts. Voters in the Elmore County portion of the joint district will vote in the Chattin Flats precinct.

The two-year, \$1 million supplemental levy the district has

— See *Bruneau-GV*, page 4

## Election results online Tuesday

Results from both school funding-related elections will be posted on [www.owyheeavalanche.com](http://www.owyheeavalanche.com) and The Owyhee Avalanche Facebook page when they become available Tuesday night.

# Eagle Scout project aims to keep intensive care unit babies warm

Ben Holloway has drawn from personal family experience to inspire his Eagle Scout project.

The 17-year-old Homedale High School senior has launched Blankets for a Generation with a goal of making 100 blankets for newborns cared for at the St.

Luke's Medical Center Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) in Boise.

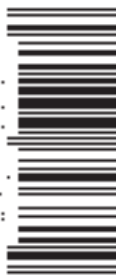
"My siblings have been in the NICU center as well, and I just thought this would be a good way to give back," the son of Jerry and Cheri Holloway said.

Ben began working on his Eagle Scout project in November when he met with a NICU manager. Saturday, he and other Boy Scouts from Troop 409 will gather inside the HHS main gymnasium

— See *Project*, page 10



Ben Holloway has set up two Homedale donation stations.



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# Homedale cell tower decision could come after tonight’s hearing

## Council to hear news on Angel Walk car show

Community members will have their chance tonight to weigh in on a cellular tower proposed for downtown Homedale.

Verizon Wireless and Technology Associates Engineering Corp. Inc., a construction firm, have applied for a special use permit to construct a 106-foot tower on a piece of private property on the southeast corner of Railroad Avenue and West Idaho Avenue.

Convening as the Homedale Planning and Zoning Commission, city council members will hold a public hearing on the permit at 6 p.m. today inside City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

The public hearing precedes the council’s first regular meeting of March.

If approved, the tower would be built at 300 W. Idaho Ave., which is immediately northwest of the

old Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency diesel repair educational building and across Railroad Avenue from the Santa Fe residential subdivision.

The public can provide input about this application, which is available for review at City Hall. Written comments will be accepted at City Hall until 5 p.m. today, or people can testify in person during the hearing.

The council could make a decision on the permit later tonight during its regular meeting.

At present, Verizon doesn’t have a cell tower in the Homedale city limits. AT&T and T-Mobile have antennas on the municipal water tower above the city shop, and those service providers lease space on the tower from the city.

After the P&Z hearing, the council will convene to hear about the proposed fifth annual Angel Walk classic car show. The show and shine, which coincides with a 5-kilometer fun run, walk and bike ride of the same name, is planned for West Idaho Avenue on May 13.



Folks were invited to a meet and greet at the Marsing Post Office on Feb. 28 to say hello to new postmaster Marnie McNeil. From left: Cyndi Rogers, postal worker Sam Titus, McNeil and former Huston postmaster Connie Hill.

# New Marsing postmaster introduced

The postmaster at the Marsing Post Office is settling into her new gig after taking the job on Jan. 7.

A meet-and-greet was held at the post office on Tuesday, Feb. 28 for folks who hadn’t yet welcomed Marnie McNeil to her new job.

McNeil thought the event would be a convenient way to meet the community.

“This was a good opportunity to let them come in, and enjoy some refreshments from The Sandbar (Café) and get some fresh coffee or hot chocolate,” McNeil said. “It’s a nice, relaxing environment to get to know me.”

The open house ran from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. By 11:30 a.m., about 20 people had stopped by to say hello.

The successor to former postmaster Sue King said she has met a lot people since taking the job, but admits that she’s still memorizing their names.

McNeil added that she’s getting along well with her staff of five employees.

“A lot of us have horses in common,” she said. “We found out that we’ve all had horses during our lifetime. We’ve been discussing horses this morning. It’s a great working dynamic (with) lots of customer service-oriented employees.”

McNeil also has one employee

at the Huston Post Office on the other side of the Snake River in Canyon County.

She has a 26-year-old son, Chris, and previously worked at the Boise U.S. Postal Service processing facility.

McNeil will move to Marsing later this month, and looks forward to meeting more community members in her post office located at 210 W. Main St.

“If anybody needs help growing their business, or finding out about our products and services, come on in,” she said. “I’m always willing to help and definitely want to hear from them.”

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# Second hearing on Marsing subdivision scheduled tonight

## Council to discuss garbage service pact extension

A planned second hearing on a large residential subdivision inside the Marsing city limits will be held tonight.

The hearing, which will be held before the Marsing City Council's regular meeting, begins at 7 in City Hall, 425 Main St.

Sitting as the city's Planning and Zoning Commission, the council will continue taking comments for the process through which Les and Lavada Loucks are asking for a preliminary plat for the Meadow Brook subdivision.

The first public hearing on the proposed development was held before the council's February meeting.

The nearly 59-acre parcel is located between North Bruneau Highway and the Morning Dove residential subdivision. The development would extend north to a point where the city limits meets county land and south to existing residential properties.

The subdivision would include 209 single-family home lots and eight four-plex units, for a total of 241 dwellings.

The council could make a decision on the subdivision later tonight during its regular meeting.

After the council hears comments on the proposed subdivision, elected officials will discuss extending the city's garbage-hauling contract with Homedale-based Westowns Disposal Inc.

The usual departmental reports also will be presented.

# Wine, Art in the Park returning to Marsing

## Chamber of Commerce seeks local artists

Planning is under way for another arts event in Marsing.

The third annual showcase will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Saturday, May 6 at Island Park.

New Marsing Chamber of Commerce president Julie Scheu said the community gathering's official title is "Wine and Art in the Park."

The event is sponsored, in part, by the Sunny Slope Wine Trail.

The Chamber and the Bureau of Land Management co-sponsored Art in the Park the first two years, but Scheu did not know if the BLM would return.

About 10 local artists set up booths in Island Park last year.

Scheu said folks will probably see a lot more activity this year.

"If we can fit 40 or 50 vendors, we're going to do it," she said. "So, I think it might be bigger this year."

For more information on "Wine and Art in the Park," email [marsingchamber@gmail.com](mailto:marsingchamber@gmail.com) or call Scheu at (208) 859-2087.

— SC



## Ulrich retires from City of Homedale

*Below: Homedale Mayor Gheen Christoffersen presents retiring public works employee Jack Ulrich with a card and a custom belt buckle (left) during last Wednesday's party at City Hall. Ulrich spent more than 20 years with the city. Standing with Ulrich are, from left, daughters Amber Sela and Jessica Smith, wife Lori and city public works supervisor Bret Smith. Former Paul's Market bakery employee Maria Anthony made the custom cake.*



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## ✓ Marsing: 2002 bond for district cafeteria, H.S. classrooms will be paid off in August

to vote at the polls. They must bring proper identification and proof of residency within the district.

District superintendent Norm Stewart said passage of the general obligation bond will not affect current property tax rates. He said the current level of \$315 per \$100,000 of taxable value will remain.

According to a public notice in this week’s edition of The Owyhee Avalanche, the district has an existing bond indebtedness of \$456,100, all of which will be due Aug. 15 in a balloon payment

according to district business manager Debbie Holzhey. That debt stems from the \$1.985 million bond passed in 2002 that financed construction of the district food service building and additional high school classrooms.

In 1998, voters passed a \$2.65 million bond that built the high school Ag shop and provided upgrades to the elementary school and middle school. A \$1.65 million bond passed in 1993 allowed the district to refinance existing bonds.

If voters approve the latest bond Tuesday, the district will

use the revenue to build a new middle school, add a gymnasium to replace the high school gym on Main Street, and build a new library and make other improvements at the high school. The high school gymnasium turned 50 years old on Feb. 3.

Other elements of the proposed scope of work include a covered walkway between the elementary school and district cafeteria, grading and paving parking lots and various safety upgrades throughout the district.

— JPB

## ✓ Bruneau-GV: First-time levies rarely fly

proposed to help finance the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years is actually less than the two-year, \$1.4 million supplemental levy that patrons approved by just 42 votes in March 2015.

“This levy is a reduction by \$400,000 from the last levy,” district superintendent Dennis Wilson said, “so property owners should see a reduction in their taxes.”

Bruneau-Grand View first floated a supplemental levy prior to the 2012-13 school year. Voters were reluctant to approve the two-year, \$850,000 supplemental levy. They defeated it in March before approving a two-year, \$1.4 million measure in August after school trustees cancelled daily bus

routes, slashed jobs and threatened to suspend the sports season in an effort to make ends meet.

In August 2014, voters passed a one-year, \$600,000 levy for the 2014-15 school year after twice rejecting a two-year, \$1.2 million proposal. After the two-year levy was defeated for the second time in May 2014, the school board decided to close Bruneau and Grand View Elementary schools and cut jobs to save \$1 million. Trustees later discovered that their plan to close schools wouldn’t work because due process wasn’t followed.

The district has been operating on a two-year, \$1.4 million levy since patrons approved the measure on the first try in March 2015.

Wilson is sounding a similar alarm if Tuesday’s proposal is defeated.

He said that the proposed levy will help pay for operational and staffing expenses for the district’s three schools, and said without the levy the district wouldn’t able to meet those obligations.

Three of the past four levy elections saw narrow margins of victory. Only a simple majority (50 percent plus one voting yes) is needed for the measure to pass.

In 2014, the proposed two-year, \$1.2 million levy lost by 44 votes in March and by 49 votes in May. The one-year levy that served as a compromise passed by 131 votes in August of that year.

— JPB

## Where to vote

Polls are open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday for both the Marsing School District general obligation bond election and the Bruneau-Grand View School District supplemental levy question.

**Marsing polling places**

- South Homedale — Magistrate court building (City Hall), 31 W. Wyoming Ave. (Marsing School District residents only)
- North Marsing — Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. N.
- South Marsing — University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- Wilson — Wilson Fire House, 10427 Johnston Lane (Marsing School District residents only)

**Bruneau-Grand View polling places**

- Oreana — Oreana Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Road
- Grand View — Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave.
- Bruneau — American Legion Post 83, 32536 Belle Ave.
- Riddle — Mail-in ballots

**Absentee or mail ballot** — Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy

**In-person absentee ballots** — Can be requested until 5 p.m. on Friday.

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# 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 3rd St. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

**Financial education webinar**  
12:05 p.m. to 12:55 p.m., free, Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave. (208) 337-4228

**Preschool story time**  
3 p.m. to 4 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

**Christian Life Club**  
4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024 or (208) 337-3464

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

**Grand View City Council meeting**  
6 p.m., Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, (208) 834-2700, Monday through Thursday

**Homedale Highway District meeting**  
7 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale.

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

**Marsing Fire Commissioners meeting**  
7:30 p.m., Marsing Fire Hall, 303 Main St.

## Thursday

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

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

**Senior center pinochle**  
1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922 Tuesdays and Thursdays

**Owyhee Gardeners meeting**  
1 p.m., Lizard Butte Library community room, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 546-1829

**Crafts for Kids**  
4 p.m., first-graders and up, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

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

## Friday

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

**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. (208) 337-4228 afternoons Monday through Saturday

**Game night**  
6 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. Youth 12 and older, 2nd Friday of each month. (208) 896-4690

## Saturday

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

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

**SW Idaho Beef Field Day for Youth**  
12:30 p.m., registration, 1 p.m., program, \$2 per person, Marsing High School Ag Shop, 8th

Avenue West, Marsing. (208) 896-4014

**Senior center dominoes and card games**  
2 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922 Tuesdays and Thursdays

**Family movie night**  
5 p.m., free, Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228 afternoons Monday through Saturday

**Txoko Ona Basque Dance**  
5:30 p.m., \$5 per person, silent and live auction, Badiola Arena, 406 U.S. Hwy. 95, Homedale.

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

**Teen tech week makerspace night**  
7 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

## Monday

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

**Owyhee Watershed Council meeting**  
3 p.m., University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (541) 372-5782

**Marsing Fire Department meeting**  
7 p.m., Marsing Fire Hall, 303 Main St., Marsing.

## Tuesday

**Election Day**  
8 a.m. to 8 p.m., polling places in Marsing and Bruneau-Grand View school districts.

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

**Senior center pinochle and bridge**  
1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922 Tuesdays and Thursdays

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

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

**After-school Story Time**  
4:30 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd St. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

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

**Melba school board meeting**  
5 p.m., district office, 511 Broadway, Melba. (208) 495-1141

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**Bruneau speaker series**  
Noon, free, RSVP by Monday, March 13, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2282 and (208) 845-2131

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**Grand View Chamber of Commerce meeting**  
5:30 p.m., Grand View Fire Station, 721 Roosevelt St., Grand View.

# School menus

## Homedale Elementary

*All meals include milk variety and a free breakfast is offered to all students*

March 8: Orange chicken, steamed rice, steamed broccoli, veggie & fruit bar

March 9: Pizza, coleslaw, veggie & fruit bar

March 10: PB&J, baby carrots, potato chips, cookie, veggie & fruit bar

March 13: Corn dog, sidewinders, veggie & fruit bar

March 14: Fish nuggets, green beans, veggie & fruit bar

March 15: Chicken patty, tater tots, veggie & fruit bar

March 16: Cheese pizza ripper, tossed salad, fruit rollup, veggie & fruit bar

## Homedale Middle

*All meals include milk variety and a free breakfast is offered to all students*

March 8: Spaghetti or corn dog, green beans, fruit & salad bar

March 9: Ham/cheese ripper or PB&J, tossed salad, fruit & salad bar

March 10: Hamburger or PB&J, tater tots, fruit bar, cookie

March 13: Wiener wrap or calzone, string cheese, fruit & salad bar

March 14: Nachos or toasted cheese sandwich, fruit & salad bar

March 15: Mini corn dogs or fish nuggets, steamed carrots, cookie, fruit & salad bar

March 16: Hamburger or chicken patty, potato chips, fruit & salad bar

## Homedale High

*All meals include milk variety and a free breakfast is offered to all students*

March 8: Orange chicken or BBQ pulled pork, steamed rice, cookie, salad bar, fruit choice

March 9: Enchilada or grilled cheese w/tomato soup, salad bar, fruit choice

March 10: Lasagna or chef salad, dinner roll, corn, salad bar, fruit choice

March 13: Spaghetti w/meatballs or rib-b-que, salad bar, fruit choice

March 14: Chicken tenders w/mashed potatoes/gravy or corn dog, salad bar, fruit choice

March 15: Chicken nuggets or chef salad, macaroni & cheese, salad bar, fruit choice

March 16: Spicy chicken sandwich or cheeseburger, potato wedges, salad bar, fruit choice

## Marsing Elementary

*All meals include healthy choice fruit and veggie bar*

March 8: Chicken drumstick, mashed potatoes, roll, corn or PB&J, cheese stick, animal crackers

March 9: Hot dog, baked beans, green beans or PB&J, yogurt, graham crackers

March 13: Chicken nuggets, roll, mixed veggies or PB&J, cheese stick, cookie

March 14: Chicken sandwich, steamed carrots or PB&J, cheese stick, animal crackers

March 15: Beef taco, rice & beans, corn or PB&J, graham crackers

March 16: Pepperoni ripper, tossed salad, or PB&J, cheese stick, rice crispy treat

## Marsing Mid/High

*All meals include healthy choice fruit and veggie bar; salad bar and grab-n-go lunches available daily*

March 8: Chicken drumstick, mashed potatoes, roll or pork taco, cilantro lime refried beans

March 9: Hog dog, baked beans, green beans or egg roll w/fried rice, green beans

March 13: Chicken nuggets, roll, mixed veggies or teriyaki chicken bowl, mixed veggies, cookie

March 14: Chicken sandwich or philly sandwich, steamed carrots

March 15: Beef tacos w/rice & beans or BBQ chicken sandwich, corn

## Bruneau-Grand View

March 8: Little smokies, scalloped potatoes, green beans, roll, fruit

March 9: Chicken taco, black beans, salsa, romaine salad, fruit

March 10: BBQ pork on bun, sweet potato fries, baby carrots, fresh fruit

March 14: Mac attack, breadstick (Rimrock), romaine salad, steamed carrots, fruit

March 15: Orange chicken, stir-fry veggies, oriental rice, fruit



# Obituary

## William A. Taylor

William A. Taylor passed away on Thursday, February 23, 2017, of natural causes at home in Grand View. Bill, or “Coyote” as friends called him, was born on July 13, 1956 at Travis AFB, California, to William and Alma Ileen Taylor. The Taylor family moved back to Idaho in 1958 and lived in Shoshone. Bill’s parents divorced and Alma Ileen married Ray Gilbert on March 25, 1965, and blended their two families and settled in the Bruneau and Grand View areas. Bill grew up working with his family on ranches and farms all around the valley and surrounding areas. When Bill was a senior in high school he took a job in Paradise Valley and continued school, graduating from Glens Ferry High School. After graduation he moved home to Grand View and lived out his life.

Bill enjoyed working on old cars and pickups as a self-taught mechanic. Also working in the fall driving potato and sugar beet trucks. Bill enjoyed living along the Snake River with his life partner Fran Wegman. Bill’s passions in life were fishing, hunting, and camping with all of his family and friends. When he was in good health, he enjoyed trapping in the winter with his brother Jody.

Bill is survived by his daughter Misty Dawn Elam, 8 grandchildren



and 2 great-grandchildren, his sister Patty and her husband Warren Croucher, stepbrother Jody and his wife Pam Gilbert, sister Cheryl Inskeep, stepbrother Nolan Gilbert, stepsisters Laura and Vicki Gilbert, sister Linda Beck, sister Debra and her husband Joe Ule. Bill also left behind numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father William Taylor, mother Alma Ileen Gilbert 2014, his stepdad Ray Gilbert 2013, and his life partner Fran Wegman 2012.

There will be a Celebration of Life on April 8, 2017 with a potluck dinner (meat will be provided by the family) at the Grand View American Legion Hall. Everyone is invited. Instead of cards and flowers please donate to: Grand View Fire Department, Senior Citizens Center, Library, Lions Club or the American Legion Hall.

Cremation was under the care of Rost Funeral Home, McMurrey Chapel, in Mtn Home.

# Murphy-Reynolds Wilson Fire chili cook-off entries accepted

Time is running out to register for the Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire and Rescue sixth annual Firehouse Chili Cook-off.

The contest takes place on Saturday, March 25, during the Owyhee County Historical Society’s spring bazaar at the historical museum complex in Murphy.

Cook-off entries will be accepted on the day of the event, but organizers warn that all the

good spots on the grounds outside the museum may be taken.

Categories for this year’s cook-off include:

- Chili (no bean)
- Texas red chili
- Chili Verde (green)
- Vegetarian chili
- Anything Goes Chili

There will be a People’s Choice Award again this year, too.

The entry fee is \$20 for the first recipe and \$10 for each

additional entry from the same team. The public can taste the chili entries beginning at 11:30 a.m. the day of the cook-off. A \$5 donation will be asked for the tasting.

For entry forms, rules and more information, contact info@mrwfire.org or (208) 495-2154.

Anyone who wants to be a cook-off judge for the event can contact organizers through the email or phone number, too.

# Three Creek School structural improvements still taking shape

Improvements continue at Three Creek School, and the community is getting involved.

Dena Pollock, the tiny southeastern Owyhee County grade school’s teacher, reported that two community members donated their time and energy to paint the breezeway, which is nearly completed.

“That portion of our school has a beautiful new look,” Pollock wrote in her latest newsletter.

School trustees also have ordered lockers and are looking at designing the new classroom with an eye toward maximum effectiveness and usefulness. The classroom may be completed during summer break, Pollock said.

The next school board meeting is set for today.

A Christmastime gift card sent by Cheryl Whiteside has been utilized to expand the school’s reading material. Pollock said students at the appropriate reading

level have received copies of Norton Juster’s “The Phantom Tollbooth.”

“Students have been quite busy,” Pollock said. “They have completed their lesson concerning persuasive writing and a report on an Andean country. The January field trip to Magic Mountain was extraordinary this year.”

Science projects were carried out last month. Some students dropped eggs packaged in boxes with different cushioning material from a height of 8 feet

“Three of the packaged eggs made the fall without a crack. The most interesting successful package was a plastic container filled with cooked macaroni,” Pollock wrote. “Another interesting idea was to pack the egg in cotton and balloons. Students are considering ways to improve the packaging to make it work in a smaller container.”

Younger students have studied bridge loads. They’ve built spans

with popsicle sticks, and Art Small provided weights to see how much the bridges can handle.

“Belle Brackett’s bridge held almost 50 pounds before collapsing,” Pollock said.


The Idaho Youth Theater visited the school Tuesday for performances of “Stuart Little.” The theater group capped its third visit to Three Creek with an evening performance for the community.

The school and the Sage Chics 4-H club are teaming up with the Idaho Wheat Commission to participate in the Bread-in-a-Bag program.

Students will make bread recipes ranging from pretzels and pizza to loaves of freshly baked bread.

The partnership includes Three Creek students measuring ingredients the 4-H’ers will use and the 4-H club sending the compiled ingredients to the school to bake.

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# Death notice

JOHN EDWARD DRISKELL, 67, of Wilder, died Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at a Homedale care facility. Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at Wilder Cemetery. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. (208) 459-0833

# Rimrock Drama plans play

The Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School Drama Club is preparing for its next play.

Cathryn Volk and Sariah Pearson will direct “Bad Auditions by Bad Actors,” which will be performed Friday and Saturday, March 17-18.

No show time has been announced for the play inside the high school auditorium.

The cast includes Ray Draper, Dalton Allison, D-O Draper, Todd Marvin, Christian Sharek, Adam

Hogaboam, Breanna Bybee, Shelbi Ward, Mylee Meyers, Hannah Field, Heidi Pearson, Elizabeth Rodriguez, and Naya Bradshaw.

Emily McNeely is handling makeup.

Students are sought to fill production positions, including stage design, hair and ushers. For more information, contact Volk at the school.

— Information provided by Rimrock Journalism’s The Rock publication.



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## Reminiscing Owyhee memories



### Heading home after school

*Vivian Nash (Downing) stands in front of Jo Stover in a photo Florence (Chadez) Paxton took after the girls stepped off the school bus south of Homedale in either 1936 or 1937.*

— The Owyhee Avalanche wants to publish old candid photos of Owyheean as part of our continuing Reminiscing feature. If you have a photo that you'd like featured in the Avalanche either drop it off at the office, 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale or email it to [jon@owyheeavalanche.com](mailto:jon@owyheeavalanche.com). Please include the names of the people in the photo, and the year and location the photo was taken. Submissions should include a contact phone number, too. Call (208) 337-4681, ext. 102 for more information.

## Homedale Basque Dance set Saturday

The community is invited to help keep a staple of Owyhee County's culture thriving.

The 17<sup>th</sup> annual Homedale Basque Dance will take place on Saturday inside Badiola Arena, 406 Hwy. 95.

Basque dance troupes will perform, and there will be a live and silent auction. Proceeds from the evening help the Txoko Ona Basque Club spread the Basque heritage in many ways, including providing scholarships for cultural immersion excursions to the Basque region in Europe.

Admission for next week's dance is \$5.

There will be performances by Herribatza Dantzariak, a children's troupe taught by Homedale resident Gloria Lejardi, and the Oinkari Dancers of Boise.

Cash prizes will be up for grabs in Txingak, a weight-carrying contest. The champion will earn \$200, and the runner-up gets \$100.

Live music for dancing will be provided by Rock n Rooster,

and there will be food and drink available.

Txoko Ona elected new board members and thanked others for their service during its annual meeting.

Homedale resident John Lejeardi was elected president, and Mike Frank was named vice-president.

Lejardi, Fred Egurrola, Christine Heldt and Marc Asumendi were all named directors prior to the executive board elections.

Other officers include treasurer Danny Uranga and secretary LeAnda Uranga. Lori Aguirre is another director.

The board also showed its appreciation for the years of service from outgoing members Joe Mansisidor and Matt Larzelier.

The club also announced that the Gooding team of Leo Basterrechea and Leo Guarrochena won the Txoko Ona Mus Tournament championship, defeating Boise's Juan Egana and Jose Mari Artiach. There were 33 teams in the competition.

## Youth get glimpse of beef industry

The 2017 Southwest Idaho Youth Beef Field Day will be held Saturday at the Marsing High School Ag Shop.

Registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. with the program beginning at 1 p.m. The focus of the event will be understanding factors that affect beef carcass quality. Kids and parents are invited to attend. Cost will be \$2 per person at the door.

This year's field day is designed to help kids understand the importance of producing a high-quality market beef animal. The initial presentation to kick off the day will discuss beef's place in a healthy diet and the role of each individual in promoting beef. Participants will learn about how consumer perceptions affect their buying decisions and how good production practices, even on a small scale, can benefit the beef industry.

The field day is designed to be very "hands-on" in nature with

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attendees rotating through a series of four stations. Participants will have the opportunity to measure actual carcass samples for fat thickness and rib-eye area. They will also learn how to determine carcass yield and yield grades.

One of the stations will focus on beef quality grades and grading. Participants will have the opportunity to grade several rib-eye samples. Additionally, if you have ever wondered if there really is a difference between Prime, Choice, and Select quality beef, Sean Cluff from Grubbin' BBQ will be on hand to grill samples of steak from these three quality grades for all to taste. We will also discuss the effects that cooking to different degrees of doneness has on eating quality with samples of beef cooked to medium rare, medium, and well done for field day participants to try.

One station will include a discussion/demonstration on where specific cuts of meat come from. A few "volunteers" will be suited up complete with Kevlar protection and knife to do some meat

cutting as they break wholesale cuts into retail cuts. They will also learn about the care and quality that goes into fabricating beef cuts for the retail consumer.

A final station will focus on determining what a steer's growth potential and finishing weight should be. There will also be a discussion on identifying external indicators that can help a young showman determine when a steer is finished and ready for fair/butcher.

This is a great opportunity to educate kids and parents about the beef industry and their role in producing high quality beef. We appreciate the generous contributions of the Idaho Beef Council, Owyhee Cattlemen's Association, and Grubbin' BBQ. Without their support and help this event would not be possible.

— Contact Scott Jensen at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension at [scottj@uidaho.edu](mailto:scottj@uidaho.edu). Jensen is the U of I county extension educator, and he welcomes questions on livestock care. The U of I Owyhee County Extension Office is located at 238 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. W., in Marsing and can be reached at (208) 896-4104.

## Free water testing available

Southwest District Health will present free nitrate testing Thursday in Homedale.

The annual water testing opportunity takes place from 9 a.m. to noon at the Southwest District Health Homedale office, 132 E. Idaho Ave., and coincides with National Ground Water Awareness Week.

Folks who want their water tested should bring a fresh sample from the tap in a food-grade container. The screening is free, but fees would apply if additional lab tests are requested.

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

## Join us in supporting the Supplemental Levy for the Bruneau- Grand View School District by voting "Yes" on March 14th

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# Indoor sale to support church's youth mission

An indoor yard sale planned for later this month will help a handful of teenagers embark on a church mission.

Six youths from Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, ranging in age from 14 to 18 years old, are raising money for a mission trip to Hawaii.

An indoor yard sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 18, inside the church's Fellowship Hall. The church is located at 26515 Ustick Road between Homedale and Wilder on the corner of Batt Corner Road and Ustick Road.

For more information on the church or the youth mission, call (208) 337-3151.

The yard sale will feature several items, including a cabinet desk, new baby items and miscellaneous items available on a \$1 table.

There will be a silent auction for a handmade quilt, a bake sale, and food available for purchase.

Cash donations toward the mission trip also are welcomed.

Each teenager will be partnered with an adult mentor from the church. The youth will participate in community service opportunities during the Hawaii trip. They'll work with the poor and gain experience serving in a multi-cultural setting.

The youth also will learn the dynamics of Hawaii as a popular tourist destination and as a difficult place to live in poverty.

# All Homedale students in school Friday

Friday is an all-student day in the Homedale School District. A high number of snow-related closures this winter necessitated the unusual move.

All students will attend a full day of class Friday, which originally was scheduled as a student support and enrichment day as well as staff in-service.

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## School, library have knack for Seuss celebration act

*Above:* Hunter Sotka (right, foreground) plays with Ooblek alongside his sister Grace (middle) and Homedale Public Library youth services coordinator Carol McMichael. The activity was inspired by the Dr. Seuss book "Bartholomew and the Ooblek." Hunter, 9, and Grace, 5, are the children of Crystal Sotka and Joel Garcia.

*Left:* Marsing Elementary School third-graders Addy Chadez (background) and Raleigh Lemos have fun during a family literacy night to commemorate the 113<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Dr. Seuss author Theodore Seuss Geisel on Thursday at the school. Submitted photo

*Right:* Drake Gonzalez, son of Jade Gonzalez, was the winner of the "Horton Hears a Who" basket during Dr. Seuss night at the Homedale Public Library on Thursday. Submitted photo



# Senior menus

## Homedale Senior Center

Milk served every day  
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(lettuce, tomatoes, boiled eggs, peaches, apricots, salad dressing)  
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March 9: Baked fish & baked potato, California blend vegetables, roll  
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✓ Project: Holloway, fellow Boy Scouts to sew Saturday

to begin building blankets.

Ben hopes to have the blankets completed during the two-hour session, which starts at 4 p.m., but he is prepared to have another blanket construction on March 25, if needed. The Scouts will bring scissors and measuring instruments to cut the material for the blankets.

Ben hopes to deliver the blankets to St. Luke's on March 25 or April 1, if an extra weekend is necessary.

The plan was to have the blankets ready for a Christmas drop-off at St. Luke's, but weather and scheduling forced Ben to push the project back later into the winter.

He has reached out to Walmart and Jo-Ann Fabric to obtain materials for the blankets, but Ben also

placed community collection stations in Homedale at Albertsons and Subway last week.

"The whole purpose of the Eagle Scout project is to be community-based," Ben said.

Donations dropped off at the Homedale locations will be collected and used to sew the 100 blankets, which is just a drop in the bucket for the number of cozy wraps the St. Luke's NICU needs each year.

"The NICU center needs over 1,000 blankets a year," Ben said. "This would be a 10<sup>th</sup> of what they needed, but this would still be quite a bit of blankets."

The Eagle Scout project is just one of the irons Ben has in the fire as his high school career winds down.

He's a part of the HHS music program and also has been leading music lessons at the middle school. He's also part of the school's drama club.

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Renowned photographer recalls Owyhee Desert 1960s test blast

Sunny Slope resident to talk at Bruneau library next week

The federal government's plan to set off chemical explosives in Owyhee County will be remembered next week at a local library.

The Bruneau Valley Library's monthly speaker luncheon will feature award-winning local photographer and Sunny Slope resident Jan Boles.

At noon next Wednesday, the archivist for The College of Idaho will present material he has researched on the forgotten September 1965 Atoms for Peace project on the Bruneau Plateau in the Owyhee Desert.

Boles said he visited the site west of the Bruneau River in October 2013 and began his research after people asked him about the artifacts in the desert. He says that the blast site, which features a 60 foot-deep crater that measures about 200 feet in diameter, should be on the Registry of National Historic Places much like Experimental Breeder Reactor I that is in southeast of Arco.

In his research, Boles discovered an official report from November



Jan Boles, this month's Bruneau Valley Library luncheon speaker, stands in front of the blast crater left after a 1965 test. Photo by Jan Boles © 2013

1967 that said "the detonation was centered 71 feet" underground. More than 85 tons of nitromethane was used for the charge.

Boles' presentation is free, and a light lunch precedes his talk. Anyone interested in attending should RSVP by Monday to ensure enough space is available and enough food is prepared. Call (208) 845-2282 or (208) 845-2131 to reserve a spot.

Boles' presentation spotlights the forgotten news story that the Atomic Energy Commission was

going to blow a big hole in the Bruneau Desert with 100 tons of chemical explosives. The news was that if that experiment worked, then maybe the next experiment would involve setting off an atomic bomb underground in the same place. He documents the plan with photos he took of the giant crater that will remain on the Bruneau Desert forever as a reminder of what happened in 1965.

Idaho Power sponsors the library's 2017 speaker program.

— JPB

Irish fare, including green beer, on tap for GV Chamber dinner

It'll be the day after St. Patrick's Day, but the Grand View Chamber of Commerce is still going to be in the Irish spirit for its March dinner.

The annual fundraiser will take place from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 18 at the American Legion Post 134 hall, 90 Roosevelt Ave.

The dinner will consist of pit roast beef, corned beef and cabbage, salad, baked potatoes, rolls and dessert.

The cost is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors and children ages 4-12, and children 3 and younger eat

for free.

Folks at least 21 years old can enjoy green beer, too.

Raffle prizes will be given away every 30 minutes, and everyone who has won during the night — and those who haven't had a ticket pulled — will be eligible for the grand prize of a Traeger grill, two camp chairs and a cooler filled with camping gear. The grand prize winner will be named at the end of the night.

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# U.S. 95 emphasis patrol nets drugs, cash

A joint emphasis patrol on U.S. Highway 95 late last month resulted in 11 misdemeanor drug charges and a cash seizure.

Idaho State Police Trooper Steven Farley said his agency, the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office and a drug detection canine unit from Wilder Police were engaged during the Feb. 24 operation.

The units worked from mile-post 12 near the Marsing grade all the way into the Marsing city limits during an eight-hour patrol, Farley said.

One of the more high-profile stops netted more than \$8,000 in cash and resulted in misdemeanor citations for an unidentified driver for possession of marijuana, hash oil and paraphernalia.

Farley said a vehicle with Idaho plates was stopped and the driver admitted to having less than an ounce of marijuana in his car.

A subsequent search of the vehicle uncovered butane hash oil, which Farley said is marijuana extract with a high concentration of THC.

The paraphernalia found included scissors with marijuana residue.

The money was discovered in two large bundles of cash in small denominations, Farley said.

The driver admitted he had been working on a marijuana grow in California, which Farley said could be a reason for the scissors.

Farley said the suspect has a right to appeal ISP's seizure of the money.

Other drug charges during the day ranged from marijuana possession to paraphernalia possession.

Officers also wrote three speeding tickets, a driving without privileges citation and nine citations for motorists not wearing seatbelts.

"As far as the seatbelt goes, it's a big thing with safety," Farley said. "(The patrol is about) being visible."

"The community in general likes to see us out there doing these things, especially in a small town."

— JPB

# Marsing woman sentenced for forgery

A woman charged with a string of felonies in two different cases has avoided up to eight years in state prison.

Crystal Bates, 30, of Marsing still must spend a month in jail after pleading guilty to three counts of felony grand theft and one felony burglary charge.

Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan sentenced Bates on Feb. 24 in Murphy. He suspended a penitentiary sentence of four to eight years but placed Bates on three years probation and ordered her to pay \$850 in fines and court fees.

Ryan also provided probation agents with 90 days discretionary jail time.

Bates originally was charged with 22 felonies, including three counts of grand theft, five counts of burglary, a controlled substance possession charge and 13 counts of forgery.

According to court records, eight of the felony charges were filed in July 2016 after Owyhee County Sheriff's investigators looked into allegations that Bates had fraudulently used a check and bank card of a couple for which she had been watching their house. She was also accused of stealing jewelry from the house.

Deputies also found methamphetamine in Bates' vehicle and copies of the couple's personal identification documents at Bates' residence.

In a separate case, Bates was accused of check theft and forgery amounting in a loss of more than \$13,000. The thefts took place in Canyon County, but Bates used the checks at a Marsing business, according to court documents.

— JPB



**Beef weigh-ins mark start of fair season**

Marsing rancher Mary Blackstock tags a steer during Saturday's market beef weigh-ins for 4-H and FFA Owyhee County Fair exhibitors at Burgess Angus Ranch in Homedale. Weigh-ins also were held at Todd Gluch's ranch in Pleasant Valley and Bill and Bev White's Hyde Ranch in Oreana. The swine weigh-in is scheduled for April 10, while goat and sheep go to the scales on May 19. Submitted photo

# Roads reopened to heavy vehicle traffic

Warmer temperatures have prompted the reopening of several county roads for some types of vehicles, but the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office reminds folks that Silver City Road and Bachman Grade Road remain closed.

During its Feb. 27 meeting, the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners (BOCC) reopened three roads on the advice of county road and bridge district supervisors:

- **Rabbit Creek Road** — Murphy to Reynolds Creek in Road and Bridge District 1
- **A & A Road** — The entire road distance (between Mud Flat Road and Dairy Road) in road District 3
- **River Road** — Rimrock High School to Sheep Camp Road in road District 3

The BOCC closed the roads a month ago upon the recommendation of the supervisors of the districts.

In making the closures, county commissioners said the combination of melting snow and thawing of subsurface frost was putting the roads at risk of further damage.

In the Feb. 13 order, heavier vehicles, such as cargo trucks, truck and trailer combinations and stock-hauling vehicles were prohibited from using those roadways.

Silver City Road and Bachman Grade Road, both of which were closed for the winter when the snow began to fly, are still closed and will remain so probably until Memorial Day, sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said.

Road closure signs are posted, and motorists who are caught driving on the closed roads will be cited. Offenders could be fined and slapped with court costs, Bowman said.

Bowman said a citation is planned for an unidentified motorist who drove a vehicle onto Silver City Road on Saturday while trying to retrieve another vehicle that had become stuck when he first drove past the road closure signs.

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# Homedale Chamber seeks more input from members

## Community garden plan in the works

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce is hoping to see more involvement from businesses around town this year.

At the business organization’s Feb. 28 luncheon at The Bowling Alley, Chamber president Gavin Parker gave members an update on improvements recently made to the City of Homedale’s website, which includes information about the Chamber.

Parker said he would like to have businesses send in photos for the website on a more frequent basis.

“Any events that you’re attending in the community, just to show that groups are meeting and up to different things, submit those,” he said.

Parker added that he plans to highlight at least one business each month in the website’s blog section.

Other improvements to the Chamber’s link at [www.cityof-homedale.com](http://www.cityof-homedale.com) are continuing.

“We’re going to be working to get the membership directory updated, too,” Parker said.

Businesses can submit photos, or updated information, by emailing him at [gsparker72@yahoo.com](mailto:gsparker72@yahoo.com).

During last week’s meeting, Homedale Farmers Market director Denise Dixon told members that this year’s markets will kick off with a Spring Fling from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 22 in Bette Uda City Park, or the old high school gymnasium across the street on E. Idaho Ave., in the case of inclement weather.

Master gardener Jan Aman, a Homedale resident, will lead a

gardening class during the Spring Fling, and she’ll have a gardening class for children as well.

Dixon explained what the classes will entail.

“The first one is on patio pots, and then Tomato 101,” she said. “For the kids’ events, she’ll do Mothers Day pots, as well as tomato plants.”

The classes are free, but registration is limited to 25 people. To sign up, contact Dixon at [ddixon222@msn.com](mailto:ddixon222@msn.com) or by phone at (208) 840-0440.

“We just thought this would be a good way to get people started with the spring,” Dixon said. “Also, we’re looking for donations from businesses in the area. This event is pretty spendy. It’s going to be about \$800 to do the event, so if anybody has money in their budgets to help pay for a community event, that would be great.”

She also floated the idea of creating a community garden

somewhere in town.

“Some of these kids don’t have a place to grow their fruits and vegetables,” Dixon said. “A city type of garden would be awesome.”

She added that securing some land for a community garden could also help her score higher on a grant application she is working on to help fund the farmers market.

Mayor Gheen Christoffersen said he and the city council have already talked about a piece of land that could be used for a city garden.

“It would be above our Riverside RV Park,” he said. “The top part up there, if we can put it together, there’s already water up there. All we’d have to do is put some beds in there, and put a fence in there. It’s a win situation for the community.”

Christoffersen told Dixon that he and the council would be in

touch with her about developing the parcel of land.

Chamber vice-president and Homedale Friends Community Church pastor Luke Ankeny also told Chamber members that his Sunday messages can now be heard via podcasts on his church’s website.

“We now are able to do that weekly. It’s on our homepage,” Ankeny said.

The church’s website is [www.homedalefriends.org](http://www.homedalefriends.org).

For the second month in a row, the luncheon was held in the “birthday room” of The Bowling Alley, because the restaurant banquet room where the monthly meeting usually is held sustained minor damage from snow.

The bowling lanes of The Bowling Alley also remain closed after two support structures cracked because of the weight of snow on the rounded roof.

— SC

# Man avoids felony after high-speed pursuit in Marsing

A Caldwell man who led authorities on a high-speed chase has escaped more serious charges after cooperating.

Owyhee County Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said 28-year-old Dillon Haines has been cited with misdemeanors for failing to purchase a driver’s license and reckless driving.

Haines led sheriff’s Deputy Chris Even on a pursuit into Canyon County that

reached speeds of 80 to 100 mph. Even terminated his pursuit and later located Haines’ vehicle through surveillance, Bowman said.

Haines was driving a white 2008 Ford F450 when he allegedly fled after Even had stopped him in the Logan’s Market parking lot Saturday morning. The stop was made because Haines appeared to be running illegal blue LED lights around the

grill of his truck. Bowman said Haines’ white LEDs were lawful, but only law enforcement vehicles can be outfitted with blue lights.

With a 27-year-old Caldwell man as a passenger, Haines sped away down Main Street and over the Snake River bridge. His passenger jumped from the vehicle as Haines turned on to Marsing Road in Canyon County, Bowman said.

The passenger was uninjured despite lunging out of the vehicle after it had slowed to 40 mph, Bowman said. The passenger does not face any charges.

Haines came forward when he found out authorities were looking for him, which was a factor in avoiding a felony eluding charge, Bowman said.

— JPB

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Huskies hankering to build baseball success

# Avalanche Sports

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Young athletes excel on court, mat

## Sophomore Quebrado named 2A WIC player of year

Marsing High School boys' basketball fans could count on Enrique Quebrado to take over a game, and opposing coaches dreaded the phenomenon. That fear manifested itself in respect, though, when the All-2A Western Idaho Conference voting took place. Only a sophomore, Quebrado has been named the conference Player of the Year after averaging 18.5 points per night during the Huskies' 9-12 season. "All the coaches discussed that he was the most skilled player in our league," MHS coach Tim Little said. "I pushed

for the recognition, as I know when teams faced us, he was the most difficult matchup for every other team and coach." Under sized compared to most of his assignments, Quebrado still managed 34 steals and grabbed 39 of his 57 rebounds on the defensive end. Quebrado led Marsing in every offensive



Enrique Quebrado

category, averaging 2.1 assists and 1.6 steals per game. He shot 55 percent from three-point territory, connecting on 41 of 75 attempts, and was a 43 percent shooter from inside the line (91-for-213). "All around, he was the best player in our league, and other coaches agreed," Little said.



Dakota Hardy

Senior Dakota Hardy was the only other Marsing all-conference player. He was selected for the honorable mention list and also played in Tuesday's 2A/3A District III senior all-star game after deadline. Hardy was the team's best free-throw shooter, knocking down 82 percent (55-for-67) of his chances. He averaged 7.5 points per game as the Huskies' second-leading scorer, and also had the second-most assists (27) on the squad. — JPB

## Local squads bring back state trophies



Left: Adrian guard Selina Villarreal dribbles as two Arlington defenders converge Saturday. Photo by AHS Yearbook. Right: Jordan Valley all-tournament player JJ Echave goes up for a shot in a opening-round win over Hosanna Christian. Photo by Tara Echave

### Adrian leaves no doubt in third-place contest

A day after Adrian High School missed its shot at the 1A Oregon girls' basketball state championship by a basket, Anna Hutchings helped make sure there would be no last-second drama in the third-place game. The senior scored eight consecutive points as the Antelopes built a 10-point lead while rolling past Arlington, 50-36, on Saturday in Baker City. Coach Gene Mills' team has brought back hardware from the past three state tournaments, including fourth place last year and third place at the end of the 2014-15 season. The program has

finished either third or fourth four times since the 2007-08 season. Hutchings sank a pair of three-pointers and also had an assist as Adrian (25-4 overall) assumed control with a 14-6 run and took a 21-10 lead with 5 minutes, 7 seconds left in the first half. The 10<sup>th</sup>-seeded Antelopes led the rest of the way against the No. 12 seed Honkers (22-8). Hutchings and Carlee Morton, another senior, made the all-tournament second team. Adrian won the sportsmanship trophy. Hutchings and Selina Villarreal led Adrian in scoring with — See Adrian, page 14



### Jordan Valley takes 5th after win streak ends

By the time the boys' basketball season reaches the state tournament phase, the smallest details can turn a game. Despite one of its lowest turnover totals of the year, Jordan Valley High School's shooting faltered and there were few second chances in the 1A Oregon third-place game Saturday in Baker City. Perrydale prevailed, 48-44, converting three three-point goals as the Mustangs had a rare game without a long-range bomb. Sixth-seeded Jordan Valley (23-4) finished fifth one night after seeing its 21-game win streak

end in the semifinals. Perrydale (25-4) had a similar road to the tournament, losing its 15-game winning streak in the semifinals after entering the tournament as the No. 5 seed. Both district champions, they were ranked next to one another (Perrydale No. 6, Jordan Valley No. 7) in the state ratings. Something had to give, and it turned out to be Jordan Valley's shooting touch. The Mustangs were 0-for-12 from three-point land, and they made 32.3 percent of their field goals (21-for-65). — See Jordan Valley, page 14

## Homedale rotates in new crop of baseball talent

Although his baseball team didn't achieve the ultimate goal, Burke Deal finally has the Homedale High School program exactly where he had hoped to take it when he showed up a decade ago. Deal begins his 10<sup>th</sup> season as Trojans coach Friday at home against perennially tough Class 2A squad Nampa Christian. The two programs have some parallels. Like Nampa Christian during Marc Harris' coaching tenure, Homedale has made considerable progress under Deal's guidance. The team played for — See Baseball, page 16

## Huskies tee it up for Year 2

### Marsing begins with Homedale Ice Breaker

Although the program is only in its second year, golf appears to be extremely popular at Marsing High School. Coach Scott Larsen, who was on the ground floor last year, actually had to make cuts this spring in preparation for the season. Twenty-three prospective golfers turned out for the team this season, and Larsen will — See Golf, page 15



# Sports

## ✓ Adrian: Missed shots, turnovers cost Antelopes chance to play for title

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12 points each. Hutchings only played 16 minutes and eventually fouled out, but she and Villarreal also snagged six rebounds apiece.  
Morgan Bayes led Adrian's rebounding with seven boards.  
Senior Shyanne Allaire coped with limited time because of fouls, but converted three of four shots and scored eight points before her disqualification.  
Megan Hauner dominated the scoresheet for Arlington with 16 points and 10 rebounds.  
**Friday: Country Christian 55, Adrian 54** — The Antelopes against played a higher-ranked

teams tough in the semifinals.  
Mariah McLay's three-point goal gave Adrian a five-point lead with 46 seconds left, but the third-seeded Cougars got four points from Hannah Fincher as part of the game's final six points to reach the state final.  
Fincher's jump shot with five seconds left put Country Christian in the lead for good and for the first time since Sarah Phillips' fast-break layup with three minutes left in the first quarter.  
Country Christian ended a stretch during which Adrian had won three consecutive games and 18 of its past 19. Nixyaawii blew out the

Cougars, 68-39, in Saturday's state championship game.  
Adrian built an 11-point edge in the second quarter when Carlee Morton's three-pointer capped a 12-5 run. The Antelopes stretched the lead to 12 points, 35-23, on Allaire's basket 29 seconds before half.  
Trailing by 12 points, 37-25, with 5 minutes, 44 seconds left in the third quarter, Country Christian capitalized on Adrian's missed shots and turnovers to climb back into the game.  
Carlee Morton nailed three three-pointers and led all scorers with 22 points. Sundee Speelmon went 4-for-5 from the floor for eight

points, while Lauren Barraza led the team with seven rebounds.  
Phillips' 14 points led Country Christian, which scored 34 points in the paint and 17 off turnovers.  
**Thursday: Adrian 46, North Douglas 33** — The Antelopes closed the game on an 11-0 run to upset the second-ranked and second-seeded Warriors.  
North Douglas, the 1A District 4 champion, tied the game, 23-23, on Kalli Frieze's three-pointer with less than four minutes to go in the third quarter. But Allaire converted a Warriors turnover with a jump shot 50 seconds later to give Adrian the lead for good. Allaire scored a

team-high nine points.  
The Antelopes scored 12 points off turnovers in the third quarter, and cashed in 31 points off 39 North Douglas miscues.  
The Warriors saw its nine-game win streak end.  
Bayes helped Adrian with eight points, including a three-pointer, and three assists. McLay had the Antelopes' other trey as part of her seven points.  
Hutchings and Villarreal scored six points each for the Antelopes, while Hutchings led the rebounding with six boards.  
Frieze led all players with 14 points.

## ✓ Jordan Valley: Youren rules OT in Mustangs' thrilling opening victory

*From Page 13*  
Senior J.J. Echave, who had been a double-double machine, was limited to 23 minutes because of foul trouble. The first-team all-tournament pick still scored a game-high 19 points, but managed just eight rebounds before picking up his fifth foul.  
After Echave's jump shot opened the scoring 17 seconds in, the Pirates went on a 16-6 tear. The Mustangs would trail by as many as eight points and wouldn't hold the lead again until Echave's layup 52 seconds after the intermission gave Jordan Valley a 27-26 advantage.  
Chase Fillmore's layup with about three minutes left in the third quarter gave Jordan Valley its largest lead of the game, 35-31, but Perrydale would rally.  
Baskets from Echave and Kirk Eiguren helped cut into the Pirates'

five-point lead with 1:58 left in the game, but Jordan Valley was unable to get another shot off until Chase Fillmore's errant three-pointer with two seconds remaining.  
Haylen Janesofsky hit one of Perrydale's three three-pointers and posted a double-double of 16 points and 10 rebounds. Seven of his boards came on the defensive end as the Pirates held nearly a 2-to-1 advantage of the Mustangs' glass.  
Fillmore had nine points and seven rebounds, while Zeke Quintero scored eight points. Eiguren added six points and seven rebounds.  
**Friday: Powder Valley 54, Jordan Valley 52** — The Mustangs' 21-game winning streak ended in a state semifinal in which Jordan Valley trailed by as many as 14 points.  
Jordan Valley had its chance late. The Mustangs got a turnover after Quintero had pulled the team within

two points with 19 seconds left in the game. Eiguren's jumper that would have tied the game with two seconds left missed the mark.  
The seventh-seeded Badgers surged ahead, 17-15, on Gus McGinn's jumper and never gave up the lead.  
After Quintero got the Mustangs to within a point, 25-24, with one of his four three-pointers 63 seconds before halftime, Powder Valley scored 15 of the game's next 17 points for a 40-26 lead.  
Jordan Valley was hampered by 22 turnovers, while Powder Valley only gave the ball away eight times. The Badgers scored 22 points off Mustangs turnovers, including 14 over the second and third quarters.  
Quintero led all players with 19 points, while Isaac Colton's 17 points led four Powder Valley teammates in double-figure scoring.

Echave had 15 points and nine rebounds, and Eiguren had 10 rebounds and six points. Fillmore finished with nine points, and Garrett Youren grabbed seven boards.  
**Last Wednesday: Jordan Valley 80, Hosanna Christian 68 (OT)** — A 13-3 spurt to start the extra period buried the third-seeded Lions in a state tournament opener.  
Youren, who was on the floor for just 14 minutes, nailed four of five shots and scored eight of his 10 points in the overtime. He also grabbed all three of his rebounds in the extra period.  
Jordan Valley regrouped after the Lions' furious fourth-quarter comeback to move into the semifinals.  
Fueled by four double-figure scorers, the Mustangs built a 53-33 lead on Echave's jump shot with about 10 minutes left in regulation.  
But the Lions from Klamath

Falls embarked on a 19-0 run to pull within three points, 55-52, when Dylan Hamilton grabbed an offensive rebound and hit a jumper with 3:53 left in the fourth.  
Silas Sanchas' layup with 50 seconds remaining capped Hosanna Christian's 27-7 stretch run (including a 20-7 fourth quarter).  
Quintero scored eight of his 14 points in the final three minutes of the first quarter as Jordan Valley outscored Hosanna Christian, 20-1, after falling behind by three baskets in the game's first 90 seconds.  
Fillmore's three-point goal 1½ minutes before halftime gave Jordan Valley a 19-point lead, 36-17. He would score 20 points.  
Echave shot 50 percent from the field (10-for-20) for a game-high 24 and corralled 13 rebounds for a double-double. Will Song's 17 points led the Lions.

# Homedale Trojans



**BASEBALL****Burke Deal,**  
10th season

**SOFTBALL****Larry Corta,**  
14th season

**TRACK & FIELD****Heidi Ankeny,**  
4th season

**GOLF****Casey Grove,**  
6th season

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Varsity  
Friday, March 10, home vs. Nampa Christian, 4:30 p.m.  
Saturday, March 11 at Filer (2), noon and 2 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 14, home vs. Vale, Ore., 5 p.m.  
Junior varsity  
Friday, March 10 at Nampa Christian, 4:30 p.m.  
Saturday, March 11 at Filer (2), noon and 2 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 14, home vs. Vale, Ore., 2 p.m.  
Wednesday, March 15 at Marsing, 5 p.m.

### Softball

Varsity  
Friday, March 10 at Ridgevue, 5 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 14, home vs. Vale, Ore., 5 p.m.  
Junior varsity  
Friday, March 10 at Ridgevue, 5 p.m.  
Saturday, March 11, home vs. Filer (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

### Track and field

Friday, March 10 at Parma Ice Breaker, 3 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 14 at Ontario Ice Breaker, 3:30 p.m.

### Golf

Thursday, March 9, home for Homedale Ice Breaker (18 holes), River Bend GC, 11 a.m.  
Tuesday, March 14 at Nampa Invitational, Centennial (18 holes), Centennial GC, 9 a.m.

### Tennis

Tuesday, March 14, home vs. Ontario, Ore., 4 p.m.

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# Sports

## Huskies hungry to continue rise

Late-season surge gives baseball coach hope

In many respects, Marsing High School's baseball players grew into their hearts last season. There were several struggles, especially on defense, for the young Huskies, but the majority of the roster that threw a scare into 2A District III opponents late last season returns. Also back is coach Wes Tankersley and his infectious optimism for a second year. "I have high hopes for this season as we graduated one senior and have almost every starter back from last season," Tankersley said. The Huskies were 6-16 a year ago, but found a knack for the comeback near the end of the 2A Western Idaho Conference season and during the district tournament, which was played in Marsing. The Huskies mounted two seventh-inning comebacks in the district tournament, including a 13-12 loss to New Plymouth that stopped Marsing two victories short of the state play-in game. Three games before the close of the conference season, Marsing nearly pulled off a comeback against Melba, which went on to the No. 2 state berth from District III. "One of the great things we having going for us is that we are hungry for the win. I was very proud of how far we came last

year," Tankersley said. "We fought tooth-and-nail for every win and had some tough losses as well. We were in almost every game last year and our boys fought hard. I can't wait to see how the season unfolds." The season begins Tuesday at home against Class 3A Parma. First pitch for the non-conference game is set for 5 p.m. The nucleus of last year's team returns for the first game. The only standout lost from the 2016 club was emotional sparkplug Connor Rhodes. There are 23 players out for the program, and part of building experience for the young squad is playing a limited junior varsity schedule. "We had a great turnout this year and will have a lot f speed on the base paths as well as great pitching," Tankersley said. "Our main weakness is experience. We will need to keep working hard, as I know we will, to make sure we are prepared for every game." Even if experience could be perceived as a weakness, the fact remains that several Marsing players gained a ton of experience in pressure situations a year ago. Dakota Hardy and All-2A WIC second-teamer Clay King are the only returning seniors on the squad this season. Hardy hit .418 and stole 33 bases as a junior all-conference honorable mention player, and he will see time on the mound, at second base and in center field. "He is one of our fastest players and can play anywhere on the

field," Tankersley said. Coming off an all-conference second-team junior season during which he hit .390, King provides the second part of Marsing's strong middle infield. He'll also pitch after striking out 26 batters as a junior. "Our most consistent player, he is our everyday shortstop as well as one of our top pitchers," Tankersley said. Sophomore catcher Dwight Sevy could be one of the Huskies' most dangerous hitters after leading the squad with a .515 clip as a ninth-grader. He also swiped 26 bases last year during a first-team all-conference season, but Tankersley has other designs, too. "He will be one of our top pitchers if he can keep his arm healthy this year," the coach said. Also back in the fold this season is junior Jaden Kinney, who struck out 42 batters in 2016 to earn praise from Tankersley as the team's best hurler. Kinney, who will play second base and third base, also hit .417 as a sophomore. Junior Tyler Wood comes back as what Tankersley reveres as one of the best defensive first basemen in the 2A WIC. "Baseball is a game where anything can happen, but I definitely see us competing with every team in our conference," the coach said. "We have the talent to be one of the top teams this year."

— JPB

## Trojans snag All-3A SRV honorable mention nods

Two underclassmen are the boys' basketball all-conference picks for Homedale High School. Junior post Scott Matlock and sophomore guard Mason Kincheloe were the only two Trojans selected in All-3A Snake River Valley conference voting. The coaches placed both athletes on the honorable mention list. No Trojans seniors were selected for the 2A/3A District III all-star game, which was played Tuesday after deadline in Fruitland.

## ✓ Golf: Big turnout forces coach to consider roster cuts


From Page 13 According to the Huskies' schedule, Larsen plans to field varsity teams for boys and girls as well as a junior varsity boys' squad. There are five tournaments on the varsity boys' schedule, including April 5 at Lakeview in Eagle, April 24 at TimberStone in Caldwell, April 25 at Redhawk in Nampa and the 2A District III Tournament in McCall on May 9. Coach Casey Grove's Homedale squad begins its 2017 season as host of the Ice Breaker. The Trojans easily out-distanced Weiser in May for the 3A District III championship and another trip to the state tournament.



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# MARSING HUSKIES



**BASEBALL**  
Coach —  
Wes Tankersley,  
2nd season  
Assistant coach  
Jim King, 2nd season

**SOFTBALL Coach —**  
Kortney Ford,  
1st season (No photo available)

**GOLF Coach -**  
Scott Larsen,  
2nd season (No photo available)



**TRACK AND FIELD**  
Coach —  
Steven Morton,  
2nd season  
Assistant coaches  
Robin Simpson, distance  
Michael Collett, jumps and hurdles  
Johnathon Cossel, throws


**Baseball**  
Tuesday, March 14, home vs. Parma, 5 p.m.  
Wednesday, March 15, home vs. Homedale JV, 5 p.m.

**Softball**  
Monday, March 20, home vs. Homedale, 5 p.m.


**Track and field**  
Thursday, March 16 at Parma Invitational, 3 p.m.

**Golf**  
Varsity boys  
Thursday, March 9 at Homedale Ice Breaker (18 holes),  
River Bend GC, 11 a.m.  
Junior varsity boys  
Friday, April 5 at Lakeview GC, Meridian, 3 p.m.  
Varsity girls  
Tuesday, April 4 at Ridgecrest GC, Nampa, 1 p.m.

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Sports

Experience a luxury for MHS track

No high school track and field coach has ever started a season in which they weren't rebuilding. The one constant for coaches like Marsing's Steven Morton is that there is always talent to assess and veterans to help improve. That one constant means track programs are constantly evolving. Morton's second season as the Huskies' helm is no different yet it may be more of a reconstruction than most.

Nearly a third of his athletes are freshmen, which has helped Morton expand his program's numbers again after last year's squad nearly doubled in size from the 2014-15 team. Eleven ninth-graders join the fold as Morton begins a season without the Huskies' only 2A state meet qualifier from last season. Alexandre Heidt graduated after competing in the 100- and 200-

meter runs as well as the long jump last spring. Returning are two athletes who just missed state meet invitations – senior Sam Galligan, who was the sixth-place shot-putter at the District III meet, and junior Landry Villa, who was fifth in the district 3,200 and sixth in the 1,600. There are 23 boys and six girls, including distance runner Sefora Arriaga, who competed for the Huskies last season as a freshman. "Our strength over previous years will be greater turnout and numbers," Morton said. "Our weakness is that we only have a few veterans and we compete in a very tough track league." Other returning athletes include sophomore Christopher Even, senior Karl Isert, and juniors Elijah Brown, Matthew Lee and Dalton Withers.

Many of the newcomers, such as freshmen AJ Ayuban, Isaiah Burgos and Isaac Lee, got their first taste of high school competition as part of Robin Simpson's cross country team in the fall. Simpson coaches distance runners for Morton, while Michael Collett handles the jumpers and hurdlers and MHS graduate Johnathon Cossel coaches the throwers. The 2A Western Idaho Conference season will culminate with two of what Morton sees as Marsing's most crucial meets. The conference meet takes place on April 26 at Nampa Christian High School, and the district meet will be held May 12-13 in New Plymouth. Marsing athletes will strive to qualify for a trip to Middleton High School in May for the state meet. The Huskies will get a sneak peek at the venue with an April 13 meet in Middleton. — JPB

✓ Baseball: Pitching key to Trojans' success

From Page 13 the program's first district championship in nearly 20 years last spring, losing, 8-5, to Fruitland in a championship game that was played in two different states on the same day because of inclement weather. Homedale finished runner-up to the Grizzlies throughout last season, earning the No. 2 district seed out of the 3A Snake River Valley conference and then losing the district championship game to top-seeded Fruitland. Even though the Trojans lost a ton of first-team all-conference talent from last year's 18-7 squad, the return of key players and the arrival of athletes from the school's first 3A SRV junior varsity conference championship team tend to point to another season of fighting with Fruitland. "It is always hard to tell how our conference will shake out," Deal said. "You have to plan on Fruitland being tough. They are the defending state champions and return most of their pitching and the heart of their team, so they are the team to beat." Deal also anticipates dog fights with Weiser and Payette, and said that even Parma has steadily improved. "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. We will have a chip on our shoulder as I think many people expect us to be down and will overlook us. We will scrap it out as usual." A strong nucleus of the team that came up short against Fruitland has departed with the graduation of conference Player of the Year John Collett and All-

3A SRV players Connor Carter and Nash Johnson (first team), Matt Thatcher (second team) and Michael Lejardi (honorable mention). But another tight-knit group of seniors is ready to inherit the mantle, including all-conference first-teamer Drew Taylor, second-teamer Jake Deal and honorable mention Wyatt Dorsey. Taylor is the ultimate utility player, seeing time in the outfield and infield, and Burke Deal anticipates the 6-foot, 2-inch athlete and Jake Deal to be the front line of the pitching staff. Taylor carried a 2.48 earned-run average pitching 48 innings for the Owyhee Rivercats in the American Legion summer season. He returns after leading the Trojans with 25 RBI and hitting .397 as a junior. Jake Deal won two games a year ago while striking out 11 batters in 14 innings. He hit .347 and drove in 15 runs. "He has worked hard over the offseason and had a real good summer season," Burke Deal said. "He will be one of our top pitchers this year." Jake Deal hit .423 during Legion ball and posted a 2.35 ERA in 48 innings pitched. Also back after a strong freshman season is Drew Deal, who will take over behind the plate from Johnson as starting catcher. "(Drew) is a big catalyst for us," Burke Deal said. "He's a great hustler with a great attitude and a hard worker." Drew hit .412 during the American Legion season after batting .338 with a .483 on-base percentage in the prep campaign. Hayden Burke is senior who was a pitching mainstay for the

JV last season. "He's a big, strong young man with a lot of potential," Burke Deal said. For the second year in a row, the coach enjoys some pitching depth with the promotion of Jaylan Hilton, Ben Lee and JV mound ace Wyatt Wolfe and Chase Stoddard's transfer from Caldwell. They're all juniors. "Our success will depend on how fast our pitching staff comes around," Deal said. "We have a lot of talent, and we have a lot of depth in the pitching staff." Lee and Hilton had strong offensive summers as did junior infielder/catcher Jaren Mease, who will platoon with Drew Deal behind the plate. Jessie and Jordan Packer both have battled injuries, but Burke Deal anticipates they will add to the work ethic and attitude in the clubhouse. "We will be very strong at the plate, and a number of players could post big numbers," Deal said. "We have more lineup depth than we have ever had; it will really be an honor to be in our batting order 1 through 9. We should be very tough on defense as well." In addition to the returning talent and championship-caliber experience, Deal said the team's attitude and focus in preseason practices may advance the cause. "We have a group who really loves the game, and we really have great kids up and down (the varsity roster and) through the JV," he said. "We are getting a lot done in practice because we have such an advanced group. "I am very excited. We have a very solid group of great young men who know the game and are working hard." — JPB

Three-county fugitive captured

A Nampa man wanted on a 2011 Owyhee County warrant has been apprehended. Canyon County Sheriff's deputies took 23-year-old Vincent Gregory Lopez into custody late last Wednesday. Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Lopez is wanted in this county for failing to appear for a court date tied to a misdemeanor charge of unlawful possession of pharmaceutical drugs. According to the Canyon County Jail roster, Lopez was also wanted on felony warrants out of



Vincent Lopez

Ada and Canyon counties. Lopez was booked into Canyon County jail and was arraigned before Third District Judge Gregory F. Frates on two counts of felony theft by unauthorized control on Thursday in Caldwell. A \$50,000 bench warrant was issued in Canyon County after Lopez skipped a court appearance to answer the theft charges in October 2015. Gun show theft reported Authorities have no suspects in a gun theft a vendor reported Saturday during the first day of a gun show at the Homedale Armory. Bowman said a Colt Detective's Special .38-caliber handgun was reportedly taken off a display table. The vendor valued the weapon at \$1,000. — JPB

Men get drug sentences

A Wilder man has been sentenced to three years probation for felony drug possession. Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan suspended a state penitentiary term of up to five years when he imposed sentencing upon Angel Gustavo Garcia on Feb. 24 in Murphy. Two misdemeanor charges of drug paraphernalia possession and a driver's license violation weren't included in the final disposition. Garcia must pay the \$100 lab fee for testing the substance Homedale Police found when they arrested him. It turned out to be methamphetamine. He also must pay \$635.50 in court costs. Homedale Police arrested Garcia on Aug. 29 after searching him and his vehicle after he had pulled into a parking area on the Homedale riverfront. According to the police report, Garcia's vehicle had no license plates, and he was known to be an unlicensed driver. A man originally arrested

on a felony methamphetamine possession charge has been placed on one year's probation after he pled guilty to a lesser charge. Richard Hayes was sentenced on misdemeanor controlled substance possession and drug paraphernalia possession during a hearing before Ryan on Feb. 24 in Murphy. Hayes has been credited with 15 days already spent in Owyhee County Jail following his Sept. 19 arrest by Homedale Police. He must pay fines and court fees totaling nearly \$850, but Ryan suspended the remainder of a six-month jail term. He also must pay \$100 restitution. Hayes had entered not guilty pleas to felony drug possession, two counts of misdemeanor paraphernalia possession and a driving reckless misdemeanor during an Oct. 28 court appearance. That same day, he had pled guilty to one misdemeanor count each of paraphernalia possession and inattentive driving.

Assessor's staff offers tax reduction help

Owyhee County Assessor Brett Endicott and his staff will hit the road once again to help eligible property owners reduce their taxes. The annual push to help with Circuit Breaker property tax reduction applications begins next week in Homedale. Completed applications must be turned in by Tuesday, April 18. The deadline has been extended a few days this year because the typical filing deadline (April 15) falls on the Saturday before Easter. The Circuit Breaker workshops schedule includes: • 1 p.m. on Thursday, March

16 and Tuesday, March 21 at the Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. • 1 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28 and Tuesday, April 4 at The Sandbar Café, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. • 10 a.m. to noon on Thursday, April 6 at the Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., in Grand View. • 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 6 at the Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St. Call (208) 495-2817 to make arrangements for a visit or for more information.



# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

March 11, 1992

**Local firm supplying beams to Russia for hotel**

Russia is the destination of the 4 truckloads of Structural Glue Laminated Beams shipped this week from the Filler King Company manufacturing plant in Homedale as part of their expanding international trade.

These engineered laminated beams will be used in constructing the \$28 million, 100-room, “SANTA Resort Hotel” on Sakhalin Island just 30 miles north of Japan, in the Soviet Union.

Companies from the United States, Japan, China and the Soviet Union have teamed up to build the hotel. The U.S. member is Olympic Pacific Builders in Woodinville, WA.

They chose Filler King’s beams because of the quality and competitive price. The location of the Filler King plant near highways US-95 and I-84 allowed them to meet their tight shipping schedule.

**Lawrence to chair Demos**

Erma Lawrence, Grand View, was elected chairperson for the Democratic Party in Owyhee County at a county caucus meeting held recently at the courthouse in Murphy.

Ten people attended the meeting.

Paul R. Reynolds and Nicolas K. Ihli were chosen as delegates at the meeting, and Lawrence and Phyllis Hoadley were chosen as alternates.

**School board to bid bleacher expenditures**

The Homedale School Board voted to put out bids for the repair or the replacement of the bleachers in the high school gym, at the board’s regular meeting Monday night.

Board members expressed concern over a potential liability problem that exists with the current bleachers. However, they reserved the right to refuse all bids.

**Hastings moving family, business to Homedale**

Homedale High School graduate Judy Hastings, who spent 30 years living in the East and in California, is back in Homedale.

Although her stay in Homedale was short 30 years ago, she said she feels like she has returned home.

“I love Homedale,” she said. “It’s much more secure than where we were in California, and it’s family-oriented.”

Hastings grew up in Washington and moved to Homedale just before her senior year of high school.

She lived with foster parents Don and Gracie Bowman, and graduated from Homedale High School in 1962, before leaving the area to attend Bible college.

Hastings, who was Judy Hulet, has spent several years attending college. She earned her master’s degree from Liberty University in 1989, and her doctorate from Clayton University in 1991.

She moved back to Homedale, from California about 2½ years ago, and completed her doctorate dissertation at Northwest Nazarene College in Nampa, earning a degree in counseling psychology.

Hastings said she moved back so her three sons, Jamie, 12, Challen, 9, and Nathan, 6, could attend Homedale Christian School.

**Charlene Nettleton with county 21 years**

Charlene Nettleton has been working for Owyhee County for 21 years.

Nettleton and her husband, Tim, who is Owyhee County Sheriff, live in Murphy and have a son who lives in Caldwell and a daughter who lives in Santa Clara, Calif.

She jokes about the fact that she has been working for the county longer than her husband.

“I was here even before he became sheriff,” she said.

Nettleton grew up in Melba and said she always wanted to work in the Courthouse.

When a position opened she began working for the Courthouse as deputy recorder, and then became chief deputy, a position she has held for 20 years.

## 50 years ago

March 9, 1967

**Council adopts 1967 budget for city**

The Homedale City Council approved the city’s 1967 operating budget of \$82,975. Monday night at the city hall without protest after a motion was made for adoption by councilman George Murray and seconded by councilman Allen Blessing.

The total general fund budget amounted to \$71,125 and special funds amounting to \$11,850 for sewer users fund, bond fund, fire fund, and recreation fund, it was reported.

Only two interested residents of Homedale appeared at the regular council meeting for the public hearing of the proposed city budget for 1967.

**Tom Morris Equipment Co. new Harvester dealership**

A father and son team has opened the International-Harvester farm machinery dealership here after being closed by Mollerup’s I-H, of Caldwell, reported Tom Morris of Tom Morris Equipment Co.

Morris and his father, Fillmore (Pappy) have both been in the farm machinery business since 1943. Both father and son started at Mollerup’s in Caldwell, Tom when he was only 17 and his father worked there 20 years as mechanic, until 1963 when he went to work for Johnson Equipment in Nampa, now Nampa International.

They took over the business on Feb. 16, after Mollerup’s closed the Homedale business and the Morrises received a franchise from International-Harvester Co. to sell I-H tractors, farm machinery, equipment and parts, Morris said.

Tom will manage the business and handle the sales department while his father will work in the shop as mechanic. Wes Schlegel is the shop foreman and Bill Danforth the parts department manager. Dick Logan will also work in the shop, he said.

**Funds donated for baseball pitching machine**

About \$245 has been pledged and collected from members of the community towards the purchase of an automatic pitching machine to be used for batting practice by the high school baseball team and for all the summer league teams.

The collection of these funds is a community project which was started by citizens who are interested in aiding the Homedale baseball players. There will be no state funds provided for the purchase.

The machine that is to be purchased cost \$325. A less expensive machine was originally selected but upon the recommendation of the high school coach, Ken Kellum, it was decided to try and raise enough for a superior machine. This machine will have automatic settings for different speeds of pitching that will span the various groups and sizes of the players in the summer leagues.

**Warren Stimmel honored by city**

Thirty-five years of faithful service to the city of Homedale brought honors to Warren Stimmel by council members Monday evening when they held a special party following their regular meeting at city hall.

Stimmel began working for the city in 1932 as the town’s watermaster and marshal (policeman). During the past several years he has served as watermaster and Street Dept. Superintendent.

Cake, ice cream and coffee was served by Mayor Lester Carter and Council members present.

**C. Ferguson new Simplot manager**

Clarence Ferguson has been named the new field man, manager of the Homedale office of Simplot Soilbuilders, it was reported this week.

Ferguson, who has lived in the area most of his life replaces, Ronald Vance, former manager, who was transferred to Glenns Ferry to manage the plant there.

Ferguson added that the office here opened on March 1, to serve the local farmers with fertilizers, and chemical needs.

## 140 years ago

March 10, 1877

PRESIDENT HAYES. Although the Presidential contest is finally over and Mr. Hayes is installed in the Chief Magistrate’s office contrary to the will of a majority of the people, and by a process that the great bulk of that majority will always regard as unfair, the indications are that the people throughout the country have quietly submitted and will give the new President an opportunity to demonstrate the sort of material that he is made of. The fact that he is a minority President, made so by the determined effort of some half dozen bold and designing men, will probably soon pass into oblivion. The people will gradually settle down to the belief that it is best to let by-gones be by-gones, but at the same time will keep in mind the importance of retrieving the errors and blunders of the past, while the questions of the hour, and the living issues of the day as presented by the unexpected turn of events, will absorb attention for the present and during the immediate future. The country has been sadly in need of peace. The political excitement, which has prevailed during the past year, has had a most demoralizing effect upon the business of the country. People seemed ready to make almost any sacrifice in order to bring about the desired peace. They will forget for the time the injustice that has been meted out to them, while right-thinking men will find a measure of solid comfort in the assurance that the Republic, in the spirit of compromise and forbearance that has been evinced, has certainly won a magnificent triumph. Under these auspices Mr. Hayes comes to the front and takes control of the ship of state. His office will be no sinecure for a time at least. Whether he will have the power to bring order out of chaos remains to be seen. The opportunity to make himself famous is at his command. Has he sufficient caliber, will and brain power to make himself master of the situation? We are inclined to the opinion that he has not, but shall nevertheless be happy to discover that we are under an erroneous impression on this point. We have had a sort of instinctive belief that the inauguration of Hayes meant four years more of Grantism, four years more of hard times and four years more of rascality, corruption and malfeasance in office, but if it should turn out to be just the reverse of this we shall not only be agreeably disappointed but well pleased, and the majority of the American people will accord to Rutherford B. Hayes all the praise and distinction of which he would be entitled if he has the Jacksonian firmness to meet the demands of the times. His letter of acceptance was a very creditable document. It is also another thing in his favor that he has already evinced a disposition to slaughter the piratical and obnoxious partisans who made themselves so detestably conspicuous during the last year or two of Grant’s administration. So far, so good. Mr. Hayes’ Cabinet might be made up of much worse material. It will soon be seen whether he is capable of fighting the old ring masters. He has it in his power to make a record for himself second to that of no other President that ever lived, or he may turn out to be a Pierce or a Grant. We shall see.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE. Mining claims recently located and recorded. —Michael Kennedy, J. T. Boyle, D. Linehan, Thomas Kittle and G. E. Bradley, relocated the mine known as the Illinois Central, said claim having, as they allege, been abandoned for non-compliance with the law. They claim equal to one-third interest in the location.

W. V. Williams, Dennis Linehan, C. Umber, Josiah Reed, Albert Hoskins claim each 200 feet, 1,200 in all, on the property known as the Silver Cord mine, heretofore located but abandoned for non-compliance with the law.

Josiah Reed, Nick Maher, Albert Hoskins, Nicholas Vinton and W. V. Williams claim each 200 feet, 1,000 feet in all, of the Pauper mine — 700 feet in a northerly direction and 300 feet in a southerly direction, with all dips, spurs and angles.

Simon Morrison re-locates 1,500 feet on the Red Jacket lode, Fairview, and also claims 300 feet on each side of the centre of the ledge for mining purposes.



Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense  
To be honest

I was walkin’ through the show barn at the Stock Show. As I passed two fellers sittin’ ’round a tack box, I heard the words, “Well, to be honest ...”

I froze in my tracks! It’s been my experience that anything preceded by those four words usually turns out to be a windy conglomeration of half-truths, excuses, sales pitches and exaggerated claims bound to make even the most gullible sucker have second thoughts.

“Well, to be honest, the guy I bought her from said she’d settled every time that he bred her. So I think my A.I. man must have a faulty tank.”

“Well, to be honest,” said the horse trader, “I’ve never seen him limp like that. It must be the humidity.”

“Well, to be honest,” said the purebred man to the show superintendent, “I’ve noticed that discoloration on her belly myself, and occasionally her calves have a white tail, but two years ago they built a nuclear power plant down the road from the farm. Shoot, even my Labrador has spotted pups!”

“Well, to be honest, I’d never thought of sellin’ this bull. His weight per day of age was tops in my herd, and I’ve been offered \$50,000 for him ... but if you’re really interested ...”

“Well, to be honest,” said the fieldman to the breeder, “I’d like to help you put on your sale, but I’m booked that day. When is it?”

“Well, to be honest,” said the auctioneer after the sale, “It was dang good for what we had.”

“Well, to be honest,” said the lady to her neighbor in Amway, “I believe in what you’re doin’, but I’m busy the next five years.”

“Well, to be honest,” said the truck salesman, “I did flip it, but it tracks as good as it ever did.”

“Well, to be honest, I did buy one of his bulls after he beat me at the state show, but he repossessed it after 60 days. I think mine are better anyway.”

“Well, to be honest,” said the rancher to the vet, “I noticed her water broke yesterday.”

“Well, to be honest,” said the husband to his wife, “I knew our anniversary was last Sunday. I was just waitin’ to see if you remembered.”

“Well, to be honest, I did think of stoppin’ off for a quick one with the boys, but I changed my mind. But you’ll never believe what happened ...”

— Visit Baxter’s Web site at [www.baxterblack.com](http://www.baxterblack.com) for more features and to purchase Baxter Black books, CDs and DVDs.

Dist. 23 Reps. Christy Zito and Megan Blanksma

Inside the Legislature  
Constitutional rally, UN language highlight week of contrasts

Saturday, Feb. 25, I attended the Idaho Second Amendment rally at the capital in Boise. A peaceful, powerful statement of the dedication Idaho citizens feel about their right to bear arms and their First Amendment right to peacefully assemble and freely express their views.

[It’s] so amazing that the Founders in wisdom, blessed with the power of discernment, acknowledged that our Creator blessed us with these rights. Interesting still that, the First Amendment is protected by the Second, and that the loss of the First and Second Amendment will ultimately lead to the loss of all rights.

In contrast, Thursday morning the State Affairs Committee heard proposed legislation to bring our notary system to the electronic age. This is proper. Business is conducted from coast to coast and worldwide using the Internet. My concern was the inclusion of United Nations language. I asked both bill presenters, if any litigation over documents exchanged via the Internet would be subject to United States courts, or be subject to arbitration by United Nations courts. Though very knowledgeable, neither presenter had an answer to this very serious question. I felt the legislation should have been held until there was an answer. Sadly, there were not enough votes in the committee that felt that this was an important issue.

As a legislator, I believe it is my job to protect our state from outside invasion, be it the sword or the pen. I strongly feel there is no place in our statute or law for any language from the United Nations or any other form of government. Our founders, both state and national, foresaw these dangers and trusted that we would be cautious and, with the power and trust of the citizens of the state and nation, protect our land, our way of life, our government, and our courts.

Forty-four members of your Legislature defended your rights by defeating House Bill 91. Nicknamed the “data collection bill,” this legislation would allow citizens’ immunization records to be kept in a central filing center. You could opt out; however, powerful floor testimony suggested that though opted out, one legislator’s records were reported. Thank those 44 who defended your rights. You can find the voting record at <https://legislature.idaho.gov/sessioninfo/2017/legislation/H0091/>

We represent you. The most powerful tool, next to your vote, is access to your representatives. It is their job to be available to you, to hear your voice. It is your job to be respectful in your approach. Civility is one of the most important components to a successful society. During our campaign, we would quote often the phrase, “grace, class, and dignity.”

Thank you for allowing me the honor of being your representative voice. Stay involved. Know what is happening at your seat of government on all levels.



House votes to exert Idaho’s sovereignty over waterways

Three very important bills passed through the House last week to reinforce Idaho state sovereignty. All were related to the relicensing of the Hells Canyon Dam project. Combined, they were a necessary response to the State of Oregon’s attempt to assert primacy on Idaho’s waterways.

The 50-year license Idaho Power has held for the Hells Canyon Dam Complex expired in 2005. Since then, Idaho Power has been in the process of relicensing. Because of its location on the Idaho-Oregon border, both states had to submit relicensing comments. Oregon’s plan would require the introduction of salmon and steelhead above the dam. Oregon would also then require fish passage around the complex before allowing relicensing.

Idaho is adamantly opposed to this measure and any presumption that another entity can dictate terms for Idaho’s waterways. In July, Idaho Gov. C. L. “Butch” sent a letter to Oregon Gov. Kate Brown noting that their terms “would violate long-standing Idaho law and policy opposing reintroduction of any species without the express consent of the Idaho State Legislature and executive branch.”

The bills passed last week support Gov. Otter’s assertion of Idaho’s sovereignty over its waterways. House Bill 169 inserts language into Idaho code that requires legislative approval for the introduction or reintroduction of species in the State of Idaho. Similarly, House Bill 170 adds water resources and aquatic and terrestrial species to Idaho code regarding state assertion of primacy. House Bill 171 exempts Hells Canyon project from fishway construction, supporting the status quo.

These bills, in combination with the governor’s position, make a strong statement to all entities about Idaho’s sovereignty. It is of vital importance that we preserve Idaho’s primacy over its waterways, and I am proud to have supported these measures. As always, it is important to stand strong in the face of neighboring entities that wish to directly or indirectly affect governance within our borders. I am proud to represent the citizens of District 23 in these efforts.

The target *sine die* date of the Legislature is March 24, so we are on the home stretch and the bills are starting to move quickly across the floor.

— Megan Blanksma (R-Hammett) occupies Dist. 23, Seat B of the Idaho House of Representatives. The 2017 session marks the beginning of her first term. She can be reached at [mblanksma@house.idaho.gov](mailto:mblanksma@house.idaho.gov) or at her House office phone at (208) 208-332-1054.

Americans for Limited Government  
President’s address points Congress toward prosperity

by Rick Manning

President Donald Trump grabbed Congress and the nation in a stirring one hour of must-see television, delivering an optimistic vision of America’s future, while recognizing the problems that threaten that very future.

Americans heard something from this president that they have longed to hear from their leaders from either political party when he emphatically declared, “My job is not to represent the world, my job is to represent the United States of America.”

With those simple 18 words, Donald J. Trump defined his administration’s mission statement — to put American

interests first, rather than giving away our national interest as a guilt offering for being the greatest, freest nation that the world has known.

The refreshing notion of embracing our nation’s historic freedoms and the pathway we’ve taken to broaden those freedoms, and recognizing that our best days can be ahead of us if we free our people from the shackles of government reminded how far we have fallen from that hope over the past eight years.

President Trump mentioned but did not dwell on his executive actions designed to unwind many of the pen and phone mistakes of the previous administration instead opting

to look to the future and call on both parties to work together to find solutions built upon common-ground principles.

While many in his place would have been tempted to make a long-winded case for tax reform and budget cuts, the president made a compelling case for corporate tax cuts based around a populist premise that we need to make it competitive to build things in America again so our workers are getting paychecks in those factories.

As a fiscal conservative, the multiple spending plans that inevitably emerge from these speeches is cause for



# Commentary

## Financial management

### Don't scrimp on cost of developing a will

**Dear Dave,**  
When it comes to making a will, would it suffice to sit down and write it all out on a piece of paper, then have it notarized?  
— **Joyce**

**Dear Joyce,**  
I would never advise someone to write their own will, unless, of course, they're an attorney in that state. Laws can vary from state to state, and some states may not look upon a document like that as being official under law. Some even require witnesses, and a notary might not be good enough.  
If you're trying to save money by doing it this way, I would strongly urge you to look at involving a lawyer as an investment. In most cases, having a reputable lawyer

draw up a legally correct, state-specific will doesn't cost a lot of money. At the very least, go online to USLegalForms.com. They have all kinds of state-specific legal forms, including wills.  
Your last will and testament is one of the most important legal documents you'll ever be part of. Please don't try to do this yourself, Joyce. I've run into so many families who, in the midst of grieving the loss of a loved one, were handed a handwritten piece of paper that wouldn't hold up in court. That kind of thing just adds more stress to an already heartbreaking situation.  
— **Dave**  
**Dear Dave,**  
I'm thinking about getting a secured credit card to help rebuild



\$50,000 a year, and I have \$3,500 in debt and \$2,100 in savings.  
— **Maria**

**Dear Maria,**  
No, getting a secured credit card is not a good idea. Let me tell you a couple of things. No. 1, your income is your most powerful wealth-building tool. If you don't have any payments, you have the ability to build wealth *and* be generous. When you have debt, all you do is send money out the door to make payments. So, being in debt is a guaranteed way to stay broke.  
No. 2, you can get a home mortgage with no credit score through a manual underwriting. Just make sure you have a good, long history of paying other things, like your rent and utilities, on time. You would also need

to have all your debts paid off completely, and the accounts closed for at least six months.  
I want you to become debt-free before you buy a home, Maria. I also want you to save an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses *and* a down payment before you buy a home. Buying a house when you're broke and in debt is a really bad idea.  
— **Dave**  
— *Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 12 million listeners each week on 575 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.*

### ✓ Prosperity: Trump shows he is dedicated to help his country

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some angst as our nation faces a \$20 trillion debt crisis exacerbated by a decade where the debt grew by \$11.5 trillion since Sept. 30, 2006. At the same time, our nation suffered the worst Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in history, including the Great Depression.  
Tackling this debt-fueled emergency will likely be the greatest challenge of the Trump presidency, but the salve over the concern that the president did not mention this \$20 trillion challenge is that the policies he outlined on trade, taxes, deregulation, education, and immigration are many of the solutions to that very problem. Making America and Americans prosperous again is fundamental in ending the 60-year streak of increasing the national debt and turning the corner toward fiscal sanity.  
Donald Trump gave a message of unity. One where he honestly reached out to Americans of all races, religions and political parties to come together to bind our wounds and rebuild hope in depressed rural areas and cities like Chicago, Detroit and Baltimore — a hope not dependent upon government, but instead built on opportunity, safe neighborhoods and education choice to break the chains of broken schools.  
Unity around the hope that a young woman with a rare terminal disease whose father's love led to the discovery of a cure that has her attending the University of Notre Dame.  
Unity around the widow of fallen Navy Seal William Ryan Owens killed in a raid that provided intelligence that will help us win the war against Islamic terrorism around the world. A young woman whose pain and sacrifice was visible for all to see in a heart-wrenching, minutes-long standing ovation from Congress and the president himself.  
Many Americans have only seen Donald Trump through Saturday Night Live satires, malicious Internet memes and reporting that creates controversy where none should exist, but for one hour, they saw a man dedicated to his country, determined to fight for America and its people.  
As Fox News reporter Chris Wallace put it, "I feel tonight that Donald Trump became the President of the United States."  
Now it is time to roll up our sleeves and turn the rhetoric into action. President Donald Trump has pointed the way, now the people need to lead Congress to take the path to making America great again.  
— *Rick Manning is the president of Americans for Limited Government.*

*Sen. Mike Crapo*

## From Washington Honor sacrifice of veterans from Vietnam, other wars



The U.S. Census Bureau reports that the majority of Idaho's veterans served during the Vietnam War. Veterans put their lives on the line and lost friends and family during their service to our country. They experienced great loss and personal sacrifice while being criticized for doing as they were told. They are among the first to step forward and help fellow veterans and others in our communities. Many lessons can be learned from these great Americans.  
As Americans, it is our duty to honor those who sacrificed so much for our country. To do this, we must continue to seek answers for families of America's prisoners of war (POW)s and missing in action (MIA).  
Hiedi Young, an Idahoan and past-director of the POW\*MIA Awareness Rally, compiled sobering information from multiple sources about the price paid by American families during and after the Vietnam War. These details about the more than 58,000 individuals listed on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C., are worthy of recognition:  
• Three sets of fathers and sons are listed on the wall;  
• 39,996 listed on the wall were 22 years old or younger;  
• The largest age group, 8,283, were just 19 years old;  
• 3,103 were 18 years old;  
• 997 service members were killed on their first day in Vietnam;  
• 1,448 service members were killed on what would have been their last day in Vietnam;  
• 244 service members were awarded the Medal of Honor during the Vietnam War; and 153 of them are listed on the wall.  
The POW\*MIA Awareness Association reports that 1,618 Americans, including eight Idahoans, remain unaccounted for from the Vietnam War. I highlighted the immense service of these Idahoans in a September column. In addition to those missing from serving in Vietnam,

according to the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, 366 veterans from Idaho remain listed as POW/MIA, leaving some families without answers for decades.  
To better enable families to find their loved ones and bring them home, I co-sponsored S. 120, the Bring Our Heroes Home Act. This legislation would provide for an expedited and consolidated process for declassifying and collecting records of POW and MIA personnel. The legislation is meant to address the obstacles preventing families and caseworkers from accessing the records needed for recovery efforts by putting one entity, instead of the current multitude of agencies, in charge of prioritizing and facilitating the declassification of records related to missing service members.  
Additionally, late last year, Congress passed and the President signed into law H.R. 4511, the Gold Star Families Voices Act, that requires the Veterans' Oral History Project Act to include recordings of histories by immediate family members of service members who became missing in action or died because of wartime service. We cannot let these accounts, which shape understanding of the realities of war, be lost to time.  
Finally, the U.S. Senate recently passed legislation to add March 29, Vietnam Veterans Day, to the list of dates on which the flag should be flown to pay tribute to the servicemen and women involved in this conflict. I am continuously impressed with Idaho veterans' humility and willingness to serve others. I carry their lessons of giving with me as I work to ensure all veterans are properly honored, return home and receive the services they need for the sacrifices endured.  
— *Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U. S. Senate. He is in his fourth six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.*

**Noon Friday is the deadline  
for letters to the editor**



Public notices

**Owyhee County**  
**NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE**

Pursuant to Idaho Code §34-1404, notice is hereby given for the candidate filing deadline for the following taxing districts that will be conducting candidate elections in Owyhee County on May 19, 2015. In order to appear on the election ballot, a candidate must file a Declaration of Candidacy form with the office of said districts as stated below. Declaration of Candidacy forms can be obtained at the district’s office or the Election Office at the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID. Forms are also available online at [www.owyheecounty.net](http://www.owyheecounty.net), elections, election forms. Declarations of Candidacy must be submitted to the District Clerk or Secretary no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 17, 2017 (Idaho Code §34-1404 the 9<sup>th</sup> Friday prior to the Election). Individuals who run as write-in candidates must file a Declaration of Intent no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 1, 2017 (this is a Saturday so Declarations can be received on Monday April 3, 2017 no later than 5:00 p.m.) (Idaho Code §34-1407 the 45<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election).

NAME AND ADDRESS OF TAXING DISTRICT	POSITION OPEN
Bruneau Grand View School District 39678 State Highway 78 Bruneau, Idaho 83604	- Trustee Zone 1 - Trustee Zone 3 - Trustee Zone 5
Castleford School District 500 Main Street Castleford, Idaho 83321	- Trustee Zone 4 - Trustee Zone 5
Glenns Ferry School District 800 Old Highway 30 Glenns Ferry, Idaho 83623	- Trustee Zone 4 - Trustee Zone 5
Homedale School District 116 East Owyhee Avenue Homedale, Idaho 83628	- Trustee Zone 2 - Trustee Zone 3 - Trustee Zone 4
Marsing School District 209 8th Avenue West Marsing, Idaho 83639	- Trustee Zone 1 - Trustee Zone 3 - Trustee Zone 5
Melba School District 600 Broadway Melba, Idaho 83641	- Trustee Zone 4 - Trustee Zone 5
Pleasant Valley School District 28026 Juniper Mountain Road Jordan Valley, Oregon 97910	- Trustee Zone 3
Three Creek Elementary School 49913 Three Creek Highway Rogerson ,Idaho 83302	- Trustee Zone 1 - Trustee Zone 2 - Trustee Zone 3
Gem Highway District 1016 Main Street Marsing, Idaho 83639	- Commissioner #1 - Commissioner #2
Homedale Highway District 102 E Colorado Street Homedale, Idaho 83628	- Commissioner Sub-District #2
Three Creek Highway District 56562 Blossom Road Rogerson, Idaho 83302	- Commissioner Districtwide (Position 1) - Commissioner Districtwide (Position 2)
Bruneau Valley Library 32073 Ruth Street Bruneau, Idaho 83604	- Trustee Districtwide
Lizard Butte Library 111 3rd Avenue West Marsing, Idaho 83639	- Trustee (Position 1) - Trustee (Position 2) - Trustee (Position 3)

3/8/2017

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE**

On Tuesday, the 9th day of May, 2017, at the hour of 11:00 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:

LOTS 9 AND 10 OF BLOCK 4 ACCORDING TO THE RESURVEY OF BLOCK 4 OF BOSMA’S SUBDIVISION NO. 2 TO THE VILLAGE OF MARSING, OWYHEE

COUNTY, IDAHO.

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 140 Kerry St., Marsing, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by MIREN LOWRY, an Unmarried Woman, Grantor, to Ryan M. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,

**SAMPLE BALLOT**  
**JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363**  
**OWYHEE AND CANYON COUNTIES, IDAHO**  
**OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO**  
**MARCH 14, 2017**

INSTRUCTIONS: To vote in favor of the proposed bonds, place an X in the square at the right of the words “IN FAVOR OF.” To vote against the proposed bonds, place an X in the square at the right of the word “AGAINST.” If you change your mind, tear, or make a mistake on this ballot, request a new ballot from an election worker.

Shall the Board of Trustees of Joint School District NO. 363, Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho (the “Board”), be authorized to issue general obligation school bonds of said District in the principal amount not to exceed \$13,500,000 for the purpose of financing the (a) construction of a new middle school ; (b) construction of improvements to the existing high school consisting of a new physical education / gymnasium facility, a new library facility and other needed renovations; (c) construction of a covered walkway between the existing elementary school and the cafeteria; (d) designated grading and paving of parking lots and access roads; and (e) various safety improvements throughout the District, the final installment of such bonds to be repaid not later than twenty-five (25) years from the date of issuance, all as provided in the Bond Election Resolution adopted by the Board on January 17, 2017?

**IN FAVOR OF** issuing bonds in the principal amount not to exceed \$13,500,000 ☐

**AGAINST** issuing bonds in the principal amount not to exceed \$13,500,000 ☐

The following statements are required by Section 34-439, Idaho Code:

The interest rate anticipated on the proposed bond issue, based upon current market rates, is four and twenty-one hundredths percent (4.21%) per annum. The total amount to be repaid over the life of the bonds, based on the anticipated interest rate, is \$18,823,644 consisting of \$13,500,000 in principal and \$8,645,463 of interest, totaling \$22,145,463, less \$3,321,819 in estimated bond levy equalization payments.

As of March 14, 2017, the total existing bonded indebtedness of the District, including interest accrued, is \$456,100.

**SAMPLE BALLOT**  
**BRUNEAU-GRAND VIEW JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 365**  
**ELMORE AND OWYHEE COUNTIES, IDAHO**  
**OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO**  
**MARCH 14, 2017**

INSTRUCTIONS: To vote in favor of the Supplemental Levy, place an X in the square at the right of the words “IN FAVOR OF”. To vote against the Supplemental Levy, place an X in the square at the right of the word “AGAINST”. If you change your mind, tear, or make a mistake on this ballot, request a new ballot from an election worker.

TO AUTHORIZE AND EMPOWER THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF BRUNEAU-GRAND VIEW JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 365, ELMORE AND OWYHEE COUNTIES, IDAHO, TO LEVY A SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY

Shall the Board of Trustees of Bruneau-Grand View Joint School District No. 365, Elmore and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, be authorized and empowered to levy a supplemental levy, as permitted by law in Section 33-802(3), Idaho Code, in the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00), for the next two years, for the total of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00). The full amount of which will be collected in full during each of the next two (2) fiscal years, for the purpose of paying lawful and necessary expenses to operate and maintain the District for two fiscal years beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019.

**IN FAVOR OF** authorizing the levy in the amount of \$500,000.00 per year for two (2) years ☐

**AGAINST** authorizing the levy in the amount of \$500,000.00 per year for two (2) years ☐

INC., recorded April 17, 2015, as Instrument No. 286486, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to the IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on November 22, 2016, as Instrument No. 291316, 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 SHE IS, OR IS NOT,

PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated April 14, 2015, in the amount of \$447.00 each, for the months of July through November, 2016, 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 3.25% per annum from June 1, 2016. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$59,554.80, plus accrued interest at the rate of 3.25% per annum from June 1, 2016.

DATED This 6th day of January, 2017.

RYAN M. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE  
2/15.22;3/1.8/2017



# Public notices

PRECINCT 32 SCHMA

OFFICIAL  
CONSOLIDATED ELECTION BALLOT

CANYON COUNTYSTATE OF IDAHOMARCH 14, 2017

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote, fill in the oval (●) next to the candidate or measure of your choice.

If you make a mistake, request a new ballot from an election worker.

MARSING JT. SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363  
GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BOND

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IN FAVOR of issuing bonds in the principal amount not to exceed \$13,500,000

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AGAINST issuing bonds in the principal amount not to exceed \$13,500,000

NOTICE OF SPECIAL GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ELECTION  
JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363 (MARSING)  
OWYHEE AND CANYON COUNTIES, IDAHO

Public Notice is hereby given according to law, and the Bond Election Resolution of the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 363, Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho (the “District”), adopted on January 17, 2017, that a Special General Obligation Bond Election will be held in the District on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, beginning at the hour of 8:00 a.m. and closing at the hour of 8:00 p.m. on said date, on the question of whether the District shall be empowered to issue general obligation school bonds of said District in the principal amount not to exceed \$13,500,000, to be repaid not later than twenty-five (25) years from the date of issuance, for the purpose of construction of a new middle school and improvements on existing buildings and surrounding infrastructure.

The following information is required by Section 34-439, Idaho Code:

The district currently has outstanding indebtedness, including accrued interest of \$456,100. The interest rate anticipated on the proposed bond issue, based upon current market rates, is four and twenty-one hundredths percent (4.21%) per annum. The total amount to be repaid over the life of the bonds, based on the anticipated interest rate, is \$18,823,644, consisting of \$13,500,000 in principal and \$8,645,463 of interest, totaling \$22,145,463, less \$3,321,819 in estimated bond levy equalization payments.

All qualified electors in Joint School District No. 363 may vote on the Special General Obligation Bond.

Precinct	Location
32-11	Vallivue Lions Clubhouse 15047 Riverside Rd., Caldwell Corner of Riverside Rd. & Hoadley Rd.
33-11	Deer Flat Free Methodist Church 17703 Beet Rd., Caldwell

The question submitted to the electors shall be by ballot reading substantially as follows:

Shall the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 363, Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho (the “Board”), be authorized to issue general obligation school bonds of said District in the principal amount not to exceed \$13,500,000 for the purpose of financing the (a) construction of a new middle school; (b) construction of improvements to the existing high school consisting of a new physical education/gymnasium facility, a new library facility and other needed renovations; (c) construction of a covered walkway between the existing elementary school and the cafeteria; (d) designated grading and paving of parking lots and access roads; and (e) various safety improvements throughout the District, the final installment of such bonds to be repaid not later than twenty-five (25) years from the date of issuance, all as provided in the Bond Election Resolution adopted by the Board on January 17, 2017?

All precincts are handicapped accessible and/or offer curb-side voting shall the voter need assistance.

Qualified electors may vote early at the Canyon County Elections Office until 5:00 p.m. on March 10, 2017. The Canyon County Elections Office is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Pre-registration is closed for this Election. You may register on Election Day by showing proof of your current address and photo identification.

Dated at Caldwell, Idaho this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017  
Chris Yamamoto, County Clerk  
Pub. w/ Facsimile Mar 8, 2017

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

51-13119, US DEPT OF INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, 3948 DEVELOPMENT AVE. BOISE, ID 83705

Point of Diversion NWSW S28 T14S R04E OWYHEE County Source OTTER CREEK Tributary MARYS CREEK

Use: WILDLIFE STORAGE  
01/01 to 12/31 3.9 AF  
Total Diversion: 3.9 AF  
Date Filed: 5/9/2016  
Place of Use: WILDLIFE STORAGE  
T14S R04E S28 NWSW

This application proposes the diversion and use of water from a tributary of the Sheep Creek Wild & Scenic River. The decreed minimum stream flow rights for the federal Wild & Scenic Rivers are subordinate to certain categories of water use and to specific amounts of water use established after the minimum stream flow. The water use proposed in this application will benefit from the subordination provision because it is for de minimis stockwater purposes.

57-11898, NEDEREND FARMS LLLP, 4998 HOGG RD, HOMEDALE, ID 83628

Points of Diversion NENE S25, NWSE S26, NWNW S35, SENW S36 all in T03N R05W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER

Use: COMMERCIAL, STOCKWATER 01/01 to 12/31 2 CFS

Total Diversion: 2 CFS  
Date Filed: 12/30/2016  
Place of Use: COMMERCIAL, STOCKWATER

T03N R05W S35 SW(ALL) NWSE SWSE

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208) 334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s), please see [www.idwr.gov](http://www.idwr.gov).

NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Declarations of Candidacy for the district offices listed below must be filed with the appropriate district clerk/secretary no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 17th day of March, 2017. Such declarations are available at the district offices listed below or at the Canyon County Elections office at 1102 E. Chicago St., Caldwell, Idaho. Individuals who run as write-in candidates must file a declaration of intent no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 1st of April, 2017 (45 days prior to the election). Such declarations must be filed with the district clerk/secretary.

DISTRICTS & OFFICES:  
Canyon Hwy. District No.4 District Supervisor

15435 Hwy. 44 Seats 1 & 2  
Caldwell, ID 83607

Golden Gate Hwy. District No. 3 District Supervisor  
500 Golden Gate Ave. Seats 1 & 2  
Wilder, ID 83676

Nampa Hwy. District No. 1 District Supervisor  
4507 12th Ave. Rd. Seats 1 & 2  
Nampa, ID 83686

Notus-Parma Hwy. District No. 2 District Supervisor  
106 S. 4th St. / PO Box 719 Seats 1 & 3  
Parma, ID 83660

Kuna Library District Trustee Seats 1 & 2  
457 N. Locust / PO Box 129  
Kuna, ID 83634

Lizard Butte Library District Trustee Seat 3  
111 3rd Ave. W. / PO Box 60  
Marsing, ID 83639

Wilder Free Library District Board of Trustees  
207 A. Ave. / PO Box 128 3 Seats  
Wilder, ID 83676

Caldwell School District #132 Trustee Zones 1 & 5  
1502 Fillmore St.  
Caldwell, ID 83605

Homedale School District #370 Trustee Zones 2, 3 & 4  
116 E. Owyhee Ave.  
Homedale, ID 83628

Kuna Jt. School District #3 Trustee Zones 3 & 4  
711 E. Porter St.  
Kuna, ID 83634

Marsing Jt. School District #363 Trustee Zones 1, 3 & 5  
209 8th Ave W. / PO Box 340  
Marsing , ID 83639

Melba School District #136 Trustee Zones 4 & 5  
511 Broadway Ave. / PO Box 185  
Melba, ID 83641

West Ada School District #2 Trustee Zones 1 & 3  
1303 E. Central Dr.  
Meridian, ID 83642

Middleton School District #134 Trustee Zones 1, 2 & 4  
5 South Viking Ave.  
Middleton, ID 83644

Nampa School District #131 Trustee Zones 3, 4 & 5  
619 S. Canyon St.  
Nampa, ID 83686

Notus School District #135 Trustee Zones 1, 3 & 5  
20250 Purple Sage Rd./PO Box 256  
Notus, ID 83656

Parma School District #137 Trustee Zones 1, 2 & 5  
805 E. McConnell Ave.  
Parma, ID 83660

Vallivue School District #139 Trustee Zones 1 & 2  
5207 S. Montana Ave.  
Caldwell, ID 83607

Wilder School District #133 Trustee Zones 1, 2 & 5  
210 A. Ave. E.  
Wilder, ID 83676

Dated at Caldwell, Idaho this 8th day of March, 2017  
CHRIS YAMAMOTO, Clerk of the District Court  
Mar 8, 2017

[idaho.gov](http://idaho.gov). Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of the application(s) must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 3/20/2017. The protestant

must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN,  
Director  
3/1,8/2017

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## NOTICE OF SPECIAL GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ELECTION

Pursuant to the laws of the State of Idaho and the Bond Election Resolution of the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 363, Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho (the “District”), adopted on January 17, 2017, notice is hereby given that a Special General Obligation Bond Election will be held in the District on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, beginning at the hour of 8:00 A.M. and closing at the hour of 8:00 P.M. on said date, on the question of whether the District shall be empowered to issue general obligation school bonds of said District in the principal amount not to exceed \$13,500,000 to be repaid not later than twenty-five (25) years from the date of issuance.

Said election shall be held at the regular polling places for elections in Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho, [or by mail], as indicated below:

Precinct 002 - South Homedale – **Marsing School Zone Residents Only**, Magistrate Court / City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Avenue, Homedale, Idaho 83628

Precinct 003 - North Marsing, Marsing Community Center, 126 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue West, Marsing, Idaho 83639

Precinct 004 - South Marsing, County Extension Office, 238 West 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Marsing, Idaho 83639

Precinct 006 - Wilson – **Marsing School Zone Residents Only**, Wilson Fire Station, 10427 Johnstone Lane, Melba, Idaho 83641

Precinct 013 - Absentee Voting, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Hwy. 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650

For Mail-In Absentee or In-Person Absentee Voting, contact the Owyhee County Clerks Office at 208-495-2421.

All Precincts are handicapped accessible and / or offer curb-side voting shall the voter need assistance.

The following information is required by Section 34-439, Idaho Code:

The Projects to be financed by the sale of the proposed bonds are the costs of (a) construction of a new middle school; (b) construction of improvements to the existing high school consisting of a new physical education/gymnasium facility, a new library facility and other needed renovations; (c) construction of a covered walkway between the existing elementary school and the cafeteria; (d) designated grading and paving of parking lots and access roads; and (e) various safety improvements throughout the District.

The interest rate anticipated on the proposed bond issue, based upon current market rates, is four and twenty-one hundredths percent (4.21%) per annum. The total amount to be repaid over the life of the bonds, based on the anticipated interest rate, is \$18,823,644 consisting of \$13,500,000 in principal and \$8,645,463 of interest, totaling \$22,145,463, less \$3,321,819 in estimated bond levy equalization payments.

As of March 14, 2017, the total existing bonded indebtedness of the District, including interest accrued, is \$456,100.  
3/8/2017

## NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY ELECTION BRUNEAU-GRAND VIEW JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 365 ELMORE AND OWYHEE COUNTIES, IDAHO

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** according to law and requisite action by the Board of Trustees of Bruneau-Grand View Joint School District No. 365, Elmore and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, that a **supplemental levy election** will be held on **Tuesday, March 14, 2017**, in the Bruneau-Grand View Joint School District, Elmore and Owyhee Counties, State of Idaho for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of said District their vote at precinct polling sites open **8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.** for the following question: “Shall the Board of Trustees of Bruneau-Grand View Joint School District No. 365, Elmore and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, be authorized and empowered to levy a supplemental levy, as permitted by law in **Section 33-802(3), Idaho Code**, in the amount of **FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$500,000.00)**, for the total of **ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000.00)**, which will be collected in full during each of the **next two (2) fiscal years**, for the purpose of paying lawful and necessary expenses to operate and maintain the **District** for two (2) fiscal years beginning **July 1, 2017**, and ending **June 30, 2019**” Said election will be conducted pursuant to **Title 34 Idaho Code**.

Owyhee County polling locations for the March 14, 2017 Bruneau-Grand View Joint School District No. 365 Supplemental Levy:

Precinct 008 - Oreana, Oreana Community Center, 18092 Oreana Loop Road, Oreana, Idaho 83650

Precinct 009 - Grand View, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Avenue, Grand View,

Idaho 83624

Precinct 010 - Bruneau, American Legion Hall, 32536 Belle Avenue, Bruneau, Idaho 83604

Precinct 011 - Riddle – Mail Ballot Precinct, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650

Precinct 013 - Absentee Voting, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650

For Mail-In Absentee or In-Person Absentee Voting, contact the Owyhee County Clerks Office at 208-495-2421.

Elmore County residents who reside in the Chattin Flats voting precinct will vote mail-in ballot or in-person absentee at the Elmore County Courthouse.

All Precincts are handicapped accessible and / or offer curb-side voting shall the voter need assistance.  
3/8/2017

## NOTICE OF HEARING MOTION FOR JUDICIAL DEED CASE NO. CV2014-0170 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

**MAGISTRATE DIVISION**  
TIMOTHY E. O'BRYAN, Plaintiff, vs. JENNIE LEE O'BRYAN, Defendant.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned will call up for hearing his Motion for Judicial Deed before the above entitled Court in Murphy, Owyhee County, Idaho, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2017, at the hour of 10:30 o'clock a.m., before the Honorable Dan Grober, Magistrate Judge, or as soon thereafter as the parties may be heard.

DATED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017.

Coffel Law, P.C., Alan J. Coffel, Attorney for Plaintiff, 921 7<sup>th</sup> Street South, Nampa, ID 83651, 208-466-0050

2/22/3/1,8/2017

**NOTICE**  
The Idaho State Treasurer’s Unclaimed Property Program acts as a consumer protection agency to ensure forgotten funds are returned to their rightful owners. Idaho Unclaimed Property regularly posts an updated list of owners on the internet. This online list can be viewed at yourmoney.idaho.gov. Unclaimed Property consists of abandoned bank accounts, forgotten refund checks, utility deposits, gift certificates, and more.

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### HELP WANTED

Seeking a motivated self-starter to serve as Coordinator of the Owyhee Watershed Council. OWC is a non-profit organization serving, farmers and ranchers. Duties include non-profit, fiscal, project and personnel management. Position is located in Adrian, OR. Bachelors Degree in Natural Resources or Agriculture is preferred. Computer skills related to MS Office required and experience with GPS/GIS mapping software needed. Experience with watershed management, non-profit management, and grant writing skills highly desired.

Application deadline is March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017.  
Please send resumes to Owyhee Watershed Council, PO Box 275 Adrian, OR 97901.  
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CASE 921E

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Rock Tough Rock Screen  
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Tue



56° 33°

### SNOTEL report, Owyhee County sensors

	Snow Equiv.	Snow Depth	Year-to-date Precip.	Previous day's temperature		
	(measured in inches)			Max	Min	Avg
				(measured in Fahrenheit)		
<b>Mud Flat</b>						
2/28	7.2	17	11.1	32	18	25
3/01	7.2	19	11.1	39	20	30
3/02	7.5	19	11.1	46	18	31
3/03	7.7	18	11.2	48	26	38
3/04	7.8	17	11.3	48	33	40
3/05	7.8	16	11.3	36	20	28
3/06	7.8	17	11.3	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>Reynolds Creek</b>						
2/28	6.2	15	13.2	28	19	24
3/01	6.2	15	13.3	35	24	30
3/02	6.1	15	13.3	42	29	36
3/03	n/a	14	13.4	46	33	40
3/04	5.8	13	13.6	46	32	37
3/05	5.8	13	13.5	35	19	25
3/06	6.0	14	13.5	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>South Mountain</b>						
2/28	17.4	52	22.8	29	18	23
3/01	17.6	55	23.1	36	20	28
3/02	17.5	53	23.1	48	27	36
3/03	17.5	51	23.1	46	34	39
3/04	17.5	49	23.1	43	31	35
3/05	18.0	51	23.5	32	17	24
3/06	18.2	53	23.8	n/a	n/a	n/a

### Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 73 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 1,958 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 222 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 520,982 acre-feet of water on Monday

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

# Melba High senior from Murphy lands Horatio Alger scholarship

Jessica Riley of Murphy is one of six Idaho teens selected to receive a \$10,000 scholarship.

Jessica attends Melba Jr.-Sr. High School and is among 577 students across the country to receive 2017 Horatio Alger State scholarships.

No other Owyhee County students were chosen for this year's round of scholarships.

The recipients have maintained an

average grade-point average of 3.71 and come from households with an average annual income of \$15,456.

Since 1984, the Horatio Alger Association has awarded more than \$125 million in undergraduate, graduate and specialized scholarships to more than 25,000 students across the United States.

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Jessica Riley

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