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Knife River Construction crews place new girders on the north side of the Succor Creek Bridge in Homedale on Idaho highway 19. The March 27 work completed steel placement in the new span.

Final Succor bridge elements taking shape

Idaho 19 pavement rehabilitation to start Monday

The Succor Creek bridge project west of Homedale is winding down, but the construction zone won't go away.

Idaho Transportation Department has announced that a pavement rehabilitation project covering Idaho highway 19 from the Oregon border to South 4th Street West could begin Monday.

More than 197 tons of structural steel has been placed in the bones of the new Succor Creek bridge.

Crews placed the final three girders in the Idaho 19 bridge west of Homedale on March 27. E a c h girder weighs

approximately 64,560 pounds, or more than 32 tons, according to ITD spokesperson Jennifer Gonzalez.

The placement of the girders, which were mobilized to the east side of Homedale on the morning of the project, marks one of the final large-scale construction elements on the span. The bridge project is scheduled

for completion later this spring. Knife River Construction crews

still must construct retaining walls and place storm water pipe and pavement on River Road.

The bridge deck will be placed later this month, Gonzalez said, and crews still must build — See Bridge, page 6

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2017

Tax questions on May 16 ballot

Marsing Fire, Bruneau sewer propose budget increase, bond

The landscape for the May 16 taxing districts elections changed slightly with the write-in candidacy deadline Monday.

Property owners in Marsing and Bruneau will face taxation questions in addition to making choices in governing board elections.

Marsing Fire District officials will seek a permanent budget increase of \$315,000 annually. Fire commissioners want to build and equip a substation at the intersection of Walker Lane and Marsing Road in Canyon County.

The budget increase also would pay for compensation to bolster volunteerism as well as fund upgrades to fire and extrication equipment and keep up with the increasing costs of running a fire district.

The Bruneau Water and Sewer Association board also has placed

— See **Ballot,** page **6**

County boat check stations back in operation with warm weather

Anti-invasive species campaign continues

There are two invasive species boat check stations in Owyhee County, including at the Idaho 55-U.S. 95 junction in Marsing and near the Idaho 78-51 junction in Bruneau.



If you're towing a boat through Owyhee County, you will once again have to stop for an inspection.

The zebra and quagga mussel check stations in Marsing and Bruneau, which opened March 24, will remain in service through Sept. 4.

The stations are located at the

junction of Idaho highway 55 and U.S. Highway 95 west of Marsing and near the intersection of Idaho 51 and Idaho 78 in Bruneau. They are open during daylight

ocated at the hours seven days a week.

It is mandatory for anyone hauling any type of boat to stop at the check stations. Drivers towing boats who do not stop at

— See Stations, page 3



Big storm floods intersection

The northwest corner of South 1st Street East and East Wyoming Avenue in Homedale was submerged after heavy rain on Thursday. Helena Chemical Co. reports 1.16 inches fell.



Easter sunrise service, Pg. 11: Lizard Butte trio carries on Top volunteer firefighter tabbed, Pg. 13: GV year in review Wrestlers keep shining, Pg. 14: MHS duo places at big meet Mustang challenge, Pg. 17: County 4-H'ers train wild horses Calendar, 5 • Commentary, 18-19 • Looking Back, 20

Western Alliance to seek more dues from Homedale

Director filing another salary grant with state

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Two years after a compensation compromise, the City of Homedale is being asked to up its contribution to an economic development agency.

Tina Wilson, executive director of the Western Alliance for Economic Development, is scheduled to file a request with the city council next Wednesday. The council meeting starts at 6 p.m. inside City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

According to City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram, Wilson is seeking an increase of \$949.50 in the annual support the city provides WAED.

The increase is based on a percapita dues of \$1.50 per resident, which other governmental entities agreed to pay when Wilson last sought an increase two years ago.

In an email to the city regarding the dues hike request, Wilson said that the value of the Idaho Department of Commerce economic development professional grant will decrease 6.67 percent, or \$2,000, to \$28,000 this year. She said the request does not constitute a pay raise.

Wilson is in the process of finalizing her application to receive the state funding that will help pay her salary. The request is due May 2.

Wilson also will ask the city councils in Homedale and Marsing to submit letters of support for her grant application. Marsing deputy city clerk Doris Hayward-Roland said the council has not been asked to increase its monetary contribution.

Homedale currently pays \$3,000 annually to the WAED. A couple years ago, the council voted to pay that flat amount rather than grant Wilson's request for \$1.50 per citizen.

The WAED was established several years ago in an effort to help bring jobs and business ventures to smaller communities in the western end of the Treasure Valley.

Owyhee County and its communities haven't seen job expansion from the relationship although - before Wilson took over as executive director — the alliance did secure a loan to help a Homedale business comply with wastewater regulations and stay open.

Wilson lent a hand in Homedale's unsuccessful bid for a Idaho Community Development Block Grant to expand the town's public library.

In the years since WAED began, the City of Grand View opted out of the alliance. Marsing left but returned.

Owyhee County now serves as the fiscal agent for the alliance's \$63,570.52 budget, nearly \$40,000 of which covers personnel expenses.

— JPB

Have a fax mess? We can help!

Court clerks training to go paperless

Wi-Fi transmitter sought on city water tower

Owyhee County court workers are learning to live without paper.

By October, court clerks in both Murphy and Homedale will submit case files electronically to the state repository, which is getting an overhaul as well.

Before the magistrate clerk in Homedale can tap into the system, though, what amounts to a virtual repeater will have to be set up in town.

A representative from the Idaho Military Division, which is handling the Wi-Fi transmitter project, will visit with the Homedale City Council next Wednesday to figure out if there is room on the town's old water tower for an antenna.

County Clerk Angie Barkell said the antenna is necessary to give the Homedale court staff the ability to send electronic documents to the Idaho Supreme Court server in Boise. The signal will be beamed to a transmitter at the National Guard Armory in Wilder and then on to Boise.

"It will almost all be electronic filings," Barkell said. "Very little paper will be used once the transition ends."

Barkell said Homedale records are stored currently because of the lack of connection to the Supreme Court server. Homedale case files are transmitted to Murphy and then uploaded to the server in Boise, Barkell said.

The new statewide court records system, called Odyssey or iCourt, was piloted in Twin Falls County. Now, records from Twin Falls and Ada County are on that site. All other counties' court records remain on idcourts.us, which is a 20-year-old system, Barkell said.

Education is ongoing, but Owyhee County court clerks should be trained up by Oct. 10 when records from Owyhee County as well as Canyon and a handful of other counties will be switched from the old site to the iCourt online platform.

The education costs are coming out of Barkell's \$4,000 training clerks to a number of trainings and



The Idaho Military Division, which is in charge of the wi-fi network communicating with the state Supreme Court server, wants to place a wireless transmitter on the City of Homedale's old water tower.

line for Fiscal Year 2017. The state is supplying no direct funding for the project but is providing hardware and software and coordinating the training.

Records from the rest of the counties in the Third Judicial District will go live on the iCourt system a year from now, Barkell said.

Barkell said her clerks are going through copious training to avoid the dilemma Ada County faced when it switched its records. Apparently, that county had to hire several more clerks for the workload.

"Part of what we're doing to try to circumvent that is sending (to) implement a digital scanning protocol," Barkell said.

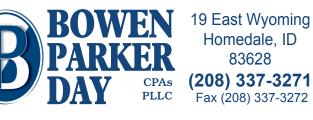
Eventually all cases on file in the Murphy and Homedale courts will be scanned and uploaded.

For the past six months, clerks at the county courthouse in Murphy have been scanning every new case as it has been filed. And when the clerks have had some down time, they've been scanning other records, including long-closed cases.

The next batch of training takes place this week in Caldwell as clerks learn how to verify that all details - from names to case information - have uploaded correctly.



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Tyler Thompson, 9-year-old son of Calvin and Janelle Thompson of Marsing, has helped distribute the free popcorn during the Marsing Lions Club bingo season. Tyler is the grandson of Marsing Lions vicepresident Steve Sloyer and Mary Sloyer. Saturday is the last chance to play until October.

Big money guaranteed at last bingo

Marsing Class of 2017 to benefit; club's gun, cooler raffle ongoing

Saturday's final Marsing Lions Club bingo night of the year will have a huge payout one way or another.

Because it's the 2016-17 season finale, the hot number jackpot will be given away.

Add in the fact that the crowds of players at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center have been growing each month this season, and it's easy to see that the prize pool will grow.

The hot number is the first bingo number drawn each night. If someone gets a bingo with the hot number completing the sequence, they win the jackpot, which will start at \$285 before anyone even buys in Saturday night.

If no one bingos on the hot number in the first 11 games Saturday, the jackpot will be given away as part of the prize money for the blackout game to close out the night and the season.

The early bird game, which isn't subject to the hot number, begins at 6:45 p.m. The regular series of 12 games starts at 7 p.m., inside the community center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., in Marsing.

The early bird game costs \$1, and the first set of game cards for the regular 12-game series is \$15. Each additional card set costs \$5. Daubers and markers are available, and there is also the hot number option for \$1.

Beverages and sandwiches also will be available for purchase, and the Lions Club sets out free popcorn at every table.

Bingo proceeds benefit either the Lions Club or a community organization. The club was able to donate \$500 to the Sandbar Café with a Cause for the community's senior citizens after last month's game.

This month's bingo will raise money for Marsing High School's senior class graduation party.

The Lions Club also is selling tickets for a two-prize raffle of items donated by former Owyhee County resident and Marsing Lion Matthew Faulks. The former county prosecuting attorney has donated a Chiappa .22-caliber rifle and an Engle high-performance cooler.

Tickets are \$5 each of six for \$20. Only 600 tickets will be sold, and they are available from any Lions Club member or at Saturday's bingo night.

The winning tickets will be drawn at the club's Third of July barbecue at Island Park.

Raffle proceeds will benefit the Lions Club's community service endeavors, including the annual Easter egg hunt, which is set for April 15, and sight and hearing projects.

Call past president Herb Churruca at (208) 454-7820 for more information.

The Lions Club, whose president this year is Jolyn Green, meets at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at Alejandra's Mexican Restaurant on Main Street in Marsing.



The boat check station at the junction of Idaho highway 55 and U.S. Highway 95 west of Marsing was quiet last Wednesday.

From page

Stations: Close Labor Day

citations, which may result in fines.

Boats will be inspected for any mussels and/or standing water. Owners also will be asked where they have boated in the previous 30 days.

If any biological material is found on the boat or equipment, the inspectors conduct a roadside "hotwash" of the watercraft.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Sgt. Kenny Hoagland wrote in an email that last year the Bruneau station checked 3,393 boats, while 1,818 watercraft were examined at the Marsing station.

"There were no fouled boats found at either station," Hoagland said. "However, there have been two fouled boats found at the Bruneau station and two fouled boats found at the Marsing station in past years."

The program has been in place since 2009 in an effort to stem the spread of invasive species from out-of-state waterways.

The Bruneau River Soil Conservation District (BRSCD) is in charge of staffing inspectors. The sheriff's office provides law enforcement deputies along with them.

"The law enforcement

the stations can receive traffic inspectors will be working at the stations on their days off or when they have available time," Hoagland said.

> The deputies chase down motorists who pull boats past the check stations without stopping for the mandatory inspections.

> The BRSCD is paying deputies \$15 an hour, and the district gets its funding from the Idaho State Department of Agriculture.

The district also uses fuel cards to pay for the gas for patrol vehicles while they are in use.

Evidence of the mussels was found in the upper Missouri River basin in central Montana in late 2016.

"If these invasive species invade Idaho, the entire Columbia River Basin, the Snake River Basin, and all native species and water users would be imperiled," Hoagland said.

"Idaho waters have been extensively tested and are still mussel-free. The boat check stations are the first line of defense against these invaders."

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Legion dinner helps Homedale family

and Ladies Auxiliary will help one of their own Saturday with a dinner open to the public.

Proceeds from a spaghetti dinner will benefit the family of Julia Childress-Cohagan, who passed away on March 15.

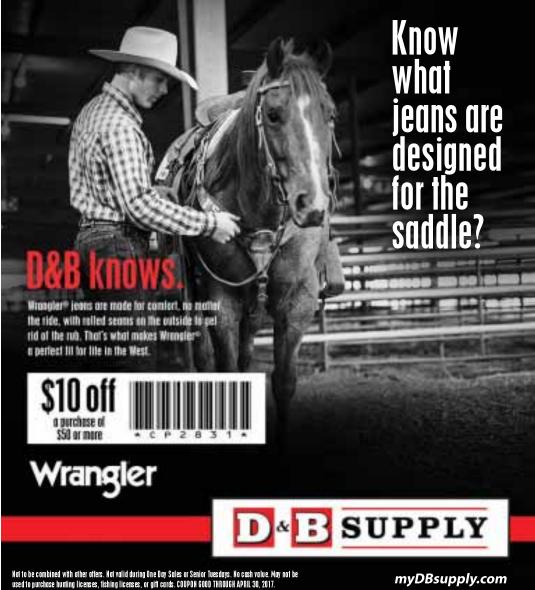
She was a member of the Ladies

Homedale's American Legion Auxiliary Unit 32. Her husband, Robert, is George D. VanDerhoff Post 32 vice-commander.

> Dinner will be served from noon to 3 p.m. inside the Legion Hall, 14 E. Owyhee Ave. It costs \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children younger than 12 and includes salad, garlic bread and a beverage.



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suspicion of driving under the

influence will enter a treatment

program after pleading guilty to

Jose Luis Jimenez-Hernandez

of Caldwell entered a guilty plea

to misdemeanor reckless driving

and was sentenced on March 15

before Magistrate Judge Dan C.

Prosecuting attorney Paul J.

Fitzer dropped a misdemeanor

Grober in Homedale.

a lesser charge.

A man originally arrested on driver's license violation.

Red Riding Hood's Guide to Royalty" and "The Mother Goose Diaries." Submitted photo

Jimenez-Hernandez, who was arrested by an Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy near the Marsing Labor Camp on Jan. 2, was placed on unsupervised probation for a year. Grober gave the man

Plea brings reduced charge, treatment

The Homedale Drama Club members completed their deliveries of books written by Chris Colfer when they presented Homedale Public Library administrator Sharla Jensen (far right) with four book titles patrons can check out. Guards Jon Slawson and Todd Thatcher make the presentation as Joseph Zamudio (Frog Prince), Allie Bell (Mermaid), Kendra Thatcher (Red Riding Hood), Malia Gonzales (Mermaid), and Patrick McMichael (Conner Bailey) look on. The books include "The Curvy Tree," "The Land of Stories: A Treasury of Classic Fairytales," and a two-pack of "Queen

> credit for four days already spent in county jail and suspended the remainder of a three-month sentence

> Jimenez-Hernandez was arrested after he was found with a stranded vehicle in an icy parking lot.



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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

Wilson Sagehens meeting

1 p.m., Wilson schoolhouse, 10427 Johnston Lane, Wilson.

Game dav

1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Preschool story time

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

KidZone makerspace

4 p.m., fifth-graders and up, 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

NOCWMA meeting

7 p.m., Natural Resource Conservation Service office, USDA Service Center, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., Marsing. (208) 896-4544

Thursday

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

Property tax reduction assistance

10 a.m. to noon. Rimrock Senior Citizens Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 495-2817

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

Property tax reduction assistance

1:30 p.m., Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth Street, Bruneau. (208) 495-2817

Friends of Homedale Public Library meeting

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

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

Teens and Tweens program

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

Armory, Owyhee County Fairgrounds. (208) 896-4544

Free lunch

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

Senior center dominoes and card games

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

Chili feed

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., free, Fargo Community Church, 26972 Upper Pleasant Ridge Road, Wilder. (208) 901-4641

Family movie night

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

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.

Sunday

Masonic scholarship breakfast

8 a.m. to 1 p.m., \$7, all-you-can-eat, Silver City Masonic Lodge No. 13, 19 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting 9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State

Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421 Adult book club

1 p.m., Lets Talk About It series, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Owyhee County swine weigh-in

4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds, Homedale, and Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, Bruneau.

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

Tuesday

Fit and Fall exercise

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

Senior center bridge and pinochle

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

Melba school board meeting

5 p.m., district office, 511 Broadway, Melba.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

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

April 5: Orange chicken, steamed rice, steamed broccoli, veggie & fruit bar

April 6: Pizza, coleslaw, veggie & fruit bar

April 10: Corn dog, sidewinders, veggie & fruit bar

- April 11: Fish nuggets, green beans, veggie & fruit bar
- April 12: Chicken patty sandwich, tater tots, veggie & fruit bar

Homedale Middle

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

April 5: Spaghetti or corn dog, green beans, fruit & salad bar April 6: Ham/cheese ripper or PB&J, tossed salad, fruit & salad bar

April 10: Wiener wrap or calzone, string cheese, fruit & salad bar April 11: Nachos or toasted cheese sandwich, fruit & salad bar April 12: Mini corn dogs or fish nuggets, steamed carrots, cookie, fruit & salad bar

Homedale High

All meals include milk variety,

and a free breakfast is offered to all students

April 5: Orange chicken or BBQ pulled pork sandwich, steamed rice, cookie, salad bar, fruit choice

April 6: Enchilada or grilled cheese w/tomato soup, salad bar, fruit choice

April 10: Spaghetti w/meatballs or rib-b-que, salad bar, fruit choice

April 11: Chicken tender, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll or corn dog, salad bar, fruit choice

April 12: Chicken nuggets or chef salad, macaroni & cheese, salad bar, fruit choice

Marsing Elementary

crackers, tossed salad, pudding

yogurt, animal crackers, broccoli

cheese stick, animal crackers, corn

Marsing Middle-High

crackers, sidewinders

potatoes

salad, pudding

chips, broccoli

sidewinders

All meals include healthy choice fruit and veggie bar

April 5: Enchiladas, rice, sweet potatoes or PB&J, cheese stick, graham crackers, sweet potatoes April 6: Pepperoni ripper, tossed salad or PB&J, yogurt, animal

April 10: Cheeseburger, sidewinders or PB&J, cheese stick, animal

April 11: Chicken penne alfredo, breadstick, broccoli or PB&J,

April 12: Chicken drumstick, mashed potatoes, roll, corn or PB&J,

All meals include healthy choice fruit and veggie bar;

salad bar and grab-n-go lunches available daily

April 5: Enchilada, rice, sweet potatoes or BBQ pulled pork, sweet

April 6: Pepperoni ripper, tossed salad or PB&J, sun chips, tossed

April 10: Cheeseburger, sidewinders or chicken nuggets, roll,

April 11: Chicken penne alfredo, breadstick, broccoli or sandwiches,

April 12: Chicken drumstick, mashed potatoes, roll, corn or pork

Saturday

Rimrock Food Pantry distribution

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

NOCWMA weed spray distribution

9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center, 250 N. Old Bruneau Hwy., Marsing; 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Homedale

(208) 495-1141 Library board meeting 5 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785 **Ridgeview Irrigation District board meeting** 7 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760 Gem Irrigation District board meeting 7:15 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760 South Board of Control board meeting

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You can find a comprehensive listing of local events online at www.theowyheeavalanche.com. Click on the "Calendar of Events" link on the left-hand side of the page.

Submit information on upcoming fundraisers, meetings, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays for inclusion in the calendar. Drop off press releases at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale, mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, fax them to (208) 337-4867 or e-mail them to jon@owyheeavalanche.com (an e-mail link also is available on our Web site). For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681.

Bruneau-Grand View

taco, cilantro lime refried beans

All meals include milk variety April 5: Teriyaki chicken, oriental rice, stir-fry veggies, fruit April 6: Chili, coleslaw, applesauce, cinnamon roll

April 7: Hamburger/bun, sweet potato fries, baby carrots, fresh fruit

April 11: Chicken wrap, romaine & tomato, fresh carrots, fruit, pudding

April 12: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, romaine tossed salad, peas, breadstick (Rimrock), fruit

April 13: Haystacks, tortilla chips w/salsa, refried beans, fruit

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All meals include milk variety April 5: Pizza or PB&J, salad, fruit April 6: Chicken sandwich, tots, salad, fruit April 10: Sloppy Joe, tots, salad, fruit April 11: Baked potato bar, fruit crisp, salad, fruit April 12: Walking taco, rice, salad, fruit April 13: Pizza or PB&J, salad, fruit April 17: Chicken potato bowl, corn & salad, fruit

Marsing Chamber of Commerce unveils new website

The Marsing Chamber of Commerce now has a presence online beyond just email.

Chamber president Julie Scheu said the website at www.marsingchamber.org was created by Kim Coonis, director of The Sandbar Café.

Death notices

business.

yet," Scheu said.

ROBERTA L. HENRY, 64, of Homedale, died of natural causes at a local care facility on Tuesday, April 4, 2017. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

DEVIN WAYNE MEYERS, 26, formerly of Grand View, died at his home in Garden City, on Sunday, April 2, 2017. Arrangements: Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel, 500 N. 18th E., in Mountain Home. (208) 587-0612

WANDA S. ROHL, 78, of Homedale, died Sunday, April 2, 2017. Arrangements: Bowman Funeral Parlor, Garden City. (208) 853-3131

THOMAS ALFRED RYAN, 91, of Hoemdale, died Saturday, April 1, 2017. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Milk served every day Salad Bar available with each meal (lettuce, tomatoes, boiled eggs, peaches, apricots, salad dressing) April 5: Beef burrito, rice, refried beans

April 6: Pork chow mein, fried rice, stir fried vegetables, roll

- April 11: Baked fish, mac & cheese, California blend veggies, roll
- April 12: Cheese burger/roll, baked potato, beet salad

Rimrock Senior Center

April 6: Biscuits and gravy, tater tots, scrambled eggs w/peppers and onions, peaches

April 11: Beef chow mein, noodles, broccoli, bean sprouts, orange jello, cookie

April 13: Chicken salad sandwich, tater tots, coleslaw, pears, brownie

Woman arrested on drug warrant in Homedale

A Homedale woman has been arrested on suspicion of drug possession.

Kimberly O'Neel, 42, was taken into custody after 9 p.m. on Saturday on an arrest warrant related to a Homedale Police case.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said O'Neel was arrested on a felony charge of controlled substance possession. She was apprehended on East Wyoming Avenue.

No court date information was available at press time.



Scheu is inviting Chamber members The Chamber's new website also to submit a logo, so that people can click includes an events calendar, a photo on it and go directly to the website of the gallery, and an article from The Owyhee Avalanche about the history of the county.

"We will also create a business list for Chamber members can email their those of you who do not have a website business logo to marsingchamber@gmail. com to be posted on the website. People

can use the same email address to submit entries for the events calendar.

The Chamber's next meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m., Thursday April 13 inside The Spot Pizza at 12 Sandbar Ave., near the bridge over the Snake River leading into Marsing.

From page 1 $\sqrt{\text{Ballot:}}$ Parkins withdraws from Marsing school board election, leaving just two races

a \$2.2 million revenue bond question on the ballot. The association seeks to pay for sewer improvements with a proposed 40-year bond.

Former school administrator Doran Parkins withdrew his name from consideration for the Zone 3 seat currently held by Marsing school board chair Betty Ackerman, deputy clerk Brook Russell reported.

Parkins' withdrawal eliminates the need for an election in the Marsing School District. Ackerman filed for re-election, and appointee Jason Sevy (Zone 1) and incumbent Brad McIntyre (Zone 5) will run unopposed.

With Parkins leaving the competition, only two governing boards in the county will see contested elections on May 16.

Recent appointee John Demshar will face David "Hap" Duryee and Robert Wolfe in a three-way race for the Homedale Highway District Subdistrict 2 position.

A former commissioner, Demshar was tabbed to replace Joel Wilson earlier this year when the incumbent resigned and moved out of the subdistrict.

In the Bruneau-Grand View

School District, board chair Lori Bennett, who resides in Zone 3, will see a challenge from RaeLynn Schkade. Longtime Zone 5 trustee Howard Field will go up against Steve Boren, but Zone 1 incumbent Gary Jones will run unopposed.

There are several unopposed candidates for other board positions:

Homedale school — Incumbents Dwayne Fisher (Zone 3) and Shelley Shenk (Zone 4)

Melba school — Owyheean Susan Jaca seeks the Zone 5 position currently held by fellow county resident Mary Huff. Huff did not file for re-election.

Eastern Owyhee County Library — Appointees Vera Lea Jayo and Sharon Carothers and incumbent Nancy Law have filed to seek new terms.

Other boards didn't have eligible candidates for available seats until just before the write-in candidacy deadline.

Gem Highway District incumbents Morris Giedd (Subdistrict 1) and Jeff Percifield (Subdistrict 2) didn't file for re-election until after the ballot deadline.

Three Creek Joint Elementary School District incumbents Gus Brackett (Zone 2) and Art Small (Zone 3) also filed write-in bids. Zone 1 Trustee David Severe did not file a petition, leaving the district a candidate short. In the past when not enough candidates had come forward, a trustee had to be appointed after the election.

There are a few other political subdivisions in the situation of not having candidates for available seats:

Pleasant Valley school - Todd Gluch, the board chair from Zone 3, didn't file for re-election.

Lizard Butte Library, Marsing — Three at-large trustee positions will be on the ballot. Incumbents include Jamie Parkins, whose position will be a six-year term; Patricia Russell (four years) and Jean Udesen (two years). Russell and Udesen both were appointed to the board mid-term.

Bruneau Valley Library — Districtwide trustee Ginny Roeder is retiring, and no one has filed to replace her.

Three Creek Highway — The terms for commissioners Chet Brackett and Kathy Jones will end, and there are no new filings.

$\sqrt{\text{Bridge:}}$ Stretch between Oregon line and 4th Street West to see pavement work

approaches on the west and east city and law enforcement officials, ends of the bridge.

While Knife River crews are working on the bridge and its approaches, Central Paving Co., Inc., of Boise will start a \$517,600 project to rehabilitate

the pavement overlay project is scheduled for 23 working days. There are some areas of roadway where distressed pavement will be milled and repaved, according to ITD District 3 project coordinator

The road will be limited to a single lane with flaggers during milling operations. When paving occurs, flaggers and pilot cars will be employed.

Gonzalez said the pavement rehabilitation is one of 43

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about five miles of asphalt from the Oregon border to the west side of Homedale.

According to an email sent to Police.

Kelley Lower's email to the City of Homedale, the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office and Idaho State construction projects ITD has earmarked for Southwest Idaho this year.

— JPB

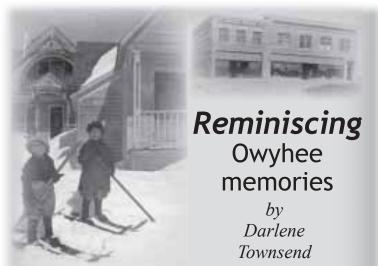


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During the summers, grandkids frequented my grandparents' ranch on Flint Creek. The boys helped with the outside work with cows, horses and having. The girls primarily helped Grandma in the house. For example, I recall a story of two of my older girl cousins. This tale may have a bit of faulty memory.

It was a summer afternoon, and Grandma had sent the two girls down the creek to a far field with an afternoon snack for the men working there. There was one horse in the corral saddled and ready to ride. The girls, with the snack, rode off to the far field.

Meanwhile, Grandma with her fishing pole headed down the creek fishing for supper trout. I recall my grandmother usually wore a housedress with an apron tied around her waist

Later, the girls, having left the horse tied loosely to a willow near the creek, and finished with the snack delivery, were standing a bit away having a vigorous but lengthy discussion about who was going to get in the saddle and who was going to ride behind.

As the talk continued, Grandma came upon the lonely horse. She stepped into the saddle with her supper fish, and rode back to the house; thus ending the girls' discussion.

Readers are encouraged to submit their memories of humorous and historical Owyhee country events. Call (208) 337-4681, ext. 102 for more information.

In 4-H oral presentations, words (and props) matter

To some there is nothing more intimidating than public speaking, for others it comes more naturally. The ability to speak well in front of a group of people is a skill that

can be useful in so many areas of our lives. Whether it be trying to make a sale for a school fundraiser, running for



a few words Janelle Thompson after receiving an award, giving a presentation at work, teaching a class or giving an oral presentation about your 4-H project.

Public speaking, like many other skills, only gets easier with practice. One of the many benefits of 4-H is the experience of speaking in front of a group. To complete your 4-H project(s), you are required to give an oral presentation about your project(s) to your club. 4-H members also could compete in the Owyhee County Oral Presentation Contest that is held the first week of June. This would give them the opportunity

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to present in front of a judge and receive a ribbon for their hard work. On average, we have 100 boys and girls that participate in the county contest every year.

There are different styles of oral presentations: a demonstration, illustrated talk, speech or a dramatic reading.

A demonstration is doing and showing how. In a demonstration, you make something or do something and there is an end product. You will also use posters, props or other visual aids to show the different steps needed to get to your end product.

An illustrated talk is talking and telling how. In an illustrated talk, you show pictures, charts, models, equipment and other visual aids.

A speech is only the spoken word and gestures on your presenting topic. A speech does not include any visual aids.

A dramatic reading is words and actions used to present material to either entertain or educate. The presenter may use their own material or another author's published material. Costume, make-

up or props are required for a dramatic reading, and if possible, memorize your presentation.

When putting together your presentation it is best to choose a topic that interests you. Gather your information, develop an outline and organize your presentation. Consider a title that will get the attention of your audience. Practicing your presentation several times with your visual aids or equipment will help you to become comfortable with the props you will be using. Remember when choosing your visual aids, ask yourself: Is it large enough for the audience to see? Is it easy to use? Does it help explain a point? Be sure to speak loud enough so those in the back of the room can hear your presentation. Face your audience, be confident, smile and have fun!

*— Janelle Thompson is the Uni*versity of Idaho Owyhee County Extension 4-H coordinator. For more information, you can reach Thompson at the U of I Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 or owyhee@uidaho. edu. The office is located at 238 W. 8th Ave. W., in Marsing.

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Masons scholarship breakfast set Sunday

The Silver City Masonic Lodge No. 13 biannual scholarship breakfast returns Sunday.

The meal will be served from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the lodge, 19 W. Idaho Ave., in Homedale.

The cost is \$7 per person for allyou-can-eat pancakes, scrambled eggs, real barbecued ham and sausage. As usual, Ava's red syrup will be featured. Coffee and juice also are served.

Blake Titus, Silver City Lodge Jr. Warden, prepares the ham and sausage outside on West Idaho Avenue throughout the breakfast

on a trailer outfitted with a grill. Inside, other lodge members work to make pancakes and the scrambled eggs.

Proceeds will help the lodge fund scholarships to graduating seniors chosen from Homedale, Marsing, Parma and Wilder high schools. Each year, the Masons also honor teachers of the year in the Marsing and Homedale districts.

During the breakfast, the lodge will be available for tours upon request, and Silver City No. 13 historical artifacts will be on display.

Fargo Community Church between Wilder and Homedale hosts a free chili feed Saturday.

There will be food, fellowship and music from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the church, 26972 Upper Pleasant Ridge Road. A bounce house for children will be set up, and Bro. Frank Morrison and Friends will be special guests.

Call (208) 901-4641 for more information.

The church is accepting donations to build a quality clothing supply for area families in need. Gently used clothing items and shoes for all ages as well as unused baby diapers of all sizes and children's toys are welcome. Call (208) 501-4056 for more

information.





OCHS schedules field trips for summer

The Owyhee County Historical Society's board of directors has announced this year's series of field trips.

The trips, which are held throughout the summer, are open to the public.

The OCHS field trips usually begin with a meet-and-greet rendezvous, then visitors caravan to a predetermined destination (4-wheel-drive vehicles are sometimes required), where longtime ranchers, landowners, miners or other interesting folk are waiting to tell a story of the past.

Destinations for OCHS field trips in the past have included the John and Kathy Romero ranch, the Cosmopolitan Mine and Mill near Silver City, the Duck Valley Indian Reservation, Wintercamp Ranch in Bruneau, Poison Creek Station, Rockville and Succor Creek State Park.

An informal potluck lunch takes place after most of the trips.

This year's adventures will include:

May 20 — Walking tour of downtown Boise. Participants will meet at the Capital Building at 10 a.m. Good walking shoes are required, and the group will walk about one mile on a guided tour featuring the history and architecture of the buildings. The tour will last about 90 minutes and will include a visit to the Basque Block. This field trip will not include a potluck lunch. June (date and details to be

determined) — Owvhee Dam glory hole

July 21 - Museum open house and ice cream social. 7 p.m. at the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy. The vaults will be open and available for viewing.

August (date and details to be determined) — 45 Ranch.

Sept. 30 — Three Forks of the Owyhee River and a hike into the hot pools. Participants will meet at 9 a.m. at the ION Gem Stop at the Idaho 55-U.S. 95 junction west of Marsing. High-clearance vehicles will be required. For more information, contact field trip organizer Wilbur Chitwood at (208) 463-7793.

Oct. 10 — Celebration Park. Tours of petroglyphs, Guffey Railroad Bridge and atlatl throwing. Attendees will meet in the park at 9:45 a.m., and tours will begin at 10 a.m. Celebration Park is located at 5000 Victory Lane adjacent to the Snake River near Melba and Walter's Ferry in Canyon County.

For more information on the upcoming field trips, contact museum director Amy Johnson by calling (208) 495-2319 or by email at owyheemuseumdirector@gmail.com.

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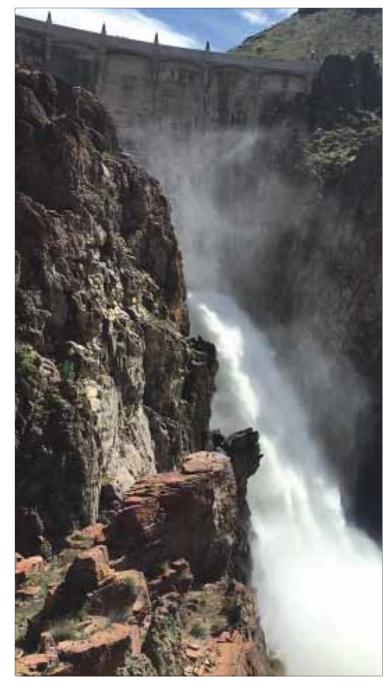






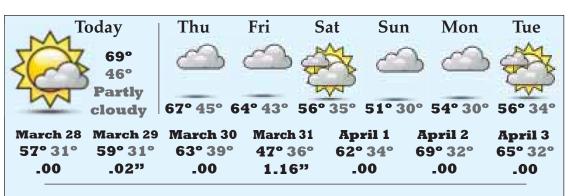
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Water cascades into the Owyhee River as it is continuously released through the Owyhee Dam jets draining the Owyhee Reservoir. Photo by Mark Aman





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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 95 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 4,995 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 2,836 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 682,113 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

Irrigation boards back to nights

The meeting schedule for area irrigation boards reverts to evening sessions as the growing season approaches.

The next round of monthly meetings for the men who manage the South Board of Control of the Owyhee Project takes place Tuesday at 118 S. 1st St. W., in Homedale.

The Ridgeview Irrigation District board of directors meets at 7 p.m.

The Gem Irrigation District board meets at 7:15 p.m.

The South Board of Control meets at 7:30 p.m.

South Board manager John Eells said he doesn't have much

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The meeting schedule for to discuss with the directors on rea irrigation boards reverts to Tuesday.

"Just the water coming on, and we'll probably try to get a turnon date set for the Marsing plant, but it'll be tentative regardless. It will depend on the weather," he said. "It should be one of the shorter (meetings). I just don't have anything on the agenda really."

Eells was referring to turning on the pumps at the old Gem plant on the Snake River in Marsing.

City irrigation services in Homedale will be available by April 17. Marsing City Hall doesn't have a date for that town's system availability.

The Owyhee Dam gates were opened on March 27. Eells previously said he estimates that the irrigation system could be fully charged by early next week.

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Lizard Butte Sunrise Association hosts Easter services

Three-person board prepares for another early Sunday

What is said to be the Northwest's oldest continuous Easter sunrise service turns 80 this year.

With the exception of two years, the Lizard Butte Easter Sunrise Service has been held each spring since 1938. The service was called off in 1989 and 2007 because mud around the landmark in Canyon County across the Snake River from Marsing made parking impossible.

Weather permitting, this year's service will begin at 7 a.m., Easter Sunday, April 16.

The annual service is non-denominational, and is organized by the Lizard Butte Sunrise Association.

The board's officers are president Fred Hill, vice-president Bill O'Connor, and Fred's wife Connie is secretary. The Hills live in Huston north of the butte off Idaho highway 55. O'Connor is a Marsing resident.

Fred Hill joined the association in 1978, and his wife signed up a year later. He became president in 1982, and Connie took over as secretary in 1985. O'Connor got involved with the group in 2002 and started immediately as vicepresident.

Connie Hill said she and her husband saw a need to get involved because of dwindling participation in the association.

"As they get older, the people get off the board," she said. "You don't want it to quit. It's just been such a great thing for the community."

Fred Hill said that his family has a personal connection to the history of the service.

"We always felt strongly about the butte and the Easter sunrise service because my grandpa helped pack the concrete up there for the cross," he said.

His grandfather was Andrew Hill, who joined the association in 1939. The concrete cross was built in 1940 after vandals burned the initial wooden cross at the site.

O'Connor joined the group when the Hills contacted him shortly after he became pastor of the Marsing First Church of the

Nazarene.

"They said we have this Lizard Butte Sunrise Association, and we'd like to be sure your church stays involved," O'Connor said. "So I said, 'Yes,' and I've been here ever since."

The board officers added that through their work on the annual Easter service, they've become good friends over the years.

Fred Hill said one change during his time as president has made holding a service a lot easier.

"There was a need for a sound system because I had sat up here several times and you couldn't hear," he said. "Now we have a nice big four-speaker system that we spread out across here, and it pretty well gets the sound out."

His wife added that years ago, a regular-sized piano was brought up to the butte for the service. Now they use her electric keyboard, which is much lighter and easier to transport.

The sunrise program has followed nearly the same format through the entire 80 years of its existence. One addition was made in 1984 when Boy Scouts Troop 276 of Caldwell began reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

O'Connor said 80 years is an important milestone.

"I think it's a continuation of tradition, which is the whole purpose of the service staying basically the same since the beginning," he said. "When something is working, don't fix it."

O'Connor said one woman present at the 2012 service went to the very first Easter program at Lizard Butte in 1938.

Connie Hill said there's a strong sense of dedication for attending the event.

"And there's families in the valley that have come every year for the last I don't know how many years," she said.

About 1,200 people came to last year's Easter sunrise service. Historically, attendance varies from 600 to 1,700 depending on the weather.

Financial support for the earliest Lizard Butte services came

Lizard Butte Sunrise Association officers, from left, president Fred Hill, vice-president Bill O'Connor and secretary Connie Hill.

entirely from dues levied at 10 cents per association meeting per member. It wasn't until 1942 that the association decided to ask for a freewill offering from those in attendance. The first offering received totaled \$9.62.

Association members are working to put a permanent roof over the existing concrete platform structure beneath the cross. The project has an estimated cost of \$19,000, and \$9,000 has been raised so far.

Beau Bonds of Nampa will provide special music at this year's event.

Pastor Daniel Swaim of the Lizard Butte Baptist Church in Marsing will deliver the Easter message.

O'Connor, who also has served as guest pastor, said they were looking for someone new in the community, or someone who hadn't spoken at the service in recent years.

"Daniel Swaim we knew was the newest pastor in Marsing, and the newest that we were aware of immediately around the area," he said. "So I contacted him, and he was delighted. He is very excited about doing it." — SC

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HES kindergarten sign-ups slated

Homedale kindergarten registration takes place Tuesday at the elementary school.

Boys and girls who will turn 5 years old before Sept. 1 are eligible to attend kindergarten beginning in the fall.

Parents can sign up their children from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. inside the school library, 420 W. Washington Ave.

There is a checklist of things that parents or guardians must bring to the school when they bring their child for registration and screening Tuesday:

• A legal, state-issued birth certificate

• The child's immunization records. No students will be allowed to start school in August unless they possess current and

complete vaccination records.

Immunizations are available from the Terry Reilly Health Services clinic, (208) 337-3189, in Homedale, or through Southwest District Health, (208) 455-5345. • The child's Social Security card

• Proof of residency in the Homedale School District, such as a copy of a utility bill

· Out-of-district students must have a completed out-of-district enrollment application approved before they can enroll.

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Fair swine weigh-in session reinstated

First trip to scales comes Monday

The market livestock weigh-in season for county youth continues Monday with swine going to the scales for the first time in two years.

Owyhee County 4-H and FFA youth with swine fair projects during the past two years have only had to tag-in their animals as officials tried to stem the spread of Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea Virus (PEDV).

Weigh-ins will take place from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in Homedale (420 W. Nevada Ave.) and Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School in Bruneau (39678 Hwy. 78).

County 4-H coordinator Janelle Thompson said steps will be taken to lessen the threat of PEDV.

"We will be taking precautions with the weigh-in this year by limiting the number of people that help unload their pigs and by washing the manure as often as needed," she said.

The maximum weight at initial weigh-in is 85 pounds, and 4-H animal project advisors suggest a weight of between 65 and 80 pounds.

The minimum weight at the final weigh-in on Wednesday, Aug. 9 during fair week is 230 pounds.

Youth livestock exhibitors with sheep and goat projects will have initial weigh-ins on Friday, May 19. West county weigh-ins will take place from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. at the fairgrounds, and east county exhibitors can visit the scales at Rimrock beginning at 4 p.m.

The suggested initial weight for sheep is 90 pounds (75 to 85 pounds suggested), and animals must weigh a minimum of 110 pounds at fair weigh-in on Aug. 8.

Goats must be born after Jan. 1 and must weigh at least 65 pounds at the time of the Aug. 8 fair weigh-in. The animals must also show an average daily gain of .3 pounds at the final weigh-in.

The fair show dates for sheep and goats also have changed to noon on Wednesday. Aug. 9. Other livestock shows include beef at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 10 and swine at 8 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 11.

For more information on animal projects, call the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104.

Boots and Bling Spring Fling returns

A second annual fundraiser for the Owyhee Silver Spurs 4-H club is set for Friday.

The Boots and Bling Spring Fling will run from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 2nd St. N. Admission is \$5 per person, and all ages are welcome. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

The band Buckin' Country will perform throughout the evening.

Courtney Barber is organizing this year's event and said it's more than just a dance.

"We're doing a silent auction. We'll have some \$1 games for the kids to play when the band takes a break," she said. "We're doing a bake sale and also (selling) nachos and drinks." Barber added that exactly what items will be in the silent auction and raffle is still being determined

knows a cakewalk will be one of them

Raffle tickets are \$1 each and will be available at the door. Silent auction bidding will end at 9 p.m.

Barber said the club will use fundraiser proceeds to purchase buyer's gifts for this year's Owyhee County Junior Livestock Auction.

The auction takes place on Saturday, Aug. 12, the final day of the Owyhee County Fair in Homedale.

"When somebody buys one of the kids' animals, we in turn give that buyer a gift," she said.

"The fundraiser pays for that so the kids don't have to have

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She's also still figuring out what games will be included, but

anything out-of-pocket for that."

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Jaylen Becker was tabbed Grand View Fire's top volunteer firefighter after responding to 71 percent of the agency's calls in 2016. Submitted photo

GV Fire district moves forward

Year's top responder lauded

Grand View Rural Fire Protection District commissioners recently reflected on the hard work local emergency responders put in during 2016.

The commissioners extended their appreciation to the district's taxpayers for supporting the department's efforts in fighting fires, responding to accidents, performing vehicle extrications and helping establish air ambulance landing zones during incidents.

The volunteer fire department responded to 57 incidents last year, and commissioners saluted Jaylen Becker as the agency's top responder.

"We'd like to specifically thank this fireman for his dedication to his community," the commissioners wrote in a press release.

Becker was on 41 of the department's calls last year — a response rate of 71.9 percent.

Grand View Fire and other responders received national attention for the rescue of a 4-year-old boy who had suffered a "clinical" decapitation during a May 22 automobile accident on Idaho highway 51. Other lives were saved in the wake of the head-on crash, in which the youngster's skull was separated from his spine, according to news reports, as Grand View and Bruneau Fire volunteers worked together.

Soon after the accident, Owyhee County commissioners appropriated additional funding so Grand View Fire could purchase upgraded vehicle extrication equipment that will be put to use during vehicle crashes and large equipment accidents.

The fire district's annual barbecue and fireworks fundraiser during Grand View Days last year generated \$4,000, which was used to purchase firefighter equipment, training tools and other necessary apparatus.

The fire commissioners also

two new members last year.

"We would like to thank all of our fire department volunteers for their hard work, dedication and community service," the commissioners wrote in their year-end recap.

"As we move (through) 2017 and beyond, the Grand View Fire District will continue to look to expand its coverage area to include more of our community as time and budget allows," the commissioners wrote. Discussions on possible expansion of the district boundaries continue.

Anyone interested in joining the fire department can contact Fire Chief Charles Ensz at (208) 834-2511 or enszcharles@hotmail. com.

Homedale Sr. Center launches card games, activities for all ages

A weekly game day has been introduced in an effort to bring people into the Homedale Senior Center.

Weekly pinochle games open to all ages and skill levels have been ongoing since March 22, and will continue today and next Wednesday to gauge interest in the steady activity.

Card games will be played from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Other games can be arranged if people call and express interest in time to bring to the senior center equipment for activities such as bridge, checkers, chess, dominoes or Chinese checkers.

Organizers hope there is enough interest to make the game days a weekly occurrence at least through the summer.

Pinochle games are three-, fourand five-handed, depending on the number of participants who turn out.

The games are open to all ages and skill levels, and seasoned players welcome newcomers and

are willing to teach the game.

For more information on the game day or any other activity at the senior center, call (208) 337-3020.

The senior center opens at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and congregate lunches are served each day beginning at 11:30 a.m. with the salad course.

The senior center also offers:

• Free blood pressure clinics at 10 a.m. on the first Tuesday of each month

• Foot examinations on the third Tuesday of the month. There is a \$12 fee, and an appointment must be scheduled by calling the senior center. Slots are available beginning at 8:30 a.m.

• A Fit and Fall exercise class at 10:30 a.m. each Tuesday and Thursday







Volunteer firefighters set up a dozen landing zones to ensure LifeFlight patients were safely flown to the hospital.

Firefighters spent 464 manhours responding to calls in the 106-square-mile district and another 346 man-hours in training.

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reported 2016 was a "big year" for vehicle upgrades, including the acquisition of a brush truck. The new equipment will help with remote range fires and fires in areas that require a 4-wheel-drive vehicle for access.

The department's personnel grew to 11 with the addition of

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Avalanche Sports



Abby Gray connects while batting for the Homedale High School junior varsity team during the Taylor Sauer Memorial Tournament at Sundance Park. Gray and fellow JV standout Gracie Dines scored runs Saturday for the Trojans' varsity team during its Spring Break tournament.

JV call-ups play role during Homedale tournament stay

Larger schools outslug Trojans in Nampa

Homedale High School's softball team won just one of four games at the Win the Pitch Spring Break Classic tournament in Nampa.

The Trojans' only victory against four larger schools came in the first round of bracket play

on Friday at Ridgevue High School. Homedale (5-4-1 overall, 2-0 in 3A Snake River Valley conference) crushed Parma, 29-0, in its return to conference play Monday.

Saturday: Ridgevue 6, Homedale 2— Rian Beebe knocked in both of the Trojans' runs, but Homedale couldn't break through until the tourney hosts had built a 4-0 lead heading into

— See Homedale, page 15

Marsing wrestlers place in big NW invitational meet

Mason Hall and Joseph Ineck backed up their strong showings in the 2A Idaho high school state tournament.

The Marsing High School wrestlers brought back medals from the elite Best of the Northwest Tournament last weekend at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande, Ore.

The boys were invited to the Friday-Saturday event because they were among state-placers at high school tournaments in Idaho, Oregon and Washington state.

Hall finished second at 220

pounds when he picked up an injury default victory over Kione Gill of the Tahoma Bears. Hall guaranteed at least a third-place finish with a 60-second pin of Samuel Peterson of Team Aggression.

Ineck was sixth at 145. He lost the fifth-place match to Weston Lyver of White River Hornets.

Hall and Ineck also participated in a workout and clinic with EOU coaches and was able to meet other college coaches.

Huskies assistant coach Dylan Cady coached Hall and Ineck during the tournament.



Marsing High School state-placing wrestlers Mason Hall (left) and Joseph Ineck (right) flank Huskies assistant coach Dylan Cady during the weekend's Best of the Northwest tournament at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande, Ore. Submitted photo

District 2 high school rodeo finale shifting to Owyhee

Spring season gets started Saturday

The Owyhee County rodeo arena also will play host to a pair of shows on April 22-23.



Marsing's Jaxon Astorquia (right) and Homedale's Ryeker Harrison could be

in Caldwell

The road to the District 2 high school rodeo finals in Homedale picks up again this weekend.

The spring season for rodeo competitors from Homedale, Marsing, Rimrock, Adrian, Jordan Valley and other area high schools begins at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Caldwell Night Rodeo grounds. A second rodeo will be held at 9 a.m. Sunday.

The district finals typically have been held in May at CNR, but this season the Owyhee County Fairgrounds will play host to the final two rodeos of the district season.

The last events before the Idaho State Finals Rodeo will take place on Saturday-Sunday, May 13-14 at the rodeo arena in Homedale. Local boys competing this season include:

• Michael Babcock of Homedale as a team roper and a tie down roper

• Wes Ireland of Marsing as a bull rider and team roper

• Trevor Fillmore of Jordan Valley in team roping

• TJ Davis of Jordan Valley in bull riding

On the girls' side, there are:

• Emilee Burch for Jordan Valley in barrel racing, breakaway roping and goat tying

• Lena Metcalf from Marsing in barrels

• Louisa Metcalf of Marsing in barrels, breakaway roping and pole bending

• Halie Workman, an Owyheean attending Melba High School, is competing in the reined cow horse event this season. back in action in front of a home crowd Saturday. Photo by Sarah Grossman / Freeze the Day Photography

Homedale Freestyle to host youth wrestling tourneys

The local youth wrestling world comes to town this weekend for the annual Homedale Freestyle and Greco-Roman tournaments. The Homedale Freestyle Club plays host to the tournament, which will be held Friday and Saturday inside the high school gymnasium on East Idaho Avenue.

The first-year Marsing Youth Wrestling program also will send athletes to the competition.

The Greco-Roman tournament will start — See Tourneys, page 15

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Sports

Local youth put on good Rabbit Creek 100 desert race showing

A handful of local riders picked up some top-tier finishes last month at a national desert riding event near Murphy.

The AMA National Youth Hare and Hound portion of the Rabbit Creek 100 weekend was held on Saturday, March 25.

Five Homedale youth were among the weekend riders:

• Kaden Binford, 16, and Rylan Binford, 12, sons of April and Jason Binford

• Aliya Hibbs, 10, and Miah Hibbs, 6, daughters of Marcy and Chris Hibbs

• Jace Love, 14, the son of Josh and Lindsey Love.

Four of the five riders finished their trek through the desert in the Saturday youth races.

• Jace was fourth overall and fourth in the Big Wheels minibikes division. He finished the course in 1 hour, 51.06 minutes.

Rylan won the 85cc mini-bikes



Five young Homedale riders took part in the various races of the AMA National Hare and Hound Rabbit Creek 100 last month, including, from left, Kaden Binford, 16, Jace Love, 14, Rylan Binford, 12, Aliya Hibbs, 10, and Miah Hibbs, 6. Submitted photo

division and was fifth overall with 50cc bikes. SI a time of 1:55.42. minutes, 17 s

• Aliya finished second in the girls' mini-bikes in 2:00.20.

• Miah was sixth in the Pee Wee division, which incorporates 50cc bikes. She was clocked at 53 minutes, 17 seconds.

Kaden tried his luck in the adult 86cc-200cc B flight Sunday, but was unable to finish the competition.

Adrian grad scrimmages with Coyotes on Saturday

Tyler Reay, a sophomore at The College of Idaho, has been named to the Frontier Conference's Academic All-Conference Team.

An Adrian High School graduate, Reay plays tight end for the Coyotes' football team. He is majoring in Business at the Caldwell liberal arts college.

Reay and the rest of the Coyotes are in action Saturday for the second of their spring scrimmages

Tyler Reay, a sophomore at The at 10 a.m. at Simplot Stadium. ollege of Idaho, has been named The event is open to the public.

The annual spring game will take place at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 21 at Simplot Stadium.

The son of Mike and Brenda Reay is one of 31 C of I players on the all-academic team.

Reay redshirted during the 2015 season, and the 2017 season will be his second on the active roster.

$\sqrt{\text{Tourneys:}}$ HHS gym hosts

From Page 14 at 7 p.m. on Friday.

The freestyle tournament starts at 9 a.m. for Pre-bantam, Bantam and Cadet wrestlers. Older wrestlers — from Intermediate, Novice, Schoolboy/girl and Junior — will start their competition at 11 a.m.

On Saturday, the Homedale High School cheerleaders will sell breakfast as a fundraiser. Medals will be awarded to the first- through fourth-place wrestlers in each weight class for the Pre-Bantam and Bantam divisions. First- through thirdplace wrestlers earn medals in the Intermediate through Junior categories.

Outstanding wrestler trophies will be awarded in each class from Intermediate to Cadets.

$\sqrt{\text{Homedale:}}$ Big second inning ensures Trojans' only tournament victory

From Page 14

the bottom of the fifth inning. Beebe was 2-for-3.

Olivia Cardenas scored one run, while junior varsity call-up Gracie Dines scored as a pinch-runner after an Allison Shenk single.

Dakota Kelly picked up the Trojans' other hit. The junior pitcher took the loss, striking out nine and walking two.

Four of the Warhawks' runs were earned.

Saturday: Twin Falls 9,

Homedale 5 — The Bruins snapped a 5-5 deadlock with two runs in the bottom of the fourth inning. The go-ahead rally capped Twin Falls' streak of scoring seven runs over three consecutive at-bats.

Homedale posted all of its runs in the fourth inning after falling behind, 5-0.

Kayla DeWitt and Josey Hall both ripped two-run doubles in the uprising.

Beebe had one of her two

singles. She scored a run and picked up an RBI.

Cardenas and JV promotions Abby Gray and Dines also scored runs.

Kelly surrendered a home run, but pitched the whole game with seven strikeouts and a walk.

Friday: Pocatello 6, Homedale 4 (6) — The Trojans grabbed an early lead in their tournament opener, but couldn't complete a sixth-inning comeback.

The Indians took the lead, 3-2,

with two runs in the bottom of the third inning.

During the game that decided where each team would start bracket play, Homedale hammered six hits, including Shenk's two doubles and doubles from senior catcher Megan Maxwell and Cardenas.

Shenk was 2-for-3 with an RBI to lead the offense. Kelly and Beebe also knocked in runs.

Friday: Homedale 7, Canyon Ridge 3 — Already up, 2-0, the Trojans broke open the game with a four-run second inning against the Riverhawks from Twin Falls.

Maxwell knocked in three runs with two hits, and Kendall Nash also picked up a pair of hits and scored a run.

Kelly fanned five from the circle and helped her own cause with two RBI and two doubles.

Cardenas and Sophie Nash also knocked in runs, while Sophie Nash and Shenk scored twice.





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Drew Taylor, sr., pitcher Two-hitter in 3A SRVopening win over Weiser

, Rian Beebe, sr., third base RV- 5 hits, 4 RBI in four eiser tourney games Carlie Sawyer, sr., sprints, jumps Took part in three event victories in New Plymouth Daniel Uranga, fr. Has emerged as topflight golfer early in prep career

Track and field Thursday, April 13 at Middleton Invitational

Golf

Tuesday, April 11 at Nampa Christian Invitational (18

holes), Red Hawk GC, 9 a.m. Wednesday, April 12 at 3A Snake River Valley confer-

ence meet (nine holes), Rolling Hills GC, Weiser, 3 p.m.

Tennis

Monday, April 10, home vs. Nyssa, Ore., 4 p.m.

Tuesday, April 11 at Weiser, 4 p.m.

Connor Slater, so., Boys' doubles Part of Trojans' No. 1 duo







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Varsity Monday, April 10, home vs. Fruitland, 5 p.m. Junior varsity Monday, April 10 at Fruitland, 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 12, home vs. Marsing, 5 p.m.

Baseball

Softball

Varsity Saturday, April 8, home vs. La Grande, Ore. (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Monday, April 10, home vs. Fruitland, 5 p.m. Junior varsity Saturday, April 8, home vs. La Grande, Ore. (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Monday, April 10 at Fruitland, 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 11, home vs. Nyssa, Ore., 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 12, home vs. Marsing, 5 p.m.

Go Trojans!

Sports

Golf explodes during second year at Marsing High

Returners bring pals for a new season; girls' team grows through recruiting

There is something organic going on with the sport of golf at Marsing High School.

The self-funded program is in its second season, but coach Scott Larsen is having no difficulty attracting players.

There are 14 athletes out for the squad this season, including three girls.

The growth of the girls' team is a perfect glimpse into how the program has taken off — even before any school funds have been dedicated.

Sophomore Emily Civian transferred from Homedale and decided to show up for the first day of MHS golf practice at TimberStone Golf Course.

"Emily Civian is our top girl, showing lots of promise," Larsen said. "She always practices with a purpose, and she is always looking for ways to improve her game."

That drive went beyond her own game, and Larsen tabbed her as the girls' team captain.

"It was Emily Civian who, after the first day of practice, made posters to hang up in school in order to find one more girl to make a full team," Larsen said. "She found three more." Civian and Cori Frink, a transfer from Caldwell, are the Huskies' top girls' players.

"Both have played golf in the past and show lots of promise," Larsen said.

Overall, the program has grown from 10 players in 2016 to 14 this season, and that's even with the loss of Bucky Heidt and Katy Smit to graduation.

"Though Marsing is a small school, I still believed there would be some interest in golf, and I just thought it would be good for students to have the opportunity and option to play," Larsen said.

"Understandably, many didn't think it would succeed or there would be little or no interest. But I knew from speaking to a few of the students that the demand and dedication was there."

But even Larsen is surprised by the growth in two years.

"I just didn't realize how big it would be in such a short time. I don't think anybody did," he said.

"I credit the growth from Year 1 to Year 2 to the students who played on the team last year. They all returned, and they brought their friends."

Larsen said high school principal



The second-year Marsing High School golf team includes: **Top row, from left:** Coach Scott Larsen, Logan Stansell, Ben Gerthung, Seth Ramirez, Mason Hall, Kyle Olson, and assistant coaches Pete Smit and Dale Olson. **Bottom row, from left:** Justin Ineck, Landon Villa, Ethan Archer, Landry Villa, Cori Frink, Emily Civian, and Brooke Labit. Submitted photo

and athletic director Tim Little deserves credit for promoting the idea and standing behind it. The coach also is thankful for Dave and Kelly Christensen, who have allowed the Huskies to practice at TimberStone.

Larsen's assistant coaches — Pete Smit and Dale Olson — are returning for a second season.

The continuity is also present with four key boys' players back, including Mason Hall, Landon Villa, Landry Villa and Kyle Olson.

Landon has emerged as the top

golfer among the boys, and he consistently breaks 80 during his practice rounds.

"Kyle Olson and Mason Hall have also improved substantially from last season," Larsen said.

The Huskies walk out onto the course decked out in uniforms thanks to support from Larsen's law firm, Larsen & Rice PLLC, which fronted the funds. The team is working on paying the firm back.

"The students are all paying individually," he said. "We are currently in the process of planning a fundraising event to assist in the cost."

It costs about \$65 per player to field a team, Larsen said, and individual donations are welcome.

Larsen has goals for the program, too. He wants to get enough money together to buy golf bags featuring the team logo, and he hopes that trustees will accept the program as a schoolfunded entity for the 2017-18 year so the players can letter in the sport.

— JPB

MARSING HUSKIES



Baseball Isiah Prado, fr., third base 3-for-4, 2 RBI in start vs. Wilder



Softball Lizie Stanberry, sr., pitcher One of four seniors on the Huskies' roster



Track and field Gavin Thorud, jr., throws Achieved personal-best shot put in Melba Invite



Golf Emily Civian, sophomore Serving as a captain for Huskies this year



Baseball

Thursday, April 6 at Horseshoe Bend, 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 11, home vs. Melba, 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 12 at Homedale JV, 5 p.m.

Softball

Monday, April 3, home vs. Notus, 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 4 at New Plymouth, 5 p.m.

Go Huskies!

Track and field

Tuesday, April 4 at Homedale Invitational, Deward Bell Stadium,

4:15 p.m.

Golf

Varsity boys Friday, April 5 at Lakeview GC, Meridian, 3 p.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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Grand View-area resident Max Bearden stands with the mustang he's training during Saturday's gathering in Boise. Submitted photo

Owyhee youth train mustangs

BLM, 4-H team up to promote adoption program

Two Owyhee County 4-H'ers have reached the midway point of their wild horse challenge.

Annie Miller, 14, and Max Bearden, 12, have been working with their own mustangs since the end of February.

They were among boys and girls selected from eight Southwest Idaho 4-H clubs to train horses this year. They competed in a trail challenge at the Bureau of Land Management Wild Horse Corrals in Boise on Saturday.

The program is a joint venture between the BLM and the University of Idaho 4-H Youth Development.

The 4-H'ers were on hand to show how well they can handle yearlings and weanlings picked up from the corrals earlier this year.

The youth are working the mustangs into shape so they can be adopted on April 23 at the end of the three-day Idaho Horse Expo in Nampa.

"I just love horses, and I went to



Owyhee County resident Annie Miller takes her filly through its paces on a bridge simulation as part of her tandem training with two girls from a Canyon County 4-H club. Submitted photo

to the Horse Expo," Janet Miller said.

Saturday marked five weeks of training for both Max and Annie. They have less than three weeks left to put the finishing touches on their horses. moved to Grand View from Boise about two years ago.

"She's always been pretty calm," Max said of the mustang. "Sometimes she's not in her comfort zone, but she's usually pretty good."



Grand View bids adieu to retiring public works manager

Retiring Grand View public works supervisor Robert Servis (right) accepts a token of appreciation from city council president John Morrison during Friday's open house to honor Servis at City Hall. Servis, who worked for the city for nearly 22 years, jokingly shared his retirement plans: "I am going to Fiji and am going to make grass skirts for the island girls." He also joked that he plans to do whatever he wants — once he finishes his honey-do list at home. Submitted photo

BLM advisory group to discuss travel plan, Soda Fire

The newest members of the Bureau of Land Management's regional citizens' advisory panel will attend their first meeting today.

The BLM Boise District Resource Advisory Council will meet between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the district office, 3948 S. Development Ave., in Boise.

A public comment period will be held at 11 a.m.

Topics for this meeting include Soda Fire rehabilitation, travel management planning, the district's fire program, the Four Rivers Field Office Resource Management Plan and updates from field offices, including the Owyhee and Bruneau offices concerning Owyhee County.

Shoshone-Paiute Tribal official Ted Howard recently was reappointed to the RAC.

Other council members with Owyhee country ties include

Karen Steenhof, Owyhee County Sage-grouse Local Working Group member Art Talsma, Grand View rancher Donna Bennett and former Owyhee Cattlemen's Association president Charles Lyons of Mountain Home.

The 15-member panel provides advice and recommendations to the BLM on resource and land management issues for over 4 million acres of federal public lands within 10 counties in southwest Idaho.

Meetings are open to the public.

The meeting is an opportunity for people to ask questions of the citizen-based advisory council or to make comments that may assist RAC members in advising BLM regarding the current planning efforts.

To receive an agenda or get additional information about the meeting, call BLM Boise

the Extreme Mustang Makeover last year, which is basically the same thing I'm doing except by adults," Max said. "I really wanted to do it."

Max and his dad, Snake River Livestock 4-H leader Taft Bearden, picked up an 8-monthold filly and brought it back to their Grand View property to begin training.

Annie, whose mother is Janet, is a member of the Pony Express 4-H. She has been working with two members of the Canyon County-based Saddle Tramps 4-H club — Kali Shearn and Hannah White.

"The point of the trail challenge this weekend is to make sure that the kids are making progress and that the horse will be safe to take The youth trainers work on making the horses comfortable around people as well as comfortable performing ground work such as picking up all four hooves, walking into a horse trailer, walking across a tarp and traversing a bridge.

"We usually just do everything, like the obstacle course for Saturday, every single day," Max said.

"It's just getting her comfortable with everything we're doing to her because she's not used to being with people."

Max says he works with the filly one to two hours every day. He attends Mountain Home Junior High School, and his family Max has been doing all the training and leading with the horse. His father is there to make sure everything is done safely, but Max says he's the only person touching the filly.

"The main thing is don't force her to do stuff," Max said.

Max said he and his dad might adopt the filly later this month, but that depends on how the competitive bidding goes and if a horse that young will fit their needs.

If the horses trained by Max and Annie are adopted, a portion of the proceeds from the sale will go back to the clubs for which they are working. District 3 County Commissioner District RAC coordinator Mike Joe Merrick, Murphy resident Williamson at (208) 384-3393.

Woman with three DUIs violates probation terms

A woman in the midst of a twoyear probation for a felony drunk driving conviction has been given two more years of probation.

Jennifer Eileen Delaney was sentenced for violating her probation on March 24. The Mountain Home resident was arrested on a \$50,000 bench warrant in January.

Delaney served time in jail after an October 2015 conviction for felony driving under the influence and a misdemeanor charge of driving while intoxicated with a child in her vehicle.

Delaney and her 6-year-old daughter were found in the woman's vehicle after Delaney had driven off Idaho highway 78 near Loveridge Bridge in May 2015.

Delaney previously had spent time in jail for an August 2013 DUI conviction in Ada County and for an August 2012 DUI conviction in Elmore County.

— JPB

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense High-horned red cow's calf

I have calved a lot of heifers in my life ... thousands. All of us who have that type of experience know that after the sweat and strain, the slick and sticky, the hope and pull, the grunt and sigh, when the wet little creature plops on the ground, sometimes there is a moment that time stands still. A second, or two or five, we stare, our world suspended, waiting for a sign.

Then the new baby sniffs, or blinks, or sneezes, or wiggles an ear, and at that moment it feels as though a burden has been lifted from our shoulders. We did it. We did it again. Just regular common people like us, engaged in that age-old profession of stockman, have participated in a miracle; life being passed from one generation to the next.

It is no small thing to be a part of and every time it happens, it renews us. The miracle never diminishes. As urbanization inexorably isolates people from the land, fewer and fewer humans are able to participate in this ancient experience. It is our loss.

We have finished calving at my place, none of the cows needed help delivering, for which I'm thankful. But each new little critter trailing after his mama or kickin' up his heels makes ya smile.

Last week, the high-horned red cow finally calved. Baby was solid red like mama. I sat there the next day a'horseback and studied him for a few minutes. Long enough to figure out it was a bull calf and gettin' plenty to eat. Satisfied, I swung away and started back through the mesquite on a cow trail. I heard a mama bawlin' and looked back to see that it was the high-horned red cow. I swept the horizon for her calf, then looked down. There he was right behind my horse's hind leg trailin' along with us. I stopped. The little calf bumped into my stirrup. He looked confused. He could hear his mama, but something didn't smell right. I reached down and patted his head. He looked up at me, as if to say, "What are you doin' here?"

About that time my dog stuck his nose to the baby's tail. He jumped like a deer, straight-legged and trotted back toward his mama in his ungainly tryin'-out-his-new-legs, kinda gait. It was pretty funny. The dog and I couldn't help but laugh.

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opportunity for action I read with interest the recent Letter to the Editor from Louis Monson ("House's Castle Doctrine bill does more than Senate version," March 22) regarding my efforts to pass a Castle Doctrine bill in the Idaho State Senate.

My wife Paula and I go home almost every weekend while the Legislature is in session. Early in this session,

we returned to Boise on Sunday evening to discover that our apartment had been broken into. The force of the break-in destroyed the doorframe and left our apartment open to the elements and further intrusion. Thankfully, we weren't home during this break-in, but it left us wondering what might have happened had we been there.

Last year, Paula and I both took

the enhanced concealed carry class. The most important thing we each got out of the class was realizing under what circumstances we would use a gun in self-defense. For me, it was in defense of myself, my family, and my home.

With that in mind, I worked with the Twin Falls prosecuting attorney to come up with a draft Castle

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Sen. Mike Crapo

roads, stumble on taxes in session's final week

Last week, the final push for legislation was on as we worked to finally wrap up the session. Important bills for transportation, agency budgets and tax relief were passed and forwarded to the governor's office.

The transportation package that passed involved both emergency funding and ongoing repair and maintenance

funding. The emergency funds for the road damage because of winter weather and subsequent funding was in SB 1141. Approximately \$52 million was allocated for distribution to locals for repairs. As part of this process, a board will be set up to distribute funds, and an emergency clause was attached so the law is immediately enacted upon signature by Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter.



A negotiated agreement between the House and Senate to provide a long-term funding structure of Idaho's roads and bridges did pass both houses last week in SB 2016. The legislation extends the surplus eliminator for two years and allocates one percent of the sales tax to transportation. A 60/40 split between state and local

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From Washington Neil Gorsuch is classic Supreme Court candidate

As a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, I met with Judge Neil Gorsuch, who President Donald Trump nominated to serve as Associate Justice. Judge Gorsuch's comments during our talk still resonate. He said, "My personal views are irrelevant as a judge." That is the ideal illustration of a judge steadfastly committed to our law and upholding the separation of powers defined in our Constitution. Through 20 hours of public testimony, he reaffirmed his commitment to the Oath of Office and Judicial Code of Conduct requiring judges to be steadfastly impartial and ensure fair justice.

The Founders of our Constitution established a clear

In Federalist 51, Madison described ways to help ensure that the separation of power is not worn down when he wrote, "But the great security against a gradual concentration of the several powers in the same department, consists in giving to those who administer each department, the necessary constitutional means, and personal motives, to resist encroachments of the others." Judge Gorsuch's focus on the principle that a judge is a servant of the law, not the maker of it, honors this resistance to encroachment. He has expressed his firm grasp on the duty of the judiciary. He wrote, "Legislators may appeal to their own moral

more features and to purchase Baxter Black books, CDs and DVDs.

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the May 16 primary election until noon on Friday, May 5.

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

• Email to jon@owyheeavalanche.com

• Fax to (208) 337-4867

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

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

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

division of responsibility between the three branches of government. Congress would make the laws. The executive branch would implement them. The judicial branch would review the laws for their conformity with the Constitution. This separation guards against government oppression, as James Madison wrote in Federalist 47, "The accumulation of all powers legislative, executive and judiciary in the same hands . . . may justly be pronounced the very definition of tyranny." In Federalist 78, Alexander Hamilton described these limits when writing about our judicial branch that, "may truly be said to have neither FORCE nor WILL, but merely judgment; and must ultimately depend upon the aid of the executive arm even for the efficacy of its judgment."

Americans are rightly concerned when justices substitute their personal philosophies for the law. Judges who reimagine law undermine a fundamental cornerstone of our government and erode our liberties. Our Constitution provides for law to be enacted legislatively with public accountability through the sanction of the American people through the ballot box.

convictions and to claims to reshape the law as they think it should be in the future. But judges should do none of these things in a democratic society."

Article II, Section 2 of our Constitution provides for the Senate's advice and consent on judicial nominations. I have met several Supreme Court nominees in my service in the Senate. Throughout, I have continued to maintain that an emphasis on following the law and upholding our Constitution must be a central characteristic of the justices selected for this highly influential federal branch. Judges have a great responsibility to carefully exercise their authority within the limits of the law. Our court system has the responsibility to preserve our constitutional rights, ensure a limited government and provide speedy and fair justice. I look forward to Justice Gorsuch reinforcing this important responsibility on the U.S. Supreme Court.

– 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.

Commentary

Financial management

Monitored checking account can help teach teen frugality

Dear Dave,

My daughter is 15, and she's had jobs around the house and been on commission and the envelope system for years. She's very good about saving and not spending on silly things. We recently opened a checking account for her, and I was wondering what bills you think we should assign for her to pay on her own?

— Suzanne

Dear Suzanne,

This sounds a lot like what we did with our kids. She's obviously bright and motivated, so the first thing you do is explain to her the seriousness and responsibility associated with a checking account.

The next step is for her to balance the checkbook with you looking over her shoulder. Do this with her for several months, while you keep a ledger on the account, too. After that, I want her to do it alone and show you her work. Her balance should match yours and the one at the bank.

As soon as she demonstrates competency, and you feel comfortable that she can handle things, I want you to start putting her clothing budget in the account. You know, the weirdest thing happened with our girls at this stage. They suddenly started shopping at less expensive stores. It's amazing when they see that the dollars associated with these purchases can run out. My bet is you'll see some changes in her value choices.

Just take it step-by-step, a little at a time. The more she exhibits competence, wisdom, and confidence, the more you can release her.

— Dave



Dear Dave,

My wife and I argue a lot about finances. We're trying to get more control over our money, and she has been listening to you. That's helped a lot. She's also a lot more frugal than I am, and our biggest point of contention right now is how we handle our spending money. Whenever I work overtime at my job, I feel like I should be able to put the overtime pay toward my spending money. What are your thoughts on this?

— Josh

Dear Josh,

No way, dude! You don't work overtime for your little boy wants. You work overtime, and rake in that extra cash, for the good of your family. That's the manly thing to do.

Now, that's not to say you both can't have a little spending money. It also doesn't mean that you can't treat yourself once in a while if you're working your tail off. I mean, if I'm working 70 to 80 hours a week I may give myself a little inexpensive treat in the midst of all that. So, my spending money budget should reflect that. But it shouldn't reflect a sense that I get to play more because I work extra, while the rest of the family suffers.

Sorry, man. I think you knew what I was going to say. Step up. Be good to your family first, and then your good times will come. If you haven't learned it already, you'll soon discover that *those* good times are best ones!

— 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.

Letter to the editor Help return a loved pet to its Homedale family

Recently I lost my "large-sized" mini-dachshund called Dexter, who has a beautiful red, shiny coat.

He was wearing a round, leather collar with some Homedale dog tags on it.

On the Sunday night that he ran away from home, there had been a lot of activity in the yard with people working and using a tractor mower. In retrospect, I should have brought him in the house, but I was not thinking well and did not follow through.

My neighbor saw him out and tried to call him, but because of all the people and activity that day he was really distraught and took off. My son and I drove around the area but were unable to make contact with him.

Sometime later, I mentioned this to friends, who suggested I place an ad with his picture in the Avalanche. We did this, but there was no response.

We had raised Dexter from a pup when he was born. At the outset, both he and his little brother, Knuckles, would sleep on my lap almost every night: Dexter on the left side and Knuckles on the right side. And there resting remained the same for the next 14 years. Another irony is that Knuckles ad died that same day from health complications.

If you happen to be the person who "found" Dexter,

$\sqrt{$ **Doctrine:** Careful legislative process undertaken to avoid unintended consequences

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Doctrine bill for introduction in the Legislature. Those discussions produced a bill that avoided unintended consequences and was printed in the Senate State Affairs Committee.

The bill followed the NRA-supported concept of codifying our existing Castle Doctrine, and we were prepared to accept additional NRA recommendations through the amendment process. Because this all took place so late in the session, we weren't able to get far enough to deal with the amendments.

Toward that end, I was pleased to receive the following statement from the NRA: "The NRA-ILA (Institute for Legislative Action) supports the idea of codifying the Castle Doctrine and Stand Your Ground into statute, and like Sen. Brackett, we want to make sure the legislation attempting to do so has no unintended consequences or negative impacts on existing law. We appreciate Sen. Brackett for reaching out to us for our input, and we're happy to help work on legislation aimed at protecting the rights of Idaho's law-abiding gun owners."

I look forward to working with the constituents of District 23 and the NRA toward producing a Castle Doctrine bill that accomplishes our shared goals.

— Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson) is in his sixth term as District 23 state senator. Previously he served in the Idaho House of Representatives from 2005 to 2008.

$\sqrt{\text{Legislators:}}$ Grocery tax repeal only tax relief Legislature sends to governor's desk this year

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districts is also incorporated. The other large component of the legislation involved GARVEE bonding, which had been previously used to improve I-84 through Ada County. The Legislature gave the Idaho Transportation Department permission to seek up to \$300 million in GARVEE to fund the replacement and expansion of the heavily traveled I-84 corridor through Canyon County. As the primary corridor through southern Idaho, I-84 must be a safe and reliable roadway. Through the use of GARVEE bonding, ITD can make the necessary improvements to the corridor without undermining ongoing maintenance and repair projects throughout the state. Finally, multiple attempts were made to address tax relief in the face of this year's budgetary surplus. In the House, we were much more aggressive in our proposals for taxpayer relief. On March 28, an effort was made to lower both the income tax rates and the employer-paid state unemployment tax. The Senate subsequently killed this effort last Wednesday. Unfortunately, the only tax relief agreed upon by both bodies and forwarded to the governor was the elimination of the grocery tax.

The House ended its session last Wednesday, and the ball is now in the governor's court. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

I would appreciate your calling me so that I could bring him home again.

I am more than willing to compensate you for having taken care of Dexter during this time. You would make my world a little better by bringing my dog back home.

Know that if you have or know of someone who has Dexter, please call me at (208) 337-3600 or my cell phone at (208) 870-3694.

Duane Ash Homedale — Megan Blanksma (R-Hammett) occupies Dist. 23, Seat B of the Idaho House of Representatives, serving Owyhee, Elmore and the rural portion of western Twin Falls counties. The 2017 session marked the beginning of her first term. She can be reached at mblanksma@house. idaho.gov.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

April 8, 1992

State, railroad users working to avoid abandonment

The state has joined the effort of local railroad users in seeking alternatives to abandonment of the Homedale branch line, the railroad line that runs from Nyssa, Ore., to Marsing.

Union Pacific included the line on an amended systems diagram in September, making the line eligible for abandonment.

If abandoned, the line would be removed and the area would lose its access to rail service.

According to Ron Kerr, state rail planner, a representative from both the Idaho Department of Transportation and the Oregon Department of Transportation met with users about two weeks ago.

"We're both concerned about it," Kerr said.

A representative from Western Group, a short-line railroad company headquartered in Ogden, Utah, was also part of the group who met with users.

Kerr said preliminary information suggests the line "probably needs to generate a little more traffic," before Western Group will seriously consider operating it, but said he cannot be sure at this point.

Six file for county offices

Two races will be contested in the county in this year's elections.

George Hyer, Democrat, has refiled for the 2nd district county commissioner seat. Hyer will be challenged by Harold Tolmie, Republican.

Hyer defeated Tolmie two years ago in the race for commissioner.

Chet Sellman, Republican incumbent for the 3rd district commissioner seat, will go against Darrel Agenbroad, who is also a Republican. Since the two are from the same party, the issue will be decided in the primary election, May 26.

Paul Byers, county prosecutor, and Tim Nettleton, sheriff, have also refiled for their positions and will run unopposed.

Naedean Goff enjoys dealing with public

Naedean Goff is beginning her eighth year as an Owyhee County employee.

Goff, who lives in Murphy, is the deputy clerk for license plates, registrations and titles.

She said she enjoys her job because she likes dealing with the public, and because it has allowed her to get to know many people in the county.

She started at the Courthouse in the treasurer's office, and later transferred to her current position.

Goff is bilingual, and also serves as an interpreter for the court when she is needed.

She is originally from Yakima, Wash., but has lived in Idaho for almost 20 years. She now lives in Murphy, and said she loved being able to walk to work, and likes Owyhee County because it is not crowded

50 years ago

April 6, 1967

Salisbury receives 2nd commendation medal at Saigon Army Specialist Five David A. Salisbury, 26, whose mother, Mrs. Della R. Salisbury, lives in Homedale, received his second award of the Army Commendation Medal during ceremonies at Saigon, Vietnam, March 21.

Presenting the award was Major General Charles W. Eifler, commanding general of the 1st Logistical Command. Spec. Salisbury received the award for meritorious service during his tour of duty in Vietnam from January 1966 to March 1967.

The specialist, a personnel specialist with Headquarters Detachment, 1st Logistical Command, entered the Army in June 1963 and was last assigned in Germany.

He is a 1959 graduate of Homedale High School.

Plan for Arvin Plant here moved ahead Development Co. needs only 10% of total SBA loan

now; Arvin sets construction Date – June 1

Plans for relocating the Arvin Millwork Co. to Homedale moved a giant step forward yesterday when officials of the Small Business Administration met with directors and members of the Homedale Development Co. at Bicandi's Café at a noon luncheon.

Oliver T. Davis, Boise, regional director, and Delmar B. Putnam, Portland, loan specialist for the SBA, visited Homedale along with Orland C. Mayer, Boise, director of industrial development for Idaho Power Co., met with local officials to answer questions and list qualifications needed for the development company and Arvin Millwork to file a new loan application for the monies needed.

Putnam gave the project a big "shot in the arm" when he explained that a new directive from Washington states that towns under 2,500 population need only raise 10 per cent of the total amount of the SBA loan needed instead of the 20 per cent that had been required.

Sewer nears completion; streets, alleys to be repaired

The city's sewer project, underway for the past six months, is near completion and should be ended within two weeks, reported Mayor Lester Carter at Monday night's regular council meeting.

"We would like to thank the residents, that is, the council and I, for their patience during the construction program during the past six months," stated Mayor Carter.

We have installed the latest up-to-date sewer system that can be built and the system will be turned on following the final checking by the engineers.

The contractor will soon begin the job of repairing all of the streets and alleys in town that have been torn up during the construction project. Following a discussion, it was pointed out that the contractor was required to patch and repair all the streets as close as possible to their original condition, which was in the sewer project contract, Mayor Carter said.

Council turns down taking over SBOC

140 years ago

April 7, 1877

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. The Commissioners met at the Court House in Silver City on Monday, April 2d. Present, Fred Brunzell, A. E. Sands and C. R. Han, also Judge Lynam, Clerk.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The bonds of the County Commissioners were submitted and approved.

The bond of E. W. Hitchings, as Justice of the Peace, for Cassia Creek, was approved; also, the bond of Thompson Park, as Constable for the same Precinct.

The county law, as amended by the last session of the Legislature, was read by the Clerk.

J. H. Wickersham was re-appointed a Justice of the Peace for Silver City.

The reports of the County Treasurer and Auditor, extending to December 31st, 1876, were read and approved.

Reports of the Treasurer and Auditor, for the quarter ending April 1st, were read and approved.

Report of R. S. Miles, Assessor, was read and approved.

The following bills were approved and allowed, viz: R. S. Miles \$52.87; C. M. Hays \$880.75; C. M. Hays (1876) \$72.50; Fred Brunzell, \$24; Gardner and Angell \$500; Anthony Brooks \$175; Brooks & Son \$17.75; J. S. Hay, \$87.50; A Noel Smith \$135; S. Heidelberger, \$37.

The Board adjourned until April third.

The Board met on Tuesday at ten o'clock.

The following bills were allowed: Fred Brunzell \$174; James Lynam, \$175; R. H. Weeks \$28; E. H. Moore \$50; George Drew \$30; Hoffer & Miller \$3.42; W. Hardiman \$1.32; Jas. Graham for warrant No. 33, \$14; A. J. Sands, salary and mileage, \$62.50; Fred Brunzell, same, \$62.50; C. R. Hank, same, \$102.50; P. Kelley, hospital steward, \$38.50; F. E. Ensign \$165; W. B. Thews \$32; J. H. Wickersham \$3.

The bond of C. Buttimar, as Justice of the Peace, was approved.

License was renewed to M. E. Payne for one year.

POLITICAL NOTES. Ex-President Grant has reached Cincinnati on his Westward trip. He will be in St. Louis in a few days and arrangements ought to be made to give him a public reception. He is out of office, but he is not out of the hearts of the American people.

It was not until Joe Bradley's perjury made it sure that he (Hayes) was to be declared the President that he opened his mouth. The extraordinary imbecility of the speeches to Uncle Birchard's people would have been incredible even in Grant, who never gave out that he was anything at composition. But Hayes to this day claims credit for the letter Schurz put in his hands in the railway station at Columbus last June. The speech at Uncle Birchard's old home was so exquisitely ridiculous that Congressman Poppleton, of Ohio, couldn't resist reading it to Congress. to warn the coalition Democrats the sort of chap their unmanly surrender would bring into the White House. Packard declares that he received 621 more votes than the lowest Haves elector in Louisiana. Well, what of it? He might have received 5,000 more votes than the Haves electors, and still not have been elected. Packard seems to think that because Hayes was "elected" President he was "elected" Governor. Was such impudent logic ever heard of before?

In her spare time, Goff said she helps her husband run their dairy farm. She has three children, two stepchildren and ten grandchildren.

Eighty-one quilts displayed

Eighty-one quilts, from 1804 to the present, were exhibited at the Homedale Senior Center on Saturday for the center's Quilt Show and Luncheon, attended by an appreciative group.

First prize blue ribbon was awarded to Margaret Agnew on an embroidered butterfly quilt which was a gift from Lucile Tarr; second prize red ribbon to Florence Chadez Paxton for a hand-stitched 'Cathedral Window' quilt which was two years in the making; third place white ribbon to Mildred Johnson for a sun bonnet girl quilt.

An old-fashioned quilt pattern was pieced and quilted in 1888 by Hannah Golden Walker of Brainerd, Minn., greataunt of Bernice Andrews Wirta, Caldwell. In 1934, 58 years ago in Illinois, Mrs. Wirta and her mother, Florence Whitney, pieced and quilted a flower garden quilt. second second second standing over spece

The Homedale City Council turned down a proposal that the South Board of Control Irrigation District be taken over by the City of Homedale at the regular monthly council meeting Monday night at city hall.

The proposal has been offered to the city from time to time during the last 10 to 12 years, stated Richard Eisman, city attorney. The new request was brought about by the expiration of the contract with the city for irrigation water, which is now up for renewal.

Mayor Lester Carter explained that the city would just be taking on another headache, which would involve the entire billing and collection of the project. "At present we have taken on more work with the billing an collecting for the new sewer system," he added.

It was pointed out that if the city collected everything – they might make \$1,200 to \$1,300 on it plus about \$600 for construction repairs during the year.

The same proposal was made with the Marsing City Council and it was felt that they were not in favor of it either, Mayor Carter said. FATHER ARCHAMBAULT arrived here from Idaho City on Thursday evening and will remain in this vicinity about two weeks. He will hold divine service at St. Andrew's Church, Silver City, on Sunday next at 10:30 a.m. and at 7:00 p.m. Service will also be held at Fairview on Monday at 10 o'clock, and at Mr. Walls', Wagontown, on Tuesday at the same hour. He will visit South Mountain on Wednesday and probably hold service there the following day.

Public notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please be advised that a public hearing will be held before the Homedale City Council on Thursday April 27, 2017 at Homedale City Hall, 31 West Wyoming Ave, Homedale, Idaho.

The subject matter of this hearing is the Application for Special Use Permit filed by Verizon Wireless & Technology Associates Engineering Corporation Inc. requesting that they be allowed to install a new, 106-foot tall wireless communication facility at 300 W. Idaho Ave (Highway 19).

The public is invited to attend and offer input.

Alice E. Pegram, City Clerk, City of Homedale 4/5,12/2017

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Marsing Ambulance Service board of directors will hold its annual meeting, following the regular monthly meeting, at 7 p.m., on Thursday, April 13, 2017 at The Sandbar, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. Taxpayers and Marsing residents are invited to attend.

Cindy Howarth Secretary, Marsing Ambulance

Service 4/5,12/2017

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Notice of Trustee's Sale Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: March 2, 2017 File No.: 7345.29401 Sale date and time (local time): July 11, 2017 at 9:00 AM Sale location: In the Lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650 Property address: 750 West Main Street Marsing, ID 83639 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Michael G. Rice and Jenell A. Rice, husband and wife Original trustee: Alliance Title and Escrow Corporation Original beneficiary: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. Recording date: 03/19/2013 Recorder's instrument number: 280366 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of March 2, 2017: \$60,892.91 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: In Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho Section 34: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian; thence East 25 feet along the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence leaving the South Boundary North 0 degrees 49'20" West 33 feet to the initial point of this description;

LIEN SALE

Don's Automotive, Saturday, April 15, 9:00-5:00, 303 S. Main St., Homedale, ID 83628, (208) 337-3933

YEAR MAKE 1999 Passport 1999 Cavalier 2002 Saturn 2003 Expedition 1988 Olds 88 1992 Seville 1993 Chevy Pickup 271 1997 Plymouth Voyager 1999 Blazer 1995 Jeep Grand Cherokee 1993 S10 1998 Chrysler Concorde 1976 Motor Home 2000 VW 1996 Dodge Intrepid Buick Lesabre 1995 1997 Toyota 4 Runner 2004 Impala 2004 Honda Accord 2008 Chrysler Sebring 1997 Mercedes 280 2007 Saturn Ion 1998 Dodge Caravan 2001 Volvo X70 1995 Dodge Stratus Acura 3.OCL 1997 1991 S10 Blazer 2001 Toyota Echo 1993 F-250 Pick-up 4/5,12/2017

thence continuing North 0 degrees 49'20" West 153 feet to a point; thence North 90 degrees East 100.00 feet to a point; thence South 0 degrees 49²20" East, 153 feet to a point; thence South 90 degrees West 100 feet to the initial point of this description. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. Rice, Michael and Jennell (TS# 7345.29401) 1002.289206-File No.

3/22,29;4/5,12/2017

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV2017-01229 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE

STATE OF IDAHO. IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

In the Matter of the Estate of EUGENE CHARLES CLARKE, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed personal representatives of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of the Notice to Creditors, or within 60 days after the undersigned mailed or delivered a copy of this Notice to such persons, whichever is later, or said claims will be forever barred.

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beginning March 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding operations in the vicinity or over your property, please contact your neighboring farmer or Bybee Air Service 541-372-5232 or 208-590-9792. 3/15-4/12/2017

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE

CASE NO. CV-2017-01246 IN THE DISTRICT COURT **OF THE THRID JUDICIAL** DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY **OF OWYHEE**

In Re: DENNIS DEAN BALLARD

A Petition by DENNIS DEAN BALLARD, now residing in the City of Murphy, State of Idaho, proposing a change in name to DENNIS DEAN READ has been filed in the above entitled court, the reason for the change in name being because he wishes his legal name to reflect the name he has used his entire life: such Petition is scheduled for a hearing at 11:30 o'clock a.m. on April 17, 2017, at the Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can, in such objections, show to the court a good reason against such a change of name.

Dated this 8th day of March,

City of Melba, State of Idaho, proposing a change in name to DANIEL ROGER READ has been filed in the above entitled court, the reason for the change in name being because he wishes his legal name to reflect the name he has used his entire life: such Petition is scheduled for a hearing at 11:30 o'clock a.m. on April 17, 2017, at the Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can, in such objections, show to the court a good reason against such a change of name.

Dated this 8th day of March, 2017.

By: Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk

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3/22,29;4/5,12/2017

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

51-7368, ACE BLACK RANCHES, 28892 HOT SPRINGS RD, BRUNEAU ID 83604

Point of Diversion L3(NWSW) S30 T06S R06E OWYHEÉ County Source GROUND WATER

Use: DOMESTIC 01/01 to 12/31 0.08 CFS

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

Total Diversion: 0.2 CFS

Date Filed: 8/23/1999

Places of Use: STOCKWATER, DOMESTIC

T06S R06E S30 L3(NWSW) L4(SWSW)

51-13118, US DEPT OF INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, 3948 DEVELOPMENT AVE BOISE, ID 83705

Point of Diversion SWNESE S32 T14S R04E OWYHEE County Source OTTER CREEK Tributary MARYS CREEK Use: WILDLIFE STORAGE

01/01 to 12/31 18.2 AF Total Diversion: 18.2 AF

Date Filed: 5/4/2016

Place of Use: WILDLIFE STORAGE

T14S R04E S32 NESE SESE This application proposes the diversion and use of water

proposed in this application will benefit from the subordination provision because it is for de minimis stockwater and wildlife purposes

GARY SPACKMAN, Director 4/5,12/2017

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT

TRANSFER NO. 80776 MICHAEL B IHLI and LINDAMIHLI, 625 S SCHOOL AVE, KUNA, ID 83634; has filed Application No. 80776 for changes to the following water rights within OWYHEE County(s): Right No(s). 2-10420. The purpose of this transfer is to change the point of diversion by constructing a new system and placing it at a new location. The applicant also proposes to create a 208 acre permissible place of use to rotate 49 acres of irrigation. The changes will be made to Snake River surface water right 2-10420 and will affect 1.24 cfs. The proposal is located south of the Snake River and north of Murphy Grandview Rd; between Weese Rd and Robinson Rd in Bellevue Idaho.

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TRANSFER NO. 81499 MURPHY LAND CO, PO BOX 3110, PASCO, WA 99302; has filed Application No. 81499 for changes to the following water rights within OWYHEE County(s): Right No(s). 2-2129, 2-2130, 2-2406, 2-7020, 2-7021, 2-7025, 2-7033, 2-7034, 2-7036, 2-7037, 2-7038, 2-7127, 2-7350. The transfer proposes to create a 3,335 acre POU within a 3,668 acre PPU for 13 Snake River water rights within the trust water boundary. Changes to diversions or delivery methods are not proposed. The farm is located on the inside banks of C. J. Strike Reservoir, approximately 7 miles south of the Mountain Home Air Force Base.

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) or proposed transfer (s) please see www.idwr.idaho.gov. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code §§ 42-203A and 42-222. 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 4/24/2017. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant. GARY SPACKMAN, Director 4/5,12/2017

Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the addresses indicated, and filed with the Clerk of Court

DATED this 30th day of January, 2017

Mary Ellen Clarke, 2401 S. Owyhee Apt. 1, Boise, ID 83705 James R. Gillespie, PA., P.O. Box 2337, Boise. ID 83701 Phone (208) 344-8400 Fax (208) 344-7100, Attorney for Applicant 3/29;4/5,12,19/2017

NOTICE

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By: Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk

ERIC F. BALDWIN - ISB NO. 6240, BALDWIN LAW, PLLC, 3045 E Copper Point Drive, Meridian, Idaho 83642. Telephone: (208) 991-3560 Fax: (208) 473-2966 eric@ baldwinlawpllc.com Attorney for Petitioner 3/22,29;4/5,12/2017

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE CASE NO. CV-2017-01245 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THRID JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY

OF OWYHEE In Re: DANIEL ROGER BALLARD

A Petition by DANIEL ROGER BALLARD, now residing in the

tributary to a federally designated 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



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Owyhee County Church Directory

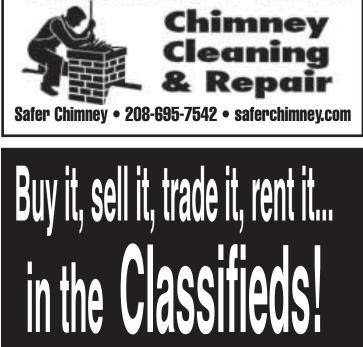
Calvary Fellowship Homedale Pastor Rich Wright 4220 E Pioneer Road Church time is 10:00 am on Sunday & Wednesday at 7:00 pm River Youth Sunday 6:00pm (208) 880-4033	Golden Gate Baptist Church Wilder Pastor Robert Potter, Jr., CLP Corner of Second and "B" Streets Church time is 11:00 am on Sunday Call (208) 880-4308 for information	Our Lady of Tears Church Silver City Mass Summer Schedule 1pm June 19 • July 17 • August 14 • Sept. 11 All invited to polluck after each mass in home of Dave Wilper For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031
Iglesia Misionera Biblica Homedale Pastor Silverio Cardenas Jr. 132 W Owyhee • 337-5975 Servicios: Vier - 7pm - Oracion Mier - 7pm Predicacion Dom - 10am Esc. Dom y 6:30pm "Una Iglesia Diferente."	Knight Community Church Grand View Pastor Ivan Shetler 630 Idaho Street 208-834-2639 Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service 10:45am	Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder Pastors Ron & Martha Hwy 19 & 95, 890-9132 Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm
Assembly of God Church Homedale 15 West Montana, 337-4458 Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm Wed. Children & Youth Ministries 7:00pm	Friends Community Church Wilder - Homedale 17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays www.homedalefriends.org	Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church Caldwell 1122 W. Linden St. 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon
Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Homedale 337-4248 Sunday Services 10am Pastor Sean Rippey Adult and Children Sunday School 9-9:45am Visitors Always Welcome! Call Church for Prayer requests	Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House Welcoming Families, especially those with special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767 Jake & Alisha Henrioulle, Youth Pastors 761-6747 Sunday Services at 10 am	Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Mark Thatcher Bishop Robert T. Christensen Sunday 1st Ward 1pm Sunday 2nd Ward 9am
Homedale Baptist Church Homedale 212 S. 1st W. 739-5952 Sunday Worship 11am-Noon	Wilder Church of God Wilder 205 A St. E, 649-7698 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm	Mountain View Church of the Nazarene Wilder-Homedale 26515 Ustick Road 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm Children's Caravan Program
MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 107 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Jose Gutierrez 208-461-9016 or 880-6172 Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Service 1 pm • Wednesday Service 7 pm Bilingual Services/Español	Iglesia Evangelica Wilder 317 3rd st., Pastor Ramiro Reyes 10 am Sunday School 11 am Service 482-7484 Bilingual	St. David's Episcopal Church 1800 Arlington Ave. Caldwell, ID 83605 208-459-9261 stdavids@stdavidscaldwell.org www.stdavid.episcopalidaho.org
Christian Church Homedale 110 W. Montana Pastor Maurice Jones 208-319-4650 Don Vanderbough 208-867-5418 Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45	Bible Missionary Church Homedale West Idaho, 337-3425 Pastor Ron Franklin Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30	Assembly of God Church Marsing 139 Kerry, 965-1650 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm
Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing Pastor Daniel Swaim 116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059 Sunday worship: Morning: 11am-Noon• Evening: 6-7pm Sunday School 9:45am-10:45am Wednesday evening 7pm-8pm	Nazarene Church Marsing Pastor Bill O'Connor 649-5256 12 2nd Avenue West Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Sunday School - 9:45am Mid Week TLC Groups	Trinity Holiness Church Homedale 119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Sunday 1st Ward, 1:00 p.m. Bishop Rowley Sunday 2nd Ward, 9:00 a.m. Bishop McIntyre	Vision Community Church Marsing 221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-779-7926 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.	United Methodist Church Wilder Exploring the Bible: Public Invited 2nd & 4th Tuesday: 4-5pm Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. Pastor Dave Raines 208-880-8751 Sunday Service 9:30am
First Presbyterian Church Homedale 320 N. 6th W. Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am 208-473-9331	Calvary Holiness Church - Wilder Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave. • 208-989-0196 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. • Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday: 6:00 p.m. • Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Food Pantry hours • 208-989-0226 2nd & 3rd Friday of month 2pm-4pm 4th Friday of month 12-1pm	Garnet Seventh-Day Adventist Church 16613 Garnet Rd., Wilder 208-649-5280 Email: garnetSDA@icloud.com Worship 9:30am Sabbath School 10:45am Wednesday Bible Study 7:00-8 pm
Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale 711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am	Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church - Oreana 2016 Mass Schedule - the following Saturdays at 10:00am Jan. 23 - Feb. 27 - Mar. 19 - Apr. 23 - May 28 June 25 - July 16 BBQ - Aug. 27 - Sept. 24 - Oct. 22 - Nov. 26 - Dec. 17 All are welcome! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031	Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC Esquina de 4 y calle B Domingos Servicio: 12:00 pm El Ropero (Banco de ropa) Miercoles 12-2pm Martes y Jueves: 6:30 pm Ingles Sabados: 12:00 pm Arte Infantil Todo en Espanol, Inf. 989 7508



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