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Clouds provide a serene backdrop for the white cement cross atop Lizard Butte where the 80<sup>th</sup> annual Lizard Butte Sunrise Easter Service will be held Sunday. Photo by Dan Pease

## Marsing's newest pastor gets call to deliver Lizard Butte Easter message

Daniel Swaim began leading Lizard Butte Baptist flock in August

A 45-year-old professional horticulturalist is the guest speaker at Sunday's Lizard Butte Easter Sunrise Service.

Weather permitting, this year's service will begin at 7 a.m. on Sunday at the landmark in Canyon County across the Snake River from Marsing.

Daniel Swaim is pastor at the Lizard Butte Baptist Church in Marsing. He became pastor at the church in August. His predecessor, Dave London, contacted him about the open position.

London, 68, was pastor of the church for 16 years. He also served as chaplain for the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office between 2003 and 2011.

London is now pastor of a community church in Hunt County, Texas.

He said he had never met Swaim, and God sent him his successor's name after

### Lizard Butte Easter Sunrise Service

**When:** 7 a.m., Sunday

**Where:** Lizard Butte, northeast of Marsing on Idaho 55

**Guest pastor:** Daniel Swaim, Lizard Butte Baptist, Marsing

**Music:** Beau Bonds, Nampa

**Note:** Arrive early for best parking. Bring lawn chairs or blankets and be prepared for chilly temperatures.

he returned to Marsing from a trip to Texas last year.

"I walked in the church and knew my job was done," London said. "Then I started praying for a name, and his name came forth."

Swaim was associate pastor of the Word of Truth Baptist Church in Caldwell for five years.

— See *Pastor*, page 7A



Daniel Swaim (left), pastor at the Lizard Butte Baptist Church in Marsing and his wife Diana. Submitted photo

## LU-Joyce principals pleased with law

Court victory  
codification  
strengthens rights

The final segments of the trail blazed by Tim Lowry and Paul Nettleton have been cemented.

The Owyhee County ranchers hope new law means stockmen won't have to endure their personal and financial hardships just to water their livestock.

— See *Law*, page 2A

## Jacksons may back Homedale library expansion

Renaming facility  
proposed as part  
of donation

If Homedale Public Library expansion proponents take another run at a state grant, they could have some heavy hitters in their corner.

The Jackson family will pledge \$100,000 to the effort if library board and city officials agree to name the library after longtime library director Gypsy Jackson.

The donation from the family, headed up by Jacksons Food Stores owner John Jackson and his sister and Jacksons executive Andrea — son and daughter of Dale and Gypsy, is contingent on a successful Idaho Community Block Grant application.

— See *Library*, page 4A



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# Homedale ministers plan Good Friday Lunch

A long-standing Easter tradition is changing, but the purpose is still the same.

The Homedale Ministerial Association announced last week that a Good Friday Lunch will be held Friday in lieu of the series of Holy Week lunches that had been held for years.

“In recognizing current trends in society and in our churches along with our continued desire to connect with the members of the different churches in our community, members of the Homedale Ministerial Association made the decision to change things up a bit,” an association press release said.

The Good Friday Lunch will be held from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. on Friday at the Homedale Friends Community Church. The church is located at 17434 U.S. Hwy. 95 just north of Homedale over the Snake River.

Donations for the meal will be

accepted.

The lunch will replace the series of Homedale Holy Week Luncheons that had been started several years ago by the First Presbyterian Church.

Elements of the weeklong luncheons will be preserved in Friday’s event.

Organizers invite the community to attend to enjoy a luncheon of soup, salad, bread and desserts. Afterward, there will be worship, music, prayer and a message. Organizers say the worship program will begin at about 12:25 p.m.

“The extra time allows for people to come early to begin eating, and to linger after the time of worship is over to visit,” the association’s release said.

For more information on the Good Friday event, contact Friends church pastor Luke Ankeny at (208) 337-3464 or [luke.ankeney@gmail.com](mailto:luke.ankeney@gmail.com).

# Lizard Butte Library trustee wants to stay

One of the Lizard Butte Library District incumbent trustees will seek re-election as a write-in.

Patricia Russell has filed paperwork with the district secretary to remain on the governing board for another four years.

Owyhee County deputy clerk Brook Russell announced the write-in filing Thursday.

Patricia Russell was the only

one of the three Lizard Butte at-large trustees up for re-election on May 16 who has filed. With no opposition, there will be no election necessary.

Jamie Parkins (six years) and Jean Udesen (two years) did not file to seek re-election.

Russell and Udesen were appointed to the library district board of directors midway through terms.

## From page 1A

### ✓ Law: Lowry calls filing fee crucial step

The Idaho Legislature finally took steps toward establishing stock water security for the state’s agricultural producers with codification of the Joyce Livestock-LU Ranching Co. state Supreme Court victory over the Bureau of Land Management.

But what boiled down to reaffirming a long-standing property right for Idaho ranchers took years, more than \$1 million in legal expenses and the determination of two Owyhee County ranchers.

“We all owe Paul Nettleton and Tim Lowry a huge thank you and a big debt of gratitude for having the courage and perseverance to carry this to the Supreme Court to get the favorable ruling,” state Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson) wrote in his post-session letter to constituents.

S1111 codified the 10-year-old Joyce-LU decision by repealing elements of Idaho law that had allowed BLM to obtain a water right in the first place. Those statutes were replaced by sections establishing beneficial use as the principal determining factor when granting a water right. The state Supreme Court had ruled the federal government could not put water to a beneficial use because it did not own livestock.

Under S1101, ranchers will pay \$25 to file a water claim with the Idaho Department of Water Resources, and no rancher will spend more than \$100 to assert multiple claims. The law also adds IDWR staff to handle the anticipated flood of water claims and waives any additional costs to the producers.

Lowry, who ranches on South Mountain, said both bills were crucial companions.

“For those in the (Snake River Basin Adjudication) it wouldn’t have meant anything without the filing fee,” he said. “Now to be able to go back and file on those deferred claims, it will make things right for people who were forced out of the process of the SRBA because of the litigation cost.”

Both laws go into effect July 1. Gov. C. L. “Butch” Otter signed S1111, but S1101 became law without his signature on March 28, six days after he received the bill.

“The codification bill that went through just followed our Supreme Court decision,” Nettleton said. “I guess that’s where our satisfaction lies, that we can defend Idaho’s water.”

Nettleton and Lowry said their court actions — and the long-awaited new law — were necessary because the State of Idaho didn’t step up to protect its sovereignty unlike New Mexico did when the U.S. Forest Service tried to assert primary water rights in the Gila National Forest in the 1970s.

“We kind of felt bad that Idaho didn’t want to defend itself,” Nettleton said. “We took the bull by the horns and did it for them. In a lot of ways, I feel betrayed by the state.”

Lowry said the federal government applied lessons learned from its defeat in *U.S. vs. New Mexico* to future water adjudications, including in the Snake River Basin where the two ranchers stood their ground.

“One of the (BLM’s) goals within the Owyhee Resource Area planning was to acquire water rights, and the county through the Natural Resource Committee pointed out that what they were trying to do was not allowed under Idaho

water law, and that was one of the inconsistencies that we needed to correct,” Lowry said.

The laws’ passage marks another lengthy journey for Lowry and Nettleton, who worked with Dist. 9B Rep. Judy Boyle (R-Midvale) to get the ball rolling prior to the 2016 Legislature.

Last year’s version was quite different than the 2017 bill, Nettleton said, and never gained traction at the Statehouse.

“This was our baby to start with, Tim and I’s,” he said. “We spent a lot of time and a lot of money with attorneys to secure our stock water rights, and I’m glad to see that nobody else will have to go through that to get stock water rights.”

Nettleton and Lowry both testified before legislative panels analyzing the bills earlier this year.

“I was very impressed with all the legislators on how they handled the situation and how they treated us,” Nettleton said.

Lowry said the ranchers’ testimony helped educate some legislators on the exact details of their fight against the federal government.

“To me, I thought they were very interested and attentive, and those who came out in the hallway after the testimony and visited, a lot of them didn’t know what had happened through the process and were actually amazed when they heard about the heavy-handedness of the federal government,” Lowry said.

“And another thing (they found amazing) was when they heard how badly the state failed its responsibility.”

The men are still waiting to hear if the state will ever dip into the Constitutional Defense Fund to help pay their legal fees. The Idaho Farm Bureau has mounted fundraising efforts for the ranchers in the past.

— JPB



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# Children have several Easter egg hunts from which to choose

Final details have been set on several community Easter egg hunts in Owyhee country.

## Homedale

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce’s annual event will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday at Sundance Park. Boys and girls 10 years old and younger are invited to participate

There will be four different age groups, including 1- to 3-year-olds, 4- and 5-year-olds, 6- and 7-year-olds and 8- to 10-year-olds.

As usual, there will be grand prize eggs in each age group, and the children who come up with those will win prize baskets.

Chamber president Gavin Parker said he has ordered plastic eggs and candy from Albertsons.

Parker also got some help from an unexpected source.

“The senior center brought me probably 500 or 600 or six hundred plastic eggs,” he said. “I’m not sure how they got them, but we’ll use those, and I ordered 2,200 more, which is the number we’ve done the last few years.”

Parker added that he’ll have more than enough candy for Saturday, and Chamber vice-president Luke Ankeny said he’ll find a few high school students to fill the eggs.

## Marsing

The annual Lions Club-sponsored Easter egg hunt will kick off Saturday morning at the high school football field behind the elementary school on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue West.

A series of hunts will be held in intervals beginning at 10 a.m. The hunts are open to preschoolers through fourth-graders.

Beginning at 9:30 a.m., the Lions Club will sell freshly made breakfast burritos near the football field’s concession stand. For \$4, you get a burrito and juice. Coffee and milk will be sold for an additional price.

Lions Club president Jolyn Green said there are five divisions for the Easter egg hunt with portions of the football field cordoned off for each group.

There are two preschool divisions — one for children who

need help and one for those that can raid the field on their own.

Kindergarteners have a section of field all to themselves.

First- and second-graders will hunt together, and third- and fourth-graders will participate in the other division.

Boys and girls who pick up special eggs will win Easter baskets stuffed with goodies.

## Bruneau

The Bruneau Canyon 4-H club’s annual Easter egg hunt takes place at 10 a.m. on Saturday.

Club leader Deidre Erwin said 108 dozen real eggs will be hidden around the Bruneau Elementary School grounds, and children will need to bring their own baskets to scoop them up.

The hunt is open to preschoolers through fifth-graders.

Boys and girls will be divided into four age groups, and two prize eggs per age group will be hidden.

Hunters who find the prize eggs will receive an Easter basket stuffed with candy and toys.

## Grand View

The Grand View Lions Club’s Easter egg hunt is open to toddlers through fifth-graders.

The event begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday at City Park on Boise Avenue.

Children will be on the hunt for candy-filled plastic eggs, and Lions Club member Dixie McDaniel said the Easter Bunny will make an appearance.

## Murphy

The Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office sponsors the annual Easter egg hunt for children in the county seat.

The hunt begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday on the lawn of the Owyhee County Courthouse on Idaho highway 78.

The event is open to boys and girls ages 10 and younger.

OCSO civil clerk Bev White, one of the event organizers, said children will hunt for candy-filled plastic eggs, including a golden egg for each division.

All the boys and girls go home with a prize, and the plastic eggs will be used again next year.

## Jordan Valley

The Jordan Valley FFA will hold an appreciation breakfast in conjunction with the high school’s Student Council at 9 a.m. on Saturday at the high school.

The Easter egg hunt will also begin at 9 a.m., and the event is open to toddlers through sixth-graders.

High school secretary Loretta Wroten said there will be prizes including Easter baskets for each age group, and children can pose with the Easter Bunny for free photos.

## Adrian

The Easter egg hunt in Adrian will start at 1 p.m. on Saturday at Two Rivers Park on Owyhee Street.

The event is open to children ages 10 and younger.

Boys and girls will gather up candy-filled plastic eggs scattered around the park.

Adrian resident Avaneil Baldwin is organizing the Easter egg hunt on behalf of the Adrian Lions Club.





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✓ Library: Family would make donation if expansion project receives block grant

Gypsy Jackson served on the library board for years and also was a longtime member of the city’s Planning and Zoning Commission.

The library board discussed the offer during its monthly meeting after deadline Tuesday. Library directors also discussed finding a writer to reapply for an Idaho Department of Commerce block grant.

The city council will take up the topic of reapplying for that grant during its first meeting of April, which begins at 6 p.m. today inside the magistrate courtroom in City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Earlier this year, the state’s Economic Advisory Council denied a grant application near the maximum request of \$500,000 because the city matching funds total written into the proposal by Western Alliance for Economic Development executive director Tina Wilson was far less than other applications.

At the time, Wilson also told the council that the block grant program is used more for infrastructure improvements, such as major water and sewer projects, than for library projects.

Wilson will be on hand tonight as she lobbies the council to increase the city’s contribution to the WAED budget.

The city is being asked to raise its contribution from a flat \$3,000 to dues of \$1.50 per citizen. Other governmental agencies in the alliance are paying the \$1.50 per capita rate now, but Homedale’s leaders offered the compromise two years ago when Wilson last asked for an increase.

Based on a city population of 2,633, dues would go up \$949.50 to \$3949.50, according to City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram.

Wilson is also seeking a letter of support for her latest economic development professional grant. That application to the state Department of Commerce is due on May 2, and Wilson has said that — if renewed — the grant will be \$28,000, which is \$2,000 less than what WAED received in the last go-round.

In another library topic, the council will hear about a Marsing Boy Scout’s proposal to re-roof and paint the original library building as part of his Eagle project. A white, wood-frame structure, the old library stands behind the current 37-year-old building and serves as a meeting place for board members as well as a gathering place during the summer reading program.

Other items on tonight’s council agenda include:

- A request from the Idaho Military Division to mount a wi-fi antenna on the old water tower looming above City Hall. The antenna would be used to connect the magistrate court clerk’s office electronically with the state Supreme Court server that holds a database of court cases.
- Discussion and possible action on amending the city’s animal control ordinance.
- Possible action on a request from Specialty Inc. Wood Products to tie a break room into the city sewer line on Pioneer Road.
- The council could set Aug. 9 as the public hearing date for the fiscal year 2018 budget. Elected officials and city department heads could hold a series of workshops in June to shape the budget.

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# Calendar

## Today

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

**Spring into Wellness Fair**  
9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Jordan Valley Lions Hall, 209 Bassett St. (U.S. Hwy. 95), Jordan Valley. (541) 709-6944 or mvargas@vfhc.org

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

**Game day**  
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

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

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

**High school spring concert**  
6:30 p.m., Homedale High School gymnasium, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

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

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

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

**Thursday**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Friday**

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

**Grand View Lions Club meeting**  
11:30 a.m., Grand Owyhee Restaurant, 230 Main St., Grand View.

**Good Friday Lunch**  
11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., donations accepted, Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 U.S. Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-3464 or luke.ankeney@gmail.com

**Teens and Tweens program**  
4 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee

Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228 afternoons Monday through Saturday

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

**Saturday**

**Easter egg hunt**  
9 a.m., Jordan Valley High School, 501 Bassett St., Jordan Valley.

**Easter egg hunt**  
9:30 a.m., breakfast available, 10 a.m., hunt begins, Marsing High School football field, 8th Avenue West, Marsing.

**Easter egg hunt**  
10 a.m., Sundance Park, South 1st Street West, Homedale.

**Easter egg hunt**  
10 a.m., Bruneau Elementary School grounds, 25841 Benham, Ave., Bruneau.

**Easter egg hunt**  
10 a.m., City Park, Grand View.

**Easter egg hunt**  
10 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse lawn, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy.

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

**Movie time**  
1 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

**Easter egg hunt**  
1 p.m., Two Rivers Park, Adrian.

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

**Sunday**

**Lizard Butte Sunrise Easter Service**  
7 a.m., Lizard Butte, Idaho highway 55, northeast of Marsing.

**Monday**

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

**Tuesday**

**Foot clinic**  
8:30 a.m., \$12, appointment necessary, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

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**El-Ada commodity distribution**  
1 p.m. to 4 p.m., El-Ada Owyhee County Office, 15 W. Colorado Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4812

**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

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

**Marsing Lions Club meeting**  
7 p.m., Marsing Senior Center, 218 Main St., Marsing. (208) 318-3982

**Friends of Eastern Owyhee Library meeting**  
7 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library meeting room, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2324, (208) 832-1949 or (208) 834-2785

# School menus

## Homedale Elementary

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

April 12: Chicken patty sandwich, tater tots, veggie & fruit bar

April 13: Cheese pizza ripper, tossed salad, veggie & fruit bar, fruit rollup

April 17: Hot dog, macaroni & cheese, veggie & fruit bar

April 18: Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes/gravy, veggie & fruit bar

April 19: Chicken taco, corn, veggie & fruit bar

## Homedale Middle

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

April 12: Mini corn dogs or fish nuggets, steamed carrots, cookie, fruit & salad bar

April 13: Hamburger or chicken patty, potato chips, fruit & salad bar

April 17: Pork chop or chicken tenders, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit & salad bar

April 18: Sloppy Joe or rib-b-que, green beans, fruit & salad bar

April 19: Popcorn chicken or hamburger, baked beans, fruit & salad bar

## Homedale High

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

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

April 13: Spicy chicken sandwich or cheeseburger, potato wedges, salad bar, fruit choice

April 17: Pepperoni pizza ripper or deli sandwich w/chips, salad bar, fruit choice

April 18: Pork chop w/butter & herbed potatoes, roll or chef salad, salad bar, fruit choice

April 19: Lasagna or popcorn chicken, roll, corn, salad bar, fruit choice

## Marsing Elementary

*All meals include healthy choice fruit and veggie bar*

April 12: Chicken drumstick, mashed potatoes, roll, corn or PB&J, cheese stick, animal crackers, corn

April 13: Hog dog, baked beans, green beans or PB&J, yogurt, graham crackers, green beans

April 17: Chicken nuggets, roll, vegetable or PB&J, cheese stick, vegetable, cookie

April 18: Chicken sandwich, carrots or PB&J, yogurt, animal crackers, carrots

April 19: Beef tacos, rice & beans, corn or PB&J, cheese stick, graham crackers, corn

## Marsing Middle-High

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

April 12: Chicken drumstick, mashed potatoes, roll, corn or pork taco, cilantro lime refried beans

April 13: Hot dog, baked beans, green beans or egg roll, fried rice, green beans

April 17: Chicken nuggets, roll, vegetables or spicy chicken, rice, vegetable, cookie

April 18: Chicken sandwich, carrots or philly sandwich, carrots

April 19: Beef tacos, rice & beans, corn or BBQ chicken sandwich, corn

## Bruneau-Grand View

*All meals include milk variety*

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

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

April 14: Pig in a blanket, sweet potato fries, fresh broccoli, fresh fruit

April 18: Pizza, tossed romaine salad, baby carrots, fruit

April 19: Lasagna, tossed romaine salad, green beans, fruit

## COSSA

*All meals include milk variety*

April 12: Walking taco, rice, salad, fruit

April 13: Pizza or PB&J, salad, fruit

April 17: Chicken potato bowl, corn & salad, fruit

April 18: Sweet & sour chicken w/rice, carrots & broccoli, fruit

April 19: Cheeseburger, tots, salad, fruit

April 20: Soft taco, refried beans, Spanish rice, salad, fruit

April 21: Soup, grilled cheese, salad, fruit



# Death notices

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

**RICHARD LEE LOVITT**, 78, of Adrian, died Monday, April 3, 2017 at a Meridian hospital. A visitation was held on Monday, April 10, 2017 at Dakan Funeral Chapel in Caldwell. Burial will take place at sea. Arrangements: Dakan Funeral Home, Caldwell. (208) 459-3629

# Senior menus

## Homedale Senior Center

*Milk served every day*  
*Salad Bar available with each meal*  
*(lettuce, tomatoes, boiled eggs, peaches, apricots, salad dressing)*  
April 12: Cheese burger/roll, baked potato, beet salad  
April 13: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, broccoli, roll  
April 18: Baked ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, roll  
April 19: Orange chicken, chow mein noodles, stir fried vegetables

## Rimrock Senior Center

April 13: Chicken salad sandwich, tater tots, coleslaw, pears, brownie  
April 18: Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad, bread stick, strawberry shortcake  
April 20: Chicken enchiladas, broccoli/cauliflower salad, apple wedges, cookie

# COSSA Special Olympics benefit carnival planned

The Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency’s Special Olympics team is holding a fundraiser carnival. The event will take place from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 22 at the COSSA Regional Technical Educational Center, 109 Penny Lane, Wilder. Proceeds from the carnival will help the COSSA Coyotes attend the Special Olympics state summer games as well as fund the team’s athletic programs throughout the school year. The state summer games take place June 9-10 in Twin Falls. The Southwest Idaho summer regional games will be held on May 20 at Caldwell High School. The COSSA fundraiser will feature several games, including a cupcake walk and other booths. Event coordinator Kimberly Hale, the Homedale Middle School special education teacher and COSSA Coyotes organizer, also said that the volunteer fire departments from Homedale, Marsing, Wilder, Parma and Notus are in competition to see which agency can raise the most money for the team.

# Obituaries

## Devin Wayne Meyers

Devin Wayne Meyers, 26, formerly of Grand View, passed away at his home in Boise, on Sunday, April 2, 2017. A viewing was held from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Friday, April 7, 2017 at Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel, in Mountain Home. A funeral service was held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 8, 2017, at Rimrock Jr. / Sr. High in Grand View. Arrangements are under the care of Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel, in Mountain Home.

Devin was born on August 14, 1990, the son of Douglas and Sheila Meyers. He attended schools in Meridian and Kuna before moving back to Grand View and graduated from Rimrock Jr. / Sr. High. He attended welding school at College of Southern Idaho before leaving to work in



the oil fields of North Dakota. Devin’s passions included welding, running equipment, farming, hunting and shooting,

as well as riding motorcycles and 4-wheelers. His was one of a kind. He had a contagious smile and always a witty comment. Devin had a fearless attitude and could be known as a rebel. He will be deeply missed. Devin is survived by his mother Sheila Meyers of Boise, his father Douglas and his wife Jennifer Meyers of Grand View, his brothers Danny and his wife Lana DeBeaumont of Boise and Michael Dylan Meyers of Boise, his step-sister Jaden Pollard of Grand View, his paternal grandmother Cherry Meyers of Grand View, his maternal grandparents John and Sandra Riegles of Boise, and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his aunt Julie Lindquist and his grandfather Ray Meyers.

## Thomas A. Ryan

Thomas A. Ryan was born May 23, 1923 to Ida (Sage) & Alfred (Del Salvador) Ryan. He grew up just a few miles northwest of Homedale on his grandparents’ little farm. His whole young life was spent working hard. Right out of high school, he enlisted in the Navy. My sister and I, growing up had a very good role model. Dad so enjoyed the outdoors more than anything and was so very proud of his rose garden — as he should have been. He had such a green thumb and could make anything grow. He will be so missed and remembered always.

Tom is survived by two daughters Teresa Redfield and Tamie Kennedy, a niece Florence Guengerich, 4 grandchildren and many extended family members. He was preceded in death by 2 wives, Stevie Ryan and our mother Noreen, his parents, grandparents and 2 sisters. Memorial Services were held Monday, April 10, 2017 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Homedale. Navy military honors and inurnment followed at Marsing-Homedale Cemetery in Marsing. Condolences can be given at [www.flahifffuneralchapel.com](http://www.flahifffuneralchapel.com)



## Health fairs slated for Jordan, Adrian

Spring into Wellness health fairs are returning to Jordan Valley and Adrian. The Malheur County Advisory Council will present a wellness fair from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at the Jordan Valley Lions Hall on Bassett Street.

The Adrian wellness fair will take place from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, April 21 inside the school cafeteria. The fairs feature free health screenings, community resources and health education with booths planned by more than 25

community groups. There are raffle prizes, too. For more information, contact Spring into Wellness committee chair Maria Vargas at (541) 709-6944 or by email at [mvargas@vfhc.org](mailto:mvargas@vfhc.org) or visit MCCAC979 on Facebook.

## Sho-Pai children’s health fair set today

The Shoshone-Paiute Tribes’ Children’s Health and Safety Fair takes place today in Owyhee, Nev. The event begins at 2 p.m. at the Duck Valley Indian Reservation Tribal Human Development Center, 1284 OPD Road in Owyhee, Nev. Nearly 300 people are expected at the fair, which aims to promote

the general health and wellness of Shoshone-Paiute youth. Several organizations will make presentations, including the Shoshone-Paiute Fire Station and Emergency Medical Services, the After School Film and Media Group, Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act, Mountain Home Air Force Base, the Idaho National Guard, the Shoshone-

Paiute Tribes Diabetes program and the Shoshone-Paiute Wild Life and Parks. Fair attendees can get additional details at information booths on site. There will be door prizes and activities, including Zumba, electronic boxing, battle balls, and demonstrations from Raft River Electric and the Barrick Rescue Team.

## Homedale LDS church hosts talent show


A community talent night is scheduled in Homedale on Tuesday.

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The free event begins at 6:30 p.m. at the LDS church, 708 W. Idaho Ave. The talent show will feature music, acting, magic and more. Trophies and certificates will be awarded. Refreshments will include baked goods. There also will be quilts and crafts on display in rooms at the church.

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Surine Greenway

**Keep a clean machine** — Having the latest security software, web browser and operation system are the best defenses against malware (harmful computer programs that are transmitted through the Internet, email or standard software installation) and other online threats.

**Protect all devices that connect to the Internet** — Install trusted antivirus tools, and keep them up to date. Computers, tablets, smartphones, gaming con-

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soles and other devices connected to the Web all need protection from malware.

**Plug and scan** — Universal Serial BUS (USB) keys and other external devices can be infected by malware, so always use your security software to scan them.

**Configure your browser and email settings** — Configure your browser so that it is ready to block active content like ActiveX, Java, scripting, pop-ups and other potentially harmful content. One way that you can protect yourself with your email is to set the program to send and display using plain text instead of HTML. This drastically reduces the risk of infection through embedded script.

**Be mindful of what you download** — Hackers often use social engineering to trick people into installing malware, so make sure that you are using caution when downloading anything from public websites or newsgroups. Also

be extra wary of sites featuring pop-up windows or requests to install browser components or other applications.

**The last (and best) piece of advice** — When in doubt, throw it out. Just as when you are looking through the contents of your fridge and reviewing the foods you have, the same should be said of: emails, tweets, posts and online advertisements. If it looks suspicious, then you should definitely throw it out because these are often used to compromise your computer.

— Surine Greenway is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences educator. For more information, you can reach Greenway at the U of I Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 or [owyhee@uidaho.edu](mailto:owyhee@uidaho.edu). The office is located at 238 W. 8th Ave. W., in Marsing. Source: Idaho Department of Finance "Cybersecurity: Stay Safe Online" guide.

# Youth disc golf clinic set Friday

A disc golf clinic for boys and girls is planned at the Riverside Park course in Homedale.

The clinic will be held at 4 p.m. on Friday and will be part of the Homedale Public Library Teens and Tweens program.

Any youth ages 10-17 is welcome to attend the free clinic, which will be coordinated by Dave Downum, who is one of the

people instrumental in bringing the nine-hole disc golf course to the park.

Participants will meet at the library and walk to the park. Downum will bring discs for boys and girls to use during the clinic.

The disc golf course is open during park hours and is free to play. The holes take players around Riverside Park, which is

located at the corner of Riverside Avenue and North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street East.

Located 125 W. Owyhee Ave., the library is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Wednesday, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., Thursday, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday.

Call (208) 337-4228 for information about library programs.

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# ✓ Pastor: New Lizard Butte Baptist head tends garden, continues religious education

A resident of Caldwell, Swaim said he doesn't have any family ties to Marsing.

"All my main family lives in Caldwell, but I've made some very good friends in Marsing," he said.

Swaim's message on Sunday will focus on the tomb of Jesus Christ.

"It is the main story there in Matthew, Mark and Luke," Swaim said. "I'm also going to be speaking on the Crucifixion because without the Resurrection there's no power in the Crucifixion."

Swaim has been married to his wife Diana for 21 years. He works for The Nature Company in Boise as nursery manager.

Any free time Swaim finds is dedicated to his green thumb or his education.

"I have a passion for gardening, and not only do I work and pastor full-time, I go to college at the Idaho Baptist College in Kuna," Swaim said.

He admits that he's still settling into his leadership role with

the church in Marsing.

Swaim also hasn't had much other involvement with the community.

"I need to be there about a year and get to know people," he said. "I really want to put some roots first before I start taking on stuff that I don't really know what I'm doing."

He was surprised to be asked by Lizard Butte Sunrise Association vice-president Bill O'Connor about delivering the Easter message.

Swaim said he's humbled, and takes the honor very seriously.

"It's a privilege to speak up there, and to learn the history of what they've done for 80 years on that hill and how God has used it," he said. "I'll be honest with you. I'm nervous about it. If you're not nervous any time you get in front of a pulpit to speak, there's a problem."

London delivered the Easter message at Lizard Butte twice. The last time was seven years ago, but he couldn't recall when his first guest appearance was.

London thinks Swaim will do a good job on Sunday.

"He's very biblical. That was a requirement that I laid on the Lord when I was asking for somebody to take my position," London said. "He'll give a very biblical message of what God wants him to say."

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

Several Boy Scout troops have assisted with parking and directed the participants in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag at the beginning of each service. Caldwell Scout Troop 276 has assumed those responsibilities for the past 33 years.

The Canyon County Sheriff's Office has helped with traffic control since 1968, and people are encouraged to arrive early to find a good parking spot.

The Sunrise Association encourages attendees to dress warmly and to bring a blanket or lawn chairs to sit on.

— SC

# HMS STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Homedale Middle School counselor Brooke Winston announced March's PRIDEful students of the month. The teachers at each grade level nominate the students based on the criteria of how they exhibit PRIDE — Patience, Respect, Integrity, Determination and Excellence.

## Eighth grade Jacob Ankeny

**Age:** 14  
**Parents:** Heidi and Luke Ankeny  
**Favorite food:** Pizza  
**Loves to:** Play basketball  
**Something not everyone knows:** "I am pretty tall."



**Nomination comment:** "I could list one hundred reasons for Jacob Ankeny being Student of the Month but I feel it goes without saying he is one of the most respectful kids. Not only to teachers/adults but to students as well."

## Seventh grade Esmeralda Santana

**Age:** 12  
**Parent:** Gloria Santana  
**Favorite food:** Pizza  
**Loves to:** Play basketball  
**Something not everyone knows:** "I really like English."



**Nomination comment:** "Her GPA went from a 2.7 2nd quarter to a 3.5 this semester, with all A's or B's and no C's!! I think she's putting a lot of effort toward her

schoolwork lately, and she always has a good attitude."

## Sixth grade Athena Agnew

**Age:** 11  
**Parents:** Karly and Craig Agnew  
**Favorite food:** Nachos  
**Loves to:** Play basketball  
**Something not everyone knows:** "I am not a fan of math."



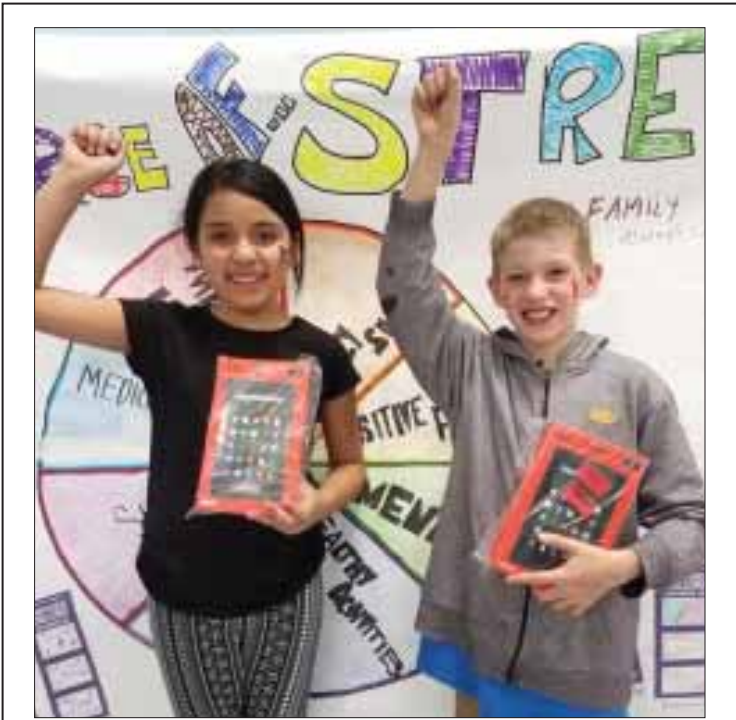
**Nomination comment:** "She is always very respectful to her teachers and fellow students. She is a great role model for other students."

## Fifth grade Arlett Quezada

**Age:** 10  
**Parents:** Catalina and Rudy Quezada  
**Favorite food:** Cake  
**Loves to:** Play sports  
**Something not everyone knows:** "I like to help my dad and mom fix stuff"



**Nomination comment:** "Actions speak louder than words. This well worn cliché describes Arlett Quezada very well. She is a fine role model to others, and she does it in a very quiet and effective manner. She is also helpful and kind, as well as disciplined in academics and citizenship. It is a privilege to name Arlett Quezada as our student of the month for (March)."



**HMS Kindle Fire winners announced**  
Sixth-grader Jasmine Monreal (left) and fourth-grader Gavin Hall won Kindle Fires during the Homedale Middle School Sources of Strength Family Night on March 21. "We had a great turnout with many families enjoying the festivities," HMS counselor Brooke Winston said. Submitted photo



# Statham remains on county historic preservation board

## New HPC leaders named

A familiar face has been reappointed to the Owyhee County Historic Preservation Committee (HPC), and new leadership is in charge of the panel.

However, two positions remain vacant.

The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) approved the reappointment of former HPC chair Bill Statham on March 27.

Owyhee County Historical Museum director Amy Johnson said that prior to Statham's reappointment, the Owyhee County Historical Society board named Kevin Bowen as chair of the HPC, and JoEllen Ross-Hauer as vice-chair.

Bowen and Ross-Hauer will serve in the leadership roles for one year.

Johnson said the panel does not currently have a secretary.

Only five of the commission's seven positions are filled:

- Ross-Hauer, term expires Dec. 31, 2018
- Bowen, term expires Dec. 31, 2018
- Statham, term expires Dec. 31, 2019
- Don Barnhill, term expires Dec. 31, 2018
- Marissa King, term expires Dec. 31, 2019

The commission meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month inside McKeeth Hall at the museum in Murphy. But, Johnson said the meeting scheduled for April 4 was cancelled because there weren't any new items of business.

With Statham's reappointment,

there are two open positions. State law allows up to nine members on a historical preservation panel. The minimum number of members required by law is two.

Statham's term expired on Dec. 31.

John Liable's term also expired on Dec. 31, and he is no longer interested in serving on the panel, according to Statham. Liable was a representative from the Silver City property owners association.

Johnson said anyone interested in filling one of the open committee positions can contact her for more information at (208) 495-2319 or owyheemuseumdirector@gmail.com. HPC candidates must submit a letter of interest to the county commissioners.

The committee hears applications for historical appropriateness on structures in Silver City primarily, but the group oversees related issues in the entire county.

Historical appropriateness guidelines are based on maintaining the historic, aesthetic and cultural heritage reflected in landmarks around the old mining town.

Part of Statham's passion for serving on the panel comes from being a fourth-generation Owyhee County resident. He is a Silver City homeowner.

Statham's great-grandfather Elisha Lewis was his first relative who lived in Owyhee County. Lewis was part of a mining interest in 1865 when he first visited Silver City and moved his family from Indiana to the mining town in 1874.

— SC

# Woman faces DUI charge after crash

A woman who escaped injury when she drove into a tree has been arrested on suspicion of drunk driving.

Krista Axtell, 26, was booked into Owyhee County Jail in Murphy on an excessive driving under the influence charge after Homedale Ambulance personnel released her from care at the scene of a single-vehicle accident after 1 a.m. on Saturday.

Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Axtell was driving a 2016 Ford Focus west of Homedale when the vehicle apparently left the roadway,

striking a tree, a concrete ditch and an irrigation pump. The careening car also damaged some siphon tubes, Bowman said. The wreck was reported in the vicinity of Idaho highway 19 and Purdom Lane.

Axtell failed field sobriety tests, and her blood-alcohol concentration measured .197 when she was lodged in Murphy.

Axtell faces misdemeanor excessive DUI and has been ticketed for failing to renew her vehicle registration and failing to display proof of insurance.

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# County backs weed awareness efforts

A statewide effort to create public awareness about the economic and environmental impacts of invasive weeds has gotten a financial boost from the county.

On March 27, the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners (BOCC) approved sending a \$250 check to the 2017 Idaho Weed Awareness Campaign (IWAC).

District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi, the BOCC chair, said he recently received an email from campaign spokesman Roger Batt.

"He had asked for a contribution to the weed awareness fund for noxious weeds," Aberasturi said. "So, I thought I'd bring that in and see what you think. We would take this out of the weed budget."

Aberasturi added that he would only support a contribution of \$250.

"We're a small county. We just don't have a lot of funds," he said. "We put a tremendous amount of money into taking care of the weeds that we have here. So, if you guys don't mind, I'd like to just do \$250."

Aberasturi also serves as county weed control department supervisor.

After the campaign contribution, the county's weed budget line now shows a balance of \$37,200.

The IWAC was created in 2001 and encourages Idahoans to help develop and participate in invasive weed eradication and man-



Heath Hedges from Bruneau-based New Environment LLC prepares to dispense herbicide during Saturday's free spray day in Marsing.

agement programs, and to assist in preventing the spread of invasive weeds.

IWAC has created an ongoing community outreach program

utilizing television, radio and newspaper advertisements.

The campaign is funded through partnerships, cooperative agreements, and grants.

# Church newcomer organizes tea

Angela Hopkins is bringing back a tradition as she gets comfortable with her new church family.

Hopkins has organized the Women's Spring Tea with a theme of "Encouragement Through Christ."

The event for girls and women 8 years old and older takes place on Saturday, May 6 at the Homedale Friends Community Church.

Hopkins is a recent arrival to the congregation.

"I've only been attending this church for a year and a half, and they haven't had a spring tea for a long time," Hopkins said.

The tea will take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 6 at the church, 17434 U.S. Hwy. 95 just north of Homedale in Canyon County.

For more information on the event or to volunteer, call (208) 859-0160. That's also the number to call to RSVP to attend the tea.

Hopkins said it's a normal occurrence for churches to present spring teas and Christmas teas.

Attendees are encouraged to bring a favorite tea cup to the event, which will include brunch and beverages, worship, sharing, prayer and friendship.

Daycare will be provided for a cost of \$5 per child. Hopkins said childcare will be provided by a handful of 16- to 18-year-old young women.

# Man charged with grand theft after allegedly taking pickup

A man faces grand theft charges after failing to return his ex-wife's pickup.

Thomas Snellings, 48, of Caldwell turned himself in at the Canyon County Sheriff's Office on Friday, three days after an Owyhee County arrest warrant

was issued.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Snellings has been charged with a felony because authorities have been looking for him since his ex-wife's gold 1999 Chevrolet pickup was reported missing

from a Marsing-area residence on March 17.

"He was supposed to return the vehicle and didn't," Bowman said.

Bowman added that the vehicle has been located, but he's unsure if it has been recovered.

# National Library Week set in Grand View

The Eastern Owyhee County Library in Grand View will celebrate National Library Week with photos and film.

Thursday is Snapshot Day, so patrons are encouraged to bring cameras to take several photographs.

A free movie matinee will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday when the library screens "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them," which is rated PG-13.

The library, located at 520 Boise Ave., is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

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Five of the six remaining members of the Homedale High School graduating class of 1942. From left: Joe Tracy, Ethel Cegnar, Ray Mansisidor, Shirley Law and Ed Chadez.

# Lifelong friends gather for HHS 75-year class reunion

A small group of old pals spent some time reminiscing about three-quarters of a century on April 3 at The Bowling Alley in Homedale.

There are only six folks remaining from the 34 people who graduated from Homedale High School in 1942.

The five who attended a 75-year reunion celebration included Ethel Cegnar, Shirley Law, Ed Chadez, Joe Tracy and Ray Mansisidor. Yoshie Yamada, the sixth surviving member of the HHS class, was not present at the event.

Classmate Tom Ryan pushed for the reunion. He passed away at his Homedale residence a day before the event.

All of the classmates are either 92 or 93 years old.

Cegnar said there isn't any big secret to her longevity.

"Being in Homedale and loving all the people," she said. "I can't think of anything else."

She remembered that when they graduated, the school district superintendent wouldn't let them have a senior dance, citing his own religious concerns. Cegnar said a group of parents eventually talked the superintendent into holding the dance.

Law said she has rarely had a dull moment over the past nine decades.

"I was in the Navy," she said. "I've outlived two husbands. I have five daughters. I have six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. I love sports. I really like football."

Chadez said he has seen a lot of changes around town over the years.

"There wasn't too much here when I went to school," he said. "Now there's quite a bit, but there's not as much business now as there was in the '40s. It's died out a lot."

He also commented on the size of Homedale now compared to when he was attending HHS.

"It's probably about three times bigger than it was," Chadez said. "But I don't know what the population was when I was going to school."

Tracy believes that the key to a long life is avoiding what he calls "evil things."

"I was in World War II in the infantry and had a lot of very close calls," he said. "I survived and I didn't get a scratch while I was there. I think putting God first in my life makes all the difference. I never used alcohol or tobacco or illegal drugs. I don't drink soda or eat fast food much anymore."

Tracy estimates that there were only about 250 people living in Homedale when he was going to school. Now the city's population is more than 2,600.

Mansisidor said he looks back on his time at HHS with great fondness.

"Coming through high school was with the best bunch of people we ever had," he said. "Good, clean living. We had a good class."

Mansisidor added that he doesn't see his classmates as often as he'd like.

"They won't even let me drive, and I'm a good driver," he said.

Law pointed out that her family has ties to the roots of her hometown's history.

"My grandparents, William and Jane Thomas, came to Homedale in 1894," Law said. "They were the third family to move here. They were from Wales, and my grandmother helped to start the first church here in Homedale. She was a dyed-in-the-wool Methodist."

Mansisidor chimed in by saying that he credits Law for winning World War II while she was serving in the Navy.

The classmates said they hope to gather again for at least one more reunion.

# Marsing city audit revealed today

## Council could give residential subdivision official green light

Marsing Mayor James Ferdinand and the city council will get an update tonight on how well they're managing the town's finances.

The council meets at 7 p.m. inside City Hall, 425 Main St.

An audit report for Fiscal Year 2016 by accountant Jared Zwygart of Zwygart and Associates is the only item of new business listed on the agenda for tonight's meeting.

Final approval of the Meadow Brook residential subdivision could come tonight.

Council members gave unanimous preliminary approval last month to the development proposed by Les and Lavada Loucks.

The council will also consider a request tonight by Western Alliance for Economic Development executive director Tina Wilson.

She is seeking a letter of support for her latest economic development professional grant.

The application to the state Department of Commerce is due on May 2. If renewed, the WAED would receive \$28,000, which is \$2,000 less than what the organization received last time around.

The mayor's report section of the agenda lists a proposed \$500 contribution from the city to the 18<sup>th</sup> annual Leroy Breshears Kids Fishing Day. This year's event will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 3 at Island Park.

The mayor's report also shows that the council could set Aug. 9 as the public hearing date for the fiscal year 2018 budget.

The usual departmental reports also will be presented tonight.

# Road rage suspect arrested after struggle

## Grand View man faces numerous charges

After a brief scuffle, Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies arrested a Grand View man on a string of offenses Friday afternoon.

Peter Wood, 54, of Grand View is wanted for skipping a court appearance to answer to a driving under the influence charge in Nevada, too.

Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Wood was arrested after 1 p.m. on Friday on Idaho highway 78 near the Fossil Creek Recreation Area.

Wood apparently tried to get to his vehicle, a silver 2007 Ford Focus, after deputies had stopped him on a tip that he may be a suspect in a road rage incident in Canyon County.

When Wood scrambled for his vehicle, Bowman said, it took three deputies to forcibly handcuff him.

Bowman said a search of Wood's vehicle turned up a loaded revolver hidden under fabric in the driver's seat.

The chief deputy said the handgun and the vehicle matched the description of an incident on Idaho 45 in Canyon County minutes earlier in which a man allegedly waved a handgun at a fellow motorist.

Bowman said deputies detected the odor of alcohol on Wood during the struggle.

He was arrested for felony driving under the influence, grand theft of a firearm, aggravated assault, four counts of criminal possession of a missing or stolen bank card, resisting a law enforcement officer, possession of a loaded concealed weapon without a proper Idaho permit, driving without privileges, and possessing an open container of alcohol.

Wood's blood-alcohol concentration measured .146 when he was booked into county jail in Murphy.

Bowman said Wood may also face charges in Canyon County, and authorities in Nevada are willing to extradite the man on the felony DUI failure to appear bench warrant.

# Probationer accused of attempted strangulation

A Bruneau man on probation for less than a month has been arrested for allegedly attempting to strangle a woman.

River Gennette, 22, was taken into custody by Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies after reports of a man punching a woman while they traveled down the road near Bruneau.

"(The reporting party) followed them for a ways, and our deputies found them down near the Bruneau River and Hot Springs Road," sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said.

Gennette faces felony counts of attempted strangulation and domestic violence with traumatic injury. He also has been charged with misdemeanors of malicious injury to property and driving without privileges.

Bowman said the 19-year-old victim, a woman from Mountain Home, was transported to St. Luke's Medical Center in Mountain Home for treatment of her injuries.

Gennette was convicted of misdemeanor driving under the influence on March 13. At sentencing, he was ordered to enter a treatment program.

Bowman said the malicious injury to property charge stems from Gennette allegedly breaking out a vehicle's windshield. The DWP charge is because his driver's license was suspended after his DUI conviction.

Bowman expects a probation violation charge to be added.

# Out-of-towner charged with meth possession

A 52-year-old Twin Falls man was supposed to be in court Monday for a preliminary hearing on a felony drug charge.

Donnie Dee Brown was arrested on March 28 when Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a report of a vehicle parked in the middle of Old Bruneau Highway near Pershall Road.

He faces charges of felony controlled substance possession and misdemeanors of possession and paraphernalia possession. He posted a \$5,000 bond on March 31, one day after entering a not guilty plea to the misdemeanor charges.

Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Brown was found inside a blue 1984 Chevy Camaro parked in the middle of the road after 4:30 p.m. on March 28.

According to Bowman, Brown admitted to a deputy that he had a small amount of marijuana in the vehicle. A subsequent search of the vehicle turned up a methamphetamine pipe.



# CSI to host Wasden public lands talk

State Attorney General Lawrence Wasden will speak on public lands next Wednesday in Twin Falls.

Wasden, a one-time prosecuting attorney in Owyhee County, is scheduled to speak at 7:30 p.m. at the Herrett Forum on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

The attorney general will examine the various legal theories that surround the ownership of public lands in the West in his speech titled “Public Lands: What are They and Who Manages Them?”

Wasden’s talk will offer an Idaho perspective on the public lands issue that involves long-standing case law, the U.S. Constitution, and the Idaho Constitution.

The monthly forum is free and open to everyone. The doors at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science open a half-hour before Wasden’s lecture.

The Herrett Forum is a monthly series of presentations generally held the third Wednesday evening of each month during the school year.

Topics are coordinated by the Herrett Forum Committee, a group of community individuals dedicated to bringing high quality presentations to Twin Falls.

The Herrett Center is located on the north side of the CSI campus at the North College Road entrance.

# Several people escape injury on Idaho 78

## Motorist collides with horse outside Marsing

Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputies dealt with a couple of Marsing-area vehicle accidents last week.

A 31-year-old Hereford, Ore., man was cited for inattentive driving Thursday morning after he pulled into the path of an oncoming vehicle while attempting a U-turn on Idaho highway 78 south of Pershall Road.

Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Clinton Cooper was traveling with a group of four vehicles when the accident occurred around 7:30 a.m.

Cooper realized he had missed a turn and didn’t see the 1997 Jeep Grand Cherokee driven by Melba resident Analee Ponce, 24, when he tried to turn around, Bowman said.

Cooper, who was driving a 2009 Subaru Outback, was issued a misdemeanor citation, and both vehicles were towed.

Bowman said neither the drivers nor their passengers were hurt.

Cooper was traveling with a 31-year-old female, two male juveniles ages 13 and 11, and a 5-year-old girl.

Ponce’s passengers included a 7-year-old male and a baby boy.

## Horse owner responsible for damages from crash

A 41-year-old Marsing man was treated for facial cuts on April 3 after he rear-ended a horse running at-large on Idaho 55 near Van Road west of Marsing.

Bowman said J Merced Monter Gomez’s 1997 Mazda 626 received extensive damage when it collided with the horse while he was traveling west on the highway after 6:30 a.m.

“The driver said he did not see the horse because he was blinded by the headlights of oncoming traffic,” Bowman said.

Bowman said it was unknown if the horse had to be put down after the incident. The animal appeared to have injuries to its rear legs and lower back.

“It was having a hard time walking and moving around, however, it was upright,” Bowman said of the immediate aftermath.

The chief deputy said the horse’s owner, 18-year-old Amity Whitt of Marsing, would be responsible for damages to Monter Gomez’s vehicle because the horse got loose in a herd district.

Within herd districts, livestock owners are responsible for building secure fencing to corral animals. In this case, Bowman said, the horse escaped its corral.

— JPB

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# South Board users won't pay for Owyhee Project repairs

## Gem, Ridgeview producers see slight assessment increases

Some farmers in Eastern Oregon will pay \$4 more this year for their irrigation water.

The additional money will be used to make repairs to an aging irrigation system that provides water to 1,831 farms.

Last month board members of the Owyhee Irrigation District (OID) voted to raise assessments for irrigators from \$58 to \$62 an acre.

The increase will not affect South Board of Control patrons around Homedale and Marsing and in the Ridgeview district in Oregon.

Water users in the Gem Irrigation District will pay assessments of \$59.31 per acre this year, an increase of \$1.06. Patrons of the Ridgeview Irrigation District will pay \$59.71 an acre this growing season, up \$1.12 over last year.

South Board manager John Eells said bills for Gem and Ridgeview customers have increased about \$1 annually for the past three years.

The higher bill for OID patrons reflects a 6.9 percent increase. Since 1987, assessments have typically risen by about 4 percent annually.

This year's hike in Owyhee Irrigation District assessments will generate \$268,000 in additional funding for the district.

Owyhee district manager Jay Chamberlin said the most urgent repairs involve infrastructure

needs in the northern end of the project.

Eells said compared to what Chamberlin is facing, he doesn't have any immediate plans for such large improvements.

"There are eight to 12 steel structures of these pipes that run anywhere from the dam itself down through the canyon lands through Ontario that are just fatigued," Chamberlin said. "The dams and the distribution system were built on a 100-year life expectancy; we're at 85 years. In some cases, parts of this facility won't last 100 years. In other cases, it's going to last well beyond that."


The project delivers water from the Owyhee Reservoir to 118,000 acres of farmland in Southwest Idaho and Eastern Oregon.

The majority of the \$4 jump in assessments will include a \$2.50 increase on the normal operation and maintenance fee. Another \$1.50 from each patron will help pay for repairs to the Malheur Siphon.

The siphon is a 4.3-mile-long steel pipe that delivers up to 325 cubic feet per second of irrigation water from the Malheur Reservoir to farmers in the northern end of the system.

Chamberlin said legs supporting the pipe are not structurally adequate.

"The pipe has literally dropped in some areas," he said. "The




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Fri




55° 31°

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SNOTEL report, Owyhee County sensors

Snow Equiv.

Snow Depth

Year-to-date Precip.

(measured in inches)

Previous day's temperature

Max

Min

Avg

(measured in Fahrenheit)

Mud Flat

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Reynolds Creek

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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 96 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 3,119 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 3,740 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 688,597 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

legs are misaligned and literally the engineering firm said, 'Your pipe is failing.' It's been dying a slow death."

Boise engineering firm MWH Americas is designing a fix for the siphon, and the project is estimated to cost \$2 million.

While things are running smoothly for the South Board right now, Eells pointed out that he can't predict when a critical piece of infrastructure might break.

"I don't have anything nearly as big as what he's got going on

with that Malheur Siphon, but something could come up tomorrow," Eells said. "I don't have anything major like that on the docket, but if something goes south then you have to deal with it as it comes up."

— SC

## Marsing kinder registration approaches

Kindergarten pre-registration will take place next week at Marsing Elementary School.

Pre-registration and a chance to meet the kindergarten teaching staff will be held from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday and from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. next Wednesday.

Students must be 5 years old on or before

Sept. 1 to enroll for the 2017-18 school year.

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# Chamber leadership wants to spiff up downtown Homedale

## Parker suggests another round of banners

With more paid memberships bringing in more funds, Homedale Chamber of Commerce president Gavin Parker would like to give back to the community.

The Chamber president is floating the idea to use some money out of the Chamber’s checking account to buy new streetlight banners to improve the downtown core’s appearance.

At a recent Chamber meeting, Parker reported that paid memberships are up over a year ago.

“In the last month or so since we’ve been working on memberships, we’ve got 23 paid members,” he said during a gathering at The Bowling Alley. “We’ve collected \$1,190 from those 23 members. We’re up from 19 paid members last year.”

He expects checks from four or five more members in the coming days.

On Jan. 1, 2016 the Chamber had a checking account balance of \$11,739. That compares to a balance of \$11,788 at the beginning of this year.

Parker came up with the beautification idea after noticing some of the streetlight banners are weathered and probably need to be replaced.

“Maybe we need another batch of those with some type of theme,” Parker said.

In the past, the Chamber has split the cost of the streetlight banners with the Owyhee Gardeners Club.

City Clerk Alice Pegram said the city could use one of three budget lines to help purchase more banners. The funds could come from either the flags, civic pride or contingency budget lines.

Mayor Gheen Christoffersen has already started looking around for some new banners to replace ones that have been damaged by the weather.

Parker urged the mayor to keep him in the loop about the banners.

“That’s something we were in on from the beginning,” he said. “So let me know if we need to go halves on the cost of another round of signs.”

Keeping up with the beautification theme, Christoffersen reminded Chamber members about the city’s spring cleanup.

The cleanup will take place from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on two consecutive Saturdays (April 29 and May 6) seven days before the May 13 Angel Walk festivities.

“We’ll concentrate on the Angel Walk route,” Christoffersen said. “We’re also going to see if there’s any elderly citizens that need stuff picked up at their house.”

Community members are asked to call City Hall at (208) 337-4641 if they know of any elderly residents who may need help cleaning their yards or hauling trash off.

— SC

# Honor rolls

## Homedale Middle School

### Third quarter Eighth grade

**4.0 grade-point average** — Evans, Ainslee A.; Muir, Shane T.; and Pfof, Brooklyn M.

**3.99 to 3.5** — Breshears, John W., 3.857; Cardenas-Ritzert, Etenecia S., 3.857; Cline, Mayci E., 3.857; Miller, Madison G., 3.857; Missamore, Kaitlyn M., 3.857; Thornton, Emma R., 3.857; Ankeny, Jacob D., 3.833; DeWitt, Makenna R., 3.833; Parker, Emma P., 3.833; Smith, Ruger D., 3.714; Sosa, Yuridia G., 3.714; Christoffersen, Brayden A., 3.667; Conant, Emalie R., 3.667; King, Gwendolyn L., 3.667; Salazar, Roberto A., 3.667; Smith, Isabella R., 3.667; Symms, Thomas K., 3.667; Aguilera, Giovanni, 3.571; Santiago, Julio J., 3.571; Turner, Savannah R., 3.571; Bauer, Kylee E., 3.5; Gammel, Dakota R., 3.5; Miller, Mackenzie M., 3.5; Pate, Caitlyn D., 3.5; Taylor, Paige M., 3.5; and Turner, Kaydince M., 3.5

**3.49 to 3.0** — Contreras, Jace R., 3.429; Hernandez, Erik, 3.429; Nelson, Abigale M., 3.429; Carter, LouAnn M., 3.333; Cortez, Anahi, 3.333; Gomez Pacheco, Xiomara B., 3.333; McKay, Kenna M., 3.333; Mertz, Milo J., 3.333; Ford, Charlie E., 3.286; Love, Jace P., 3.286; Zavala, Jesus A., 3.286; Albor, Andres, 3.167; Campbell, Bowen C., 3.167; Egusquiza, Joseph D., 3.167; Jaramillo, Dulce N., 3.167; Rogers, Jannessa M., 3.167; Chavez, Chase A., 3.143; Maybon, Ashley A., 3.143; Strack, Barton R., 3.143; Villa, Alvaro, 3.143; Bedolla, Julian A., 3.0; Briano Rivas, Joaquin A., 3.0; Farrell, Nicole A., 3.0; Garrison, Emilee F., 3.0; Martinez Sanchez, Ventura, 3.0; Rojas, Miriam J., 3.0; Rotter, Gracie A., 3.0; Steinbach, Peyton N., 3.0; and Villaseñor Ramirez, Kevin G., 3.0

### Seventh grade

**4.0 GPA** — Conger, Summer R.; Durrant, Alexa L.; Fink, Breanna N.; Flores, Rose J.; Heck, Eli J.; Henry, Abigail C.; Larzelier, Belisia D.; Lejardi, John M.; Parker, Zaria R.; Tejeda Marroquin, Katherine A.; and Uranga, Téa A.

**3.99 to 3.5** — Haun, William G., 3.857; Hergesheimer, Elizabeth R., 3.857; Whitehead, Allison L., 3.857; Whitehead, Elizabeth R., 3.857; Diaz Hurtado, Daniela, 3.833; Nelson, Jordan L., 3.833; Hicks-Daniel,

Colton D., 3.714; Johnson, Ryker K., 3.714; Woodward, Tyler L., 3.714; Aberasturi, Amiya L., 3.667; Brown, Joshua D., 3.667; Guzman, Cassandra, 3.667; Ross, Whitney M., 3.667; Stafford, Sheali A., 3.667; Aguilera, Christopher, 3.571; Galvan, Marcus T., 3.571; Garcia, Maria P., 3.571; Martinez, Leonel d., 3.571; Swallow, Delaney D., 3.571; Vega Ayala, Brian A., 3.571; Vega, Cristal, 3.571; Belnap, Athen R., 3.5; Chavez-Gomez, Bryana S., 3.5; Liebschwager, Cody H., 3.5; and Santana, Esmeralda, 3.5

**3.49 to 3.0** — Cayford, Brianna N., 3.429; Fry, Kevin L., 3.429; Garcia, Maribel M., 3.429; McBride, Amber L., 3.429; TenHulzen, Tucker M., 3.429; Vega, Delia, 3.429; Franko, Austin M., 3.4; Hockenhull, Billy G., 3.286; Jimenez, Diana, 3.286; Martinez Jimenez, Natalia, 3.286; Ramirez-Sanchez, Daryl, 3.286; Scott, Bailey M., 3.286; Bullard, Justin S., 3.167; Criffield, Emma S., 3.167; Ruiz, Jesus, 3.167; Serrano, Daniela K., 3.167; Villines, Summer N., 3.167; Gonzalez-Vega, Yasmine, 3.143; Simmons, Marcus A., 3.143; Kelly, Cheyenne S., 3.0; and Sanchez, Maria I., 3.0

### Sixth grade

**4.0 GPA** — Fisher, Trenton A.; Frank, Maite I.; Parker, Jacy C.; Purdom, Bailey R.; and Waters, Andres D.

**3.99 to 3.5** — Christoffersen, Katie L., 3.833; Decker, Catherine G., 3.833; Garrett, Kambell L., 3.833; Love, Rylan J., 3.833; Aman, Ryan E., 3.667; Binford, Rylan J., 3.5; Chavez, Angel J., 3.5; Detbun, Pheeraphat, 3.5; Grigg, Sophia F., 3.5; Kent, Jaxson S., 3.5; Layne, Jeffrey A., 3.5; Mercado, Erika D., 3.5; Rooks, Trenton W., 3.5; and Shaffer, Gabe D., 3.5

**3.49 to 3.0** — Aceves, Juan A., 3.333; Albor Cortez, Yocelyn, 3.333; Cooper, Chase B., 3.333; Ferguson, Karisma V., 3.333; Miller, Olivia B., 3.333; Pedraza, Daniella T., 3.333; Reyes Silva, Lorena, 3.333; Rios Cardenas, Omar, 3.333; Rodriguez, Zul Anela N., 3.333; Stewart, LaRae G., 3.333; Taylor, Amanda R., 3.333; Vega, Baltazar, 3.333; Brown, Riley J., 3.167; Egusquiza, Elizabet M., 3.167; Garcia Robledo, Mariana, 3.167; Mata Lamas, Marysol, 3.167; Mendez, Israel L., 3.167; Morris, Kayden L., 3.167; Sanchez Linares, Yaneli, 3.167; Badiola, Sage M., 3.0;

Hurtado, Gabriel, 3.0; Jerome, Faye C., 3.0; Monreal, Jazmin A., 3.0; and Stebly, Ashley D., 3.0

### Fifth grade

**4.0 GPA** — Ankeny, Braden P.; Asumendi, Olivia B.; Barrett, Mylisa L.; Belnap, Elijah B.; Chase, Hannah G.; Christensen, Bobby W.; Christiansen, Cooper J.; Cornejo, Yesenia; Erickson, Savannah Y.; Escutia-Vasquez, Jose V.; Greene, Jamie M.; Hall, Abagale K.; Heck, Lexie A.; Heng, Heidi E.; Johnson, Brock G.; Larzelier, Isana B.; Lomeli, Jose D.; McKay, Keegan G.; Montes, Jeremiah J.; Neeser, Trinity C.; Ortiz-Ponce, Izmael J.; Peirsol, David J.; Perry, Rena A.; Quezada, Arlett; Rayne, Sadie M.; Rich, Raquel N.; Romriell, Corey T.; Roseborough, Jocelynn S.; Shaffer, Ahna; Shippy, Carlin P.; Thomas, Lita A.; Vega Aguilera, Anthony; Waltman, Grant M.; Whitehead, Melani R.; and Zavala, Jacqueline A.

**3.99 to 3.5** — Colyer, Korina A., 3.833; Coronado, Kaleb E., 3.833; Goettling, Bella L., 3.833; Marston, Andrew W., 3.833; Smith, Cali M., 3.833; Zamudio, Alexander A., 3.833; Barnard, Deonna N., 3.8; Cortes, Eric, 3.8; Garrett, Kinlee D., 3.8; Lee, Shawn W., 3.8; Mendoza Escutia, Jose R., 3.8; Monreal, Salvador F., 3.8; Moore, Carlie R., 3.8; Rogers, Kaytlin M., 3.8; Vega, Diego A., 3.8; Volk-ers, Brayden D., 3.8; Zaragoza, Alizeya I., 3.8; Alvor, Ashanti L., 3.667; Ball, Rylee G., 3.667; Porter, Kaden J., 3.667; Redburn, Madeline R., 3.667; Reynolds, Heather C., 3.667; Villa Galvez, Omar, 3.667; Hall, Zayne D., 3.6; Robinson, Jackson G., 3.6; Sosa Rubio, Alondra, 3.6; Tines, Elias D., 3.6; Stafford, Alissa R., 3.5; Thornton, Hayden J., 3.5; and Vega, Gabriel, 3.5

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# Dean’s Lists

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Katie Johnson, a Grand View resident, has been placed on the 2017 winter term Dean’s List at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande, Ore.

To qualify for the Dean’s List, students must maintain a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale while completing a minimum of 12 hours of graded coursework for the duration of the term.

Local students on the Treasure Valley Community College 2016 winter quarter honor list:

**President’s List (4.0 grade-point average)** — Jett Vernon Warn, Jordan Valley

**Dean’s List (3.75 to 3.99 GPA)** — Elise Ann Shenk, Homedale

**Honor Roll (3.5 to 3.74 GPA)** — David Abraham Ayotte, Marsing; and Katie Ann Walker, Adrian





Adrian Drama wraps “Shrek” run

The Adrian High School Drama Club cast poses after one of its three performances of Broadway play “Shrek.” The play was presented on Thursday, Friday and Saturday under the direction of Lorine VanCorbach with assistance from Rebecca Hansen. AHS Photography

Homedale Highway District crew deals with sign vandals, potholes

Mischievous vandals kept the Homedale Highway District crew busy during Spring Break, and now the staff is looking toward road projects with warmer weather.

Director of Highways Stew Constantine said he’s waiting for more consistent temperatures 65 degrees or warmer before putting his guys to work on road repairs after the snowy months.

“The biggest thing was this winter,” he said. “What a whack that was. We have a few (pot-holes) cropping up, but most have been taken care of.”

The Homedale crew just finished a project on River Road, but Constantine said warmer temperatures are necessary before the crew can return to repave the crossing.

The biggest work for the main-tenance staff came during a seven-hour stretch on March 29 after culprits uprooted road signs and stop signs and also painted on other signs.

The district escaped the cost of replacing signs, but spent nearly \$300 on personnel costs to put signs back in their proper locations.

“They didn’t destroy any signs,” Constantine said.

“The stop signs and road name signs are attached to anchors, so they just wiggled the heck of them and pulled them out and just left them laying there.”

According to an Owyhee County Sheriff’s dispatch report, the affected intersections were found north, south and west of the

Homedale city limits, including three roads that cross Idaho highway 19 (Purdom Lane, Williams Lane and North Side Road), North Side and Hill Roads, Graveyard Point and Johnstone roads and Market and Jump Creek roads.

“They painted a couple, but we got paint remover and got that off,” Constantine said.

Constantine said sign vandalism happens about every four months — usually when youths are out of school on a break of some kind.

“The biggest scare is when they take out a stop sign,” he said, alluding to the traffic hazard it could cause with vehicles approaching an intersection left unregulated because of vandals’ actions.

— JPB

Game day continues at Homedale center

Organizers have decided to provide game days on Wednesdays at the Homedale Senior Center through the end of the month.

Pinochle games open to all ages have been played at the senior center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., since last month. Organizers are confident that the effort to open the center to a more diverse crowd will catch on, so they’re continuing pinochle and other games — as requested by the players — at least through the end of the month.

Games for all ages and skill levels will be played from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. today, next Wednesday and April 26. If enough interest is generated, organizers would like to make the game days a weekly occurrence at least through the summer.

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.

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

Folks who have no experience with the games needn’t worry because seasoned players will be on hand to teach the rules.

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.

Driver’s ed available in Marsing

Students outside Marsing welcome, too

An informational meeting for students and parents regarding driver’s education will be held Tuesday in Marsing.

The Caldwell School District driver’s education program is offering classes at Marsing High School again from May 30 to June 30.

All students from any districts and those who are home-schooled will be accepted into the program as space permits.

The meeting for parents and students is set for 6 p.m. on Tuesday inside the Marsing schools cafeteria.

Online pre-registration is required. After students obtain learners’ permits from the Division of Motor Vehicles, they can visit [www.driversed.caldwellschools.org](http://www.driversed.caldwellschools.org) and click on “Online Pre-Registration.” The DMV charges \$21.50 for permits, and material required at the DMV to obtain the permit includes a Verification of Compliance form from the high school office, an original, state-issued birth certificate, photo identification for both the student and parent, and the student’s

Social Security number.

Students must be 14½ years old on or before the day they purchase their permit.

The class fee is \$185, and only cash or checks are accepted. Payment plans are available with a \$100 deposit at Tuesday’s registration and the final payment due on the day of the first class.

Students and parents must bring to registration: the driver’s permit receipt, and at least the first \$100 of the class fee.

For more information, call or text Pam Howard at (208) 880-9695, email [driversed@caldwellschools.org](mailto:driversed@caldwellschools.org) or visit [www.driversed.caldwellschools.org](http://www.driversed.caldwellschools.org).

Homedale FFA banquet scheduled Monday

Fresh off the FFA state convention, Homedale’s chapter is preparing for its year-end banquet.

Invitations to members’ parents and community supporters have gone in the mail, but the event is open to everyone.

The banquet will be held at 6:30 p.m., on Monday inside the Homedale High School cafeteria, 203 E. Idaho Ave.

During the tri-tip dinner, the chapter will recognize members’ accomplishments throughout the year. The 2017-18 chapter officer team will be installed, too.

Chapter members attended the state convention in Twin Falls last Wednesday through Saturday. No information on contest results was available at press time.

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## Archaeologist to discuss historic graveyards

With better weather and road conditions, the story of old graveyards will finally be told at the Bruneau Valley Library next Wednesday.

Idaho native Molly Humphries will discuss historic cemeteries, and folks showing up for the free luncheon and presentation will learn that, despite their differences, the final resting places really are somber — and sometimes humorous — museums of our ancestry.

The event begins at noon next Wednesday at the library, 32073 Ruth St., in Bruneau.

Born and raised in Mountain Home, Humphries earned her Bachelor's degree in Anthropology and her Master's degree in Historic Archaeology and History from Boise State University.

She has been a practicing archaeologist and historian in Idaho for nearly 30 years, and she has done much of her archaeological work in Owyhee County.

Humphries was scheduled to make her presentation in January, but the program had to be rescheduled because of heavy snowfall.

A light luncheon will precede Humphries' talk. While there is no cost for the event, organizers ask for RSVPs to ensure enough space is available and enough food is prepared.

Call (208) 845-2282 or (208) 845-2131 before Monday to ensure enough resources are available for the event.

## Essential oils class in Homedale

Folks can learn about the use of essential oils this week.

The free Essential Oils Class 101 will be held Thursday and Saturday at Homedale Christian Church, 110 E. Montana Ave.

The Thursday class runs from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., and the Saturday class will go from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

The class will teach the use of natural essential oils for family, household applications and pets.

Space is limited, so call (208) 989-0885 to RSVP for either class.

Babysitting is available, and there will be prizes.

“Think of ways to encourage one another to outbursts of love and good deeds.”  
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### “Women’s Spring Tea” “Encouragement through Christ”

**Women invited: 8 years and older.**  
**Date: May 6, 2017; 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

Location: Friends Community Church; 17434 US-95, Wilder, ID 83676.

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Bring: A favorite Tea Cup of choice.

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(For more information, to volunteer or to RSVP, please call Angie @ 208-859-0160 so we can plan for your visit)



### Silver Spurs 4-H has new officers

The Owyhee Silver Spurs 4-H club elected officers at its March general meeting. **Back row, from left:** Llee Loucks (treasurer), Jessie Wood (vice-president), Harlee Ferdinand (reporter). **Front row, from left:** Regan Stansell (secretary), Makenna Renteria (president), Mila Astorquia (reporter), Tyler Thompson (sergeant-at-arms). Submitted photo



### South Mountain 4-H begins fair prep

The South Mountain 4-H club is looking forward to a great year after weighing in nine steers during the Owyhee County beef weigh-in held March 4. Six steers and three backup animals were weighed at Todd and Shelley Gluch's Jordan Valley-area ranch. Club members include, from left, Allyson Reynolds, Cassity Gluch, Kelsey Gluch, Jayden Skinner (front), Kendra Williams and Shailee Rutan. Submitted photo

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# Homedale musicians enter home stretch

## Seattle festival trip looms next week

The Homedale High School music department began a busy final few weeks Monday morning. Singers attended the District III Choir Festival at Ridgevue High School in Nampa on Monday. Music director John Zieske leads the high school bands and choir in their spring concert at

6:30 p.m. today inside the HHS gymnasium.

The District III Band Festival will be held next Wednesday at Vallivue High School in Caldwell. Homedale performs at 8:50 a.m.

The district competition is the final warm-up for the musicians' trip to the Seattle Heritage Festival.

The concert band and choir will leave the school by bus at 7 a.m. on Thursday, April 20 to start the journey. The contingent returns on Sunday, April 23.

The band will perform on the afternoon of Friday, April 21

at Chief Sealth High School in Seattle. The choir performance takes place on the morning of Saturday, April 22 at the Auburn Performing Arts Center in Auburn, Wash.

Other upcoming performances include:

• **Parma Jazz Night** — The high school jazz band performs at Parma High School on Tuesday, May 2. The event features several high school jazz bands as well as a local community jazz band.

• **Middle school May concert** — The fifth- and sixth-grade bands play on their home turf at 6:30 p.m. inside the Homedale Middle School gymnasium.

• **High school pops concert** — The bands and choir will present their final performances of the school year at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 11 at the high school gymnasium.

# Art in the Park details coming together

## 30 vendors confirmed for Marsing event

The ranks of those participating in the third annual Marsing Wine and Art in the Park continue to grow.

This year's event will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Saturday, May 6 at Island Park.

New Marsing Chamber of Commerce president Julie Scheu said K&R Kettle Corn and Crooked Fence Brewing Co., of Eagle are the latest businesses to sign up for a booth.

Scheu said 30 vendors have registered for the event.

"We've really been working it," she said. "I think next year it's going to be even a better focus on what we're looking for. I would say it's a little artsy-craftsy this year, and not so much wine and high-end pieces. I don't know what that's going to look like next year."

Next month's community gathering is sponsored, in part, by the Sunny Slope Wine Trail.

Several wineries from the Sunny Slope area will be selling wine by the glass.

"It'll be one large booth, probably quite an extended booth with quite a few wineries," Scheu said. "All those proceeds are donated, they do not go back to the winery."

The Chamber will use event proceeds to finance this year's Third of July Celebration of Our Nation fireworks display.

Live music will also be featured during Wine and Art in the Park. Marsing resident Dan Sevy's band "Wrong Turn" will perform from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Emily Tipton Band from Boise will take the stage from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

A live birds of prey presentation by the Bureau of Land Management is also planned, along with a demonstration by Fireball Alpacas from the Sunny Slope area.

Vendors have until the end of the month to reserve a space at "Wine and Art in the Park."

For more information on the event, email marsingchamber@gmail.com or call Scheu at (208) 859-2087. — SC

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## Three Antelopes win five Prairie City track events

Senior Wes White swept the sprints to highlight Adrian High School's stay at the Prairie City Invitational.

Sophomores Roby Young (girls' triple jump) and Sadey Speelmon (800 meters) also collected gold medals Saturday.

White won the 100 (11.92 seconds), the 200 (24.3) and the 400 (52.84), while

teammate James Ellsworth, a sophomore, posted a personal-best 1 minute, 1.77 seconds to grab fifth in the 400.

Speelmon ran a 2:58.58 time in the 800, and senior teammate Lauren Barraza was just .15 of a second behind with a PR that gave her runner-up status. Barraza also finished second in the 1,500 at 5:54.41.

Young's best jump of the season (33 feet, 1½ inches) topped the field in the triple jump. She was second in the high jump at 4-8, and senior teammate Selina Villarreal was third at 4-4.

Junior Shyanne Allaire's PR of 31-5¾ was good enough for third in the girls' shot put.

Villarreal (14.39 in the 200) and sophomore Shayla Griffin (1:12.9 in the 400) were runners-up in their events.

In the boys' meet, Ellsworth was runner-up in the 1,500 at 4:58.3.

Drake Wilson was second in the shot put at 39.2, and fellow senior Kenny Purnell was discus runner-up at 114-10.

## Locals show talents at Homedale Invitational



**Top:** Homedale High School junior Tony Baltierrez clears the bar during his drive to fourth place in the high jump. **Left:** Marsing freshman Reynaldo Aguirre keeps pace in one of the two longest distance races of the meet. Photos by Dan Pease

## Huskies' distance team carries day at Bell

The value of a cross country program is becoming evident for the Marsing High School track and field squad.

Distance runners reigned for the Huskies during the Homedale Invitational on April 4.

Junior Landry Villa, who is competing in his third and fourth sports this spring, turned in his best 3,200 meters of the season to finish second in 11 minutes, 33.06 seconds.

Villa, who is also golfing for the Huskies, was one of four teammates to finish in the top 10 in the longest race of the afternoon on the Deward Bell Stadium track.

Dalton Withers and Matthew Lee, both juniors, were fourth and fifth, respectively. Withers clocked in a 11:53.18, while Lee posted a season-best 11:59.96. Freshman Reynaldo Aguirre finished eighth in 12:36.59.

In the 1,600, Villa was fourth in 5:28.84, Withers finished fifth (5:29.05) and Lee seventh with another season-best time (5:38.05).

Senior Sam Galligan grabbed fifth in the boys' shot put at 37 feet, 5 inches, and sophomore teammate Taj Jacobi was an inch behind for sixth. Junior Gavin Thorud's personal-record

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## Trojans boys' 4x100 team still perfect

The home folks saw flashes of speed and power during the Homedale Invitational.

"The kids competed well," Homedale High School track and field coach Heidi Ankeny said.

"It's always nice to be on your home track. It takes away some of the nerves and relaxes the kids a little."

Homedale senior Jacob Furlott swept the shortest sprints and put the finishing touches on another blistering 4x100-meter relay victory at Deward Bell Stadium on April 4.

Girls' sprinter Carlie Sawyer, also a senior, won three events and finished runner-up in a fourth as the Trojans finished third behind fellow 3A Snake River Valley conference members Weiser (first) and Fruitland.

The Trojans' boys' squad finished fourth in the team competition, trailing champion Fruitland, runner-up Weiser and third-place Liberty Charter, a Class 1A school in Nampa.

Junior Max Mertz led off Homedale's boys' 4x100, and freshmen Michael Babcock and Caleb

Smith ran the middle legs. The Trojans finished in 45.18 seconds, which was .12 of a second slower than their top time of 45.06 on March 17 in Ontario, Ore.

The school record is safe — for now. Trent Acree, Matt Holloway, Mark Vance and David Liddell ran a 43.88-second race during the 3A state championship meet, snapping the record for the third time in as many weeks in 2007.

But, a decade later, the current crop of speedy Trojans are unbeaten in four outings and champing at the bit as the Middleton Invitational at the site of May's state meet looms Thursday.

The team hasn't been able to crack 45 seconds, but the quartet has been consistent:

- 45.54 seconds at the March 10 Parma Ice Breaker
  - 45.06 at the March 17 Ontario Ice Breaker
  - 45.39 at the March 24 in New Plymouth
- Coach Heidi Ankeny held her sprinters out of the

— See *Trojans*, page 3B



Sports

Pirates plunder Trojans behind six errors

Baseball: HHS suffers first 3A SRV loss

Homedale High School's bats got started late last week, and it cost the Trojans their three-game win streak.

Ben Lee doubled and scored on a wild pitch in the bottom of the seventh on April 4, but Homedale couldn't complete a comeback against Payette at John Jackson Field.

The Pirates slid into first place in the 3A Snake River Valley conference after a 3-2 victory. Homedale (7-3 overall, 2-1 in conference) slipped a half-game back.

Taking advantage of Homedale's six errors, Payette scored unearned runs in the second, fourth and fifth innings to build a 3-0 edge against Jake Deal, who did it all for the Trojans.

The right-hander went the distance, striking out seven, allowing just one walk and scattering five hits as Homedale's pitching staff continued to hold up in the face of inconsistent hitting.

He also lined a single back through the box to drive in Drew Deal and get one run back in the bottom of the fifth inning. Jake was thrown out trying to steal



Jake Deal pitches during last week's conference loss to Payette in which he struck out seven and allowed no earned runs. Photo by Dan Pease

second as the inning stalled. Drew had started the inning with a double.

The Trojans had another chance in the sixth when Jaylen Hilton and Jordan Packer drew two-out walks before Bryce Marshall relieved Mason Rynearson and struck out Drew Deal to end the threat.

Rynearson knocked in a run for the Pirates, and he and Bryant Gerdes came up with doubles.

**April 3: Homedale 10, Parma 2** — The Trojans emptied the

bullpen and unleashed late offense to win their second conference game of the season on the road.

Six pitchers went to the mound for coach Burke Deal during the seven-inning game with Hayden Burke doing the most work.

Burke struck out five, walked none and allowed two hits in three relief innings to get the victory. He pitched out of a two-out jam with two runners on in the bottom of the fifth inning after Homedale had gained a 4-2 advantage.

Trojans hurlers allowed only four hits.

Parma scored two runs — including an unearned run on one of Homedale's two errors — to tie the game, 2-2, in the bottom of the first inning.

The Trojans didn't get the lead back until scoring twice in the fifth inning. Drew Deal led off with a single, and he and Ben Lee scored on the same error to break the deadlock.

Parma committed three of its four miscues as the floodgates opened and Homedale scored eight runs in its final three at-bats.

Jake Deal had an RBI single in the sixth inning, and Drew Deal clubbed an RBI double in the seventh.

Drew Deal was 3-for-4 with three runs scored, and Jake Deal and Wyatt Dorsey knocked in two runs apiece.

Drew Taylor was 2-for-4.

# Homedale Trojans

## Athlete Spotlight

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**Baseball**  
Hayden Burke, sr., pitcher  
5 strikeouts, 2 hits in relief during win over Parma

**Softball**  
Allison Shenk, jr., CF  
Hit .556 (5-for-9), 7 runs, 4 RBI in two SRV wins

**Track and field**  
Max Mertz, jr., jumps, relay  
Served on winning 4x100 team, 2nd in triple jump, 3rd in long jump

**Golf**  
Shanlee Swallow, freshman  
First-year golfer is Trojans' lone girl

**Tennis**  
Isabel Hernandez, jr., girls' singles  
Trojans' No. 1 rallied to crucial win vs. Payette

**Baseball**  
Varsity  
Tuesday, April 18 at Weiser, 5 p.m.  
Wednesday, April 19, home vs. Nyssa, Ore., 5 p.m.  
Junior varsity  
Wednesday, April 12, home vs. Marsing, 5 p.m.  
Thursday, April 13, home vs. Baker, Ore., 5 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 18, home vs. Weiser (includes completion of suspended game), 5 p.m.  
Wednesday, April 19, home vs. Nyssa, Ore., 2 p.m.

**Softball**  
Varsity  
Friday, April 14 at Filer (2), 4 p.m. and 6 p.m.  
Saturday, April 15 at Buhl (2), 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 18 at Weiser, 5 p.m.  
Junior varsity  
Wednesday, April 12, home vs. Marsing, 5 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 18, home vs. Weiser, 5 p.m.

**Track and field**  
Thursday, April 13 at Middleton Invitational, 3:30 p.m.

**Tennis**  
Thursday, April 13, home vs. Parma, 4 p.m.  
Monday, April 17 at Nyssa, Ore., 4 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 18 at Fruitland, 4 p.m.

**Golf**  
Wednesday, April 12 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet (nine holes), Rolling Hills GC, Weiser, 3 p.m.  
Monday, April 17 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet (nine holes), Scotch Pines GC, Payette, 3 p.m.

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Sports

Forfeit forces stalemate for HHS girls' tennis

Mixed duos get only boys' point

The slowly developing Homedale High School tennis season entered conference play last week.

Playing just their second match of the season, the Trojans lost the boys' meet and split the girls' matches against Payette at Bette Uda City Park.

The match was switched to Homedale because of an overbooking situation at the Payette courts. Coach Scott Michaelson's HHS squad now will travel to the Pirates' home turf on April 20 for the second-half 3A Snake River Valley conference matchup.

**Girls: Homedale 3, Payette 3** — The Pirates pulled off a split because of the Trojans' forfeit at No. 3 singles.

Homedale No. 1 singles player Isabel Hernandez, a junior, rallied

from a first-set loss to beat Liz Mason, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3 in another pivotal match.

The Trojans won all three top-flight matches. Mikayla Smith and Makayla Kelly defeated Megan McKenzie and Aubree Bradshaw at No. 1 girls' doubles, and Ryan Randall and Sarah Jones routed Sage Balls and Kaitlyn Mason, 6-1, 6-1, in first mixed doubles.

**Boys: Payette 5, Homedale 1** — Jessica Evans and Austin Conant teamed up to blank Edgar Huerta and Kailaui George, 6-0, 6-0, in the No. 2 mixed doubles match for half a point.

The Randall-Jones victory in the top mixed doubles match provided the other half-point for the Trojans' only points in the boys' ladder.

Homedale No. 1 singles player Ben Holloway won the first set before Bryce Blake rallied for a 4-6, 6-3, 6-3 victory.



Mikayla Smith



Ryan Randall



Makayla Kelly



Sarah Jones

Dakota Kelly continues to crush conference softball competition

Trojans rout two more SRV foes; fall to La Grande

Dakota Kelly apparently has a 3A Snake River Valley conference player of the year encore in mind.

Wielding an impressive bat and a powerful right arm, the junior has dominated in Homedale High School's first three conference wins.

A day after firing a five-inning no-hitter at Parma, Kelly held Payette to a pair of singles in a 10-0 conference victory April 4 at Sundance Park.

In two conference games last week, Kelly hit .667 (6-for-9) with a home run and seven RBI. Including the SRV-opening win against Weiser on March 21, she has struck out 34 batters and allowed five hits in 17 conference innings. She's hitting .538 with a home run, a double and seven RBI in 3A SRV play.

The Trojans (7-6-1 overall, 3-0 3A SRV) unloaded on Payette with Megan Maxwell and Josey Hall drilling home runs during a five-run fourth inning.

Homedale held a 3-0 lead after

one inning, and Kelly wasn't going to let much happen. She struck out 10 and walked none, and the Trojans played perfect defense behind her.

Homedale scored with two outs in the bottom of the fifth to end the game via the 10-run rule.

Kelly continued to tear up opposing pitching, too. She was 3-for-4 with two RBI from the cleanup spot. Maxwell and Hall knocked in three runs each.

Kaylee DeWitt and Rian Beebe also scored runs and collected one RBI apiece. Allison Shenk tripled and scored twice.

**Saturday: La Grande, Ore., 16-14, Homedale 6-5** — The Trojans ran into a hard-hitting 4A Oregon school in a non-conference doubleheader.

The Tigers (7-2 overall) jumped out to big leads in both games at Sundance Park, amassing 31 hits in 12 innings.

Homedale crept to within two runs, 7-5, in the opener, but La Grande scored nine runs over its final three at-bats to trigger the 10-run rule after five innings.

Breann Givens was 4-for-4 with five RBI and a double for La Grande in Game 1. Lexee Gomes doubled and drove in four runs for the visitors.

Kelly knocked in all six HHS runs, going 3-for-3 with two doubles and a home run. Kendall Nash was 2-for-3, and she and Allison Shenk scored two runs each.

La Grande again started fast in

the second game, taking a 13-1 lead before Homedale rallied for four runs in the third inning.

Freshman Allie Brock shut down the Trojans over the final four innings, scattering six hits and fanning 13 without a walk.

The Trojans took advantage of three errors to score four unearned runs. Kendall Nash was 2-for-4 with two runs scored, and Shenk collected a pair of RBI.

Kelly and Megan Maxwell also knocked in runs.

La Grande pounded out 18 hits, including three each from Givens, Brock, Jayce Seavert, and Alaina Carson. Seavert drove in four runs.

**April 3: Homedale 29, Parma 0 (5)** — Everyone got in on the act during the Trojans' conference victory on the road.

Kelly pitched a five-inning no-hitter and blasted a grand slam, going 3-for-5 with five RBI. She also struck out nine Panthers.

Sophie Nash drove in a career-high seven runs while going 3-for-6 with a double, and Shenk scored five runs and had a double and four RBI.

With the junior varsity idle because the Panthers don't have a team, Abby Gray continued to make waves with the varsity. She was 3-for-4 with four runs scored and three RBI, and she ripped one of the Trojans' four doubles.

Homedale had 22 hits and blew open a scoreless game with 14 runs in the second inning.



Dakota Kelly

✓Trojans: Eva Symms takes throws again

From Page 1B individual races in New Plymouth to conserve energy, but last week in front of the home crowd, the restraints came off.

Furlott swept the 100 and 200 with times of 11.28 and 23.18, respectively. Smith was fourth in the 100 (11.87) and fifth in the 200 (24.06), while Babcock finished sixth in both races (12.09 and 24.43).

"The freshman boys continue to run well, too, trailing not too far behind the lead runners in the 100 and 200," Ankeny said.

Another freshman, Marsing transfer Adonis Stelzried spent the week sick, but Ankeny expects he'll be back to run in the 200 and 400 on Thursday at the Middleton Invitational.

Mertz saved his legs for the jumps. He was runner-up in the triple jump at 39 feet, 8½ inches, and grabbed third in the triple jump (19-6½).

The Homedale girls also put up good numbers in the sprints.

Sawyer won the 100 in 13.58, while Lainey Johnson was runner-up in three sprints. The junior clocked times of 13.93 in the 100 and 29.09 in the 200. She was

second in the 400, but no accurate time is available.

Sawyer also won the long jump, leading three top-five Trojans with a 16-5 leap. Junior Ashley Burks (14-8½) was second, and freshman Maggie Johnson (13-9) finished fifth.

Sawyer (200) and Lainey Johnson (400) ran the final two legs in the Trojans' victorious sprint medley run. Maggie Johnson and Burks opened with a pair of 100-meter segments, and the Trojans finished in 2:00.56.

Junior Eva Symms and senior Carli Swallow went 1-2 in the throws with Symms winning the discus (112-0) and the shot put (33-1), and Swallow notching a



Jacob Furlott



Eva Symms

season-best 32-10 in the shot put and clearing 98 feet in the discus.

Sawyer, Maggie Johnson, junior Ember Christensen and Burks were second, third, fourth and fifth in the triple jump. Junior Fabienne Wechsler finished ninth.

Christensen was third in the 300 hurdles at 58.5.

Sophomore Kelsey Taylor set a personal record by finishing fourth in the girls' 1,600-meter run in 6 minutes, 55.51 seconds.

On the boys' side, freshman Matthew Randall was third 1,600 (5:23.08) and 3,200 (11:46.07).

Kendall Freelove finished fourth in the boys' discus with a PR of 107-06, and junior Tony Baltierrez kept up his consistency with a 5-2 effort for fifth in the high jump.

Freshman Gage Purdom was fourth in the 400 with a PR of 57.4, while senior Jordan Van Es grabbed sixth in 58.21.

"We couldn't have pulled off such a good meet without all of our volunteers," Ankeny said. "They stuck it out with us through the cold wind. I am as well as coaches from the other schools are very thankful for them."

Homedale JV loses first conference softball game

In its first action since Spring Break, the Homedale High School junior varsity softball team dropped its first conference game.

An eighth-inning run-scoring double sent Payette to a 12-11 victory in a 3A Snake River Valley conference game played April 4 on the Pirates' field.

Homedale (8-3-1 overall, 1-1 in 3A SRV) amassed 17 hits, including three apiece from Gracie Dines, DeLaynie Dorsey

and Lizzy Schamber.

Payette managed 20 hits against Schamber and Dines.

Savana Buckley doubled and drove home two runs, while Dorsey had a double and three RBI. Austyn Kerbs was 2-for-3 with a triple and two runs scored.

A planned non-conference doubleheader on the road against La Grande, Ore., was cancelled Saturday because of a lack of enough players for the home team.

Trojans player presents free youth baseball clinic

Drew Taylor is coordinating the Homedale Youth Baseball Clinic on Saturday.

The free clinic is part of the Homedale High School baseball player's Senior Project.

The event is open to boys and girls ages 8-14 and takes place from noon to 4 p.m. at John Jackson Field in Homedale.

Participants must bring mitts, bats and cleats.

Call Taylor at (208) 994-8431 for more information.



Drew Taylor



# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

April 15, 1992

### Commissioners open bids for new jail construction

Forty-two bids were presented to the Owyhee County Commissioners Monday afternoon proposing to do construction work on the new criminal justice building at Murphy.

The county approved a \$1.6 million bond for the facility last year, and the commissioners added an additional \$100,000 from the building fund budget, for a total of \$1.7 million for the project.

Awarding of bids, which were submitted on 15 various phases and types of construction, will be made Friday afternoon, after the commission voted to take the bids under advisement.

However, preliminary calculations of the low bids totaled just over \$1.5 million, bringing in the total cost predicted to be under the moneys available.

There, are, however, other expenses not included in the bidding which will be taken out: the architect fee of \$122,000, and the general manager fee of \$55,000.

### Fire Dept. to sell fireworks

The Marsing City Council will allow only the sale of “safe and sane” fireworks within city limits this year, as required by state law.

The council heard a report from Ron Wilper, city attorney, on the state’s fireworks law at Wednesday night’s council meeting.

They had asked Wilper to look into the legality of the council amending city ordinance to allow the fire department to sell fireworks classified as “dangerous” by the state.

The fire department had planned to require individuals purchasing the fireworks to sign a form saying they would not set the fireworks off in the state of Idaho.

However, Wilper told the council the state law clearly does not allow for the sale of fireworks to the general public, other than those classified as “safe and sane.”

### Chamber elects new officers

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce recently elected new officers and board members.

Kevin Barlow, Dorine Dye and Larry Bauer are now on the board of directors.

Barlow also serves as vice-president and chairperson for the retail committee. Bauer is the chairperson for the local government committee.

Other board members include Kevin Rountree, Mike Parker, Duane Emery, Mike Matteson, Ed Perkins, Steve Forrey, Joe Favinger and Brenda Watts.

Forrey is also president, Favinger is past president and program committee chairperson, and Watts serves as secretary/ treasurer.

Perkins is the chairperson for the membership committee.

### Freeby named new principal

The Homedale School Board named the new elementary principal for next year at the board’s regular meeting Monday night.

Scott Freeby, who has been Melba’s principal, was named to the position. Freeby currently lives in Nampa.

The position was left vacant for next year when Herb Fritzley announced his retirement last fall.

### Huskies split two; beat Adrian, lose to Melba

The Marsing baseball squad played a light schedule last week with single games at Adrian and Melba. The Huskies split the two, beating Adrian at home 4-1, and losing at Melba to the Mustangs 8-3.

Marsing coach Don Heller attributed the loss at Melba to a shorthanded team. “We lost some players to disciplinary problems,” said Heller, but added that several of those who did play had good performances.

“Benji Bowers, Chad Showalter and Casey Percifield all had good games for us,” Heller said.

## 50 years ago

April 13, 1967

### School district lowers mill levy, buys ten acres at meet

The mill levy was cut three mils from last year’s tax rate when the school board from Joint School District No. 370 met at their regular meeting Tuesday night and adopted the 1967-68 budget for the district, reported James Duncan, secretary.

The levy last year was 50.5 and has been lowered to 47.5 for the district.

The budget hearing has been set for May 8, Duncan said.

In other business, Duncan reported the district has purchased approximately 10 acres of land along the Snake River adjacent to the high school from Frank Yamamoto of Homedale.

The total cost of the land was \$3,000, which is also adjacent to the city park and boat docks along the proposed Riverside Drive.

The land at present is used for a temporary track, but future plans call for the development of the area into a permanent track, football and athletic field in the near future.

### Job Corps to work on city park Monday; Chamber sets boat races

The Job Corps members from Marsing will begin preliminary work on the city park along Riverside Drive and the Snake River on Monday, reported Don L. Shaffer, president of the Homedale Chamber of Commerce at the regular bi-monthly meeting Tuesday at Bicandi’s Café.

The workers will first determine the grade for the area and riverbanks, and work will be done later with equipment on the leveling and clearing of the area, he added.

In other business Homer Anderson gave a report on the coming 17<sup>th</sup> annual Grassman of the Year Award program. The first meeting was held Monday morning at the Rosehaven Café in Marsing.

He pointed out that Owyhee County has had three state winners – including Ray Pershall, Marsing, last year. The tour will be set at a later date, Anderson said.

### School board sets trustee election May 8

An election for a trustee for Joint School District No. 370 for zone two was set for Monday, May 8, by the school board at their regular Tuesday night meeting, reported James Duncan, secretary.

Tom Morris, the present trustee for the district, has his term expiring, and there will be one vacancy to be filled.

### DeMolay hears ‘Flower Talk’

Saturday night at the Masonic Lodge Rick Glaub of Nampa gave the Flower Talk for the Gem Chapter of the DeMolay. Glaub was selected state champion for the Flower Talk at the recent conclave held at Twin Falls.

Ed Goering of Nampa, state champion for the Legion of Honor talk, gave the L.O.H. talk also. Receiving the talks for the first time were Carey Inouye, Dale Foss, Dennis Tanikuni, Jerry Franklin, Duane Kido and Joni Uda.

This was a special session arranged specifically for the talks.

Monday night at the regular meeting the Nampa Chapter visited the Gem Chapter and conducted their meeting. Marvin Askie, Master Councilor, and about 40 boys from Nampa attended with their Dad advisors. The Gem Chapter served the refreshments.

### Homedale routs Kuna club 17-3

Bob Hays powered three singles and a triple in four trips for three runs-batted-in as Homedale walked all over Kuna Tuesday in a baseball game 17-3.

Mike Pearson helped the Trojan cause with a pair of singles in four times at bat. In all, the Homedale club banged out 14 hits. Jim Jackson, Trojan hurler, sent nine Kuna batters down on strikeouts.

The last Homedale victory came over Adrian 2-1.

## 140 years ago

April 14, 1877

THEY have a different way of doing business in the West, from that which characterizes the manner of doing it in the East. Thus, the New York Life Insurance Company has a President with an annual salary of \$30,000; Vice-President \$18,000; second Vice-President \$12,000; Actuary and Treasurer \$20,000; Secretary \$6,000 and Assistant Secretary \$3,000. The receipts of the company for the last year were \$15,000,000. The receipts of the Consolidated Virginia Mining Company, of the Pacific Coast, for the same period, were \$16,000,000. The officers of the last named company received the following: President \$3,000; Vice-President no salary; the Secretary \$3,600 a year, and the Trustees \$10 each for every time they meet. The Superintendent is the only large salaried official of any, and he is paid but \$300 a month. The comparison is quite suggestive.

EXCITEMENT IN THE STOCK MARKET. – The S. F. Stock Exchange thus depicts some of the events of the latest “Black Friday.” “What a hurrying to and fro there was during the day! The chronic bears didn’t seem particularly happy, wherefore it was conjectured that but few shorts were out, the low prices prevailing for several weeks not having been particularly inviting, and no one having anticipated such a collapse. But it came and swept margins away with resistless fury. If there are any margins left, we should like to know where they are. It would have required a Midas-like power to have kept margins good on this market for ninety days past. The shrinkage in the securities has been terrible all along the Comstock line. The stock community were rich six months ago; they are as poor as Job’s turkey today. And much of this may be attributed to the reckless, unwarranted falsifying statements made by the bear organs of the city, which have done so much to undermine public confidence. Ghoul-like they enjoy the fun.”

The Stock Report is an article on the same subject, thus refers to the effect of a bogus advertisement in one of the morning papers, calling for 1,000 able-bodied men to work for \$2.50 per day: “The deceiving of so many men, some of them, perhaps, as hard up as most of us in California have been at one time or another, not knowing where we were to get our next day’s meal, or in what bed we were to sleep at night, when the idea of work which would barely support us was a godsend; when we were willing to give our best efforts for a mere pittance; when we looked on the land of gold as the bitterest mockery that it was ever man’s lot to see; but when it appears that of all the heart-sickness which comes from disappointed hope was really the result of a cold-blooded plan to wreck the street, then indignation becomes almost too great for words. The assemblage of the crowd in front of one of our most prominent banks gave ground for the rumor that there was a heavy run going on. As might be imagined it did not take many seconds for such a story to reach the Boards. Warned as the operators have been by the suspension of the Bank of California, recollecting as they did the financial ruin which might have ensued from the event had it not been for the wise action on the part of the Boards of suspending business until such time as the community could recover from the shock, not knowing whether, were the rumor true, such action would be repeated, there was only too much anxiety shown to throw stock upon the market. Blocks of the shares of the principal mines were sold for anything that they would bring, down the market went. “Sing High,” was the cry of those who had originated this most villainous scheme as they saw prices falling.

BREVITIES. No amusement in town. Begin to think strawberries.

Eggs are 16 cents per dozen in Lafayette, Ogn. Spring’s bursting upon us. You can tell by the ragged edge of winter’s pantaloons.

An exchanges says to sober a drunken man pour water down the “spine of his back.”

Most of the farmers of Jordan Valley are plowing and putting in their grain at a lively rate.



Sports

Huskies' habit of tight baseball battles persists in loss

NP takes conference lead with walk-off win

Marsing High School's season of heart-stopping and heartbreaking baseball action continues. The Huskies lost an early battle for first place in the 2A Western Idaho Conference on April 4 when New Plymouth scored in its final at-bat for a 4-3 victory. Jake Wilson came home with the winning run when Marsing relief pitcher Clay King hit Will Gergen with the bases loaded in the bottom of the seventh inning. Gergen was the last of three consecutive base runners New Plymouth (4-1 overall, 2-0 in conference) put on with one out. The loss snapped a three-game winning streak for Marsing (4-5, 1-1), and marked the first time in four consecutive games decided

by two runs or fewer that the Huskies had fallen. The Huskies had the lead twice against the Pilgrims, including grabbing a 3-2 advantage on Dakota Hardy's two-out base hit in the second inning. Hardy led off the game with a single and gave Marsing a 1-0 lead on Jaden Kinney's grounder to shortstop. Boone Sevy tied the game in the second inning with a single that brought in Joaquin Oliveros, who had started the inning with a single and two stolen bases. New Plymouth starting pitcher Andrew Harmon settled down and allowed only three base runners over his final three innings. Riley Harris struck out the side in the seventh to cap a combined stretch of four no-hit innings for Pilgrims hurlers. Tyler Wood and Brian Purtell also had singles for the Huskies. **April 3: Marsing 16, Wilder 14** — Cole Wainman's two-run single in the bottom of the sixth

turned out to be the winning hit in a non-conference game played on the Huskies' field. Wes Ireland and Hardy got on base because of Wilder miscues with two outs and the score tied, 14-14. Ireland reached on a dropped third strike, and Hardy was hit by a pitch from the Wildcats' Anthony Ortiz. Brady Dines capped an effective 1 2/3 innings pitched by working out of a jam with a runner on second base in the top of the seventh to get the win. The Huskies led, 7-0, after two innings, and rallied for five in the bottom of the third after Wilder broke through with five runs in the top of the frame. Kinney had an RBI double in the first inning, and Clay King had run-scoring singles in the second and third. The Class 1A Wildcats tied the game, 12-12, with six runs in the top of the fifth inning.



Marsing High School's Dwight Sevy slides head-first into second base with a steal as Wilder's Cole Marrum waits for the throw during the first inning of a non-conference game played April 3 on the Huskies' diamond. Photo by Dan Pease

But Marsing rallied to take the lead again, 14-12, when Clay King scored on a passed ball and Dwight Sevy came home on Isiah Prado's RBI single.

Sevy, Hardy and King scored three runs apiece. Oscar Puga and Jacob Albor were 2-for-4 with two RBI each for Wilder.

MHS track athletes continue to show improvement

Several personal records highlighted Marsing High School's performance in the Dave Mangum Invitational track meet. Senior Justin Yetter ran the fastest 200 meters of his life Thursday in Melba, and his 25.09-second effort gave the Huskies their best finish. He was second in the sprint and finished fourth in 56.84 in the 400. Junior Riley Hegel was third in the 800, running to a PR of 2

minutes, 28.3 seconds. Juniors Matthew Lee and Landry Villa tied for fifth in the 1,600 meters after milestone runs. Lee's 5:20.37 was the fastest of his prep career, while Villa identical time was his quickest this season. Lee was eighth in the 3,200 at 11:47.62. Freshman Isaac Lee attained a PR of 57.34 to finish fifth in the 400. Junior Dalton Withers turned

in a pair of PRs in the 3,200 (fifth at 11:29.84) and the 1,600 (eighth at 5:23.61). Senior Karl Isert finished eighth in the 110 hurdles with a time of 20.56. Marsing also picked three top-10 results in the boys' shot put. Senior Sam Galligan was fifth with an effort of 37 feet, 11 1/2 inches, while sophomore Taj Jacobi was eighth at 36-2. Junior Gavin Thorold finished

10<sup>th</sup> in 35-1. Sophomore Sefora Arriaga had the MHS girls' best finish, taking ninth in the 1,600 in 7 minutes flat.

Long jumpers Anagi Moreno Vargas, a sophomore, and Klohi Hook, a freshman, achieved PRs. Moreno Vargas cleared 10-8 3/4 for 14<sup>th</sup>, and Hook was 16<sup>th</sup> at 10-6.

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# MARSING HUSKIES

## Athlete Spotlight

Baseball  
Jaden Kinney, so., P/3B  
Double, 2 RBI from plate for week; 5 strikeouts vs. NP

Softball  
Sheyanne Glorfield, sr., C  
Went 4-for-6 with a HR, 2 doubles and 6 RBI

Track and field  
Landry Villa, jr., distance  
2nd in 3,200, 4th in 1,600 at HHS boys' meet

Golf  
Justin Ineck, freshman  
Shot a 66 in the JV flight at Lakeview GC

### Baseball

Wednesday, April 12 at Homedale JV, 5 p.m.  
Saturday, April 15, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, noon  
Monday, April 17 at Parma, 5 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 18 at Cole Valley Christian, 5 p.m.

### Softball

Wednesday, April 12 at Homedale JV, 5 p.m.  
Saturday, April 15, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, noon  
Monday, April 17 at Notus, 5 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 18 at Cole Valley Christian, 5 p.m.

### Track and field

Thursday, April 13 at Middleton Invitational, 3:30 p.m.

### Golf

Varsity boys  
Monday, April 24, home for 2A Western Idaho Conference meet (nine holes), TimberStone GC, Caldwell, 3 p.m.  
Junior varsity boys  
Monday, April 24, home for 2A Western Idaho Conference meet (nine holes), TimberStone GC, Caldwell, 3 p.m.  
Varsity girls  
Wednesday, April 19 at 2A Western Idaho Conference meet (nine holes), Riverbirch GC, Star, 3 p.m.

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense  
The toast

It gives me great pleasure to stand here today  
To heap limelight on one in our midst  
Who has mastered the art of vulgar display  
Yet, when asked to desist it ... he didst

There are those among us who are more qualified  
To encouch in a language precise  
The discrepant reasons of why you abide  
With us always, like typhus or lice

Why I have been chosen, I cannot explain  
I've no keen repartee to impart  
But I'm honored, so, though my words may seem plain  
Be assured that they come from the heart

You mare-ridin', mouth-breathin', egg-suckin' skunk  
Yer the kind who drowns kittens for fun  
You hat-stealin', hole-peepin', pencil neck punk  
Yer the blister on everyone's bum

You dog-kickin', mule-whippin', carp-eatin' crud  
Yer a bagful of grizzly bear bait  
You never-sweat, no-workin', blank-shootin' dud  
Yer the reason for bicarbonate

You scrofulous, wool-slippin', miscreant scum  
Yer the grease off a Hell's Angels' comb  
You bilgewater, bog-drinkin', boot-lickin' bum  
Yer a bucket of thundering foam

To sum up yer good points could be quite a chore  
There's so many that it's hard to say  
You're either *au jus* off a dog kennel floor  
Or the nit in a wino's toupee

Regardless, we love ya. I don't like to boast  
But our standards are really quite high  
And though you seem lacking, I'll offer a toast  
'Cause the truth is, yer our kinda guy!

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Inside the Legislature  
Lawmakers deliver on several important issues during session

by state Sen. Bert Brackett

The end of the 2017 Legislative session is a good time to reflect on the session and the impacts to District 23. First of all, I want to say what an honor it is to represent District 23 and the good people who live here. At the end of the day, what makes it work is the input I get from the people who live in the district. The telephone calls, the emails, cards, letters and text messages that I get from the good people from District 23 make me a better legislator and better able to represent your interests. It makes a difference in what issues I work on and plays an important role in developing policy and ultimately in the votes I cast.

The stronger state economy allowed us to continue to restore critical funding to many state agencies that had been cut during the downturn. In most cases, we were able to keep in effect needed policy changes that will allow Idaho to move forward with a leaner, more efficient government. My colleagues and I moved forward with several priorities in mind: 1) to meet Idaho's constitutional requirements to balance the budget; and 2) to maintain our priorities in public safety, education, transportation, wise use of our natural resources, and protecting our way of life in Idaho.

We knew coming into the session that education, especially Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade (K-12), would continue to be a priority issue. We continued to fund the Governor's Task Force recommendations, including funding the third year of the career ladder. Overall, we increased K-12 education funding 6.3 percent, increased discretionary funding 4.1 percent to bring that up to \$26,748 per classroom unit. This step in the career ladder was funded with \$62 million additional going toward teacher salaries. S1123 restored funding for field trip transportation. I am pleased we were able to do that, as I believe field trips are an important part of a student's educational experience.

A big plus for the University of Idaho was \$10 million toward the Dairy Center to be built in the Magic Valley. That will be matched by equal amounts from industry and from U

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of I with the sale of the Caine Center near Caldwell.  
The College of Southern Idaho was able to complete the purchase of the Pristine Springs property located in the Snake River Canyon north of Twin Falls. CSI was interested in purchasing the property to be able to control the geothermal well located there. With the intent language I added to the Department of Water Resource's budget last year and with JFAC co-chair Maxine Bell's help, we were able to help facilitate CSI's purchasing the property.  
As chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee, we have had a number of transportation-related issues. A huge issue was the road conditions on I-84 between Franklin Road in Nampa and the Karcher interchange. Severe winter weather caused pavement breakup and pot holes between Nampa and Caldwell, which led to hazardous conditions and created a real safety problem.  
That segment of the Interstate is important for the 40,000 people who commute every day, but it is vital to commerce within the Treasure Valley and to the State. I have been very supportive of approving GARVEE bond funding to do that segment of road. To that end, I helped write S1206, which

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Letters to the editor

All letters to the editor submitted to The Owyhee Avalanche must be no longer than 300 words, signed and include the writer's address and daytime phone number.  
The deadline for submitting letters is noon on Friday. Letters can be submitted in these ways:  
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Next week

Rep. Megan Blanksma  
District 23, Seat A  
(R-Hammett)

The freshman member of the state House of Representatives looks back on her first year at the Statehouse and the 2017 Legislature's accomplishments.



From Washington  
Replacing Obamacare the right way will take time

by Raúl Labrador

All across Idaho, families and small business owners are struggling to keep up with skyrocketing health care costs caused by the Affordable Care Act (ACA), better known as Obamacare. If you've seen your health insurance premiums rise in the past few years, it's almost certainly because of ACA regulations. Every day, I hear health care horror stories from across the state.  
Anthony Miller from Kuna was notified a few months ago that his health care coverage was going to increase \$12,000, forcing him to drop his insurance to the bare minimum. Lisa Allbrett in Boise is frustrated because her premium has doubled and her deductible has gone up \$1,500, but she has to keep her expensive plan in order to avoid paying the Obamacare tax. David Weak in Eagle purchased a Medicare Advantage plan, but when his rate increased 127 percent in

one year, he was forced to sign up for a lower level plan.  
Since the implementation of Obamacare, the annual profits of the 10 largest health insurers doubled from 2008 to 2015 and Idahoans have had to pay more. From 2016 to 2017 alone, the average Idahoan experienced a 24 percent increase in their health insurance premiums.  
This is not what the American people were promised when the Democrats passed Obamacare. And this is exactly why we must fully repeal the ACA and replace it with a system that lowers the cost of health care and health insurance.  
Last month, the U.S. House was scheduled to vote on the American Health Care Act (AHCA), a bill that supporters claimed would repeal and replace Obamacare. There was, however, one huge problem: It didn't actually repeal

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# Commentary

## Financial management

### IRAs have bigger yield than self-funded pensions

**Dear Dave,**

My wife and I are both 25 years old, and we're working on Baby Steps 4, 5 and 6. I have a 401(k) through my employer, and she has a pension. Currently, we're falling short of the 15 percent of income you advise putting toward retirement. Should we get IRAs, or start socking money away in her pension?

— John

**Dear John,**

I wouldn't put money into a pension. For one thing, when you die after putting money into a pension, in most cases it dies with you. No. 2, when you put money into a pension, you're going to get about a six percent rate of return in the current environment — maybe even as low as five percent. You're

not making much on it while you're alive, so I don't advise putting money in pensions. We let employers put money in pensions, if they want to. That's a nice benefit, but I wouldn't add to it.

I would do a couple of Roth IRAs, and max those out. Then, max out whatever you've got at work that you own. Of course, when you're vested in a pension, you own it. That much is true. But still, I don't advise adding to pensions, buying years up, or any of those kinds of things.

There are a few examples out there where that kind of thing works mathematically to your benefit, but they're very hard to find. Out of all the years I've been in this business, I can count on two hands the number of times I've seen it work out.



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So no, I wouldn't do more with a pension where you add to it yourself, especially at such a young age.

— Dave

**Dear Dave,**

I'm new to you and your plan. Why do you want people to pay off the debt with the smallest balance first, instead of the one with the highest interest rate?

— Courtney

**Dear Courtney,**

Simply put, because personal finance isn't all about math. Personal finance is only about 20 percent math. The other 80 percent is behavior.

We list debts in the debt snowball in order of the smallest to the largest balance, putting as much as possible toward the smallest while paying the minimum payments on the others. The reason, as I mentioned earlier, is behavior modification. It helps you see yourself making a dent in your debts.

It's easier to change bad habits when you see quick results from your efforts to eliminate negative behaviors. Paying off the smallest debts first, instead of the debts with the highest interest rates, will give you quick wins that will help keep you motivated. It provides proof that you can succeed and become debt-free!

— Dave

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## ✓ Session: Hybrid vehicle registration surcharge, REAL ID modified

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has been approved by the Senate and the House so that bonds can be sold and projects can be started. S1206 also extended the surplus eliminator until 2019. The surplus eliminator takes the money that is left on the bottom line after all the bills have been paid and all the budgets set. The "surplus revenue" is then split 50 percent into the budget stabilization fund and 50 percent into transportation. I support the surplus eliminator because it is another source of revenue for transportation, but the problem I have had with it was that the local jurisdictions did not receive any of that money. S1206 assured the transportation portion of the surplus eliminator will be split 60 percent to the State and 40 percent to the local jurisdictions.

Other bills I carried this year include:

- H204 — use of personal delivery devices on sidewalks. These are small robot machines that weigh from 30 to 80 pounds. It is a box similar to an ice chest that can deliver products up to about three miles. They are very high-tech with numerous sensors, cameras, and GPS capability. Boise is one of three areas in the United States where those units will be tested and used.

- S1107, which I carried, increases the fee for Commercial Drivers License (CDL) testers. The current fee of \$60 barely covered costs, so we were experiencing a shortage of testers, which over time was resulting in a shortage of commercial drivers. This bill took a free-market approach to setting the fee with a maximum cap of \$200.

- H20 addressed the surcharge registration for licensing

hybrid cars. If the car plugs into the electric grid then it must be licensed as a hybrid and the fee will continue to be charged. If it does not plug-in then there will no longer be a surcharge. This change is a result of the many comments and feedback the Legislature received on the original bill. It goes to show that the Legislature does listen, your comments do matter, and you can make a difference.

- S1069 fine-tuned the federal REAL ID program for those people who do not want to go through the process of gathering and providing documents necessary to obtain a REAL ID-compliant driver's license. This bill gave Idahoans the option of continuing with their current driver's license.

- SCR116 provides for an interim committee to study and make recommendations on trucks driving on Idaho's highways. This is a result of intent language from 2015's H312aa. The resolution asks that a study be completed and a report of findings prepared by 2019.

Not all of what we as legislators do is done during the session in Boise. We get requests from constituents asking for help in making the bureaucracy work. For example, several years ago I got a call from Betty Ann Nettleton, who at the time was a trustee for District 4 Public Health District. An arbitrary change in the formula to distribute the general fund appropriation for the Public Health Districts resulted in both Districts 3 and 4 being disadvantaged and receiving less money. Before I got involved, I wanted to learn more, to get data, and an objective evaluation from an outside perspective. So I made a request for an Office of Performance Evaluations (OPE) study on the issue. When we got the results, I urged

the districts to implement the recommendations. About that time, District 23B Rep. Megan Blanksma (R-Hammett) had been elected to the Legislature, and she was also on the advisory board for St. Luke's in Mountain Home so was very knowledgeable on the issue. We told the trustees to settle this by coming up with a formula that everyone could agree on or the State may step in and set the formula, which they may not like.

So, with Rep. Blanksma's help and urging, the trustees came up with a distribution formula that all districts agreed on, including District 3 and District 4.

I am very pleased that we were able to find resolution to that very difficult issue and want to thank Rep. Blanksma for her help in the joint effort to get the districts and the counties to do the right thing.

As always, I appreciate hearing from you. I read every letter, email, and text message, and I listen to every phone message. All this helps me do a better job for you and our district's communities.

— 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. Email [bbrackett@senate.idaho.gov](mailto:bbrackett@senate.idaho.gov) to receive his constituent newsletter.

— On Page xx, find information on the state Senate bills, championed by Brackett, that codified the Joyce Livestock Co./LU Ranching state Supreme Court stock water decision against the Bureau of Land Management.

## ✓ Obamacare: Battle to replace healthcare law isn't over by a long shot

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Obamacare. I opposed this bill, and I was pleased when a vote on the measure was cancelled.

When I first ran for Congress in 2010, I promised my constituents that I would help lead the fight against Obamacare. I've kept that promise by voting to repeal President Obama's signature health care law or significant portions of it 52 times in the past six years, and nearly all of my House Republican colleagues joined me in doing that.

Last month, I would have voted for a bill that actually repealed and replaced Obamacare. But the AHCA was not that bill. Critics of the bill called it "Obamacare Lite" or "Obamacare 2.0," and those criticisms were not unfair. In proposing a health care bill, the House Republican leadership should have done better. A lot better.

House leadership should have drafted a bill that kept the promises made to the American people in documents like the "Pledge to America," signed by House Republicans in 2010, the "Better Way" drafted by House leadership in

2016, and the "Contract with the American Voter" issued by Donald Trump as a presidential candidate last year. When it came to the ACA, the Republican position was crystal clear: We will fully repeal the ACA and replace it with a market-based system.

To be clear: Last month's scheduled vote was not our first and only chance to repeal Obamacare. Quite the opposite. We, in Congress, have more than enough time to craft a bill that matches the commitment we made to the American people. When President Obama and Congressional Democrats created and passed the ACA in 2009-10, it took about 15 months of work. It may take just as much work to undo the ACA. But it's worth it.

During negotiations, conservatives in the House insisted that Congress repeal Obamacare's prohibition on less expensive health care plans and the knot of insurance regulations and mandates that are making health coverage so unaffordable. Studies show that Americans are paying 45 to 68 percent higher premiums because of these regula-

tions and mandates.

Many people believe that these mandates are necessary to protect the most vulnerable in our society, especially those with pre-existing conditions. However, we can provide these protections without costly mandates. In fact, I support the Republican plan to set aside more than \$100 billion to help those with pre-existing conditions. Those who say we must accept a government takeover of America's health care system in order to cover the most vulnerable are creating a false choice. We can protect those who most need our help while lowering health care costs for all Americans.

To make health care more affordable for Idahoans like Anthony Miller, Lisa Allbrett, and David Weak, we need true repeal of Obamacare. When it comes to health care, it's more important to do it right than to do it quickly. I will continue working with my colleagues to keep my promises and not to give up at the first sign of struggle.

— Rep. Raúl Labrador, of Eagle, has represented Idaho's First Congressional District since 2011.



Sports

Huskies' losing streak lengthens

New Plymouth High School scored eight runs in the fourth inning to knock off Marsing in a conference softball game.

The Huskies held a one-run lead after 3½ innings of 2A Western Idaho Conference play April 4, but the Pilgrims erupted late for a 13-3 home victory.

Sheyenne Glorfield smacked a two-run double to put Marsing in front, 2-1, in the third inning.

Emma Heitz was 2-for-2 with a run scored an RBI while picking up half of the Huskies' hits.

Ashley Loucks scored two runs, but Marsing (6-5 overall, 1-1 in conference heading into scheduled Saturday games) dropped its fourth consecutive contest.

Results from Marsing's trip to the Glenns Ferry Tournament on Saturday were not reported by press time.

**April 3: Notus 20, Marsing 4 (5)** — Glorfield went 3-for-3, doubled, homered and drove in all four runs for the Huskies in a non-conference loss to the Pirates from the 1A Western Idaho Conference.

Heitz chimed in with two hits,



Autumn Bennett gets a piece of a pitch during Marsing's non-conference loss to Notus on April 3. Bennett singled in the contest. Photo by Dan Pease

and Autumn Bennett and Hailee Bennett both singled.

Heitz and Alex Grant struck out four batters apiece in relief of starting pitcher Stanbery, who was knocked out of the circle during the Pirates' five-run top of the first inning.

Villa, Civian pace Marsing golfers

Two Marsing High School golfers finished third last Wednesday in Eagle.

Landon Villa fired a 4-over-par 40 to finish third in the boys' varsity competition as Western Idaho Conference teams gathered at Lakeview Golf Club for nine holes.

Emily Civian was the only girl to tee up for the Huskies, and she finished third in the varsity flight with a 55.

"Marsing golf had a great week," second-year coach Scott Larsen said.

The Huskies finished fifth in the six-team varsity boys' team standings. Marsing shot a 216. Cole Valley Christian won the tournament with a 169 behind medalist Spengler's 1-over 37. The Liberty Charter/Victory Charter co-op was second with a 187.

Kyle Olson (53) and Mason Hall (54) shot their lowest rounds of the season, and freshman Justin Ineck posted a 66 in the junior varsity tourney.

"Justin Ineck on the JV team proved himself worthy of the No. 4 varsity spot," Larsen said.

Larsen said the boys' varsity lineup will be changing after Landry Villa was forced to leave the team because of scheduling conflicts with the MHS track and field season.

"Justin Ineck will likely fill that spot depending on the next few weeks and whether one of the JV players makes a breakthrough," Larsen said.

Rounding out the varsity scorers were Seth Ramirez at 69 and Logan Stansell at 75.

JV golfer Ben Gerthung carded a 69.

Raiders post top-5 marks in Burley

Freshman hurdler Hannah Field's top-five finishes highlighted Rimrock High School's Friday at the Neal Wyatt Invitational.

The Raiders were among 14 Class 1A teams competing in the track and field meet in Burley.

Field collected one of two third-place results for the Rimrock girls' squad when she ran a 57.43-second race in the 300-meter hurdles. Teammate Valeria Lino, a junior, set a personal record of 58.47 to grab fourth in the competition.

Field and fellow ninth-grader Taylor Magers were fifth and sixth, respectively, in the 100 hurdles. Field ran a 20.85, and Magers posted at PR of 20.92.

Magers ran the opening leg of the 4x400 relay as Rimrock finished third in 4 minutes, 58.63 seconds. Other girls on the relay team were Victoria Ayala, Heidi Pearson and Liz Varela.

Lino (100 leg) and Field (400) book-ended the Raiders' fourth-place sprint medley relay team. Mylee Meyers ran the second 100, and Laura Gasper handled the 200-meter segment.

Sophomore Phoenix Wright cleared 4 feet, 2 inches to finish sixth in the high jump.

Senior Hailey Sharek was fifth in the 3,200-meter run at 16:37.95.

Two relay teams finished fourth for the Rimrock boys' best showings.

Ian Burbank, Ryan Neilson, Todd Marvin and Christian Neilson teamed up for a 4:08.88 time in the 4x400 relay. Christian Neilson ran the third leg (400 meters) in the sprint medley relay as the Raiders finished in 4:30.26. Anthony Herrera and Rigo Lino ran 200 legs, and Ray Draper finished up with the 800 portion.

A sophomore, Draper finished sixth in the open 800 and posted a PR of 5:38.14 for eighth in the 1,600.

Freshman D.O. Draper nabbed fifth in the 3,200 at 11:51.17.

Fresh off break, HHS falters in golf opener

Homedale High School finished four strokes off the lead in the first conference golf tournament of the season.

Freshman Daniel Uranga was third overall with a 7-over-par 43 during the nine-hole 3A Snake River Valley conference meet at Scotch Pines in Payette.

"It was a rough one," HHS coach Casey Grove said. "Everyone played like they just got off Spring Break."

Uranga led the Trojans to a 198 team score, which was second-best behind meet winner Weiser.

Fruitland's Jake O'Neil was medalist with a 2-over 38. Parma's Ethan Sterling finished second one stroke ahead of Uranga.

Kaden Henry fired a 50, and Scott Matlock notched a 51. Rounding out the boys' card were Tanner Miller at 54 and Spencer Fisher at 55.

The Trojans' boys' squad was eight shots in front of third-place Payette.

Hope Okamura shot a 46 for girls' medalist and to lead Parma to six-stroke team victory over Weiser.

Homedale's Shanlee Swallow shot a 67 to finish in the middle of the pack for the girls' varsity match.



Marsing sophomore Anahi Moreno Vargas touches down during the girls' long jump. Photo by Dan Pease

✓ Huskies: Soph Arriaga leads Marsing girls in 1,600

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heave of 36-5½ was good for eighth.

Thorud was seventh in the discus with a season-long 87-2, and Galligan was ninth at 85-9.

Senior Karl Isert finished sixth in the 110 hurdles with a time of 20.75.

Another distance runner, sophomore Sefora Arriaga, had the MHS girls' best finish.

She ran a 6:57.7 time in 1,600 meters for fifth place and the Huskies' only top-10 showing in the girls' meet.

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# Public notices

**SYNOPSIS OF OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES**  
**March 6, 13, 20, 27 & 29, 2017**

**March 6**  
Paid all outstanding bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$61,242 Road and Bridge \$16,479 District Court \$1,350 Fair, County \$54 Probation \$324 Historical Society & Museum \$54 Indigent & Charity \$10,685 Revaluation \$54 Solid Waste \$13,889 911 \$28,838 County Vessel \$5 Waterways \$54 Off Highway Vehicles \$54 Economic Development \$628

Approve the Owyhee Conservation District letter of intent.

Set the 8<sup>th</sup> and final RS2477 comment gathering meeting for Monday April 24, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Approved the BHC Intermountain Facility Agreement.

Approve the request for appointment of Marissa King to the Owyhee County Historic Preservation Commission.

Approved Resolution 2017-09; to advertise to sell a piece of property not needed for public purposes.

Placed a lien on Indigent and Charity case 17-09 and 17-10.

Approved Indigent and Charity case 17-04.

Denied Indigent and Charity case 17-05.

Approved the Notice of Award to Seubert Excavation for 10k tons / \$237,000.00.

**March 13**  
Approved a tax cancellation for parcel MH02N04W3584GA, taxes in the amount of \$212.34, penalty of \$2.62 and solid waste fee of \$50.00, for a total of \$264.96.

Approved the Assessors recommendation of a tax cancellation for parcel RPB00000346310 without homeowners recapture of taxes according to Idaho Code 63-602(g)(5)(a).

Approved the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation Boating Safety Grant Agreement.

Approved the Assessors recommendation of a tax cancellation for parcel MH06S05E149002A without homeowners recapture of taxes according to Idaho Code 63-602(g)(5)(a).

Placed a lien on Indigent and Charity case 17-11.

Approved Indigent and Charity case 17-01, for dates of service from November 22 through November 30, 2016.

Re-approved Indigent and Charity case 17-04, to add the approval date.

Approved a letter to Senator Brackett regarding proposed state funding for emergency road repair.

Approved the Billy Cane Pasture Sage Grouse Project in the amount of \$25,000.00.

**March 20**  
Approved the contract for Road and Bridge #3 crushing with Seubert Excavation.

Paid all outstanding bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$85,121 Road and Bridge \$8,202 District Court \$5,512 Probation \$828 Health District \$4,565 Historical Society & Museum \$974 Indigent & Charity \$16,617 Revaluation \$661 Solid Waste \$1,430 911 \$1,947 Waterways \$94 Taxing Districts \$37

Approved State of Idaho Mineral Lease #E700035.

Approved a certificate of

residency for student #17-88 to the College of Western Idaho.

Placed a lien on Indigent and Charity case 17-12.

Approved Indigent and Charity case 17-12.

Denied Indigent and Charity case 17-07.

Approved Resolution 2017-11; Ratification of preparation by the Deputy Prosecutor Attorney and filing with BLM a motion for extension of time for the filing of statement of reasons on county's appeal of the Gateway West Record of Decision.

Approved the request for extension of time for comment on the Canyonlands West and Grand View Travel Management Plan.

**March 27**  
Donated \$250.00 to the 2017 Idaho Weed Awareness Campaign.

Approved applying for the Idaho Small Airport Planning Study Grant in the amount of \$30,000 with no matching County funds.

Approve hiring Haylee Smith for the Treasures office at the rate \$12.95 per hour, beginning April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Reappointed Bill Statham to Historical Preservation Committee for a 4 year term, ending December 31, 2020.

Placed a lien on Indigent and Charity cases 17-13, 17-14, 17-15, 17-16 and 17-17.

Denied Indigent and Charity case 17-09.

Denied Indigent and Charity case 17-10.

Approved Indigent and Charity case 17-16.

Approved a scoping comment regarding the Canyonlands West TMP to Lara Douglas, BLM.

Approved a scoping comment regarding the Grand View TMP to Lara Douglas, BLM.

**March 29**  
No action was taken

The complete minutes can be viewed online at [www.owyheecounty.net](http://www.owyheecounty.net) or in the Clerk's office.

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**BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

A public meeting will be held on April 24, 2017 at 6:00 pm in Courtroom #1 of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 20381 State Highway 78 in Murphy, Idaho. The purpose of this meeting is to hear public comments, and to thereafter receive further written public comments for 60-days, on the "Proposed Maps" that identify the group for each of the RS2477 rights of way on the public lands depicted on 161 USGS maps within Owyhee County, State of Idaho, as per Owyhee County Resolution No. 2011-21 dated September 12, 2011, paragraphs 1-2. See also Owyhee County Resolution No. 11-01 dated January 4, 2011, paragraphs 5-6. The public comments and written comments may include any omissions of any rights of way on the "Proposed Maps", and if any omissions, the public comments and written comment shall include the suggested group in which that right of way should be within. See Owyhee County Resolution No. 11-01 dated January 4, 2011, paragraph 6.

This will be the eighth and final meeting to gather comments and input from the public on these rights of way, as per Owyhee County Resolution No. 11-01 dated January 4, 2011, paragraphs 5-6. The meeting on April 24<sup>th</sup>

is one of the final steps in this process.

After this meeting, after expiration of the 60-day written comment period, and after consideration of any public comments and written comments, the Board of County Commissioners will "determine and otherwise establish by separate and further Resolution the Maps, as Final Maps", as per Owyhee County Resolution No. 11-01 dated January 4, 2011, paragraph 7

The 161 maps group the rights of way lying on the public land in Owyhee County in accordance with Owyhee County Resolution dated January 4, 2011, and with Owyhee County Resolution 2011-21 dated September 12, 2011.

**These groups apply only to rights of way on public land, not private land and not State land.** The Board is seeking documentation of use, and proof of maintenance with public funds between 1948 and 1976.

The 161 categorized maps cover all of Owyhee County and are available for review beginning on March 24<sup>th</sup>, during regular business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday in the Planning and Zoning office located in the annex building of the Owyhee County Courthouse at 17069 Basey Street in Murphy, Idaho. All referenced maps and Resolutions will also available for review on the Owyhee County web site at [www.owyheecounty.net](http://www.owyheecounty.net).

Please contact the Planning & Zoning Department for additional information, or copies of the Resolutions pertaining to RS2477 rights of way. Written comments can be mailed to the Owyhee County Commissioners at P.O. Box 128, Murphy, Idaho 83650, or you can hand deliver them to the Owyhee County Clerk's office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Any person needing special accommodations to participate in the above meeting should contact the Planning and Zoning Department at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting at 208-495-2095 ext. 2, or Owyhee County Annex Building, P.O. Box 128, Murphy, Idaho 83650.

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**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

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**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.,

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

YEAR	MAKE	VIN #
1999	Passport	456CM58WXX4413699
1999	Cavalier	3G1JC1249XS842204
2002	Saturn	1G8ZJ52762Z290961
2003	Expedition	1FMFU18L23LAO6531
1988	Olds 88	2G3AJ51R9J2389149
1992	Seville	1G6KS53B6NU806604
1993	Chevy Pickup 271	2GCEK19K9P1185688
1997	Plymouth Voyager	2P4FP25B8VR245682
1999	Blazer	1GNDT13W1X22D9350
1995	Jeep Grand Cherokee	1J4GZ58S2SC771613
1993	S10	1GCCT14Z6P8162665
1998	Chrysler Concorde	2C3HD46J4WH202508
1976	Motor Home	F44CD6V112473
2000	VW	3VWCA21COYM431572
1996	Dodge Intrepid	2B3HD46TXTH194120
1995	Buick Lesabre	164HP52L3SH502892
1997	Toyota 4 Runner	JT3HN86R9VOO99549
2004	Impala	2G1WF52E749399556
2004	Honda Accord	1HGCM56134A112369
2008	Chrysler Sebring	1C3LC46K58N185802
1997	Mercedes 280	WDBHA-28E7VF537785
2007	Saturn Ion	1G8AL58B172100459
1998	Dodge Caravan	1B4GP54L8WB572925
2001	Volvo X70	YV1S258D311O44194
1995	Dodge Stratus	1B3EJ56H2SN543600
1997	Acura 3.OCL	19UYA2250VL008398
1991	S10 Blazer	1GNDT13Z6M2132156
2001	Toyota Echo	JTDAT123110116205
1993	F-250 Pick-up	1FTHX26G8PKB71141
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Marsing. Taxpayers and Marsing residents are invited to attend.

Cindy Howarth  
Secretary, Marsing Ambulance Service

4/5,12/2017

**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 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

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](mailto:eric@baldwinlawpllc.com) Attorney for Petitioner

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**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 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

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 Facsimile: (208) 473-2966 [eric@baldwinlawpllc.com](mailto:eric@baldwinlawpllc.com) Attorney for Petitioner

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**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.

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

DATED this 30<sup>th</sup> 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



# Public notices

**NOTICE OF SALE  
CASE NO. CV-2016-01095  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT OF THE STATE  
OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR  
THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE**  
Nationstar Mortgage LLC, d/b/a  
Champion Mortgage Company,  
Plaintiff, vs.

SCOTT WILLIAMS, AS  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE  
OF THE ESTATE OF JOSEPH  
SWINDELL; SECRETARY  
OF HOUSING AND URBAN  
DEVELOPMENT; and Does 1-10  
as individuals with an interest in  
the property legally described as:

A parcel of land situated in  
the Northeast Quarter Southeast  
Quarter of Section 26, Township  
3 North, Range 6 West, Boise  
Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho,  
more particularly described as  
follows:

Commencing at the Southeast  
corner of the Northeast Quarter  
Southeast Quarter, Section 26,  
Township 3 North, Range 6 West,  
Boise Meridian; thence North on  
the East line of said Northeast  
Quarter Southeast Quarter a  
distance of 808 feet to a point;  
thence West on a line parallel to  
the South boundary of said Northeast  
Quarter Southeast Quarter to  
a point in the centerline of the  
Owyhee Project South Canal;  
thence meandering Southeasterly  
along the centerline of said canal  
to the intersection with the South  
line of said Northeast Quarter  
Southeast Quarter; thence

East along the said South line to  
the POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER with the Mobile  
Home located thereon..

Which may commonly be known  
as: 5095 Sage Rd., Homedale, ID  
83628, Defendants.

Under and by virtue of an Order  
for Sale of Foreclosure executed  
on February 9, 2017 and entered  
with the Court on March 1, 2017  
and Writ of Execution issued on  
March 15, 2017, out of and under  
the seal of the above-entitled  
Court on a Judgment recovered  
in said Court in the above-entitled  
action on the 1st day of March,  
2017, in favor of the above-named  
Plaintiff, I am commanded and  
required to proceed to notice for  
sale to sell at public auction the  
real property described in said  
Order for Sale of Foreclosure and  
Writ of Execution and to apply  
the proceeds of such sale to the  
satisfaction of said Judgment  
and Decree of Foreclosure with  
interest thereon and my fees and  
costs. The property directed to be  
sold is situate in Owyhee County,  
State of Idaho, and is described as  
follows, to-wit:

A parcel of land situated in  
the Northeast Quarter Southeast  
Quarter of Section 26, Township  
3 North, Range 6 West, Boise  
Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho,  
more particularly described as  
follows:

Commencing at the Southeast  
corner of the Northeast Quarter  
Southeast Quarter, Section 26,  
Township 3 North, Range 6 West,  
Boise Meridian; thence North on  
the East line of said Northeast  
Quarter Southeast Quarter a  
distance of 808 feet to a point;  
thence

West on a line parallel to the  
South boundary of said Northeast  
Quarter Southeast Quarter to  
a point in the centerline of the  
Owyhee Project South Canal;  
thence meandering Southeasterly  
along the centerline of said canal  
to the intersection with the South  
line of said Northeast Quarter  
Southeast Quarter; thence East  
along the said South line to the  
POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER with the Mobile  
Home located thereon.

Which may commonly  
be known as: 5095 Sage Rd.,  
Homedale, ID 83628.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017  
at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m.,  
at the location of Owyhee County  
Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy  
78, Murphy, Idaho, I will attend,  
offer and sell at public auction  
all or so much of the above-  
described property thus directed  
to be sold as may be necessary to  
raise sufficient funds to pay and  
satisfy the Judgment and Decree  
of Foreclosure as set out in said  
Order for Sale of Foreclosure to  
the highest bidder therefore in  
lawful money. The time period for  
redemption of the above property  
is six (6) months from the date of  
sale herein.

The Sheriff, by a Certificate of  
Sale, will transfer right, title and  
interest of the judgment debtor in  
and to the property. The Sheriff  
will also give possession but  
does not guarantee clear title nor  
continue possessory right to the  
purchaser.

DATED This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April,  
2017.

Owyhee County Sheriff  
By: Perry Grant  
Derrick J. O'Neill, ISB  
#4021, RCO LEGAL, PC, 300  
Main Street, Suite 150, Boise,  
Idaho 83702 Telephone: 208-  
489-3035 Facsimile: 208-854-  
3998 doneill0@rcolegal.com,  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
4/12,19,26/2017

**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;  
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 49'20" 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](http://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**  
Bybee Air will be conducting  
aerial applications in and around  
the areas of Bruneau, Grand  
View, Mtn. Home, Homedale  
and Marsing during the months  
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

**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 OWYHEE  
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  
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  
proposed in this application will  
benefit from the subordination  
provision because it is for de

minimis stockwater and wildlife  
purposes.

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED  
CHANGE OF WATER  
RIGHT**

**TRANSFER NO. 80776**

**MICHAEL B IHLI and  
LINDA MIHLI, 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.

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED  
CHANGE OF WATER  
RIGHT**

**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](http://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





# Classifieds

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dependent on location.**

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# SAGE FARMS

**ONLINE AUCTION  
FARM LIQUIDATION**

**Construction & Misc. Equipment  
Closing Monday, May 1st, 5pm (MT)**

**SAGE FARM  
CASE 621B XR**

## BRENT & LOGAN KERNS ONLINE AUCTION

**Closing Monday, May 8th, 5pm (MT)**

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**HELP WANTED**

**The City of Marsing** is looking for a Temporary full time Maintenance employee for a few months while a permanent employee is off work. Please apply at Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing, ID.

**South Board of Control** has an opening for a full-time mechanic position. Full job description and application is available at the South Board of Control main office at 118 S. 1st St. W, Homedale. Application must be returned by 5:00 pm Friday April 28, 2017.

**City of Homedale Police Dept.** is taking applications for Patrolman. Applications may be picked up at Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming, Homedale, ID. Applications must be in by April 21st, 2017.

**SERVICES**

**Anderson Lawn Care.** Lawn mowing, trimming, spring cleanups. Owner operated. Call for free estimate. 208-989-3515

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# Sports

## Locals ride to top at CNR

### Homedale's Schnabele rules Jr. High meet

Marsing and Homedale high school cowboys and cowgirls achieved high marks during the first two rodeos of the District 2 spring season.

Performances took place Saturday and Sunday at the Caldwell Night Rodeo.

Homedale's Jacy Leach swept goat tying with an 8.9-second run Saturday and a 9.3 time on Sunday. She was runner-up in Saturday's breakaway roping at 12.58.

Marsing's Wes Ireland captured two victories Sunday. He nailed the bull riding top spot with a 71-point ride then had the winning team roping time at 9.37 with partner Nolan Hansen.

Leach and team roping partner Wacey Williams were third Saturday with a 16.31, and fifth Sunday at 21.59.

Michael Babcock was tie down roping runner-up on Sunday with a 25.19.

Sean Schnabele of Homedale and partner Claire Kalafatic swept the ribbon roping both days of the junior high rodeo. The pair posted a 21.84 on Saturday and followed that with a 29.21 on Sunday.

It was only two of four titles for Schnabele.

He won boys' goat tying on Saturday and blazed a 3.67 winning time in boys' breakaway on Sunday.

He finished third in goat tying on Sunday.

— Information reported by Cherie Rolland



Marsing's Wes Ireland rode to victory Sunday in bull riding at the District 2 high school rodeo in Caldwell.



Above: Sean Schnabele of Homedale (right) and partner Claire Kalafatic swept the junior high school ribbon tying on both days.

Right: Homedale's Jacy Leach dominated in the roping events over the weekend. She was runner-up in breakaway roping Saturday.

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