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## HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2017

## **Heavy smoke from** heavy equipment

Homedale volunteer firefighter Dan Herman douses a backhoe that burst into flames at the Vance Dairy Construction Inc. equipment yard on U.S. Highway 95 south of town on Thursday afternoon. The backhoe was a complete loss. Attempts to contact Homedale Fire Chief Dennis Uria for information on what caused the fire were unsuccessful.





The Jordan Valley High School Class of 2017, from left: Garrett Youren, Zoey Warn, John Echave, Alisha Rogers and Kasen Skinner. Submitted photo

## JV High seniors first to graduate

Jordan Valley High School's five-member Class of 2017 will be the first to graduate among area seniors

## Levy override votes take center stage

M-H Cemetery wants to make temporary permanent

Tuesday, On Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District patrons will cast ballots on a \$30,000 permanent levy.

The proposal will need a twothirds super majority to pass. The ballot measure states that

— See Cemetery, page 4A

Marsing Fire officials see need for Canyon substation

Marsing Rural Fire District patrons are being asked to approve a levy that would add nearly a dollar per \$100,000 to their property tax bills.

In the May 16 election, MRFD officials will seek a permanent — See Fire, back page

## **Two board elections** planned Tuesday

Valedictorian John Jett Echave and salutatorian Zoey Lora Warn will lead the graduates during a 2 p.m. Saturday ceremony inside the school gymnasium, 501 Bassett St.

The colors for this year's graduation are red, white and blue.

A reception with cake and punch will follow inside the school's old gymnasium.

Other graduates include Alisha Ann Rogers, Kasen Silas Skinner and Garrett James Youren.

Class of 2017 graduations Jordan Valley — 2 p.m., Saturday **Rimrock** — 2 p.m., Sunday, May 21 Homedale — 7 p.m., Monday, May 22

COSSA Academy — 5 p.m., Tuesday, May 23, Jewett Auditorium, Caldwell Marsing — 6 p.m., Friday, May 26 Adrian — 6 p.m., Sunday, May 28 Next week: Graduation 2017 section

## Bruneau-Grand View, Homedale Highway districts could see changes

A three-way election is on tap in the Homedale Highway District, and two Bruneau-Grand View school board incumbents face challenges on Election Day. Subdistrict 2 appointee John Demshar, who succeeded Joel Wilson earlier this year, faces two challengers in the highway district election.

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## Bond would help Bruneau build second sewer pond

## Vote timed to lessen customers' burden

Like most rural utilities, the Bruneau Water and Sewer District copes with the dilemma of a small revenue base and an expensive regulatory burden.

But federal regulations can be held at bay for only so long, which brings the district board to the need for a bond election.

Patrons are being asked to approve a 40-year, \$2.2 million bond that will help build a second active wastewater pond.

The polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday. A super majority of two-thirds of ballots in favor of the measure is needed for passage. Only residents living within the boundaries of the Bruneau Water and Sewer District are eligible to vote in this election.

Board chair Stacey Buckingham said the district hopes the project price tag will come in below \$2.2 million and that federal grant assistance can help push the

## **District board** Stacey Buckingham, chair Pat Welsh, past chair Denise Stewart Justin Howard Wylee Aquiso

final loan amount lower.

"We only have 78 connections in Bruneau, so we have to get a pile of grant money and block grants and U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development (monies)," he said.

The district already has saved customers money by using a \$40,000 planning grant from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality to complete an environmental impact document for the new lagoon. The district did have to kick in about \$5,000 in matching funds, Buckingham said.

In an effort to keep water and sewer bills low (averaging less than \$50 per month), board members have deliberately staggered improvement projects as much as they can.

## Where to vote

Polling places for the Bruneau Water and Sewer District bond election will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

**Bruneau** — American Legion Post 83 hall, 32536 Belle Ave.

In-person absentee voting — Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy

Estimates put the sewer bill increase at \$20 to \$22 monthly, which would push a minimum sewer bill to about \$40 per month.

"We want to keep our rates affordable for people," Buckingham said.

But, the board chair says, the variable with the new bond is whether federal authorities will require rate hikes in exchange for grant money. Rumblings that the Trump administration may decrease the amount of available infrastructure grant money also concern board members.

A water treatment plant, with a reverse-osmosis system, was completed nearly 10 years ago. The \$1.2 million project was financed through a combination of USDA Rural Development grants, a \$145,000 loan, a \$500,000 Idaho Community Development Block Grant, and a \$15,000 match from the district.

"We actually waited until the previous lagoon improvements were paid for before we did the water system to keep the debt down," Buckingham said.

The district has operated one wastewater pond for nearly 20 years after the second lagoon was decommissioned because of liner issues.

But the retired pond has been pushed into wintertime service to catch excess effluent when the reverse osmosis system cleans elevated levels of fluoride and arsenic out of the community's drinking water.

"In the summer, the lagoon has a better evaporation situation," Buckingham said. "In the winter, the humidity is high, and we don't

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get the same evaporation.

"In the winter months (the online lagoon) gets too full, and the only way to handle it is to put it in the other lagoon we're not supposed to use."

Plan B would be sending the water down an irrigation waste ditch that flows toward C.J. Strike Reservoir, but health concerns makes that a dicey option, Buckingham said.

Buckingham said if the bond passes and the district is able to get enough grant support, the project could go out to bid next spring with work following in the summer and fall.

The board may seek a bridge loan this year to pay for the necessary geological work, such as test bores to get soil samples.

The board hopes the project comes in at less than \$2 million, but seeks an indebtedness ceiling of \$2.2 million for market variables.

"It's a pretty big lagoon, and the liner itself is a petroleum-based product, so if fuel skyrockets we could have a bigger cost," Buckingham said. — JPB



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## WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2017

## Mother sacrifices business bottom line for Angel Walk son

## Annual benefit 5K, car show set Saturday in Homedale

Rebecca Lopez thought her son just needed a prescription adjustment when his behavior began to change late last year.

"We thought it was his ADHD. We thought his medication wasn't working," the Homedale business owner said. "He was just way too hyper for being medicated."

But her 7-year-old second-grader was about to begin a journey she had just completed.

Eeliyas Escalante was diagnosed with childhood astrocytoma in December. A benign cell in his brain affects personality and learning.

"He's a very, very happy kid who likes to play," Lopez said. "With the diagnosis, he's happy one minute and then he'll be very mad."

Lopez found out about her son's condition soon after she had completed treatment for ovarian cancer.

She says her son is a very headstrong boy. He likes to play tag and toss a football around.

Eeliyas used to want to be a firefighter when he grew up. In a twist that his mother says is part of the diagnosis, he has now changed his mind and wants to be a policeman.

Eeliyas attends special education and occupational therapy at Homedale Elementary School. His teachers are Laura Eubanks and Kandy Stanford.

The boy receives counseling and undergoes handwriting therapy because



*Eeliyas Escalante and his mother, Rebecca Lopez. Photo by George Decker* 

the condition also affects his ability to write. Lopez is seeking a second opinion on what the next step is in helping Eeliyas live with the disease.

"(The condition) causes him to forget what he learns," Lopez said.

Lopez tries to help her son with retention through flash cards or reading stories or counting numbers.

"We had a tablet where he was learning, but it broke," she said.

Now, the family heads to Homedale

Public Library so Eeliyas can perform educational games on the computer.

In order to get Eeliyas' to medical and counseling appointments, his mother has had to shorten hours of operation for her Rebecca's Hair Salon business.

"The hardest part is not being able to be here more than I can," she said. "Now that I have to close, I'm not here as much and (the business is) financially struggling."

Lopez moved the salon into its West Idaho Avenue location about a year ago after four years on North Main Street.

The Homedale Friends Angel Walk committee selected Eeliyas, the son of Lopez and Juan Escalante, as the recipient for the proceeds for this year's 5-kilometer fun run, walk and children's bike ride as well as the fifth annual classic car show.

Angel Walk is in its seventh year of raising money to help a local family with medical expenses for a child with a major disease or ailment.

The Angel Walk begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday at Bette Uda City Park. Checkin will take place between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. The route takes participants down Riverside Avenue along the Snake River, up North Main Street and down West Idaho Avenue. They traverse the same route heading back to City Park.

Participants can run or walk. Children in second grade and younger are permitted to hop on their bikes.

Registration costs \$15 per person. Families can take part for \$40. Entrants receive T-shirts, but the cut-off to be guaranteed a shirt was May 5.

Organizers also accept donations from people who are unable to take part in the fun run. For more information on the Angel Walk fun run, contact Homedale Friends Community Church pastor Luke Ankeny at homedaleangelwalk@gmail.com, (208) 936-0701 or (208) 337-3464. There are also more details online at homedaleangelwalk2017.blogspot.com.

The car show takes place on the west side of town. Suggested donation to enter a car is \$10, and registration takes place between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. The car show entrance is at the intersection of Idaho Avenue and Main Street, and cars will be parked for blocks west of the intersection.

There will be prize drawings, and car show awards will be handed out after 1 p.m. The most coveted trophy is the Angel's Choice, which is an award custom-made by Homedale resident Mark Bauer. The winning car will be chosen by Eeliyas.

Jon Jaxon will provide DJ music during the car show.

A breakfast benefitting the Homedale Senior Center will be served beginning at 7 a.m. The pancake, eggs and sausage breakfast costs \$7 per person.

More information on the Angel Walk car show can be obtained by contacting Mark Bauer at (208) 412-8782 or Jon Brown at (208) 337-4681 or (208) 880-2859.

— JPB

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## $\sqrt{\text{Cemetery:}}$ Board members anticipate facility expansion in near future

\$20,000 per year would be used to purchase and/or maintain lawn equipment and maintain cemetery grounds. The verbiage of the proposal also says \$10,000 per year would be for cemetery district financial business affairs.

A two-year temporary levy approved in 2015 will expire at the end of Fiscal Year 2017. The temporary levy only needed a simple majority to pass and provided \$30,000 per year in 2016 and 2017.

Cemetery district patrons rejected permanent levy hikes twice in 2014 when neither proposal earned a super majority.

The annual property tax impact of a permanent levy would be the same as the temporary levy in place now. Property owners would pay \$10 per \$100,000 of taxable property value each year.

## Where to vote

Polling places for the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery permanent levy override election will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

North Homedale — Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave

South Homedale — Magistrate Court/City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

North Marsing - Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.

South Marsing — University of Idaho, Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 W. 8th Ave.

Wilson — Schoolhouse, 10427 Johnston Lane

In-person absentee voting — Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy

The district's budget for this fiscal year is \$137,151. That compares to \$119,040 in Fiscal Year 2016. The district had a carryover of \$15,900 from year to year.

Cemetery sexton Bruce Benson received a \$5,000 raise this year, bringing his annual salary to \$40,000.

The cemetery brought in \$3,812

in each of the past two years from renting out two pieces of land it owns to a hay farmer. The 16 acre and 20 acre parcels total 36 acres.

Board chair Jay Hall said four sections of the cemetery are nearly full. A fifth section could be put into use by the end of the year and would require hiring another fulltime employee.

Hall added that the cemetery will have to open two more sections in a few years at an estimated cost of \$40,000.

The two new sections would be located on the 16-acre piece of land owned by the cemetery.

Benson and cemetery district director Aaron Tines said the board has not discussed how to make up the revenue lost by no longer renting the parcel to the hay farmer.

A new road would have to be

constructed before Sections 6 and 7 could open.

In 2014, the board considered selling the 20-acre parcel for \$6,000 per acre, for a total of \$120,000.

Benson thinks the idea of selling the land is now probably off the table.

"I don't see it ever selling, it's going to stay with the cemetery," Benson said. "As long as we've got the directors that we do now, and I'm around, no."

The maintenance district board members said the cemetery is five times larger than it was in the 1960s and expenses have quadrupled since 1969. They also said that increasing the cost of lots would not generate enough income to maintain the cemetery. -SC

## Elections: Some boards face vacancies unless someone steps up to serve

Former Homedale city councilman and one-time interim mayor David "Hap" Duryee and rural resident Robert Wolfe also are on Tuesday's highway district ballot.

Demshar served on the board previously after succeeding his father, Fred. Wilson was appointed to succeed the younger Demshar when he retired from the position a few years ago.

In the Bruneau-Grand View School District, board chair Lori Bennett, who resides in Zone 3, is running against RaeLynn Schkade. Longtime Zone 5 trustee Howard Field faces a challenge from Steve Boren.

Zone 1 Trustee Gary Jones is unopposed in his re-election bid.

Polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. in various locations Tuesday.

Other governing boards have

## **Results online**

Election results won't be available at press time next week. The Owyhee Avalanche will publish results on its website as soon as the unofficial final tally is received from the county.

Full follow-up coverage will appear in the Avalanche's May 24 edition.

no races as only incumbents have filed candidacy petitions.

Marsing school — Board chair Betty Ackerman, the Zone 3 trustee, is running unopposed after Doran Parkins withdrew. Jason Sevy in Zone 1 and Brad McIntyre in Zone 5 are unopposed in re-election bids.

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

Melba school — Owyhee County resident Susan Jaca has filed to seek the Zone 5 position

currently held by Mary Huff, who declined to seek re-election.

E. Owyhee County Library - Three women have filed to continue: appointees Vera Lea Jayo and Sharon Carothers and incumbent Nancy Law.

Three Creek school — Incumbents Gus Brackett (Zone 2, chair) and Art Small (Zone 3) are running. County deputy clerk Brook Russell reports Zone 1 incumbent David Severe nor anyone else submitted nomination papers.

Lizard Butte Library, Marsing — Jamie Parkins (six-year term), Patricia Russell (four years) and Jean Udesen (two years) are seeking re-election unopposed.

Gem Highway District — Morris Giedd (subdistrict 1) and Jeff Percifield (subdistrict 2) both are seeking re-election.

Russell reports receiving no nomination papers — neither from incumbents nor challengers — in the following elections:

**Pleasant Valley School Dis**trict — Todd Gluch, the board chair, is the Zone 3 incumbent.

Bruneau Valley Library — Districtwide trustee Ginny Roeder is retiring.

Three Creek Highway — Chet Brackett and Kathy Jones are at the end of their terms.



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## Calendar

## Today

**Coffee club** 

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

### **Preschool Story Time**

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

#### **Preschool story time**

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

## Grand View City Council meeting

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

Homedale City Council meeting

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

## 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., Marsing.

### Thursday

### **TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting**

8 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

#### Fit and Fall exercise

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

#### Senior center pinochle

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

### **Owyhee Gardeners meeting**

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

## **Crafts for Kids**

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

#### Disc golf play night

6 p.m., all ages and skills, Riverside Park, Homedale. (208) 337-4641

#### **High school May concert**

6:30 p.m., Homedale High School gymnasium, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

#### **AA** meetings

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

## Friday

### **Story Time**

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

## Grand View Lions Club meeting

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

#### Teens and Tweens program

### 5170 or (208) 834-3199

## Angel Walk fun run

10 a.m., Bette Uda City Park, East Idaho Avenue, Homedale.

## **Free lunch**

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

## Senior center dominoes and card games

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

### **Owyhee Watershed Council meeting**

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

### Family movie night

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

## 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

### **Foot clinic**

9 a.m., call for appointment, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922 Tuesdays and Thursdays

## **Blood pressure clinic**

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

## 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

### 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

### **Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire meeting**

7 p.m., Wilson Fire Station, 10427 Johnston Lane, Wilson.

### 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 AA meetings

## **School menus**

## **Homedale Elementary**

May 10: Chicken patty sandwich, tater tots, veggie & fruit bar May 11: Cheese pizza ripper, tossed salad, fruit rollup, veggie & fruit bar

May 15: Crispito, corn, veggie & fruit bar

May 16: Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes/gravy, veggie & fruit bar

May 17: Chicken taco, corn, veggie & fruit bar

## **Homedale Middle**

May 10: Mini corn dogs or fish nuggets, steamed carrots, cookie, fruit & salad bar

May 11: Hamburger or chicken patty, potato chips, fruit & salad bar

May 15: Pork chop or chicken tenders, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit & salad bar

May 16: Sloppy Joe or rib-b-que, green beans, fruit & salad bar May 17: Popcorn chicken or hamburger, baked beans, fruit & salad bar

## Homedale High

May 10: Chicken nuggets or chef salad, macaroni & cheese, salad bar, fruit choice

May 11: Spicy chicken sandwich or cheeseburger, potato wedges, salad bar, fruit choice

May 15: Pepperoni pizza ripper or deli sandwich w/chips, salad bar, fruit choice

May 16: Chicken sandwich or chef salad, salad bar, fruit choice May 17: Lasagna or popcorn chicken, roll, corn, salad bar, fruit choice

## Marsing Elementary

Marsing Middle & High

& chow mein, mixed vegetables

animal crackers

crackers

refried beans

green beans

steamed carrots

COSSA

May 10: Chicken drumstick, baby bakers, roll, corn or PB&J, cheese stick, graham crackers

May 11: Hot dog, baked beans, green beans or PB&J, yogurt, animal crackers

May 15: Chicken nuggets, roll, mixed vegetables or PB&J, cheese stick, cookie May 16: Chicken sandwich, steamed carrots or PB&J, yogurt,

May 17: Beef tacos, rice/beans, corn, or PB&J, cheese stick, graham

May 10: Chicken drumstick, baby bakers, roll, corn or pork taco,

May 11: Hot dog, baked beans, green beans or egg roll & fried rice,

May 15: Chicken nuggets, roll, mixed vegetables or teriyaki chicken

May 16: Chicken sandwich, steamed carrots or philly sandwich,

May 17: Beef tacos, rice & beans, corn or BBQ chicken, corn

May 11: Soft taco, refried beans, Spanish rice, salad, fruit

May 15: Baked chicken, mac & cheese, peas, carrots, fruit

May 16: Corn dog, broccoli & cheese, carrots, fruit

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

### American Legion Post 32 special meeting

7 p.m., George D. VanDerhoff American Legion Post 32 Hall, 14 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 965-0314

## Saturday

### Angel Walk car show

8 a.m., registration, 10 a.m., car show begins, \$10 donation, West Idaho Avenue, Homedale. (208) 412-8782 or (208) 337-4681 or (208) 880-2859 **Rimrock Community Food Pantry** distribution

9 a.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2419, (208) 8347:30 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 U.S. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-3464

## Wednesday

#### **Coffee club**

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

### **Preschool Story Time**

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

### Preschool story time

3 p.m. to 4 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785 Grand View Chamber of Commerce meeting 5:30 p.m., Grand View Fire Station, 721 Roosevelt St., Grand View.

### Thursday, May 18 **TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting**

8 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

May 10: Cook's choice

**Bruneau-Grand View** 

May 11: Soft taco, black beans/salsa, corn, fruit

May 10: Cheeseburger, tots, salad, fruit

May 17: Pizza or PB&J, salad, fruit

May 12: Cheeseburger salad wrap, baby carrots & celery sticks, fruit

### May 16: Cook's choice

May 17: Teriyaki chicken, oriental rice, stir-fry veggies, fruit

## Submitting calendar items

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

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

## **Obituaries**

## Walter "Walt" Allen Rost

Walter "Walt" Allen Rost, 91, of Meridian, Idaho, passed away peacefully at home Wednesday, May 3, 2017.

Walt was the youngest of three children born to Earl and Olive Rost on October 10, 1925. Walt attended school at Riverside (an unincorporated community in Canyon County, Idaho located east of the Snake River, 3.5 miles southeast of Marsing).

Months shy of his 19th birthday, while busy farming 100 acres, milking 15 cows, and feeding 35-40 hogs, his life was interrupted by a notice to report for active duty. It took a few days to dispose of everything, but, on June 23, 1944 he found himself at Fort Douglas, Utah. After completing basic training at Camp David in Little Rock, Arkansas, Walt boarded a ship in Fort Ord, California on December 19, 1944, as part of the 77<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, Platoon #1, Squad #1. Ultimate destination: Iwo Jima.

Walt served in battles and campaigns fought in the Southern Philippines and Ryukyus (R.I., Island chain in Japan). Walt was awarded the Bronze Star for his meritorious service in connection with military operations at Shuri, Okinawa, R.I. on May 16, 1945. Walt was also the recipient of the Army of Occupation Medal (Japan), Good Conduct Medal, Philippine Liberation Medal with Bronze Service Star, Victory Medal, and Asiatic Pacific Service Medal. Walt received an honorable discharge from the U.S. Army on May 10, 1946.

Walt was a dedicated and principled man. Upon his return to civilian life, he delivered mail in Boise, worked as a meat cutter in Caldwell, as a lineman for Pacific Telephone working in



Caldwell, Twin Falls, Mesa, Arizona, and Orange County, California. Upon retirement, he returned to Idaho and worked at the Creamery in Caldwell, J.C. Jackson & Sons Contractors, and Idaho Telephone Company until his  $(2^{nd})$  retirement in 1988. He worked part-time at Wilder Cemetery from 1988 - 1993 (earning a 3<sup>rd</sup> retirement). Walt then worked as the maintenance man for the Homedale Fairgrounds & Rodeo and was instrumental with developments and improvements at the Homedale Rod & Gun Club. Walt was recognized for his service as a Volunteer Instructor by the Idaho Fish and Game Commission for his outstanding contributions to the Idaho Hunter Safety Program for the years 2001-2006, receiving the Commissioner's Award for "Continuing Our Heritage."

Walt enjoyed spending time with family and friends camping, fishing, and hunting in the backcountry with his own pack string.

Walt is survived by his wife of 42 years, Glenda Rae Rost; children: Al Rost, Anna and Jeff Miller, Loretta Rost and Dave Brown, Marion Elizabeth and

Randy Woods, Lynn and Gilbert Tuning, and Clayton J. "Jim" and Laurie Bryant; brother and sister-in-law, Roy "Joe" and Diane Williams; grandchildren: Christopher and Kelley Miller, Patrick Miller, Zachary Marmon, Nicholas Marmon, Sarah and Matt Sanders, Catriona Rost, Matthew Rost, Aaron Amick, Amanda and Jason Hoodenpyle, Andrea and Mick Tully, Christopher and Dennice Bryant, Katelyn and Jon Craigen; and great-grandchildren: Sydney Amick, Michayla Tully, Abigail and Ashlynn Hoodenpyle, Sydney and Addelyn Bryant, Bailey, Zoey and Jonathan Michael Craigen, Jr., and Gracee Sanders; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Walt was preceded in death by his parents, Earl Noah and Olive Mae Rost; brother, Everett Rost; sister, Mary Lyon; fatherand mother-in-law, Glen and Loretta Williams; great-grandson, Clayton Tully, and first wife, Hazel LaVette.

The family appreciates the great care provided by Colleen and staff of Doctor's Hospice of Idaho.

A funeral service was held at 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at the Valley of the Shepherd Church of the Nazarene, 150 W. Maestra St., Meridian with Rev. Chuck Ryan officiating. Interment with Military Honors followed at the Meridian Cemetery, 895 E. Franklin Road, Meridian. Services under the direction of Accent Funeral Home and Cremation, Meridian. Remembrances may be left for the family at www. AccentFuneral.com

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Homedale Rod & Gun Club, Attn: Gordon Dougal, 16737 Boehner Road, Caldwell, Idaho 83607.

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JILL ALYNN CONRAD, 55,

## Vivian Bruce Cannon

Vivian Bruce Cannon passed away October 10, 2016, in Lindale, Texas, after suffering a stroke two weeks earlier.

She was born May 24, 1932, in the small ranching community of Arock, Oregon, the only child of William and Treva Bruce.

Vivian grew up on the family ranch surrounded by the many people who populated a working ranch in those days. She was always busy with her beloved horses, many cats, and faithful dog, Pup. She attended all eight grades in Arock's one-room schoolhouse and graduated from Jordan Valley High School.

She was married in June 1950. Her first daughter, Deborah, was born in May 1951, and her second daughter, Candace, was born in September 1952.

In 1958, Vivian, her mother, and daughters moved to Nevada, where they lived first in Carson City and then Lake Tahoe for over 20 years. Vivian attended the University of Nevada, Reno, majoring in criminal justice.

In 1980, she and her mother moved to Colorado, and in 1983, she married Richard (Dick) Spencer, publisher of Western Horseman Magazine. During the six years of their marriage, Vivian and Dick traveled extensively, representing the magazine at rodeos, trail rides, and art shows.

Dick Spencer died in 1989, and Vivian's mother died in 1990. Four years later, Vivian moved to Winona, Texas, where she bought a ranch and raised cattle and Quarter Horses. In 1998, she married Thomas S. Cannon,



D.V.M., the owner of Cannon Veterinary Clinic in Lindale, Texas. After retiring in 2015, he and Vivian returned to the ranch in Winona.

Vivian was an extraordinary woman who will be remembered for her contagious laugh, strength of character, generous heart, rocksolid faith — and so much more.

She is survived by her husband, Tom; her daughters, Deborah McIntyre, Candace McMahan (Gary), and Jolene Rogers (Russell); her granddaughters, Elizabeth Hughes and Katie Butler (Cameron); her grandson, Will McMahan; her great-grandson, Colby Mulvihill; and her sisterand brother-in-law, Sally and Pete Loehrer.

A memorial service in her honor will be held at 2:00 p.m., May 27, at the Methodist Church in Jordan Valley.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Hospice of East Texas HomePlace in Tyler, 903-266-3400.

## **Stewart William Rhodes**

Stewart William Rhodes was born February 12, 1970 in Downey, California to Donnie and Marianna Rhodes. Stewart was the oldest of four kids, two brothers Steven and Scott, and one sister, Stacey.

Stewart graduated high school at Downey High in 1988 and then went to work at the Stonewood Mall as a security guard. While working there, Stewart met the love of his life in 1990 and married Paula Rhodes on November 23, 1991. Together, Stew and Paula had five children, Cody (1993), Courtney (1995), Connor (1997), Chase (1999), and Cole (2000), and moved numerous times throughout California, Oregon, and ultimately ended up in Marsing, Idaho in 2008. Stewart was a fantastic father and role model to many more than just his kids; a perfect example of a loving and caring husband who always made sure that Paula knew that he loved her. Above all, he was active in the church and a strong devout follower of God. Stewart went to be in heaven



on May 5, 2017 unexpectedly. He joins his father Donnie and leaves behind Paula, his wife of 25 years, his children Cody (Erin), Courtney (Josiah), Connor, Chase, Cole, and his two grandkids, McKinley and Josie. A small private viewing was held on Saturday, May 6 at the Flahiff Funeral Home, and a Celebration of life will be held on Friday, May 12, 2017 at 2pm in the Deer Flat Church in Caldwell, open to all those who Stewart touched during his time here on this Earth. The family is asking that, in lieu of flowers, a small donation be made to the LLS charity or the Make-A-Wish Idaho foundation. Condolences can be given at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com

## **Senior menus**

## **Homedale Senior Center**

Salad bar available with each meal: lettuce, tomato, boiled eggs, peaches, apricots, salad dressing May 10: Corned beef sandwich, macaroni salad, beet salad May 11: Baked ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, roll May 16: Chicken & noodles, California blend veggies, roll May 17: Spaghetti & meat sauce, string beans, roll

May 18: Salisbury steak w/onions & mushrooms, mashed potatoes/ gravy, peas, roll

## **Rimrock Senior Center**

May 11: Pork chops, applesauce, buttered noodles, frog-eye salad, coleslaw, brownie

May 16: Roast beef, potatoes/gravy, peas & carrots, roll, cake & ice cream

May 18: Wiener wrap, pasta salad, green beans, apple wedges



4, 2017. Cremation is under the care of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

of Homedale, died Thursday, May

**DONALD DOUGLAS KLINE**, 73, of Marsing, died Saturday, April 15, 2017. Arrangements: Cremation Society of Idaho

**FRED LEO UHL**, 80, who resided in Grand View, Bruneau and Oreana before eventually moving to Middleton, died Saturday, April 29, 2017.

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## A wild, woolly winter wood hunt (Part 1)

Some of our family adventures had more planning than others. One of those "others" was an ill-advised trip on a Thanksgiving weekend to get firewood. Dad wanted to try out the Jeep we got him for his birthday, and he thought it would be a great time for his boys to bond, test their survival skills, play cards and have a few beers.

The Jeep was a 1944 Ford product with a Chevy motor and big tires. Looked like it would climb straight up a cliff. Brother Brian had a '59 Ford 4x4 that seemed just too stupid to die no matter how much baling wire and tape held it together. Danny had just bought a '68 Chevy pickup with a 396 engine. It was high on horsepower but low on gas mileage and thin on tires. Brother John had a 1960s Harvester 4x4 that could take just about anything except an award for styling. With these rigs and a trailer, we were going to get some wood for four households. A pretty optimistic goal for a Thanksgiving weekend spur-of-the-moment trip.

Reports said there was about a foot of snow around South Mountain (yes, we usually check), but there was none in the valley when we left. Danny and I left first in his pickup towing the Jeep, but even at that it was late afternoon before we started. Danny, of course, drove while I navigated and drank beer not expecting to do much more than make sure the empties made it into the back of the truck.

By the time we drove out of Jordan Valley, it was dark, and hard-packed snow covered the road. The Jeep towed like it had flat tires and as it was new to us we didn't know much about it. As we were going up a hill just past the Trout Creek crossing, the bald tires on the truck lost traction, and we spun to a stop about halfway up the grade. It was decided to disconnect the Jeep and drive it to the cabin. After all, it was 4-wheel drive!

I got out of the Jeep, but first thought I would commune with nature and write my name in the snow. I was just adding the punctuation when Danny yelled at me to get in the Jeep and put on the brake. The whole rig was sliding backward down the hill!

I wasn't finished, but I held it — and my pants — as best I could, hopped in the Jeep and jammed on the brakes. That stopped the backward slide, but what to do now?

Danny put the truck in park, set the brake, got out and unhooked the Jeep. Everything stayed put while we removed the tow bar.



## by Stan Soran

I got my clothes back in order, put on some gloves and fired up the Jeep. Danny took off and was out of sight in a matter of seconds. This wood-gathering trip was going south in a hurry!

Since we'd only gotten the Jeep a couple weeks prior, I wasn't at all familiar with it, especially how to turn on the heater or if it even had one. With no top, it would just be for its psychological value. It did have a heater, but it was on the passenger side floor and so pretty useless unless I was stopped and sitting on that side, which eventually I was to warm up my hands. For now, though, I was well-covered, warm and moving along at a comfortable, safe pace in 2-wheel drive.

The headlights were small and dim, making it easy to overdrive them. I gradually gained some speed thinking that maybe I could get a glimpse of some tail lights, but none were sighted.

Eventually, I was plowing through the snow at an "insane for conditions" speed. There's a section where the road is straight but has some rolling hills. I eased into the throttle as I crested a hill, and the Jeep got a little airborne, coming down sliding sideways. Some of the mailboxes in that area are made up of a post and box mounted into a 55-gallon barrel filled with rocks. This was about the only thing available to hit, and I did with the side of the Jeep. I got a good shower of boulders but no harm done, at least not to me. I found the mailbox, or what was left of it, and put it in the barrel with the rocks, restarted the Jeep and got going again after I warmed my hands. No more incidents of note happened as a drove along following the tracks at a much more disciplined speed.



The suspect vehicle.

It was too dark to make note of any landmarks, but Danny's tracks clearly showed where to turn off at the crossroads to the cabin. Here, the snow was pretty fresh and deep, so I floored it and spun the tires until I made it about to the first gate. There, I got stuck and couldn't go any further.

Danny had made it to the Ranch and walked back to see what was keeping me. I was locking in the hubs but beyond that I hadn't ever driven a jeep, so didn't know how to engage the transfer case. I got in the passenger side and warmed my hands.

Whether he knew how or not, Danny moved a couple levers, revved the engine and let out the clutch. The wild ride began in earnest. All four wheels were roostertailing snow, and the little Chevy was hitting a high note. Sounded great!

He slowed down a little bit just as we got to the Ranch, and there was a big bang! When he tried to restart the engine, all it did was spin the starter. With a lighter, we took a look under the hood. The front driveline had broken and knocked the starter off and continued on into the oil pan, leaving a pool of oil in the snow.

As they say, getting there is half the fun, and we weren't there yet!

— Caldwell resident Stan Soran's family has a long history of Owyhee County capers. Since the 1950s, the Soran Family has had a mine on Soldier Creek. Four generations of family and friends have hiked, hunted, played, panned, partied, mined, built, burned and rebuilt at the "Cabin." If you have an Owyhee County tale you'd like to reminisce about, call (208) 337-4681 or email jon@owyheeavalanche.com for submission information.

## Protecting your livestock from toxic plants

If you own livestock, you will most certainly own dead stock at some point

in time. This is a phrase that is often repeated by livestock owners. Dead stock can be perplexing, disheartening, and downright expensive! Dead stock can often be avoided if we



Scott Jensen

## University of Idaho

of pregnant cows. This happened during the middle of winter while he was feeding hay. The hay was from a new seeding that was quite weedy with kochia and pigweed. In addition to this, they had difficulty irrigating the field, and several areas within the field received little water, creating drought-like conditions in those areas. It should be noted that some plants such as kochia and pigweed tend to accumulate nitrates. Drought conditions accelerate the accumulation of nitrates. are some excellent resources available to help you identify the plant species in your pastures.

• Review the characteristics of each plant species. Is there any point in their life cycle when they are potentially toxic? If so, what grazing strategies are available to mitigate the risk?

• If in doubt, check it out! Don't wait until vou have dead stock to identify a problem. Your veterinarian or local Extension educator can be excellent resources to help assess risk and identify mitigation strategies. Not all poisonous plants cause death. There are many toxic plants that cause reproductive problems such as abortions or malformed calves. Again, knowing what plants you have and how or when they can adversely affect your livestock is key to avoiding issues that can leave you perplexed, disheartened, and with less money in your pocket.

## Homedale library youth group set to salute mothers

Friday's events at the Homedale Public Library will include indoor and outdoor activities.

Preschoolers attending Story Time at 10:15 will hear a reading of a portion of the Mothers Day love story "If Not for You" by Debbie Macomber.

Library youth services coordinator Carol McMichael said boys and girls will also hear Mother Goose stories

plants and/or conditions that should be avoided.

Two cases in point:

A few weeks ago, I was contacted in regard to a producer who had lost several head of cattle. These cows were grazing a field of turnips that were green and actively growing. A quick look in my "Bible" of toxic plants (A Guide to Plant Poisoning of Animals in North America) revealed that green, actively growing turnips contain tryptophan, which is converted in the rumen to 3-methylindole. This then combines with the protein of type I cells of the lung airways. Ultimately this causes acute pulmonary emphysema and edema. The animal essentially dies of pneumonia.

Several years ago, I was contacted by a producer who had lost a couple

After a look at the hay (all big bales), we collected samples from the weediest-looking bales and then another set of samples randomly across all the bales. Laboratory analysis showed that nitrate levels were elevated (but at tolerable levels) in the random sample and then extremely high in the weediest bales.

In each of these cases, if these producers had been aware of the potential danger they could have taken steps to mitigate the problem. Following are my recommendations when it comes to toxicity issues and livestock:

• Know the plants in your pastures. This includes the weed species. Whether irrigated or rangeland, there — Contact Scott Jensen at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension at scottj@uidaho.edu. Jensen is the U of I county extension educator, and he welcomes questions on livestock care. The U of I Owyhee County Extension Office is located at 238 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. W., in Marsing and can be reached at (208) 896-4104. and nursery rhymes.

After the stories, children will make a paper tulip to give to their moms.

At 4 p.m., the Teens and Tweens group will walk to the Riverside Park disc golf course to learn how to play the game.

Dave Downum, one of the people instrumental in bringing the nine-hole course to the park, will bring discs for boys and girls to use during the clinic.

The nine-hole 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  $2^{nd}$  Street East.

The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Hours of operation are 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 more information about the library and its programs.

## **Bruneau-GV trustees share thoughts before election**

## Zone 3

Lori Bennett **Age** — 47

## **Occupation** — Intermountain Communica-

tions, man-

ager Family Husband, Scott; 2 children (Rimrock grads) District resident

— 26 years



**Experience** — 7-year board incumbent (current chair), 2 years ISBA executive board Region 3 chair

## RaeLynn Schkade

**Age** — 35 **Occupation** -Owner, Integri-

ty Factoring Family – Husband, Jens; 3 children (all in Bruneau-Grand View schools) District resident - 31 years

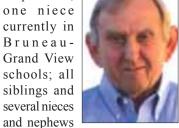
Experience — County GOP committeewoman, state delegate; business owner/operator

## Zone 5

## **Howard Field**

**Age** — 69 **Occupation** — Farmer

Family — Two nephews, one niece currently in Bruneau-Grand View schools; all siblings and



have attended B-GV schools District resident — Most of his life

Experience — 9-year incumbent (current vice-chair and chair of policy committee)

## Why are you running for office?

Bennett: I would like to continue working on improving our school district to provide a solid and diversified education for our students. Schkade: I am running because providing our kids with the best environment, teachers, and curriculum starts with purposeful, committed leadership with high expectations and collective accountability.

Field: It is important for the future of our students to improve their educational experience. I will continue to support Gov. Otter and the State Board of Education Task Force mission to inspire our kids to "Go-On" with their education. They need to be prepared attending college or learn the technical skills necessary to build a brighter future.

Boren: To help improve the district with leadership, integrity and accountability.

## What is your vision for the governance of the school district?

Bennett: My vision is that our schools are serving our communities and students by providing a quality education.

Schkade: My vision centers around the district working with the community, parents, and students to create a clear strategy for successful student learning, teacher retention, and budgeting.

Field: As stated in Idaho's State Board of Education Guiding Principle, I know the classroom teacher is the most important school-related factor of student achievement. Effective teachers increase student success, close achievement gaps and foster a student's ability to learn. This results in lower dropout rates, higher numbers of students going on to postsecondary experiences and increased employment and earnings opportunities. Strong administrators and leaders enable teachers to develop, grow and succeed in their profession.

Boren: To work together to develop trust of administration within the community and to provide academic excellence to all students.

## What improvements would you like to see both budgetary and educational?

Bennett: Educationally I would like to see our students better prepared for life after high school.

Schkade: Budgetary improvements I would like to see include a more serious effort to cut expenses before asking taxpayers for a levy; and, if a levy is unavoidable, greater specificity on dollar amounts and expenditures needed.

Educational improvements I would like to see include providing a wider variety of curriculum that encourages creativity and innovation. We have to remember: The Common Core Standards are minimum standards, not maximum standards.

Field: Work as a board and community to attract qualified teachers and vocational training experts to help retain our students, lowering the drop-out rate and encouraging them to go on with their education.

Boren: Fiscal responsibility and transparency and to have more opportunities for our students to challenge themselves academically.

## How would you go about achieving those improvements?

Bennett: Continue to offer dual credit courses and try to provide greater exposure to careers and career planning earlier in our students' education.

Schkade: No elaboration

Field: Encourage community participation and regional expertise to help grow our teacher and technical education base.

Boren: Have an open-door policy for community questions and suggestions. Being on the board will also allow me to look closer at finances and evaluate if and how funds can be best utilized.

## What are the major issues facing your school district, and how would you address them?

Bennett: Student achievement is a big concern. We need to continue to work on changing the culture and to instill confidence and drive in the students.

Schkade: One of the major issues facing our school district is high teacher turnover. Exit interviews should be school policy to help us discover why teachers are leaving. Once we know, we can work to fix those issues.

### Field: Same as above.

Boren: Teacher turnover, facility maintenance, funding and graduation rates. I will ask the board to review all exit interviews to identify the main cause for turnover. I will work with administration to ensure our facilities are well maintained and that our students are supported throughout their high school career leading to graduation.

## What is your opinion of the most recent supplemental levy?

Bennett: I am very thankful that it passed as the district cannot run without it.

Schkade: They should be infrequent. This is a generous, hard-working, and self-sufficient community. We should expect our school district to be the same.

Field: I'm glad the supplemental levy passed, and I appreciate the community support to secure the funds necessary to educate our students from K-12.

Boren: The levy is necessary to keep all three schools open in the district.

## What will it take for the district to avoid future supplemental levies?

Bennett: Given our current structure and the current state funding formula, we will always need a supplemental levy to provide for the students and to manage the facilities.

Schkade: For future levies to be avoided, there needs to be a clear understanding of wants and needs. Wants are things that can be saved for and purchased later. Top budget priorities need to be those items that have the best and most direct impact on the students' education.

Field: We will continue to monitor our expenses and make sound fiscal decisions with the information we have available.

Boren: More state funding, increase in student body or consolidation of schools.

**Steve Boren** 

**Age** — 43 Occupation — Cattle rancher Family — Wife, Mandi; 6 children (3 in Bruneau-Grand View schools)

District resident — 6 years Experience — Owyhee Cattlemen's Association board, Boy Scout leader

### What is your opinion of direction of the district since the financial difficulties of a few years ago?

Bennett: I think the district has been fiscally responsible with implementing new educational programs and with the upkeep of the district's facilities.

Schkade: Not enough has changed if the district is still in a position where they depend on a levy every year.

Field: We've worked hard to be accountable to the taxpayers and will continue to be accessible to the public with our decision-making. Boren: No answer given

## What policy changes, if any, have been or should be instituted in the wake of sex abuse allegations? Bennett: Annual training should be required for all staff.

Schkade: I believe that we need to be very clear about what is inappropriate with firm consequences for infractions. Leadership needs to set expectations in dress, speech and attitude and make sure they are adhered to.

Field: We have been proactive in implementing policy to handle these difficult cases. As Chair of the Policy Committee, I will continue to monitor the policy and remain accountable to our patrons.

Boren: BGV has a strict policy regarding sexual abuse. I will work with the board to continue to ensure all our students are safe.

## What aspects of the school district are you most proud of?

Bennett: We have some of the most dedicated and diligent staff that serves our students, and I'm always proud of the hard-working students.

Schkade: I am most proud of our students who are committed to high educational and moral standards and who contribute to making the environment positive and fun. I am proud of the teachers who not only contribute positively to the students in the classroom but who are also seen out in the community with those same high standards.

Field: The education of our children in this valley is important to me. I am committed to the building of excellence in our schools and equally committed to expand upon the successes of our past and learn from those areas where we can do better and improve. — See Bruneau-Grand View, next page

## Highway hopefuls know money is tight, roads need work

Although John Demshar is seeking to extend his second stint on the Homedale Highway District board, he's glad to see other people get involved in the process.

An appointee finishing out Joel Wilson's term as Subdistrict 2 commissioner, Demshar faces a challenge in Tuesday's election from David "Hap" Duryee and Robert Wolfe.

Demshar, who served previously after succeeding his father, Fred, doesn't mind the competition.

"I'm really glad to see that there are other guys that are interested," he said.

Duryee said he has been attending meetings since Wilson left the board. He also has analyzed other road districts, such as Golden Gate in Wilder and the Parma district, from his years driving to service calls for the telephone company.

All three men say they think the district is being governed adequately at this point, but they understand that several roads need attention.

The bottom line is the board must make prudent decisions with the limited funds it has, the men sav.

All three would like to find a solution to repair and repave the stretches of Cemetery Road and Nielson Lane that were turned to gravel during the economic downturn.

All three acknowledge that the district runs on a thin budget, and the idea of a permanent levy increase isn't popular because other taxing districts are analyzing the same option.

Duryee said the district needs some help in minimizing heavy truck traffic on some of the district's roads.

"You've got to have some leadership to address that as things change, and some of that has to come from the county," he said. "(Farm operators) are ever-expanding, and the district can't keep up by themselves."

#### Why are you running for office?

Demshar: "If I can help the community, I'll do it.'

Duryee: "When I was working, I found I couldn't have the time that I needed to give my all to the (city) council. Now, I've got

### Where to vote

Polling places for the Homedale Highway District Subdistrict 2 commissioner election will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

North Homedale — Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

South Homedale — Magistrate Court/City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

North Marsing — Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.

South Marsing — University of Idaho, Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 W. 8th Ave.

In-person absentee voting - Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy

time, and someone approached me."

Wolfe: "I want to help maintain the roads, and show pride in the county where you live for good roads. I'd like to keep everybody happy and safe."

### What is your opinion of how the district is being operated?

**Demshar:** "The equipment is very well maintained with impeccable records, grants have been applied for, and I believe (director of highways Stewart Constantine has) gotten one. The crew is doing a good job. The equipment is all paid for. I think they're doing good job."

**Duryee:** "I think they're doing as well as they can. I know that our district doesn't have the money as some of the others. I think they're doing fairly well. They're trying to keep up. They can't get everything that everybody wants, but I think that's case everywhere; it doesn't matter which office you serve."

Wolfe: "For the most part the roads are in pretty good. I think it's been run pretty good.

#### What are the most pressing issues facing the district?

Demshar: "Mostly the conditions of

the roads because of money being so tight from the state. It is better for about the last year because of the fuel tax (increase), and that's going to help.

"But we're behind on just regular seal coating. We're behind schedule for the last four or five years. Once that damage is done, it's done. There might be some tough decisions coming up on how maintenance is done."

Duryee: "The biggest one is trying to get some of the roads that are in bad condition now back. Again, that goes to the money crunch. Do you keep the ones that are good a serviceable with the most traffic upgraded, or do you try to go and repair the ones that are in need of major repair?"

Wolfe: "We need to use the taxpayers' money wisely. And maintain the main roads (such as) Market Road, Pioneer Road, and North Side Road. There definitely needs to be some maintenance. If we've taken out pavement, that needs to be looked at putting back it in."

### What are your plans to move the district forward?

Demshar: "We can maintain the entire district, and I think the well-used roads will deteriorate very fast. Or we can concentrate on the heavily used roads and stretch to the lesser-used roads when we can.

"Unless the state starts pouring a lot of money towards us, there's going have to be some tough decisions made that won't be very popular."

Duryee: "The vision would be to try to keep as many of our roads in as good shape as we can for the most of the patrons. The ones that are heavily traveled, those in my mind have to take the first priority and work our way to the others.

Exactly how we get there, there has been some discussion. Right now when you have X amount of dollars to work with, spend them wisely and try to keep as much of the roads in as good a shape as you can."

Wolfe: "I would definitely work on improving things and using the taxpayers' money wisely to do that."

— JPB

## Subdistrict 2 candidates

### John Demshar

Age — 58 **Occupation** — Farmer Family—Wife,

Kathy; 4 children; 3 grandchildren Homedale resident — Lifelong Experience - Current commissioner, served previously; twoterm Homedale school trustee



### David "Hap" Duryee

**Age** — 66 **Occupation** — Retired (telephone

company) Family — Wife, Judy; 3 children; 6 grandchildren

Homedale resident — 31 years Experience — Former city councilman and interim mayor

### **Robert Wolfe**

**Age** — 45 **Occupation** — Pickett Auctions

Family - Wife, Stacee; 3 children Homedale resident — Nearly three years Experience

(13 years)

— Washington County fair board

## **Teacher in sex abuse case pleads to lesser charges**

## August trial set for second former Rimrock teacher

According to the state court repository, the trial date for one of the former Rimrock High School teachers accused of sexual

Meanwhile, former teacher Samantha Henretty will be sentenced later this summer after pleading guilty to reduced charges last month.

David Ethington faces eight felony counts of sexual battery of a 16- to 17-year-old after he allegedly carried out an improper relationship with one of his female

week, Ethington's trial has been set to begin on Aug. 15 before Third District Judge Christopher S. Nye. A telephonic pretrial conference is scheduled for Aug. 7.

Henretty entered guilty pleas to amended charges after begin accused of sexual battery on a male student

a 16- to 17-year-old, Henretty will be sentenced at 9 a.m. on July 14 before Third District Court Judge Davis F. VanderVelde.

Henretty pled guilty to two felony counts of the amended charge injury to a child in April.

VanderVelde has permanently anned Henretty from contact

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misconduct with a student has students. been moved back.

## **Bruneau-Grand View**

#### *From previous page*

Boren: The students and teachers. I admire the dedication and heart our teachers give as they prepare young minds to lead productive futures. We also have great students. It is wonderful to see students serving in the community and excelling in the classroom and on the playing fields.

## What other issues concern you, and where do you stand on them?

Bennett: Overall communication with staff, students, parents and the community. Even though steps have been made to improve, we aren't there yet.

Schkade: If given the opportunity to serve on the school board, my focus would be on enhancing the classroom experience for all students and teachers. Because our teachers are the most important piece to providing students with the opportunity to excel, their feedback and ideas would be welcomed and valued.

Field: As stated prior, my main concern is bringing quality educators to our valley to help create the best learning opportunity for our children.

Boren: No answer given

Originally charged with four with minor children except for Originally scheduled for last felony counts of sexual battery of her own.

## Where to vote

Polling places for the Bruneau-Grand View School District trustee election will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

### Zones 3 and 5

In-person absentee voting — Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy

Grand View precinct — Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave.

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Oreana precinct — Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Road

Riddle precinct — Mail-in only: Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, ID 83650

custody Monday after his arrest on suspicion of drunk driving.

Sage Lee Nevarez, 23, was originally pulled over Saturday for allegedly driving 96 mph in a 65 mph zone near milepost 38 on Idaho highway 78.

Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant said Nevarez was stopped as he drove a silver 2008 Volkswagen Jetta eastbound on the highway outside Murphy.

Nevarez has been charged with misdemeanors for driving under the influence, driving with an open container of alcohol in the vehicle and failure to purchase a driver's license.

Grant said the man failed field sobriety tests and his bloodalcohol concentration measured .153 and .143.



## **Sandbar benefits from Idaho Gives**

The annual statewide fundraising drive Idaho Gives gave The Sandbar Café with a Cause a helping hand on Thursday.

The 24-hour drive assists nonprofit groups across Idaho in getting extra funding for their causes.

Kimberly Coonis, executive director of The Sandbar Café, said her organization received \$7,387 from Idaho Gives.

In addition to being a restaurant open to the public, The Sandbar Café also delivers to homebound people in Owyhee and Canyon counties through the Meals on Wheels program and offers an inhome care service. The funds from Idaho Gives will be used to cover transportation costs and grocery expenses, Coonis said.

Coonis said membership at The Sandbar Café has grown from 10 people to more than 575 active members since the non-profit opened in November.

She explained that members can pay for items on the menu by putting a donation in a box or not pay at all.

"About 30 percent of our participants that are over 60 cannot pay for their meals, and another 30 percent can afford some and usually donate about \$5 towards their meal," Coonis wrote in an email. "We don't know who or how much individual people donate."

She added that the organization only receives about 50 percent of what the meals cost.

The Sandbar Café hosts occasional special events to supplement its finances.

One such event is a ladies-only adult happy hour fashion show later this month. The event will be held from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., on Saturday, May 20. Admission is \$20. For more information go to www. thesandbarinmarsing.org or call (208) 896-4124.

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## Westowns seeks Marsing rate hike

Council could give subdivision official green light

The City of Marsing garbage contractor will seek a residential fee increase at tonight's city council meeting.

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

Westowns Disposal Inc. owner Bill Pastoor's bid for a 4.5 percent increase on monthly residential garbage rates is the only new business on the agenda.

Residential customers currently pay \$12.25 per month for one garbage container. If the council approves the request, the fee would increase to \$12.80 per month. The 4.5 percent is a halfpoint below the threshold that would require a public hearing.

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

Council members gave unanimous preliminary approval in March to Les and Lavada Loucks' proposed development.

During his report, Mayor James Ferdinand is expected to propose the city contribute \$500 contribution to the annual Third of July Celebration of Our Nation fireworks display. This year's patriotic community gathering will begin at 6 p.m., on Monday, July 3 in Island Park.

The mayor's report also shows that the council could set a budget workshop to be held either the week of May 22 or May 29.

## Jailers find felony warrant after booking misdemeanor suspect

Authorities found a felony arrest warrant after a California man was booked into county jail after being found allegedly in possession of a stolen vehicle.

Brian Douglas Kinard, 37, was arrested by Homedale Police on a string of misdemeanors, including obstruct and delay of a peace officer, and drug paraphernalia possession. He was found in the 200 block of North 4<sup>th</sup> Street West on Thursday.

According to Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant, jailers found a felony grand theft warrant out of California when Kinard was booked into the Murphy jail.

• A 26-year-old Homedale woman has been arrested on a \$1,000 misdemeanor battery warrant.

Grant said Mary Brooke Folger was taken into custody on May 2 on a warrant stemming from an alleged assault of another woman in front of a child in 2013.

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Homedale High School's 2017 National Honor Society inductees included:

Front row, from left: Ashley Burks, jr., 4.0 grade-point average; Kaden Henry, jr., 4.0; Alexis Muir, jr., 4.0; Kendall Nash, jr., 4.0; Dillon Pfost, jr., 4.0; Eva Symms, jr., 4.0; Dakota Kelly, jr., 3.94; Nallely Gonzalez, jr., 3.91; Lainey Johnson, jr., 3.90; Julia Santiago, jr., 3.89; Ember Christensen, jr., 3.88; Craig Romriell, sr., 3.82; and Julia Correa, jr., 3.81

Middle row, from left: Faith Jacobson, jr., 3.81 GPA; Max Mertz, jr., 3.81; Jessica Evans, jr., 3.77; Leah Modlin, jr., 3.75; Maria Uriarte, sr., 3.73; Tanis Lentfer, sr., 3.72; Maria Hernandez, jr., 3.66; Cortnee Smith, jr., 3.64; Kaylee DeWitt, jr., 3.62; Jordan Pakcer, jr., 3.62; Gabriella Martell, jr., 3.62; Carlos Albor, jr., 3.6; and Jose Uriarte, jr., 3.6 Back row, from left: Alicia Raine, jr., 3.59; Lyndsey Salutregui, jr., 3.58; Hanna Estes, sr., 3.58; Lauryn Fisher, jr., 3.56; Krista Mayer, jr., 3.56; Jesse Packer, jr., 3.54; Lindsey

Burks, jr., 3.48; Juan Vega Martinez, jr., 3.457; Hannah Egusquiza, jr., 3.42; Wyatt Dorsey, sr., 3.413; Fabian Alcantara Perez, sr., 3.31; and Diana Vega Ojeda, 3.30

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## **HHS holds Honor Society induction**

The Homedale High School chapter of the National Honor Society held its 2017 induction last Wednesday.

Five of the 37 inductees are seniors, and the rest are juniors. They carry grade-point averages ranging from 3.3 to 4.0.

Michelle Burks, a 1989 HHS graduate, was the keynote in Business with a Human speaker.

The Wilder resident is the mother of two of the 2017 inductees — Ashley and Lindsey — and her eldest child, Dylan, is a cadet at West Point.

Burks received a Bachelor's Resources focus from Boise State in 1993. She has worked at Micron Technology Inc. for 23 years and is currently the company's North America Talent Acquisition manager.





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## **Homedale Legion** commander seeks all members for meeting

The George D. VanDerhoff American Legion Post 32 will discuss the future of a piece of long-held property Friday.

Post Cmdr. Bob Warner has called a special meeting for all members for 7 p.m. Friday at the Legion Hall, 14 E. Owyhee Ave.

Warner wants as many Post 32 members in attendance as possible for the important discussion.

Members are asked to attend

to determine what to do with a parcel the Legion owns near East Colorado Avenue. The property is adjacent to the Homedale Highway District complex.

For more information, call Warner at (208) 965-0314.

The Legion's regular meeting is held at 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month. The Auxiliary Unit 32 meets at 3 p.m. on the first Saturday of each month.

## Farmers Market revives plant sale Saturday

to pick up plants that were first made available at the Homedale Farmers Market Spring Fling.

A plant sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Saturday at Bette Uda City Park near the tennis courts in conjunction with the Angel Walk fun run.

Market manager Denise Dixon wrote in an email that because of low shopper attendance brought on by inclement weather during

Folks will have another chance the April 22 Spring Fling, vendors still have flowers and plants available.

> Part of the proceeds will be given to the Angel Walk to benefit Eeliyas Escalante, this year's honoree.

> Vendors who were set up at the Spring Fling do not have to pay an additional \$10 fee on Saturday. They will still have to pay five percent of their sales at the end of the day.

Set-up will be from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., and tear down will be from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

If you were not a vendor at the Spring Fling, but are interested in a booth at Saturday's event, contact Dixon at ddixon222@ msn.com, by phone at (208) 840-0440, or visit www. homedalefarmersmarket.com.

The regular season of the Homedale Farmers Markets begins June 1. -SC

## Suspect search turns up drug bong

An Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy got more than he was expecting when he spotted a man in possible violation of a nocontact order.

Sheriff Perry Grant said Deputy Cody Hammond cited 40-year-old Megen Gahley on May 2 for drug paraphernalia possession when he entered a residence in the 2900 block of Market Road searching for her boyfriend who has been barred from the home.

Cullen Randall Jackson, 27, of Wilder was eventually apprehended in the home's basement after a tense search in which the deputy called for backup. Grant said backup was requested because Jackson is known to carry firearms.

Jackson was arrested without incident for the no-contact order violation.

Hammond was searching for Jackson when he found a homemade marijuana pipe in an upstairs bedroom, Grant said.

• Austyn James Vernon, 21, was arrested for misdemeanor marijuana possession during a traffic stop on U.S. Highway 95 at Thompson Road in Marsing.

The Nampa resident was arrested after 4 p.m. on May 1. — JPB

## HHS bands, choir tackle popular musicals in finale

Homedale High School musicians end the year Thursday with "A Night of Broadway."

The free final 2016-17 performance takes place at 6:30 p.m. inside the HHS main gym.

The musicians and vocalists will dress as their favorite characters from musical productions.

Jazz band — "Begin the Beguine" by Cole Porter (part of "Broadway Melody of 1940"), "Over the Rainbow" from "Wizard of Oz," and "Soul Man" from the 1980 movie "Blues Brothers."

Choir — "Seasons of Love" from "Rent," "Feed the Birds" from "Mary Poppins," and "We Go Together" from Broadway show and film "Grease."

Concert band — Musicians will play highlights from "The Phantom of the Opera," "The Wizard of Oz," and "The Music Man."

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## Woman gets prison for SSI fraud

A Marsing woman will spend six months in prison for Social Security fraud.

April Mae Beckmon, 38, was sentenced last Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Boise.

Sr. U.S. District Judge Edward J. Lodge ordered Beckmon to pay \$22,272.45 in restitution to the Social Security Administration. She also must serve three years

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of supervised probation after her release from federal custody.

Beckmon entered a guilty plea to Social Security fraud on Feb. 22.

According to press release from the office of Acting U.S. Attorney Rafael Gonzalez, Beckmon received Supplemental Security Income for nearly five years — from October 2010 through May 2015. She knowingly didn't report her October 2010 marriage and her spouse's income to the Social Security Administration in an effort to avoid impact on her SSI benefits.

The plea agreement states that between January 2012 and May 2015 Beckmon fraudulently received more than \$22,000 in SSI benefits to which she was not entitled.

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**Postal carriers hold** What's happening Read Calendar each week in the Avalanche food drive Saturday

> Letter carriers in Owyhee country and throughout the nation are getting ready to Stamp Out Hunger again.

The 25<sup>th</sup> annual non-perishable food drive takes place throughout the county on Saturday.

Food pantries in the communities the local postal workers serve will receive the proceeds soon after collection concludes.

Marsing postmaster Marnie McNeil said postal customers simply have to leave a bag of nonperishable food items by their mailbox on Saturday, and letter carriers will pick up the food.

throughout this week. Folks can also drop off food items in the post office lobby at 210 W. Main St.

Vision Community Church volunteers will then collect the food from the post office.

The El-Ada Community Action Partnership's Owyhee County office will benefit from donations collected by Homedale's mail carriers. People can also take food items to the post office at 7 N. Main St.

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McNeil added that while Saturday is the official collection date, her letter carriers will pick up food next to mailboxes food to help El-Ada's Elmore County office in Mountain Home and can also drop off food items in the post office at 344 Ruth St. The Grand View Post Office is not participating this year.



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Highway 78 Community Disaster Relief president Denise Lacy (left) sells a 50/50 raffle ticket to Drew Hampsmire during Wine and Art in the Park at Island Park in Marsing on Saturday.

## Hwy. 78 disaster relief launches new fundraiser

The 2017 Highway 78 Community Disaster Relief fundraiser is under way.

The non-profit organization formed to help residents along the Idaho highway 78 corridor in Owyhee County is holding a 50/50 raffle this year rather than putting on the Family Fun Day and car show that had been held at the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy for the past few years.

"We want to continue to raise money for this fund," CDR president Denise Lacy said in a press release. "The calendar each year has become more and more congested with fundraisers, making it unrealistic to continue with a one-day get-together."

Instead, the 50/50 raffle was devised. Tickets cost \$5 each, and the holder of the winning ticket will get half of the pot. Tickets will be sold throughout the year, and the drawing is planned for January. The winner needn't be present to win, but anyone filling out a ticket should include their name, email address and phone

Money raised will go into the Hwy 78 CDR fund, which helps area families when they need to cover catastrophic medical bills, funeral expenses or other emergencies.

"Because of the ongoing need of our neighbors, the CDR wants to continue to be available for our community," Lacy said.

Tickets were sold during Saturday's Wine and Art in the Park in Marsing, and Lacy and other CDR volunteers will sell tickets at various events throughout he year.

Lacy said she will sell tickets at Saturday's Angel Walk, too.

"Our plan is to sell as many 50/50 raffle tickets as possible, keeping everyone updated through the newspaper and on Facebook," Lacy, a Wilson resident, said. "An update on what is in the 50/50 pot will be posted each week from June to December.

For more information on the CDR or the 50/50 raffle, call (208) 960-4333, email ochwy78cdr@ gmail.com or send a message on Facebook.

## **Anglers can help collect** live fish at C.J. Strike

Owyhee County anglers can should stop at the Air Force boat help re-establish fish populations in local waters Saturday.

Biologists from Idaho Fish and Game will be at C.J. Strike Reservoir from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday collecting largemouth bass, bluegill, pumpkinseed and

ramp north of the dam to register.

"Because it is illegal to transport live fish without a permit within the state, we will provide participants with a permission slip to transport live fish during

## Local artists show off their talents in Marsing



Above: During Saturday's Wine and Art in the Park in Marsing, Adam Weygandt (left) purchased a print for Mothers Day made by Hernan Reyes (right). Reyes was involved in a car accident in 1992 that left him paralyzed from his shoulders down. The Caldwell artist, who grew up in Wilder, uses a brush held in his mouth to create his paintings.

Below: Jessie Nilo (left) chats with Sandra Black while painting an untitled piece at Island Park.





yellow perch from anglers.

The fish will then be relocated to Blacks Creek Reservoir and Indian Creek Reservoir.

Fisheries biologist Mike Peterson said participating anglers

the event," Peterson said in a press release.

Holding pens will be placed adjacent to the Air Force boat ramp, where participating anglers can drop off their live fish.



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## Bruneau-GV schools plan kindergarten, Pre-K screening

The Bruneau-Grand View School District will hold preschool and kindergarten screenings on Thursday, May 18.

The Pre-K and Kindergarten Roundup will be held from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Bruneau Elementary School, and from noon to 4:30 p.m. at Grand View Elementary.

Registration and screening will be held for children turning 4 years old by Sept. 1 (for Pre-K) and boys and girls who will be 5 by Sept. 1 (kindergarten).

Only prospective kindergarteners not already attending Bruneau-Grand View Pre-K class need to attend.

Parents must bring a certified copy of their child's birth certificate, immunization record and proof of residency.

While not necessary, appointments are recommended. Call Bruneau Elementary at (208) 845-2492 and Grand View Elementary at (208) 834-2775.

The screenings are part of the school district's Child Find ser-

vices, which are conducted: • to create public awareness of

special education programs
to advise the public that students who qualify for service have the right to a free public education

and confidentiality protections.
to alert community residents that a process exists for identifying and serving children with disabilities from the age of 3 through the semester in which

they turn 21. If you know of a child in that age range who may have individual needs that result from disabilities or developmental delays and who is not enrolled in a school program, contact Bruneau-Grand View elementary principal Ryan Cantrell at (208) 834-2253 to go over appointment options.

Parents or guardians of students who may fall into that category also are encouraged to drop in during the registration and screening event to help their child get to know teachers and fellow students.

# Homedale youth advisory council seeks charter members

Mayor wants to cultivate community's next leaders

Mayor Gheen Christoffersen has launched his dream of getting youth involved in Homedale's happenings.

Candidates are being sought for the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council.

Christoffersen and resident Michael Aebischer are spreading the word that they're looking for incoming ninth- through 12<sup>th</sup>graders to populate the board.

"We wanted them to have the information so they can have better leaders of the community," Christoffersen said. "We could have the next president or mayor or (schools) superintendent in this community."

Aebischer will help with the establishment of the council, but both men want to make it clear that this is intended to be a selfcontained board governed and run by the youth that comprise it and ultimately financed by fundraisers the youth develop.

Initially, the advisory council

will be funded through the city budget.

Christoffersen got the idea of the advisory board after visiting an Association of Idaho Cities conference. He also chatted with Caldwell Mayor Garrett Nancolas about that city's established Mayor's Youth Advisory Council.

Applications are available at the main offices of the town's both secondary schools.

But Christoffersen and Aebischer wanted to make sure that home-schooled students understand they are welcome to be part of the process, so applications also will be available at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

The applications must be returned to City Hall or the school offices by Thursday, May 18.

HHS principal Matt Holtry and his middle school counterpart, Amy Winters, are doing their part to spread the word among their students, too. All qualified applicants will become members, so the council will be as large or as small as the youth's participation dictates.

The council will hold regular meetings, probably during school hours, as the members set. Other meetings could be necessary if the group begins planning events.

The council will elect an executive board with a chair, vicechair, secretary and treasurer

Christoffersen would like to see a successful council launch a Fourth of July community event and also put floats in every community parade the city has.

The men also said involvement on such a board would look good on a college application or a job resume.

Members also will be eligible to travel with chaperones to events such as the AIC conference and the Youth Lobby Day at the Idaho Statehouse during the legislative session.

"We just want them to be involved and have a voice," Christoffersen said.

— JPB



## Man faces felonies after runaway found inside his Bruneau home

A 26-year-old Bruneau man arrested on suspicion of felony drug possession could face more charges after being found with a juvenile reported as a runaway. Fernando Martinez Jr. was arrested Friday morning for methamphetamine possession and misdemeanor counts of obstructing a law enforcement officer and sheltering a runaway.

Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant said Martinez also faces a felony injury to child charge and

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could see more charges after the a 16-year-old girl reported as a runaway from Ada County was found at his residence of C Tindall Road in Bruneau.

Martinez was arrested after a traffic stop when a deputy spotted a GMC pickup heading away from the residence where the runaway was reportedly staying.

Martinez also was arrested on an active warrant out of Elmore County, Grant said.

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## From page 1A

## ✓ Fire: Commission takes page from ambulance to try to boost volunteers

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

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

Subdistrict 2 Commissioner Jim Bower, who has been MRFD board chair since February, said property owners in the district currently pay 23 cents per \$100,000 of taxable property value each year.

If approved, the permanent levy would create a 97-cent increase for those property owners, for a yearly total of \$1.20 per \$100,000 of net value.

Bower said residential growth in the Canyon County area of the district makes the new substation necessary. He added that Marsing volunteer firefighters have been responding to an increasing number of calls on the other side of the river.

The proposed substation's location was chosen because the district has been promised a gift of property at the intersection.

"There hasn't been a deed transfer or anything, but the family that gifted it said, 'When you're ready, we'll do it,' "Bower said.

He did not know on which corner of the intersection the substation would be built.

The family that donated the

## Where to vote

Polling places for the Marsing Rural Fire District permanent levy override election will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

North Marsing — Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. N.

**South Marsing** — University of Idaho, Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Wilson — Schoolhouse, 10427 Johnston Lane

In-person absentee voting — Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy

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Bower did not have an estimate on what it might cost to build the new substation, or what new equipment could be purchased.

Marsing volunteer firefighters currently do not receive any stipend for their time. Bower wasn't sure what the rate of compensation might be if the permanent levy is approved. "If the levy passes, we'll go into serious planning mode," he said. "We'll talk to Homedale, Wilder and Parma (fire districts) to get some ideas, and then tweak it to fit our own situation."

Bower admits that he is nervous about the proposal needing a two-thirds majority for approval, but he describes himself as "cautiously optimistic" about it passing.

If the ballot measure is turned down, Bower said the district would continue doing business as usual, but personnel is being stretched thin.

"We have approximately 30 or 35 volunteers," he said. "I can think of four of those who work in the Marsing area. That means we have four people to administer any call that comes during business hours. Those guys are aging, and they're burning out. We have to figure a way to make it attractive for people who can volunteer."

He emphasized that there isn't ever a perfect time to ask patrons for more money; however, Bower said the district is running out of options to deal with growth.

"It's not so much a timing issue as it is a need issue," he said. "We hate to raise property taxes, but we've considered every alternative and really don't feel like there is one."

The Canyon County portion of the fire district runs along the eastern side of the Snake River, north to a point on Homedale Road, south to Melmont Road and east to Lake Avenue.

The district was established almost 70 years ago.

Bower took over the leadership position after Jerry Floyd passed away on Jan. 13. Bower has been a commissioner for 13 years, and his term expires in 2019.

Subdistrict 1 Commissioner Bob Malmberg has been on the board for 23 years.

Jeff Percifield was appointed to fill out the remainder of Floyd's term.

Malmberg and Percifield's terms expire in November.

Bob Cavender is board secretary/treasurer. His predecessor as secretary/treasurer was Bobo Carter, who held the job for six years before stepping down in 2016.

Cavender was appointed by the commissioners and does not have a defined term.

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SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL CEMETERY Please vote YES to continue the present Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Tax Levy on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 THIS IS NOT A TAX INCREASE!

## Facts:

- The Cemetery has grown 5 times as large as it was in the 1960s (Increased from 1 to 6 sections)
- The base cemetery tax levy is less today than it was 45 years ago per section of the cemetery.

The Marsing-Homedale Cemetery's board of Commissioners ask for your vote to continue the present two-year temporary tax levy, that expires at the 2017 year end, as a permanent tax levy. The cemetery tax will remain as it has been for the past two years.

- Expenses have quadrupled since 1969
- Increasing the cost of lots will not generate enough income to maintain the cemetery.

The Marsing-Homedale Cemetery is one of the best maintained cemeteries in the Treasure Valley.
Support the Cemetery Board for the continuance of the present tax levy to match expenses & keep the cemetery looking its best to honor Family, Friends and Veterans.
If the tax levy does not continue at present rate, expenses will be cut. This will mean LESS maintenance to the cemetery.
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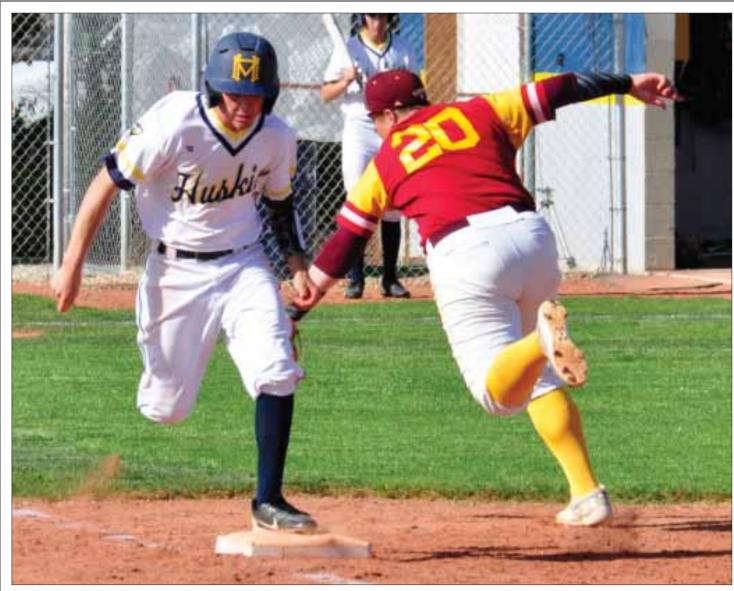
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### WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2017



Marsing's Brian Purtell runs out an infield hit as Nampa Christian's Tyler McConnell is pulled off first base by the throw in the second inning on May 2. Photo by Dan Pease

## **Melba overpowers Marsing in semifinals**

Huskies' season ends Monday vs. CVC

Dwight Sevy started a perfect day at the plate by scoring the game's first run, but Marsing High School couldn't maintain momentum in a baseball semifinal Saturday.

Top-seeded Melba wrested the lead from the Huskies in the bottom of the first and cruised to a 17-6 victory in the 2A District III Tournament on the Mustangs' field.

Fourth-seeded Marsing (7-15 overall) saw its season end Monday at home when Cole Valley Christian scored in the top of the seventh for a 6-5 victory. Marsing led Melba, 1-0, after Tyler Wood came through in the clutch again with a twoout single to bring home Sevy in the top of the first inning. Sevy led off the game with a double against Melba's Cameron Goetz. Goetz ended the game with a two-run home run in the sixth to invoke the 10-run rule.

The winning pitcher finished with five RBI.

Sevy reached base in all four plate appearances, and he scored another run when Clay King powered a two-run single during Marsing's five-run fifth inning.

By then, however, Melba had forged a 15-1 advantage thanks to a nine-run outburst in which 15 batters visited the plate in the

fourth inning.

Owyhee County resident Tim Reinertson pounded a two-run double in Melba's biggest inning. The third baseman finished with two hits and three RBI. Another Owyheean, center fielder and leadoff hitter Tristen Stimpson, scored three runs.

Marsing second baseman Joaquin Oliveros went 3-for-4 and brought home a run with a groundout in the fifth inning.

Boone Sevy and Brian Purtell collected two singles apiece for Marsing. Purtell scored in the fifth, but was tagged out trying to score on a passed ball in the second

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## Trojans run away with SRV golf finale

Matlock shoots his lowest score of year

Junior Scott Matlock's low round of the season helped Homedale High School win another conference golf meet.

Matlock and freshman teammate Daniel Uranga both carded 2-over-par scores of 38 last Wednesday at River Bend Golf — See Golf, back page

## HHS relays tighten up pre-district

## Several athletes rank high ahead of district meet

Homedale High School fans were reminded Friday that track and field is a team sport, too.

The Trojans took up the challenge of the Moke Strong Canyon County Classic less than a week before the 3A District III championship meet.

"It was a great night for our relay teams," HHS coach Heidi Ankeny said. "This was the first meet where every relay that we ran had near perfect handoffs and stayed in their zones."

The boys' 4x100 relay team lost

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## HHS JV's Wolfe tosses perfect game

Clayton Wolfe's perfect game carried Homedale High School to its eighth consecutive junior varsity baseball victory.

The 3A Snake River Valley conference champions trounced Nampa Christian, 10-0, at John Jackson Field on May 1.

Wolfe struck out 10 in the fiveinning contest. He also carried a big bat with the first of Homedale's two bases-clearing triples to help the home team take a 4-0 lead in the third inning. Karsen Freelove swept the bases clean with triple in Homedale's six-run fourth inning.

Wolfe only had one hit in one official at-bat, but he scored in each of Homedale's rallies. He drew a pair of walks.

Brady Trout scored two runs while picking up three walks. Mason Kincheloe was 2-for-3 with a double and two runs scored. Garrett Bettleyon's two-out double scored Jake Collett to cap Homedale's fourth inning. Trojans avenge only 3A SRV loss in title game

Homedale High School's junior varsity softball team ended its championship season on a 10game winning streak Saturday.

The Trojans torched a pair of opponents to win the 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament in Weiser.

Coach Tony Sifuentes' club (18-3-1) won five games in six days to close the schedule.

### Saturday: Homedale 11, Payette 5 — The Trojans rallied from two early deficits to avenge their only loss of the conference season and win the tournament final.

Homedale JV wins softball crown

The Pirates handed Homedale its final loss of the season, 12-11, on April 4.

Payette scored two runs in the top of the first inning Saturday against Cortnee Smith and regained the lead, 3-2, in the third.

Homedale took the lead for good, though in the bottom of the third when Abbie Gray tripled and scored on Smith's sacrifice fly. Juliette Larzelier came home on the first of Gray's two triples to tie the score.

Gray, Smith and Lizzy Schamber knocked in two runs each, and DeLaynie Dorsey was 3-for-4 with three runs scored.

Dorsey and Schamber also ripped triples.

Alex Grant, who started the year in Marsing, scored two runs for Homedale.

Saturday: Homedale 18, Weiser 4 (5) — The top-seeded

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## Sports

## Relays: Caldwell meet with larger schools pushes Trojans to PR marks

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its first race of the season despite its fastest time of the year.

Skyview won the relay in 43.64 seconds, but the HHS team of Max Mertz, Michael Babcock, Caleb Smith and Jacob Furlott finished third in 44.58. The team shaved .28 of a second off its previous fast time achieved at the April 21 Viking Invitational in Vale, Ore.

The boys' 4x200 team, comprised of the same four athletes as the 4x100, delivered another PR. Although Skyview edged the Trojans for the win, the time of 1:32.22 moves the team of to the top of the 3A Snake River Valley conference rankings ahead of Weiser. The Wolverines had shot to the top of the conference rankings with a 1:32.53 at Thursday's New Plymouth Invitational.

The girls' sprint medley was runner-up to Ridgevue, but the Trojans ran their fastest race of the season at 1:56.00. The foursome was Maggie Johnson, Ashley Burks, Carlie Sawyer and Lainey Johnson.

Ankeny said the time spent working hard on handoffs and other technical elements showed in results for the 4x200 and girls' sprint medley teams.

'We've had some disqualifications and slow times due to bad handoffs at past meets," she said.

The boys' 4x400 relay team of Brayden Miller, Keaton Kilby, Jordan Van Es and Adonis Stelzried ran the sixth-fastest time in Caldwell, finishing in 3:49.65.

Last week's 13-team meet at Caldwell High School gave the Trojans a big test before the district meet, which starts today and concludes Thursday in Fruitland.

"We are ready," Ankeny said of the district meet. "The kids are excited, and it looks like they are peaking at just the right time. There will be some close competition for the state bids."

Ankeny said qualification standards have changed. The top three athletes in each



Michael Babcock (left) reaches back to get the baton as Max Mertz stretches for the handoff during a relay run for the Homedale High School boys at last month's 3A Snake River Valley conference meet on the Trojans' track. Photo by Machele Randall

Middleton with wild cards chosen from the next best marks from District III or District I and the statewide.

The top two relay teams from District III will qualify for the state meet.

"There are some strong athletes in our district, so anything could happen," Ankeny said. "But our team is strong and determined, and I am certain we will be taking a good number of them in to state again this year.

Homedale athletes competed against some of the western Treasure Valley's best Class 4A talent. Fellow 3A SRV squad Parma also attended.

"Caldwell always runs a great meet," Ankeny said. "The weather is always questionable and we never know if we are going to have to take off running for cover.

"But it held off this year, and we didn't get a drop of rain or see any lightning." Smith and Furlott, who enter the district

individual event will make the state meet in meet as two of the top sprinters around, ran the fastest 100 meters heat of Friday's meet, but their times weren't recorded because of a scoring system malfunction.

"It was unfortunate, but the only option to get a time was to re-run it, and we didn't want the boys to do that when we are so close to district and trying to rest them a little," Ankeny said.

Furlott is second in the district to Fruitland's Jacen Smith in both the 100 and 200. Smith ran his PRs of 11.32 and 22.97, respectively, Thursday in New Plymouth. Caleb Smith is ranked fourth in both races.

The Homedale boys' 4x100 relay team leads the district after Friday's time. Fruitland posted a 46.01 at New Plymouth to blow past Weiser for the second-fastest time in the conference.

Carlie Sawyer enters the district girls' meet cemented as one of the top all-around female athletes in the 3A SRV.

The senior finished third in the 100 and

eighth in the triple jump against larger schools, but she stands tall in the 3A District III rankings in the sprints and jumps.

Her top time in the 100 (13.31) has stood since April 21. Fruitland's Sierra Rice and Paola Orozco inched closer with their times Thursday in New Plymouth.

With Friday's girls' sprint medley performance, Homedale grabbed the conference lead. Fruitland had supplanted Parma with a 2:00.88 on Thursday in New Plymouth.

Junior thrower Eva Symms has had the district's best marks in the shot put and discus since March. On Friday, she was third in the discus (119-11) and fourth in the shot put (33-8).

The Trojans' girls' 4x400 relay team pulled within .06 of second of the district's second-fastest 2017 time when the quartet finished third in Caldwell at 4:28.61. Ember Christensen, Kelsey Taylor and the Johnson girls ran that race.

Other Homedale athletes pulled down personal records during the Moke Strong Canyon County Classic, including:

· Freshman Maggie Johnson, who reached 29-8 in the triple jump. Sawyer was eighth at 33-2, which was a half-inch off her district-best mark set in March in New Plymouth.

Sawyer also leads the conference with her long jump distance of 16-9, which is two inches better than junior teammate Burks.

· Senior Kilby posted a PR in the discus at 113-4.

· Freshman Matthew Randall clocked personal-best times in the 800 (2:18.07) and the 1,600 (5:18.52).

Mertz was fifth in the boys' triple jump at 38-3. His PR of 39-11 at the Ontario Ice Breaker in March remains ranked second in the conference behind Weiser's Alberto Sanchez, who reached 42-4 at the Homedale Invitational last month.

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Drew Taylor, sr., SP/3B Hit .857 (6-for-7) with 2 doubles and 2 RBI in two games

3-for-3, 2B, 3 runs, 3 RBI in two games

Baseball

Varsity 3A District III Tournament

At Harmon Killebrew Field, Pavette

If won Tuesday: Wednesday, May 10, championship game

opponent TBD, 5 p.m.

If lost Tuesday: Wednesday, May 10, elimination game,

opponent TBD, 2 p.m.

If lose championship game: Thursday, May 11, runner-up game,

opponent TBD, 5 p.m.

Junior varsity

3A Snake River Valley conference champions (8-0, 17-2)

Golf

Monday-Tuesday, May 15-16 at 3A state tournament, Idaho Falls

CC, time TBA

Tennis

Thursday-Saturday, May 11-13 at 3A District III Tournament, sites

and time TBA

Maggie Johnson, fr., triple jump PR of 29 feet, 8 inches at Moke Strong

Scott Matlock, junior Runner-up score of 38 help Trojans win another tourney

Softball

mixed doubles

Part of Trojans' No. 1

team

Varsity 3A District III Tournament At Sundance Park If won Tuesday: Thursday, May 11, championship vs. Payette or Fruitland, 3 p.m. If lost Tuesday: Thursday, May 11, elimination game vs. Payette or Fruitland, 3 p.m. If nec.: Thursday, May 11, runner-up game, opponent TBD, 5 p.m. Junior varsity 3A Snake River Valley conference champions (7-1, 18-3-1)

Track and field Wednesday, May 10 at 3A District III championship meet Day 1, Fruitland Thursday, May 11 at 3A District III championship meet Day 2, Fruitland

Go Trojans!





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## Sports

## Big rally helps Homedale split final regular-season games

Homedale High School split a couple of non-conference games to wrap up its baseball regular season last week.

The Trojans (12-7 overall to end the regular season) opened the 3A District III Tournament in Payette on Tuesday after deadline.

May 2: Ontario, Ore., 13, Homedale 3 (6) — The host Tigers snapped a 3-3 deadlock in the third inning, taking advantage of three errors to score seven runs

The Trojans committed six errors in the game

Homedale grabbed a two-run lead in its

first at-bat. Drew Deal scored on a passed ball, and Ben Lee came home on an error. Both Trojans had drawn walks to start the inning.

Lee tied the score, 3-3, when he stole home in the third inning.

Ontario, a Class 4A team, didn't waste much time in gaining the lead. The Tigers scored three runs in the bottom of the first inning as Mike Mejia singled in a run then scored on Zach Forsyth's two-out, two-run triple.

The Tigers posted their sixth consecutive win and their eighth victory in their previous 17 games.

Losing pitcher Drew Taylor was 3-for-3 from the plate, while Jesse Packer was 2-for-2. Lee and Jaylon Hilton both singled.

May 1: Homedale 10, Nampa Christian 6 — It was Homedale's turn for a gamechanging uprising in a non-conference game played in Nampa.

After Nampa Christian snagged a 5-0 lead in the first inning, Homedale scored 10 unanswered runs to claim a victory.

Homedale took control with an eightrun fifth inning in which 14 batters visited the plate.

Taylor crushed a two-run double — one

of two he had in the game — to snap a 5-5 tie. Homedale created the stalemate when Hilton was hit by a pitch with the basesloaded. Two bases-loaded walks gave Homedale a 9-5 advantage.

Jake Deal, who was 2-for-4 in the game, drove in two runs in the fifth with a single and a walk. He struck out nine and allowed one earned runs in six innings to get the victory.

Lee was 2-for-4 with two runs scored and an RBI, and Wyatt Dorsey singled in four trips to get an RBI.

Jaren Mease and Drew Deal also drove in runs

## **Maxwell musters 8 RBI in three Trojans victories**

HHS finishes unbeaten SRV campaign

Megan Maxwell delivered a grand slam as Homedale High School closed out a perfect 3A Snake River Valley conference softball season.

The two-time reigning 3A state champions pummeled Fruitland, 25-0, in a five-inning game on the Grizzlies field May 1.

Maxwell's grand slam was part

of a game-breaking 11-run fourth inning.

The Trojans (16-7-1 overall, 8-0 in conference) mounted a 19-0 lead before Fruitland scratched out a run in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Right-hander Dakota Kelly struck out nine and scattered three hits to get the victory.

She helped her own cause with a single and four RBL

Allison Shenk also knocked in four runs, going 2-for-5 with three runs scored and a double.

Rian Beebe was 3-for-3 with a

double and two runs scored, while Kaylee DeWitt scored two runs. Paige Carter and Sophie Nash

also crossed the plate three times each.

Thursday: Homedale 9-8, Baker/Powder Valley, Ore., 6-1 — The Trojans rolled in the first game and locked up the second game with a three-run sixth inning. The non-conference doubleheader was played in Baker, Ore.

Maxwell's two-run single ignited a five-run first inning in the opener. The catcher finished with three RBI.

Senior Rian Beebe also had a run-scoring single in the first inning.

Sophie Nash tripled and scored on Maxwell's base hit in the sixth as Homedale plated three more runs for a 9-1 advantage. Baker committed two of its six errors in that inning.

The Bulldogs rallied for five runs over their final two innings against Dakota Kelly, who struck out 10.

Amaya Carter was 2-for-4 with two runs scored. Allison Shenk was 3-for-4 with a pair of

doubles.

Kelly and Gussie Cook were locked in a pitchers' duel in the second game when Homedale broke through for five runs in the sixth inning.

Kaylee DeWitt widened the Trojans' 2-1 lead with a two-run double. She scored on a wild pitch. Shenk doubled and scored on Kendall Nash's ground ball. and Sophie Nash singled and scored on Maxwell's two-out double.

Kelly tossed a three-hitter and fanned five.

## $\sqrt{\text{Softball:}}$ Trojans pummel four junior varsity opponents down the stretch

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Trojans opened the tournament with an easy win over the host Wolverines

Smith, Grant and Schamber smashed doubles during Homedale's eight-run first inning.

The team batted around again in the second inning to tack on six runs. Savanna Buckley tripled in that uprising.

Gray was 4-for-4 with two RBI, and Buckley had two hits and knocked in three runs.

Grant (two RBI), Smith and Schamber also had two hits each.

A committee of three pitchers including Schamber, Gracie Dines and Smith fired a two-hitter at Weiser. The Wolverines' four runs were unearned.

Thursday: Homedale 22-17, Baker/Powder Valley, Ore., 11-3 — Gray had a quarter of the Trojans' 16 hits in the nightcap of a non-conference doubleheader.

Gray counted a double and triple among her four hits and

notched six RBI.

Dines was 3-for-4 with a triple and three RBI from the top of the order, while Lisette Garcia was among five players who scored two runs each.

Dines scattered six hits and was touched for three unearned runs in four innings.

Homedale set the tone in the first game with a 10-run second inning. Leading 12-5, the Trojans added seven runs in the fourth.

Dines and Gray ripped three

hits apiece, both had doubles, and they scored four runs each.

Austyn Kerbs drove in four runs, and Gray and Dorsey added three RBI apiece.

Krista Mayer was 2-for-2 with two runs scored.

Schamber struck out seven batters in 4 1/3 innings. She gave up two hits, and the Baker/ Powder Valley cooperative team scored nine times. Only one run was earned.

May 1: Homedale 9, Fruitland

2 — Gwynneth Mullins' two-run double highlighted a five-run sixth inning that helped the Trojans break free from the Grizzlies at Sundance Park.

Homedale held a 4-2 lead before the five-run uprising in the 3A Snake River Valley conference regular-season finale for both squads.

Smith fired a one-hitter to hold Fruitland in check.

Larzelier scored three runs, and Smith knocked in a pair.

## Marsing: Clay King fires 3-hitter, gets four hits in regular-season game

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Melba played New Plymouth for the district championship tonight. Cole Valley Christian and Nampa Christian meet in the third-place game.

scoring his third run to win the game.

All of the Vandals' runs were unearned as Marsing committed six errors.

Henry Kindall and Bryce Moss.

The Huskies' defense opened both McCall rallies with consecutive errors.

hit, but Ihli got out of the jam with single during the Huskies' eighta ground ball back to him.

Marsing had two base runners with two outs in the third inning. Dwight Sevy drew a walk, but Ihli picked him off before issuing another base on balls to King.

run fourth inning.

Marsing batted around in the second and fourth innings. The

May 5: Marsing 8, McCall-Donnelly 7 (9) — Wood delivered on consecutive at-bats in the Huskies' district tournament opener at home.

The first baseman's infield single brought Clay King home third base with one out in the bottom of the ninth to end the game. Wood had struck out in each of his first three at-bats.

Wood's two-out double in the seventh plated Alec Gibson and forced extra innings. Running for Isiah Prado, who got on with a two-out single, Gibson scored for the second time in the game.

King, who was 3-for-3 with an RBI, stole two bases before

The Huskies jumped out to a 4-0 lead after two innings. King and Prado had RBI singles before the first out was recorded Marsing's first at-bat, and Dwight Sevy's two-out single chased home Purtell with the fourth run in the second.

Prado and Purtell both went 3-for-4.

The first of back-to-back threerun rallies helped McCall tie the score, 4-4, in the fifth inning.

Boone Sevy's two-out, two-run double pushed Marsing ahead again, 6-4, in the bottom of the fifth.

The Vandals took the lead, 7-6, in their next at-bat with another three-spot highlighted by two-out run-scoring singles off the bats of

Oliveros, who went 2-for-4, struck out four and walked one while dodging three unearned runs over the final four innings to get the win. He surrendered backto-back two-out hits in the bottom of the ninth inning before getting a groundout to end the game.

May 2: Nampa Christian 11, Marsing 0 (5) — Felix King's fifth-inning grand slam was the final factor in the Trojans' 10-run rule 2A Western Idaho Conference win.

The Huskies, who finished the conference campaign as the No. 4 seed with a 3-7 record, managed only two hits against Joe Ihli.

Jaden Kinney and Purtell had back-to-back two-out singles in the second inning. Kinney went from first to third on Purtell's base

Kinney was on board again with two outs in the fourth after another walk.

Nick Tuttle went 4-for-4 with three runs scored and two RBI from the top of the Trojans' batting order.

May 1: Marsing 25, Cole Valley Christian 0 (5) — Clay King allowed three hits and no walks, and the Huskies committed just one error in a decisive conference victory over the Chargers at Storey Park in Meridian.

Dwight Sevy unloaded on Cole Valley pitching, going 4-for-4 and driving in five runs. He had run-scoring triples in the first and third innings and laced a two-run Huskies scored seven runs in the second with Boone Sevy (3-for-4) picking up the second of his three RBI, and Purtell collecting one of his three RBI.

King and Prado were 4-for-5, and King, Dwight Sevy, Boone Sevy and Wood (3-for-3) scored four runs apiece.

Marsing pounded 27 hits.



## Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

## 25 years ago

## May 13, 1992

#### Jail officially under construction

Ground-breaking ceremonies for the new Owyhee County Criminal Justice Facility were held in Murphy Monday at 2 p.m. Richard Bass, chairman of the Owyhee County Commissioners, told onlookers that although planning for the jail has been a lengthy process, the jail should be completed in early fall. "We're right back on schedule now," he said.

Those who participated in the ceremonies were Barbara Jayo, county clerk; Frances Field, state representative; Richard Bass, commissioner; Larry Bachman, assessor; George Hyer, commissioner; Tim Nettleton, sheriff; Dan Eismann, district court judge; Chet Sellman, commissioner; and Steve Winsel, construction manager.

#### Information sought on stolen tombstone

A grave headstone which turned up in Marsing several months ago is still at the Marsing City Hall. Efforts to find where it came from have been in vain, according to Owyhee County Deputy Sheriff Dennis Taggart.

Taggart said Monday the headstone has been at city hall since it was found on a lawn in Marsing several months back, and that the department has been unsuccessful in finding what cemetery it came from.

The headstone reads: WILLIAM A. HAYES, COLORADO, PVT. US. ARMY, WORLD WAR I, JAN. 24 1895 – FEB. 19 1974

#### Abbott wins ASCS top honor

The Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) announced May 5 that the Owyhee County Executive Director, Ron Abbott, will be presented with the agency's highest honor, the Administrator's Award for Service to Agriculture.

#### MK locomotives stored in town

Some old locomotives, owned by the Morrison-Knudsen Company, have been brought into Homedale to be stored until they can be refurbished, according to Hunter Fearon, warehouse employee.

Eighteen engines have been moved to town so far, and are being stored on Union Pacific-owned tracks.

Six are along Railroad Avenue, and 12 are along the north edge of Sunset Village Mobile Park.

#### Pitching, defense highlight Marsing-Homedale game

The first time Homedale and Marsing met for a baseball game this season, Tony Uranga set the tone of the game by hitting a home run to open the game. The Trojans went on to win the game 10-1 on a mix of hits and Marsing errors. Watching the game, one sensed that given more experience in the field and better luck, Marsing could have given the Trojans a run for their money. Last Thursday, that's just what the Huskies did, and though they defensed Homedale much more tightly, they came up short in the batter's box,

## 50 years ago

## May 11, 1967

#### Homedale races won by Utahan

Bryan McDougal of Sandy, Utah, racked up the greatest number of points and trophies, and Caldwell's Bob Gerdes was the first runner up Sunday in the fifth annual Homedale Regatta on the Snake River here.

The race was sponsored by the Homedale Chamber of Commerce, the Treasure Valley Boat Association and for the first time, the hydroplane races were sanctioned by the American Power Boat Association.

McDougal took three firsts in the races and two for Gerdes, with about 100 racing boat fans lining the sun-baked shores of the future park-site for the Homedale area.

#### Rep. Yarbrough, Sen. Phil Batt talk to Kiwanis

Senator Phil Batt, Wilder, and Representative Yarbrough, Grand View, Owyhee County, were guest speakers at the last two Kiwanis luncheon meetings held at the Masonic hall.

Rep. Yarbrough visited the local club last Wednesday and gave a brief report on the last session of the Idaho State Legislature. Sen. Batt was the guest speaker yesterday at Kiwanis.

Both Sen. Batt and Rep. Yarbrough stated that undue criticism was given the legislators by the news media, mainly daily newspapers, radio and TV, because the annual session ran over the 60-day time limit.

They explained that when the state constitution was first drawn up — the business of the state could be taken care of in 60 days. But today the entire business of the state cannot be rushed through in just 60 days, they pointed out.

More than 800 bills were introduced during the last session — and this amount of work cannot be accomplished in such a short time, they explained.

#### Tom Arima, new school trustee

Tom Arima, Homedale farmer, was elected Monday to serve from zone two on the board of trustees of the Owyhee County Joint School District No. 370.

Arima received 30 votes, Carroll Johnstone 8 and Louis Breashears 3.

#### Homedale Baptist Church dedication services slated

The Homedale Baptist Church will have an all-day service to dedicate the church's new building on May 14.

The dedication services will begin at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Wayne Harding of Cloverdale, Ore., a former pastor of the Homedale Baptist Church, bringing the dedicatory message.

#### Fruitland spoils Homedale's bid for top place 5-0

Fruitland's Richard Mita limited Homedale to four hits Tuesday and the Grizzlies upset the Trojans 5-0 to tumble them into a first-place tie with Adrian.

While the Antelopes were blanking Parma 3-0 for their eight straight SRV-B victory, Homedale saw Fruitland

## 140 years ago

## May 12, 1877

ARIZONA seems to be going ahead of Idaho in population. Railroads do the business.

Quite a number of the prominent politicians of California seem to have come to grief recently.

Three million Moslems are trying to lord it over twelve million Christians. They can't come it.

Great Britain has declared herself neutral, but is nevertheless engaged in making gigantic preparations for war.

Some months ago the Governor of Iowa pardoned a convict out of the State Penitentiary. His successor in the Gubernatorial Chair had the convict sent back again.

The war is likely to produce a serious influence upon the business of Bologna, the thought of which gives rise to floating extracts of pieces of brass collar, cats' claws and the like.

The Austin Reveille accuses the San Francisco Chronicle of making a European war map out of its old illustrations of the Modoc war and the lower levels of the Comstock bonanza.

THE NEWLY appointed minister to Spain was a candidate for Congress from Iowa at the recent election. He was defeated. The people consigned him to obscurity, but the President, from a tender disregard for the desires of the people, or other motives, has placed him in a responsible public position. Ours is a Republican form of government. The majority rule, and then again they don't.

TROUBLE IN OWYHEE. Under this caption the Statesman of the 10<sup>th</sup> instant has an article grossly misrepresenting the condition of affairs here in connection with the District Court proceedings. It is quite in keeping with the reputation of that journal to traduce and vilify honest men, and it is not surprising that Judge Prickett and the members of the Grand Jury here, a body composed of our most respectable citizens, should, without the shadow of a pretext and by base innuendos, be made subjects for the exercise of his venom and ill will. It is the "old sore" breaking out afresh, and it reveals the depth of depravity to which Milton Kelly is capable of descending. His statement that there is "trouble in Owyhee" is a malignant falsehood. Under the able and impartial direction of Judge Prickett, whose course we have had occasion to allude to elsewhere, the business of the court is proceeding in the most effective and orderly manner. The "hot blood," "threats" and other irregularities that the Statesman speaks of have no existence here whatever, and are but a cloak for a slanderous and unwarrantable attack upon a gentleman who is so much the superior of the editor of that paper in every attribute of honorable manhood as to render the idea of a comparison infamously odious. As to the members of the Grand Jury, every citizen here can bear testimony to the fact that they have been adapted by a desire to transact all their business promptly, honorably and honestly. They took pains to procure the fullest testimony on all cases that came before them. They found nothing in the evidence calculated to warrant them in having indictments framed and so the prisoners at the jail were discharged, and a heavy expense thus saved to the county. In short they did their duty like honorable men, and can afford to treat with silent contempt such base insinuations and recommendations as the Statesman chooses to make. The attack upon the presiding Judge is even more disgraceful. If there is an office or position in the land that should be held sacred from wanton and malevolent attacks, where the official does his duty faithfully and impartially, it is certainly that of a District Judge who, with his associates, compose the highest tribunal in the Territory. But disappointed ambition and a revengeful and groveling spirit stop at nothing to compass their aims, and we think it is not difficult to detect the lurking motives that this base attack reveals. It means an effort on the part of Mr. Kelly to gain possession of the ermine, but the changes are that he will be traveling the road too long before such a consummation as that is achieved.

and lost the game 4-0.

#### Tennis season ends with win; Trojans at 6-8-1

The Homedale tennis finished their season Monday with a win over Kuna. The victory brought the team's season record to 6-8-1, and gave them a boost heading into the District tournament this weekend.

Among the standouts for Homedale are men's singles player Clint Smyth, who finished with a record of 14-1 for the season, and the two ladies' doubles teams.

### Trojans send strong track team to state

The Homedale track teams continued a winning season at the District 3 finals last Saturday in Payette, with the men's team taking the team championship, and the ladies claiming eighth place.

The men were propelled to their win by first-place finishes in the 400, 1,600 and medley relays. The Trojans were also helped by Tyler Haylett's win in the pole vault, where he bettered his previous best of 13' 6" by clearing 14". score five runs in the fourth inning on consecutive singles by Dean Coons, Mike Sasaki and Dean Davenport, Dave Hockman's two-run base-hit to right field and Brian Whitmore's three-tally home run to right.

Mita, a sophomore who has been plagued with a sore arm most of the season, struck out six and walked two while out-dueling Homedale's Carl Hays with nine strikeouts and one base on balls. Sasaki got two of Fruitland's six hits off Hays.

The loss was Homedale's first after nine straight wins. Parma wound up 5-5 in league play.

### Xi Alpha Delta installs officers

Installation of officers with outgoing president, Mrs. Kenneth Metzer, as installing officer was held at the Thursday meeting of the Xi Alpha Delta at the home of Mrs. Jim Duncan. Mrs. Metzer and Mrs. Frank Matteson were co-hostesses.

The new president, Mrs. Charles Yost, was presented with a corsage.

Sports



A Rimrock baserunner pulls into first base as Marsing junior varsity's Colby Loucks waits for the throw. Photo by Dan Pease

## **Raiders prevail in slugfest vs. MHS JV**

## Huskies' Gibson scores three times

Rimrock High School sent 13 batters to the plate in the fourth inning last Wednesday to beat Marsing's junior varsity.

The Raiders snapped a deadlock with nine runs and triumphed 20-12 in a non-conference game played on the Huskies' field.

The teams entered the fourth inning tied, 7-7, after Marsing's Alec Gibson had scored on a passed ball in the bottom of the third.

Rimrock, which plays in the 1A Western Idaho Conference, opened the fourth with nine consecutive hits, including a run-scoring double from Anthony Herrera. The Raiders netted 11 of their 17 hits during the rally, including two singles from D-O Draper. Gibson smashed a two-run triple in the bottom of the first

inning as Marsing clawed back to tie the score, 4-4. The Huskies took a 6-4 lead

in the second inning when Colby Loucks scored on a passed ball, and Cole Wainman came home on Brady Dines' two-out single.

Levi Nanney struck out 12 Huskies over the final five innings to get the victory. Only one of the six runs he allowed was earned.

Nanney was 2-for-2 and scored five runs. Draper scored three runs.

Loucks, Wainman and Gibson had two hits apiece for Marsing. Anthony Noblett crossed the plate twice.

Wes Ireland had eight strikeouts in five innings of relief for the Huskies.

## Huskies hitters stifled in losses

## Ashley Loucks, Glorfield notch RBI in final 2A WIC games

Marsing High School dropped its final games of the 2A Western Idaho Conference softball season last week.

The Huskies (6-15 overall, 1-9 in conference) took a 14-game losing streak into the 2A District III Tournament and opened festivities as the No. 6 seed Tuesday after deadline against Nampa Christian in Melba.

May 2: Nampa Christian 16, Marsing 2 (5) — The Trojans scored the conference game's first 16 runs to beat the host Huskies on Senior Night.

Former Marsing student Jessie

Wood was 1-for-4 with an RBI and a run scored for Nampa Christian, which piled up eight runs in the second inning against Lizie Stanberry and added six more in the third off Emma Heitz.

Wood struck out two and allowed a single in two innings of work to get the win.

The Huskies scored two earned runs in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Emily Loucks, Ashley Loucks, Mercedes Sevy and Autumn Bennett picked up singles for Marsing.

Ashley Loucks knocked in a run

in the fourth inning.

May 1: Cole Valley Christian 14, Marsing 2 (5) — The Chargers opened the game with an eight-run rally and rolled at Heritage Middle School in Meridian.

Emily Loucks and senior catcher Sheyanne Glorfield singled in the 2A WIC game with Glorfield scoring a run and knocking in another during a two-run fifth inning. Loucks scored the other run.

Only two of Cole Valley's eight runs against Stanberry in the bottom of the first were earned. Marsing committed five errors and couldn't capitalize on most of the Chargers' four miscues.

Heitz pitched the final three innings, giving up six unearned runs and striking out four.



Marsing's Emily Loucks slaps a single in the Huskies' home finale May 2 against Nampa Christian. Photo by Dan Pease







 
 Baseball
 Softball
 Track and field

 Dwight Sevy, so., C
 Ashley Loucks, so., 2B
 Taj Jacobi, so., shot put

 6-for-8, 6 RBI, including 5-for-5, 5 RBI in district play
 1-for-3, RBI, run in two games
 Personal record of 38 feet, 2½ inches in NP Invite



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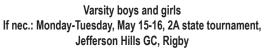
### Baseball Varsity 2A District III Tournament (At Melba H.S.) If won Monday: Wednesday, May 10 vs. Nampa Christian or McCall-Donnelly, 3 p.m.

## Softball

2A District III Tournament (At Nampa Christian H.S.) If won two games Tuesday: Thursday, May 11, winners bracket vs. TBD, 6 p.m. If lost first game Tuesday: Thursday, May 11, elimination game vs. TBD, 3:30 p.m. If split games Tuesday: Thursday, May 11, elimination game vs. TBD, 1 p.m. If nec.: Friday, May 12, games at 10 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 3 p.m.

### **Track and field** Friday, May 12 at 2A District III championship meet Day 1, New Plymouth, 2 p.m. Saturday, May 13 at 2A District III championship meet Day 2, New Plymouth, 2 p.m.

## Golf



Go Huskies!



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## Commentar

Baxter Black, DVM

## On the edge of common sense Cow population

(The following excerpts are from the Oklahoma Livestock Committee meeting on Species Relations. Voting members include beef cows, feedlot steers and dairy cows.)

"Will the secretary please read the state demographer's report?'

'Yes, Madam Cowperson. For the first time in the history of the state, the human population will surpass the number of livestock."

"You mean the era of ruminant dominance is over!"

"Tsk, tsk."

"Gasp! Bellow!"

"Blat, belch!"

"Yes! We who have cut the trails and settled this country are now relegated to minority status!"

"DAYMILL THOON PEE MOOFINK ...."

"Angus, will you please swallow your cud so we can understand you."

"Gulp. They will soon be moving us from our pastures. They will force us from the open plains and high mountain valleys! They will pave our homesteads and cover the grass with Verizon stores!"

"That's true, sniff. Humans have an odd perception of what is beautiful. Asphalt strips, concrete barns, burning rubber, landfills ... they foul their own nest. It is amazing that their species survives."

"Yer honorable Cowperson, I think we are over-reacting. In spite of their numbers, they seem fairly disorganized. I've spent a lifetime looking over the fence. Their roads go in all directions. Their cars go back and forth all day. Where do they go? Why are they going? It's a wonder any of 'em finds water."

"Good point. They are a species not unlike the chewing louse. They produce nothing but more of themselves. They keep busy doin' each other's laundry and mooching off us and the trees."

"But is it not true that we are now a minority? Think about it! They will have to afford us special status! Stairs will have to accommodate quadrupeds! Public transportation will require special seating with mangers and dung channels!

"Twelve-week lambing leave! A national holiday and affirmative action proviso including a token cow on every county board of commissioners! Lucrative government contracts garnered by any applicant with a bovine surname!"



## **Inside the Legislature** A state legislator's constituency work doesn't end with sine die

When my children were young, they watched Schoolhouse Rep. Christy Zito Rock on TV. I loved the songs that taught different lessons on America, grammar, math, science, history and other subjects. I had not thought of these catchy little songs for many years.

This past session, I sponsored what is referred to as a "trailer bill." A trailer bill affects another bill in some way. Often a trailer will provide funding for a bill that has previously gone through the process earlier in the session. Ours was a trailer to H139, the cosmetology and barber bill.

H139 allowed stylists to do their work off-site. They would be free to do hair and makeup, for example, at weddings, fitness events, or photo shoots. The bill also provided for those selling hair-styling appliances to be able to do so. Had H139 become law, the effective date was July 1. The trailer bill contained what is called an emergency clause, causing H139 to be effective upon receiving passage and approval.

Prior to the session starting, I was invited to a tour of Idaho Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) academy. The day was spent learning about the training process of the amazing men and women who protect and serve the citizens of the state. While there, it was pointed out that there were about 2,500 "sexual assault evidence kits" that had been used to collect DNA evidence, and were never turned in to the state. H146, sponsored by Dist. 19B Rep. Melissa Wintrow (D-Boise), made changes in the law to ensure that these kits were turned over and that the evidence was kept for appropriate periods of time.

Looking back, every day of the session was filled with committee meetings, floor sessions, meeting with people from District 23, working with other legislators and

District 23, Seat A (R-Hammett)

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working with people outside the Legislature who were working on good legislation.

Starting in April and continuing through October, we will have an informal gathering at the Mountain Home Public Library in the back conference room. This will take place the last Friday of the month, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

We are in the process of setting up other gatherings in different parts of District 23. If you would like to host one please email Christy@christyzito.com, and we will get it set up.

It can't be said enough what a privilege and honor it is to serve and to be your voice in your citizen legislature. All questions, comments and ideas are welcome.

- Christy Zito (R-Hammett) occupies Dist. 23, Seat A of the Idaho House of Representatives. The 2017 session marked the beginning of her first term. She can be reached by phone, email or on Facebook. This column was generated from her latest constituent newsletter.

## **From Washington** Senate works to address shortage of veterinarians in rural America

Access to quality animal care is critical to Idaho's agricultural economy. But, too often, ranchers and farmers cannot access the care they need because of a lack of veterinarians. Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-Mich.) joined me in leading the reintroduction of the bipartisan S. 487, the Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program Enhancement Act (VMLRPEA), that would address the shortage by helping to increase the placement of more veterinarians in areas of the country where they are desperately needed. This would also help to strengthen rural economies and protect the safety of our food supply. Veterinarians are a critical part of ensuring our access to a safe and high-quality food supply. Unfortunately, nearly every state has a rural community that is suffering from a shortage in essential veterinary services. To help address this concern, Congress established the Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program (VMLRP). This program assists selected food animal and public health veterinarians with student loan repayment for a three-year commitment to practice in areas of the country facing a veterinarian shortage. This program helps veterinarians who face daunting student loan debt with making a living in a community where starting a practice may be otherwise financially impossible. The problem is the VMLRP is subject to a 39 percent federal withholding tax on the assistance provided to qualifying veterinarians. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) administers the program and pays the withholding tax on behalf of participating veterinarians out of available program funding. This considerable tax limits

## U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo

Republican (term expires 2022)

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"Yea, verily! We will march in the streets! We will cleanse the language of offensive expressions such as 'That's no bull! Over the calf socks! Going in hock! Udderly ridiculous!' and that particularly odious defamation 'Horny!' "

"Madame Cowperson, I move we demand a grant from the Dept. of Non-Human Resources to study our new rights!"

Will the secretary please read the minutes?"

"Uh, I missed everything after ruminant dominance. It's hard to write with cloven hooves."

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the reach of the program, and interest in the program has greatly exceeded available resources. In a letter signed by more than 160 local and national organizations urging Congress to pass the VMLRPEA, the coalition reported, that since 2010, the USDA has made 388 awards to veterinarians while nearly 1,200 veterinarians have applied to fill shortage areas. The coalition found that, "Had these awards been exempt from withholding taxes roughly 130 additional veterinarians would have been selected to practice in communities throughout rural America."

S. 487 would address this limitation by providing an exemption from the federal income withholding tax for

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## Commentary

## **Financial management**

## Go on your own — with cash — on real estate investments



#### Dear Dave,

I'd like to get involved in real estate investing, but I don't have a lot of cash at present. What do you think of the idea of crowdfunding as a way to invest in real estate? —Adam

Dear Adam,

I've got a bunch of real estate, and I love it. But I wouldn't go the crowdfunding route as a way to get started in real estate investing. I wouldn't give someone money to buy real estate in a crowdfunding scenario, either.

The late Beverly Sills had a great saying: "There are no

shortcuts to anyplace worth Dear Anonymous, going." Investing in real estate is wonderful when you do it right. Get out of debt first, pay cash, and find great bargains. When you get in a hurry, and do dumb stuff like go into debt or get mixed up with partnerships in the process, real estate's a horrible investment.

I admire your ambition, Adam. But I would advise you to follow my lead on this one. You'll be glad you did!

How late is too late to get life

Dear Dave,

insurance?

It's pretty easy to get term life insurance — the only kind of life insurance I recommend — up until around age 70. Depending on your overall health situation, there are a few affordable policies available past that point. But once you get into your 70s and beyond it can be difficult to find reasonably priced coverage.

I recommend that most people have 10 to 12 times their annual income wrapped up in a good, level term life insurance policy. But honestly, you shouldn't need life insurance at 70 or older. If you've been wise with your money, and saved and invested,

you should be self-insured by that point. This means having plenty of cash in the bank to cover burial expenses and enough for a spouse to live on after you're gone.

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show, which is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year, is heard by more than 12 million listeners each week on 575 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com

## **Americans for Limited Government** House health care vote proof principle still counts

### by Peter Hong

On March 24, after the House Republican leadership's decision to temporarily withdraw the "American Health Care Act" from floor consideration, House Freedom Caucus Chairman U.S. Rep. Mark Meadows (R-N.C.) released a statement:

"I promised the people of North Carolina's 11th District that I would fight for a full repeal of the Affordable Care Act and a replacement with a market-driven approach that brings down costs and provides more choices for the American people. I remain wholeheartedly committed to following through on this promise. I know President Trump is committed to repealing Obamacare and replacing it with a system that works for American families, and I look forward to working with him to do just that."

That was it. No declaration of victory. No fingerpointing at the House Republican leadership for twisting Republican arms to support an historically unpopular bill. No complaints.

At the height of the newly gained notoriety that he seemed to disdain rather than enjoy, Meadows simply restated the promise he made to his constituents to repeal and replace Obamacare and quietly pledged to work with President Trump on fulfilling that promise.

After the non-vote in the House, Meadows and his Freedom Caucus colleagues kept their heads down, their mouth shuts, and their doors open. Now, barely a month later, they have something to show for it.

Two weeks ago, the House Freedom Caucus had announced its support for an agreement between Meadows and moderate U.S. Rep. Tom MacArthur (R-N.J.) that would address the biggest health care are willing to compromise, so long as we're not forced challenge facing America: the soaring cost of medical care. The MacArthur amendment would grant states the

ability to repeal cost-driving aspects of Obamacare left in place under the original AHCA. By allowing states to opt out of cost inflators, such as Essential Health Benefits and community rating rules, the MacArthur amendment vastly improves the AHCA from a common-sense, profederalism, "how much is health care going to cost me" perspective. Unlike the original AHCA, it gets to the heart of the matter: making health care more affordable and accessible.

As the Freedom Caucus itself concedes, the MacArthur amendment does not outright repeal Obamacare. Amidst seven years of promises and scores of hollow "repeal" votes to the contrary, the leadership of this Congress has made it very clear that Obamacare, in some form, is here to stay. The MacArthur amendment does give red state voters in places like Texas some power through their state officials to bring down health care costs. For voters in solidly blue states like California or Oregon, federalism offers the opportunity to vote with their feet.

The compromise was solidified with U.S. Rep. Fred Upton's (R-Mich.) further amendment providing an additional \$8 billion funding for those with pre-existing conditions in states that opt out of the Obamacare regulations.

So, if Obamacare will not be repealed in its entirety, what was the significance of the Freedom Caucus "March Resistance?" First, it resulted in the best health care measure this House appears capable of producing, which is essential because the House-passed bill will almost certainly represent the high-water mark of this debate.

backroom shenanigans and stealth bills that can't be read before the vote should be ended.

Finally, it restored — at least for a moment — the quaint notion that you can rise above politics if you stand on principle. As a Democrat, Harry S. Truman, once said, "It's amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit." Or in the case of the resolute members of the House Freedom Caucus - the blame.

In a statement, Americans for Limited Government president Rick Manning praised the compromise, in part saying, "The health care replacement, while far from perfect, is substantially better than it would have been thanks to the hard work of the Freedom Caucus, the White House and House negotiators achieving a result that respects the states through the state opt-out provision of Obamacare's insurance regulations and ending the tyranny of the individual and employer mandates."

But Manning added, although it was "a step in the right direction," it could be further improved by the Senate by "defunding law and rules that prevent individuals from purchasing insurance across state lines, removing the continuing coverage penalty and eliminating the tax subsidies for insurance and federal subsidies for Medicaid expansion that make no sense once you have a national marketplace for insurance. Nobody will think they need subsidies if in a competitive marketplace insurance premiums are dropping."

Obviously there is more that can be done, but it's not often these days when principle wins out over partisanship or political self-interest. We should remember to recognize and savor those few fleeting moments - and the individuals who create them - before they pass us by.

— Dave

— Anonymous

Second, it taught the House leadership that conservatives to compromise on our principles or our promises. Also, legislating should be done out in the open; the era of

*— Peter Hong is a contributing reporter at Americans* for Limited Government.

## Veterinarians: Tax code stymies student loan forgiveness program

#### From Page 6B

payments received under the VMLRP and similar state programs. Thus, more veterinarians would have the opportunity to practice in small, rural communities where their services are needed and more communities will have much-needed veterinarian services.

This legislation would also help bring the tax treatment of this program in line with the tax treatment of assistance for doctors and nurses who are serving in areas of the country in need through the National Health Service Corps' loan repayment program. In 2004, Congress exempted the benefits available under the National Health Service Corps' loan repayment program from the federal

withholding tax. Enactment of the Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Enhancement Act would create tax parity for the counterpart program for veterinary medicine.

A bipartisan group of 22 senators, including fellow Idaho Sen. Jim Risch (Republican), have backed the legislation. Cosponsors include Sens. Tammy Baldwin (D-Wis.), Michael F. Bennet (D-Colo.), Roy Blunt (R-Mo.), John Boozman (R-Ark.), Thad Cochran (R-Miss.), Joe Donnelly (D-Ind.), Tammy Duckworth (D-III.), Al Franken (D-Minn.), Cory Gardner (R-Colo.), Kristen E. Gillibrand (D-N.Y.), Mazie K. Hirono (D-Hawaii), Johnny Isakson (R-Ga.), Angus S. King, Jr. (I-Maine), Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.), Patrick J. Leahy (D-Vt.), Robert Menendez (D-N.J.), Jerry Moran and Pat Roberts (R-Kan.) and John Thune (R-S.D.).

This common-sense program that encourages veterinarians to practice in underserved areas is yet another victim of our overly complex, overly burdensome tax code. As I work for comprehensive reform of our tax code, I will encourage the elimination of burdensome tax provisions to help meet the growing demand for veterinarians nationwide.

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

## **Public notices**

#### SYNOPSIS OF OWYHEE **COUNTY COMMISSIONER** MINUTES

April 3, 10, 17, & 24, 2017 April 3

Approved the appraisal from J. Hale Appraisals in the amount of \$400.00 for the appraisal of the Homedale property that the Board is considering selling

Paid all outstanding bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$80,225 Road and Bridge \$6,429 District Court \$1,035 Probation \$242 Health District \$4,565 Indigent and Charity \$28,538 Solid Waste \$6,020 Weeds \$7,051 911 \$1,776 County Vessel \$5 Waterways \$156 Off Highway Vehicles Taxing Districts \$2,467 \$603 Economic Development \$518

Approved a catering permit for Tacos Y Mariscos El Compa, LLC on April 30, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. for the Albert Hernandez Rodeo and Racing.

Approved the Boise District BLM amendment / modification of contract of an increase of \$2,358.25

Approved a pay increase for Deputy Mike Rabourn from \$14.25 per hour to \$18.00 per hour

Placed a lien on Indigent and Charity case 17-18.

Denied Indigent and Charity case 17-08.

Denied Indigent and Charity case 17-11.

April 10

Approved the purchase of 2 AED's, 5 batteries and the repair of 1 AED in the amount of 409.80

Designated the polling places

for the May 16, 2017 election. Approved the following new hires

- Tony Aguirre \$14.00 per hour as Marine Deputy
- Mike Beavers \$14.00 per hour as Marine Deputy

Vern Tunnell \$14.00 per hour as Off Highway Vehicle Deputy Approved Idaho Liquor License

#33 for the Spot Pizza. Approved 12 Certificates of Residency to the College of

Western Idaho for students 17-89 through 17-100. Approved the Idaho Department

of Parks and Recreation reimbursement for Black Sands closeout in the amount of \$133,881.00.

Placed a lien on Indigent and Charity case 17-19.

Approved Resolution 2017-12: Extension of Disaster Declaration for Weather Emergency, amending Resolution 2017-02.

Approved the continuance of hearing for Indigent and Charity case 16-52.

April 17

Approved 3 certificates of residency to the College of Western Idaho for student's #17-101, 17-102 and 17-103.

Approve the part time / temporary hire of Bertha Sandoval to the Prosecuting Attorney's office at \$15 per hour.

Placed a lien on Indigent and Charity case 17-20.

Approved Indigent and Charity case 17-14.

Approved Indigent and Charity case 17-18. Approved Indigent and Charity

case 17-20. Denied Indigent and Charity

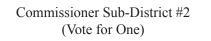
#### SAMPLE BALLOT

HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

MAY 16, 2017

INSTRUCTIONS: Vote for such candidate(s) as you desire by placing an X in the square at the right of their name(s), or by writing in the name(s) of the person(s) you desire to vote for, and place an X in the square at the right of their name. If you change your mind, tear, or make a mistake on this ballot, please request a new ballot from an election worker.

## CANDIDATES FOR HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT SUB-DISTRICT #2



John Demshar.....

David A. (Hap) Duryee

Robert Wolfe

case 17-15. April 24

Approved Resolution 2017-13; Ratification of preparation by the county staff and filing with BLM a comment and a supplement to that comment on BLM's Canyonlands West and Grand View Travel Management Plans.

- Approved the following (3) 2018 Idaho Liquor Licenses -
- 2018 Idaho Liquor Licenses #1 Owyhee Motor Sales, dba
- Owyhee Motor Sales 2018 Idaho Liquor Licenses #2
- John Wayne Pennington, dba JC Landing
- 2018 Idaho Liquor Licenses #3 A.H. Schade dba Gem Stop #3
- Placed a lien on Indigent and Charity cases 17-21 and 17-22.

The complete minutes can be viewed online at www. owyheecounty.net or in the Clerk's office. 5/10/2017

#### **INVITATION TO BID NOCWMA of Owyhee Conservation District**

NOCWMA invites chemical suppliers to bid for 2017 chemical weed management contract. Interested bidders should call Gina Millard 208-896-4544 or Tammie Hedges 208-250-6100, or email gina.millard@id.nacdnet. net or support@newenvironment. us for chemical list and bid requirements.

24, 2017 send to above email address

## Application deadline noon May

5/10,17/2017

**REQUEST FOR BID** The Eastern Owyhee Cooperative Weed Management Area Steering

Committee is requesting bids for chemicals to be used in noxious weed control

weed control.	
Product	Package Size
Basecamp	1 Gallon
Basecamp	2.5 Gallon
Garlon 4 Ultra	2.5 Gallon
Insist 90	2.5 Gallon
Opensight	20 Ounce
Perspective	20 Ounce
R-11	QT
R-11	1 Gallon
R-11	2.5 Gallon
Syltac	QT
Syltac	1 Gallon
Syltac	2.5 Gallon
Telar	Any
Glyphosate (Roundup)	2.5 gallon jugs /Brand & Generic
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The lowest acceptable bid will be awarded the contract, the bid is not to exceed, \$52,000.00.

Bids must be sent by email to: Rayola\_1@msn.com Bids will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., May 15th, 2017

The bid opening will take place May 16th at 6:00 p.m., in Bruneau, Idaho at the Idaho Power Company, Jacks Creek Facility. Notice of winning bid will be provided by May 20th to applicants.

For questions or information contact: Rayola Jacobsen, email Rayola\_1@msn.com; by phone: (208) 338-0019 or cell: (208) 249-0234. By mail, 248 E Bayview Ct., Boise, Idaho 83706. 5/3 10/2017

#### NOTICE OF SPECIAL PERMANENT BUDGET INCREASE **ELECTION** MARSING RURAL FIRE DISTRICT **CANYON COUNTY, IDAHO**

Public Notice is hereby given according to law, and the requisite action of the Board of Commissioners of Marsing Rural Fire District, Canyon County, Idaho, a Special Permanent Budget Increase Election will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of said District their vote and determination, by affirmative vote of two-thirds (66 and 2/3 percent) of the electors voting in such election, to increase the District's annual budget of \$73,701 by \$315,000.

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

Shall the Board of Commissioners of the Marsing Rural Fire District be authorized, pursuant to section 63-802(1)(g), Idaho Code, to certify to the board of commissioners of Owyhee and Canyon counties, Idaho, a permanent budget increase of \$315,000 on all taxable property within the district beginning with the fiscal year which commences on October 1, 2017, as provided in the resolution adopted by the board of commissioners of the district on March 20, 2017? The purpose of this request includes funds to construct and equip a substation located on the fire district property located at the intersection of Walker Lake and Marsing roads, to develop a compensation program that increases volunteer participation, to develop a program that will allow the upgrade of current fire and extrication equipment, and to meet the increasing costs associated with legal requirements relative to department operation.

All qualified Canyon County electors in Marsing Rural Fire District may vote on the levy

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Precinct	Location
26-11	Melba Senior Center
	115 Baseline Road, Melba
32-11	Vallivue Middle School
	16412 S. 10 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Caldwell
33-11	Deer Flat Free Methodist Church
	17703 Beet Road, Caldwell
37-11	Mountain View Church of the Nazarene
	26515 Ustick Road, Wilder
All precincts	are handicapped accessible and/or offer curb-

-side voting should the voter need assistance.

Qualified electors may vote early at the Canyon County Elections office until 5:00 p.m. May 12, 2017.

#### (Write-In)

#### **NOTICE OF HOMEDALE** HIGHWAY DISTRICT **SUB-DISTRICT #2** COMMISSIONER **ELECTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the election to be held in and for the Homedale Highway District Sub-District #2 Commissioner Election, will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017. The election will be held to elect the following offices for the specified term:

Homedale Highway District Sub-District #2 Commissioner for a term of four years.

On Election Day, the polls will

be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following designated precinct polling place: Please note that only residents living within the District Boundaries can vote.

Precinct 001 – North Homedale: Homedale Senior Center, 224 West Idaho Avenue, Homedale, Idaho 83628

Precinct 002 – South Homedale: Magistrate Court / City Hall, 31 West Wyoming Avenue, Homedale, Idaho 83628

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

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

Precinct 013 – Absentee Voting: Owyhee County Courthouse: 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650

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

Angela Barkell, Owyhee County Clerk 5/10/2017

The Canyon County Elections Office is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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

Dated at Caldwell, Idaho this 10th day of May, 2017 Chris Yamamoto, County Clerk 5/10/2017

#### MARSING RURAL FIRE DISTINCT SPECIAL ELECTION

Shall the Board of Commissioners of the Mansing Rucal Fire District be authorized, pursuant to section 63-802(1)(g), Idaho code, to certify to the Board of Commissioners of Owyhee and Canyon Countes, Idaho, a permanent budget increase of \$315,000.00 on at toxable property within the District beginning with the fiscal year which commences on October 1, 2017, and provided in the resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the District on March 20, no. 20.

The purpose of this request includes funds to construct and equip a substation located on Fire District property located at the intersection of Welfer Lake and Marsing Potel, to develop a compensation program that increases volunteer participation, to develop a program that will allow the upgrade of current fire and entirication equipment, and to meet the increasing costs. searcialed with legal requirements relative to department operation

IN FAVOR OF authorizing a permanent annual budget increase to \$315,000.000

AGAINST suborizing a permanent annual budget increase to \$315,000.000

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#### NOTICE OF PERMANENT LEVY ELECTION MARSING FIRE DISTRICT

Pursuant to the laws of the State of Idaho and the Election Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Marsing Rural Fire District, Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho (the "District"), adopted on March 20, 2017, notice is hereby given that a Permanent Tax Levy Rate Increase Election will be held in the District on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, beginning at the hour of 8:00 A.M. and closing at the hour of 8:00 P.M. on said date, on the question of authorizing a permanent budget increase of \$315,000 on taxable property within the District beginning with the fiscal year which commences October 1, 2017.

Said election shall be held at the regular polling places for elections in Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho, [or by mail], as indicated below: Please note that only residents living within the District Boundaries can vote.

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

Precinct 004 - South Marsing: County Extension Office, 238 W. 8th Avenue, Marsing, Idaho 83639

Precinct 006 - Wilson: Wilson School House, 10427 Johnstone Lane, Melba, Idaho 83641

Precinct 013 - Absentee: Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650

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

For Canyon County residents, contact the Canyon County Elections Department at 208-454-7562 for assistance.

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#### NOTICE OF TEMPORARY OVERRIDE LEVY ELECTION MARSING - HOMEDALE CEMETERY DISTRICT

Pursuant to the laws of the State of Idaho and the Resolution of the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery District Board of Commissioners, Owyhee County, Idaho (the "District"), adopted on March 1, 2017, notice is hereby given that a Permanent Levy Override Election will be held in the District on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, beginning at the hour of 8:00 A.M. and closing at the hour of 8:00 P.M. on said date, on the question of whether the District shall cause the continuation of the temporary levy currently in place for the following tax increases: an amount of \$20,000.00 per year to purchase and / or maintenance of lawn equipment and maintenance of cemetery grounds. Additionally, an amount of \$10,000.00 per year for the financial business affairs.

Said election shall be held at the regular polling places for elections in Owyhee County, Idaho, [or by mail], as indicated below: Please note that only residents living within the District Boundaries can vote.

Precinct 001 - North Homedale: Homedale Sr. Center, 224 W. Idaho Avenue, Homedale, Idaho 83628

Precinct 002 - South Homedale: Magistrate Court / City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Avenue, Homedale, Idaho 83628

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

Precinct 004 - South Marsing: County Extension Office, 238 W 8th Avenue, Marsing, Idaho 83639

Precinct 006 - Wilson: Wilson School House, 10427 Johnstone Lane, Melba, Idaho 83641

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

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## CITY OF GRAND VIEW, IDAHO Quarterly Expenditure & Revenue Report

For	3 Month Pe	eriod-Quarter	Ending 03/3	1/2017	
	As requir	red by Idaho C	ode 50-1011		
2nd Quarter	2017	Actual	% of	Actual	% of
FY 2017	Budget	Expense	Budget	Revenue	Budget
			Expense		Revenue
GENERAL-CITY	\$81722	\$18046	22%	\$7666	9%
STREET & ROAD	\$48228	\$12671	26%	\$6370	13%
PARK	\$5600	\$960	17%	\$0	0%
SEWER	\$186,028	\$31477	16%	\$33925	18%
WATER	\$302923	\$60838	20%	\$50123	16%

**SAMPLE BALLOT** MARSING RURAL FIRE DISTRICT JOINT WITH CANYON COUNTY, IDAHO OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO MAY 16, 2017

INSTRUCTIONS: To vote on the foregoing proposition, please mark the ballot card in the space to the right of the words "PERMANENT BUDGET INCREASE. YES" or "PERMANENT BUDGET INCREASE. NO" according to how you wish to vote. If you, by mistake or accident, mark, tear, deface, or otherwise mutilate or spoil this ballot, please return it to an election judge and obtain another ballot.

SHALL THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE MARSING RURAL FIRE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED, PURSUANT TO SECTION 63-802(1)(G), IDAHO CODE, TO CERTIFY TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF OWYHEE AND CANYON COUNTIES, IDAHO, A PERMANENT BUDGET INCREASE OF \$315,000.00 ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE DISTRICT BEGINNING WITH THE FISCAL YEAR WHICH COMMENCES ON OCTOBER 1, 2017, AS PROVIDED IN THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT ON MARCH 20, 2017?

THE PURPOSE OF THIS REQUEST INCLUDES FUNDS TO CONSTRUCT AND EQUIP A SUBSTATION LOCATED ON FIRE DISTRICT PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF WALKER LANE AND MARSING ROAD, TO DEVELOP A COMPENSATION PROGRAM THAT INCREASES VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION, TO DEVELOP A PROGRAM THAT WILL ALLOW THE UPGRADE OF CURRENT FIRE AND EXTRICATION EQUIPMENT, AND TO MEET THE INCREASING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS RELATIVE TO DEPARTMENT OPERATION.

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SAMPLE BALLOT MARSING-HOMEDALE CEMETERY DISTRICT OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO MAY 16, 2017

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

> MARSING-HOMEDALE CEMETERY DISTRICT **OWYHEE IDAHO** PERMANENT LEVY OVERRIDE

Shall the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery District Board of Commissioners be authorized to cause a continuation of the temporary levy currently in place; An amount of \$20,000.00 per year to purchase and / or maintenance of lawn equipment and maintenance of cemetery grounds. Additionally, an amount of \$10,000.00 per year for the cemetery district financial business affairs. This increase total of \$30,000.00 to commence in the 2018 tax year and then be included in the base levy rate amount for all subsequent fiscal years, as provided by the Marsing - Homedale Cemetery District Board of Commissioners resolution dated March 1, 2017.

### IN FAVOR of authorizing the levy in the amount of \$30,000.00 (thirty thousand dollars) per year

AGAINST authorizing the levy in the amount of \$30,000.00 (thirty thousand dollars)

\$123992 \$624501 TOTAL 19% \$109,379 33% The general public is invited to inspect all support documents for the above financial statement at City Hall, 425 Boise Ave, Grand View, Idaho during regular business hours Jodi Jewett, City Clerk 05/02/2017 5/10/2017

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV2017-1329-H 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 CONSTANCE LEE TRUNNELL, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against said deceased are

required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, or filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 14 day of April, 2017

Bradley Trunnell, Personal Representative of the Estate of Constance Lee Trunnell CLAIMS TO: 640 So. Colorado, Butte, MT 59702 4/26;5/3,10,17/2017

per year

### LEGAL NOTICE SOUTHWEST DISTRICT HEALTH PURSUANT TO IDAHO CODE §39-423

Southwest District Health Board of Health will hold their annual Budget Committee meeting and public hearing upon the proposed budget of the district at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at Southwest District Health, 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell, Idaho. The proposed budget offered by the District Board of Health may be examined at any of the Southwest District Health offices located at: 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell; 1008 East Locust, Emmett; 1155 Third Avenue North, Payette; 46 West Court, Weiser; or 132 E Idaho, Homedale.

	FY 2018 Proposed Budget	FY 2017 Budget	FY 2016 Budget
Salaries & Benefits Other expenses	\$ 7,222,197 <u>2,120,038</u>	\$ 6,802,150 <u>1,876,842</u>	\$ 6,430,641 <u>1,791,170</u>
Total	\$9,342,235	\$ 8,678,992	\$ 8,221,811

## **Public notices**

#### NOTICE OF SPECIAL **REVENUE BOND** ELECTION **BRUNEAU WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT**

Pursuant to the laws of the State of Idaho and the Bond Election Resolution of the Bruneau Water and Sewer District, Owyhee County, Idaho (the "District"), adopted on March 14, 2017, notice is hereby given that a Special Revenue Bond Election will be held in the District on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, beginning at the hour of 8:00 A.M. and closing at the hour of 8:00 P.M. on said date, on the question of whether the District shall incur an indebtedness and issuing revenue bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,200,000 to pay the cost thereof; establishing the date and time of election; providing for related matters; and providing an effective date.

Said election shall be held at the regular polling places for elections in Owyhee County, Idaho, [or by mail], as indicated below: Please note that only residents living within the District Boundaries can vote.

Precinct 010 - Bruneau -Sewer and Water District residents only: American Legion Hall, 32536 Belle Avenue, Bruneau, Idaho 83604

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

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

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

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#### NOTICE OF BRUNEAU **GRAND VIEW JOINT** SCHOOL DISTRICT #365 **ZONE 3 TRUSTEE** ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the election to be held in and for the Bruneau Grand View Joint School District #365 Zone 3 Trustee Election, along with Elmore County, Idaho, will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017. The election will be held to elect the following offices for the specified term:

Bruneau Grand View Joint School District #365 Trustee Zone 3 for a term of four years.

On Election Day, the polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following designated

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precinct polling place: Please note that only residents living within the Trustee Zone can vote.

Precinct 009 - Grand View - Zone 3 residents only. Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Avenue, Grand View, Idaho 83624

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

Residents in the Elmore County Trustee Zone 3 please contact Elmore County Elections Office at 208-587-2130 extension 206

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

Angela Barkell, Owyhee County Clerk 5/10/2017

#### **NOTICE OF BRUNEAU GRAND VIEW JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #365 ZONE 5 TRUSTEE ELECTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the election to be held in and for the Bruneau Grand View Joint School District #365 Zone 5 Trustee Election, will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017. The election will be held to elect the following offices for the specified term:

Bruneau Grand View Joint School District #365 Trustee Zone 5 for a term of four years.

On Election Day, the polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following designated precinct polling place: Please note that only residents living within the Trustee Zone can vote.

Precinct 008 – Oreana: Oreana Community Center, 18092 Oreana Loop Road, Oreana, Idaho 83650

Precinct 009 - Grand View -Zone 5 residents only: Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Avenue, Grand View, Idaho 83624

Precinct 011 – Riddle (mail in precinct): Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Precinct 013 – Absentee Voting:

Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650

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Angela Barkell, Owyhee County Clerk

5/10/2017

SAMPLE BALLOT BRUNEAU WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO MAY 16, 2017

INSTRUCTIONS: To vote on the foregoing proposition, please make a cross (X) or other mark in the space to the right of the words "IN FAVOR OF issuing revenue bonds for the purposes provided in Resolution No. 2017-1" or "AGAINST the issuance of revenue bonds for the purposes provided in Resolution 2017-1" according to the way you desire to vote on the question. If you, by mistake or accident, mark, tear, deface, or otherwise mutilate this ballot, please return it to the election Judge and obtain another ballot.

SHALL THE BRUNEAU WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO INCUR AN INDEBTEDNESS AND TO ISSUE AND SELL ITS REVENUE BONDS IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,200,000 TO PAY THE COSTS OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SANITARY SEWER PORTION OF THE COMBINED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM OF THE DISTRICT, THE BONDS TO MATURE OVER A PERIOD WHICH MAY BE LESS THAN BUT WHICH SHALL NOT EXCEED FORTY (40) YEARS AND TO BE PAYABLE SOLELY FROM THE REVENUES OF THE WATER AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM, ALL AS MORE FULLY PROVIDED IN RESOLUTION NO. 2017-1, ADOPTED ON MARCH 14, 2017?

The purpose of the project is for upgrades to the sanitary sewer portion of the District's water and sewer facilities. The interest rate anticipated on the proposed bonds is 2.50% per annum. The range of anticipated rates is from 1.00% to 4.00%. The District has no existing indebtedness. The total amount to be repaid over the life of the bonds, based on the anticipated interest rate, is \$3,492,988 consisting of \$2,200,000 in principal and \$1,292,988 of interest, over a period of not more than forty years.

**IN FAVOR OF** issuing revenue bonds for the purposes provided in Resolution No. 2017-1.

AGAINST the issuance of revenue bonds for the purposes provided in Resolution No. 2017-1

SAMPLE BALLOT BRUNEAU GRAND VIEW JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #365 ELMORE AND OWYHEE COUNTIES, IDAHO OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO MAY 16, 2017

INSTRUCTIONS: Vote for such candidate(s) as you desire by placing an X in the square at the right of their name(s), or by writing in the name(s) of the person(s) you desire to vote for, and place an X in the square at the right of their name. If you change your mind, tear, or make a mistake on this ballot, please request a new ballot from an election worker.

CANDIDATES FOR BRUNEAU GRAND VIEW JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #365 **TRUSTEE ZONE 3** 

> **TRUSTEE ZONE 3** (Vote for One)

RaeLynn Schkade.....

Lori Bennett

(Write-In)

BRUNEAU GRAND VIEW JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #365

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### ELMORE AND OWYHEE COUNTIES, IDAHO OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO MAY 16, 2017

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## CANDIDATES FOR BRUNEAU GRAND VIEW JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #365 **TRUSTEE ZONE 5**

**TRUSTEE ZONE 5** (Vote for One)

Howard Field	L
Steve R. Boren	

(Write-In)



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## **HELP WANTED**

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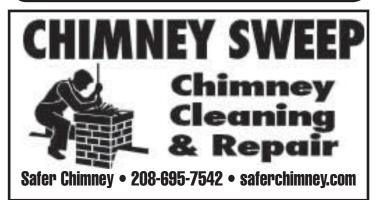
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## Sports

## **PR-wielding Raiders ready for 1A District III in New Plymouth**

Rimrock High School athletes ignored a crowded field to post personal-best finishes Thursday.

Phoenyx Wright led the charge at the New Plymouth Invitational with a third-place finish in the girls' long jump.

The sophomore cleared a careerbest 4 feet, 8 inches. There were 18 teams represented in the final meet before the 1A District III championships, which will be held Friday and Saturday in New Plymouth.

Sophomores Anthony Herrera and Ray Draper logged PRs to highlight the boys' meet.

The pair served on the Raiders' sixth-place spring medley relay team. Herrera ran the opening 200 meters, and Draper closed

with an 800, partnering with Rigo Lino (200) and Christian Neilson (400) to finish in 4 minutes, 8.9 seconds.

Herrera and Neilson ran the first two legs in the sixth-place 4x200 showing. Tyler Lowe and Ian Burbank closed the deal in a 1:41.37 race.

Draper's PR of 11:39.15 gave him ninth in the 3,200. He also had a personal-best time of 5:28.05 in the 1,600 and finished ninth in the 800 in 2:20.86.

Herrera's career-best time came with a ninth-place showing in the 100 (11.99). He was  $10^{th}$  in the 200 at 24.47.

Levi Nanney pulled off one of three Rimrock PRs in the boys' long jump. The sophomore was  $11^{\text{th}}$  at 18 feet, 1 inch. Burbank, a freshman, was  $17^{\text{th}}$  at  $17^{-1/4}$ , and senior Laureno Rodriguez posted a 15-6 for  $28^{\text{th}}$  place.

Wright logged a PR in the girls' triple jump, finishing 11<sup>th</sup> at 30-<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, while sophomore Mylee Meyers was 24<sup>th</sup> in the long jump with a personal-best 12-5<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.

Meyers also had a PR of 15.29 in the 100, and freshman Laura Gasper ran the fastest 400 of her life to finish 13<sup>th</sup> (1:11.34).

Wright and Gasper covered a 100 leg and a 200 portion of the sprint medley relay. They teamed with Makayla Davies (100 opener) and Taylor Magers (closing 400) to finish eighth in 2:11.16.

## Melba girls rack up NP Invite wins

Athletes with Owyhee County ties turned in some of Melba High School's top times Thursday.

Freshman Marissa Cole finished third in the New Plymouth Invitational girls' 1,600 meters with a personal-record 5 minute, 53.95 seconds. She was fourth in the 3,200 at 13:17.28.

Mary Ellen Cossel, a sophomore, finished fourth in the girls' 400 in 1:06.38.

Athletes grabbing girls' meet championships included Kymra Richardson, who captured the shot put with a PR of 35 feet,  $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches, and Emma Clark, who swept the long jump ( $17-2\frac{3}{4}$ ) and the triple jump ( $35-3\frac{1}{4}$ ) and was runner-up in the pole vault at 10 feet even. The sophomore also brought home gold with a season-best 12.9-second run in the 100.

Kylahn Heritage won the girls' 800 (2:33.19), the 1,600 (5:42.77) and the 3,200 (12:02.45).

Senior Beau Bromgard and junior Seth Cowger posted runnerup showings for the Melba boys' best finishes.

Bromgard had PRs in the hurdles, finishing second in both. He went 16.23 in the 110 high hurdles and 42.67 in the 300 intermediate hurdles.

Cowger ran the fastest 800 of his season (2:10.8) for his silver medal.

## HOMEDALE HOSTS GEM STATE RODEO OPENER

# Owyheeans perform well at Badiola meet

A large contingent of youth rodeo enthusiasts turned out at Badiola Arena in Homedale on Sunday for the Gem State Rodeo Association season opener.

Jalee Maestrejuan completed a 27.723-second run in Pee Wee pole bending. The Jordan Valley youth also competed in barrel racing and goat tying.

Jayne Youtsey of Adrian, Ore., competed in Mini Mite barrel racing, goat tying and Figure 8.

Trey McFarlane, who lives in the Homedale area, finished

second in steer daubing in the Pee Wee division with a time of 11.034 seconds. He was runner-up in goat tying (14.70) and also competed in calf roping and breakaway roping.

The youth rodeo season continues in Homedale on Saturday and Sunday with the final District II high school rodeos of the year at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds rodeo arena.

— Information from Cherie Rolland



*Trey McFarlane races toward a barrel and bucket during his runner-up performance in steer daubing Sunday. Photo by Cherie Rolland / Cherie Rolland Photography* 

## $\sqrt{\text{Golf:}}$ Trojans rout field in final conference go-round

*From Page 1B* Course in Wilder.

Fruitland's Jake O'Neil also shot a 38 to complete a three-way tie for runner-up.

Homedale closed the 3A Snake River Valley conference season at home with a 23-stroke victory over Weiser. The Trojans notched a 165 team score. Arnulfo Llamas led Homedale's three junior varsity golfers at 56. Ben Holt carded a 58, and Gunnar Campbell scored 60.

Homedale's lone girl, Shanlee Swallow, remained consistent with a 60. The 3ADistrict III Tournament was played over 18 holes at TimberStone Golf Course in Caldwell on Tuesday after deadline. The district champion and runner-up team plus top individual golfers move on to the 3A state tournament, which will be contest in a 36-hole format Monday and Tuesday at the Idaho Falls Country Club.

## Huskies tune up for district meet

## Distance runners achieve PRs

Distance runners are beginning to emerge for Marsing High School track and field. finishes for the Huskies' distance team. Lee was  $10^{th}$  in the 800 in 2 minutes, 22.36 seconds, and Withers snagged  $10^{th}$  in the 1,600 at 5:11.55. Lee was  $14^{th}$  in the 1,600 at 5:16.07.

Brown had a pair of PRs with

and the 200 (26.51), and freshman Manuel Ramos, who ran a 14.77 in the 100.

Sam Galligan, one of two MHS seniors to compete in the boys' meet, finished 14<sup>th</sup> in the shot put (37-8) and 15<sup>th</sup> in the discus (103-4).

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Parma's Ethan Sterling shot 1-over 37 for medalist honors.

All four Homedale scorers came in under 50. Junior Kaden Henry fired a 41, and freshman Spencer Fisher rounded out the qualifiers with a 48. Senior Tanner Miller came in at 54. With the 2A District III championship meet set for set Friday and Saturday at New Plymouth High School, the Huskies got a scouting run in for the New Plymouth Invitational on Thursday.

Juniors Dalton Withers and Matthew Lee established personal records in the 1,600-meter run, while fellow junior Elijah Brown posted a PR in the 800.

Lee and Withers had the best

a 2:24.46 showing in the 800 and a 5:27.9 in the 1,600. Freshman Isaiah Burgos also had PRs in the 800 (2:47.86) and the 1,600 (6:26.52).

Sophomore Taj Jacobi achieved a career-best shot put mark, finishing  $12^{th}$  with a 38-foot,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch effort.

Junior Gavin Thorud had a PR in the discus at 97-8.

Other PRs came from junior Brody Archer in the 100 (12.72) Freshman Klohi Hook posted a PR in the girls' 200 at 35.72. Sophomore Anahi Moreno Vargas achieved the best distance of her career in the long jump at 11-6.

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