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Above: Children play with a parachute in Bette Uda City Park during activities associated with the annual Angel Walk fun run Saturday in Homedale. Photo by George Decker **Below:** Mike Beavers of Owyhee Express Carriage Co. gives Angel Walk honoree Eelias Escalante (right) and his family a ride along the race route Saturday. For more photos and car show results, see **Page 12A**

All ages go all-out to push Angel Walk toward \$11K

Bolstered by a fundraising campaign in Homedale's schools, the Angel Walk raised nearly \$11,000 by its conclusion Saturday.

Peers of 2017 honoree Eelias Escalante attending the elementary and middle schools collected \$972.05.

The son of Rebecca Lopez and Juan Escalante is a 7-year-old second-grader in Homedale.

An unofficial total of \$10,854 was raised through the Angel Walk 5-kilometer run, walk and children's bike ride, T-shirt sales and the fifth annual classic car show.

Hundreds of participants of all ages took to the streets of downtown Homedale for the 5K, and they traveled through nearly 60 classic cars on display on West Idaho Avenue.



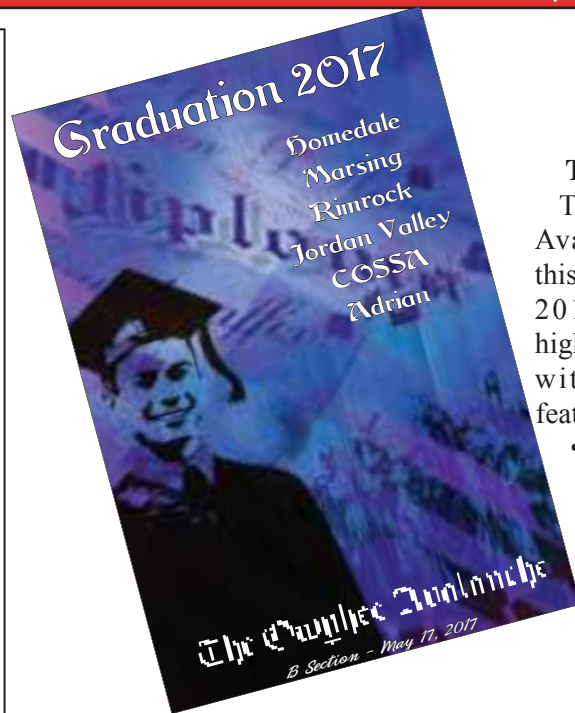
The Homedale Friends Angel Walk organization announced the top money collectors from the schools Sunday night.

Middle school — Juan Aceves and Athena Agnew receive gift cards.

Elementary school — Kindergartener Miah Hibbs,

third-grader Emmanuel Santiago and fourth-grader Todd Thatcher have earned a carriage ride to lunch and \$20 cash.

Mike Beavers of the Owyhee Express Carriage Co., will provide the horsedrawn transportation for the off-campus lunch.



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- Homedale
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County gets wish: Gateway West put through NCA

BOCC chair thanks citizens for perseverance

Legislation championed by Idaho's congressional delegation will keep the Gateway West electrical transmission line off Owyhee County private property.

A provision in the \$1.1 trillion budget bill Congress recently passed will route the 500-kilovolt powerline along an existing energy corridor along Baja Road in the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area.

The budget included the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of

Prey NCA Boundary Modification Act, co-sponsored by Reps. Mike Simpson and Raúl Labrador (R-Idaho).

That legislation would supersede the Bureau of Land Management's Record of Decision (ROD) on Segments 8-9 of the power line that stretches 1,100 miles from the Windstar substation in Wyoming to the Hemingway substation in Wilson.

Board of Owyhee County Commissioners chair Kelly Aberasturi said commissioners were never against the powerline, but took exception to its placement on private property and near sensitive species habitat.

"We tried to make that very

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Homedale, Marsing residential garbage fee hikes OK'd

Westowns transfer station almost ready

Residential garbage rates are going up in Homedale and Marsing.

The city councils from the respective municipalities approved 4.5 percent fee increases proposed by Homedale-based Westowns Disposal Inc. owner Bill

Pastoor.

Pastoor made his pitch during council meetings last Wednesday at city halls in Homedale and Marsing.

The Homedale council voted 3-0 to allow Pastoor to raise the basic monthly fee from \$12.20 to \$12.75. Councilman Shane Muir was absent.

"One substantial issue (is) we're behind on getting our revenue in line with our

expenses, including wages," Pastoor told Homedale leaders, adding that the company recently gave all existing employees raises in an effort to stay competitive in the job marketplace.

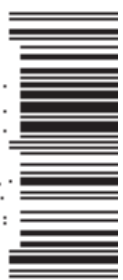
"We're having a hard time getting new people," he told the Marsing council. "What we experienced was that we're too cheap in what we're expecting to pay for new drivers."

The Homedale fee includes one tote. The surcharge for additional totes remains \$2.50 monthly per cart.

Marsing council members also unanimously approved a 55-cent increase for that town's residential service fee.

Marsing residents currently pay \$12.25 per month for one garbage container. In the

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Above: First-responders remove the Caldwell man from the pickup he was driving when he collided with the semi-truck (left) driven by a Winnemucca, Nev., man who was cited for failing to yield for oncoming traffic.

Responders deal with rash of injury crashes

Wreck, diesel spill closes highway near Marsing

A Nevada truck driver was cited after a wreck closed the highway west of Marsing for more than 3½ hours.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Robert Stirm, 47, of Caldwell was transported by Marsing Ambulance to West Valley Medical Center for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries.

Stirm was injured and diesel spilled over the roadway near the Idaho highway 55-U.S. Highway 95 intersection in the accident that occurred before 1 p.m. on May 8.

Jose Alvarenga, 50, of Winnemucca received an infraction citation for failing to yield at an intersection.

Alvarenga was driving a 2009 Freightliner and pulling a trailer when he attempted to turn south in front of Stirm's eastbound 1995 Chevrolet C2500 pickup.

The impact of the crash tore the fuel tank off the driver's side of the tractor and spilled an undetermined number of gallons of diesel.

Bowman said the roadway was closed in both directions, allowed a private hazardous materials company from Boise to pick up sand an Idaho Transportation Department crew had put down to absorb the diesel fuel.

The highway was reopened in both directions at about 4:15 p.m.

Marsing crash sends Californian to hospital

A 48-year-old California woman complained of neck and back pain after her vehicle was rear-ended shortly before noon last Wednesday in downtown Marsing.

Bowman said Adriana Jimenez had stopped the Nissan Maxima she was driving in the eastbound lane of Main Street in preparation to turn onto Reich Street.

Jimenez's vehicle was struck from behind by a 2012 Nissan Juke driven by 24-year-old Kayla Duclos of Boise.

Marsing Ambulance transported Jimenez to West Valley Medical



Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Jeff Wasson (right) and Marsing Ambulance volunteer Pete Smit get information from Kayla Duclos of Boise after a two-vehicle crash at Main and Reich Streets in Marsing last Wednesday.

Center in Caldwell for treatment, Bowman said.

Duclos was cited for following too close.

Returning college student hurt near Bruneau

A 17-year-old juvenile headed home to Star after a semester in college was treated and released at an Elmore County hospital after a rollover Friday evening.

Bowman said the male was driving a 1998 Chevrolet Blazer northbound on Idaho 51 at

milepost 36 near Blackstone Road when the vehicle suddenly began to pull to the right.

The motorist apparently overcorrected, causing the Chevy to roll.

Grand View Ambulance transported the male to St. Luke's Mountain Home.

— JPB

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Marsing adopts new rules for RVs in town

City council also clarifies that property owners are responsible for sidewalk repair

Marsing officials have given final approval to new regulations on campers, motor homes and trailers.

A new ordinance passed at last Wednesday’s city council meeting limits the use of recreational vehicles within city limits.

There were no public comments on the ordinance that prohibits RVs from being parked on the front yard of a home. Recreational vehicles can be parked on any other portion of a homeowner’s property.

The new rules allow the rigs to be parked and used for 24 hours on public rights-of-way. Before the ordinance, the city had no regulations regarding RVs on public rights-of-way.

Parking an RV on a public right-of-way for more than 24 hours will require a permit. It’ll cost \$50 to part vehicles in length of up to 25 feet, and \$1 will be added to the permit fee for each additional foot of vehicle length.

The first three violations of the new rules are punishable by fines of \$50, \$100 and \$200. The fourth violation would be a misdemeanor with a fine of \$300 and/or jail time not to exceed six months.

Mayor James Ferdinand said the new regulations are in the best interest of public safety.

“If you’re having family and friends over, we’re not out to keep people from having campers in town,” he said. “We’re not out to eliminate any of that stuff. What we are out to do is protect property rights and the citizens of the city.”

The council also passed a new ordinance codifying a property owner’s responsibility to make sidewalk repairs. If repairs aren’t made within 30 days of notification of hazardous conditions, a lien could be placed on the property to reimburse the city for repairs.

“It’s been a city policy as long as I can remember that the person in charge of the sidewalk is the property owner of the land behind the sidewalk,” Ferdinand said. “We thought it prudent to revise the city code to reflect our policy.”

A notice will be sent to the property owner if the sidewalk is

deemed hazardous.

City maintenance supervisor Phillip Gibson also gave a report to the council.

He said his crews have been busy making repairs to the city irrigation system, pulling weeds and planting flowers in the city’s two parks.

Gibson’s priority for June will be to patch what he described as “a few” potholes around town.

He also told the mayor and council that the teeter-totter in City Park is out of commission and has been removed.

“It’s now a three-legged teeter-totter,” Gibson said. “It’s between \$2,500 and \$5,000 to replace it. Or, we can have someone come in and professionally repair it. I’m not a good enough welder considering it’s equipment for kids.”

The teeter-totter is being stored at the city’s wastewater treatment facility.

Ferdinand said he will contact a welder he knows about possibly repairing the piece of playground equipment.

The council approved a \$2,000 contribution to the annual Third of July Celebration of Our Nation fireworks display. The city gave the same amount last year. This year’s patriotic community gathering will begin at 6 p.m., on Monday, July 3.

The council also signed off on spending \$660 to purchase four A-frame signs to deal with parking issues, including those that crop up during special events. Ferdinand said one side of each sign will read “Event Parking Only” while the other side will read “No Parking.”

The city will also give \$200 for prizes at the Lizard Butte Library’s summer reading program.

“I would think that anything would help; they’re grateful,” Ferdinand said.

In closing business, a Fiscal Year 2018 budget workshop was scheduled for 6 p.m., on May 31.

— SC

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HMS final concert only the beginning

Homedale schools music director John Zieske (right) leads the sixth-grade band through a number during last Wednesday’s final concert of the school year. Zieske said the size of the fifth-grade band conducted by high school senior Ben Holloway on the same night is an indication that the district’s music program is strong and heading in the right direction.

HES plans year-end music programs

Homedale Elementary School’s final weeks of school will feature music.

The third- and fourth-graders will hold programs Tuesday, and the kindergarteners will sing during their graduation ceremonies.

The fourth-grade concert will take place at 11 a.m. Tuesday. Students will have speaking parts, solos, and there will be a recorder ensemble.

Songs to be featured in the program, titled “Disney: The Movies, The Music,” include “Mickey Mouse Mash-up,” “You Can Fly!,” “Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious,” “The Bare Necessities,” “Under the Sea,” “The Circle of Life,” and “Let It Go.”

The third-graders’ program, a Readers Theater of American Symbols, will begin at 12:45 p.m.

Each student will read a part and each class will sing two songs and all of third grade will sing the final song.

Songs include “American Symbols on Parade,” “The National Bird,” “The Statue of Liberty,” “1600 Pennsylvania Ave.,” “My County ’Tis of Thee,” “It’s Me,” “Liberty Bell,” “Great Documents,” and “You’re a Grand Old Flag.”

The kindergarteners will graduate on May 25. The morning students’ ceremony is at 10:30 a.m., and the afternoon children celebrate at 12:15 p.m.

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Poker tourney to help Homedale student get to HOSA nationals

A poker tournament will help a Homedale High School junior attend a national convention.

Cortnee Smith has earned the right to compete at the Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA) international Leadership Conference next month in Florida.

To help pay for her trip, a poker tournament has been organized for Friday, June 2 at the Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., in Homedale.

The entry fee is \$20 per person, and prizes will be available for the top finishers in the tournament.

For more information on the tournament, call Adam Kent at (208) 602-5976.

Smith will take part in the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Home Health Aide competition at the HOSA conference, which takes place from June 21 to June 24 in Orlando, Fla.

She qualified for nationals after a third-place finish during the April 6-7 HOSA Future Health Professionals state conference in Boise.

Proceeds from the poker tournament will go into a fund that will also allow fellow COSSA Nursing Assistant student Rylie Beus of Parma to attend nationals. Beus was third in the Healthy Lifestyles competition at the state level.



Homedale's Cortnee Smith (left) and Parma's Rylie Beus will represent the COSSA HOSA chapter at nationals. Submitted photo

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✓ Garbage: Two years after OK, Homedale commercial rate hikes to go into effect

fall, the monthly fee will increase to \$12.80.

The 4.5 percent increases in both towns is a half-point below the threshold that, by state law, would have required a public hearing.

New residential rates in both towns go into effect in October.

Pastoor also told the Homedale council that he will institute a previously approved increase in that town's commercial garbage rates. City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram confirmed the council had signed off on the commercial rate hike two years ago, but Pastoor said his company never put the new prices in practice.

Homedale's commercial rate increase is effective immediately. Marsing business owners will see no change in their bills.

Homedale's commercial rates will increase according to the size of the dumpster a business is using and the frequency of pickup.

The Homedale council recently renewed its multi-year waste management provider contract with Westowns.

"I really work hard to keep

increases reasonable," Pastoor told the Homedale councilmen. "We want to be here for the long haul."

During the Marsing council meeting, Pastoor also asked for a change in how his company serves what he called "snowbird" customers.

He said Westowns is losing money from picking up garbage totes, washing them, and bringing them back when customers return from out of town.

Starting this year, totes of those folks who suspend their service for winter will remain at the residences.

Pastoor also said that the transfer station project at his Homedale plant is near completion. The strain on local excavation companies caused by wintertime roof collapses delayed progress, he said.

"We should be ready to roll in the near future," Pastoor said.

The proposed Westowns-Homedale Municipal Airport land swap is still on hold, Pastoor said, as he tries to round up a surveyor to solidify property boundaries.

— JPB and SC

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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

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

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

Bruneau-Grand View School board meeting
7 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School boardroom, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau (unless otherwise listed at www.sd365.us). (208) 834-2260

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

Friday

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

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

Owyhee County sheep and goats weigh-in
4 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, 39678 State Hwy 78, Bruneau

OCHS general meeting and speaker
7 p.m., McKeeth Hall, Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2319

Owyhee County sheep and goats weigh-in
7 a.m. to 9 a.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale

Trinity Seely concert
7 p.m., \$12.50, Jordan Valley Lions Hall, U.S. Highway 95, Jordan Valley. angledesign@aol.com

Saturday

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

Sunday

Rimrock High School graduation
2 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School gymnasium, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau.

Monday

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

Adult book club
1 p.m., Lets Talk About It series, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View.

(208) 834-2785

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

Homedale High School graduation
7 p.m., Homedale High School main gymnasium, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

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Fit and Fall exercise
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Elementary school music program
11 a.m., Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale.

Homedale Chamber of Commerce luncheon
Noon, The Bowling Alley, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale.

Elementary school music program
12:45 p.m., Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale.

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

COSSA Academy graduation
5 p.m., Jewett Auditorium, The College of Idaho, 2112 E. Cleveland Blvd., Caldwell

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

Adrian City Council meeting
7 p.m., Adrian High School library, 305 Owyhee St., Adrian. (541) 372-2179

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

School menus

Homedale Elementary

May 17: Chicken taco, corn, veggie & fruit bar
May 18: Ham/cheese ripper, broccoli, veggie & fruit bar
May 22: Mini corn dogs, steamed carrots, veggie & fruit bar
May 23: Chicken nuggets, cookie, veggie & fruit bar
May 24: Hot dog, potato chips, baby carrots, apple,
May 25: Pepperoni pizza ripper, tossed salad, juice smoothie

Homedale Middle

May 17: Popcorn chicken or hamburger, baked beans, fruit & salad bar
May 18: Pepperoni pizza ripper or PB&J, tossed salad, fruit & salad bar
May 22: Chicken nuggets or orange chicken, steamed rice, broccoli, fruit & salad bar
May 23: Hot dog or chicken patty, potato wedges, fruit & salad bar
May 24: Crispito or ham/cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & salad bar
May 25: Pepperoni pizza or PB&J, tossed salad, juice smoothie

Homedale High

May 17: Lasagna or popcorn chicken, roll, corn, salad bar, fruit choice
May 18: Nachos or chef salad, salad bar, fruit choice
May 22: Chicken taco w/corn or deli sandwich w/chips, salad bar, fruit choice
May 23: Beef nuggets w/cheese stick & roasted finger potatoes or pizza hot pocket, salad bar, fruit choice
May 24: Calzone or corn dog, green beans, salad bar, fruit choice
May 25: Crispito or chef salad, salad bar, juice smoothie

Marsing Elementary

May 17: Beef tacos, rice/beans, corn, or PB&J, cheese stick, graham crackers
May 18: Pepperoni ripper, tossed salad or PB&J, yogurt, rice crispy treat
May 22: Cheeseburger, sidewinders, sidekick, cookie
May 23: Super nachos, mixed vegetables or PB&J, yogurt, animal crackers
May 24: Turkey sandwich or PB&J, sun chips, carrot sticks, fruit cup

Marsing Middle & High

May 17: Beef tacos, rice & beans, corn or BBQ chicken, corn
May 18: Pepperoni ripper, tossed salad or chili cheese fries, roll, rice crispy treat
May 22: Cheeseburger, sidewinders, frozen sidekick, cookie
May 23: Super nachos, mixed vegetables or chili, cinnamon roll, mixed vegetables
May 24: Turkey sandwich or PB&J, sun chips, carrot sticks, fruit cup

COSSA

May 17: Pizza or PB&J, salad, fruit
May 18: Chicken sandwich, tots, salad, fruit
May 22: Cook’s choice
May 23: Cook’s choice
May 24: Cook’s choice

Bruneau-Grand View

May 17: Teriyaki chicken, oriental rice, stir-fry veggies, fruit
May 18: Cook’s choice
May 19: Ham/cheese on bun, sweet potato fries, baby carrots, fruit
May 23: Chicken wrap, romaine & tomato, steamed carrots, pudding, fruit
May 24: Cook’s choice

Submitting calendar items

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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.

A wild, woolly winter wood hunt (Part 2)

Our first trip with the Jeep had been a mild Titanic disaster complete with a collision, cold, darkness and now a hole in the side of the oil pan. There wasn't much we could do with it, so we left the destroyed Jeep where it sat at the Corta Ranch and got in the pickup. Danny started the truck, and we slipped and slid to the next milepost of mayhem. That would be about a quarter-mile up the road.

Other times of the year, there is a spring that runs across the road, creating a washout or at least a mud hole followed by an "ess" bend and a hill in the road. Now, it was frozen and covered with a foot or more of snow. Danny tried several different approaches, but spun to a stop on every try.

It must have been about the 10th try when brother Brian showed up with his '59 Ford 4x4. "Need a ride?" he asked with a smug, smart-aleck sneer that only brothers "get." Brother John had an epiphany of sorts and had the good sense to find something else to do that weekend, so Dad rode up with Brian. Without a word, we got in the back of the truck. The rest of the ride was cold but uneventful, especially when compared to the trip so far.

We got the cabin opened up and most importantly got fires going in the cookhouse and the bunkhouse. I think it must have been well after midnight, so after a couple drinks, we all shuffled off to bed. Then begins the next activity: Keeping warm.

The bunkhouse was nice and toasty, but that would only last until about 3 a.m. Then it becomes a battle of wills. Who's going to get cold enough to get up and stoke the fire? Since I'm the oldest, it falls to me to be the responsible one. Stop laughing! It's always been up to me to set an example even if it's a bad one.

With any good luck, the fire isn't all the way out and it can be started again easily. Fumbling for a flashlight and matches while you're freezing makes it difficult to accomplish anything other than calling up a lot of cuss words. There were just enough embers left that some



Reminiscing Owyhee memories

by Stan Soran

paper and juniper got it going again with enough heat to carry through until morning.

Dad was up early fixing breakfast of bacon, eggs and coffee. With the cold and wet, there's nothing better to start the day. I had borrowed my father-in-law Al's new chainsaw and Dad brought a medium-sized Homelite, so with two reliable tools we got to cutting first the trees close to the cabins and then some further down the road.

If you've been keeping score, you know that by now we have exactly one pickup bed to fill with firewood. The trailer mentioned in Episode 1 was supposed to be behind John's pickup. We filled the wood box between the two cabins and loaded Brian's truck with as much as we could and still be able to get all our gear into one rig. Really not a whole lot of wood but definitely a lot of work. By the middle of the afternoon, we had all the wood cut that we had room for. It was too late in the day to try to head out as the thawed-out road would be impossible to travel on. As most people who have driven in that area know, the mud turns into concrete like gumbo that will take down even the best 4x4.

We spent the rest of the day and evening eating, drinking and playing cards. That was about the only

thing so far that had gone according to plan. Another cold night playing wood stove roulette and up early in the morning. We loaded up the truck, cleaned up the cabins, drank a few cups of Dad's extra-thick coffee and headed back to pick up all the dead and wounded vehicles. The Jeep was hooked to Brian's truck, and we moved some of the wood into Danny's to supply at least a little traction weight. I don't recall any incidents of interest on the way home, but I think I may have been somewhat exhausted and slept most of the way.

Once home, the wood was divided up. Dad got none, I got enough for two evenings, and Brian got the rest. I forgot about Al's chainsaw and left it overnight in my truck, from which it was quickly stolen. Danny sold his truck instead of getting tires for it and got a Suburban, which met a grizzly end.

We went back the next year with more people, more trucks and more saws. I still got about the same amount of wood, but I learned my lesson: Gas heat at the house and wood heat at the shop. Not particular about what kind of wood as long as I don't have to hunt for it.

The Jeep continued to break axles, drivelines, transmissions, gears and transfer cases until it was found that the front and rear gear ratios were vastly different.

My friend Dave Waits asked, "What rocket scientist figured that out?"

I would rather not say.

— 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.

Birthday

Donald Lindemann marks 90th birthday Saturday

Longtime Marsing/Caldwell area resident Donald Lindemann is celebrating his 90th birthday.

Lindemann was born on May 22, 1927 in Tessa Corners, Wis.

His children will host an open house at their parents' home from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 20, 2017.

Donald and Mona Lindemann have been married 66 years. Don owned and operated Valley Construction before retirement. He was an avid hunter is still active maintaining flower gardens.

He and Mona moved to the Marsing/Caldwell area 48 years from Franklin, Wis.

His children include



Donald Lindemann

Donna Conner (Larry), Gary Lindemann (Arminta), and Russ Lindemann (Audrey).

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar available with each meal:

lettuce, tomato, boiled eggs, peaches, apricots, salad dressing

May 17: Spaghetti & meat sauce, string beans, roll

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

May 23: Baked fish, baked potato, broccoli, roll

May 24: Ham & cheese on roll, potato salad, beet salad

Rimrock Senior Center

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

May 23: Taco salad, corn, beans, tortilla chips, pears

Record keeping vital in 4-H and life

For all of us adults, keeping records is a part of life. From keeping our bank accounts balanced, preparing our annual taxes, keeping a household budget, keeping up on your vehicle's maintenance or running a business. We all need to keep records. Keeping accurate records is helpful in so many ways. When teaching our youth, the importance of keeping records is something we can start while they are young.

One of the requirements to complete a 4-H project is turning in a completed record book. Every year, a week or so before fair, every 4-H member is required to attend record book interviews. During the youth's interview, they will turn in their record book, and a judge will go through the completed record book and have

University of Idaho Extension

an opportunity to discuss the youth's 4-H year according to their records.

Some projects have a bit more to keep records on, like animal projects for instance. There will be feed, health expenses, the initial cost to purchase the animal, facilities maintenance and so on.

Whether it be an animal project, sewing or baking, each will still have records to keep track of. Each will still have supplies that need to be purchased, equipment that will require maintenance and tools to help complete the project.

With almost every 4-H project available, there is potential for it to be a career in the future. If our youth imagine having a business where they raise livestock or own a bakery, they will most certainly need to keep records. They will want to know the cost of their expenses to determine what their profit will be.

In 4-H we are teaching our youth this very thing: Writing down the amount of what you spend so you can see the amount of money invested. With the livestock projects, you will also have income after your animal is sold, and you will then be able to compare how much the animal costs, the amount the animal sold for and how much profit it brings.

Record keeping should start as soon as you start your project. This will help alleviate the stress of waiting until the last minute. By teaching youth there is a purpose to record keeping, you can help them realize how beneficial it will be for them. Happy record keeping!

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



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Big Loop rodeo kicks off with free Friday performance

Concert, dance, barbecue also planned

The Jordan Valley Big Loop Rodeo rolls back around this weekend for its 58th edition. The action starts Friday with a free performance for the Big Loop and team roping. The rodeo will be held on Saturday and Sunday. Competition starts at 1 p.m. each day at the Jordan Valley Rodeo Grounds on U.S. Highway 95 (Bassett Street). The Big Loop champions crowned Friday will receive saddles donated by the Jordan Valley Rodeo Board, Columbia Bank, Walt Morgan Memorial, WT Bruce Photography, MGM Contractors and Superior Livestock Auction. After Friday's performance, singer/songwriter Trinity Seely will hold a concert in the Jordan Valley Lions Hall. Tickets have been on sale for a few weeks. Admission is \$12.50, and the show is presented by the Jordan Valley Lions Club and Tom Angle Cowboy Entertainment. Angle will also make an appearance during the 7 p.m. show.

Visit www.thosangle.com or email angledesign@aol.com for more information.

The Saturday and Sunday rodeo performances will include:

- Saddle bronc
- Team roping
- Calf roping
- Bull riding
- Stock saddle bronc
- Senior barrel racing
- Junior barrel racing for ages 14 and younger
- Cow riding for ages 15-18
- Jr. steer riding for ages 10-14

Admission on each day is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 13 and younger. Boys and girls younger than 6 get in free. Event champions will receive trophy buckles from Skyline Silversmiths. All around trophies have been donated by the Tex and Agnes Payne Memorial.

Pat Stanford will serve as rodeo announcer. Stock contractors include King Cattle Co., Blossom Ranches, Nevada Livestock and Burgess Angus.

After Saturday's rodeo, a tri-tip barbecue will be available and the annual Lions rodeo fundraiser dance will be held.

A buckaroo breakfast is planned for Sunday morning.

Arrests made on Homedale warrants

A McCall man turned himself in on a probation violation warrant Saturday morning at Owyhee County Jail in Murphy.

Benjamin Brault, 30, was being sought on a \$5,000 warrant for violating conditions of his probation stemming from a 2013 felony conviction for aggravated assault.

In June 2013, Homedale Police arrested Brault after he punched and kicked a patron at a West Idaho Avenue bar.

A 67-year-old Moscow man was picked up in Idaho County last Wednesday on a warrant after he skipped a court appearance to answer to a misdemeanor driving under the influence charge.

Barry Brewer was charged with DUI after Homedale Police arrested him, Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said.

Stolen vehicle recovered

Caldwell Police have taken over the investigation after Owyhee sheriff's deputies recovered a red 1994 Nissan Maxima reported stolen out of Canyon County.

The car was recovered last Wednesday on the southbound shoulder of U.S. 95 about a quarter-mile north of Pershall Road.

The vehicle received no noticeable damage, and the registered owner was notified, Bowman said.

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Homedale FFA receives another Monsanto grant

Local dairy owners Sue Williams (left) and her husband Dave nominated the Homedale FFA chapter for another Monsanto America's Farmers Grow Communities grant. Chapter officers Riley Haun (center) and Wyatt Dorsey accepted the \$2,500 check during the chapter's year-end banquet. The money will be used to continue improvements on the chapter's greenhouse and fund a scholarship to send a student to the Washington Leadership Conference. Since 2010, Monsanto's grant program has awarded more than \$22 million to schools, youth agricultural programs, emergency responders and others to strengthen rural America. Photo submitted by Jenna Rupp, chapter reporter

Homedale FFA, alumni to battle in softball

The annual softball game between FFA alumni and Homedale's chapter takes place Friday at Sundance Park. The community is invited to attend and cheer for their favorite team. The Homedale Alumni Association is sponsoring the students vs. alumni game and a barbecue at the Homedale city softball complex. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. with the game starting at 7 p.m. The barbecue will be held near the pavilion. Anyone who wants to help with food for the barbecue, contact Sue Williams at (208) 337-4226.

Local VFW plans flag retirement

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 11065 is looking for American flags for a planned retirement ceremony.

Post Cmdr. Daniel Carlson said the Wilder-based Samuel C. Phillips III post plans to demonstrate the proper disposal of American flags in Marsing during the Third of July Celebration of Our Nation.

"We need to get people to understand what the American flag is all about and to understand the proper disposal of the flag. You're not supposed to throw it in the trash can. The flags are supposed to be burned," Carlson said.

The post, which draws members from Wilder, Homedale and Marsing, will hold the retirement ceremony at 3 p.m. on the grounds of the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center.

Anyone who has old flags or flags in disrepair and would like to donate them to the ceremony can call Carlson at (208) 250-7780.

Carlson said a local chapter of the Young Marines as well as American Legion Post 128 will attend the ceremony, and he hopes to get participation from the Boy Scouts.

The VFW Post 11065, which is named for a Homedale man who was killed in action in Vietnam, holds its regular meetings at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month in Wilder.

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Homedale library preps for summer

Puppet show planned Friday morning

The Homedale Public Library has begun taking registration for its summer reading program. This year’s theme is Build a Better World, and the free program is open to boys and girls ages 4-12. Children need not have a library card to participate. Registration started Monday. Story Time and Teens and Tweens will be offered at 10:15 a.m. and 4 p.m., respectively on Friday this week. The Homedale High School Drama Club will perform a

puppet show for the Story Time preschoolers. Boys and girls ages 10-17 are invited to attend Teens and Tweens to make fidget spinners. On Thursday, May 25, the library will present “Slide Into Summer!” The event runs from 5 p.m.to 7 p.m. and features activities such as crafts, a cake walk, a raffle, a pie-eating contest and more. The summer reading program will be held from noon to 1 p.m. each Thursday from June 1 through July 13. Summer reading participants will build, discover and explore through games, crafts such as marshmallow shooters and marble runs. Staff from the Deer Flat

Wildlife Refuge will visit during the program to present “Wildlife is Everywhere.” The children are encouraged to read throughout the week in order to earn prizes. The more they read the more prizes they can earn. There also will be drawings each week with prizes such as tickets to Roaring Springs Water Park ,Wahooz! miniature golf, Nampa Rec Center, the YMCA, and more. The free lunch program will be held during the summer reading program every Thursday beginning at 11:45 a.m. The summer feeding program is open to children 18 and younger. The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave. Call (208) 337-4228 for more information.



Gene Gunderson stands near a Lizard Butte Library wall adorned with some of his paintings. His work is on display through August. Submitted photo

Thurman graduates Idaho St. with high honors

A 2010 Rimrock High School graduate has earned her master’s degree. Jackie Thurman graduated with high honors from Idaho State University in Pocatello on May 8, 2017. The 25-year-old daughter of Bruneau residents Doug and Lisa Thurman earned an M.S. in Speech Language Pathology and looks forward to working with school-age children and the adult population. Her interests in the field include dysphasia, speech sound disorders, augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) and orofacial myofunctional disorders.



Proud parents Doug (left) and Lisa Thurman stand on either side of their daughter, Jackie, after she received her degree at Idaho State University. Submitted photo

Caldwell artist’s acrylics back at Lizard Butte

Gunderson’s work displayed through August

Gene Gunderson has made his return as a Friends of the Lizard Butte Library featured artist. The widely displayed artist’s work will hang in the Marsing public library through August. A juried artist, Gunderson began dabbling in sketching and drawing as a teen. After graduating from high school in 1960, he worked briefly in commercial art in Minneapolis, gaining experience in perspective and layout. At that time, Gunderson was introduced to hand painting signs with camel hair brushes and oil paints. He says he was “bitten by the art-on-canvas bug” during his studies at the University of Arizona in the 1970s. He began oil painting in his spare time at night and on weekends. His art was placed on hold because he couldn’t devote more time because of frequent worldwide deployments as part of the Air Force Medical Service Corps. He focused on his art again after his 1983 retirement from the Air Force. In the 1990s, Gunderson became interested in painting with acrylics and “self-studied” this medium until his permanent retirement in 2008. He now pursues his painting from a small studio in the Caldwell Steunenburg Historical District home he and his wife Nan share. Principally a landscape painter, Gunderson was initially inspired by Arizona’s beautiful mountains and Sonoran Desert landscape scenes when he attended college in Tucson. Mountains, forests, rivers and streams, and old buildings

continue to serve as his prime motivator to paint. More of a “realist” in his art, Gunderson says, “I want to capture recognizable features with which people can identify and enjoy.” Gunderson admits to struggling early on to learn acrylic painting techniques, but the struggles, he says, are now less problematic and he enjoys the challenges of creating different realistic moods in his works with elements such as mist, fog, lightning and gently falling snow. Now nearly all his work is with acrylic where clean-up and thinning is done with water or water-based medium, eliminating petroleum-based paint, medium, and clean-up. Acrylic drying time is much quicker, too. This, however, presents its own unique issues not present with oils: Limited “working time” can complicate color blending and, as the medium dries by evaporation, it can cause the colors to darken somewhat. “Since retiring permanently in 2008, I have more time to paint and experiment,” Gunderson said. “I still do a lot of self-study and take a few online classes.” Though he feels he has a ways to go to feel totally comfortable with acrylics, Gunderson says, “I am fully enjoying it. And, continually learning things is good for the mind!” The artist’s work can be found in homes in Minnesota, Florida, and Idaho and his art is continually on display at Art on the Creek Gallery, 215 S. Kimball in Caldwell. Lizard Butte Library is located at 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., in Marsing. It’s open from noon to 6 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from noon to 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday, and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

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With help from Idaho Power's Aaron Utz, Grand View Elementary student Emilio Meza spots birds in their natural habitat through a scope. Submitted photo

Project-based lesson sends GV students outside with nature

Grand View Elementary's latest Project-Based Learning adventure took kindergarteners to a nearby wildlife management area.

The students' teacher, Maya Davis, and Idaho Power employee Aaron Utz led the trip to the Migration Lands of the C.J. Strike Wildlife Management Area outside Bruneau.

After the trip, the students presented their projects to school staff, parents and their peers.

The place-based learning experience allowed students to observe the various birds in their natural habitat. The children have been learning about the wildlife during their latest eight-week Project-Based Learning (PBL) module.

"An important component to this PBL unit is for students to make the connection between their educational content and our surrounding community," Grand View Elementary principal Ryan Cantrell wrote in an email.

During the trip, students were able to observe the different types of nests they had been studying, such as cavity and platform nests.

"It was exciting for students to build on the connections research in class," Cantrell said.

With help from equipment Utz had brought along, students were able to observe a Red-Tailed Hawk and examine a Barn Owl's cavity nest.

The hawk and owl and Tree Swallow were studies in the classroom.

"This PBL unit has been a great opportunity to engage in an authentic learning experience for our Bruneau-Grand View students, characteristic of the PBL model," Cantrell said.

"Under the guidance of their teacher, Ms. Maya Davis, and with the assistance of Idaho Power staff, students had the opportunity to connect their learning in a meaningful way."



Kindergartener Eli Freeland (right) walks Grand View Elementary principal Ryan Cantrell through his Placed-based Learning (PBL) book, a bound and laminated collection of the student's works related to their chosen species of bird. Submitted photo

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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 100 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 2,540 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 1,491 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 715,000 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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

COSSA students finishing tiny house

Fundraiser raffle extended into summer

Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency building trades students are wrapping up construction of a tiny home that will help the needy.

Metro Community Services spokesman Matt Jones confirmed that tickets are still available in the raffle for the home, which is being built at the COSSA Regional Technical and Educational Center in Wilder.

Raffle chances cost \$100 each,

and a limit of 1,000 tickets will be sold. Tickets will be available through late summer, Jones said. More information on the tiny house and the raffle is available at www.metrocommunityservices.net. Jones said the date and location of the drawing will be announced on the website soon.

Homedale sophomore Jose Buenrostro and junior Angel Aviles and Marsing sophomores Sam Flores and Brian Pena have been among the students working on Project Tiny House this spring. Buenrostro and Aviles are in teacher Rick Ray's morning class, while Flores and Pena work on the

home in the afternoon.

Students recently anchored stairs on the interior to provide access to the loft area of the 192-square-foot home.

The bathroom is complete, and kitchen appliances and the hot water heater have been installed inside the home on wheels. Outside, the home features a wood siding and black metal light fixtures.

Proceeds from the raffle will benefit Caldwell-based Metro Community Services, which provides human services assistance for seniors and low-income people.



COSSA Academy student Zach Luleff, 16, of Parma (left) stands with fellow building trades students Angel Aviles and Jose Buenrostro, both of Homedale, inside the tiny house. In addition to stairs leading to the sleeping loft, students have performed exterior and installed kitchen appliances and bathroom fixtures.

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Angel Walk 2017



A crowd of young bicyclists get ready to shove off at the start of the Angel Walk on Saturday at Bette Uda City Park in Homedale. Photo by George Decker

Chilly temps, threatening skies can't dampen spirit

Angel Walk car show winners

- Angel's Choice** — Paul Bull, Homedale, 2011 Chevrolet Corvette
- Mayor's Choice** — Rick Lashbrook, Eagle, 1955 Chevrolet sedan delivery
- Best paint (Body by Alan)** — Richard Smith, Caldwell, 1954 Willys wagon
- Best motor (Matteson's Owyhee Motor Sales)** — Larry Livesay, Caldwell, 1949 Ford coupe
- Best interior (Bowen-Parker-Day CPAs)** — Ernie Agueros, Marsing, 1948 Chevrolet Fleetline
- Best '30s or older (Idaho Classics LLC)** — John McClenaghan, Boise, 1932 Ford coupe
- Best '40s (The Bowling Alley)** — Dale Penner, Nampa, 1940 Chevrolet coupe
- Best '50s (The Owyhee Avalanche)** — Terry Wirth, Homedale, 1956 Chevrolet coupe
- Best '60s (NAPA Owyhee Auto Supply)** — Dan and Jonna Rohl, Eagle, 1961 Chevrolet coupe
- Best '70s (RehabAuthority, Homedale)** — Mick Schoonover, Caldwell, 1971 Chevy Chevelle
- Best truck (Campbell Tractor, Homedale)** — Barry Dykema, Caldwell, 1949 GMC cabover



Above: An Angel Walk participant jogs with her dog west on Idaho Avenue. *Right, top:* Nampa resident Gary McNary gets the engine cranking on his 1908 Brush. *Right:* Paul Bull accepts the Angel's Choice award from Eelias Escalante.



Facepainting was also a favorite pastime in Bette Uda City Park. Photo by George Decker



Car buffs, including Homedale resident Nathan Armenta (left foreground) admire the paint job on Marsing resident Ernie Agueros' 1948 Chevrolet Fleetline early on during the car show. Agueros won an award for best interior. Armenta showed off his 1957 Chevrolet two-door station wagon, complete with a surfboard on the roof rack.

Trojans doubles
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Winning pitcher Dakota Kelly (left), Amaya Carter and Rian Beebe react in the moments after Homedale beat Fruitland for another 3A District III softball championship.

Homedale takes aim at softball state three-peat

Homedale beats rival for fourth straight district title

Homedale High School’s fourth consecutive district championship softball team didn’t go through as much of a maturation process as it did a melding exercise.

“The girls get along and they mesh well,” Trojans coach Larry Corta said. “That’s what it takes.”

The Trojans hammered Fruitland, 9-2, in Thursday’s 3A District III title game at Sundance Park with junior right-hander Dakota Kelly spinning a two-hitter and striking out 14.

The Trojans (18-7-1), who are trying for a state championship three-peat for the second time in program history, open their seventh consecutive

3A state tournament appearance at 11 a.m. on Friday in Buhl against District V champion Marsh Valley (17-8).

Corta says the tournament is going to be a tough one considering a Filer team with which the Trojans’ split a non-conference doubleheader earlier this year is also making the trip.

But the veteran coach, who has led nine teams to the 3A state tournament, is pleased with the evolution of the Trojans.

“At the beginning of the season, we knew we had a lot of work to do and that we were going to be young,” he said.

“But the girls matured fast, and I feel good about where we are going into the state tournament.”

Thursday: Homedale 9, Fruitland 2 — The

— See *Softball*, page 17A

Trojans top district golf field, win state academic honors

Homedale captures second straight crown

Homedale High School’s golfers are heading back to the state tournament with a couple of

championships. The Trojans survived some of the toughest conditions of the season a TimberStone course that has been seasoned with several recent tournaments. “The conditions were tough,”

— See *Golf*, page 14A



Freshman Caleb Smith transfers the baton to senior Jacob Furlott. The pair ran the final two legs for Homedale’s victorious 4x100 and record-setting 4x200 relay teams. Photo by Machele Randall

Multi-event qualifiers carry HHS into State

Long-standing record broken

A 23-year-old record fell as Homedale High School qualified a dozen athletes for the 3A state meet.

With assistant coach Luke Ankeny looking on, the Trojans’ 4x200-meter relay team shattered a mark Ankeny help set in 1994.

Senior Jacob Furlott charged through the final 200 meters, making up a deficit of more than 10 meters to beat Weiser for the District III championship in Fruitland on Thursday.

“He ran the strongest 200 we’ve seen and finished the race for his team, beating Weiser with ease,” HHS coach Heidi Ankeny said. “He is a very mentally tough sprinter and does whatever he needs to do to get the results he wants.”

Furlott’s burst closed out a 1-minute, 31.14-second record run that included junior Max Mertz and freshmen Michael Babcock and Caleb Smith.

“Weiser runs a close time to us,

— See *State*, page 16A

Homedale qualifiers

Boys

Jacob Furlott — 100, 200, 4x100 and 4x200 relays

Caleb Smith — 100, 200, 4x100 and 4x200

Max Mertz — 4x100, 4x200 and long jump and triple jump

Michael Babcock — 4x100, 4x200 and 100

Girls

Carlie Smith — 100, 200, medley relay and triple jump

Maggie Johnson — Medley, 4x400 and 400

Lainey Johnson — Medley, 4x400, 100 and 400

Ember Christensen — 4x400 relay and triple jump

Eva Symms — Shot put and discus

Ashley Burks — Medley and long jump

Carli Swallow — Shot put

Kelsey Taylor — 4x400

Owyheeans reach state rodeos

Schnabele takes Jr. High District 2 all around crown

A handful of Owyhee country athletes are moving on to the Idaho High School State Finals Rodeo.

Jacy Leach, a senior from

Homedale, wrapped up the District 2 season on her home turf by qualifying for the state rodeo in Pocatello in goat tying.

After the final two rodeos of the season Saturday and Sunday at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds, Leach was runner-up in the goat tying standings, which gave her passage to the high school finals rodeo. The finals will be held

June 4-10 at the Bannock County Fairgrounds in Pocatello.

Leach finished the season as the fifth-best cowgirl in breakaway roping, and she was sixth in team roping.

She and partner Wacey Williams from Glenns Ferry won Saturday’s go-round with a

— See *Owyheeans*, page 16A

Sports

Sophs lead Trojans tennis qualifiers

Two teams reach state tourney

Homedale High School doubles teams will cap the season in the 3A state tournament.

The second-season team of Mikayla Smith and Makayla Kelly placed fifth in girls' doubles Saturday at the 3A District III Tournament, and a newly minted duo of senior Ben Holloway and junior Jessica Evans earned a state tourney berth in mixed doubles.

The state tournament starts Friday at Vallivue High School in Caldwell.

Facing with eligibility issues, coach Scott Michaelson juggled his lineup and put Holloway into the doubles ladder after a season at No. 1 singles. Michaelson said Homedale had only four boys eligible for district, so the singles ladder was devoid of Trojans.

Seeded fifth for district, Smith and Kelly nailed down a state berth with a three-set victory (6-3, 3-6, 6-1) over Weiser's No. 2 team on Friday morning.

Smith and Kelly finished fifth after a tough three-set loss to Fruitland's top team. The No. 2 seed Grizzlies prevailed 6-3, 3-6, 6-1.

"The sophomores accomplished their goal of qualifying for state with less than two years experience in playing tennis, an admirable feat," Michaelson said.

The girls' road to the third-place match included a 6-0, 6-0 win over HHS teammates Keyara Hardman and Lindy Phariss.

Installed as Homedale's No. 2 mixed doubles squad — and the



Jessica Evans smashes a return as mixed doubles teammate Ben Holloway rushes to cover the backcourt. Photo by Machele Randall

tournament's eighth seed — Holloway and Evans pulled off two upsets en route to sixth place.

The duo knocked off Weiser's top team of Philip Soulen and Taylor Colella to reach the state tournament. The Wolverines team was the No. 5 seed in the ladder.

The Homedale pair's losses came against Fruitland's teams, including a loss to the No. 3 seed that placed Holloway/Evans sixth.

The team began the tournament by defeating Payette's No. 2 squad.

Isabel Hernandez was Homedale's only entry in either singles ladder. After falling to fifth-seeded Kassidy Forsberg of

Parma, the junior beat Payette No. 1 Rose Winsor. Her tournament ended with a loss Friday to second-seeded Chance Lee of Fruitland.

Sophomores Austin Conant and Joseph Zamudio, two singles mainstays during the 3A Snake River Valley conference season, teamed up in the boys' doubles ladder and posted a 6-2, 6-4 first-round victory over Payette's No. 2 team.

Seniors Sarah Jones and Ryan Randall entered the mixed doubles tournament as the No. 7 seed. They beat Weiser's No. 2 team, 6-4, 6-2, in their opener but then lost consecutive matches to higher-seeded duos.

✓ Golf: Uranga finishes 2nd as Henry breaks 100 mark

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HHS coach Casey Grove said. "The TimberStone greens were by far the the hardest we played all year."

Homedale's players bunched their scores together for a seven-stroke victory over Weiser in the 3A District III Tournament hosted by Parma on the Caldwell-area course.

Homedale finished at 388.

Homedale has won two consecutive district titles and three since 2013. The Trojans played in their fifth consecutive 3A state tournament after deadline Monday and Tuesday at Idaho Falls Country Club.

Grove said the conditions probably added 10 shots to most players' scores.

Junior Kaden Henry broke 100 for 18 holes, shooting 98 for the Trojans' second-lowest score.

Freshman Daniel Uranga fired a runner-up score of 82. Fruitland's Jake O'Neil carded a 4-over-par 76 to win the district medal.

Freshman Spencer Fisher posted a 102, and junior Scott Matlock was the Trojans' fourth qualifying scorer with a 106. Senior Tanner Miller scored 116.

Homedale's golfers were named the Class 3A state academic champions last week, too. The team's grade-point average is 3.632.

Shanlee Swallow completed her season with a 134 in the girls' district tournament.

— JPB

HHS golf under Grove

How Homedale golfers have performed since Casey Grove took the helm:

2017 — District champs (state berth)

2016 — District champs (state berth)

2015 — District runners-up (state berth)

2014 — District runners-up (state berth); Gabe Maurer district champ

2013 — District champs (state berth); Reed Maggard district champ

2012 — 4th in district

Note — The 2013 district title was the first in a decade, and the state berth was the first since 2008.

Academic state champs

A list of recent Homedale High School teams that have topped their sports in grade-point average:

Class 3A

2017 — Boys' golf

2015 — Football

2005 — Boys' golf

2005 — Tennis

Class 2A

2003 — School of Excellence (for academic, athletic and citizenship)

Homedale Trojans

Athlete Spotlight

NAPA AUTO PARTS
OWYHEE AUTO SUPPLY
337-4668

BOWEN PARKER DAY
BOISE - NAMP - HOMEDALE
337-3271

The Owyhee Sunlander
337-4681

Mattheson's
337-4664

Owyhee Publishing
337-4866

Baseball
Jaren Mease, jr., 2B
2-for-6, RBI in Trojans' final games

Softball
Amaya Carter, so., 3B
2-for-6, 3 runs, HR in Trojans' district title run

Track and field
Ember Christensen, Jr., relay, jumps
Qualified for state meet with district champ 4x400 relay and 3rd in triple jump

Golf
Kaden Henry, junior
Broke 100 as Trojans won district title

Tennis
Jessica Evans, jr., mixed doubles
Will play with Ben Holloway in the 3A state tourney

Baseball
Varsity
Season complete: 12-9 record
Junior varsity
3A Snake River Valley conference champions (8-0, 17-2)

Track and field
Friday-Saturday, May 19-20 at 3A state meet, Middleton H.S.

Golf
Season complete
3A District III champions

Tennis
Friday-Saturday, May 19-20 at 3A state tournament, Vallivue H.S., Caldwell

Baseball
Varsity
3A state tournament
At Buhl High School
Friday, May 19 vs. Marsh Valley, 11 a.m.
If win: Friday, May 19 vs. Bonners Ferry/Buhl winner, 3 p.m.
If lose: Friday, May 19 vs. Bonners Ferry/Buhl loser, 1 p.m.
Other games, if necessary, played Saturday
Junior varsity
3A Snake River Valley conference champions (7-1, 18-3-1)

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Go Trojans!

Sports



Shortstop Clay King puts the tag on a Cole Valley Christian base runner. Photo by Dan Pease

Seventh-inning run sinks MHS baseball season in district

Upstart Chargers rally in final at-bats

Marsing High School came up 90 feet short of extending its baseball season. Cole Valley Christian survived a two-base error by center fielder Blake Moser as a seventh-inning run held up to bounce the Huskies from the 2A District III Tournament. Playing on its home field, Marsing fell, 6-5, with Tyler Wood standing on third base in the bottom of the seventh inning.

The Huskies finished with a 7-16 record. Wood reached base on Moser’s miscue and stole third before the inning’s first out was recorded. But none of Wood’s teammates could muster action against sophomore reliever Nathan Wetzel. Jaden Kinney struck out nine and scattered three hits, making Marsing’s 2-0 lead hold up into the sixth inning. Dwight Sevy doubled to start the first inning, moved to third on a passed ball and scored when Cole Valley catcher Matt Dwonch dropped a third strike to Clay King. Cole Valley’s starting pitcher

Noah Owens, a freshman, hit Boone Sevy with a pitch to start the second inning. Sevy gave Marsing its 2-0 lead when he scored on Joaquin Oliveros’ two-out single. Oliveros was 3-for-3 with a double and two RBI. He scored when Sevy’s two-run double tied the score, 5-5, in the bottom of the sixth inning. A first-year program, Cole Valley had taken the lead with a five-run eruption in the top of the inning. Every player in Marsing’s lineup got at least one hit, while Kinney and Oliveros held Cole Valley to six hits.

Senior is lone Huskies state meet qualifier

Galligan’s shot put leads PRs

Sam Galligan will conclude his high school career in the 2A state track and field championships. The Marsing senior had the meet of his career last week, setting a personal record in the boys’ shot put. Galligan finished fourth in the 2A District III championship meet at New Plymouth High School to become the Huskies’ only state qualifier. The state meet will be held Friday and Saturday at Middleton High School. Galligan is seeded fourth in the first flight, which takes the eight lowest marks. There are 16 athletes in the field, and Galligan is ranked 12th overall after his 39-foot, 10½-inch PR at district.

Several other Marsing boys attained personal bests. Junior Dalton Withers was fifth in the 3,200 meters at 11 minutes, 13.34. Withers’ PR of 5:10.85 was good for seventh in the 1,600. Freshman Isaac Lee was sixth in the 200 with a PR of 24.66. Junior Matthew Lee was sixth in the 1,600 with a PR of 5:09.94. He had a PR of 11:29.24 for ninth in the 3,200. Another junior, Gavin Thorud, heaved the shot put a personal-best 36-6 for ninth place. The sophomores had the top marks for the MHS girls’ squad. Chloe Ramirez had the top finish for the MHS girls’ squad. She finished 10th in the shot put with a mark of 25-4. Sefora Arriaga was 13th in the 1,600 at 6:59.0. Anahi Moreno Vargas notched a PR of 15.62 in the 100.

MHS golfers miss cut

Sophomore Emily Civian just missed a 2A state berth. Marsing High School’s girls’ captain finished sixth last Wednesday in the 2A District III Tournament held at MeadowCreek Golf Resort in New Meadows. Civian shot a 109. Another sophomore, Landon Villa, shot a 95 and finished in the top 10 for the boys’ tournament. “It was a very good season,” Villa said of the team’s second year of existence and second year under coach Scott Larsen. Civian said she plans to recruit again for next season with hope for growing the roster more. “I will recruit again, and I’ll start sooner,” she said. Both Civian and Villa, who were the Huskies’ top golfers all season, plan to play summer competitions. Villa likes to play Purple Sage and TimberStone, while Civian plays at TimberStone and on a course in Vale, Ore.

MARSING HUSKIES

Athlete Spotlight

Baseball
Jaden Kinney, Jr., P/3B
9 strikeouts, 3-hitter, 1-for-3, RBI in Huskies' finale

Softball
Sheyanne Glorfield, sr., C
HR, both hits in Huskies' final game of year

Track and field
Sam Galligan, sr., shot put
Only MHS athlete to qualify for state meet

Golf
Emily Civian, sophomore
Just missed qualifying for 2A state tourney

Baseball

Season complete: 7-16 record

Softball

Season complete: 6-17 record

Golf

Season complete

Track and field

Friday-Saturday, May 19-20

at 2A state meet, Middleton H.S.

Go Huskies!

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Sports

Glorfield’s HR can’t extend Huskies’ year

Marsing resident Jessie Wood leads NC to State

Sheyanne Glorfield homered in her final high school softball game, but it wasn’t enough to save Marsing’s season.

Cole Valley Christian scored the game’s first six runs and held on for a 9-4 victory Thursday in a 2A District III Tournament elimination game.

A senior catcher, Glorfield was 2-for-3. Her two-run home run helped cut the Chargers’ lead in half, 6-3.

The Huskies (6-17) pulled within two runs with Emma Heitz’s RBI in the sixth inning. Playing for first-year coach Kortney Ford, Marsing was unable to cash in on Cole Valley’s five errors.

Cole Valley scored three runs off Heitz in the bottom of the sixth to put the game away.

Senior Lizie Stanberry took the loss, giving up six earned runs in 1 1/3 innings.

The sixth-seeded Huskies lost the final 16 games of their season.

In another elimination game, Marsing resident Jessie Wood’s complete-game six-hitter carried Nampa Christian past McCall-Donnelly, 9-6.

Wood fanned eight batters and walked only one.

She went 2-for-4 at the plate with a double and three RBI.

Nampa Christian went on to claim the district’s No. 2 seed into



Marsing’s Ashley Loucks makes an acrobatic catch against Nampa Christian during the 2A District III Tournament on the Trojans’ home field. Photo by Dan Pease

the 2A state tournament, which begins Friday in Orofino.

May 9: Nampa Christian 13, Marsing 3 (5) — Wood struck out five as the Trojans crushed the Huskies in an opening-round district game in Melba.

Stanberry struck out two, and Autumn Bennett collected a hit for Marsing. Emily Loucks drew two walks against Wood.

✓ State: Eva Symms sweeps girls’ throws

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and (Thursday) they switched up their order to try and get an edge on us,” Ankeny said. “We weren’t sure what was going to happen. It seems like their change helped their first two legs, but Max and Michael still held their own.”

Smith ran the third leg.

“Caleb ran a great third leg,” Ankeny said. “He is a very strong corner runner, but when Jacob got the baton we were still maybe 10-plus meters behind.”

Luke Ankeny, Eric Roesberry, Ryan Hellwege and Josh Hellwege set the 1994 record at 1:31.6.

Homedale’s 4x200 team won the district title with this year’s fastest Class 3A time.

The 4x200 triumph was one of four district championships for Furlott during the two-day meet.

The Homedale girls finished third in the district meet behind seven championships, including three individual titles for senior Carlie Sawyer, a sweep in the throws for junior Eva Symms and two relay crowns.

Sawyer ran a 200 leg on the district-winning medley relay team, joining Maggie Johnson and Ashley Burks (100) and Lainey Johnson (400) to win in 1:56.13.

The Johnson girls ran the closing portion of the 4x400 relay as the Trojans mounted what Ankeny called “a great comeback” to win the championship in 4:24.77.

Ember Christensen and Kelsey Taylor ran the first and second legs, respectively.

“We put that team together thinking we could easily get second and qualify them for State, but that wasn’t good enough for them,” the coach said. “Ember

and Kelsey ran great first legs, just the way we wanted them to.”

The Trojans were sitting third when Maggie took the baton to start the third leg.

“She took off with determination in her eyes and got them to second, almost first,” Ankeny said. “Lainey took the baton and finished it off, passing the leader and maintaining her lead the whole lap to win.”

The 4x400 relays are the final events of the state meet, and will be run Saturday afternoon.

“We are excited for the state team,” Ankeny said. “It will be a great couple of days of competition and we know they will represent Homedale well and come away with medals, more PRs and a lot of success.”

Symms won the shot put (34 feet, 6½ inches) and discus (115-9).

Senior Carli Swallow also made State in the shot put with a third-place 31-7½. She just missed a berth in the discus with her fourth-place distance of 92-3.

Like Furlott on the boys’ side, Sawyer claimed four gold medals at the district meet.

Sawyer and Lainey Johnson finished first and second, respectively, in the 100. A senior, Sawyer also swept the long jump (16-7½) and the triple jump (32-5½). Lainey Johnson also qualified for State after her 1:01.57 personal record in the open 400.

Burks was second in the long jump (15-7½) to reach the state meet, and Christensen’s third-place distance (31-2) put her in the state triple jump field.

Maggie Johnson made the 400 field with an at-large berth. She was fourth with a PR of 1:03.23.

“We had some huge PRs. As coaches, we couldn’t be more proud of all of the kids and their efforts,” Ankeny said.

“It is hard to compete two days in a row, especially when you have prelims and finals, but we knew all of them were ready and could handle the physical stress. They all rose to the occasion and even exceeded our expectations in some cases.”

Furlott ran a personal-best 22.75 to win the 200 by an eyelash against Weiser’s Jacen Smith (22.81). He took the 100 in 11.38.

Furlott joined Mertz, Babcock and Smith again to win the 4x100 relay at 44.65. The quartet, which has lost only once this season, enters Saturday’s state final with the second-fastest 3A time this season behind Kimberly’s 44.10.

The Trojans’ 4x100 squad has one last shot at breaking the school record of 43.88 set in 2007 by Trent Acree, Matt Holloway, Mark Vance and David Liddell.

Smith finished third in both short sprints to wrap up four state meet qualifications.

Mertz will compete in four events, too, after his long jump and triple jump marks made the grade for at-large berths.

Babcock will close his first prep season as a three-time qualifier in the state meet. In addition to a couple relay teams, he has an at-large berth in the 100. He was fourth in Fruitland at 11.84.

Freshman Gage Purdom improved his 400 time twice (in the heat and in the final), but finished sixth in 56.36.

“That’s pretty difficult to do as a freshman,” Ankeny said of Purdom’s PR double.

✓ Owyheans: Marsing bull rider Ireland making trip to Pocatello, too

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9.69-second run.

Homedale cowboy Sean Schnabele won the District 2 junior high school boys’ all around championship and will compete at the Idaho state finalst rodeo in Pocatello from May 27-29.

Schnabele won the breakaway roping Sunday with a 3.37 go-

round, and he was second in ribbon roping with partner Claire Kalafatic from Caldwell. He also finished third in goat tying at 14.85.

Schnabele won the district championships for breakaway roping and ribbon roping.

Marsing’s Wes Ireland, who split time between baseball and

rodeo this spring, will compete in the high school state finals rodeo as a bull rider.

Other Owyheans competing in District 2 rodeo this year included Homedale’s Michael Babcock and Morgyn Babcock and Jordan Valley’s Trevor Fillmore.

— Information provided by Cherie Rolland



Above: Jacy Leach of Homedale heads as teammate Wacey Williams of Glenns Ferry wraps the heels in their Saturday victory in the District 2 high school rodeo at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds. **Right:** Homedale’s Sean Schnabele dominated the junior high school rodeo ranks, he won Sunday’s breakaway roping to cap an all around championship. Photos by Cherie Rolland / Cherie Rolland Photography



Sports

Parma pitcher puts down final 15 Homedale batters

Season ends for error-prone Trojans

A defensive meltdown compounded Homedale High School’s offensive struggles in the baseball team’s season finale.

Taking advantage of three consecutive errors, Parma broke a stalemate with an unearned run in the fifth inning and eliminated the Trojans, 3-2, in the 3A District III Tournament at Harmon Killebrew Field in Payette.

Last Wednesday’s loss ended a quest to return to the state tournament for No. 3 seed Homedale (12-9).

The fifth-seeded Panthers (12-14) fell to Payette, 13-0, in a no-hitter in Thursday’s second-place game. Payette and district champion Fruitland will play in the 3A state tournament.

Parma managed just two hits against junior left-hander Ben Lee over six innings.

But the Panthers ended a 2-2 stalemate in the fifth inning when third baseman Chase Stoddard committed back-to-back errors, and Jacob Godina scored the go-ahead run on Jaren Mease’s miscue at second base.

Parma’s final two runs of the game were unearned. Gentry tied the game, 2-2, in the top of the second on Stoddard’s two-out error. Gentry got on board on shortstop Jake Deal’s one-out that was sandwiched by a pair of Lee strikeouts.

Lee fanned 10 batters and walked two. Deal struck out two of the three batters in faced in the top of the seventh.

Stetson Beus retired 15 consecutive Trojans to end the game.

Lee was Homedale’s final base runner. He was aboard when Chase Slate made

an error at second base to start the third inning.

The Deal brothers — Drew and Jake — sandwiched singles around Lee’s base hit to start Homedale’s first.

Drew Deal scored on Jake Deal’s liner into center field. Mease’s two-out line-drive hit pushed Jake Deal home for Homedale’s short-lived 2-1 advantage.

Parma scored an average of 14.2 runs in its 12 victories, but had been shut out by a combined score of 24-0 in the games book-ending Wednesday’s win over Homedale.

The Trojans scored just seven runs in its final three games and was 2-3 in one-run games this season, including back-to-back losses in the conference season to Payette (3-2 on April 4) and Fruitland (2-1 on April 10) at John Jackson Field.

Homedale scored three runs or fewer in four of its last five games.

May 9: Payette 5, Homedale 2 — The Pirates scored in each of their first three at-bats in the district semifinal on their home field.

The Trojans managed six hits against three Payette pitchers.

Homedale’s two runs were unearned in the fifth inning. Drew Taylor and Jaylon Hilton cut Payette’s lead in half, 4-2, when they came home on a two-out error by shortstop Bryce Marshall. Hilton had singled and moved to third on Taylor’s one-out double. Bryant Gerdes hit Drew Deal with a pitch to load the bases by Marshall’s miscue on a ball hit by Jesse Packer.

Senior first baseman Wyatt Dorsey went 2-for-3.

Gerdes went 2-for-3 and scored two runs for Payette. Kapen Burke doubled and hit a sacrifice fly, while Austin Stricker notched an RBI single in the third.

✓ Softball: Marsh Valley is first opponent on trail to possible 7th state championship

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Trojans and Grizzlies met in the district championship game for the first time since 2013, and Homedale collected its first victory over the Grizzlies in a 3A district final.

It was a nice birthday present for sophomore first baseman Joesey Hall.

Homedale has played for the district championship every year since 2012.

“We’re pretty blessed with girls who begin playing at an early age,” Corta said. “We have a good feeder program, good community support and good coaches.

“When the girls get to this level, they’re ready to go and expect to win.”

The bulldog intensity instilled up and down the Homedale system comes through with the varsity team.

Kelly cruised into the sixth inning with a no-hitter, and her pitching velocity may have played a role in the two runs Fruitland managed.

Junior Alicia Egner broke up the no-hitter with two outs in the sixth

when she smoked a solo home run over the center field fence.

Dusti Futter led off the seventh inning with a two-strike solo home run to establish the final score.

But Kelly got the next three batters, and fielded the final comebacker from Stevie Escobedo to end the game.

“Dakota has pitched good when we’ve needed it,” Corta said.

Homedale tallied runs in every at-bat, stretching its lead to 5-0 with back-to-back two-run innings in the second and third.

Sophie Nash was 3-for-3 and scored two runs. Her two-run single with two outs in the fifth gave Homedale an 8-0 lead. Her clutch base hit came in the bottom of a frame in which she made two consecutive putouts on weak liners with Fruitland batting.

Nash also scrambled home with the Trojans’ sixth run, sliding head-first on Grace Kelso’s wild pitch in the fourth inning.

May 9: Homedale 10, Weiser 3 — Kelly and Amaya Carter each homered early as the Trojans rolled past the Wolverines in a semifinal game. It was Homedale’s ninth

consecutive victory.

Kelly (17-5) struck out 15 and scattered three hits, and only one of Weiser’s three runs in the top of the fifth was earned. She has 239 strikeouts in 141 2/3 innings this season.

Homedale piled up the game’s first eight runs. Kelly’s 11th home run of the season was a two-out, two-run blast in the first inning. Carter drilled a solo shot in the third for her first homer of the year.

Kelly knocked in three runs to extend her team-leading RBI total to 58. Kendall Nash also drove in three runs each, and Megan Maxwell (2-for-3 with a double) and Kaylee DeWitt collected an RBI apiece.

Nash drilled a two-run single through shortstop to give Homedale a 4-0 lead in the second inning.

DeWitt and Nash each notched doubles.

Senior Mikayla Hubele pounded a two-run double in the fifth inning as Weiser drew to within five runs, 8-3. Brittany Hickey and Adrienne Aburto also had singles.

HHS softball dominance

Trojans softball history in the Class 3A era under coach Larry Corta:

State tournaments

2017 — **Seventh straight appearance:** vs. Marsh Valley, (17-8), 11 a.m., Friday in Buhl

2016 — **Championship:** Homedale 14, Buhl 1 (5)

2015 — **Championship:** Homedale 14, Emmett 2

2014 — **Championship:** Filer 14, Homedale 9

2013 — **Championship:** Homedale 12, Fruitland 2 (5)

2012 — **Championship:** Fruitland 15, Homedale 6

2011 — **Championship:** Fruitland 9, Homedale 2

2008 — **Final game:** Kimberly 5, Homedale 2 (HHS third place)

2006 — **Final game:** Kimberly 11, Homedale 0

Notes — This marks the seventh consecutive state tournament for the Trojans. The program has six state championships, and the 2017 squad is going for the second three-peat in school history (Jim McMillan led the Trojans to three straight A-3 titles from 1996 to 1998).

District tournaments

2017 — **Championship:** Homedale 9, Fruitland 2

2016 — **Championship:** Homedale 8, Emmett 0

2015 — **Championship:** Homedale 4, Emmett 3

2014 — **Championship:** Homedale 13, Weiser 4

2013 — **Championship:** Fruitland 5, Homedale 2

2012 — **Championship:** Fruitland 11, Homedale 9

2011 — **Runner-up:** Homedale 7, Weiser 6

2010 — **Runner-up:** Payette 9, Homedale 2

2009 — **Runner-up:** Fruitland 10, Homedale 5

2008 — **Championship:** Payette 8, Homedale 0

2007 — **Runner-up:** Payette 5, Homedale 4

2006 — **Runner-up:** Homedale 9, Fruitland 4

JV coach reflects on title run

The squad came one game short of its ultimate goal, but the Homedale High School junior varsity softball team collected a pair of championships.

“We always set high goal for our team, and this year was to try to go undefeated through the (3A Snake River Valley conference) season and win our district,” coach Tony Sifuentes said.

“With all the new faces this year, it was an honor to watch them grow and come together as an awesome group of softball ladies.”

Homedale (18-3-1 overall) lost one 3A Snake River Valley conference game but earned the top seed and then won the district

tournament.

“I would like to give a special thanks to my assistant coach, Travis Kerbs; my wife Tina for helping with the ladies in the dugout and keeping the music going; stat keepers Brad and Erica Dines; Amanda Rangel for the great pics; Larry Corta, Steve Nash, and Carey Hoshaw for their help and support through the year; and all the parents and fan that came out to support the Lady Trojans,” Sifuentes said.

The coach added: “I’m going to deeply miss my juniors Cortnee Smith, Ashley Sifuentes, Krista Mayer, and Lisett Garza. Good luck ladies.”



The Homedale High School junior varsity softball team poses after winning the 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament championship in Weiser.

Back row, from left: Head coach Tony Sifuentes, Abbie Gray, Madison Bauer, DeLaynie Dorsey, Gwenneth Mullins, Jordann Cole, Austyn Kerbs, Lizzy Schamber, Savana Buckley, and assistant coach Travis Kerbs

Front row, from left: Gracie Dines, Alex Grant, Lizette Garza, Cortnee Smith, Krista Mayer, and Juilette Larzelier. Submitted photo

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense Ol' Duffy



Ol' Duff slept in the bunkhouse in the corner by the wall
Nobody slept beside him. It was self-defense, that's all

'Cause Ol' Duff was a chorus of expulsions in his sleep
That sounded like a freight train goin' through a band of sheep!

His sinuses would vibrate 'til the quilt slid off his bed.
His snores would roar unmuffled like a chain saw in yer head!

Alarming exhalations burst in intermittent blasts
Like dueling trumpets blaring loud enough to shatter glass!

The window panes would rattle and our covers rose and fell,
The wood stove was a bellows with each breath that he'd expel,

Amidst this raucous tumult we could hear him changing gears,
He'd belch like bullfrogs rutting, then a new sound filled our ears ...

Big bubbles started forming deep within his swollen paunch
And rolled through him unhindered like torpedoes toward the launch!

We'd lay in apprehension as we listened to the din
In dread of what was coming when the final guns kicked in!

The new kid was a rookie and because the bunks were tight
We had him put his bedroll next to Duffy for the night.

He drifted off uneasy, what with Duffy's serenade
But when the cookie crumbled, his whole bedroll came unmade!

St. Elmo's fire went dancin'! Radiation filled the room.
A whoosh blew out the lantern. I heard a sonic boom!

An eerie echo rumbled. I thought I saw a flash.
The kid sat up electrified, his face as white as ash!

"What was that?" I heard him cry. "I think I'm paralyzed!
"I must be goin' crazy...I see stars before my eyes!"

"No, you aint goin' crazy, but the world's turned inside outs
"Cause Duffy's last contortion blew the roof right off the house!"

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From Washington
Progress made in protecting locals from national monument effects

Americans deserve to enjoy a variety of benefits from our nation's abundant, while increasingly pressured, public lands. Top-down national monument designations can result in severe restriction on access to public lands and economic disruption to surrounding communities. States and affected stakeholders where a monument could be located must play a key role in the decision-making process. A recent Executive Order issued by President Trump would help with this objective by providing for the review of national monument designations and expansions with an emphasis on considering local involvement.

The Executive Order acknowledges that the designation of national monuments, "have substantial impact on the management of Federal lands and the use and enjoyment of neighboring lands." Specifically, the U.S. Secretary of the Interior is directed to review all national monument designations or expansions made since 1996 that either exceed 100,000 acres or were made without adequate public consultation to ensure the monuments adhere to federal law. U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke is charged with submitting an interim report within 45 days and a final report within 120 days with recommendations to remediate any issues identified. Importantly, the Executive Order identifies issues the Secretary must consider in the review that include, "concerns of State, tribal, and local governments affected by a designation, including the economic development and fiscal condition of affected States, tribes, and localities."

The Antiquities Act of 1906 authorizes U.S. presidents to unilaterally designate national monuments in the interest of preserving lands containing historic landmarks, buildings and structures, as well as other objects of historic or scientific interest. However, the non-partisan Congressional Research Service reports that under the law, "The President is to reserve 'the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected.'" The far-reaching use of this authority to designate national monuments via sweeping executive directives from Washington, D.C., has been justly contentious in the West.

In January, I reintroduced legislation to address concerns with unilateral presidential designations of national monuments without the input of affected communities or other local stakeholders. S. 132, the National Monument Designation Transparency and Accountability Act, would amend the Antiquities Act to require congressional and state approval of proposed national monuments on federal lands and certified completion of provisions included in

U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo
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the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 prior to making any presidential proclamations. Additionally, the legislation would prohibit restrictions regarding public use of a national monument without congressional approval and appropriate review and public comment periods. Fellow Idaho Republican Sen. Jim Risch is a co-sponsor of this legislation, and Rep. Raúl Labrador (R-Idaho) introduced companion legislation, H.R. 2284, in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Collaboration, bringing diverse interests — resource users, conservationists, local people and governments, advocacy organizations, federal and state governments and more — to the table to hash out solutions, is the most effective process for resolving natural resource conflicts. Several collaborative efforts are currently hard at work in Idaho. Collaboratives are very difficult to do and do not always work out, but they can result in lasting, publicly supported resource management decisions. Federal policy simply must leave room for collaboratives to succeed.

President Trump's Executive Order that recognizes that any national monument designations must, "appropriately balance the protection of landmarks, structures, and objects against the appropriate use of Federal lands and the effects on surrounding lands and communities," is a welcome step in the effort to ensure that national monument designations are properly limited and based on local decision-making.

— 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.

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Commentary

Financial management

Where ethics and economics meet: Pay bills if you’re able

Dear Dave,
My husband and I are currently in Baby Step 2, and paying off all our debt except for our home. A friend recently told us to pay off everything except for the credit card debt. She says we can then settle for a far less amount and not have so much money going out the door. This feels a little unethical to me. What are your thoughts?
— Jennifer

If you’re able to pay your bills, you pay your bills. It’s as simple as that. Now, if you honestly can’t pay the bill, and you have to settle upon a mutually agreed upon amount with the creditor or collector, then it’s OK at that point to try and reach a settlement. Otherwise, it’s a simple question of ethics. Pay the bill!
— Dave



DAVE Says
by Dave Ramsey • www.davesays.org

Dear Jennifer,
There’s a good reason this idea feels unethical to you — it *is* unethical! Would a good friend, a *smart* friend, encourage you to do something as dishonorable as not pay a bill you’re morally and legally obligated to pay? I don’t think so.

Dear Dave,
Our son is 13, and he wants to give half the money he received for his birthday to the nursery at our church. They need new baby toys and things like that. Should we let him give that much, or should we tell him that maybe 25 percent is enough?
— Kyle

Dear Kyle,
I hope you’re proud of this kid. He’s a got a good heart, and it’s probably a reflection of the way

his mom and dad are raising him. I like this a lot.
I would very gently, and without any commanding or control verbiage, use some examples from the Bible when talking to him. There are several things to be learned about money from Scripture, and the concepts of generosity and giving are in there. There’s also a verse that says we need to take care of our own households first. Another one says in the house of the wise are stores of food and oil.
We need to do all of these things with money — in balance. Thoughtfully and prayerfully decide what your giving amount will be, so that you don’t destroy your ability to save and do other important things. Talk to him about these concepts, then ask

him to wait two or three days and think about his decision.
If he comes back and says he still wants to give half of it, I would encourage him to do so. But slow things down a little, and make sure this isn’t a knee-jerk reaction. You need to be a wise giver, not an impulsive giver!
— Dave

— *Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 13 million listeners each week on 585 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at [@DaveRamsey](https://twitter.com/DaveRamsey).*

Americans for Limited Government End fruitless, detrimental Russia hacking probe

by Robert Romano

Martha Stewart was never convicted for insider trading. The Department of Justice got her on a series of process violations, including supposedly lying to investigators — about a crime prosecutors could not prove.
Scooter Libby was never convicted for leaking Valerie Plame’s name. Instead, in 2007 he was sentenced on a bunch of process violations, including supposed obstruction of justice. Again, about a crime which the Department of Justice could not prove.
Enter former National Security Advisor Michael Flynn, who it appears may be hit with some sort of charges.
No, not for colluding with Russia to put Democratic National Committee (DNC) and John Podesta emails onto Wikileaks, but his apparent failure to fully disclose certain financial transactions, including a \$45,000 payment from Russia Today for speaking at its 10-year anniversary gala — in January 2015.
That is, if reporting from CNN is to be believed.
If true, that was a full seven months before Donald Trump had ever announced he was running for president and also several months before CrowdStrike, the private firm that looked into the matter, says the supposed hacking at the DNC had ever occurred. And more than a year and a half before Wikileaks ever published anything to do with them.
In other words, the speaking fee has no apparent connection with any of the original allegations leveled at the Trump campaign, transition and administration to do with hacking and Wikileaks because at the time there was no campaign and no hacking. Instead, it appears to be a nonsensical process violation having nothing to do with the original investigation.
This seems to be a pattern at the Justice Department for high-profile cases that cannot be proven, wherein prosecutors concoct some other charges — all to legitimize the original investigation.
So, what might be going on here? Probably something to do with the fact that just 3 percent of federal cases ever go to trial. More often than not, 97 percent of the time, they end in plea agreements, usually for a lesser charge.
Therefore, these pending charges — or maybe there are no charges — against Flynn could just be an attempt to get him to plead guilty to something else or perhaps act as a witness in the Russia matter.
But now that Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein is situated, he may want to take a second look at not just

Letters to the editor

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

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

- E-mailed to jon@owyheeavalanche.com
- Faxed to (208) 337-4867
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- Dropped off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale

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Flynn but this entire matter to determine, not if there was collusion, but whether this has simply become a runaway federal investigation in search of a crime.
In the meantime, federal investigators appear no closer to proving that Russia ever hacked the DNC or Podesta, let alone that the Trump campaign had anything to do with it.
CrowdStrike co-founder Dmitri Alperovitch’s original statement to the Washington Post published June 14, 2016 actually noted a lack of evidence as to just how the DNC servers had been breached to get the emails that were ultimately published on Wikileaks in July 2016.
“CrowdStrike is not sure how the hackers got in. The firm suspects they may have targeted DNC employees with ‘spearphishing’ emails... ‘But we don’t have hard evidence,’ Alperovitch said,” the report stated.
Nor was Alperovitch really sure who had hacked the DNC emails: “CrowdStrike is less sure of whom Cozy Bear works for but thinks it might be the Federal Security Service, or FSB, the country’s powerful security agency, which was once headed by Putin.”
At the outset, CrowdStrike was the only group that investigated the DNC servers. Later, the DNC refused to give the FBI access, and the agency apparently deferred to CrowdStrike on forensics. Former FBI Director James Comey later confirmed in testimony on January 10 before the Senate Intelligence Committee that “Ultimately what was agreed to is the private company would share with us what they saw.”
So, if CrowdStrike had no hard evidence that Russia was behind the hack, and the FBI relied on CrowdStrike’s

reporting to confirm it, then you could have a situation where the FBI has been investigating the president’s team for colluding on something that might not have even happened or can ever be proven.
Add to that how the investigation has been politicized by investigators who have been leaking like a sieve to the press, including the most recent subpoenas directed at Flynn, but also Flynn’s unmasking after his conversation with the Russian ambassador and the other federal investigations into former Trump campaign officials including Paul Manafort and Carter Page. These leaks, which appear to include real crimes, show federal officials using their positions for political purposes. The investigation, in itself, serves a political purpose. In the meantime, people’s reputations are being utterly destroyed and the nation is being divided — not to mention escalating tensions between the world’s two preeminent nuclear powers, the U.S. and Russia — perhaps irreparably, over allegations of treason that will never be proven.
The Trump administration, to its credit, is carrying on with the business of government, including on foreign relations. For example, President Trump appears to be mediating between Russia and Ukraine over the civil war in Ukraine. In a May 11 tweet, Trump wrote, “Yesterday, on the same day — I had meetings with Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov and the FM of Ukraine, Pavlo Klimkin. #LetsMakePeace!”
That’s the right thing to do. The president cannot afford to sit around waiting for the Justice Department to finish its investigation to get to work. There’s a country to run, after all.
On that count, and in the interests of closure, if all that is coming out of this witch hunt, after almost a year of investigations, are silly process crimes unrelated to the original allegations that will take years to litigate, then Rosenstein may want to reconsider this whole line of inquiry. Perhaps he and the Office of Inspector General at the Justice Department should be investigating the investigators for abusing power.
All that really appears to be happening are Democrats, including Hillary Clinton, who cannot seem to come to grips with losing the 2016 election, are out of their minds — and the Justice Department is simply out of control.
— *Robert Romano is the senior editor of Americans for Limited Government.*

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

May 20, 1992

Primary elections Tuesday

The primary election will be held Tuesday. Registered voters in Owyhee County can vote from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The only contested race in the primary for Owyhee County offices is between Chet Sellman and Darrel Agenbroad, Republicans vying for the District 3 commissioner’s seat.

Sellman is the incumbent and has lived his whole life in Owyhee County.

A Bruneau rancher, Sellman said his main goal if re-elected is to get the county’s proposed land use plan finished and in place.

Sellman is a former schoolteacher, a member of several organizations, and is vice commander of the Bruneau American Legion.

The challenger, Agenbroad, is a farmer who has lived in Grand View for 18 years.

He has served on the school board for eight years.

Agenbroad said his primary goal, if elected, will be to get more information to the public about what the commissioners are doing.

Local poster contest winners announced

The Conservation Poster Contest was once again sponsored by the Owyhee Soil Conservation District for sixth-grade students.

Marsing, Homedale and Pleasant Valley schools participated this year. Posters entering the 1992 contest dealt with the conservation message of soil, water, wildlife, forest conservation and recycling.

Winners for the 1992 Soil Conservation poster contest from Pleasant Valley are, first place Jen Bruce, second place Johanna Mackenzie, and third place Shane Stanford.

Winners from Homedale are first place Briann Asumendi and Ali Tackett (joint effort), second place Jacqueline Itano, and third place Karen Itano.

Marsing winners are first place Brad Elumbaugh, second place Jenni Stoffel and third place Alex Gonzolos.

Briggs retiring after 28 years; reception planned

June Briggs is retiring after teaching for 28 years in the Homedale School District.

Briggs taught 2nd, 4th, 6th and 7th graders in Homedale.

She said she was born and raised near Orofino, but has lived the last several years between Homedale and Marsing.

Briggs said she is looking forward to her retirement so she can relax and spend time with her grandchildren.

Local students attend business week

Nine students from local high schools have been selected to attend the 15th annual Idaho Business Week program this summer on the Boise State University campus.

The students are Mary Harris, Dannette Lea Ann Ritzert, Shelley Stansell and Jessica Uhlenkott, all from Homedale; Bunny Binger and Ruben Gomez, Jr., from Marsing; and Levi Chick, Amanda Morrison and Adriana Pizarro from Rimrock.

Trojan tracksters end season in 4th

The Homedale track team ended another successful season with a fourth-place finish at the State Championships.

For the day, the Trojans’ strength was in their relays. Homedale won both the 4x100m and Medley relay, and came in fifth in the 4x400m. The medley relay was especially exciting; the Trojans’ anchor, Dave Dixon, held off a strong challenge from the Malad runner down the final 100 meters of the 800m leg, and stretched at the tape to win the race. The Medley team of Jeremy Elliot, Kory Bean, Luke Hays, and Dave Dixon finished in 3:43.69, a new Homedale school record.

The Trojans also blazed their way to victory in the 4x100m relay. Tyler Haylett, Marvin Peterson, Josh Hays and Jeremy Elliot had several fine passes, as they got out to an early lead, then held onto the end. fighting off a strong move by Parma’s Jared Hansen. The Trojans’ finishing time was 44.78.

50 years ago

May 18, 1967

Idaho First Nat’l bank celebrates 100th year

Approximately 150 people attended the Idaho First National Bank’s 100th anniversary celebration Monday, according to Don L. Shaffer, manager of the Homedale branch.

He has announced that the following people won the silver dollars: Dorothy Tucker, Earlene Dexter, Tom Mills, Mandie Zanks, Leona Leavitt, Martha Titmus, Marie Nichols, Homer L. Holland, Jim Murray, Dale E. Leavitt, Earnest M. Cantrell, Ruby J. Scott, Marvin Brown, Mary Inouye, John J. Cegnar, Doyle McPherson, Clyde Eells, Ralph Lineberger, Mary Metzger, Kenne Metzger, Glen Beebe, Owen Stewart, Floyd Breach, Vic Uria and Odessa Eidemiller.

Local producers named to USDA Onion Committee

The United States Department of Agriculture has announced appointment of the members and alternates who will serve for the next two years on the Idaho-Eastern Oregon Onion Committee. The committee administers the federal marketing order for onions grown in Idaho and in Malheur County, Ore.

Kay Inouye and George Kubosumi, both of Homedale, will serve as producers from district No. 6 through May 31, 1969, succeeding those whose terms expire May 31.

Adrian HS top students named

Barry Fujishin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fujishin of Ridgeview, and Tami Winn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Winn of Adrian, have been selected as co-valedictorians of the Adrian High School. Dirk Sipes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orlee Sipes of Ridgeview, is the salutatorian.

Uranga student body president

Louis Uranga was elected president of the Homedale High School student body for the next school term.

Other officers are: Brent Fry, vice-president; Vickie Howell, secretary; Diana George, historian; and Claire Jemmett, sergeant-at-arms.

The following varsity cheerleaders were also selected: Susan Chadez, Marilyn Cegnar, Colleen Paxton and JoAnn Bell.

Marsing Boys’ State delegates

Steve Belknap and Rick Yzaguirre, juniors at Marsing High School, have been chosen to represent Post 128 at Boys State in June at Boise College. Tom Dobbin is the alternate. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Belknap and Mr. and Mrs. Justo Yzaguirre, all of Marsing.

Converted WW II bombers used in spraying range

Three converted World War II torpedo bombers lined the airfield at Homedale this week flown in by a Salt Lake City firm which was awarded a \$30,000 contract to spray sagebrush in the Vale and Rome, Ore., areas.

The U.S. Navy used the Grumann TBM bombers 21 years ago during World War II, making historic records.

The converted bombers are owned by Aerial Applicators, Inc. of Salt Lake City. The firm is spraying sagebrush to kill it off, allowing the range grass to grow. The planes hold about 700 gallons of applicator, which was supplied by the federal government.

The range rehabilitation program is being done by the Bruneau of Land Management, Vale District.

Marsing, Fruitland win Class B baseball playoff games

Marsing and Fruitland scored upsets Tuesday in the Snake River Valley District Three baseball meet at Middleton High School diamond.

The Huskies routed New Plymouth 10-3 in the first game and Fruitland, behind the two-hit pitching of Jim Davenport, slammed the door on pre-tourney favorite Homedale 3-1 in the night capper.

The first game was highlighted by Ron Haken’s grand slam homer in the top of the sixth which accounted for all the Marsing runs in that frame. Bill Bish of Marsing was credited with the win.

140 years ago

May 19, 1877

HOW TO DESTROY THE CRICKETS. A gentleman interested in the welfare of the country informs us that he has hit upon a plan for destroying the crickets, which is quite simple and effective. As these pests rendezvous in the vicinity of streams and make a practice of floating down creeks and brooks in large numbers they can be caged by means of a flume say about twelve feet long. It can be so constructed as to gobble the crickets and pass them in immense numbers through the box at the end of which a flutter wheel can be put in operation. On the outside of this wheel it is proposed to have a large drum connected by means of a pulley with a small drum above, the wheel to be supplied with a row of fine teeth, and as it revolved the crickets are macerated and ground into a pulp. Our informant believes that myriads of them can be slain in this way. They cannot all be destroyed, but great havoc can be made among them, and large numbers prevented from breeding and overflowing the country for another season. It looks to us as though the plan was quite worthy of consideration.

IF THE COUNTRY takes a fresh start towards prosperity as we feel assured will soon be the case, we shall take our share of credit for this change for the better. The Avalanche has stood by the country through evil and good report. Its articles on our mining resources have been copied far and wide, and have done an immense amount of good, especially in San Francisco, where there are three or four journals that regularly copy our mining reports. We thank them for their valuable aid in keeping the merits of this country before the public. The people in this immediate locality should not ask for any better reason for bestowing all the support and patronage possible upon their local paper.

WE KNOW some folks in Idaho and elsewhere who would like to have Mr. Pinney dish up a large amount of money that was alleged he stole from the Mahogany and Silver Cord mining companies. But, if the truth were known, it would probably turn out that there was a “divvy” among the thieves and that honest Geo. M. only got his share of the plunder.

MY LOSSES in Idaho had been nearly \$200,000, of which Carr owed me one-quarter and O. H. Bogart one-eighth, and neither one of them could raise a dollar. The money I had in Carr’s hands he could not refund, so that I might bridge over and finally realize enough to pay their debts as well as my own. – *Geo. M. Pinney*

PROMPTNESS. How small is the number of men who do just as they promise in their business transactions. Men make appointments and are culpably negligent in coming to time. Of all their promises those in which they agree to pay money are the most generally violated. The non-fulfillment of such agreements does more to demoralize a community than all other causes. A remedy for this condition of things will be found in the prompt payment of all honest debts. Let a man once get into the habit of doing this and he will be astonished at the ease and system by which he is enabled to carry on his business. Besides, the example thus set to his neighbors exerts a decidedly beneficial influence. His prosperity will become permanent, while those who procrastinate and are slovenly in their manner of doing business will be morally certain to meet with adverse currents as they glide along.

LOADING FREIGHT. The appearance of things around the warehouses for the last few days remind one of the times when Silver City was in its glory. Loading freight on wagons for northern points has been carried on during the time specified pretty steadily.

ODDS AND ENDS. Celery is good for the nerves; but salary is better.

Public notices

ORDINANCE NO. A-197
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSING, IDAHO ADDING A NEW SECTION TO TITLE 5 CHAPTER 5 OF THE MARSING CITY CODE; PROVIDING REGULATIONS FOR THE REPAIR OF SIDEWALKS IN THE CITY OF MARSING; PROVIDING A PENALTY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, City of Marsing clarify the responsibility of sidewalk maintenance within the City limits to insure that property owners maintain and repair sidewalks.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSING, IDAHO:

Section 1: The following is added to Title 5, Chapter 5, of the Marsing City Code:

5-5-3: SIDEWALK REPAIRS

A. Duty Of Owner: It shall be the duty of the owner in front of whose property there is a sidewalk, within the city, to keep the same in good repair.

B. Notice To Repair: Whenever a sidewalk shall be found in a defective condition, city clerk may serve a written notice on the owner of the property adjoining such sidewalk to repair the same within ten (10) days.

C. Repair By City, Costs A Lien: On the failure of the owner to so repair, the city engineer may order the same done by the city, and after the costs thereof shall have been approved by the city council, the same shall be a lien upon the property pursuant to Subsection D of this Section.

D. If, within thirty (30) days after serving of such notice or after the first publication if the address of the owner is not known or if she cannot be found, the owner fails and neglects to construct such sidewalk in front of his/her property as ordered, such sidewalk may be constructed by the city, under the direction of the city engineer, who shall keep an account of the construction of such sidewalk and the cost thereof in front of each lot or part of lot, and after the same has been completed she shall present to the city council a detailed statement of the cost thereof and the amount assessed against the property owned by each person in front of whose property such sidewalk shall have been constructed by the city, after such account shall have been approved by the city council, if not paid by the owner within ten (10) days thereafter, the same shall be and constitute a lien against such property in favor of the city, and shall be recoverable, together with all costs as provided by law, for the foreclosure of liens.

E. Application Of Provisions: The provisions of this section shall apply to all sidewalks now in existence, or that may hereafter be constructed within the city, so far as applicable, of whatsoever kind

Section 2: The penalty for violation of this Ordinance shall be the infraction penalties set forth in Marsing City Code Section 1-4-l(A).

Section 3: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication in the official newspaper of the City.

APPROVED by the Mayor and City Council this 10th day of May, 2017.

CITY OF MARSING, Owyhee County, Idaho
James Ferdinand, Mayor

ATTEST: Janice C. Bicandi,
City Clerk
5/17/2017

ORDINANCE NO. A-198
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSING, IDAHO ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 8 TO TITLE 5 OF THE MARSING CITY CODE; PROVIDING REGULATIONS FOR THE PARKING OF CAMPERS, MOTORHOMES AND TRAILERS IN THE CITY OF MARSING; PROVIDING A PENALTY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, City of Marsing desires to regulate the parking of campers, motorhomes, and trailers within the City of Marsing for the benefit of its citizens,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSING, IDAHO:

Section 1: Definitions.

CAMPER: A structure designed to be mounted upon a vehicle, usually a truck, which provides facilities for human habitation or for temporary outdoor or recreational lodging.

MOTOR HOME: A motorized vehicle originally designed, reconstructed or permanently altered to provide facilities for human habitation.

TRAILER: A vehicle without motor power designed for carrying persons or property by its own structure and to be drawn by a vehicle with motor power. The term “trailer” includes trailer coach, boat trailer, semitrailer, travel trailer or utility trailer.

Section 2:

No person shall stop, stand or park a camper, motor home or trailer on any public right of way in the city for more than twenty-four (24) hours, or such lesser time period as may be identified by official traffic control devices.

Section 3:

Campers, motor homes and trailers may not be occupied for more than three consecutive nights unless parked in a designated RV park.

Section 4:

Campers, motorhomes and trailers may be parked on residential property under the following conditions:

- i) Only in rear yards, side yards, or directly adjacent and parallel with an existing driveway.
- ii) Must be setback 3 feet from the property line.
- iii) All vehicles permanently stored on the property must be parked on a paved, graveled, or dirt area.

Section 5: The penalty for violation of this Ordinance shall be the infraction penalties set forth in Marsing City Code Section 1-4-l(A).

Section 6: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication in the official newspaper of the City.

APPROVED by the Mayor and City Council this 12th day of April, 2017.

CITY OF MARSING, Owyhee County, Idaho
James Ferdinand, Mayor
ATTEST: Janice C. Bicandi,
City Clerk
5/17/2017

JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 365
Owyhee and Elmore Counties, Idaho

GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2017
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2nd QTR. FISCAL YEAR, FY 2017					
FUND	BUDGET AMOUNT	Expended to Date	% of Budget Expended	Revenue to Date	% of Budget Revenue
01 General	\$ 756,441.00	\$ 276,342.00	36.5%	\$396,006.00	52.4%
03 Parks	\$ 137,670.00	\$ 45,770.00	33.2%	\$66,420.00	48.2%
04 Library	\$ 696,557.00	\$ 36,279.00	5.2%	\$32,082.00	4.6%
05 L I D	\$ 44,567.00	\$ -	0.0%	\$1,274.00	2.9%
06 Law Enforcement	\$ 494,439.00	\$ 238,217.00	48.2%	\$213,933.00	43.3%
30 Airport	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 7,661.00	38.3%	\$23,931.00	119.7%
Sub-Total	\$ 2,149,674.00	\$ 604,269.00	28.1%	\$733,646.00	34.1%
02 Streets & Highways	\$ 279,485.00	\$ 45,770.00	16.4%	\$66,420.00	23.8%
60 Irrigation	\$ 162,570.00	\$ 73,415.00	45.2%	\$106,018.00	65.2%
25 Water	\$ 810,542.00	\$ 331,822.00	40.9%	\$232,291.00	28.7%
26 Sewer	\$ 731,094.00	\$ 196,418.00	26.9%	\$171,061.00	23.4%
27 Sanitation	\$ 122,000.00	\$ 45,136.00	37.0%	\$61,701.00	50.6%
TOTAL (all funds)	\$ 4,255,365.00	\$ 1,296,830.00	30.5%	\$1,371,137.00	32.2%

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Publish: MAY 17, 2017 Signed: Alice E. Pegram, City Clerk/Treasurer

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5/17/2017

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5/10,17/2017

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5/17,24/2017

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE CASE NO. CV-17-1355M IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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

IN RE: Evyonne Rose Conger
A Petition to change name of Evyonne Rose Conger, now residing in the City of Marsing, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to Evyonne Rose Anderson.

The reason for the change in name is: separated from husband (Conger)

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 11:00 o’clock a.m. on June 12, 2017 at the Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.

Date: May 8, 2017
ANGELA BARKELL
Clerk of the District Court
By: Jamie Wylie, Deputy Clerk
5/17,24,31;6/7/2017

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV 2017-01338 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

MAGISTRATE DIVISION
In the Matter of the Estate of CALVIN C. JOHNSTON, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented or delivered to Laurie Boston and Willean White, Personal Representative of the estate, at 1303 12th Avenue

Road, Nampa, Idaho 83686, and filed with the Court pursuant to Idaho Code Section 15-3-804.

Dated this 20th day of April, 2017.

LAURIE BOSTON, Co-Personal Representative
WILLEAN WHITE, Co-Personal Representative
5/17,24,31/2017

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

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Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to 11/15 0.16 CFS
Total Diversion: 0.16 CFS
Date Filed: 2/14/2017
Place of Use: IRRIGATION

T03N R06W S25 SWSE
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TRANSFER NO. 81376
DE RUYTER DAIRY LLC, PO BOX 580, MARSING, ID 83639-0580; has filed Application No. 81376 for changes to the following water rights within OWYHEE County(s): Right No(s). 57-2292, 57-7047. The purpose of this transfer is to add two new points of diversion to two existing rights. The new wells will be connected to the existing distribution system to supply water for the DeRuyter Dairy. The water will be used in the current place of use, north of East Thompson Rd. between Buntrock and Hogg roads, generally located approximately 5 miles southeast of Homedale, Idaho.
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information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at 208-334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s) or proposed transfer (s) please see www.idwr.idaho.gov. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code §§ 42-203A and 42-222. Any protest against the approval of the application(s) must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise, ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 6/5/2017. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.
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HOMEDALE HIGH SCHOOL



Homedale High School's highest honor graduates include, from left: Jake Deal, Craig Romriell, Samantha Bedolla, Ryan Randall, Riley Haun, Hannah Downum, Annabel Vega, Angel Chavez, Alyssa Emery, Jessica Tayler, Sarah Jones and Emma McMichael

Longtime teacher sends off Homedale graduates

A teaching fixture will provide pearls of folksy wisdom for Homedale High School seniors at next week's graduation.

Mike Greeley, the school's longtime industrial arts instructor, has been tabbed as guest speaker for the ceremony, which begins at 7 p.m. on Monday inside the main gymnasium.

Known as much for the rising inflections in his distinctive sing-song voice as he is for his



Mike Greeley

lowship of Christian Athletes. He played baseball and football, and counts a trip to Kellogg for the 3A football state playoffs in 2014 as his best high school memory. Deal has helped with Angel Walk as well as community clean-up efforts in Boise and Homedale. His hobbies include duck hunting, bowfishing, snowboarding, guitar and badminton.

The class includes two exchange students — Guilia Borghetto from Italy and Gabriel Martin from Switzerland.

After the ceremony, the school will host an all-night senior party from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.

The honor grads include:

Jacob William Deal
Age: 19

Parents: Burke and Kathy Deal

Grade-point average: 4.0
A Homedale resident since first grade, Deal has signed a letter of intent to play baseball and study at George Fox University in Newberg, Ore.

He has been active in school with athletics and extra-curricular clubs, including the National Honor Society, Sources of Strength, Young Life, Rotary Club and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

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His hobbies include duck hunting, bowfishing, snowboarding, guitar and badminton.

Sarah Jones

Age: 18
Parent: Bonnie Jones
GPA: 4.0

The lifelong Homedale resident plans to attend college after a high school career that included participating in band, color guard, drama and choir.

— See *Homedale*, page 13B



Holloway keeps time in whirlwind of myriad activity

Senior mentors young musicians, manages schedule

It's all about timing for musicians, and Ben Holloway seems to have mastered timing and time in general.

The 17-year-old Homedale High School senior may have gotten a relatively late start as a musical prodigy. But after picking up the violin at the ripe old age of 6, he has made up for lost time.

Or perhaps somehow developed more time. "The plan is I know what I want to do and when I can do it," Ben said.

He figured that his Senior Project would be a yearlong endeavor, so he set up the lessons for the young musicians in town, and worked with the fifth-grade band during school hours.

That freed up time to concentrate on his Eagle Scout project, and juggle his saxophone practice and choir rehearsal, responsibilities as a Second Counselor at the LDS church, dance practice, time to rehearse for the drama club and rebuild its sound system, tennis once spring arrived, a trip to Seattle with the band and choir,

— See *Holloway*, page 12B

Ben Holloway plays the saxophone while fronting the high school pep band during a district basketball tournament in February 2015.

MARSING HIGH SCHOOL



Marsing High School class of 2017 salutatorian Tiffany Beagley (left) with co-valedictorians Sam Galligan and Zoe Kish (right).

Science teacher will speak at commencement

Graduate credits friends, family, teachers for his success

One Marsing High School senior says getting his diploma might not have been possible without the help of those around him.

Oseas Arriaga, 17, has been a common fixture at Husky football games over the past half-decade.

MHS football fans don't see Oseas in a helmet, but often recognize him as an honorary player at home games and some away games in his No. 1 jersey and wheelchair. On good days lately, Oseas has been able to get around campus without the use of his wheelchair.

For years, Oseas led the Husky charge onto the field before games, rolling out with his fellow players jogging behind him.

"I've led them onto the field for five years now, from 2012 to my senior year," Oseas said.

He was also an honorary member of the MHS basketball team and served on the MHS student council during his junior and senior years.

Oseas lives with ataxia — uncontrolled muscle movement — and cerebellar atrophy, a degeneration of the neurons in the

— See **Graduate**, page 14B



Last Wednesday was a good day for Oseas Arriaga (left). He was able to get around campus without the use of his wheelchair to go outside to have a few laughs with his friend Jose Ponce. Jose, a senior, is the son of Adan and Dora Ponce.

Three MHS seniors tabbed honor grads

A man who has seen many students in Marsing High School's Class of 2017 walk through his own classroom will bid them farewell next week.

High school science teacher John Lindley will serve as keynote speaker during the commencement ceremony.

High school principal Tim Little is scheduled to give diplomas to 49 seniors.


Sam Galligan and Zoe Kish are the co-valedictorians of the 2017 graduating class. Tiffany Beagley is this year's salutatorian.

Lindley has taught biology, chemistry, physics, advanced biology, and psychology at MHS for 27 years.

In addition to being a science teacher, he also serves in several other capacities for the district.

"I am a class advisor, I am on the high school advisory committee, and I am on the district facilities planning committee," Lindley wrote in an email.

He was the top vote-getter when the seniors decided who



John Lindley

they wanted as a keynote speaker.

Lindley said he was impressed by the 2017 graduates.

"This year's senior class was industrious and studious," Lindley wrote. "They have been a pleasure to teach."

The graduation ceremony begins at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 26 inside the MHS gymnasium on Main Street.

The top honors for the school's class of 2017 are being filled by one boy and two girls, all age 18.

Samuel J. Galligan and Zoe Lynne Kish are co-valedictorians, and Tiffany Mae Beagley is salutatorian.

Galligan, who has a 4.0 grade-point average, is the son of Donald and Kathleen Galligan.

Kish, who carries a 4.22 GPA, is the daughter of Ryan and Amy Kish.

Beagley, with a 4.0 GPA, is the daughter of Tom and Stephanie Beagley.

Galligan has lived in the Marsing area for more than 15 years, while Kish has lived around Marsing for 11 years. Beagley has lived in the Marsing area her entire life.

— See **Teacher**, page 5B

RIMROCK HIGH SCHOOL

Husband of former teacher to address graduates

Valedictorian Rigo Lino to lead Rimrock seniors

Many of the students in Rimrock High School's Class of 2017 apparently have very fond memories of Celia Tindall.

The family consumer science teacher passed away in 2014.

Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School principal Dennis Wilson said Celia's husband David will be the keynote speaker during the commencement ceremony.

"The seniors had the opportunity to submit names of people they wanted to have speak, and this is the last class of students who had his wife, Celia, as a teacher," Wilson said. "Because of the connection they had with her, they thought it would be nice to have him address the graduating class."

The graduation ceremony begins at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 21 inside the Rimrock gymnasium at 39678 State Hwy. 78 in Bruneau.

David Tindall is a rancher and former Bruneau Canyon 4-H leader.

He said his speech will focus on the importance of education and serving in the military if one is able to.

Tindall said he was honored to be asked to speak at the ceremony.

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"I hope to kind of guide them a little bit I guess," he said. "I hope I can treat them with justice."

Tindall added that his wife was an extremely devoted teacher.

"She handled the kids individually to a point that they were like family," he said. "She tried to guide them to do things that they were interested in."

Valedictorian Jose Rigoberto Lino Araujo, who is known as Rigo Lino, will lead 12 graduates across the stage to school board chair Lori Bennett, who will hand out the diplomas.

The 18-year-old son of Rigoberto and Socorro Lino will be joined by classmates Anallely Ayala, Madison Rayne Burbank, Noah E. Matias Dedman, Laureano Rodriguez Hernandez, Rose Mary Herrera-Vargas, Bailie Jewett, Alejandro Modesto, Zackary Vane Piersol, Garrett Dean Prow, Alyssa Morgan Rodriguez and Hailey Laura Sharek.



David Tindall

Dedman and Burbank are honor graduates with the valedictorian. Dedman has a 3.46 grade-point average, and Burbank carries a 3.25 GPA.

With a motto of "Our lives are before us — Our pasts are behind us — but our memories are forever with us," the gym will be decorated in the class colors of hunter green, old gold and black.

The class flower is the white rose, and seniors chose "Welcome to the Jungle," the 1987 song by rock band Guns N' Roses, as their class song.

Araujo, who has a 3.88 GPA, has lived in Grand View his entire life.

He is a member of Rimrock's National Honor Society chapter, Idaho Drug-Free Youth, the Boy Scouts, FFA, Future Hispanic Leaders of America, and Sources of Strength. Araujo has also participated in the high school drama club and played competed in football, basketball, baseball and track and field.

His proudest achievement was receiving the rank of Eagle Scout after organizing the construction of a pedestrian bridge.

— See Address, Page 13B



Class of 2017 valedictorian Rigo Lino will lead 12 Rimrock High School graduates across the stage on Sunday.

Rimrock's Jewett draws on own experiences for project

School resource officer inspires senior's work

A Rimrock High School student left a memorable impression on her fellow classmates last month.

Bailie Jewett organized an "Every 15 Minutes" program as part of her senior project. The mock car accident demonstration was held on the Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School football field on the morning of April 21.

In the afternoon, a mock funeral was held in the school gymnasium for the "victim" from the morning's demonstration, and a school assembly wrapped up the events aimed at increasing awareness about the hazards of driving impaired.

Jewett, her sister Sami, and their mother Jodi were involved in a two-vehicle accident on March 17, 2015. The driver in the other car died.

The head-on collision happened on Idaho highway 167 as the family was coming from Mountain Home.

Bailie Jewett, who was driving, was trying to give oncoming semi trucks plenty of room. But she hit a patch of gravel near the side of the road.

"It caught me and shot me down into the borrow ditch," she said. "Then when I corrected back onto the road, it shot me across the road, and we hit the other guy."

Idaho State Police said 33-year-old Christopher Standage of Mountain Home died at the scene from his injuries.

Bailie Jewett suffered foot and knee injuries that forced her to use crutches for a month. Her mother had a minor chest injury, but her sister wasn't hurt.

Jewett's first idea for a senior project was to make a presentation showing the dangers and consequences of a serious car accident.

"It wasn't going to be on distracted or drunk driving because I didn't want people to think that my car accident was caused by that, because it wasn't," Jewett said. "It was just a tragic car accident."

Owyhee County Sheriff's school resource officer Deputy Lindsay Fuquay suggested that the "Every 15 Minutes" program leaves a lasting impact, which



Bailie Jewett



The scene of the "Every 15 Minutes" mock car accident demonstration at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School on April 21. **From left:** Rigo Lino portraying the grim reaper, sophomore Dalton Allison playing the role of the crash "victim," sophomore Mylee Meyers portraying the drunk driver in the simulation, and sophomore Elizabeth Rodriguez calling 911. Submitted photo

convinced Jewett.

The demonstration on the Bruneau campus included student actors, representatives from the sheriff's office, ISP, Grand View Ambulance, the Bruneau Quick Response Unit, Grand View Fire, Bruneau Fire and Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center LifeFlight.

Fuquay contacted all of the first-responders, and a Grand View resident donated the wrecked cars.

Jewett said she is very thankful for all of Fuquay's help in organizing the program.

Former Marsing resident Shau-na Sauer, whose daughter Taylor died as a result of distracted driving,

also gave a "Put It Down" presentation. Sauer and her family have dedicated themselves to preventing more deaths because of texting and driving.

Jewett said it was her mom's idea to get Sauer involved.

"We contacted her and asked

— See Project, Page 13B

JORDAN VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL



The five members of Jordan Valley High School's Class of 2017 graduated Saturday. **From left:** John Echave, Zoey Warn, Garrett Youren, Alisha Rogers and Kasen Skinner. Submitted photo

Tight-knit group of graduates ready for what's next

When there are only five people in your graduating class, friendship is a major factor.

Jordan Valley High School's honor graduates both embrace the friends and relationships they formed while growing up in the Oregon-Idaho border town.

Valedictorian John Jett Echave and salutatorian Zoey Lora Warn received their diplomas Saturday afternoon. They were joined in the school gymnasium by Alisha Ann Rogers, Kasen Silas Skinner and Garrett James Youren.

The 18-year-old son of Jon and Tara Echave, John (or JJ as many knew him from his sports endeavors) plans to study business either at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton, Ore., or Eastern Oregon University in La Grande, Ore.

"I would like to personally thank everyone that has shown support not only for me, but for JVHS," he said. "Having this support really encourages us to



Valedictorian John Echave

strive for more. "I would also like to thank the teachers for tolerating me over the years. I wouldn't have made it this far without their help."

Echave served on three 1A District 8 basketball championship teams in four years, and played in the state tournament in Baker City as a senior.

"This showed that we, as a team, continued to work every hard to improve," Echave said, calling his basketball career the



Salutatorian Zoey Warn

proudest achievement of his high school career.

He also played four years of football and was involved with FFA for four years.

Echave attained a 4.0 grade-point average and was inducted into the National Honor Society.

He was also involved with student government and trap shooting while at Jordan Valley.

"Honestly there isn't one memory that vividly stands

out," Echave said. "My entire high school experience was very memorable.

"Participating in both basketball and football, occasionally goofing off in the classroom, and overall just being with my buddies is what I will remember most about high school."

Echave stayed busy watching football and basketball games and hanging out with friends. He also found time to help with the town cleanup for the past four years as well as the annual Easter egg hunt at the school.

His favorite quote — from surfing and sailing innovator Hobie Alter — follows Echave's philosophy in life, too: "If it's fun, it's never work. And if it isn't fun, it'll never work."

Zoey Warn achieved a 3.64 GPA to become class salutatorian and join the National Honor Society.

The 17-year-old daughter of Carol Warn and Con and Gail

Warn is a lifelong Jordan Valley resident and has spent her free time participating in sports, working and driving around with friends.

She played volleyball and basketball, and says her best high school memory is the Mustangs making it to the second round of the 1A state playoffs in both sports during her senior year.

Warn also helped run youth camps for the area's aspiring basketball and volleyball players. Like Echave, she also helped with the community cleanup.

After taking a year off from school, Warn plans to enroll at Truckee Meadows Community College in Nevada and study to become a veterinary technician.

Her favorite quote comes from spiritual author, teacher and lecturer Marianne Williamson: "Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure."

✓ Teacher: Honor students work hard to keep their hometown sparkling

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Galligan is a member of Marsing's National Honor Society and has played football, basketball, and track and field while at Marsing schools.

His hobbies include watching sports and competing in sporting events.

Galligan says his proudest achievement was being named first-team All-2A Western Idaho Conference for football.

"Because I felt I had actually earned it," he said. "It wasn't

easy to do."

Galligan plans to go to college, graduate with honors, and make what he calls an "exorbitant amount" of money.

His favorite quote is: "The quality of a person's life is in direct proportion to their commitment to excellence, regardless of their chosen field of endeavor" by former Green Bay Packers and Washington Redskins coach Vince Lombardi.

Kish was a cheerleader for three years. She served on the student

council, and is also a member of Marsing's National Honor Society and the FFA. Her community involvement includes volunteering for the Marsing Disaster Auction, Clean Up Marsing Day, and Red Cross blood drives.

She also became Marsing FFA chapter president.

"I would say that this is my proudest achievement because of the amount of work I put into doing everything I could to be the best candidate for the office," Kish said.

She plans to attend Utah State University and study plant science in the hopes of becoming a horticultural therapist.

Her favorite quote is: "Life is tough, my darling, but so are you" by Stephanie Bennett Henry.

Beagley is a recipient of The Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award. She has helped out during Clean Up Marsing Day and assisted in painting The Sandbar Café parking lot last year.

Her hobbies include playing

volleyball, reading, yoga, singing and listening to music.

Her proudest school memory is from first grade.

"I wrote an essay about why America is so great, and won a \$50 savings bond," Beagley said.

She plans to either enter the workforce, or attend college for graphic design after graduation.

Her favorite quote comes from former First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt: "The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

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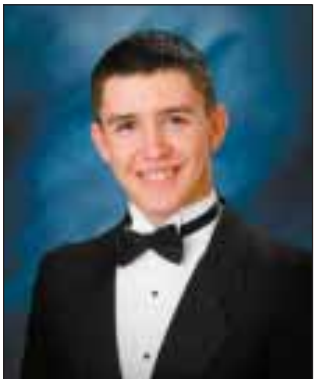
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Valedictorians - Zoe Kish and Sam Galligan Salutatorian - Tiffany Beagley
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HOMEDALE HIGH SCHOOL

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COSSA ACADEMY



Homedale students Christina Esparza (left), a senior, and sophomore Jose Buenrostro have been tabbed as speakers during Tuesday’s Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency (COSSA) Academy graduation at The College of Idaho.

Homedale students in graduation spotlight

As many as 21 students from Homedale, Marsing could receive diplomas next week

Two Homedale students will take the podium when the COSSA Academy Class of 2017 graduates. School officials say the graduation ceremony traditionally has been an emotional experience for the students and their loved ones. This year’s commencement takes place at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 23 at Jewett Auditorium on The College of Idaho campus in Caldwell. The students who have attended class at the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency Regional Technical and Educational Center in Wilder come from the Homedale, Marsing, Wilder, Parma and Notus school districts.

At press time, there were 38 students scheduled to receive diplomas. Two students who began their high school careers at Homedale High — Christina Esparza and Jose Buenrostro — will serve as speakers during next week’s ceremony. Christina Esparza is the 17-year-old daughter of Homedale residents Janet and Domingo Esparza. She’s among 11 Homedale students set to graduate. Another 10 graduates come from Marsing. Esparza’s graduating a year early after skipping her junior year. She earned enough credits to move ahead, in part, because

she attended summer school after her freshman year. Esparza, who attended COSSA Academy the past two years, isn’t sure what her speech will cover. “We’re supposed to talk about our experiences here,” she said. She said she is excited to receive her diploma, and she plans to work during the summer with an eye toward enrolling in college. Esparza, who attended Caldwell schools before coming to Homedale High, wants to attend law school and become an attorney. She has a goal of becoming the first person from her family to earn a college degree. She said the COSSA Academy educational environment was more comfortable for her. “You get all your work done here, basically,” she said. “The student and teacher relationships are pretty good. The teachers get

along with the students, and they like to help.” Although he’s just a sophomore, Buenrostro is COSSA Academy’s student body president. The 16-year-old son of Sylvia and Luis Buenrostro defeated a senior in the election. “Honestly I ran because I wanted to experience something new and I wanted to see how it felt to be in charge of something for once,” he said. Buenrostro worked for his peers during his year as president. “I just talk to them about what they want to happen, and I’ll try to make it happen for them,” he said. He plans to return to Homedale High for his senior year, but is happy to study at COSSA Academy and appreciates the guidance of folks like staffers Brandy Bennett and Kelly Adcock. “When I came here, I had a lot

of anger issues, and they help me get through the day without anger problems,” he said. He sees his time at COSSA as rebuilding his emotional makeup in preparation for a return to Homedale High School. “I’m trying to rehabilitate myself here, so I can go back and graduate with my class,” he said. Although he is just completing his second year of high school, Buenrostro has an idea of what career path he wants to follow. And he points to the experience of working on COSSA’s Tiny House Project as a deciding factor. “Fresh out of high school, I think I want to go into building regular houses for people to see if I want to make something out of it or go in a different direction,” he said. “So far, construction is pretty much for me the thing to do every day.” — JPB



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ADRIAN HIGH SCHOOL

Community-minded athletes head class

The next part of the dream for Adrian High School seniors comes later this month.

Valedictorian Lauren Barraza and co-salutatorians Kenny Purnell and Carlee Morton will lead 18 graduates at commencement at 6 p.m. on Sunday, May 28.

With a motto of “Livin’ the Dream,” the Class of 2017 members will receive their diplomas from district superintendent Gene Mills and board of trustees chair Ryan Martin inside the high school gymnasium.

Fittingly, the seniors chose “Send Me on My Way,” the 1994 hit song by fusion rock band Rusted Root, as their class song.

Lauren Francine Barraza

The 17-year-old daughter of Mike and Mary Jo Barraza earned Class of 2017 valedictorian with a 4.0 grade-point average.

She plans to enroll in the Hoff School of Business at Corban University in Salem, Ore.

The seven-year area resident plans to earn a bachelor’s degree in accounting as the first step toward becoming a Certified Public Accountant back home.

“I am inspired by the hard-working business men and women

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Clockwise from top:
Valedictorian Lauren Barraza
Co-salutatorian Carlee Morton
Co-salutatorian Kenny Purnell

Adrian High School Class of 2017

Graduation Ceremony: 6 p.m. on Sunday, May 28th
Adrian High School gymnasium



[left to right]: Lauren Barraza, Ryker Murrey, Kevin Rodriguez, Haylee Richardson, Marcus Furtado, Anna Hutchings, Dakota Thornton, Drake Wilson, Juan Figueroa, Marco Munoz, Trevor Pruyn, Carlee Morton, Roberto Ramirez, Kenny Purnell, Mariah McLay, Chancey Hiatt, Wes White, Selina Villarreal.

Valedictorian: Lauren Barraza • **Salutatorian:** Kenny Purnell & Carlee Morton
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HOMEDALE HIGH SCHOOL



Ben Holloway conducts the middle school band during the final number of its spring concert on May 9. Holloway's yearlong Senior Project included helping the fifth grade band and giving music lessons.

✓ Holloway: Senior caught music teaching bug early in his school career

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and, of course, family time.

"Tennis is just a distraction for me," he said. "I feel lazy if I'm not doing something."

Ben says help from his bishop and other church officials helped with time management, too.

"It's like baking a cake," he said. "You have a bunch of different things you have to put in the cake, like eggs, and you have to know how much milk you need to put in to make it fluffy."

"You have to work together to get a good-tasting cake."

So apparently he's a cook, too.

His life hasn't slowed down even as graduation approaches.

Cheri and Jerry Holloway's son went through his Eagle Scout interview on Saturday (the final step before Honor Court) after wrapping up an Eagle Project that brought 80 blankets to the St. Luke's Medical Center Neonatal Intensive Care Unit in Boise.

He opened play in the 3A District III mixed doubles tournament Thursday, less than 48 hours after leading the middle school fifth-grade band through its spring concert.

And Thursday night, only about 2½ hours after his tennis match, Ben played his final high school concert as the jazz band, band and choir performed famous tunes from Broadway and the Silver Screen.

He has found time for hobbies, too, including rugby, which he played for a while in Caldwell, disc golf and swimming.

Ben's breakneck bushel of activities blossomed from a 6-year-old's single idea of wanting to be like his older sibling.

"My sister, Katie, was in band, and she was playing clarinet with the band, and I thought it was a very cool thing," Ben said.

So he started with the violin. Although he dabbles with piano, the violin remains his favorite instrument.

But he had an epiphany when he entered middle school.

"When I hit fifth grade, I realized you can't play violin in band, so I picked up the saxophone," he said.

Ben has played both the violin and sax during entertainment breaks at the Homedale Farmers Market. But he's best known in high school for the sax, although he also played bass guitar during some pep band gigs at district basketball tournaments in Ontario, Ore.

In his junior year, he even conducted the pep band.

"Ben is great at leading by example, and younger members of the band have noticed the way he contributes to our music program," Homedale music director John Zieske said.

"I've definitely noticed more students taking on a leadership role in classes because they are seeing our ensembles grow and want to improve even more."

Leading the pep band, and this year teaching fifth-graders music, also grew out of another moment of clarity Ben had as an eighth-grader.



Ben Holloway (center), his sister Amy (left) and their father Jerry deliver bags of blankets to the St. Luke's Medical Center Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) as part of Ben's Eagle Scout project. Ben's Boy Scout leaders and LDS bishop helped build "Blankets for a Generation" prior to the delivery. "It was a nice community effort," Ben said. Photo submitted by Cheri Holloway

"A lot of times instead of going to the playground, I would stay and help the lunch ladies with their carts then I would go into the music room to see if I could help," he said.

"One day I went in the music room and the teacher wasn't there, so I led them. Come to find out they were supposed to be in the gymnasium (for their class)."

Still, the experience planted the desire to become a music teacher.

"Ben is patient, kind, smart, and funny; the perfect combination of traits for a future music teacher," Zieske said.

He plans to obtain a music education degree either at The

College of Idaho, Boise State University or BYU. He says he has an offer to work his way through college at a music shop and would like to catch on as an assistant director with a school music program while finishing his studies.

Zieske said Ben already has done most of the duties of an assistant director, allowing the HHS teacher to work with smaller groups.

Ben credits his sister, Katie, former HHS music director Jessica Bohachek, and his mother with putting him on the path to a career in music.

He "blames" friends for his involvement in acting. "I

got dragged into that by the McMichaels (Patrick and Emma)," he said. In addition to his performances (including lead roles), he has become a technical whiz for DeAnn Thatcher's club, repairing a cranky, old sound system and leaving instructions for those who come after him.

"Ben Holloway is a very talented young man. He has a natural-born talent for music, which has been valuable for our Drama Club," Thatcher said.

"His good ear and interest in sound equipment led him to help us with our sound on many performances. Fortunately, we also got him on the stage."

— JPB

HOMEDALE HIGH SCHOOL

✓ Homedale: Honor graduates recount best memories of days at HHS

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She is a National Honor Society member, and was a top doubles player for the Trojans’ tennis team.

Riley Elizabeth Haun
Age: 17
Parents: Bill and Kelly Haun
GPA: 3.94
After spending her school years in Homedale, Haun is ready to move on to the University of Idaho where she plans to study Ag Communications and attend law school.

Her involvement with the Homedale FFA chapter has been a big part of her high school years. She served as chapter president and Boise Valley District reporter and amassed 20 hours of community service through the organization. She considers earning the FFA State Star Farmer, which is the highest recognition in the state, her proudest high school achievement. Haun also served as the president for the school’s National Honor Society chapter.

Jessica Marie Tayler
Age: 17
Parents: Michael and Christy Taylor
GPA: 3.92
Tayler has left her mark on her school with a wall-length mural in the music room, and she sees that as her proudest achievement “because it took me all of senior year and turned out way better than I expected.”

The mural allowed her to tap into two of her favorite hobbies — painting and drawing. She spent a lot of time in the music room as part of the band and

choir, and also performed with the drama club. Tayler has lived in Homedale for only 4½ years, but has been extremely active as a member of the National Honor Society chapter, the community choir and the Honors Choir. She also has performed community service through her church and with her Senior Project. She plans to attend BYU Idaho in Rexburg. Tayler’s favorite quote is adapted from something Homer originally wrote: “Faith is not knowing what the future holds but knowing who holds the future.”

Annabel Vega
Age: 18
Parents: Elvira Vega and Antonio Vega
GPA: 3.92
Vega’s proudest achievement is being inducted into the National Honors Society. “It took lots of hard work to be chosen,” she said. The lifelong Homedale resident plans to attend the College of Western Idaho. Vega has been active in the Homedale food drive and also has tutored ninth-graders.

Hannah Michele Downum
Age: 18
Parents: Callie Downum and Dave Downum
GPA: 3.85
Another lifelong Homedale resident, Downum plans to become an art teacher after receiving a degree from Boise State University. She’s most proud of induction into the National Honor Society. “It took hard work to maintain the GPA,” she said.

Downum also has been active in Sources of Strength and on the yearbook staff. Here community service included volunteering at the Homedale Public Library.

Ryan James Randall
Age: 17
Parents: Machele and Eric Randall
GPA: 3.85
Randall has lived in Homedale all his life, but he will move to Pocatello to attend Idaho State University after graduation. He participated in tennis and cross country, and a frequent athletic outing — known as a cross country Dutch run — is his best high school memory “because we were always having fun as a family.” Randall was accepted into the National Honor Society, too. In his free time, he enjoys reading and photography.

Samantha Janet Bedolla
Age: 18
Parents: Ruben and Margarita Bedolla
GPA: 3.83
The lifelong Homedale resident is most proud of being accepted to attend The College of Idaho and earning \$16,000 in scholarships. She has helped in the community as a tutor and with local cleanup efforts. She also has volunteer at the El-Ada Community Action Partnership Owyhee County office and the Wilder WICAP Head Start. She enjoys skating, reading and attending concerts and music festivals. The Science Club’s recent trip to the Grand Canyon is her favorite high school memory.

Alyssa Breann Emery
Age: 18
Parents: Douglas and Rebecca Emery
GPA: 3.83
After living in Homedale for the past eight years, Emery wants to attend Boise State to pursue a degree in pediatric nursing. She raised more than \$1,000 for ovarian cancer research, and also helps out with church service activities. There have been memories, too. “Senior Skip Day was a nice break where my friends and I made new memories,” she said. Her favorite quote is “Behind every successful woman is a tribe of other successful women who have her back.”

Craig Kenneth Romriell
Age: 17
Parents: Clint and Sherri Romriell
GPA: 3.83
After a lifetime in Homedale, Romriell plans to embark on his LDS mission after graduation. He has been active in athletics at Homedale, including football and baseball and one year of wrestling. Romriell also took part in the school’s weightlifting club. He’s a member of the National Honor Society and also participated in the Science Club and Rotary Club at school. Romriell’s community service has included helping out with the Angel Walk, the town’s canned food drive and shoveling snow in the winter. His hobbies include badminton tournaments and dirt-bike riding, and his best high school memory also comes from a fun activity:

“When my friends and I built bunkers and had an awesome airsoft war.”
Angel Chavez
Age: 17
Parents: Emilio Chavez and Maria Chavez
GPA: 3.83

Chavez has lived in Homedale all his life and has worked on a better future for the community through several clubs and community service endeavors. He has been active in the school’s chapters for TRiO, Real Future Leaders, the Future Hispanic Leaders of America and GEAR-Up. Chavez also has been a Friday Youth Club volunteer at the First Presbyterian Church. He also has been inducted into the National Honor Society. “I’ve worked so hard to be recognized for something great I’ve done,” he said. Chavez plans to attend the College of Western Idaho. “I would like to thank my friends, family, and teachers who have encouraged me to strive towards a brighter future and pursue my goals,” he said. Chavez spends his free time with video games and watching movies and TV shows. His favorite quote comes from hockey great Wayne Gretzky: “You miss 100 percent of the shots you don’t take.”

Chavez’s best high school memory actually is something that struck momentary fear in the young man: “Waking up at 7:40 a.m. and going to school thinking I was going to be late to school. It was so hilarious and a must-be-heard story.”

RIMROCK HIGH SCHOOL

✓ Address: Valedictorian leaves impression on school and hometown

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“Because it took many years and work to accomplish,” Araujo said. Other community service endeavors included helping at the Grand View food bank and volunteering at Grand View Days.

Camping, rafting, boating and fishing with family and friends are among Araujo’s favorite hobbies. He plans to study physical therapy either at Idaho State University or the College of Southern Idaho. Araujo’s favorite quote is: “The differ-

ence between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather a lack of will” by former Green Bay Packers and Washington Redskins coach Vince Lombardi. Araujo said one memory stands out from his time at Rimrock.

“Getting stuck on an elevator with teammates at ISU football camp freshman year,” he said. “We had 11 people there, and after the scare stage, we could not stop laughing about it.” — SC

✓ Project: Poignant production touches about 70 people

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her if she’d be willing to come out and speak to our school,” she said. Jewett estimates that about 70 people, including students and community members, attended the events. She added that a lot of effort went into putting together the

mock funeral. “There was a casket and a small slide show,” Jewett said. “The living dead were behind the casket sitting in chairs. They had makeup on their faces and wore black T-shirts to represent people that are killed every 15 minutes from distracted driving or drinking and driving.”

The casket was borrowed from a Mountain Home funeral home. Jewett said it was an emotional day for some of her classmates. “We saw quite a few kids crying,” she said. “A lot of them said that if it was to happen in real life they would be really sad.” Jewett will study nursing at the College of Western Idaho.

There was an element of family history in her senior project. Jewett lost a cousin, Eric Rodriguez, to a drunk driving accident when she was very young. “So I know the consequences of it,” she said. “I wanted people to know that it can happen to anybody.” — SC

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MARSING HIGH SCHOOL

✓ Graduate: Physical fatigue doesn’t stop Arriaga from attaining goals



Oseas Arriaga

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brain’s cerebellum.
These symptoms affect his energy levels, sight, balance and speech.
“I can’t do stuff like other people do,” Oseas said. “My body gets tired easily. The only thing I can do is stay active for so much time and hope for the best.”
The son of Juan and Rosa Arriaga was diagnosed when he was 9 years old.
“I didn’t know what was wrong until my middle school years when we went to all these doctors,” Oseas said. “Then it became really hard for me to function well like other people do.”

In 2013, Oseas was the Angel Walk fundraiser honoree in Homedale.
On Friday, May 26, he and 48 other graduates are scheduled to get their diplomas from MHS principal Tim Little.
Oseas said attending Marsing schools has treated him well, but admits that his senior year hasn’t been easy.
He credits his friends, teachers and family for helping him get through high school and to graduate.
“And the principal, Tim Little,” Oseas said.
He singled out MHS English Language Arts teachers Daryl

Lemos and Lennie Freeman for making extra time to help him with his studies. Oseas also said social studies teacher Juanita Deleon and science teacher Deidra Little at the middle school were of great assistance in earlier grades.
Oseas had a special message for his teachers.
“Thank you for helping me make it this far and for taking care of me,” he said.
When Oseas found himself challenged with a homework assignment, he said his parents, brother Isai and sisters Debra, Sefora and Rosaita gave him encouragement.
Admitting that he didn’t like

science class very much, Oseas said his favorite classes were math, English and history.
His time with Husky athletics may have played a factor in deciding what to do after graduation.
Oseas already knows what he’ll be doing in the fall.
“Going to college at college at CWI in Nampa to study sports management,” he said.
Oseas thinks the road to graduation taught him a valuable lesson for the rest of his life.
“Keep doing what you do best but if you lose at the end, you just keep trying,” he said. “Don’t give up.” — SC

ADRIAN HIGH SCHOOL

✓ Class: Honor grads mix rural lifestyle with healthy dose of service

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in my community and want to be able to help them in their financial pursuits,” she said.
“Ultimately, my goal is to use my knowledge, skills, and talents to assist the business community in growing healthy, strong organizations.”
Barraza has been a member of the National Society of High School Scholars since 2015, and she will earn highest honors at Adrian for the fourth consecutive year.
She earned the school’s Female Citizen of the Year Award as a sophomore and junior, and has been voted student of the year in several classes since her freshman year.
Barraza has been involved in numerous community service endeavors, including volunteer at her church’s nursery, the school’s glean team, a blood drive, Owyhee Field Day, and many others.
Her favorite quote is from Mountain View Church of the Nazarene pastor Rev. Chuck Ryan: “If God is before you, who can be against you?”
Barraza has been an officer in many organizations, including the Adrian Student Body as president this year and as secretary as a junior and sophomore.
She has been in Adrian FFA all four years of high school, including as vice-president this year and secretary in 2015-16. She was chapter reporter in her sophomore year.
She served as Adrian 4-H

club president during her junior year, and was vice-president as a freshman. She remains active in 4-H.
Barraza also participated in the school’s International Club as a sophomore and has been part of the Adrian Drama Club for two years. She had a minor role as a junior and was on the make-up team this year.
Barraza said her best high school memories came during the International Club’s three-week European trip.
“I loved seeing new parts of the world and was amazed at the wonders I saw,” she said.
Barraza has excelled in athletics as well. She is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA).
She was 1A High Desert League player of the year in the fall when the volleyball team finished third in the state tournament. She is a two-time all-district volleyball player.
In basketball, Barraza helped the Antelopes place in three state tournaments, including third place in her senior season.
“I have accomplished a lot the past four years, and I am sincerely proud of many things in each area of my life: sports, friends, family, school and service,” Barraza said. “I never settled for less than my best.”
Kenneth David Purnell
Like Barraza, the 18-year-old son of Kevin and Heidi Purnell plans to attend Corban University

after graduation. Adrian’s co-salutatorian will major in English and compete on the track team.
Kenny Purnell moved to Adrian a decade ago when his father took Adrian High School principal job.
Purnell’s athletic pursuits provide his biggest memory and proudest moment in high school.
He owns the school record in the discus, which he says was his proudest achievement “because I put a lot of work and effort into throwing, so it felt great to see it pay off.”
As a sophomore, he served on the Antelopes’ 1A Oregon state champion football team.
For a guy who has competed at a high level in football, basketball and track throughout his high school career, it’s no surprise that Purnell lists sports among his hobbies. He also likes superhero movies and playing card games with his friends.
His favorite quote, by fictional character Michael Scott played by Steve Carell on “The Office,” even ties somewhat to his plans to study English: “Sometimes I’ll start a sentence and I don’t even know where it’s going. I just hope I find it along the way.”
Purnell has built a 3.94 GPA at Adrian while serving as a spokesperson for the Oregon Battle of the Books in his freshman, junior and senior years. He also competed on the Brain Drain Team in 10th and 11th grades.
He has been student body vice-president since his sophomore year.
Other extra-curricular activities for Purnell have included drama club with supporting roles as a sophomore and junior. He played lead roles as a freshman and again in his senior year.

He also was a member of the International Club his first two years at Adrian High, and participated in FFA through his junior year.
He captained the basketball team as a junior and was a football captain as a senior. He was a leader for the school’s FCA chapter last school year.
Purnell’s community service has been diverse, including organizing volunteers for both the Malheur Youth Health/Science Day in December and the Adrian Science Technology Math and Engineering (STEM) Day in February.
He also has helped with a blood drive and the school’s annual foster child toy drive.
He’s a three-year volunteer for the Parent Teacher Organization Halloween Carnival and the Owyhee Off-Road Challenge fundraiser. He also has been part of the Adrian gleaning team since 2013.
Purnell is in his fourth year of teaching Sunday School at his church.
Carlee Alysse Morton
A lifelong Adrian resident, the 18-year-old co-salutatorian is the daughter of Carl and Julie Morton.
Morton is heavily involved in FFA, serving on the officer team as a sophomore, junior and senior. She wants to attain her American FFA Degree after high school.
She will graduate with a 3.94 GPA.
“Thank you to my family and friends, coaches and teachers for pushing me in everything I do,” she said.
In the fall, she will study Animal Science and Ranch Management at Treasure Valley Community College before moving on to either

Oregon State or Montana State to earn a bachelor’s degree.
Morton was part of volleyball and basketball teams that placed third in state tournaments, an experience she calls her proudest achievement.
“I was so very fortunate to have played with great girls,” she said.
She still hasn’t landed on a best high school memory, writing “To be determined; it’s not over yet, my friends.”
Morton has been a four-year member of Adrian FFA and the varsity basketball and volleyball teams.
As part of the FFA chapter, she participated in Oregon FFA Food For All, Owyhee Field Days, a local movie night and community dance and was part of the Glean Team.
She has been an FFA officer the past three years, and was a class officer as a sophomore and junior.
She also helped with the Malheur County Fair Cleanup and the Cow Hollow Easter Egg Hunt.
Morton still has time for hobbies, such as riding horses, hanging with friends and family and “telling Laffy Taffy jokes.”
Another hobby, reading, brought her a rather lengthy favorite quote from Augustus McCrae, a character in the Lonesome Dove series:
“You see, life in San Francisco is still just life. If you want any one thing too badly, it’s likely to turn out to be a disappointment. The only healthy way to live life is to learn to like all the little everyday things —like a sip of ‘cool water’ in the evening, a soft bed, a glass of buttermilk, or a feisty gentleman like myself.”

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Tuesday, May 23 at 5 p.m. on the
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RIMROCK HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

Valedictorian: Jose Rigoberto Lino Araujo
Class theme/motto: Our lives are before us/Our pasts are behind us/but our memories are forever with us.
Class flower: White Rose
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Class song: Welcome to the Jungle by Guns 'N Roses
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