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Danika Stewart of Dana's Designs puts the finishing touches on a centennial mural on the Owyhee County Fairgrounds restrooms. Stewart has been designing murals on her own for eight years after helping her mom previously. The Homedale resident also painted several storefront windows around her hometown in the weeks leading up to the fair.

## County fair celebrates 100 years

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### Grounds improvements enhance the look back

Folks are invited to the Owyhee County Fairgrounds later this week to commemorate 100 years of fair and rodeo in Homedale.

Fair board secretary and fair manager Ginger Loucks said the celebration will begin at 6 p.m. on Friday at Tumbleweed Theatre.

"We'll have cake for everyone. We'll have T-shirts and some commemorative

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## Lifelong Owyhee resident named parade grand marshal

### Frankie Dougal still working at 99

The heritage of ranching is a big part of the Owyhee County Fair every year.

So it's only fitting that a woman who has spent her entire life ranching has been selected this year's Owyhee County Fair and

Rodeo Parade grand marshal.

Frankie Dougal, 99, was born in Jordan Valley and has been a resident of Owyhee country ever since. Her ranch is on Juniper Mountain Road near Cliffs in Owyhee County.

Dougal will lead Saturday's parade, which starts at 9 a.m. and travels through downtown Homedale west on Idaho Avenue and east on Owyhee Avenue.

She said ranching is the only way of life she's ever known.

— See *Grand marshal*, page 5



Frankie Dougal with her hand-twisted horsehair mecate. Submitted photo

## Park plan increases Marsing budget

Boat dock, restroom grants fuel \$217K spike

More than half of the proposed \$217,329 increase to the City of Marsing's budget is tied to improved recreational spots in town.

A public hearing on the city's Fiscal Year 2018 budget will be held during the city council meeting. The August regular meeting starts at 7 p.m. today inside City Hall, 425 Main St. The council could adopt the budget soon after the hearing. The light agenda for the regular gathering of city leaders suggests a brief meeting.

The proposed \$3,150,301 budget is 7.4 percent (or \$217,329) more than the current budget (\$2,932,972).

Part of the budget increase is linked to the anticipation of receiving about \$125,000 in government grants.

The city hopes to get a \$36,700 U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development grant to build new bathrooms at City Park. A \$88,840 Idaho

— See *Marsing*, page 4

## Murphy DMV hours change again

The Murphy DMV branch has adjusted its hours again.

On Aug. 1, the Owyhee County Division of Motor Vehicles desk in the county seat began closing at 3:30 p.m. each day. The deadline to complete a driver's license test is 3 p.m. each day.

The branch is now open from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Just six weeks earlier, the DMV closure time had been changed to 4 p.m.



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# Homedale budget reflects development boom

More building fees anticipated in FY 18; hearing tonight

According to the government’s proposed budget, City of Homedale officials are planning for more revenue from development in the coming fiscal year.

The Fiscal Year 2018 budget, which is about \$8,000 shy of \$4.6 million, is subject to a public hearing at 6 p.m. today inside City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave. The council could approve the appropriations later in the meeting.

The budget hearing is part of the council’s first regular meeting of August.

Officials from Great West Engineering, the firm selected to develop the city’s Idaho Community Block Grant application for library expansion, will introduce themselves to the council during the meeting.

City department heads will proffer bi-monthly reports for the council’s consideration.

Homedale’s proposed budget of \$4,592,375 is 7.9 percent larger than the current \$4,255,365 appropriations package, and it dwarfs The FY 16 spending by nearly \$1 million.

While the \$337,010 budget increase can be tied to the anticipation of receiving a \$500,000 state grant and more donations for library expansion, the city’s revenue lines also show more than \$400,000 in property tax revenue.

Anticipated development fees — including residential and commercial building permits — have been set at \$16,700. The city has received more than \$22,000 in fees this year primarily because of increased construction in the Santa Fe and Westwood residential subdivisions.

City budget writers also expect a cash carryover of \$147,951 from this year.

The law enforcement budget is scheduled to increase nearly 11 percent to \$548,728 as Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller seeks a seventh full-time patrolman. To offset the increase, Eidemiller has decided not to seek a new vehicle this year.

All but about \$60,000 of the police budget is built with money from the city’s general fund.

The police department will see a 10 percent increase in its school resource officer revenue.

The school trustees agreed to pay \$16,500 this year.

Other substantial budget increases have been proposed in the parks department, the sewer fund and the irrigation fund.

The parks department increase from \$137,670 to \$154,415 is tied primarily to an anticipated \$30,000 in grant revenues.

About half of the sewer fund’s \$15,000 increase to \$746,918 will be seen in personnel costs with pay raises and a bump in retirement benefits.

The rest comes from the annual user fees hike.

The bulk of the approximately \$7,000 increase in the irrigation fund is wrapped up in a \$5,000 hike in the equipment/vehicle replacement line to \$20,000.

Within the public works domain (water, sewer and irrigation) there is a cumulative \$15,000 increase in the equipment and vehicle replacement budget.

The plan is to buy a new public works truck this year to replace an aging rig.

— JPB

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## GV man gets jail for misdemeanor DUI

A Grand View resident has been ordered to spend three days in jail as part of his sentence for misdemeanor driving under the influence.

An Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputy arrested Russell R. Berbes on April 12. Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober handed down the sentence in a July 31 hearing in Murphy.

The balance of a six-month jail sentence was suspended, and Grober ordered a six-month driver’s license suspension and a year of probation.

Berbes also must pay \$650 in fines and court costs.

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# Grand View plans budget hearing today

Residents will have their say tonight when the City of Grand View holds a public hearing on its proposed budget.

The hearing on the Fiscal Year 2018 budget is the first item on the agenda for the city council's monthly meeting, which begins at 6 p.m. inside City Hall, 425 Boise Ave.

The city council proposes a \$640,619 budget that is 2.5 percent bigger than the current batch of appropriations. The proposed budget is nearly \$40,000 larger (6.6 percent) than the FY 2016 budget of \$601,087.

Grand View brought in nearly \$100,000 more than it spent in FY 2016, primarily because of increased revenues for the water department and streets depart-

ment.

The biggest jump in spending for FY 2018 comes in the streets budget. Council members plan to appropriate more than \$70,000 for infrastructure work next year after budgeting only \$48,228 in FY 2017. If the proposed street budget materializes as expected, the city will spend \$20,000 more than projected revenues.

Once the budget hearing is closed, the city council will take up regular business.

An update on nitrate levels in the city drinking water is scheduled, and the council could discuss the use of the city's backhoe at Riverside Cemetery.

Road repairs and a discussion about the city's boat docks are listed in the public works report.

# Homedale Police make series of arrests

A 21-year-old Nampa man has been picked up on a misdemeanor drunk driving warrant.

Cayetano Montes was arrested in Canyon County late last month after an arrest warrant was issued.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said Montes had to be transported to West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell for a blood draw to determine his blood alcohol concentration after his arrest last year.

Eidemiller said Montes refused to take field sobriety tests or submit to a Breathalyzer analysis.

Once the blood work returned, a \$1,500 misdemeanor arrest warrant was issued.

**Wanted men arrested**

- Officers responded to the report of an apparent no-contact order violation in a mobile home park arrested Enrico R. Baylon on three outstanding warrants from Ada County.
- The 29-year-old Homedale resident is wanted on suspicion of driving without privileges and failing to provide proof of insurance. He also failed to appear for previous hearings in Fourth District Court.
- Battery suspect Jesse D. Cardenas, 39, of Homedale has posted bail after his arrest for failing to appear for a pretrial

conference. No subsequent court dates are scheduled.

**Man faces drug charge**

A man suspected of driving without a license now faces a felony drug charge.

Jose Luis Cortez, 23, was arrested in the parking lot of a local grocery store last month after HPD Sgt. Mike McFetridge spotted a baggy containing methamphetamine during a traffic stop.

Eidemiller said McFetridge saw the bag, the contents of which tested presumptive positive as meth, as Cortez was fishing around for proof of insurance and vehicle registration.

McFetridge initiated the stop because he recognized Cortez and knew he had lost his driving privileges.

Cortez is scheduled for arraignment on two counts of felony drug possession and a misdemeanor paraphernalia charge before Third District Judge Davis VanderVelde at 9 a.m. on Friday in Murphy.

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Somehow, the married couple in this pickup was unhurt after their travel trailer whipped around and hit the tow rig head-on. Photo by Vern Tunnell

# Trailer collides with its tow rig

A Pocatello couple escaped injury when their pickup rammed their own camp trailer on U.S. Highway 95 on Friday.

Wind gusts and the frost heaves in the highway pavement are being blamed for the spectacular crash, Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said.

Gail Bowen, 72, was driving

a 2013 Ram R15 pickup pulling a 2016 travel trailer when the accident occurred around 3 p.m. between mileposts 17 and 18 on the highway south of Marsing.

Her husband Joel, 69, was a passenger in the northbound pickup.

Bowman said the trailer began to whip side to side in the wind, and the woman lost control when

the truck and trailer started over the undulating pavement near the Port of Entry.

According to photos posted to Facebook by OCSO reserve deputy Vern Tunnell, the pickup appeared to smash through the trailer after both vehicles left the roadway.

— JPB

# Man faces felony after wreck

Two Caldwell women remain in intensive care at a Boise hospital after an off-road wreck in the Hardtrigger area west of Givens.

Merrick Wright, 30, of Marsing faces a felony driving under the influence in connection with the Friday wreck that was reported around 9 p.m.

According to Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman, Wright and his two female passengers were traveling south on a gravel desert road.

The 2005 Dodge Durango in which they were riding rolled several times, and the women were ejected from the vehicle.

Bowman said excessive speed and alcohol were factors in the crash. None of the occupants were wearing seatbelts, he said.

An Idaho State Police trooper administered a Breathalyzer test near the scene. Wright was arrested after registering a blood-alcohol concentration of .166, which is more than twice the legal

limit of .08.

An OCSO deputy transported Wright to West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell and then to county jail in Murphy.

Bowman said Monday that the women — a 25-year-old and 32-year-old — remain in the Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center intensive care unit. The 25-year-old suffered pelvic, back and leg injuries and is being treated for internal bleeding. The 32-year-old has internal lacerations.

— JPB

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✓ Marsing: Big changes in store for Reich Street

Department of Parks and Recreation grant is eyed to build new boat ramps on the north side of Island Park.

The city roads and streets budget accounts for \$463,236 of the total dollar figure, down from the current appropriation of \$494,100. Marsing has received an Idaho Transportation Department grant to rebuild Reich Street during the upcoming fiscal year, which represents the bulk of the departmental budget.

The FY 18 general fund is proposed to be \$641,024, an increase of \$7,103 over last year.

Another item in the proposed budget is for sanitation. It is set to be \$90,050. In FY 17, the city

budgeted \$87,050 on sanitation services. In May, the council approved a 4.5 percent fee increase for residential garbage rates proposed by Homedale-based Westowns Disposal Inc. owner Bill Pastoor.

The irrigation line in the budget remains the same at \$44,190.

Marsing Mayor James Ferdinand said the overall proposed budget for FY 18 isn't much different from the current appropriation.

"The City of Marsing works very hard to save money where possible and make a conscious effort to be frugal whenever possible," Ferdinand wrote in an email.

"The City of Marsing will continue to be the best steward of our citizen's funds, and also provide the best infrastructure and other public services possible."

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— SC

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**Water report**

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 80 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 183 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 238 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 570,824 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. Last week's weather report wasn't available Monday.

Dist. 23A Rep. Zito plans town hall meeting in Marsing

One of two women representing District 23 in the Idaho House of Representatives will make a stop in Marsing next month.

Rep. Christy Zito completed her first session in Dist. 23 Seat A in the Idaho Legislature earlier this year. She and fellow Hammett resident Megan Blanksma (Seat B) were elected in November.

Zito will hold a town hall at 6 p.m., on Tuesday, Sept. 12 in the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.

Zito has conducted town halls each month in Mountain Home since the legislative session ended, but this will be her first post-session visit to Owyhee County.

"I've been trying to find places in Homedale and Marsing that don't charge a fortune so I could come out there once a month and do one," Zito said. "That was something I talked about during the campaign, meeting with people on a monthly basis during the off-season."

Zito said she doesn't typically bring any particular topic to speak on, but focuses on listening to what people have to say.

"It's a real informal thing, and we'll have cookies," she said. "I take any questions that people have about upcoming legislation, or something they would like to see in the upcoming session."

Zito added that she's been hearing a lot of comments from people about the rule-making process in the Idaho Legislature.

"We've been trying to stress just how those rules have the effect of law in your life, and how they affect everybody," she said. "It's been really good to hear what people have to say, what is on their mind and what they care about."

She is hoping for a good turnout at the town hall.

"There will be really good cookies," Zito said. "It's an opportunity to voice your opinion to your elected representative."

In the November, Zito defeated Homedale Democrat Mary Ann Richards with 91.1 percent of the vote in Owyhee County, Elmore County and the rural portion of western Twin Falls County.

Zito thinks the first year of her two-year term went well.


"I really enjoyed it," she said. "I learned a ton. I didn't go into it with any preconceived notions of how it would go. I haven't had any negative feedback from anyone."


— SC

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# Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo schedule

## Today

### Armory Exhibit Hall

8 a.m. to 10 a.m. — Open class entry for flowers, leafy vegetables, sugar beets, 4-H garden project vegetables and decorated cakes

2 p.m. to 9 p.m. — Hall open to fairgoers

### Livestock Barn

10:30 a.m. — Animal dress-up show

11 a.m. — Cow patty toss

Noon — Goat show, all classes and sheep show

### Rodeo Arena

8 p.m. — Idaho Cowboys Association rodeo slack, free

### Tumbleweed Theatre

5 p.m. — Style Revue practice

6 p.m. — Owyhee County’s Got Talent show

7 p.m. — Style revue

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. — Kids karaoke

## Thursday

### Livestock Barn

8 a.m. — Beef show

3 p.m. — Dairy show

### Armory Exhibit Hall

10 a.m. to 9 p.m. — Open to the public

### Contests near Tumbleweed Theatre

11 a.m. — Veggie People

1 p.m. — Dog show

1 p.m. — Pie eating contest

3 p.m. — Watermelon eating contest

### Tumbleweed Theatre

1 p.m. — Rabbit and cavy show

2 p.m. — Bird show

2:30 p.m. — Cat show

3 p.m. — Small animal round robin

7 p.m. — Chicken Dinner Road performs

### Rodeo parking lot

1 p.m. — Tractor driving contest

### Near main concession area

6 p.m. — 100-year fence branding

### Rodeo Arena

8 p.m. — Owyhee County Rodeo Kick Cancer Night

## Friday

### Livestock Barn

8 a.m. — Swine show and Fair Board Kiss a Pig contest

4 p.m. — Livestock judging contest

### Armory Exhibit Hall

10 a.m. to 9 p.m. — Open to the public

### Tumbleweed Theatre

1 p.m. — Roping contest

2 p.m. — Stick horse race

3 p.m. — Pedal tractor pull

6 p.m. — 100<sup>th</sup> Owyhee County fair celebration

6:30 p.m. — 4-H awards ceremony

8 p.m. — Magician Kipp Sherry

9 p.m. — Buckin’ Country for dancing

### Contest near goat barn

5 p.m. — Siphon tube setting contest

### Rodeo Arena

8 p.m. — Owyhee County Rodeo

## Saturday

### HHS parking lot and Deward Bell Stadium

8 a.m. — Parade registration

8:30 a.m. — Parade judging

### Downtown Homedale

9 a.m. — Parade

### Livestock Barn

10 a.m. — Large animal round robin

Noon — Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale (preceded by Buyers’ Lunch)

### Tumbleweed Theatre

5 p.m. — Brad Byer entertainment

5:30 p.m. — Idaho Junior Jammers

6:30 p.m. — Brad Byer entertainment

7 p.m. — Owyhee County’s Got Talent final round

8:30 p.m. — Brad Byer entertainment

10 p.m. — Buckin’ Country for dancing

### Rodeo Arena

8 p.m. — Owyhee County Rodeo

# Homedale Story Time focuses on farm animals

Boys and girls attending Story Time at 10:15 a.m. on Friday at the Homedale Public Library will learn a few things about farm animals.

“The Cow That Laid an Egg” by Andy Cutbill is the featured book for Friday’s event. “Olivia,” a story by Ian Falconer about a feisty pig who has too much

energy for her own good will be read, too.

Farm animal-themed activities will follow. Children will also be making an “Old MacDonald Had a Farm” craft to take home.

The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave. Call (208) 337-4228 for more information.

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# ✓ Fair: Commemorative coins, T-shirts, branding fence developed for posterity

coins for sale,” she said. “We’ll have Pansy the Clown there, and we’ll have face painting and balloons. There are some secrets, not just for the celebration but during the fair all week.”

She emphasized that the celebration won’t be anything fancy.

“We’re not really going to do much,” Loucks said. “We don’t have anyone to give a speech or anything like that.”

People attending various events at the fair this week might notice some new improvements to the grounds.

“We have a new wash rack that will accommodate our beef kids,” Loucks said. “We have the new fence that is getting branded, and we put a perimeter fence around the (livestock) barn. They’re small things. It’s all just stuff that needed to be done. Nobody’s

going to notice except the people who are using them.”

At 6 p.m. on Thursday, people can bring their branding irons to the fair to leave their mark on the new fence constructed near the main concession area, which was rebuilt last year.

Loucks said a fire will be burning near the fence for people to heat up their brands. But new-fangled measures can be used, too.

“There’s electricity, too, if anyone has electric brands,” she said.

Another event on Thursday is the old-engine tractor pull, which will be held behind the camping area at 5 p.m.

The Treasure Valley Antique Power Association will be involved with the contest. The group also usually holds a tractor pull in Homedale each May.

Loucks has a hard time deciding which events she is most looking forward to.

“I’m really excited for everything this year,” she said. It’s been fun talking to people who have been here over the years. It’s fun to know how many people were involved that are still involved after coming back around because their kids are here, or their grandkids.

Loucks has been fair manager since 2013.

This is her fifth fair, but Loucks said she always enjoys the challenge.

“We start planning the fair in January, so I don’t really feel like you get burned out,” she said. “In January and February you focus on getting your entertainment. Then in March you start working on the book. Every month there’s a new little adventure.” — SC

# ✓ Grand marshal: Dougal follows in her sister’s footsteps by leading fair parade

“I rode a horse ever since I was about 8 months old on my mom’s lap,” Dougal said.

Her parents were Tom and Clara Whitby. Dougal was married to her husband Chuck for what she said was a “long, long time,” before he passed away in 1998.

The Dougals have two daughters; Charlene and Helen, and a son, Ben.

Looking back on the past century, Dougal said getting around the county has gotten a lot easier over the years.

“Years and years ago, it was only wagons,” she said. “We never had cars, so it has really improved as far as transportation goes. The roads in the county have really improved.”

As she nears the title of centenarian, Dougal describes herself as healthy, active, and still working.

“I’m cooking for a hay crew right now,” Dougal said Friday. “They’re here most of the time.”

Dougal is famous for her horsehair mecates — hand-twisted rope in various colors and patterns. Her list of accomplishments also includes being Caldwell Night Rodeo Queen in 1936, and becoming a life member of the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association in 2004.

Dougal added that she doesn’t mind being called a county leg-



Frankie Dougal as Caldwell Night Rodeo Queen, 1936

end, or even a county original.

“That’s all right, I guess,” Dougal said. “That’s OK because I am, because I’ve lived here all my life.”

Attending the county fair and rodeo was never part of Dougal’s childhood. She said traveling from Jordan Valley to the event would have been too time consuming by horse and buggy. But she has gone to the annual event in Homedale for most of the past 40 years.

Dougal said being named grand marshal for Saturday’s parade is still sinking in.

“I had to laugh at it because I didn’t know what to think,” she

said. “It’s great. It’ll be great.”

Her daughter Charlene will bring Dougal into Homedale for the parade.

She hasn’t been told what kind of vehicle she will lead the parade in, but Dougal knows one mode of travel is not in the cards.

“I rode a horse all my life, but I wouldn’t be able to get on a horse now,” Dougal said.

Her sister, Evelyn Loveland, was grand marshal of the parade in 2011. Loveland was 102 years old when she passed away in 2014.

Dougal said she won’t mind her turn in the spotlight on Saturday.

“I feel alright about it,” she said. “I’m healthy enough, so it’ll be good.”

She thanks parade coordinator Jolyn Green and the fair board for choosing her to lead Saturday’s procession.

When the phone call came informing her of the grand marshal nod, Dougal said she started giving some serious thought to what attire would be most appropriate for the parade.

“I was thinking about wearing my chinks and my boots and my spurs, but I guess I won’t,” she said. “I’ll just wear my Levis and a shirt. I’ve never worn anything but Levis in my life, so that’s what I’ll do.”

— SC





Owyhee County Rodeo Board scholarship winner Julia Reeves, shown in Women’s Professional Rodeo Association action, will perform in tonight’s Idaho Cowboys Association slack in Homedale. Photo by Western Photography

## County rodeo scholar saddles up

Julia Reeves caught the attention of the Owyhee County Rodeo Board for her academics. On Wednesday, she will show off her breakaway roping skills for fans at the first night of the Owyhee County Rodeo. The 2017 Melba High School graduate has been awarded the Owyhee County Rodeo Board’s scholarship this year. “I am grateful that the rodeo board offered this scholarship,” the 18-year-old said. “I am pleased that they see value in our sport and are willing to support it and my education.” Reeves plans to use the \$500 scholarship as she begins studying medicine at Boise State University in the fall. She plans to rodeo in the Northwest Region of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association. She carried a 4.0 grade-point average during her senior year at Melba. The daughter of Margaret Reeves posted a 2.3-second



Julia Reeves

performance during the July 28-29 Council rodeo to win her first Idaho Cowboys Association event of the season. She’s entered in breakaway roping during today’s ICA slack. Reeves will ride a bay mare called Barbie in the rodeo. Barbie

is a backup to her primary horse, Ten, who recently sprained an ankle. Reeves also has been competing in breakaway roping jackpots this summer. Breakaway roping is her favorite rodeo event. In her final year of high school rodeo, Reeves won the District 2 breaking roping championship and was seventh in the District 2 girls’ all around standings. She competed in the Idaho High School State Finals Rodeo, finishing 30<sup>th</sup> overall. She was fourth in the district in pole bending, and wound up 24<sup>th</sup> at the state finals. Reeves also competed in the 2015 state finals rodeo as a sophomore in both events. Reeves was active in the Melba FFA chapter. She showed market steers, raising one every year but one since third grade. She also has some cow-calf pairs. She also played basketball for the Mustangs.

## Local ranch provides Owyhee scholarships

Wilson Creek Cattle Feeders and Reynolds Creek Calf Ranch have distributed four, \$1,000 Owyhee Hope Scholarships. • **Taunaya Hopson**, Homedale High School graduate will study

horse production at Treasure Valley Community College. • **Zoe Kish**, Marsing High grad will pursue a plant science degree at Utah State University. • **Hailey Sharek**, Rimrock High

graduate, will study cosmetology and makeup at Oliver Finley Academy. • **Megan Smith**, Melba graduate, will attend Idaho State University for a nursing degree.

## HHS reunions

### Class of ’62 graduates head to Owyhee County Fair

Homedale High School’s Class of 1962 will start its 55-year reunion weekend Friday at the Owyhee County Fair. The classmates will gather at 6 p.m., Friday at Tumbleweed Theatre for the 100<sup>th</sup> Owyhee County Fair celebration. They’ll gather in the beer garden later. At 8 a.m., Saturday, the reunion continues for buckaroo breakfast at the Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., and to watch the fair and rodeo

parade at 9 a.m. At 11:30 a.m., the group will move to the Snake River RV Resort on River Resort Drive south-east of Homedale for lunch. The final event of the day will begin at 6 p.m. at Mr. V’s Restaurant in Caldwell where classmates will have dinner. All students from HHS classes before and after 1962 are invited to join the activities. For information, call Alan Johnstone at (208) 250-0086.

### Class of 1967 invites other classes to Txoko Ona dinner

Homedale High School’s Class of 1967 will hold its 50-year class reunion later this week. Graduates from other years are invited to part of the festivities. The classmates will gather for Class of ’67-only dinner on Saturday at the Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St.,

in Homedale. At 8 p.m., after the reunion dinner, members from other HHS graduating classes are invited to come to the Basque Center and visit with the Class of 1967 members. For more information, call Charlotte Breshears at (208) 649-5210.

### Class of 1982 embraces grads from adjacent years

The Homedale High School Class of 1982 wants to celebrate with contemporary classmates. The Class of 1982 will hold its 35-year class reunion from Friday to Sunday. The 1982 grads invite members

from classes before and after their graduation to a gather at 6 p.m. on Friday at the Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., in Homedale. For more information, call Steve Nash at (208) 573-4694.

## Senior center’s fairtime fundraiser meal returns

The Homedale Senior Center’s annual Buckaroo Breakfast continues through Saturday to coincide with the county fair. Breakfast will be served from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. daily in the senior center parking lot, 224 W. Idaho Ave. Prices will be \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 7 and younger. The menu will be pancakes, sausage, eggs and milk, juice or coffee. Saturday’s breakfast will feature selection of the winning ticket in the annual Buckaroo Breakfast quilt raffle. The drawing will take place near the end of the final day

of the breakfast. This year’s prize, Lone Star quilt, was made by Shirley Stiills of Ontario, Ore. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5, and proceeds will benefit the senior center. Tickets can be purchased daily. According to the center’s Facebook page, suggestions are being taken on other fundraisers. Ideas that have been floated so far include a talent show, karaoke night, bingo or the return of the monthly dance. Call (208) 337-3020 for information on any of the center’s programs or to suggest an idea.

## Death notices

**JO ANN BRODHECKER**, 82, of Homedale, died on Wednesday, Aug. 2, 2017. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

**LaNAE DAWN HAMMON**, 70, of Jordan Valley, who attended grade school in Adrian, Ore., died on Tuesday, July 29, 2017 at a Caldwell care facility. A memorial service was held on Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017 at Hilltop Cemetery, Nyssa, Ore. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

**MARILYN W. WAITE**, 86, of Homedale, died on Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

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# Calendar

## Today

**Buckaroo breakfast**  
7 a.m. to 11 a.m., \$7 adults, \$3 children 7 and younger, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

**Owyhee County Fair**  
8 a.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3888 or (208) 941-4522

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

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

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

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

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

**Owyhee County Rodeo**  
7 p.m., pre-rodeo, 8 p.m., rodeo, Owyhee County Fairgrounds rodeo arena, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale.

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

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

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

## Thursday

**Buckaroo breakfast**  
7 a.m. to 11 a.m., \$7 adults, \$3 children 7 and younger, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

**Owyhee County Fair**  
8 a.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3888 or (208) 941-4522

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

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

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

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

**Homedale Farmers Market**  
3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, Homedale. [www.homedalefarmersmarket.weebly.com](http://www.homedalefarmersmarket.weebly.com)

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

**Children’s free summer food service**  
Dinner, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., Homedale Farmer’s Market, Bette Uda City Park, 200 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

**Owyhee County Rodeo**  
7 p.m., pre-rodeo, 8 p.m., rodeo, Owyhee County Fairgrounds rodeo arena, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale.

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

**English language class**  
7:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., free, Homedale LDS church, 708 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 504-9533

## Friday

**Buckaroo breakfast**  
7 a.m. to 11 a.m., \$7 adults, \$3 children 7 and younger, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

**Owyhee County Fair**  
8 a.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3888 or (208) 941-4522

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

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

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

**HHS Class of 1982 open house**  
6 p.m., graduates from years before and after invited, Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., Homedale. (208) 573-4694

**Owyhee County Rodeo**  
7 p.m., pre-rodeo, 8 p.m., rodeo, Owyhee County Fairgrounds rodeo arena, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale.

## Saturday

**Buckaroo breakfast**  
7 a.m. to 11 a.m., \$7 adults, \$3 children 7 and younger, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

**Owyhee County Fair**  
8 a.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3888 or (208) 941-4522

**Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Parade**  
8 a.m., registration, 8:30 a.m., judging, parade, 9 a.m., downtown Homedale. (208) 318-3982

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

**Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale**  
Noon, buyer’s lunch, auction to follow, Livestock Barn, Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale.

**Free lunch**  
Noon 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

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

**Owyhee County Rodeo**  
7 p.m., pre-rodeo, 8 p.m., rodeo, Owyhee County Fairgrounds rodeo arena, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale.

**HHS Class of 1967 reunion**  
8 p.m., Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., Homedale. (208) 649-5210

## Sunday

**Our Lady of Tears mass**  
1 p.m., Our Lady of Tears Catholic Church, Silver City. (208) 466-7031

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

## Monday

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

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

# Soda Fire documentary keeps discussion alive

## Film will air on Idaho Public TV this month

The award-winning student film about the Soda Fire is coming to television.

Filmmaker Hugo Sindelar announced that “Voices of Fire” will air on Idaho Public Television (PTV) later this month.

At 7 p.m. MDT on Thursday, Montana PBS will broadcast the documentary detailing the aftermath of the massive wildfire that swept across the Owyhee Front in 2015. Northwest PTV out of Pullman, Wash., will show the film at 10:30 p.m. MST on Thursday.

The Idaho PTV broadcast is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 30, but Sindelar said the broadcast time will be announced as the air date gets closer.

The film, in which ranchers

and Bureau of Land Management officials reflect on the devastating 279,000-acre fire that burned in August 2015, has been screened at several film festivals.

“Voices of Fire” won Best Student Film after its debut at the Boise Film Festival last September.

About 50 people viewed the film in April at the Wildlife Film Festival in Missoula, Mont.

“We had a lively (question-and-answer) session afterwards about how best to manage western lands to minimize the risk of fire,” Sindelar said.

The film will show at the DOCUTAH Film Festival in September.

“I have spent most of the year, preparing the film for public television,” Sindelar said.

The filmmaker is in talks to possibly air the film in Wyoming and on additional public television stations in Washington state.

— JPB

# Farm Bureau promises new, nimble website

Better service for member families and informing the public about agriculture and natural resources are among the aims of the Idaho Farm Bureau Federation’s new website.

Idaho Farm Bureau has 76,000 member families.

The site will also serve as a vehicle to get word out about Farm Bureau’s grassroots policy.

Joel Benson, Idaho Farm Bureau’s manager of member benefits and digital marketing, said the new site will be more nimble and responsive to the needs of the membership.

“The new website at [www.idahofb.org](http://www.idahofb.org), utilizes responsive design, which means it’s clear and legible for all devices on any size screen,” Benson said. “As technology changes and improves over time, it will adjust for the future needs of the organization.”

The new site includes a digital newsroom and will be updated each weekday to provide the most recent news and information including video and print news, photographs, blog posts and social media links.

The site includes a new page that will help members stay informed on critical issues and provide several tools to encourage interaction with local, state and federal agencies and politicians.

In the member services category, the new website is a clearinghouse for the numerous programs Farm Bureau provides, and it will feature an organization event calendar and pre-registration page for important meetings, conferences and seminars.

The new site, designed by Manwaring Web of Idaho Falls, will be maintained and updated by Idaho Farm Bureau staff.

# Senior menu

**Rimrock**  
Aug 10: Baked chicken, 3-bean salad, pasta salad w/veggies, melon, cornbread muffin

Aug 15: Happy Birthday-Turkey dinner, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, tropical fruit, whole wheat roll, cake & ice cream

Aug 17: Enchilada casserole, green salad, Spanish rice, berry mix, fruit pastry

# School menus

**Marsing Elementary**  
Aug 16: Chicken sandwich, steamed carrots or PB & J, cheese stick, animal crackers

**Marsing Middle & High**  
Aug 16: Chicken sandwich, steamed carrots or SW Philly sandwich, steamed carrots or salad bar or grab-n-go







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Jordan Valley steer captures Malheur Fair FFA title

Chase Fillmore, 17, who will be a senior at Jordan Valley High School, won the Malheur County Fair’s Grand Champion Market FFA title, and his steer finished third overall in a field of 87 animals. After showing swine at the Owyhee County Fair for the past four years, the son of Clint and Laurie Fillmore was so impressed with last year’s Malheur cattle show that he decided to work with a steer named Wheeler from the family ranch. Warrington Irrigation of Ontario, Ore., bought the 1,338-pound animal for \$2.90 per pound at Saturday’s sale. Chase won blue ribbons in Commerical Class, Market Class and Showmanship. Submitted photo

Guard rehabs Duck Valley roads, trails

by MSgt. Sarah Pokorney  
Idaho Air National Guard

Dirt and rocks kick up and sagebrush leans with resistance in the powerful wash as an Idaho Army National Guard UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter, hauling a sling load of more than 2,000 pounds of gravel, gracefully descends on a peak overlooking the tranquil Duck Valley Indian Reservation in southernmost Owyhee County.

A crew chief leans out of the open door of the helicopter and peers down a long cable to maintain visibility of the load and keep eyes on the two engineers on the ground. He relays instructions to the pilot and the gravel is steadily lowered to the ground. When the cable goes slack, the soldiers on the ground rush to unhook the cable.

The helicopter departs, dust settles, sagebrush pop back to their natural stance just as another helicopter approaches with the next load.

This aerial gravel delivery was just part of the Guard’s Innovative Readiness Training (IRT) project at Duck Valley Indian Reservation that began July 31 and is scheduled to conclude Thursday.

During the IRT, 14 soldiers from the Idaho Army National Guard 116<sup>th</sup> Brigade Engineer Battalion (BEB), two Airmen from the Idaho Air National Guard 124<sup>th</sup> Civil Engineering Squadron, and two Black Hawk helicopters and crews from the Idaho Army National Guard 183<sup>rd</sup> Aviation Battalion worked together to rehabilitate emergency access roads and cattle trails.

Ten Idaho National Guard leaders visited the site Saturday to meet with Shoshone-Paiute Tribal Chairman Ted Howard and see the improvements in process.

“These roads have been this way for a long time, and this is an opportunity for the National Guard to help our community and to get valuable training,” Howard said.

The non-commissioned officer-in-charge, Sgt. 1st Class Rodney Meyers of A Company, 116<sup>th</sup> BEB, explained each airlift took around six minutes as Guardsmen delivered 24 loads of gravel. An estimated 700 square yards of material were delivered to the stock trail. Then engineers used heavy machinery to distribute the gravel to make the trail safer for livestock to traverse. The National Guard team also placed seven culverts, graded, and en-



Idaho Army National Guard Spc. Amanda Vandevort (B Company) of the B Co. 116th Brigade Engineer Battalion and Spc. Cody Arteaga (A Company) of the 116th Brigade Engineer Battalion wait to unhook an aerial delivery of gravel at the Idaho portion of the Duck Valley Indian Reservation during an Innovative Readiness Training project on Saturday. Photo by MSgt. Sarah Pokorney, Idaho Air National Guard

gineered drainage on the Damon Trail, which will provide safer access for emergency vehicles.

The Idaho National Guard’s IRT program builds mutually beneficial civil-military partnerships between communities and the Guard. By providing mission-essential training to Guard personnel while meeting public and civil-society needs, IRT projects strengthen bonds between Guardsmen and citizens.

Established in 1886, Duck Valley Indian Reservation straddles the Idaho-Nevada border and is now home to approximately 2,300 residents. The valley is also habitat to a significant sage-grouse population and is a common stop for migratory birds on the Pacific Flyway.

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Marsing women arrested

A woman has allegedly violated her felony probation eight months after sentencing on a drug charge. Sarah Cegnar of Marsing was arrested on a \$15,000 warrant Friday.

Cegnar was placed on two years’ supervised probation in December after her felony conviction for methamphetamine possession.

At the time of her sentencing, Third District Judge Davis F. VanderVelde suspended a state penitentiary sentence of between four and seven years.

• Fantasia Anderson, 27, of Marsing was arrested on a misdemeanor warrant on Aug. 1 after the car in which she was a passenger was stopped.

Anderson failed to appear for her court date after receiving a misdemeanor drug paraphernalia citation in December, according to Owyhee County Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman. —JPB

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**Left:** The Blue Dove lineup at last Wednesday's Vision Community Church event included (from left) John Larsen on bass, Jim Madara, guitar Stan Eto, mandolin Daryl Watson and Gib Jones guitar. **Right:** Jack Muldoon spoke to the crowd about his work ministering to inmates. Submitted photos



## Marsing men mount mirror ministries

Jack Muldoon and John Larsen have a lot in common.

The Marsing residents both boxed for their hometown high school team, and The College of Idaho graduates became born-again Christians within three years of each other.

Even in Christ, they have followed similar paths. Both have reached out to prisoners, starting their separate ministries within a few years of each other. And — unbeknownst to both of them for a time — Larsen and Muldoon served as chapter presidents for the Full Gospel Businessmen in different cities.

Last Wednesday, the two men shared the Vision Community Church stage in their hometown to share memories and music from their prison visits.

Muldoon's stories included working with men on death row. The 1951 Marsing High School graduate is from a family of six that came to Marsing in 1934 where his father got a job harvesting in the fields for \$1 a day.

After high school, he studied to become a pharmacist at The College of Idaho in Caldwell. He then ran a pharmacy in Twin Falls.

After battling alcohol problems, Muldoon said he went through a life-changing experience that made him born again in Jesus Christ.

He retired from business and took up a prison ministry 31 years ago. The ministry has included working with men on death row, and Muldoon says prison is his church.

Larsen attended last Wednesday's event at the church with the Blue Dove band. Larsen and Stan Eto have both had more than 30 years in prison ministry in association with the musical group.

## Boys, girls can get safety lessons at Homedale Farmers Market

National Farmers Market Week runs through Saturday, and the Homedale Farmers Market will hold several special events on Thursday to celebrate. The Homedale market is also marking its fifth anniversary.

The market continues each Thursday from 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Bette Uda City Park through Sept. 28.

Market manager Denise Dixon said her staff will hand out a limited supply of reusable shopping bags and "Eat Fresh" buttons to customers on Thursday.

At 4:30 p.m., Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller will present a stranger danger and bicycle safety class to boys and girls. Dixon said Eidemiller will have officer badges for all the children who attend the presentation.

The second-to-last free summer dinner will be served from 5 p.m. to 5 p.m. to children ages 1-18. The feeding program concludes next week.

The Cultivate! children's nutrition class is also down to its final two events. The series for first-through sixth-graders will be held from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday and Aug. 17.

"We will be handing out Cultivate! shopping bags to the kids filled with fun stuff from the market," Dixon wrote in an email. "Jennifer Adkins will be teaching the kids how to make salsa to bring home. We are welcoming all kids, whether they are registered for the class or not, to join us."

Dixon added that she is hoping to get a few pre-registrations for next year's Cultivate! program during Thursday's market.

Vendor fees and a percentage of sales proceeds benefit Homedale school programs. The market has recently become a 501(c)3 non-profit.

Dixon reminds people that the market accepts food stamps, and offers matching dollars for produce up to \$10.



Aikeen Ramirez (left) laughs with Veronica Flores at her art booth, one of 14 vendor spots at Thursday's market. Aikeen, 9, is the son of Vladimir and Marivel Ramirez.

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## Marsing schoolchildren head back next week

Homedale, Bruneau-GV start in two weeks

Marsing School District students will be the first among children in Owyhee County to return to class for the 2017-18 year.

Students return to the elementary school, middle school and high school next Wednesday.

An open house is planned from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday at each school on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue West.

The Marsing school year ends on May 24.

Marsing trustees have decided to cancel classes on Monday, Aug. 21 because of the total solar eclipse.

### Homedale

Homedale school trustees moved the first day of school back one day to Tuesday, Aug. 22 over concerns that interest in the eclipse would impact student attendance.

Today is the final day of registration in the Homedale district. It's reserved for high school students new to the district and will run from 10 a.m. to noon.

Teachers will report to work on Monday.

### Bruneau-Grand View

Students in the district begin their first Monday-to-Thursday four-day school year on Aug. 21.

Any student new to the district in kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade is requested to pre-register beginning Monday. Returning students do not need to pre-register.

Monday, Aug. 28 is the first day of the pre-kindergarten school year. Pre-K class will be held on Monday and Wednesday mornings at Bruneau and Grand View Elementary schools.

Students can register at their respective schools from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Offices will be open at Bruneau Elementary, Grand View Elementary and Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School. Proof of immunizations and a birth certificate are required upon enrollment.

Call Bruneau Elementary at (208) 845-2492 or Grand View Elementary at (208) 834-2775 with questions.

Sixth-grade orientation will take place at 4 p.m. next Wednesday at Rimrock.

Three open houses are planned:

- Thursday Aug. 17 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Rimrock
- Friday, Aug. 18 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at both Grand View and Bruneau Elementary schools

Student schedules can be picked up at sixth-grade orientation and the open houses.

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# HHS grad among top cowboys expected to rodeo

ICA all around contest could get a kick this week

The Owyhee County Rodeo may draw some of the best talent from around the region each year, but the local flavor is always strong.

The local rodeo events are always crowd-pleasers from the mutton busting that will take place each night during the pre-rodeo to the local team roping competition that welcomes pairs with at least one person who lives in Owyhee country.

New this year with the local team roping is a jackpot payout.

Other local events providing wild action include the wild horse race on Friday and the wild cow milking competition on Saturday.

On Thursday, as has become custom, competitors, rodeo board members and spectators will don pink shirts and other clothing to support Kick Cancer Night.

This year, the professional rodeo could feature a battle of two of the top Idaho Cowboys Association all around candidates, including a Homedale High School graduate.

Bo Pickett, the HHS grad, and Terrebonne’s Shane Erickson are



Homedale High School graduate Bo Pickett gets ready to complete a tie down roping run at the Prineville, Ore., rodeo earlier this year. Photo by Bill Lawless Photography

the top two tie down ropers in the ICA this summer.

Pickett had five top-six finishers in ICA tie down events in July. He has slipped out of the top five in the ICA all around, but is second to Erickson in the tie down standings. Erickson is the second-place competition in the all around this year.

Erickson has won \$3,000 more than Pickett this season. But Pickett, who started his collegiate

career at Sam Houston State, but now competes for Hill College in Hillsboro, Texas, has been coming on strong in the past four weeks.

Pickett, who competed in the College National Finals Rodeo two months ago, won at St. Helens, Ore., with a 9.6-second performance, and he was right behind Erickson as runner-up at Philomath, Ore.

Pickett finished third and Erickson was runner-up at

Yoncalla, Ore., while Pickett finished sixth at Vale’s Fourth of July rodeo.

Pickett was third and Erickson fifth during the July 27-29 ICA stop in Longview, Wash.

Another local who went on to a college career, Marsing’s Shelby Dines, was leading the ICA breakaway roping standings early in July, but has slipped back to fifth place. Jordan Minor leads the way on the money list.

After competing at Odessa College with fellow MHS grad Austin Williams, Dines has returned home to fill her summer with rodeo success.

She has posted four top-four finishes in the past six weeks. Dines was runner-up in Burley with a 3.1-second run, and her 2.8 time was second only to Caldwell’s Amy Woodruff in Idaho City in late June.

Williams is third in the ICA bareback standings, and he tied for the Weiser championship early last month with McCall’s Cameron Craig. Both men notched 72-point rides.

Woodruff, who is Marsing’s city engineer, is ninth in the ICA breakaway roping standings. She has two championships (Idaho City and Grangeville, and she tied for fourth last month in Fairfield. Her fastest time this season is the 2.0-second run to win the Grangeville crown.

The ICA team roping competition could feature another Homedale cowboy.

Heeler Taylor Duby has a pair of top finishes with different headers. He and Caldwell’s Paul Dunn won in Sublimity, Ore., in late July with a 5.9-second effort.

Duby and another Caldwell cowboy, Jeff Flenniken, were runners-up in Vancouver, Wash.

## Gem State event seeds Owyhee pre-rodeo

Young rodeo aspirants took their shot at qualifying for Homedale’s big show on Sunday in New Plymouth.

Top competitors in the Gem State Rodeo at the Payette County Fairgrounds received invitations to pre-rodeo events during this week’s Owyhee County Rodeo. Local organizers are planning Mini Mite and Pee Wee division goat events for boys and girls.

This week’s competition will feature young cowboys and cowgirls from Owyhee County and surrounding areas.

Some Gem State highlights for

local Owyhee rodeo qualifiers included:

- Sloan MacFarlane from Wilder won the Pee Wee girls’ goat tying championship with a 11.11-second performance.
- Sammy Saunders of Homedale was runner-up in Pee Wee boys’ goat tying with a 10.68-second run.
- Clara Seiders of Adrian impressing the crowd with a 9.84 time in Mini Mite girls’ goat flanking.
- Stetson Mackenzie of Rockville, Ore., posted a time of 9.74 in Mini Mite boys’ goat flanking.



Photos by Cherie Rolland of Cherie Rolland Photography

Homedale’s Sammy Saunders during his second-place ride in Pee Wee boys’ goat tying.



Wilder’s Sloan MacFarlane captured the Pee Wee girls’ goat tying championship.



Clara Seiders of Adrian showed fast reaction in her Mini Mite girls’ goat flanking performance.



Rockville, Ore., cowboy Stetson Mackenzie was a top performer in Mini Mite boys’ goat flanking.



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# Local musicians bring originals, country and rock to Tumbleweed

Folks passing through the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo this week will be able to kick up their heels to the sounds of two area music groups.

Chicken Dinner Road will perform in the Tumbleweed Theatre at 7 p.m. on Thursday. Buckin' Country takes the stage at 9 p.m. on Friday and 10 p.m. on Saturday.

Fair manager Ginger Loucks said Buckin' Country is a tried-and-true county fair favorite.

"Buckin' Country has come every year for several years," she said. "Everybody likes them. They're crowd-pleasers. Really all of our bands have been amazing."

This is the first time that Chicken Dinner Road has been booked for the fair.

"They're new. They were recommended by a couple people,"

Loucks said. "So we thought we would try them out this year. They're kind of a jazzy, country, bluegrass thing."

Buckin' Country includes Kevin Hensen (vocals), Butch Mowdy (lead guitar), Fred Romero (bass guitar) and Craig Latham (drums).

Hensen said the band has been together for more than 10 years.

"They're all just real, real down-to-earth real guys," he said. "I like that part about them."

People passing by while Buckin' Country is on stage might hear "Amarillo By Morning," "Bandy the Rodeo Clown," "Rock Me Baby," a variety of blues and songs by Chris LeDoux and Luke Bryan.

Hensen said the Owyhee County Fair is one of his favorites.

"It's probably one of the most down-to-earth fairs," he said. "The fair board and rodeo board truly makes it a caring atmosphere for everybody."

Chicken Dinner Road includes Dennis Stokes (vocals/mando-

lin), L.B. Robertson (acoustic guitar), Gary Eller (banjo), John Blakley (bass guitar) and Rue Frisbee (fiddle).

Stokes said the band has been in its current configuration since about 2010, but was originally founded in 2004.

The moniker behind the group has a simple origin.

"A couple former band members were driving from Marsing one day, and at the time we were trying to come up with a name," Stokes said. "They saw that road sign and said 'What a great name for a band.'"

Fairgoers will hear mostly original songs by Chicken Dinner Road, but people might also hear covers of "Fat Bottom Girls" by Queen, "Working Man Blues" by Merle Haggard or "Crossroads," a blues standard made famous by Cream and later Eric Clapton when he went solo.

Stokes said the band is excited about Thursday night.

"We're honored to be a part of it and help give back to our community," he said. — SC



Fair and county officials are banking on this being the final year folks will walk through the Homedale Armory to view Owyhee County Fair exhibits.

## Fair board chair optimistic for new exhibit hall in 2018

### Callaway: Camp area could expand in future, too

This might be the last fair for the 60-year-old Armory at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in Homedale.

The Board of County Commissioners intends to apply for an Idaho Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) to help fund construction of a new exhibit hall.

Lath Callaway is in his fourth year as fair board chair. He said on a scale of 1 to 10, the need to replace the Armory is a 10.

"We've got serious floor problems with the foundation. The floors are breaking up really bad," Callaway said. "The plumbing, the doors, and the windows are bad. Our roll-up door in the back, we can hardly get it open and closed. It's extremely heavy and makes me nervous. Somebody is going to get hurt."

Callaway also said the Armory is extremely noisy. He hopes for better acoustics inside the new building, among other improvements.

"Just a nicer, more comfortable building," Callaway said. "Something with air conditioning, nice bathrooms and a nice kitchen. I'd be excited to see everything replaced because it's all in bad shape."

Civil Dynamics Engineering of Caldwell is in the process of drawing up blueprints for the new building.

Callaway is optimistic that a new exhibit hall will be built before next year's fair.

"Of course it all depends on the grant," he said. "Everything looks good but with the grant deal, nothing is guaranteed until they say, 'OK.'"

Callaway thinks the Armory covers 6,000 to 7,000 square feet, but the new building could be larger.

"We're going to make it as big as we have money for," Callaway said. "It would be nice to make it bigger. I think it is sufficient now, but as we keep growing we could use more room."

The estimated cost to build the single-story exhibit hall is \$500,000.

Callaway said folks will probably see more improvements at the fair and rodeo grounds in the years to come.

"We're looking at re-doing the bleachers, the covered section for the rodeo," he said. "That seems to be the oldest part. I think it's still pretty solid, but it's old wood and we've got to look at replacing that real soon."

A master plan being developed for the fairgrounds could also include buying adjacent land for expansion, and adding more electrical outlets to the camping area.

"We've pretty well utilized all the power that we have going back there now," Callaway said. "I'd say we need more power back there for more camper spots, but we'd need more land to be able to do that."

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# County fair kicks into high gear

Livestock shows, rodeo take center stage this week

A contest of practical application, which is an old favorite from another age, returns to the Owyhee County Fair again this year.

In addition to all the capital improvements that were completed last year, a cement ditch was put in place near the Goat Barn to play host to a siphon tube setting contest. Testing folks' ability to pull off a daily irrigating chore on the farm was a staple at the fair years ago.

The second annual contest will take place at 5 p.m. on Friday.

Two contests are new to the fair this year. A farmer's tan competition will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, and a rough hands contest is scheduled for 6 p.m. Friday at Tumbleweed Theatre.

The last of the Armory Exhibit Hall categories — sugar beets, leafy vegetables, flowers, 4-H garden project vegetables and decorated cakes — can be entered from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. today. Judges will critique entries in all divisions until the Armory opens for fairgoers at 2 p.m. today.

This could be the last year for the Armory on the fairgrounds.

Plans are in the works to raze the old building and construct a new exhibit hall in time for the 2018 fair. The new building also will house the fair office. The old fair office was demolished prior to last year's fair, and fair manager Ginger Loucks now operates out of a temporary building behind the Tumbleweed Theatre.

The 2017 livestock show season starts today with a fun event as the animal dress-up show will be held at 10:30 a.m. inside the Livestock Barn, and a cow patty toss takes place at 11 a.m.

Fair board chair Lath Callaway wasn't surprised that nobody participated in the animal dress-up show last year. Previously, the contest was staged later in fair week after all the shows were complete.

"I think that's kind of a dying thing," Callaway said of the animal dress-up. "Everybody is so tired by the time they do that, and people are losing interest."

He added that children are al-

ways eager to line up for the cow patty toss.

"It's a fun thing, and the kids like it," Callaway said.

The animal shows begin today, too, with the goat and sheep shows at noon inside the Livestock Barn.

Events today at Tumbleweed Theatre include Style Revue practice at 5 p.m., the first round of Owyhee County's Got Talent at 6 p.m., Style Revue at 7 p.m. and Kids Karaoke from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Callaway said he always gets a kick out of the talent show.

"I think it's been kind of a fun thing," he said. "A lot of the locals are coming up with ideas, and we've got out-of-town folks coming up with fun ideas. Our fair manager (Ginger Loucks) has done an awesome job in finding talent and putting the word out there. I enjoy the heck out of going and watching it."

The Owyhee County Rodeo begins its annual run tonight with Idaho Cowboys Association slack featuring timed events. Admission is free tonight.

This year's pie eating contest will take place at 1 p.m. on Thursday near Tumbleweed Theatre.

Each contestant will be given one pie. Whoever finishes first in each age division will be crowned the winner.

A watermelon-eating contest will follow at 3 p.m.

Another event planned Friday at the Livestock Barn is the Kiss a Pig Contest. Today and Thursday, fairgoers will be able to vote for which of the fair board members they would like to see pucker up with a porcine after the swine show wraps up.

Fair board members aren't the only officials on the spot, though.

County commissioners will be tasked with picking the tastiest cookie in a contest introduced last year. Entries were accepted Tuesday and the judging will happen at 5 p.m. today.

The 2017-18 Fair and Rodeo Queen will be crowned during Saturday night's rodeo performance. Five competitors — three from Ada County and one each from Canyon County and Elmore County — are taking a chance at succeeding 2016-17 Queen Bo Bourasa from Vale, Ore.

— SC



L&L Meats butcher Kortney Bahem points at a side of beef while explaining different aspects of production to members of the Country Kids 4-H club during a visit to the Homedale meat shop.

## 4-H club preps for fair with tour

The Country Kids 4-H club got ready for the Owyhee County Fair by focusing on its beef projects.

With sides of beef from a steer raised by club member Ashley Stebly on the hook, the 4-H'ers filed into L&L Meats in Homedale last month. Stebly is the 13-year-old daughter of Kim and John Stebly of Homedale.

The club has seven beef projects possible for the fair. The beef show

takes place at 8 a.m. on Thursday inside the Livestock Barn at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in Homedale.

About a dozen club members watched shop owner Daniel Lousignont break down Stebly's steer as L&L butcher Kortney Bahem, a Homedale High School graduate and daughter of Ken and Sylvia Bahem, talked about different aspects of the animal

carcass.

Bahem said the steer weighed 830 pounds, which is about 80 pounds heavier than the industry average.

She also discussed how tell an animal's age by examining the cartilage.

The children also learned about how beef is graded and the different cuts of meat that come off the animal.

## FFA, 4-H youth bring out animals

The annual Owyhee County Fair wouldn't be complete without junior livestock shows and 4-H exhibits.

Janelle Thompson, 4-H program coordinator for the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, said there are 337 boys and girls entered in 4-H and FFA competitions.

There are a total of 1,627 entries in this year's fair.

Categories in the Armory Exhibit Hall include foods, sewing and quilting, and miscellaneous. Each club's record books also will be on display.

Animal categories include beef, birds, cat, dairy, dairy goat,

dog, horse, meat goat, pygmy goat, rabbit, round robin, sheep and swine.

The Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale takes place Saturday after the annual buyers' lunch, which begins at noon.

Thompson said participants come from 13 county-based 4-H clubs:

- Barnyard Brigade
- Bruneau Canyon
- Country Kids
- Great Basin Buckaroos
- Owyhee Outlaws
- Owyhee Sage Riders
- Owyhee Silver Spurs
- Pony Express
- Reynolds Creek
- Shoofly Livestock

- Snake River Livestock
- South Mountain Livestock
- Wilson Butte

Members of five FFA chapters have entries in the fair:

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# Gardeners glean 2017's best of the best

## AREA LANDSCAPES GET SOME LOVE

The Owyhee Gardeners recently fanned out in the Homedale-Marsing area to hand out their annual batch of Garden of the Year awards. Three landscapes in and around each town were selected.



### HOMEDALE BUSINESS, OHR.

Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation maintenance director Stan Nelson places a sign outside the business as Owyhee Gardeners and a colleague look on, including (from left) Donna Haylett, Wanda Ferguson and OHR activities director/dietary manager Penny Riley. Riley said the award really should be going to the Gardeners.

"The last couple of years they've come down and planted our flowers and tomatoes and everything," she said. "We just kind of take care of it."



### MARSING BUSINESS, US BANK.

Dolores Schamp (center), Marsing US Bank branch manager, accepts a Good Neighbor certificate from Gardeners first vice-president Chris Harris (left). Also pictured from second to left: US Bank employee Pauline Montes, bank teller Ellen Boatman, and Gardeners Bobbie Swails and Ellen Dines.

"I'm really appreciative of the award, and I thank the Owyhee Gardeners for this honor," Schamp said.



### HOMEDALE RURAL, BRUCE AND CATHY SHAPEL.

Cathy Shapel (second from left) with Owyhee Gardeners (from left) Cheryl Mort, Donna Haylett and Pat Benedict as they deliver Shapel's award. Submitted photo



### MARSING CITY, ROY AND JEANETTE GRAYBEAL.

Jeanette Graybeal prunes one of the prized hydrangeas in front of her home at 508 Morning Dove in Marsing. She was surprised to be recognized by the Gardeners.

"We very much appreciate it," Graybeal said. "We feel honored."

Garden club first vice-president Chris Harris said the Graybeal's property is "unbelievable."

"Some of the flowers and the time they put in on this is just amazing," Harris said. "Everything is immaculate."



### HOMEDALE CITY, STEVE AND NANCY BELKNAP.

Nancy Belknap (left) hands tomatoes to her husband Steve from a garden in front of their home at 32 W. Montana Ave. Steve Belknap said he is grateful to receive one of this year's awards.

"The reason we grow our wildflower garden is not only for us, but it's also for the neighbors and everybody that drives by," Steve said. "This is everybody's wildflower garden."



### MARSING RURAL, JOHN AND DONNALEE CHASE.

Donnalee Chase moves flowers in front of her home at 5781 Country Estates after accepting a good neighbor award from the Owyhee Gardeners. Club first vice-president Chris Harris said there were five spots considered for the three awards in Marsing this year. "We had two out in the country, two in the city and one business," she said. "It's hard to find gardens in Marsing. They're few and far between."



# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

### August 12, 1992

#### County proposes 1993 FY budget

The figures of Owyhee County’s proposed budget are in, and the comparisons to the 1992 budget figures resemble a see-saw: some are up and others are down. The proposed budget for fiscal year 1993 totals \$4,721,353.

An overall analysis shows salaries up in nearly all departments, but “other expenses” are down overall.

The public hearing is set for Tuesday, Sept. 8, at 2 p.m. at the courthouse in Murphy. Citizens are invited to attend the hearing, at which time the proposed increase will be explained, according to Barbara Jayo, county clerk.

The overall budget proposed is actually a million dollars lower than the ’92 figure, but that can be somewhat confusing. The ’92 budget included the bond monies (\$1,700,000) anticipated for the new jail, and the ’93 proposal shows what is expected to be left to pay (\$550,000).

#### Marsing teen is rodeo queen

Christy Hall of Marsing was named Owyhee County Rodeo Queen for 1993.

Hall is the 16-year-old daughter of Debby Hall. She is involved in basketball and FFA at Marsing High, as well as the Dust Devils and Wilson Butte 4-H clubs.

Her hobbies include open horse shows and snow skiing.

Hall and her quarter horse, Dudes Three Jet, will represent Owyhee County in rodeos and parades throughout the area for the next year.

#### Parade winners announced

Saturday morning’s parade, with the theme “Discover America-1492-1992,” went off without a hitch, and organizers were pleased with the result.

About 1,000 people lined the streets of Homedale awaiting the parade’s 10:00 a.m. start, and were greeted by such floats as the one entered by the LDS church, which featured the Stature of Liberty, and won the Sweepstakes award. There were rodeo courts from all over, including the Nyssa Nite Rodeo, Gem State Rodeo, Idaho Girls Rodeo, and the Little Britches Rodeo.

Riders from all over were there, and the Scottish bagpipe music and dancing of the Boise Highlanders got everyone moving.

In all, there were over 100 participants in the parade, representing groups from Owyhee County and around the state of Idaho.

Leading the way was the Sweepstakes award winner, other winners included the Markley cousins, in the youth section, the LDS church in the Religious section, Bud King’s 1937 thrashing machine, John Deere and 1940 binder in the Community floats section. Paul’s Market in the Commercial floats division. In cars, the antique division winner was a 1965 Plymouth owned by Eva; and the hot rod division was won by Anderson’s 1936 Ford Coupe.

#### Local tracksters place at nat’ls

The TAC Junior Olympic Nationals were held July 30-August 3 at Mt. San Antonio College (Mt. SAC) in Walnut, California, with three Homedale athletes placing.

Over 6,200 athletes from all over the United States competed. The Randy Shanley Track Club members of Team Idaho who competed were Jessica Zatica, Marcus Chrisoffersen, and Sandy Taylor.

In the 11/12 girls age group, Jessica Zatica placed 31<sup>st</sup> in the pentathalon with 1,385 points. Marcus Christoffersen competed in the 11/12 boys group, and brought home two bronze medals. He was third in the pentathalon with 2,618 points, and third in the 800 meters, finishing in a time of 2:16.06.

The 3,000 meters was Sandy Taylor’s event, and she finished eighth (11:14.56) in the 17/18 girls age group.

The top six qualifiers in each event from each of the state meets advanced to regional meets, and the top three placers there went on to the National meet. Next year the national meet will be held in Louisiana.

## 50 years ago

### August 10, 1967

#### Local, state and federal officials help Development Co. in \$40,000 drive for Arvin Millwork plant

The Homedale Development Corporation, which was organized five years ago to attract new industry to Homedale, has apparently been successful in bringing the Arvin Millwork Plant to Homedale — requiring about three years of negotiations between the Arvin family, local merchants, along with the development company and the SBA, reported Harper Saunders, president, as he opened the Tuesday night meeting at the Homedale High School music room.

Twenty-three residents and businessmen including the board of directors of the company attended the meeting which was a kick-off for a fund-raising drive for \$40,000 — the town’s part of the SBA loan for \$326,401 which would be needed to construct and equip the new plant.

Saunders explained that the first project of the development company was a potato processing plant which moved to Nampa and the company has been inactive, that is, until a likely prospect comes along and is interested in what Homedale has to offer.

The next step in the plans for the Arvin company is up to Homedale — and particularly the businessmen and residents of the community. Money has already been raised by the directors of the development company, Saunders concluded.

#### Western wear violators to be “dunked” in stock tank

“Western Wear Week” has been proclaimed by the Homedale Chamber of Commerce at its regular bi-monthly noon luncheon meeting Tuesday at Bicandi’s Café — and all area residents will be required to wear at least three articles of western wear to be “legal.”

The week will begin Monday, Aug. 14, through Saturday, Aug. 19, during the annual Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo.

Violators will be “dunked” in a stock tank which is to be placed in the downtown section of the city.

A team of merchant vigilantes will “hunt down” lawless violators and sentence them to the prescribed consequences.

#### Homedale ready for fair rodeo

Homedale is all set for the Owyhee County Fair Rodeo, according to Paul Zatica, president of the rodeo board. The “All Rodeo Show” will be staged August 16 through 19, nightly at 8 p.m.

Monday through Saturday has been proclaimed “Western Wear Week” by Mayor Les Carter. All Homedale residents are asked to cooperate.

Cowboy entries will be received from 8 p.m. Friday through 5 p.m. Monday. Jim Duncan is secretary.

Ralph Steven’s stock will arrive Sunday evening to rest until rodeo time.

Rodeo timers are LaVonne Basey and Mrs. Bill Brummett.

#### Watermaster Wells retires

A farewell potluck picnic dinner was given at the home of Roy Ganow, Marsing, for William Wells, who retired from the South Board of Control on August 1. He has been employed as watermaster for the past eight years. Before coming to Homedale, he was with the North Board of Control, Owyhee Project, being stationed at Ontario, Ore. Prior to the North Board’s existence, he was with the Bureau of Reclamation as a ditch rider.

Wells early retirement is due to health conditions. He plans to keep busy at fishing, hunting and organized loafing.

The position of watermaster has been filled by Ray Kolsky. He has been with the South Board since its inception in 1952.

A transistor radio was presented to Wells from his fellow workers of both the South and North Board of Control.

## 140 years ago

### August 11, 1877

IF GENERAL HOWARD had possessed the requisite forethought and military shrewdness for the situation which he fills, he could, by conference with the authorities in Montana, have made sure of the capture of Joseph’s entire outfit. Captain Rawn only had about a hundred men at his command and did not deem it prudent to attack a force that exceeded his by four to one. Montana has many Indian fighters among her old settlers who, under proper auspices, would have come to the rescue and participated in the extermination of the savages. A few hundred volunteers could have done the work and set the murderous redskins and their entire outfit to perdition.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE—OVATION TO AN OLD IDAHOAN—Manse Eastman, Esq., left here on Monday morning for his old home in New Hampshire, and will remain a few days in San Francisco on the way. On Saturday night, previous to his leaving, a large number of the ladies and gentlemen of this place assembled by invitation at the Idaho Hotel for the purpose of giving Mr. Eastman a pleasant send-off. The party comprised the leading citizens of the place, the heads of families, old bachelors, young men and maidens, all of whom felt a degree of sorrow in parting with a gentleman whom they have so long been accustomed to regard as an old friend. He has left us on two or three occasions previously and each was supposed to be his final farewell. Notwithstanding this, Manse, after an absence of a year or two, has generally felt impelled, through the influence of old associations, to return to his home in the mountains and enjoy the society of those with whom he mingled in days gone by, when the Territory was in its infancy and friendship among men meant something. The gathering at the hotel on Saturday evening, and the general feeling of regret at his departure showed the high esteem in which he was held in this community, with whose interest he was for many years identified. Dancing commenced at 9 o’clock in the dining hall and was kept up for several hours. Music was furnished by J. M. Dillinger, Charles Cottrell and Mr. Woods and the figures and dances were promptly called off by Johnny Springer. H. S. Cheasbro was master of ceremonies. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Eastman and the numerous attaches of the house did their utmost in the way of contributing to the comfort of their guests and succeeded admirably. We have not participated in a more pleasant assemblage for a long time. The amusement of the evening, dancing, seemed to be participated in with more than usual zest by all present, and as hour after hour glided happily away all felt that it was good to be here. The cares of the world, the hard times and troubles too numerous to mention, were for the time forgotten as the merry dancers whirled through the waltz and polka then participated in the less exciting figures of the quadrille. Choice refreshments appropriately sandwiched with mild stimulants, were served up at midnight, which had the effect of giving renewed zeal to the ladies and others who had taken part in the previous exercises. As the small hours of morning approached the assemblage gradually dispersed, and quiet once more reigned where mirth and merriment had held away for several hours.

MINING NOTES—One of the most serious drawbacks to successful mining operations in this vicinity is found in the irregularities attending the crushing of ore. We had occasion recently to speak of a serious loss sustained by some parties who had been working a mine on Florida Mountain, their rock yielding only \$15 to the ton, while it was the opinion of some men that the yield should have been at least four times that amount. We are sorry to be compelled to say that the history of mining operations in this county is dotted all over with such transactions as this and people are beginning to inquire whether there is ever going to be an end of it. Within the past week we have heard of three different parties having ore crushed in this vicinity where the tailings swayed all the way from \$20 to \$70, and, in some instances, the parties owning the rock were refused the right to take away the tailings.



# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



## On the edge of common sense Parakeets and dogs

Most of us who deal with animals on a regular basis are familiar with the books of that well-loved veterinarian and author of *All Creatures, Great and Small*, James Herriot. He seems to embody everybody’s image of the kindly, competent country practitioner. Occasionally wrong, but always well-intentioned.

Vets are often called on to minister to the needs of the owner as well as the patient. Dr. Herriot told one story that is a variation of a tale not unheard-of by many veterinarians, regarding a blind woman’s parakeet. The parakeet sat in his cage and sang. He was the old lady’s sole companion.

Dr. Herriot was called to her house one day with the complaint that Perry wasn’t eating. Doc withdrew Perry from his cage and reassured Missus that his beak was overgrown. He could fix it in a jiffy. Missus was so relieved. She loved Perry’s singing so much. Doc carefully snipped the beak and when he went to replace the bird in his cage, he made the startling discovery that Perry was dead as a crowbar!

The rest of the chapter involved Dr. Herriot’s mad search to find a live replacement for Perry with the genuine intention of preventing the blind lady from suffering distress.

It doesn’t just happen to vets! A pet shipping container arrived at the big city airport. As it was wending its way through the bowels of the baggage facility, one of the employees peeked into Skipper’s cage. She immediately removed the dog crate and called her supervisor. After some gentle nudging with a short stick, they agreed that Skipper was stiff as a 2-by-4 and was, in fact, dead!

A crowd of baggage handlers gathered. They were terribly concerned. They were discussing who to blame when one of the men said his neighbor was feeding a stray that was the spitting image of Skipper! He was sent to get the dog at any cost while the supervisor went out front and stalled the passenger.

Within an hour they had switched collars, stuffed the stray in the carrier and Skipper in a sack.

“That’s not my dog,” said the disgruntled passenger.

“Well, sure it is, ma’am,” asserted the supervisor.

“Nope. That’s not Skipper.”

“He came in this carrier checked from Des Moines. It says so right on the tag here!”

“Not him!”

“Look! He’s waggin’ his tail! He’s wearin’ his collar! It’s got to be your dog!”

“Sure isn’t,” she said, “My dog’s dead!”

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

### 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.

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Jon P. Brown, managing editor

## Eyes on Owyhee Teacher’s legacy lives on



Nancy Ash coined the term that describes her perfectly.

She was a “God wink” for Homedale.

“A God wink is when God knows you need help and sends someone your way,” Ash once explained to former teaching colleague Terri Uria as the two struggled with a sewing project late in Nancy’s life.

Nancy Ash taught children and mentored colleagues throughout her four decades at Homedale Elementary School.

Nearly 200 people paid their final respects to the veteran schoolteacher Thursday in a memorial service that would have been a fantastic primer for anyone who had never gotten to know the woman.

She taught several different grade levels in Homedale for nearly 40 years, arriving from Pocatello in 1962.

“She lived an important and impactful life that affected multitudes of people,” Homedale Friends Community Church pastor Luke Ankeny said.

One of several former Ash students on hand, Ankeny officiated the service, which attracted former colleagues, former students and friends to Mountain View Church of

the Nazarene.

Two other men who spoke at the service were students in Ash’s classroom — Cory Uria, who was in a third-grade class, and Gregg Garrett as a fifth-grader.

Garrett reflected on his time in Ash’s classroom 50 years ago then touched on the fact that the woman also taught two of the three children he and elementary school counselor Randee Garrett raised.

In fact, every person who took the podium — even the man who sang gospel in between speakers — had some type of personal connection with Ash. Royce Mitchell once taught music to the town’s fifth- through 12<sup>th</sup>-graders.

“The life she lived and the people she touched, she lifted them up,” Mitchell said before singing Ash’s favorite hymn, “Love Lifted Me.”

Ankeny’s words may have been an understatement; “multitudes,” is a noun too small to convey Ash’s impact.

She taught two generations of Homedale children, and her influence still reverberates through the halls on West

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## Letter to the editor Congress must do something, even if it’s wrong

I’ve never been this disappointed in Congress. Democrats won’t work with Republicans, and vice-versa. They spend the people’s time dredging up scum on each other in a gotcha game that’s accelerating. I can’t believe we sent this bunch to the swamp that our president has pledged to drain. If there was doubt about reclamation on Capitol Hill, it doesn’t exist now.

Idaho’s Senator Borah was confronted by a colleague:

“Why is it, Senator, that you oppose everything but never have a solution?”

“I’ll tell you,” shot back Borah. “I’ll ask the questions. You’re the bright boys, you come up with the answers.”

Then there was my neighbor, Buster Carson, who told his boys, which included his friends, “Do something, even if it’s wrong, but do something!”

“Buster,” I reminded him, “I run with your boys, and I don’t think you want to know about everything we do.”

“I don’t care,” he said. “You’re doing something!”

That’s the way I feel about Congress. I don’t care how they do it: Swim, crawl, jump or run. Just get out of the darned swamp. Do something, even if it’s wrong... Do something!

Michael F. Hanley  
Jordan Valley

## From Washington Put bringing home POW/MIA at top of list

I recently co-sponsored legislation introduced by Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) calling on the U.S. Department of Defense and other federal agencies to prioritize efforts to identify and recover unaccounted American military personnel. Our country cannot waver on efforts to bring home America’s prisoners of war (POW) and missing in action (MIA). We must finish the search for American families who have waited decades for answers about their loved ones who have not returned home after serving our country.

The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) is the organization primarily responsible for coordinating and conducting research and recovery efforts for POW and MIA soldiers. The agency reports on servicemembers identified and returned home. The return last year of Army Cpl. Charles B. Crofts of Shelley, who went missing during the Korean War in 1950, reduced the DPAA’s number of remaining POW and MIA veterans from Idaho to 365, including eight Idahoans missing from the Vietnam War. With help and information from the POW\*MIA Awareness Corp. of Pocatello, I highlighted the service of the eight Idahoans missing from the Vietnam War in a column last fall. I continue to work with the DPAA on recovering First Lieutenant Bud Hayes, of Filer, whose airplane went down near the Philippines during World War II. We must continue to seek answers until all Idaho servicemembers are home.

**U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo**  
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The DPAA’s complicated efforts to recover missing American personnel require involvement across multiple federal agencies, which can belabor its mission to “provide the fullest possible accounting for our missing personnel to their families and the nation.” The resolution I recently co-sponsored, S.Res. 61, would call upon the Department of Defense, the DPAA, other agencies and foreign governments to intensify efforts to identify and account for missing U.S. personnel. These findings contained in

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# Commentary

## Financial management

### Park food truck idea, use degree to work and pay off loans

**Dear Dave,**  
I currently have student loans in deferment from earning a degree in hospitality management. My career goal is to own a mobile food vending company, so I'm putting most of the money I make from eBay and ride-hailing services — around \$1,000 a month — aside in savings for that. Should I forego my business idea for the time being, and knock out the student loan debt instead?  
— **Nicholas**

**Dear Nicholas,**  
You should put this business idea on hold for now, unless you can start it for less than \$1,000. The first thing you need to do is go out, and get a real job. I know you have this dream of being self-employed, but right now you're not doing so well as an entrepreneur.  
With a hospitality degree, you can make \$30,000 to \$50,000 a

year within the industry, clean up your mess, and build-out the eBay thing on the side. Just think about how quickly you could save up money for a jump into the food truck or mobile food business, then!  
Pay your way through it, Nicholas. Don't sit around scraping by on the kind of money you're making now and call that winning. You have a real economic engine at your fingertips, because you have the knowledge from the degree you earned. And it's a valuable degree. If you go in there and bust it, you can escalate yourself upward through that industry in a hurry.  
While you're doing that, you can clean up all your student loans and save up money for your food truck. Boom! You're self-employed *and* you learned a lot of stuff you can use in your new business. Go make some real



money, then follow your dream, man!  
— **Dave**  
**Dear Dave,**  
I have a whole life insurance policy with zero cash value because of loans I took out per

the advice of my agent. I finally realized this wasn't a smart move, as I now owe premiums plus interest every year. Am I still on the hook for the policy loans if I forfeit the policy to buy term insurance?  
— **Tanner**  
**Dear Tanner,**  
No, you are not. Get your term insurance in place first, then when you cancel the policy your cash value will offset your loans.  
They won't loan you more than your cash value. It's seldom that they will loan you 100 percent of cash value, so you might actually have a cash value that is above your loan amount. If they *have* loaned you the full amount of your cash value, it'll be an exact break even, and just canceling the policy means you cancel the interest and cancel the premiums.  
It was bad advice to buy the

policy, and even dumber advice to clean the whole thing out and sit there paying interest to borrow your own money and pay a premium to keep the loan open.  
I recommend 10 to 12 times your income on a 15- or 20-year level term policy. During that 15 or 20 years, of course, you should be getting out of debt and building wealth so that you have a big pile of money and no need for life insurance.  
— **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.*

### ✓ Legacy: Ash cheered, critiqued, but always showed love for everyone

*From Page 18*  
Washington Avenue because of teachers like Terri Uria, who first crossed paths with Ash nearly 30 years ago.  
Former HES teacher and principal Scott Freeby earned a college degree to teach children, but he says, “She turned me into a teacher.”  
“I thought I was prepared, and then reality set in,” Freeby said. “And thank God for Nancy. She saved my bacon over and over.”  
Freeby started as a teacher, malleable to the friendly — and sometimes playfully sarcastic — advice Ash delivered. He concluded his time at HES as the woman’s supervisor.

But Freeby understands Ash — the woman he called a “master teacher” — was “running the show.”  
“She was able to deliver a powerful message with a smile on her face and twinkle in her eye,” he said.  
“She could just brighten a space, and it was great.”  
Ash could be a critic and a cheerleader in the same moment, Freeby said.  
“She didn’t always tell me that everything was wonderful, but she told me what needed to be done in a wonderful way.”  
Ash’s upbeat spirit, ready smile and passion to be compassionate and supportive never faded, even after she

entered Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation.  
Uria told the story of the “Caught doing something good” board at OHR. Turns out, Ash was behind the concept, writing positive messages for residents and staff alike.  
“She makes us all feel like we were a big deal,” Freeby said. “I felt like the most important person in her life.”  
Every other person who stood up for Nancy Ash on Thursday said she also made them feel like the most important person in her life.  
In reality, Nancy was the most important person in all their lives.

### ✓ MIA: Spare no effort to return servicemembers, give families closure

*From Page 18*  
S.Res. 61 illustrate the need for this prioritization:  
• 83,000 American personnel are still unaccounted-for around the world from past wars and conflicts;  
• thousands of families and friends have waited decades for the accounting of their loved ones;  
• families of these brave Americans deserve our nation’s best efforts to achieve the fullest possible accounting for their missing loved ones.  
This resolution corresponds with other legislative efforts I have supported to better enable families to find their loved ones and bring them home. I am also a co-sponsor of S. 120, the Bring Our Heroes Home Act, that would provide for an expedited and consolidated process for

declassifying and collecting records of POW and MIA personnel. The legislation is meant to address the obstacles preventing families and caseworkers from accessing the records needed for recovery efforts by putting one entity, instead of the current multitude of agencies, in charge of prioritizing and facilitating the declassification of records related to missing service members.  
Idahoans, including members of the POW\*MIA Awareness Rally Corp., have raised awareness about the continued need to return our missing servicemembers, holding annual rallies and other events to keep a spotlight on the service of those who remain missing and the need for answers for their families. Their efforts are greatly valued in helping to ensure that their return is prioritized.

I am grateful for opportunities I have had to attend a rally, meet with Idahoans about these efforts and hear the information they maintain about Idaho’s missing servicemembers.  
As Americans, it is our duty to bring home those who have sacrificed so much for our country. The federal government must expedite efforts to serve the families waiting for answers about their loved ones. We cannot let this effort wane.  
— *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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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - OWYHEE COUNTY

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE** IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO WILL MEET ON AUGUST 21, 2017 AT THE HOUR OF 10:00AM AT OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COURTROOM 2, MURPHY, IDAHO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING AND FIXING A FINAL BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO EACH OFFICE, DEPARTMENT, SERVICE AGENCY OR INSTITUTION AND FUND FOR THE 2017-2018 FISCAL YEAR AT WHICH TIME ANY TAXPAYER MAY APPEAR AND BE HEARD UPON ANY PART OR PARTS OF SAID BUDGET; AND THAT THE FOLLOWING TABLE SETS FORTH THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED TO EACH DEPARTMENT FOR THE 2017-2018 FISCAL YEAR, THE CURRENT YEAR, TOGETHER WITH THE AMOUNTS EXPENDED FOR "SALARIES", "BENEFITS", AND "OTHER EXPENSES" DURING THE TWO PREVIOUS YEARS BY THE SAID DEPARTMENTS, TO WIT:

	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES				BUDGETED EXPENDITURES			
	FISCAL YEAR ENDING 9/30/2015				FISCAL YEAR ENDING 9/30/2016			
	SALARIES	BENEFITS	OTHER	TOTAL	SALARIES	BENEFITS	OTHER	TOTAL
CURRENT EXPENSE								
CLERK / AUDITOR	235,057.49	99,350.12	6,704.62	341,112.23	258,421.03	111,473.30	5,115.20	375,009.53
ASSESSOR	156,049.22	63,929.74	8,280.78	228,259.74	178,533.03	77,148.42	12,885.30	268,566.75
TREASURER/TAXCOLLECTOR	96,083.81	37,755.66	9,705.37	143,544.84	106,559.80	43,742.36	8,817.57	159,119.73
SHERIFF	628,827.41	241,159.88	320,155.85	1,190,143.14	656,418.15	257,089.27	319,455.21	1,232,962.63
COMMISSIONERS	74,138.22	36,018.59	58,556.37	168,713.18	76,362.00	36,870.78	89,409.79	202,642.57
CORONER	21,012.16	10,981.62	17,952.35	49,946.13	21,643.18	11,247.15	17,426.24	50,316.57
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY	136,914.52	41,017.59	16,746.60	194,678.71	150,228.80	42,443.06	18,712.10	211,383.96
BUILDING AND GROUNDS	27,145.82	14,536.01	133,220.23	174,902.06	27,711.97	14,802.36	211,065.81	253,580.14
CIVIL DEFENSE	0.00	0.00	38,027.95	38,027.95	0.00	6,579.52	6,579.52	0.00
COUNTY AGENT	64,757.40	27,320.52	32,118.41	124,196.33	68,496.39	27,611.46	35,573.26	131,681.11
ELECTIONS	9,587.10	0.00	5,139.37	14,726.47	14,291.50	0.00	17,333.72	31,625.22
BUILDING DEPARTMENT	8,561.38	4,968.75	22,185.14	35,715.27	33,675.30	14,776.53	12,379.54	60,831.37
PLANNING AND ZONING	49,823.48	17,444.22	6,109.81	73,377.51	50,805.27	17,066.25	5,554.67	73,426.19
GENERAL	0.00	0.00	197,389.95	197,389.95	0.00	0.00	338,338.28	338,338.28
TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT	0.00	0.00	154,852.39	154,852.39	0.00	0.00	161,158.64	161,158.64
JAIL	498,265.17	198,482.60	153,410.91	850,158.68	547,122.80	221,798.61	186,806.76	955,728.17
CURRENT EXPENSE	2,006,223.18	792,965.30	1,180,556.10	3,979,744.58	2,190,812.22	876,069.55	1,446,611.61	4,513,493.38
ROAD AND BRIDGE	275,044.96	124,920.25	945,070.91	1,345,036.12	274,122.38	119,671.50	1,038,246.50	1,432,040.38
AIRPORT	0.00	0.00	23,632.93	23,632.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DISTRICT COURT	0.00	0.00	174,731.20	174,731.20	0.00	0.00	100,713.33	100,713.33
FAIR, COUNTY	13,600.80	0.00	28,738.25	42,339.05	15,312.00	0.00	29,009.67	44,321.67
FAIR, GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS	0.00	0.00	71,959.62	71,959.62	0.00	0.00	92,059.90	92,059.90
PROBATION	111,045.12	38,856.67	33,283.48	183,185.27	91,653.52	43,608.62	25,042.67	160,304.81
HEALTH DISTRICT	0.00	0.00	54,372.00	54,372.00	0.00	52,356.00	52,356.00	0.00
HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM	21,563.76	9,691.60	14,368.08	45,623.44	34,487.84	14,903.95	11,662.35	61,054.14
INDIGENT AND CHARITY	29,230.75	13,587.51	229,150.07	271,968.33	33,326.11	14,306.27	255,151.24	302,783.62
JUNIOR COLLEGE TUITION	0.00	0.00	49,750.00	49,750.00	0.00	0.00	53,000.00	53,000.00
PEST	0.00	0.00	3,200.00	3,200.00	0.00	0.00	3,200.00	3,200.00
REVALUATION	123,641.34	62,760.59	17,733.40	204,135.33	135,836.19	53,759.76	22,475.46	212,071.41
SOLID WASTE	34,054.71	8,664.91	182,452.10	225,171.72	36,992.82	9,276.10	205,993.92	252,262.84
TORT	600.00	0.00	112,758.36	113,358.36	600.00	0.00	111,883.16	112,483.16
VETERANS MEMORIAL	0.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
WEEDS	0.00	0.00	29,106.62	29,106.62	0.00	0.00	18,806.91	18,806.91
911	25,588.00	0.00	143,341.95	168,909.95	0.00	0.00	127,172.11	127,172.11
COUNTY VESSEL FUND	0.00	0.00	17,334.68	17,334.68	0.00	0.00	19,582.35	19,582.35
WATERWAYS FUND	13,047.68	2,046.12	7,697.17	22,790.97	19,446.76	2,799.78	5,310.62	27,557.16
OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLES	5,758.97	1,269.98	2,289.19	9,318.14	12,027.24	2,351.50	13,751.73	28,130.47
TAXING DISTRICT ELECTION FUND	36,166.50	0.00	21,051.12	57,217.62	0.00	0.00	44,040.51	44,040.51
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND	41,240.80	16,298.38	24,878.90	82,416.08	45,000.02	17,173.51	18,795.31	80,968.84
Grand Totals:	2,736,786.57	1,071,061.31	3,368,654.13	7,176,502.01	2,889,617.10	1,153,920.54	3,696,065.35	7,739,602.99

ESTIMATED REVENUE

THE ESTIMATED REVENUE FOR 10/01/2017 TO 09/30/2018 IS AS FOLLOWS:

FUND		BUDGETED EXPENSES	CASH CARRYOVER	OTHER REVENUE	PROPOSED TAXES	TOTAL REVENUE
0001	CURRENT EXPENSE	5,459,765.00	742,085.42	3,099,032.58	1,618,647.00	5,459,765.00
0002	ROAD AND BRIDGE	1,922,450.00	440,773.00	1,303,586.00	178,091.00	1,922,450.00
0003	AIRPORT	7,000.00	4,400.00	2,600.00	0.00	7,000.00
0006	DISTRICT COURT	207,500.00	130,370.00	77,130.00	0.00	207,500.00
0007	FAIR, COUNTY	55,695.00	10,639.00	12,525.00	32,531.00	55,695.00
0009	FAIR, GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS	134,500.00	(11,490.00)	12,462.00	133,528.00	134,500.00
0010	PROBATION	183,687.00	41,730.00	106,000.00	35,957.00	183,687.00
0011	HEALTH DISTRICT	54,683.00	(2,609.00)	13,734.00	43,558.00	54,683.00
0012	HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM	76,151.00	2,701.00	11,812.00	61,638.00	76,151.00
0016	INDIGENT AND CHARITY	646,035.00	145,384.00	107,900.00	392,751.00	646,035.00
0017	JUNIOR COLLEGE TUITION	60,000.00	22,000.00	38,000.00	0.00	60,000.00
0019	PEST	3,500.00	525.00	0.00	2,975.00	3,500.00
0020	REVALUATION	307,248.00	62,829.00	44,120.00	200,299.00	307,248.00
0023	SOLID WASTE	289,962.00	22,253.00	267,709.00	0.00	289,962.00
0024	TORT	203,229.00	76,521.00	30,444.00	96,264.00	203,229.00
0025	VETERANS MEMORIAL	1,200.00	(639.00)	0.00	1,839.00	1,200.00
0027	WEEDS	40,000.00	13,361.00	0.00	26,639.00	40,000.00
0028	911	160,500.00	56,500.00	104,000.00	0.00	160,500.00
0030	COUNTY VESSEL FUND	21,500.00	(8,500.00)	30,000.00	0.00	21,500.00
0031	WATERWAYS FUND	36,834.00	11,275.00	25,559.00	0.00	36,834.00
0032	OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLES	67,149.00	23,457.00	43,692.00	0.00	67,149.00
0033	TAXING DISTRICT ELECTION FUND	125,670.00	60,670.00	65,000.00	0.00	125,670.00
0035	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND	78,619.00	0.00	78,619.00	0.00	78,619.00
		10,142,877.00	1,844,235.42	5,473,924.58	2,824,717.00	10,142,877.00

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# Public notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HERE BY GIVEN, That a public meeting will be held on the 24th day of August, 2017, at 7:00 PM at the Bruneau Valley Library in said Library District located at 32073 Ruth Street, in Bruneau, Idaho, at which meeting there will be a public hearing on the maintenance and operation budget for the forthcoming year. The budget hearing is called pursuant to Section 33-2713A Idaho Code as amended. A regular meeting of the Board will follow.

Budget  
Bruneau Valley District Library  
Oct. 1, 2016-Sept. 30, 2017

	2016	2017-2018
Balance to be levied on	\$13,400	\$13,891
Sales Tax Revenue	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
AEPTR	\$ 936	\$ 936
Unencumbered Funds	\$ 5,268	\$ 3,100
E-Rate Reimbursement	\$ 1,000	\$ 900
Personal Property Repl. Tax	\$ 116	\$ 116
Budget	\$22,720	\$20,943
Payroll-Expenses	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,100
Utilities	\$ 1,650	\$ 1,500
Insurance	\$ 1,144	\$ 1,201
Continue Ed/mileage	\$ 100	\$ 100
Legal Ads	\$ 150	\$ 160
Expendable/Supplies	\$ 500	\$ 400
Postage	\$ 50	\$ 100
Maintenance/Repairs	\$ 500	\$ 500
Books	\$ 946	\$ 461
Dues/Subscriptions	\$ 30	\$ 35
Internet Fees/Phone	\$ 1,650	\$ 1,886
Child Read/Sp. Prog.	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,500
Emerg. Repairs/Cap. Proj.	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,000
Total Expenditures	\$22,720	\$20,943

Dated this 12th day of July, 2017  
By Order of the Board of Trustees  
Bruneau Valley District Library  
Ginny Roeder, Acting Clerk/ Kathy L. Mori, Chair  
8/2,9/2017

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a special meeting of the qualified voters of the Eastern Owyhee County Library District will be held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2017 at 5:00 PM at the Eastern Owyhee County Library in said library district at 520 Boise Avenue, Grand View, ID at which meeting there will be a public hearing on the maintenance and operations budget for the forthcoming year. This special meeting is called pursuant to Sec. 33-2713-A IC as amended.

BUDGET  
EASTERN OWYHEE COUNTY LIBRARY  
OCTOBER 1, 2017 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

REVENUES	2016-2017	2017-2018
Property Taxes	38,425.00	39,697.00
Personal Property	350.00	350.00
Sales Tax	9,000.00	9,000.00
Equipment Replacement	2,616.00	2,616.00
Memorials, Gifts & Fundraisers	100.00	200.00
Petty Cash		500.00
Cash Forward Balance	<u>13,000.00</u>	<u>9,500.00</u>

TOTAL 63,491.00 61,863.00

EXPENDITURES		
Salaries	23,074.00	24,600.00
Books	9,500.00	10,000.00
Supplies	2,900.00	2,500.00
Technology	1,000.00	1,000.00
Contingency	8,000.00	4,263.00
Equipment	1,000.00	700.00
Fixed Charges	4,200.00	4,100.00
Insurance	1,500.00	1,500.00
Legal Service	200.00	200.00
Maintenance	1,500.00	1,500.00
Operation of Plant	10,117.00	11,000.00
Travel & Training	<u>500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>

TOTAL 63,491.00 61,863.00

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July 2017  
Eastern Owyhee County Library  
Leslie Field, Chairman of the Board  
Tammy Gray, Clerk of the Board  
08/2,9/2017

BRUNEAU WATER AND  
SEWER DISTRICT  
REQUEST FOR  
STATEMENT OF  
QUALIFICATIONS FOR  
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

The Bruneau Water and Sewer District is soliciting proposals from qualified Engineering firms for assistance in the following:

Rehabilitation of the two existing wastewater lagoons to include removal of the existing geomembrane liners, construction of an underdrain system to control

groundwater levels, embankment reconstruction, and the installation of new HDPE geomembrane liners. The total surface area of both ponds is 12 acres and the volume is 10MG.

Professional services required are likely to include design, survey, geotechnical, construction administration, and grant funding services. The project is anticipated to be funded in part by USDA, DOC and USACE programs. The District has completed the Master Planning and EID process

Notice of Public Hearing

FY2018 PROPOSED BUDGET

Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 (FY2018)  
CITY OF MARSING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1002, will be held for consideration of the proposed budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018 (FY2018). A proposed Budget Hearing will be held at Marsing City Hall, 425 Main Street 7:00 pm on August 9, 2017. Copies of the proposed city budget with details are available for review at Marsing City Hall during normal business hours. All interested persons are invited to appear.

	FY2016 2015-2016 ACTUAL	FY2017 2016-2017 ACTUAL	FY2018 2017-2018 PROPOSED
Funds	EXPENDITURES		
01 General	\$655,859.00	\$633,921.00	\$641,024.00
02 Roads & Streets	\$170,450.00	\$494,100.00	\$463,236.00
03 Parks	\$513,597.00	\$280,691.00	\$369,951.00
05 Planning & Zoning	\$35,500.00	\$21,070.00	\$43,000.00
25 Water	\$886,060.00	\$875,750.00	\$948,550.00
29 Irrigation	\$43,015.00	\$44,190.00	\$44,190.00
30 Sanitation	\$87,050.00	\$87,050.00	\$90,050.00
35 Sewer	\$570,200.00	\$496,200.00	\$550,300.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES (all funds)	\$2,961,731.00	\$2,932,972.00	\$3,150,301.00

	REVENUE		
General Fund	\$109,985.00	\$114,193.00	\$118,402.00
Roads & Streets	\$29,206.00	\$30,082.00	\$30,984.00
Park	\$13,878.00	\$14,294.00	\$14,723.00
Total Property Tax:	\$153,069.00	\$158,569.00	\$164,109.00
Revenue Other Sources			
01 General	\$545,874.00	\$519,728.00	\$522,622.00
02 Streets & Highways	\$141,244.00	\$464,018.00	\$432,252.00
03 Parks	\$499,719.00	\$266,397.00	\$355,228.00
05 Planning & Zoning	\$35,500.00	\$21,070.00	\$43,000.00
25 Water	\$886,060.00	\$875,750.00	\$948,550.00
29 Irrigation	\$43,015.00	\$44,190.00	\$44,190.00
30 Sanitation	\$87,050.00	\$87,050.00	\$90,050.00
35 Sewer	\$570,200.00	\$496,200.00	\$550,300.00
Total Other Sources	\$2,808,662.00	\$2,774,403.00	\$2,986,192.00
Total All Funds	\$2,961,731.00	\$2,932,972.00	\$3,150,301.00

Janice C. Bicandi  
Marsing City Clerk-Treasurer

Publish 08/02/2017  
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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of the Marsing Ambulance District will meet on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2017 at 11:00 A.M., at the Owyhee County Courthouse, Courtroom 2, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, for the purpose of considering and fixing a final budget and making appropriations for the 2018 Fiscal year, at which time any taxpayer may appear and be heard upon any part or parts of said budget. And that the following table sets forth the amount appropriated for the 2018 Fiscal Year.

MARSING AMBULANCE DISTRICT  
FY 2018 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

REVENUE:  
2017 PROPERTY TAX LEVY \$83,242.00

EXPENSE:  
CONTRACT FOR EXPENSES \$83,242.00

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2017  
Marsing Ambulance District Board of Commissioners  
08/09,16/2017

through IDEQ and plans to begin the construction of the project in 2018.

Interested parties can obtain a copy of the Request for SOQ from the District by email at s.construction1@gmail.com

Proposals must be received no later than 5:00pm on Aug. 24, 2017.

08/9,16/2017

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
CASE NO. CV-2017-01434  
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: RICHARD DELNO CROMWELL, Deceased Person.

NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that DAVID WILLIAM CROMWELL has been appointed personal representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the decedent 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 both filed with the Court and presented to the Personal Representative of the estate at the law office of DAVID E. KERRICK, 1001 Blaine Street, P.O. Box 44, Caldwell, ID 83606.

DATED: this 26<sup>th</sup> of July, 2017  
8/2,9,16/2017

LIEN SALE

Susan Hotchkiss, 620 18<sup>th</sup> Ave S, Nampa Idaho 83651. Unit E-14 9x16, containing entertainment

center, home stereo and misc. household items. Jessica Garza, 135 Mitchell St. Wilder Idaho 83676. Unit J-8 9x16, containing entertainment center, bed frames, rocker and misc. household items. Items are located at Hwy 95 Self Storage 3685 Hwy 95, Homedale Idaho 83628. Items in storage unit will be auctioned off on 08-19-2017 at 1:00pm by sealed bid. Bids will be accepted between 9:00am to 1:00pm. All items must be removed promptly, including any and all trash.

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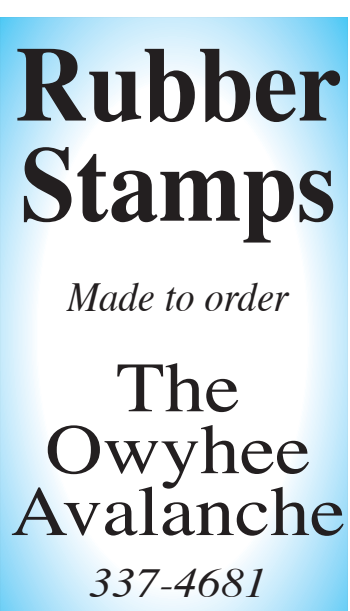
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