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## FAIR CENTENNIAL SIZZLES



Jerry Rubelt brands a fence set up at the fairgrounds with his TS Ranch brand on Thursday. Rubelt's ranch is Oregon now, but he used to run a cattle operation near Juniper Mountain in Owyhee County. **Inset:** The limited-edition commemorative coins were available Friday as fair and county officials served cake to mark 100 years of the Owyhee County Fair.

## Eagle cowgirl named queen

Tevis Mashore, the new Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen, bends forward to give outgoing Queen Bo Bourasa more room to fasten the crown on her hat after Saturday's announcement. The 17-year-old daughter of Samra Westphal and former major league baseball player Damon Mashore became royalty after a four-way contest with Halie Lambrecht, Alexa Phillips and Jossie Trujillo.

An Eagle resident, Mashore also won the Horsemanship award.

Lambrecht of Boise was first runner-up and the speech champion.

Trujillo of Middleton was Miss Congeniality and second runner-up.

**See the B Section for fair photos and results**



## Commissioners sign off on more raises; budget tops \$10M

90% of new money for FY 2018 will pay elected officials, employees

The budget increase is less than a third that it was a year ago, but Owyhee County's commissioners are still trying to retain quality employees with pay raises.

The public will get its chance to weigh in on the proposed budget of more than \$10.1 million at 10 a.m. on Monday when the Board of County Commissioners convene the Fiscal Year 2018 budget

hearing in Murphy.

For the second time in as many fiscal cycles, county budget builders focused on salary bumps for elected officials as well as employees. Although the FY 18 budget increases just 2.73 percent (\$269,276.42) over FY 17 appropriations, the proposal does push past the eight-figure mark for the first time.

— See **Budget**, page 11A

## Federal sage-grouse review casts grazing in an accepting light

Report on conservation plan emphasizes need for local input

The federal government wants to ensure greater sage-grouse conservation is driven by local input.

The final report triggered by U.S. Interior Secretary

Ryan Zinke's secretarial order 3353 was released earlier this month.

"The federal agencies and states are also committed to continue to work with partners to prioritize staff and funding to implement on-the-ground actions to conserve and restore (greater sage-grouse) habitat," the final report's executive summary states.

Folks on the ground floor of — See **Review**, page 10A

## Notice a "bigger" change?

In a nod to the portion of The Owyhee Avalanche subscribers who may be fumbling for their reading glasses more and more these days, we've bumped the type size of our articles slightly.

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# Marsing teen killed in Idaho 78 crash

An 18-year-old Marsing man died at the scene of a single-vehicle accident last Wednesday.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Colton Eells died shortly after first-responders arrived on scene near milepost 4 on Idaho highway 78 near Trap Shoot Road east of Marsing.

Bowman said investigators don't know why the 2004 Dodge passenger car that Eells was driving left the roadway around 2:30 p.m.

"Texting and driving has been ruled out," he said.

The vehicle struck several wheel lines that were tied together in a field next to the highway. Bowman said one of the wheel lines came through the windshield and struck Eells.

— JPB

# Donated book at Story Time

The continuing impact of the Kids Need to Read donation will be felt at Story Time on Friday at the Homedale Public Library.

"Why Can't You Just Like Me?" is one of the titles in the 200-book donation from the Mesa, Ariz.-based children's reading advocacy group.

The book will be read during the 10:15 a.m. Story Time at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

A second story, "Sophie's Fish," will be read before the boys and girls make rainbow-stamped fish for their craft project.

The library's Teens & Tweens program is set to return at 4 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 8.

For more information on the library or its offerings and programs, call (208) 337-4228 in the afternoons Monday through Saturday.

# Homedale council OKs budget, 3-1

## Street chip sealing planned

After allowing one citizen who was tardy for the public hearing to vent about government spending, the Homedale City Council approved the Fiscal Year 2018 budget.

Councilman Aaron Tines cast the lone vote against the \$4.6 million in appropriations, which includes around \$650,000 in library funds that may never materialize.

Mayor Gheen Christoffersen explained to resident Marty Geselle — the only resident who wanted to address the budget — that the council has to include revenue from a possible Idaho Community Development Block Grant and donations from the Jackson family and other sources in the library budget in case any of those elements of the proposed library expansion project become a reality.

If the grant isn't awarded, the library budget shrinks as if the money never existed, Christoffersen said. Without

the anticipated library revenue, the budget would settle in at less than \$4 million — smaller than the current \$4.25 million budget but larger than the \$3.62 million FY 2016 spending package.

The Homedale Police Department budget has been increased in anticipation of hiring a seventh full-time officer, but Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said last Wednesday that he is still trying to find someone to fill the existing sixth position that opened when Shane Witt left to join the Wilder Police Department.

Eidemiller said that the town's police force has stood at six officers for the two decades he has been on the job even as the population and demands on HPD have grown.

When Geselle criticized the \$548,728 HPD budget, Christoffersen said, "several citizens have called" about establishing 24-hour law enforcement coverage in town.

Eidemiller once again asked his department-head colleagues to submit a list of city property that could be declared surplus ahead of a September auction. The police chief has a motorhome seized during a drug arrest on Kansas Avenue and two retired patrol cars that will be put on the block.

The city's parks budget has been set at \$154,415, which is nearly \$17,000 more than the current spending and signifies a 21.2 percent increase in the past two years.

During the regular meeting last Wednesday, public works supervisor Bret Smith said he has started contacting

contractors to get an idea of much it would cost for an extensive repair on the municipal swimming pool, which closed for the season Saturday. Only \$12,000 has been budgeted for repairs in FY 17, which is \$3,000 less than the current repairs budget.

The city now has a diesel-powered backup pump for its sewer lift station as the two main pumps are repaired, Smith said.

A chip seal project was scheduled to begin Tuesday on some city streets, he said.

"We're doing double (the maintenance) to the streets that we did four years ago," Christoffersen said during Geselle's comprehensive critique of city spending.

Council members met with representatives from Great West Engineering on Aug. 8. Last Wednesday, the firm's executive vice-president, Dave M. Aune, and new employee Andrew Kimmel visited the council meeting.

Kimmel left Riedesel Engineering Inc., the firm that has helped Homedale with municipal airport repairs and upgrades, to join Great West. His new employer has been selected to guide the city's library expansion grant application.

Aune said Great West focuses on helping municipalities, and that 70 percent of the firm's client towns have populations of 2,500 or less.

"We focus on client care and taking care of clients," Aune said. "That's why Andrew is such a great fit for us."

— JPB

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# Marsing gets grant, FY 18 budget

## USDA to help fund restrooms

The next City of Marsing budget is 7.4. percent larger, thanks in large part to government grants.

A public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2018 budget was held during last Wednesday’s city council meeting. No public comments were given during the hearing.

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

Although the \$463,236 roads and streets budget is lower than the current appropriation of \$494,100, an Idaho Department of Transportation grant that has already been secured to rebuild Reich Street represents the bulk of the departmental budget.

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

The city’s sanitation budget will rise to \$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.

U.S. Department of Agriculture community program specialist Carol Garrison attended the council meeting to present a letter of conditions for a rural development grant to construct new restrooms at City Park.

The \$36,700 grant will be matched with \$55,650 from the FY 18 parks budget line of \$369,951. The new bathrooms are expected to cost an estimated \$92,350.

The letter of conditions outlines requirements such as maintaining the park, and putting in Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant sidewalks.

The council’s approval of the document was the final step in securing the grant.

“The money is yours. It’s set aside for the city,” Garrison said.

She added grant funds could also be used for other improvements if the bid for the bathrooms is under \$92,350.

“If it comes in for less, and we don’t use all the grant money, we can use it for other project-related expenses,” Garrison said. “That could be equipment, or things like landscaping.”

No timeline has been set for construction of the new bathrooms.

City maintenance supervisor Phillip Gibson also gave a report on what his crews have been working on during the past few weeks. The projects included repairs to irrigation infrastructure, spraying for weeds, and other regular maintenance work.

— SC

# Homedale students back to school Tuesday

Teachers, both veteran and new, returned to their Homedale School District classrooms Monday.

Their charges will join them Tuesday.

The 2017-18 school year will start a day later than originally planned in the Homedale district. The board of trustees decided to scrap Monday because it’s the same day as the total solar eclipse. It was feared that attendance on both sides of the teachers’ desks could suffer and get the school year off to a lackluster start.

Moss Strong has begun her first year as Homedale Middle School principal.

The district will continue its four-day, Monday-to-

Thursday school week.

Fifth- through 12<sup>th</sup>-graders will be in class from 7:50 a.m. to 3:49 p.m.

The elementary school has a staggered schedule, depending on what grade a boy or girl is in.

Most students will start their day at 7:55 a.m. with pre-first-graders and first- through fourth-graders wrapping up instruction at 3:50 p.m.


The morning kindergarten classes will run until 11:35 a.m., and the afternoon kindergarteners will receive instruction between 12:10 p.m. and 3:50 p.m.

School supply lists are available on each school’s respective web pages at [www.homedaleschools.org](http://www.homedaleschools.org).

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# Johnstone Road gains two feet in width near HMS

Widening carried out with bus safety in mind

The west side of Johnstone Road has been widened just in time for the start of school. The work, performed by the Homedale Highway District, is expected to improve traffic safety, especially once students return to Homedale Middle School on Tuesday. Homedale Highway District director of highways Stewart Constantine and his crew worked late last week to add two feet to the roadway from Idaho highway 19 to a point just north of the middle school.

The road was widened to 23 feet for a distance of 1,290 to give school buses more room on Johnstone. Constantine said district patrons also had inquired about widening the road. “I want to give credit where credit is due,” Constantine said. “(Dan) Herman and (Cody) Oakley are the originators of this project.” Assistant director of highways Herman and crew member Oakley spread the new asphalt, and Constantine operated the roller during about a day and a half of work. Materials of the project cost about \$2,900, and Constantine said Golden Gate Highway District helped pug mill extra

cold-mix asphalt for the work. Three inches of the road surface was removed to prepare the nearly quarter-mile-long strip for the work. Fresh asphalt was applied, graded and rolled to compaction before shoulder work was completed to protect the new road edge. Subdistrict 3 Commissioner Scott Salutregui said Thursday that the west side of the road was the only feasible place to widen Johnstone. The City of Homedale has jurisdiction on the east half of the roadway, but there is little space to widen because of residential development.

— JPB



Homedale Highway District maintenance worker Cody Oakley keeps an eye on the asphalt flowing from a truck driven by Dan Herman during Thursday’s roadwork. Stew Constantine compacted the asphalt.

# Homedale man charged with meth possession

A felony possession charge is among the drug offenses levied after Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputies made two traffic stops recently. The most serious of the charges was a felony methamphetamine possession count for the passenger in a vehicle pulled over for speeding shortly before 1:30 p.m. on Sunday.

Brandon Hardt, 24, of Homedale was the passenger in a 2004 Chevrolet Impala that was pulled over near the intersection of West California Avenue and North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street West. One of three people in the vehicle, Hardt was charged with meth possession after the OCSO drug dog alerted to the presence of an illicit substance

in the vehicle. Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said the stop was initiated when the driver, 22-year-old Fancy Williams of Caldwell, failed to signal before attempting a turn. Williams was charged with driving on a suspended license and possession of drug paraphernalia. A 24-year-old female also in

the car wasn’t charged. • Two California residents have been charged with misdemeanor drug charges. Alexandre Yarid, 28, of La Jolla, Calif., was the man behind the wheel of a gray Kia with Washington plates when an OCSO deputy stopped his vehicle for speeding on Main Street in Marsing.

Yarid’s passenger, 31-year-old Caitlin Pugh of Redwood City, Calif., was arrested for marijuana possession and paraphernalia after a dog search of the vehicle turned marijuana joints and paraphernalia. Yarid was cited for speeding and misdemeanor drug possession.

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# Two men arrested for DUI

Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputies made two driving under the influence arrests last week.

A 43-year-old Billings, Mont., man was arrested after he drove off the side of Strike Dam Road in Bruneau in front of a patrolling deputy shortly before 2 a.m. on Saturday.

Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said the responding deputy observed a taillight out on Gary Bruesch’s vehicle.

Once the traffic stop was made, beer cans were visible in the vehicle.

Bruesch was transported to Elmore County Jail and booked on suspicion of misdemeanor DUI.

Bowman said the man’s blood alcohol concentration level was .124.

A Melba man was arrested for suspected DUI around 12:30 p.m. on Aug. 7 at the Bureau of Land Management’s Wilson Creek Recreation Site.

Bowman said a responding deputy found Cody Clow, 30, passed out in a 2016 Ford Focus that was parked in the trailhead parking lot.

Several beer cans were found on the ground around the vehicle.

Clow failed field sobriety tests and was arrested on suspicion of DUI after registering a .111 BAC.

— JPB

# Anniversary

## Wayne, Charlotte Breshears to mark 50 years of marriage

Homedale residents Wayne and Charlotte Breshears will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Aug. 25, 2017.

An open house in their honor will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 26, 2017 at the Homedale Friends Community Church north of Homedale on U.S. Highway 95.



Charlotte and Wayne Breshears, 1967

After graduating from Homedale High School, the couple married on Aug. 25, 1967 at the Homedale Friends Community Church amongst friends and family.

The Breshears lived in Colorado, Texas and Nevada before moving back to Idaho in 1970.

They have three sons: Jerry (Lisa) of Homedale, Aaron (Jeana) of Pullman, Wash., and Randy (Jennifer) of Homedale. The Breshears also have six grandchildren: John, Kayci, Daniel, Nicole, Shane and Cameron.



Charlotte and Wayne Breshears, today

# Wedding

## Kathryn Thatcher to marry Sean Tognetti in Boise

Mark and DeAnn Thatcher of Homedale are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Kathryn Camille Thatcher to Sean Natale Tognetti, son of Natale and Sharon Tognetti.

The couple will wed on Friday, Aug. 25, 2017 in the Boise Temple.

A reception in their honor will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Homedale LDS Church, 708 W. Idaho Ave.

Sean graduated in July with a Bachelors in Psychology from BYU Idaho.

Kathryn is studying Architectural Technology at BYU Idaho and is scheduled to graduate with an associate’s degree in July 2018.

The couple plans to reside in Rexburg for the next year.



Sean Tognetti and Kathryn Thatcher

# Fires banned at C.J. Strike

Following suit with other recent fire restrictions, Idaho Power has banned fires in its Treasure Valley campgrounds.

The utility announced the ban Thursday afternoon, citing increased wildfire risk.

Fires are not permitted at the Cottonwood or North parks at C.J. Strike Reservoir.

Idaho Power also has banned fires in camping and day-use areas at Swan Falls.

A fire ban already existed at Idaho Power’s Woodhead Park in Hells Canyon.

“Campers at other locations should limit fires to designated fire rings and use extreme caution,” the utility said in a press release.

# Calendar

## Today

- 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
- Rimrock sixth-grade orientation**  
4 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau. (208) 834-2260
- Grand View Chamber of Commerce meeting**  
5:30 p.m., Grand View Fire Station, 721 Roosevelt St., Grand View.

## Thursday

- TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting**  
8 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867
- Fit and Fall exercise**  
10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Senior center pinochle**  
1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922 Tuesdays and Thursdays
- 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
- Rimrock open house**  
4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau. (208) 834-2260
- MHS sports parents meeting**  
7 p.m., attendance mandatory, high school commons, 8th Avenue West, Marsing.
- 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

- Story Time**  
10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library,

- 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228, afternoons Monday through Saturday
  - Grand View Elementary open house**  
4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Grand View Elementary, 205 First St., Grand View. (208) 834-2775
  - Bruneau Elementary open house**  
4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Bruneau Elementary School, 25841 Benham Ave., Bruneau. (208) 845-2492
- ## Saturday
- Free lunch**  
12 p.m. to 1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419
  - Senior center dominoes and card games**  
2 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922 Tuesdays and Thursdays

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- Board of County Commissioners meeting**  
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- Marsing Fire Department meeting**  
7 p.m., Marsing Fire Hall, 303 Main St., Marsing.

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# Obituary

## Donald Scott Gerdes

Donald “Donnie” Scott Gerdes, age 46, of New Plymouth, passed away Friday, August 11, 2017 at home surrounded by his family. Born October 12, 1970 in Nampa, Idaho to Don and Ila Gerdes. Donnie has three sisters, Pam Kelly, Cindy Gerdes and Sandy Sarceda. Donnie loved family gatherings with all the extended family. Because Donnie came later in life to Don and Ila; he got to grow up with all of his nieces and nephews. After Donnie was born, there was a niece and nephew born about every 18 months. He loved them all and taught them to ride horses, motorcycles and swim in the canal. He was the pied piper. They all loved him. Donnie graduated from Homedale High School and grew up doing 4-H, shooting club, and high school rodeo.

Donnie married Dixie Wolfe February 28, 1994. Together they had three children: Tucker, Kolbie and Gauge. Donnie was an amazing husband and dad. He taught his children about character and integrity. He taught them to ride, hunt, fish,

camp and to love the outdoors as much as he did. Donnie loved following the kids around through school as they participated in 4-H, football, basketball and high school rodeo. Donnie was so proud of all three of his children and loved them with all of his heart.

Through the years Donnie worked at Beef North West, Owyhee Feeders and Boise Valley Feeders. Donnie loved what he did for a living, and it showed in his work ethics and relationship with fellow co-workers.

Donnie loved to hunt, rope and he especially loved branding season. During branding season, there was nothing more he would rather be doing than branding. Donnie loved people; he made friends easily and was a good friend to have.

Donnie always had a gentle easy smile. He loved to laugh



and to make others laugh. He saw life differently from anyone; he loved it!!! His sense of humor was priceless. Donnie would tell you that his greatest accomplishments in life were his relationship with the Lord, which truly sustained him these last seven months and his very special marriage to Dixie. His legacy is truly their three children he and Dixie raised. Donnie was an amazing son, brother, husband, father and friend. He will be deeply missed, but will be forever loved.

A funeral service will be held at 10 am, Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at the First Baptist Church, 204 E Elm, New Plymouth with Pastor Dan Dykema officiating. Burial will follow at Wilder, Idaho Cemetery. Condolences may be made to Donnie’s family at [www.shaffer-jensenchapel.com](http://www.shaffer-jensenchapel.com).

*“I was given the gift of life and now I have to give it back. This is hard. But, I was a lucky man, who had a wonderful life filled with love, family and friends. I am at peace. Until we meet again.”*



Homedale Senior Center coordinator Joan Thomson (left) and board president Frank Iovino tend to their stations during last Wednesday’s second day of the Buckaroo Breakfast fundraiser.

# Homedale Sr. Center to hold free blood pressure clinic

Health is the focus for the programs remaining on this month’s Homedale Senior Center calendar.

A blood pressure clinic will be held from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesday. There is no cost.

The Fit and Fall class continues from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each Tuesday and Thursday.

There is no foot clinic this month.

The congregate lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The Ladies Coffee Group meets at 9 a.m. each Wednesday.

The center’s thrift store is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The senior center is located at 224 W. Idaho Ave. Call (208) 337-3020 for more information on activities and services.

# Death notices

**BARBARA ANN HALL**, 72, of Homedale, died Tuesday, Aug. 8, 2017. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

**NORMAN CLARK “TUBBO” LODGE**, 89, of Jordan Valley, Ore., and Caldwell, died on Monday, Aug. 7, 2017.

**LLOYD WILLIAM SORG**, 39, of Marsing, died on Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017. A memorial was held at 2 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 11, 2017 at Mountain View Church of the Nazarene in Wilder. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

# Service notice

**MARY BERNADETTE (ERTTER) TRUEBLOOD**, 94, died Saturday, Dec. 17, 2016 in Anchorage, Alaska. A graveside memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., on Saturday, Aug. 19, 2017 at the Fargo Cemetery, 18934 Fargo Rd, Wilder. Services: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. Condolences: [www.FlahiffFuneralChapel.com](http://www.FlahiffFuneralChapel.com)

# School menus

## Homedale Elementary

Aug. 22: Hamburger, French fries, veggie bar, fruit bar, choice of milk

Aug. 23: Orange chicken, steamed rice/broccoli, veggie bar, fruit bar, fortune cookie, choice of milk

## Homedale Middle School

Aug. 22: Popcorn chicken or hamburger, baked beans, fruit & salad bar, choice of milk

Aug. 23: Pork chop or chicken tenders, mashed potatoes/gravy, fruit & salad bar, hot roll, choice of milk

## Homedale High School

Aug. 22: Pepperoni pizza ripper or BBQ chick ranch wrap, potato chips, salad bar, fruit choice, choice of milk

Aug. 23: Orange chicken w/steamed rice & egg roll or BBQ pulled pork sandwich, pork & beans, salad bar, fruit choice, choice of milk

## Marsing Elementary

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

Aug. 17: Pepperoni ripper, tossed salad or PB & J, yogurt, rice crispy treat

Aug. 22: Hamburger, sidewinders or PB & J, animal crackers, yogurt

Aug. 23: Super nachos, mixed vegetables, PB & J, cheese stick, graham crackers

## Marsing Middle & High

Aug. 16: Chicken sandwich, steamed carrots or SW Philly sandwich, steamed carrots or salad bar or grab-n-go

Aug. 17: Pepperoni ripper, tossed salad or chili cheese fries, whole wheat roll, tossed salad or salad bar or grab-n-go

Aug. 22: Cheeseburger, sidewinders or chicken squealer, sidewinders or salad bar or grab-n-go

Aug. 23: Super nachos, mixed vegetable or salad bar or grab-n-go

# Senior menus

## Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar available with each meal:

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

Aug. 16: Baked fish, baked potato, broccoli, roll, milk

Aug. 17: Taco salad, chips, sour cream, cheese, salsa, milk

Aug. 22: Baked ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, roll, milk

## Rimrock Senior Center

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

Aug. 22: Baked pork chops, French fries, mixed veggie salad, pickled beets, applesauce, banana bread



# Judge sentences four convicted for DUI

Two people Homedale Police arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence earlier this year have been sentenced.

Jose Aguilera Cardenas of Homedale and Parma resident Laura A. Egurrola were sentenced on Aug. 2 after entering guilty pleas to misdemeanors before Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober in a Homedale courtroom.

Grober imposed nearly identical sentences. Both will be placed on one year's probation after serving two days in jail. Both also must pay \$750 in fines and court costs, and they had their driver's licenses suspended for six months each. Grober suspended 178 days of each person's six-month jail term.

Egurrola was arrested on May 5.

Aguilera Cardenas, who was arrested on June 10, must enter a treatment program. Grober

also signed off on the man being able to serve his jail time in Canyon County as part of a work release program.

- A Middleton man an Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy arrested on suspicion of drunk driving on April 25 also has been sentenced on a misdemeanor charge.

Douglas R. Chadwick won't have to serve any more jail time after getting credit for three days spent in Owyhee County Jail after his arrest. Grober suspended the balance of a 180-day sentence.

Chadwick must pay \$850 in fines and fees, and he's serving one year's probation.

- Marsing resident Raul Villa Jr. received a sentence package identical to Chadwick's and had his driver's license suspended for six months. Grober sentenced the man for misdemeanor DUI on Aug. 2.

An OCSO deputy arrested Villa on Feb. 21.

# Wrecked Ford leads to tickets

A man faces misdemeanors after he allegedly left his wrecked car on a Bruneau street.

Mo Aye, 31, of Boise was tracked down with the help of Ada County authorities, Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said.

The investigation began shortly before 7:30 p.m. on Saturday when a 2010 Ford Fusion with Ada County license plates was found with heavy front-end damage on Hyde Street in Bruneau, Bowman said.


Aye was contacted Sunday and received citations for reckless driving and failing to report an accident.

## Thief hits camper at Black Sands

OCSO seeks information after the report of a burglarized camping trailer at a Black Sands campsite near Bruneau.


Bowman said prescription medications, a Kindle Fire and a solar panel used to power a battery charger were stolen from the locked trailer. He said it appeared the suspect removed a screen and gained access through an open window.

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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 77 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 158 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 269 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 549,024 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



Children get lesson on being drug-free

Homedale Police Officer Karl Kingston with his K-9 partner "Goose" talks with a few boys and girls about the danger of drugs during the Homedale Farmers Market on Thursday at Bette Uda City Park.

# Fire burns sage-grouse habitat

A lightning-caused brush fire scorched nearly 3,000 acres southwest of Bruneau last week.

Bureau of Land Management Boise District resources were deployed to the Duncan Fire.

The fire was contained last Wednesday about a day after it had ignited 40 miles southwest of the Owyhee County town.

The BLM spent \$175,000 on fighting the fire, according to the National Interagency Fire Center's Thursday report.

No structures were threatened as the fire moved across grass and brush in sage-grouse priority management areas.

Crews secured a perimeter and mopped up hotspots until the fire was contained Friday night.

BLM sent nine engines, four dozers, a water tender, air attack, three single-engine air tankers (SEATs), a heavy air tanker and 42 firefighters.

Boise BLM spokesman Jared Jablonski said no local fire volunteers worked the fire.

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Homedale High School Class of 1982 reunites

**Front row, from left:** Maria Anzaldua Cardenas, Teresa Bautista Llines, Diana Uranga Maxwell, Jerry Perkins, Teri Metzger Uria, and Keri Peterson Meek  
**Middle row, from left:** Becky Burman Blake, Lone Vinding, Shauna Lasselle Bowman, Brenda Pennington, Diane Humphry Pegram, Robin Bugher, Steve Nash, Randy Deshazer, Ronnie Martinez, and Lori Kubosumi Emry  
**Back row, from left:** Jerry Ferguson, Julie Knight Corbett, Dean Schaecher, Kim Rudd Martinat, Tony Martinat, Phillip Lootens, Lonnie Moats, Stuart Emry, Brent Taggart, and Troy Clymer  
**In attendance but not pictured:** Steve Anderson, Dava Anderson McClure, and Cindy Walker.

Submitted photo

HHS Class of 1982 grads have full reunion weekend

Alumni traveled from across the country and across the Atlantic to attend the weekend’s Homedale High School Class of 1982 reunion. The group visited many hometown locations Friday through Sunday during at 35-year reunion. The weekend began Friday with a potluck dinner and corn hole tournament

at Txoko Ona Basque Center. The classmates began Saturday at Frosty Palace to watch the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo parade then they took a tour of their alma mater. After a lunch of Subway sandwiches at Bette Uda City Park, they toured several Sunny Slope wineries, including Fujishin Family Cellars, Ste. Chapelle, Koenig

Vineyards and Chicken Dinner Wines. Saturday’s festivities concluded at the county rodeo and on the fairgrounds with rides on the mechanical bull. Sunday’s final event was brunch at The Bowling Alley. The Class of 1982 foreign exchange student, Lone Vinding, and her husband, Kim, made the trip from Denmark for

the reunion. Others traveling home for the reunion included Teresa Bautista Llines from Maryland, Shauna Lasselle Bowen-from North Carolina, Brenda Pennington Waters from Tennessee, Troy Clymer from Seattle, Julie Knight Corbett from Wyoming, and Brent Taggart from Oklahoma.

Homedale man takes over at Marsing labor camp

Troxel retires after 23 years

After 23 years, the Marsing Housing Authority has a new manager. Homedale resident Luke Ankeny has been in the position for six weeks. He stepped in for Rob Troxel, who retired earlier this summer. “Three months ago I didn’t even know this job existed so I have a lot to learn and am learning new things every day,” Ankeny said. “I am excited to continue to provide quality and affordable housing to people in agricultural labor, and I am challenged and encouraged to continue to provide quality agricultural related jobs to our domestic work force.” Ankeny continues as a pastor at Homedale Friends Community Church, but he has stepped away from his coaching responsibilities at his hometown high school.



Homedale High School graduate Luke Ankeny has been tabbed to run the Marsing Housing Authority’s day-to-day operations.

The 1995 Homedale High School graduate took over the job full-time on July 1 after spending two weeks training under Troxel, who had held labor and housing manager job since 1994. Ankeny says he’ll split his time between two organizations — the Marsing Agricultural

Labor Sponsoring Committee, Inc. (MALSC) and the City of Marsing Housing Authority. As part of the housing authority, Ankeny oversees 40 low-income housing units. Household incomes must be agricultural-based. As the housing manager, Ankeny works with the organization’s board of directors to maintain the houses and property, collect rent and coordinate with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development office in Caldwell. The MALSC Inc. position charges Ankeny with oversight of 50 housing in the labor camp

on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue West, plus he helps provide temporary farm labor jobs. “I work directly with the crew bosses, member farmers, and other agriculture-related business that hire through us,” Ankeny said. “I work with our payroll provider to ensure everyone gets paid, there are a lot of (human resource) duties in this job.” Ankeny sees the job as more than just a housing superintendent and HR chief, though. “There is a shortage of laborers in agriculture, and I am excited to see how creative we can be with our domestic labor force and with opportunities to bring workers in from other countries to continue providing employment, and support the needs for our member farmers and all of the farmers in the Treasure Valley,” Ankeny said.

— JPB



# Bruneau-Grand View schools plan open houses

Classes start Monday at all levels but Pre-K

Open houses are planned this week in preparation for the first day of school in the Bruneau-Grand View School District.

School starts Monday for kindergarteners through high school seniors. This is the first year that the schoolchildren at the district's three campuses will attend class Monday through Thursday.

Classes begin at 8 a.m. at all

three schools. Kindergarteners through fifth-graders at Bruneau and Grand View Elementary schools will be released for the day at 3:50 p.m. Sixth-graders through 12<sup>th</sup>-graders at Rimrock Jr./Sr. High School get out of school at 3:40 p.m.

Breakfast is served between 7:35 a.m. and 7:50 a.m. at the elementary schools.

New student pre-registration is available between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. daily at each school. Proof of immunizations and a birth certificate are required for enrollment.

Returning students and sixth-

graders who were enrolled in a Bruneau/Grand View elementary school needn't register.

Sixth-grade orientation will be held at 4 p.m. today at Rimrock, while the school's open house takes place between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Thursday.

Open houses at the district's elementary schools will be held from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday.

The school year for pre-kindergarteners begins on Monday, Aug. 28, and class will be held on Monday and Wednesday mornings.

Call your child's respective school for more information:

- Bruneau Elementary, (208) 845-2492
- Grand View Elementary, (208) 834-2775
- Rimrock Jr./Sr. High School, (208) 834-2260

If a parent does not want his/her child's name in the directory or used for public relations purposes, the school district must have a letter on file stating the parent's request by Sept. 11.

Lunch prices are \$2.35 for elementary, \$2.60 for junior and senior high school, and \$3.75 for adults.

Rimrock Jr./Sr. High School fees for the 2017-18 school year include:

- Activity card — \$30
- Sports participation fee (per sport) — High school: \$50; junior high school: \$25. Fees are due by the first game.
- National FFA dues — \$20
- Future Hispanic Leaders of America (FHLA) — \$10
- Honor Society — \$10
- SkillsUSA — \$20
- Yearbook — \$35

Sports admission prices are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. An annual pass is \$75 for adults and \$150 for a family.

## Trustees stay in-house with new Rimrock principal Dale Burk

Burk taught math, coached cross country last year

Trustees went with a locally known commodity when Dale Burk was hired as Rimrock Jr./Sr. High School principal.

Burk, who started in the position on Aug. 1, has two daughters who will begin sixth grade at the school on Idaho highway 78 on Monday.

His wife, Rachel, is an English teacher at the high school.

According to superintendent Ryan Cantrell's letter to Bruneau-Grand View School District parents, Dale Burk was one of nine people applicants who sought to succeed Den-

nis Wilson as the Rimrock principal. He was eventually chosen from a field of four finalists selected by a hiring committee.



Dale Burk

Burk, who is the Raiders' cross country coach and was a math teacher last year, was chosen because of his "commitment to the Bruneau-Grand View community," the letter stated.

His "positive experiences as an administrator" and "mission-match qualities" were also selling points for the school board.

An Oklahoma native, Burk

holds a bachelor's in Mathematics from the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, and he earned a master's in Educational Leadership from Stephen F. Austin State in Texas.

He served six years as a middle school assistant principal in Texas and was a principal at a Christian elementary school before joining the Rimrock teaching staff.

A state championship-caliber athlete in high school, Burk has coached basketball, softball and cross country at the high school level.

"I look forward to working with Mr. Burk as a colleague and believe that his leadership qualities are well-suited to serve our Rimrock students, staff and community," Cantrell said.

## Superintendent, principal just part of district's new look

Eight new teachers at Rimrock

When school starts in the Bruneau-Grand View district Monday, there will be several new faces and others in new positions.

A dozen new teachers have been hired, and superintendent Ryan Cantrell had the "interim" tag removed.

Dale Burk assumed the Rimrock Jr./Sr. High School principal's chair Aug. 1. Cantrell had previously held that position in addition to superintendent after Dennis Wilson resigned earlier this year.

Cantrell will continue as principal for the district's elementary schools and will serve as Bruneau-Grand View's special education director.

Dalrymple, who has taught in the district for 30 years, will continue as instructional coach at the elementary level and the district's federal programs director. Dalrymple is lead teacher at Grand View Elementary, and Susan Wampler, with more than 15 years in the district, is the lead at Bruneau. Both women will provide support in the primary schools when administrative meetings call Cantrell away.

New teachers include:

- **Rimrock** — Marie Donnelly, physical education; Karen Schwarze, English; Carrie Markham, sixth grade; Amanda Hazen, Science; Lindsey McKinney, Business; Gregory Cocozza, wood shop; Kara Contreras, secondary math; and Blake Welsh, special education paraprofessional
- **Bruneau** — Emilee Graham, second and third grade; and Cassandra Winch, special ed paraprofessional
- **Grand View** — Araceli Gallegos, special education paraprofessional, and Blake Welsh, physical education

Paulina Bravo has been hired as an English language paraprofessional, and Becky Lisle is the new school secretary at Bruneau.

Cantrell said that staff retention will be a key to success during his administration.

"Great classroom teachers are the heart of an excellent education program," he said. "Retaining great teachers starts with a healthy work culture and a positive work climate."

— JPB

## VFW launches raffle, school contests

Teacher of the year applications sought, too

Another year of Veterans of Foreign Wars civic pride and teacher of the year contests has begun.

Personnel from the Samuel C. Phillips III Post 11065 spread the word about several projects the Wilder-based VFW chapter has going with a booth Saturday at the Owyhee County Fair.

Post 11065 also entered a classic GMC pickup flying the colors in fair and rodeo parade Saturday morning.

The local VFW post, which serves Marsing, Homedale, Wilder and Parma, is raffling a Remington pump Model 870

shotgun. Tickets are \$1 each of six for \$5. The winning ticket will be drawn during the post's Christmas party in early December.

Post Cmdr. Dan Carlson and VFW member Dennis Huhtala announced Friday that school-related contests are gearing up with the new year upon us.

Middle school and high school students can compete for scholarships in a pair of civics contests.

Each year, VFW opens a Patriot's Pen essay contest for middle school students. This year's theme is "America's Gift to My Generation."

For high school students, the Voice of Democracy speech contest theme is "American History: Our Hope for the Future. This

is the 70<sup>th</sup> year VFW has sponsored the Voice of Democracy contest.

Each local winner wins a prize and has the opportunity to advance through district, state and national levels.

The Post 11065 contest is open to youth in Homedale, Marsing, the Hope House, Wilder, Greenleaf and Parma.

Winners will be honored during the post's Christmas dinner.

Through proceeds from the shotgun raffle, Post 11065 also sponsors a Teacher of the Year award. Applications will be accepted from area schools throughout the 2017-18 school year.

Call Carlson at (208) 250-7780 or (208) 649-7006 for more information on any VFW program.

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✓ Review: Local ranchers pleased with perceived inclusion of local voice

the Idaho fight to keep the bird off the Endangered Species list, see rays of light as the Trump administration.

“It is pretty forceful in directing the agencies under (Zinke) to implement the findings from that task force,” District 1 Owyhee County Commissioner Jerry Hoagland said.

“In Idaho, we found right away (that) one size management does not fit within the state let alone the western states. At least the Secretary recognizes that point and directs management to coordinate with state and local government to fix it.”

Ranchers, especially, may be pleased by the report’s observance that properly grazed lands are compatible with habitat conservation.

“There is a perception of undue emphasis on livestock

grazing in general, instead of a focus on improper grazing,” the report states.

Hoagland said: “The biggest plus is that the Secretary recognizes that grazing is an important economic use of those lands, and directs that all agencies be consistent with state and local plans.”

The report’s authors recognize the dilemma of trying to prioritize and process grazing permits and monitoring. The report also recommends flexibility by letting resource conditions in each Bureau of Land Management field office inform landscape-level management decisions.

“I’m still a little concerned about how the assessment and monitoring will play out,” Hoagland said. “That is usually where the agencies fail in consistency and where most of

the litigation is based.”

Dustin Miller addressed the 52-page report’s tone in an email to several stakeholders, including the Owyhee Sage-Grouse Local Working Group.

“We view this report as a starting point to begin addressing the issues associated with the past administration’s top-down, one-size-fits-all approach, and better align the federal plan in Idaho with Idaho’s state sage-grouse conservation strategy,” the administrator for the Governor’s Office of Species Conservation wrote.

Gov. C. L. “Butch” Otter has sued the federal government when the 2015 federal sage-grouse plan was released during the Obama administration, arguing that the state’s plan was ignored. The litigation is still active, but Miller said Idaho officials did help provide input for the Secretarial Order 3353 final report.

Hoagland, noted for conservation efforts on his Reynolds Creek ranch, served on the task force that helped build the state’s conservation plan.

“Pertinent issues and associated solutions should be tailored to each state’s needs while ensuring conservation of the species,” the federal review report said.

Another aspect of the federal report stirs optimism with Hoagland.

“I like the idea of setting appropriate population objectives,” he said. “That was the big issue we had at the governor’s task force. How would we know when the bird population was reached to delist?”

The report recommends continued collaboration between the federal sage-grouse task force and the governor’s Office of Species Conservation as well as the Bureau of Land Management. Local engagement, including with county officials, is also encouraged.

Grand View rancher Donna Bennett, chair of the Owyhee County Sage-grouse Local Working Group, gave her personal perspective. Any official stance from the LWG won’t be known until after the group’s next meeting.

triggers. A less-rigid resource development policy also is recommended.

“Reviewing and modifying or doing away with the sagebrush focal areas is huge because those were just added by the bureaucracy without local input after the final plan amendment decisions were made,” Hoagland said.

While suggesting a locally focused policy, the report commends the work agencies and individuals — and all levels of government — have achieved despite the contentious battle over the federal plan.

“Through these efforts, hundreds of thousands of acres of sagebrush rangelands have been restored or are on their way to being restored,” the report states.

In building the final report, federal managers and staff culled information from each of the 11 states in the Greater Sage-grouse habitat range. Issues were boiled down to a state-by-state basis as federal agencies worked directly with state officials to review plans, examine invasive species and wildfire issues and collect additional technical information.

“All in all, it is a great directive to come from this administration,” Hoagland said. “Now we’ll see how long certain bureaucrats, including the solicitors, can stall implementation with their anti-economic use agenda on federal lands.”

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✓ Budget: Decision to raise salaries pushes appropriations to eight figures

Salary hikes — whether raises or creating new full-time positions — account for 91.5 percent of the overall increase.

“The main thing was we’ve been years behind the local area with our employee pay, and so we had a struggle keeping employees here due to the (fact) that they could go across the river for much higher pay,” Board of County Commissioners chair Kelly Aberasturi of District 2 said.

“And with the estimated revenues and what we had for carryover last year, we felt it was prudent to give a little bit more money to the employees.”

As for revenues, the county will take the full three percent of allowable property tax increase and utilize nearly \$1.85 million in carryover. The majority of the federal government’s Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) check also will be used.

“The other thing is — and to make sure the citizens understand this — is there’s no guarantee with PILT,” Aberasturi said. “It could at any time be cut or completely gone or a percentage. This last year, we put \$1 million of PILT in the budget, and, to me, that’s a scary thing to do.”

Aberasturi said the county must wean its year-to-year reliance on PILT in case Congress decides against permanency.

“If it becomes a permanent (funding) source, then we can use it as part of our budget,” he said. “But up until that point in time, we are really putting the county at risk by actually working off those numbers.”

Elected officials’ pay now in line with neighbors

Elected officials are receiving — on average — three percent pay increases one year after getting five percent bumps. Aberasturi said the raises aim to bring salaries in line with elected officials’ pay scales in neighboring counties.

There were some new pay lines added for Sheriff Perry Grant’s Off-Road Highway Vehicle and Waterways programs. The Bureau of Land Management is helping fund OHV deputy salaries, Aberasturi said.

Some sheriff’s deputies are set to receive seven to eight

percent pay raises to stay competitive in the region.

Salaries of more than \$3.5 million account for more than a third of the county’s budget, which is consistent with the FY 17 makeup when pay increases ranged from two percent to 11 percent.

The county is paying more for medical insurance in FY 18, too, and the employee contribution is increasing, contributing to a larger overall personnel budget.

The current budget was set at nearly \$9.9 million. Since FY 15, appropriations have seen an average annual increase of about \$700,000. Overall, county spending has increased 40 percent in the past four years.

But District 3 Commissioner Joe Merrick said the year-to-year increases have been consistent.

“If you go back seven years when Kelly and I first started, are the increases any greater this year than in the past?” Merrick asked. “Percentage-wise, we’re the same.”

The majority of this year’s pay raises range between two percent and eight percent, although there are some anomalies because of the creation of new full-time positions or the conversion of some part-timers into full-timers.

Prosecuting Attorney Douglas E. Emery didn’t request a pay increase for the second consecutive year, and — saying the coroner’s office workload doesn’t justify a change — commissioners for the third straight year denied Aaron Tines’ request to draw full-time pay.

Tines had requested his salary rise from about \$17,000 to \$30,000. He did get a three percent pay hike.

“We looked at the numbers every year,” Merrick said. “Deaths and investigations, we look at them really, really hard. It doesn’t appear like (the workload) is there yet.”

Although the commissioners did add to the autopsies and inquests budget by more than 48 percent ahead of a switch in contracted pathology services from Ada County to Canyon County, Aberasturi concurred with Merrick’s outlook on the need for a full-time coroner.

“Even though we’re an aging county, we’d have to get to

about 20,000 population to get to that point,” Aberasturi said.

Drug crimes blamed for big PA caseload

Although Emery maintained his pledge not to seek more money, commissioners did give his department a personnel boost to lessen his workload.

“We know for a fact that he has a pretty good workload because our public defender is at his limit,” Aberasturi said.

Aberasturi explained that public defenders’ caseloads are regulated by rules attached to the state’s new grant system that helps counties pay for defense attorneys. A \$15,000 line in the county’s Indigent and Charity budget will pay for William Wellman’s public defender.

A deputy criminal prosecutor will be hired on a part-time basis in FY 18, and part-time civil deputy Daniel Blocksom will receive an 11.1 percent raise.

Aberasturi said a rise in drug cases is the primary driving force behind the increased workload, and County Clerk Angie Barkell said it’s also affecting her court staff.

“As long as the Legislature in this state says drugs are illegal, and we have all these other states around us that allow it, we’re going to be pretty busy,” the board chair said, adding that his comments shouldn’t be construed as endorsement to legalize marijuana in Idaho.

A second legal assistant, who had been working part-time for the first half of the fiscal year, is now a full-time employee, too.

Emery’s senior legal assistant received an 18.08 percent raise. Commissioners said that move came about to keep the salary competitive with what other rural counties are offering.

In another move commissioners said was fueled in part by the increase in drug arrests, the county jail’s inmate medical budget was increased seven-fold to \$40,000.

Each time an inmate complains of a medical ailment, the jail staff has to ensure there is no emergency. In some cases, suspects who have ingested drugs to avoid detection have had to be transported to the hospital because of overdose fears.

“The liability with this is

tremendous, so we’re trying to make sure we have the funds in there,” Aberasturi said.

Development staff’s workload up, too

With the construction market surging again, commissioners agreed to bolster the Planning and Zoning budget, converting the department’s administrative assistant to full time, and bumping the budget for plat reviews and other contracted services.

More subdivision requests — especially in the Homedale-Marsing area — have forced the county to supplement the engineering work provided by Civil Dynamics.

Barkell said the county has spent \$2,000 more than budgeted on developmental services this year.

The P&Z budget also is beefed up because the zoning laws have to be re-examined and the county’s comprehensive plan is nearing its review date.

BOCC makes courthouse security a priority

Commissioners agreed to add nearly \$25,000 to hire more security personnel for the district court in Murphy and the magistrate courtroom in Homedale.

The courthouse security detail is comprised of retired individuals on a part-time basis. More hours will have to be staffed because of plans to run security scans full-time at the county courthouse and also install a metal detector in Homedale, officials said.

In Murphy, the planned security upgrades go beyond the area immediate adjacent to the courtroom.

Soon, anyone with business at the county courthouse will be able to enter through only the front door facing Idaho highway 78. Other

modifications will make it impossible for anyone to bypass the metal detector.

An upgraded keycard system will be installed, and the rear entrance near the offices for the assessor and treasurer will be restricted to only employee use.

“That’s being driven by outside entities, if you look at what’s going on in other areas,” Aberasturi said. “We have an obligation to make sure that the employees are protected here.”

Aberasturi said some events at the courthouse have served as catalysts for the upgrades.

“Even in smaller areas, we’re noticing that people are getting crazier and crazier, and we’ve had employees here that have been uncomfortable with people who have been abusive.”

BLM helps roads budget

The BLM has increased to \$30,000 its contribution to help the county mitigate wildfire danger near county roads.

Also utilizing a federal grant, the county obtained a tractor and brush-beater to help knock down fuel loads. Kochia, which has a low fire risk, also will be planted.

Commissioners bolstered overtime budgets to brace for increased labor costs tied to harsh weather such as was experienced last winter. The county road crew battled snow on weekends and holidays, and the county wasn’t prepared financially for the extra hours.

“We paid our Road and Bridge guys overtime last year because with the snow and everything, they built up so much comp time that it’s difficult to get your work done when people are taking time off,” Barkell said.

— JPB

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# Commentary

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## On the edge of common sense

### The historic Star Valley Beanfield War



I guess it never would have happened if Raymond hadn't sold his cows. The Star Valley Beanfield War, I mean.

Cy talked him into planting a beanfield. They both had time on their hands. The two of them would do the work. Cy put up 20 acres, and Raymond furnished the machinery. The field was in a small plot of private property surrounded by the Tonto National Forest. I should point out that both men were three score and ten ... each.

May 10, they broke ground. That spring, Arizona had above normal moisture and the beans came on like gangbusters! Raymond left for a week, and on his return Cy was in a tizzy! The elk had invaded the beanfield!

That night Raymond stood guard. He and Pat, his wife of nearly 50 years, sat in their pickup with their dogs in the back. Any approaching elk would get barked, hi-beamed and hoorahed away! Within three days, they were comfortably grazing within 10 feet of the pickup where the bored dogs dozed through the night and the shouts were ignored.

Cy was havin' better luck durin' the day. But the beans were taking a beating. As the weeks wore on, these three beanfield moguls tried various methods to keep the marauding elk out of the field. They tried propane noisemakers, bonfires, highway department flashers, FM radio and rattling feed sacks and tin plates tied in the manzanita brush! All to no avail.

They stood guard night and day for six weeks, fighting a losing battle. When the beans were ready, they cut 'em with Raymond's handmade rig behind the tractor. Each morning at daylight, the three of them would rake the beans in a pile and pitchfork them into the pickup. There they'd fork 'em into Raymond's rebuilt combine, an Allis-Chalmers model 60 with John Deere wheels and a plywood box.

Any piles left in the field were scattered by the elk like leaves in the fall. But the bean farmers bowed their backs and carried on. They finally finished the harvest. Back at the ranch, they cleaned and "winded" them with an electric fan and wound up with 800 pounds of beans. Considering the expected 20-ton harvest, I guess you could say the elk won the Star Valley Beanfield War.

But in the eyes of Raymond, Pat and Cy, they themselves won the war. They walked through the Great Depression and the Second World War without a net. They survived and left the world a better place.

We're runnin' outta these folks. They have earned our admiration and respect. I hope some of their heart and backbone is hereditary.

— 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.

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

## Eyes on Owyhee

### Helping hands are Owyhee's heart and soul year-round



Owyhee County's sense of community reared its unique and impressive head during fair week, but we all know that the close-knit culture is prevalent throughout the year regardless of the cause.

The county came to Homedale for a weeklong celebration of agriculture, livestock, summer treats and, of course, top-notch rodeo.

There's little doubt that the Owyhee County Fair is a jewel in the high desert, sparkling proudly under the warm glow of pride and volunteerism.

On Friday, University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Educator Scott Jensen saluted the many leaders who keep the 4-H clubs humming along. According to the Tales and Trails fair book, there are nearly 50 adults who serve as leaders in the county's 14 4-H clubs.

Some folks do it on their own, while other clubs have teams of grown-ups making sure their children's 4-H experience is the best it can be.

Some of those 4-H leaders pull double-duty during fair week — again in a volunteer capacity.

Several of the fair superintendents are also 4-H leaders, and a few of the husband-and-wife teams supervise more than one 4-H/FFA class during the fair.

Just like the 4-H leadership, fair superintendents are a mix of new volunteers and folks who have seen

their share of the fairgrounds each August. Mary Blackstock of Marsing, for example, continues as a Wilson Butte 4-H leader, but she has reclaimed the reins for the fair's cattle show, too. Blackstock returned to the superintendent's post two years ago when Bill and Bev White — who had taken over from Blackstock — decided to retire from fair activities.

Blackstock has spent countless summers at the fair as a superintendent and as a 4-H leader. This year, her Wilson Butte club co-leaders are Russ and Ashley Bowers, Kelly Ineck and Tony Noe.

The number of leaders for 4-H clubs like Wilson Butte, Snake River Livestock, Shoofly Livestock, Pony Express, Owyhee Silver Spurs, Owyhee Outlaws and Country Kids reflects county parents' willingness to get out there and make sure their children are involved in wholesome, educational, worthwhile activities.

Other clubs, by comparison, have only a few leaders — and in some cases just one mom-and-dad team or a handful of mothers — but the passion and the enthusiasm is no less exponential.

Many people may not realize it, but volunteers staff the fair board, too.

— See *Heart and soul*, Page 15A

## From Washington

### Reduce regs, lighten ag producers' load

*"Today, we need to feed some 7 billion people. By the year 2050, that population will swell to 9.5 billion ... To put the demand for food into perspective, we are going to have to double our production between now and 2050. We will have to produce more food in the next 30 years than has been produced in the last 8,000 years — a daunting task, to say the least. ... We cannot feed the world if we continue to place obstacle after obstacle in front of those who produce our food and fiber."*

— **U.S. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue**  
*in testimony before Congress*

During his testimony before Congress, U.S. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue outlined the demands America's food producers face in the coming decades while noting the difficult agricultural economic climate, in which "we have seen a 50 percent drop in net farm income from the all-time record highs farmers experienced in 2013," he said.

America's farmers and ranchers are expected to meet this enormous challenge while more and more burdens — high input costs, excessive paperwork and regulations, uncertain labor availability, credit and tax variables to name a few — have accumulated.

Secretary Perdue stressed the Administration's objective to reverse this trend, an effort reinforced by President Donald Trump's earlier "Promoting Agriculture and Rural Prosperity In America" Executive Order. This directive created a task force to look for federal actions that can be taken to reduce the federal regulatory and economic burdens on rural America, an objective that will better enable American agriculture to meet the growing demand

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The Interagency Task Force on Agriculture and Rural Prosperity focuses a broad scope of federal agencies, including the Departments of Treasury, Interior, Commerce, Labor and others, on conducting a needed, comprehensive review of federal policies affecting agriculture. The USDA-led task force is required to "identify legislative, regulatory and policy changes to promote in rural America agriculture, economic development, job growth, infrastructure improvements, technological innovation, energy security, and quality of life ..." A swath of issues important to producers, including reliance on sound science for review of crop protection tools; workforce improvements; preservation of family farms considering estate tax law; water rights; and access to public lands for grazing and timber harvests, are to

— See *Producers*, Page 15A



# Commentary

## Financial management

### Financing plan to save energy costs isn't a wise strategy

**Dear Dave,**  
I'm debt-free except for my home, and I'm considering having solar panels installed on the roof of the house. It would cost about \$27,000. I have \$80,000 in savings, but the company doing the installation will finance it all for just one percent interest. It's almost like free money. My electric bills average around \$310 a month, and I thought this would be a good way to save money in the long run. What do you think?

— **Michael**

**Dear Michael,**  
If you have to finance the project, my answer is no. My guess is the break-even analysis you're trying to give me is the sales pitch your solar panel company gave

you. That's how they sell solar panels, but it doesn't justify going into debt.  
You told me you have around \$80,000 in savings right now. Why not just write a check? Let me ask you a question. What if you could borrow \$10 million at one percent interest and put it in the stock market? Would you do that? Of course not. It would be way too risky, right? Basically, we're talking about the same kind of thing. I made you feel the risk by scaling things up in my scenario. You're not feeling the risk right now because we're talking about \$27,000 instead of millions.

This move wouldn't bankrupt you, but wealthy people don't do the kind of thing you're talking about. Either pull the money out of your savings



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account and buy the panels, or don't buy them at all!

— **Dave**

**Dear Dave,**  
I make \$48,000 a year, and I have \$35,000 in credit card debt. I owe \$25,000 on my home, and I was thinking

about taking out a loan against my house to pay off the credit cards. Is this a good idea?

— **Mike**

**Dear Mike,**  
I would never advise anything like this, unless it's to avoid bankruptcy. Here's the problem with that kind of plan. Most people who do that kind of thing don't change their financial habits. In fact, they end up with a new mortgage and new credit card debt somewhere down the line.  
You need to start building a track record of paying off debt. Cut up the credit cards, slash your spending, and start living on a tight, written, monthly budget. Prove to yourself that you're not going to take out a mortgage and turn around and run up a bunch of new credit

cards.  
I want to see you not take on any new debt and reduce that \$35,000 credit card bill dramatically over the next six months. If you can knock out half of it in a year, you can take care of the other half in another year *or less*. Then, you wouldn't need a second mortgage!

— **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](http://daveramsey.com) and on Twitter at [@DaveRamsey](https://twitter.com/DaveRamsey).*

### ✓ Producers: Task force continues policy analysis, legislation in works

*From Page 14A*  
be considered. Local input on legislative, regulatory and policy changes is required. The task force must report its recommendations to the president.  
I look forward to the task force's report and advancing federal policy changes that better back American agricultural producers. This effort includes the following agriculture-related legislation I have sponsored or co-sponsored so far this Congress:

- S. 1090, Water and Agriculture Tax Reform Act of 2017;
- S. 487, Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program Enhancement Act;
- S. 407, Building Rail Access for Customers and

the Economy Act;

- S. 1230, Water Rights Protection Act of 2017;
- S. 205, Death Tax Repeal Act of 2017;
- S. 69, Regulatory Responsibility for our Economy Act of 2017; and
- S. 340, Sensible Environmental Protection Act.

These are just a few of the efforts under way. Information about these and other legislative efforts can be found on my website, at [www.crapo.senate.gov](http://www.crapo.senate.gov), or [www.congress.gov](http://www.congress.gov).  
Many Idaho farmers and ranchers have understandably felt like they have been under assault by the federal government in recent years, as burdensome regulations have been implemented that

deeply affect their operations. Now, under President Trump, executive branch agencies have been specifically directed to seek policy and regulatory reforms to make it easier to do business — a productive course change. With the input of Idaho farmers and ranchers, I will continue to advocate for needed changes that will improve our footing to meet the challenge ahead.

— *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.*

### ✓ Heart and soul: Fair, rodeo display what Owyheean already know

*From Page 14A*  
Working with board secretary and event manager Ginger Loucks, the board helped make the centennial fair an affair to remember. The board includes chair Lath Callaway from Marsing, vice-chair Kenny Tindall from Bruneau, Rachel Criffield and Kent Curtis of Homedale, Jake Astorquia of Marsing and Grand View's Tiffany Hipwell.  
If you enjoyed the county rodeo this year, you must tip your hat to another large group of men and women who give of their time to ensure one of the best shows around.  
Marsing's Jolyn Green coordinates the Saturday parade each year, and she enlists the help of others

to register and judge entries.  
The selflessness, of course, begins with the parents of all the children who exhibit at the fair. In many cases, those parents give up a week of summer vacation to ensure their children are able to chase the glory that comes with a ribbon or a trophy or just the satisfaction of knowing that you worked hard on a project that was enjoyed by throngs of fairgoers.  
Of course, the fair provides a huge spotlight for folks working to bring entertainment and achievement.  
There are still those who toil unheralded — for now — on other endeavors. No doubt, some Friday night in the near future, an announcer at Deward Bell Stadium will bellow the names of those men,

women and businesses who have worked hard to put a new entryway at the Homedale High School football stadium.  
A new wave of school and civic pride has helped develop attractive facades for the town's high school sports venues.  
School spirit is nothing new in Homedale, but for six days every August one gets a whiff — mingled with the aroma of corn dogs and tacos and chorizos — of pride that stretches beyond school district boundaries and city limit signs and permeates the fabric of Owyhee County.  
Let's hope that the unity of purpose can stretch until the trail comes back around.

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# OWYHEE COUNTY RODEO WRAPS UP

Megyn Sibert holds on during a 79-point ride Saturday night that secured her runner-up status in this year's mutton busting contest. Rozin Mason scored 80 points on a ride earlier in the week to win the championship.



**Top:** Augie Robinson and Ryan Redmond try to complete their turn in Idaho Cowboys Association team roping Saturday. **Left:** Dakota Bledsoe hangs on during his 75-point ride Saturday. He finished just out of the money in the ICA ranch bronc event.

See the B section for more rodeo coverage

# Idaho 55 work in Canyon could affect Marsing motorists

Motorists traveling Idaho highway 55 northeast of Marsing will experience restrictions, delays and detours from now until fall because of a construction project.

The Idaho Transportation Department's plan to enhance safety along the corridor between Pride Lane and Middleton Road began Aug. 8.

Work includes repaving the highway, improving intersections and widening the roadway along an 8.5-mile stretch.

During construction, lanes will be restricted during the day and the speed limit will be reduced. Traffic may be detoured around affected intersection for several days.

The initial weeks of construction include widening the Farmway Road and Lake Avenue intersections and paving Idaho 55 between Pride Lane and Farmway Road.

Construction details also will be posted to [itd.idaho.gov/d3](http://itd.idaho.gov/d3). To sign up for updates, text IDAHO55 to 22828 or email [Jennifer.Gonzalez@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Gonzalez@itd.idaho.gov).

# Hwy. 78 fund 50/50 tickets available in Marsing

Two Marsing businesses are helping to sell 50/50 raffle tickets to benefit the Hwy. 78 Community Disaster Relief fund.

Tickets cost \$5 each, and the winner will receive half the pot, which currently stands at \$1,005.

Tickets are available at Logan's Market and the Pair-A-Dice restaurant and lounge (formerly Caba's) in Marsing.

Tickets also can be purchased by filling out the ad appearing in this week's edition of The Owyhee Avalanche (Page 2) and returning it to the Hwy. 78 CDR, P.O. Box 15, Murphy, ID 83650.

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Owyhee rancher, author and historian Mike Hanley gives parade grand marshal Frankie Dougal (seated next to Hanley) and some of her family members a nostalgic ride through downtown Homedale on Saturday to lead the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Parade. Dougal, 99, was also the 2003 grand marshal.

## Roll call of grand marshals

A list of the grand marshals selected since 2000 to lead the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo parade:

**2017** — Frankie Dougal, Jordan Valley

**2016** — Stan and Steve Zatica, Homedale

**2015** — Mary Lootens, Marsing

**2014** — Margie Isaguirre, Marsing

**2013** — Randy Bean and Bill Cegnar, Homedale

**2012** — Viola Black, Grand View

**2011** — Evelyn Loveland, Jordan Valley

**2010** — Frankie and Dot Garrett, Homedale

**2009** — Lorraine Landa Stone, Homedale

**2008** — John Kushlan; reserve grand marshal: Ethel Cegnar; local hero: Fred DeGeus, all Homedale

**2007** — Wendell Hyer, Homedale

**2006** — Paul Zatica, Homedale

**2005** — Donna Watterson, Homedale

**2004** — Don Basey, Homedale

**2003** — Frankie Dougal, Jordan Valley

**2002** — American Legion representatives: Bob Bauer (Homedale), Tom Hall (Bruneau) and Carl Greenfield (Grand View)

**2001** — Bob Kelly, Homedale

**2000** — County mayors: Ervin Gifford (Homedale), Jenny Haken (Marsing) and Allen Long (Grand View)



Tinsley Christensen of the Owyhee Outlaws casts her rope during the county 4-H horse show's Level 2 ranch calf roping on Aug. 8.



Macardy Babcock, 6, (left) and Kolby Linder, 10, dig in at the start of a watermelon eating contest at the fair on Thursday. Macardy is the daughter of Mike and Michelle Babcock. Kolby's parents are Rod and Brooke Linder.



The only entrant, and winner of, the animal dress-up contest, Mikaiala Aberasturi stands with her goat "Mini Pearl." Mikaiala, 7, is the daughter of Sierra Aberasturi.



DeLaynie Dorsey with her pig "Jandice" during Friday morning's swine show. DeLaynie, 16, is the daughter of Matt and Kristie Dorsey.



# Avalanche Sports

## OWYHEE COUNTY RODEO WRAPS UP



**Hooper hangs in Owyhee ranch bronc**

*Chris Hooper holds on during his 74-point ride in the Idaho Cowboys Association ranch bronc competition Saturday. Idaho Cowboys Association and local results, Page 5B. More photos, Page 16A*

## JV Junior Rodeo returns

The youngest of the competitors will kick off the 18<sup>th</sup> annual Jordan Valley Junior Rodeo on Saturday.

The action starts at 9 a.m. when boys and girls age 5 and younger take to the Jordan Valley Rodeo Grounds for the boot race.

Other events set for four age divisions include barrel racing, pole bending, goat tying, flag racing, calf and cow riding, breakaway roping, calf roping and team roping.

Champions get belt buckles, and prizes go to the top five finishers in each event.

There are 150 contestants in four age groups, including Mini Mites (6 and younger), Pee Wees (7-9), Juniors (10-13), and Seniors (14-18).

An all-around buckle will be given to the top overall boy and girl in each age division.

Tickets are \$3 per person, or \$10 for a carload. Children 5 and younger and all rodeo contestants get free entry.

There will be concessions available during the rodeo. Programs also will be sold for 50 cents each.

Proceeds from the rodeo fund the Jordan Valley Junior Rodeo scholarships to Jordan Valley High School graduates. In the spring, John Echave and Alisha Rogers each received \$400.

## Stadium entrance honors HHS heritage, former player

### New concession stand planned later this season

Saturday provided the first chance for Homedale High School football fans to officially walk through a new entrance at Deward Bell Stadium.

The annual Red-and-White intrasquad scrimmage served as the coming out party for a new structure for folks coming into the facility that is home to the Trojans' football team and track and field squad.

"I truly feel that the football program is a staple in this community, and giving the entrance more of an appealing

look and celebrating the rich tradition of our football program feels like the right thing to do," HHS football coach Matt Holtry said.

The project is one of two planned for the nearly 50-year-old stadium that officials hope will make the football experience more enjoyable.

The school district recently filed a building permit to construct a concession stand on the west end of the stadium.

"We feel that it will be a great location as it will allow much better access for both the visiting and home fans," Holtry said. "We also feel that it will allow those volunteering to work concessions to be more a part of the game as they will

— See **Stadium**, page 4B



*Boosters donated the labor that produced a new look to the front of Deward Bell Stadium.*



## Cattlemen's summer convention, Silver City, 1969 and 1973

Anybody that has ever been to an Owyhee Cattlemen's Association summer meeting in Silver City undoubtedly has a memory of that occasion. Maybe not a memory of the business meeting, but if you participated in the extracurricular activities after the meeting, you probably have a story to tell.

I just happen to have such a story.

I became aware of the Cattlemen's convention get-together as a youngster, if I was staying that particular weekend at Silver with my Uncle Vic Ford. We stayed at the little yellow house just below the Stoddard Mansion that Vic owned.

I was too young at the time to be interested in many of the activities except the Saturday evening dinner and Sunday morning breakfast. I do, however, remember all the hootin' and hollerin' and loud country music, and foot stompin' goin' on down in the Masonic Hall. This went on 'til the wee hours of the morning it seemed like.

It was more than likely the summer of 1969 when me and a few of my cohorts attended Cattlemen's as full participants at the evening dinner and dance. People from all over would converge on Silver City to "help" the cowboys and ranchers celebrate the event. We were all rambunctious and full of wee and vinegar and needed a place to let it all hang out.

My friends and I that went that year were too young to drink (legally anyway), but we never let that little detail stop us from haulin' a case of Rainier, a couple bottles of Strawberry Hill or Ripple or even "Mad Dog" wine up to the big party at Silver. In fact, we might have even mixed up a batch of "P.J." to take. (More on that later). I don't necessarily condone this type of behavior now, but that's just the way it was then. We didn't worry about our brain cells 'cause most people didn't think we had any.

The big Cattlemen's dance was everything we hoped or expected it to be. The dance was held in the Masonic

lodge 'cause it was the only place in town big enough. I'm not sure what the body capacity of the dance hall was (nobody was concerned, I don't think), but I'm guessin' we exceeded capacity by quite a bit 'cause when the dance was in full swing it was just about standing room only. What kept that building from collapsing into Jordan Crik from everybody doing' the boot stompin' boogie all night long is beyond me. The Masons eventually stuffed some big, heavy steel I-beams supported by concreted under the part of the building that spanned the crik. That was a fairly ambitious project. Years later, they quit havin' the dance in the lodge hall.

I don't think my Uncle Vic was in Silver at this particular Cattlemen's. But we used the little house as our base camp and threw out sleeping bags on the porch and kept our ice chest up there. Later that night, as I was probably stumbling back down the hill to the dance after getting more (than I needed) liquid refreshment, I tripped and fell flat, and I'm certain I broke two or three ribs on a rock. The reason I know this is because it hurt like the devil the next morning as I was purging my stomach. But we all survived and made it out of there sometime Sunday.

Fast forward to 1973.

I was still in the U.S. Navy stationed at Naval Air Station (NAS) Whidbey Island about 100 miles north of Seattle. I was fortunate to get into the Naval Air branch of the Navy. The electronics training I took in Denver right after high school helped me qualify. The Navy gave me a choice of becoming a jet avionics technician or I could go into ground support electronics (GSE). Well, I chose ground support, which meant I would maintain two tractors, big mobile air conditioners, 28-volt D.C. mobile power plants, and anything else that the Navy jets needed to get into the air.

The year 1973 was the last year of my four-year stint, and I'd been stationed at Whidbey Island the whole time except boot camp in

San Diego and tech training in Millington, Tenn. (it's close to Memphis). I had some good sailor friends and had been telling them about what a grand time we had at Cattlemen's in Silver. One friend (Mike Ustianowski) was from Wisconsin and his family ran a big dairy. He pretty much insisted that some of us should make the trip to Idaho that summer and go to Cattlemen's. Well, I'd been makin' the trip home from Whidbey to Homedale on occasion so I knew the quickest route. It was about 700 miles if we went over Snoqualmie Pass instead of goin' down to Portland and then east. In the winter, though, Portland was the safest route because of snow.

So we started planning the trip after I found out what weekend Cattlemen's would be. A guy from Middleton by the name of Clark volunteered to take his car. It was a '64 SS Impala with a 327 and a 4-speed. So Mike from Wisconsin, Gary from Missouri, Chuck from Homedale and me and Clark got it all worked out, but we couldn't leave Whidbey until 5 p.m. Friday evening. We were OK with that, 'cause we could take turns drivin'. I think we made it to Homedale at around 2 a.m. Whidbey time but 3 a.m. Homedale time. That's nine hours for 700 miles roughly. If you do the math, that's 75-80 mph average with two gas stops in there.

On the trip, we had one little issue that came up about halfway home. The 4-speed kept popping out of fourth gear. Well ... no problem. We stopped, rummaged around in the trunk and found a fan belt. A couple of us had our Navy belts on, so we looped the fan belt over the shifter and back between the bucket seats and tied it to a Navy belt and then to the belt of the guy sittin' in the middle of the back seat. Presto! We could hold it in high gear with the belts now.

Clark dropped us off at my parents' house. He wasn't going to Cattlemen's, so he went on to Middleton. Chuck had family in Homedale.



## Reminiscing Owyhee memories

by  
Rob  
Townsend

So we all grabbed about six hours of sleep.

Then we loaded up my dad's pickup with some sleepin' bags and an ice chest. We stopped at the liquor store (we were all old enough this time) and then another store to get other fixin's and ice. Stopped at the gas station and filled up the pickup and a 1-gallon gas can just in case. Then off we went to Silver with two of us ridin' in the front and two in the back.

We got to Silver City in time to get in on the evening dinner. The boys enjoyed the ride to Silver. After dinner, we toured the town a little and unloaded our stuff at Uncle Vic's yellow house for our base camp. Uncle Vic had died in 1971, but the house was still in his family.

We just used the porch for a place to crash. We kind of kicked back for a bit 'cause the dance wouldn't start for a while, and we started thinkin' about mixin' up our refreshments for the night. I had been tellin' the boys about "P.J." Well, as some people already know, that stands for Purple Jesus, and that's the last time I'll call that concoction that in this story. I didn't invent the mixture, or name it, but I had mixed enough of it and drank enough of it that I may have had a slight reputation concerning P.J. (As a note of possible interest, this concoction was the requested punch bowl at my sister Julie's wedding. Not a drop was left!)

A problem arose when we went to mix it up. We had forgotten anything resembling a container. We rummaged around and couldn't find anything ... but the 1-gallon, red, metal gas can with the metal flex spout. "Shoot!" somebody said. "That'll work."

So we poured the gas in the pickup, shook out the can

a bit and mixed up the first gallon of P.J. and crammed as much ice in the can as we could. All the ingredients had been on ice, so it was all cold. We sat up there on the porch, passin' the can around and drinkin' out of the flex spout (we forgot cups, too).

I reckon it was around 9 p.m. when we heard the band tunin' up down in the Masonic hall. We were kinda tuned up by then, too! We topped off our gas can with more ingredients, and off we went, me an' Chuck, Gary and Mike down the hill, t the dance with red gas can in hand. We didn't think much about it, but we noticed people lookin' at us passin' the gas can around and drinkin' out of the flex spout. When we realized what that must of looked like, we 'bout split a gut laughin'.

Anyway, the four of us (and I think a few cowboys might have taken a snort or two out of the can later that night) pretty much drank up all the P.J. and a few stray beers. We crashed about 3 a.m. up on the porch, I guess. We barely made it to the last of breakfast! Then rested up a bit. We pretty much stayed in drinkin' shape up a Whidbey, so none of us had a terrible hangover.

We loaded up about noon or so and drove back to Homedale. Clark finally showed up from Middleton and informed us the tranny was no better. We bid my mom and dad farewell, jumped in the Impala with the shifter hooked to one of us in the back seat and took off for Whidbey Island.

— Rob Townsend is a Homedale resident. Submit your Owyhee country memories to *The Owyhee Avalanche*. Email [jon@owyheeavalanche.com](mailto:jon@owyheeavalanche.com) or call (208) 337-4681 for more information.

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# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

August 19, 1992

### Ten new teachers to start this year at Homedale

Among the new faces on the first day of school this year, there will be ten who are teachers. According to Faith Olsen, district clerk, there will be nine new teachers, one who is returning after a two-year leave of absence, and one who is moving from the secondary level to the third grade.

The new teachers include: Kathy Hensley, who will teach fourth grade, Eric Kennedy, PE, boys’ varsity basketball coach and assistant junior high football coach; Amy Christoffersen; PE, JV volleyball coach and assistant track coach; Judy Skeen, math, study hall, and high school volleyball coach; Ida Burt, four periods of study hall; Jill Noble, second grade; John Cossel, high school science; Cheryl Learst, junior high language arts; and Julie Nauman, secondary Chapter 1.

Dan Tristan will be returning from a leave of absence, and will teach eighth-grade science and Spanish, coach girls’ varsity basketball and baseball.

Sandra Wright will move from her position as secondary Chapter 1 teacher to the third grade.

### Two principals, three teachers hired at Marsing

At the regular meeting of the Marsing school board August 11, the main business was hiring.

Darrel Pantalone will be the new high school principal.

The elementary school principal is Luis Gutierrez from Nampa.

Linda Scotsburg will teach English, Janet Kelsen will teach math, and Jerry Wilhite will be a part-time art teacher.

### New street lights in Marsing

Three new street lights will be installed in Marsing, according to Janice Bicandi, city clerk. Bicandi said that the city council, at their regular meeting Aug. 12, decided to install street lights near the senior housing, in the alley behind Snake River Mart, and at the intersection of Reich and Christensen streets.

### Homedale council considering business license

The Homedale City Council has been trying for some time to come up with code for business licenses that will best suit both the city and business owners.

The code being used by the council for consideration is the one that Caldwell is using.

At their regular meeting Aug. 12, the board decided to wait and see what Caldwell adopts and revise their ordinance in a way which would be suitable for Homedale.

In order to get a business license, the building which will house the business must be inspected. Mayor Paul Fink expressed concern that this would place undue hardship on the businesses in town.

But Ralph Gamboa, a building inspector, said that a grandfather clause applies. He said that if a building is up to code for the time and purpose for which it was built, no changes need to be made. However, if an existing business wanted to change what it was currently selling, or if a new owner took over, the grandfather clause would no longer be in effect, and the business would have to conform to current codes.

Gamboa said updating the city’s code would benefit business owners by taking away their liability for unsafe conditions and existing problems.

Gamboa was then appointed as the city’s building inspector.

## 50 years ago

August 17, 1967

### County fair parade line-up

Co-chairmen of the Owyhee County Fair Parade, Mrs. Bryce Peterson and Mrs. Bill Blackman, have announced the following line-up for the parade Saturday, Aug. 19 at 9:30 a.m.

The first section will include: police escort, color guard, Miss Rodeo of Idaho and royalty, Owyhee County Rodeo Court, 25<sup>th</sup> Army Band Homedale Drill Team, Homedale Guard Unit “B” Troop. 1<sup>st</sup> Rec. Sqrd, 116<sup>th</sup> Armored Cal., Treasure Valley mayors. Owyhee Fair Queen and attendants, El Korah Motor Cavalcade, politicians and Seneca Rope Jumpers.

### 140 entrees in Owyhee rodeo

One hundred and forty cowboys have signed up for the Owyhee County Fair Rodeo, according to Jim Duncan, secretary. Riders from all over the Northwest will compete for the \$4,000 in prizes at the “All Rodeo Show” August 16 through 19.

### Julie Yzaguirre crowned Fair Queen for 1967

Julie Ann Yzaguirre of Marsing was crowned Owyhee County Fair Queen for 1967 during the opening night of the Owyhee Rodeo last night.

Miss Yzaguirre is the 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Justo Yzaguirre of Marsing. She was sponsored by the Alpha Omega and Alpha Phi chapters of Beta Sigma Phi. She will be a sophomore at the Marsing high school this fall.

First runner-up was Lana Vance, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vance of Homedale, who was sponsored by the Stateline Grange. Judy Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Davis of Bruneau, was second runner-up. She was sponsored by the Wilson, Grand View and Bruneau Canyon 4-H clubs.

Other contestants were Sarah Brandon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Brandon of Homedale, Sagecreek 4-H club; Cathy Christoffersen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Chrisoffersen of Homedale, the Livestock Kitchen Maids, Saints of the Skillet and Steady Stitchers 4-H clubs of Homedale; and Sandy Cossel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cossel of Marsing, Marsing chapter of Future Farmers of America.

### Vances purchase Caldwell firm; relocate office

The Dennison Ambrose, C.P.A. practice and building at Caldwell has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vance of Homedale, owners of Vance Accounting, and Douglas Freeman of Caldwell.

The two firms will be consolidated and the partnership will be operated as Freeman and Vance, located at 811 Main St., Caldwell.

Homedale clients can call the Caldwell office at Enterprise 330, for the toll-free long distance call, Vance explained.

Mrs. Michael Long and Mrs. Alphonso Salutregui, both of Homedale and secretaries for the firm, will be employed at the new location.

The Vances will continue to reside in Homedale, where they have lived for the past nine years. Their daughter, Linda, will be a senior at Homedale High School this fall.

### Local news

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Atkinson and daughters, Kathleen and Patricia, of Portland, Oregon, are spending the week with Mrs. Grace Colley and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Colley, all of Homedale, and relatives in Boise.

## 140 years ago

August 18, 1877

POORMAN—To our correspondent, “W. H.,” who asks if the Poorman ever produced high graded ore of any quantity, we have to state that on inquiry of a prominent mining Secretary in this city, who had charge of the mills in 1866 to 1867, that at one mill in two and a half months were milled 770 tons of ore, averaging \$264 per ton; and at another mill 2,800 ton (of Poorman ore), averaging about \$215 per ton. At that time the mine was principally owned by Messrs, Bradford and Mason and Cox and Smith of New York—S. F. Stock Exchange.

RECAPTURED—William Butler, who escaped from the Penitentiary on the 1<sup>st</sup> instant, was recaptured on Sunday lost in Little Valley near the Bruneau, by Captain George Hill, in Bruneau Valley, whom Marshal Kirkham had deputized for the business. Butler was found in the woods in pitiable condition, being nearly starved and with but little clothing. While on their way to Boise City Captain Hill and his prisoner stopped over night at the house of Mr. Miner, in Boise Valley, and in the morning Butler made an attempt to escape. Not having been handcuffed, he had seized a revolver which was lying on the table, and holding it said, “gentlemen you are the prisoners,” but he reckoned without his host, for Captain Hill sprang forward and seized the weapon which, in the melee, was discharged inflicting a wound on the Captain’s head and filling his forehead with powder. Butler was soon overcome and safely delivered at Boise City on Wednesday. He says that T. B. Scott assisted him to escape form the penitentiary, and if this statement is true the story of Scott’s death must be a myth.

MINING NOTES—Operations at the Empire mine have been temporarily suspended. The men working there were much dissatisfied at not receiving their monthly pay on the 10<sup>th</sup> as usual, and not receiving satisfactory assurance that it was forthcoming immediately, they resolved to quit for a few days. They have charge of the works in the meantime, and if no change for the better occurs in a few days they will proceed to work the mine themselves. We are, however, reliably informed that money is now on the way from San Francisco wherewithto pay the men and that the mine will start up again in a day or two. Mr. Crutcher is reported to have left that city on Thursday morning and has funds with him. There have been various reports in circulation relative to the progress of work in this mine during the past few weeks and it is just possible that there may have been some “skulduggery” going on, but we have been unable thus far to get at “bottom facts.” Whatever may be the upshot of it, it may be set down as a certainty that men will not now or hereafter work in our mines unless paid up within ten or fifteen days after the end of each month. They are perfectly right in taking this stand as many miners here and many who have left us have realized from sad experience the losses and uncertainties attendant upon waiting six or eight months for pay which they never got. The miners are the bone and sinew of the country and it is through their labors we expect to have our mines developed and the camp become prosperous again. They should consequently be paid promptly every month for their services, the same as a merchant pays his clerks, or the same as any prompt business man discharges such obligations to faithful employees. In such a mine as the Empire there is no good reason why there should be any delay in paying the workmen.



# Sports

## Owyhee’s Herrera, Williams collect ICA buckles on their home turf

**Final results**  
**Idaho Cowboys Association**  
**Bull riding** — 1. Anthony Herrera, Grand View, 85 points  
**Bareback** — 1. Austin Williams, Marsing, 70 points; 2. Kirk St. Clair, Oregon, 69; 3. Brent Bannon, Prineville, Ore., 66  
**Saddle bronc** — 1. (tie) Coburn Bradshaw, 82 points; Alex Wright, 82; 3. (tie) Luke McKay, Oregon, 81; Ryan Mackenzie, Jordan Valley, Ore., 81; 5. Monte Johnson, Idaho, 80  
**Ranch bronc** — 1. (tie) Jesse Callahan, Brady, Neb., 79 points; Monte Johnson, 79; 3. (tie) Ryder Young, Idaho, 77; Gus King, 77; 5. (tie) Jake Phillips, 76; and Tegan Nevarez, Nevada, 76  
**Tie down roping** — 1. Paul Cope, Idaho, 8.8 seconds; 2. Caleb McMillan, Washington, 9.0; 3. Brady Brower, Idaho 9.1; 4. (tie) Bo Pickett, Homedale, 9.2; Cody Craig, Wendell, 9.2; 6. Kolby Brovos, The Dalles, Ore., 9.4; 7. Jason Minor, Ellensburg, Wash., 9.5; 8. Tate Gentry, Heppner, Ore., 9.8; 9. Mitch White, 9.9; 10. Seth Hall, Idaho, 10.5. **Locals:** 17. Aaron Marts, Homedale, 14.4; 25. Kirby Cook, Marsing, 21.0  
**Breakaway roping** — 1. Maddy Pendergrass, Adrian, Ore., 2.4 seconds; 2. Danielle Jennings, Ontario, Ore., 2.6; 3. Addie Englehart, Lakeview, Ore., 2.7; 4. Karleigh Robinson, Idaho, 2.8; 5. (tie) Britni Carlson, Hermiston, Ore., 2.9; Cassie Christensen, Idaho, 2.9; Quincy Pendergrass, Adrian, Ore., 2.9; 8. (tie) Samantha Kerns, Haines, Ore., 3.0; Katie Leibold, Idaho, 3.0; Janey Reeves, Melba, 3.0. **Locals:** 12. Shelby Dines, Marsing, 3.5; 13. (tie) Julia Reeves, Melba, 3.6; 18. Gloria King, Homedale, 3.7; 20. Jamie Marts, Homedale, 5.2  
**Barrel racing** — 1. Sammi



Homedale’s Aaron Marts puts his rope in the right spot during a 14.4-second tie down roping run Saturday night.

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Lane, Arlington, Ore., 17.512 seconds; 2. Linda Roberts, Oregon, 17.573; 3. Jade Crossley, 17.69; 4. Hope Jordan, 17.755; 5. LaDawn Bayes, Adrian, Ore., 17.777; 6. Paizley Guthrie, Rigby, 17.793; 7. Kalena Webb, Idaho, 17.808; 8. Breann Ary, 17.853. **Locals:** 17. Ria Kent, Marsing, 18.005; 36. Georgia King, Homedale, 18.711; 41. Stacy Fisher, Homedale, 19.803  
**Team roping** — 1. John Hagler, Washington, and Aaron

Moyers, Oregon, 5.3 seconds; 2. David Temple and Dustin Bahem, Idaho, 5.6; 3. Jack Fisher and Buckey Campbell, Idaho, 5.8; 4. Ryan Opie, Burns, Ore., and Dayton Stafford, Prineville, Ore., 6.0; 5. Chaz Kananen and Dustin Wells, Idaho, 6.3; 6. Brett Sheehan and Blake Craig, Idaho, 6.4; 7. Seth Hall and Cole Sherwood, Idaho, 6.9; 8. Cody Craig, Wendell, and Jared Parke, Idaho, 7.3. **Locals:** 9. Josh Bruce, Jordan Valley, Ore., and Shaun Lequerica, Arock,

Ore., 7.6; 16. Kirby Cook and Kelsey Cook, Marsing, 12.3; 17. Richard Eiguren, and Bryan Grenke, Jordan Valley, Ore., 12.7; 20. Tim Mackenzie and Ben Badiola, Homedale, 22.5  
**Steer wrestling** — 1. (tie) Trevor Maddox, Weiser, 5.2 seconds; Carl Seiders, Adrian, Ore., 5.2; 3. Brady Brower, 5.5; 4. (tie) Tucker Wright, Canyon City, Ore., 5.6; and Jake Faulkner, Idaho, 5.6; 6. Tanner Stanger, Idaho, 5.9  
**Wild cow milking** — 1. Joel Maxwell and Jeb Balderston; 2. Sam Riley and Tyler Blackstock; 3. Tex Sutfin and Clydesdale  
**Novice bull riding, bareback and saddle bronc** — No qualifying scores

**Local events**  
**Team roping** — 1. Andy Clapier and Trenton Milburn, 10.9 seconds; 2. Hailey Okamura and Steve Duggar, 11.3; 3. Michelle Rutan and Diana Fillmore, 12.8. **Others:** 4. Tori Miller and Zack Zumstein, 15.2; 5. Gina Showalter and Chad Showalter, 15.4; 6. Robbin Eiguren and Birch Eiguren, 15.9; 7. Travis Veznia and Hector Venegas, 24.0  
**Steer riding** — 1. Trey McFarlane, 79 points; 2. Kaden Clemens, 76  
**Mutton busting** — 1. Rozin Mason, 80 points; 2. Megyn Sibert, 79; 3. (tie) Karley Mas-meyer, 78; and Ainsley Nelson, 78; 5. Mason Patnode, 77

## Mandatory meeting for Marsing High School sports parents

**Boosters BBQ, football opener set next week**  
Marsing High School has implemented a mandatory meeting for parents who have children participating in fall sports. The meeting takes place at 7 p.m. on Thursday inside the

high school commons area, 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue West. Athletic director and principal Tim Little said at least one parent of guardian for each athlete is required to attend. According to the school district website, parents must complete the Positive Sport Parenting course, an online link to which is available at <https://nfhslearn.com/courses/18000/positive-sport-parenting>.

Parents must submit a certificate of course completion to their child’s head coach before their son or daughter will be permitted to compete. Fall sports include football, volleyball, cross country and cheer. Marsing has new coaches for football (Kenny Mace) and volleyball (Kelsey Kramer), while Robin Simpson returns

as cross country coach. The returning cheer advisor is Catriona Hardy. The school’s athletic boosters will play host to a kickoff barbecue at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 24. Coaches and teams will be introduced, and there will be a silent auction of themed baskets with proceeds benefitting each team. Dinner will cost \$5, and

athletes eat for free. The football season begins at home on Friday, Aug. 25 with a junior varsity/varsity non-conference doubleheader against Wendell. The volleyball opener is set against visiting Payette on Tuesday, Aug. 29 with the first of three matches at 4:30 p.m. Cross country gets started on Saturday, Aug. 26 with the Dash and Splash in McCall.

## ✓ Stadium: Brett Shanley Memorial Fund helps pay for facility upgrades

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be able to view the action from that location.” Concessions for the Sept. 1 home opener against Melba will be sold from the existing concession booth under the home grandstands. “The concessions will not be completed prior to the first game,” Holtry said. “But because of its location, we feel

the construction can be started without interference to the action during games. But the new ticket booth and archway are ready to greet fans. The project, estimated at \$8,000 to \$10,000, was financed through the Brett Shanley Memorial Fund. Shanley played football under Holtry, and his family has deep

roots in the school and the football program. “A lot of donated time, though, has gone into this project, so a real cost would be hard to determine,” Holtry said. Roger Hibbard directed the project, Holtry said, and Benny Harper helped with the roofing. The football team also put in some labor as did Holtry’s

father-in-law, Dennis Carrel, and brother-in-law, Derek Carrel. Middleton resident Harley Miller helped with the steelwork and design of the archway. “It has been something that I have wanted to improve from early on in my time as the head coach here,” Holtry said. “In talking with Kurt

Shanley, we wanted to make sure whatever project we took on that it would do a couple of things: 1) Honor his son, and 2) Create something that will last and be useful to the Homedale district for many years to come. We feel that this project will be able to do just that.”

— JPB



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Zack Zumstein (second from left) calls out bids during the goat portion of the Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale on Saturday.

# Auction records fall behind beef, goats

Preliminary numbers indicates Saturday’s Owyhee County Junior Livestock Auction smashed all kinds of records.

Debbie Titus with the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office reported Monday that a record 267 animals were sold at the fairgrounds in Homedale, bringing in the most money of any recorded auction — \$325,344.

That number may only be the beginning.

“I haven’t even started add-ons yet,” Titus said.

Class records set a year ago were shattered:

- Youth exhibitors sold a record 49 beef and beat last year’s previous all-time

earnings high by \$19,000. Auctioneer Zack Zumstein oversaw sales that racked up \$134,250.

- Twenty-two goats (four more than last year’s previous record) sold for a total of \$14,750, which eclipsed the 2015 record of \$13,850.
- Sheep and swine sales neared record numbers, but came up short.
- Eighty sheep (one off the 2014 record) sold for \$67,244. The record-high earnings came in 2015 with \$69,500.
- 116 swine sold for a total of \$109,100. Last year, a record 121 sold, and 2015 exhibitors earned the most money in class history at \$121,600.

— JPB



Mitchell Erwin of Bruneau Canyon 4-H leads his goat through the ring during the opening minutes of the Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale on Saturday.

## Armory Exhibit Hall Open Class results

<b>Owyhee County Nature’s Wonder</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Florence Paxton. <b>Reserve grand champion</b> — Sherry Penny	<b>Agriculture</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Ella Lootens. <b>Reserve grand champion</b> — Ella Lootens <b>Child champion</b> — Levi Loucks <b>Child reserve champion</b> — Lexus Pascule <b>Youth champion</b> — Christian Sharek <b>Adult champion</b> — Craig Clapier <b>Adult reserve champion</b> — Ella Lootens <b>Senior champion</b> — Carolyn Rees <b>Senior reserve champion</b> — Judy Pascule <b>Judge’s choice</b> — Peyton Showalter <b>Superintendent’s choice</b> — Emeline Hipwell	<b>Superintendent’s choice</b> — Katy Mounkes
<b>A Bountiful Harvest</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Neita Helm	<b>Canning</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Ruth Clapier. <b>Reserve grand champion</b> — Annie Campbell <b>Child champion</b> — Aliya Hibbs <b>Adult champions</b> — Laura Morrison, Russell Erwin <b>Reserve adult champion</b> — Russell Erwin <b>Senior champion</b> — Ruth Clapier <b>Reserve senior champion</b> — Annie Campbell <b>Judge’s choice</b> — Russell Erwin <b>Superintendent’s choice</b> — Ruth Clapier	
<b>Salt Block Lick Art</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> place</b> — Kelly Richnen <b>2<sup>nd</sup> place</b> — Laurien Mavey <b>3<sup>rd</sup> place</b> — Cindy Mavey	<b>Items Made by a Man</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Jerry Rubelt. <b>Reserve grand champion</b> — Mark Bowen <b>Armory award</b> — David VanWassenhove	
<b>Open Class Fruit</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Bonnie Davis. <b>Reserve grand champion</b> — Heather Fields <b>Child champion</b> — Morgan Etter <b>Adult champion</b> — Bonnie Davis <b>Adult reserve champion</b> — Heather Field <b>Senior champion</b> — Neal Durham	<b>Needlecraft</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Marjorie Anderson <b>Child champion</b> — Ashley Stebly <b>Adult champion</b> — Marjorie Anderson	<b>Arts</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Joey Renfro. <b>Reserve grand champion</b> — Paula Ness <b>Child champions</b> — Peyton Leuthold, Lita Thomas <b>Child reserve champions</b> — Peyton Leuthold, Abigail Sevy <b>Youth champion</b> — Joey Renfro <b>Youth reserve champion</b> — Evelyn Sevy <b>Adult champion</b> — Julia Cloud <b>Adult reserve champion</b> — Debbie Brown <b>Senior champion</b> — Shauna Chadez <b>Senior reserve champion</b> — Paula Ness <b>Judge’s choice</b> — Jolene Sevy <b>Superintendent’s choice</b> — Jolene Sevy
<b>Historical</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Tony Clapier. <b>Reserve grand champion</b> — Keri Gibbs <b>Adult champion</b> — Keri Gibbs <b>Senior champion</b> — Tony Clapier <b>Senior reserve champion</b> — Marjorie Anderson <b>Judge’s choice</b> — Carolyn Rees <b>Superintendent’s choice</b> — Tony Clapier	<b>Baking</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Marjorie Anderson. <b>Reserve grand champion</b> — Dee Korvela <b>Child champions</b> — Emerson McIntyre, Kinley Shanley <b>Child reserve champions</b> — Mikaiala Aberasturi, Lily Ormond <b>Adult champions</b> — Marjorie Anderson, Deidre Erwin <b>Adult reserve champion</b> — Susie Schmidt <b>Senior champion</b> — Dee Korvela <b>Senior reserve champion</b> — Janet McCornack <b>Judge’s choice</b> — Marjorie Anderson <b>Superintendent’s choice</b> — Dee Korvela	<b>Photography</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Taylor Pearson. <b>Reserve grand champion</b> — Darla Wintermote <b>Child champion</b> — Cammie Kiester <b>Child reserve champion</b> — Aliyah Scown <b>Youth champion</b> — Taylor Pearson <b>Youth reserve champion</b> — Taylor Pearson <b>Adult champion</b> — Darla Wintermote <b>Adult reserve champion</b> — Keri Gibbs <b>Senior champion</b> — Betty White <b>Senior reserve champion</b> — Daryce Franzen <b>Judge’s choice</b> — Gentry Scown <b>Superintendent’s choice</b> — Aliyah Scown <b>Armory award</b> — Heidi Pearson
<b>Hobby crafts</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Ruth Rubelt. <b>Reserve grand champion</b> — Julie Cloud <b>Child champion</b> — Tyler Thompson <b>Child reserve champion</b> — Brooke Love <b>Youth champion</b> — Jessie Wood <b>Adult champion</b> — Ruth Rubelt <b>Adult reserve champion</b> — Julie Cloud <b>Senior champion</b> — Phyllis Jewett <b>Senior reserve champion</b> — Jerry Rubelt <b>Judge’s choice</b> — Bill Todd <b>Superintendent’s choice</b> — Bill Todd	<b>Flowers</b> <b>Grand champion</b> — Bonnie Minder. <b>Reserve grand champion</b> — Katy Mounkes <b>Child champion</b> — Parker Showalter <b>Child reserve champion</b> — Morgan Etter <b>Youth champion</b> — Mikaiala Aberasturi <b>Adult champion</b> — Katy Mounkes <b>Adult reserve champion</b> — Tammy Aevermann <b>Senior champion</b> — Shirley Neville <b>Senior reserve champion</b> — Shirley Neville <b>Judge’s choice</b> — Katy Mounkes	

More fair results and photos next week in The Owyhee Avalanche



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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	0.00	6,579.52	6,579.52
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	0.00	52,356.00	52,356.00
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	28,106.62	28,106.62	0.00	0.00	18,806.91	18,806.91
911	25,568.00	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	24,876.90	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

## 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 processs 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.

08/09,8/16/2017

### 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.  
Hwy 95 Self Storage 208-377-3417  
8/9,16/2017

### 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

### CITY OF HOMEDALE STATE OF IDAHO ORDINANCE NO. 414

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2017, APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$4,592,375.00 TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF HOMEDALE FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR, AUTHORIZING A LEVY OF A SUFFICIENT TAX UPON THE TAXABLE PROPERTY AND SPECIFYING THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSED FOR WHICH SAID APPROPRIATION IS MADE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho:  
**Section 1:** That the sum of \$ 4,592,375.00 is, and the same is appropriated to defray the necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho for the fiscal year beginning October 1,2017,  
**Section 2:** The objects and purposes for which such appropriation is made, and the amount of each object and purpose is as follows:

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:	
GENERAL FUNDS	
Administrative	\$ 835,971.00
Local Improvement	\$ 44,567.00
Law Enforcement	\$ 548,728.00
Streets & Highways	\$ 278,990.00
Park & Recreation	\$ 154,415.00
Library	\$ 846,490.00
Airport	\$ 25,000.00
Irrigation	\$ 169,530.00
Sanitation	\$ 128,100.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS:</b>	<b>\$3,031,791.00</b>
DEDICATED FUNDS	
Water	\$ 813,666.00
Sewer	\$ 746,918.00
<b>TOTAL DEDICATED FUNDS:</b>	<b>\$1,560,584.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:</b>	<b>\$4,592,375.00</b>

**Section 3:** That a general tax levy on all taxable property within the City of Homedale is levied in an amount allowed by law for the general purpose for said City, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2017.  
**Section 4:** All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.  
**Section 5:** This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon its passage, approval and publication in one issue of the Owyhee Avalanche, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Homedale, and the official newspaper of said city.  
**PASSES** under suspension of rules upon which a roll call vote was taken and duly enacted an Ordinance of the City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho at a convened regular meeting of the City of Homedale's City Council held on the 09<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017.  
/s: Gheen Christoffersen  
Mayor  
/s: Alice E. Pegram  
City Clerk-Treasurer  
8/16/2017

### 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	

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

### ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE CITY OF MARSING ORDINANCE A-199

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2017 APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$3,150,301.00 DEFRAY THE EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF MARSING FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR, AUTHORIZING A LEVY OF A SUFFICIENT TAX UPON THE TAXABLE PROPERTY AND SPECIFYING THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSE FOR WHICH SAID APPROPRIATION IS MADE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSING, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.  
**SECTION 1:** That the sum of \$3,150,301.00 be, and the same is appropriated to defray the necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Marsing, Owyhee County, State of Idaho for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2017.  
**SECTION 2:** The objects and purposes for which such appropriation is made, and the amount of each object and purpose is as follows:

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:	
GENERAL FUNDS:	
Administrative	\$ 641,024.00
Streets & Highways	\$ 463,236.00
Parks & Recreation	\$ 369,951.00
Planning & Zoning	\$ 43,000.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS:</b>	<b>\$1,517,211.00</b>
SPECIAL FUNDS:	
Water	\$ 948,550.00
Sewer	\$ 550,300.00
Irrigation	\$ 44,190.00
Sanitation	\$ 90,050.00
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL FUNDS:</b>	<b>\$1,633,090.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:</b>	<b>\$3,150,301.00</b>

**SECTION 3:** That a general tax levy on all taxable property within the City of Marsing be levied in an amount allowed by law for general purpose for said City, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2017.  
**SECTION 4:** All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.  
**SECTION 5:** This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon its passage, approval and publication in one issue of the Owyhee Avalanche, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Marsing, and official newspaper of said City.  
**PASSED UNDER SUSPENSION OF THE RULES**, upon which a roll call vote was duly taken and duly enacted as an Ordinance of the City of Marsing, City Council held the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August 2017.

ATTEST:  
/s:James Ferdinand  
Mayor  
/s:Janice C. Bicandi  
City Clerk-Treasurer  
8/16/2017

### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING APPROVED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT THE Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire District Commissioners met Tuesday, August 8 2017, at 7:00pm, at the Owyhee County Museum, Murphy ID, and approved the attached budget for 2017-2018. Budget questions may be directed to treasurer at (208) 495-2154.

EXPENSES: FIRE & EMS Operations & Maintenance	
<b>Building R &amp; M</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>
<b>Dues (SRV, IVESFA, IFC, etc)</b>	<b>\$1,500.00</b>
<b>Office</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<b>Taxes</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>
<b>Utilities</b>	<b>\$8,000.00</b>
<b>Air St Luke's</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<b>Phone &amp; Internet</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<b>Auto R&amp;M</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>
<b>Fuel</b>	<b>\$8,000.00</b>
<b>Supplies</b>	<b>\$9,000.00</b>
<b>Training</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>
<b>Insurance( ICRMP)</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>
<b>Insurance(Work Comp)</b>	<b>\$358.00</b>
<b>Reserve</b>	<b>\$20,000.00</b>
<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>
<b>New Equipment Fund</b>	<b>\$ 6,430.00</b>
<b>Total Expense:</b>	<b>\$99,488.00</b>

RECEIPTS:	
<b>Tax Levy</b>	<b>\$46,960.00</b>
<b>Tax Replacement</b>	<b>\$2,098.00</b>
<b>Grants (IDL &amp; EMS)</b>	<b>\$14,000.00</b>
<b>Cash Balance Forward</b>	<b>\$36,430.00</b>
<b>Total Receipts:</b>	<b>\$99,488.00</b>
<b>Total Approved Budget:</b>	<b>\$99,488.00</b>
8/16/2017	

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# Public notices

**SUMMONS  
CASE NO. CV-2017-1460  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT  
STATE OF IDAHO, COUNTY  
OF OWYHEE  
MAGISTRATE DIVISION**

John M. Larsen and Donna L. Larsen, husband and wife, Plaintiffs, v. Shagaye Dalton, A.K.A. Shagay Dalton, A.K.A Wretha S. Dalton, Norman Dalton, A.K.A Norm Dalton, A.K.A. Ira N. Dalton, Beneficial Idaho Inc., Shari Hill Estates Property Owners Association, Inc., its/their heirs, devisees, successors and/or assignees, and all of the unknown owners and unknown claimants and/or occupants of all or any part of the following described real property; and any persons claiming any right, title, or interest in the following described real property: **Subject Property:** Lot 2, Block 2, Shari Hill Estates Phase I Subdivision, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the Plat recorded as Instrument No. 211614, records of said County Recorder, Owyhee County Idaho, Defendants.

To: Shagaye Dalton, A.K.A. Shagay Dalton, A.K.A Wretha S. Dalton, Norman Dalton, A.K.A Norm Dalton, A.K.A. Ira N. Dalton, Beneficial Idaho Inc., Shari Hill Estates Property Owners Association, Inc., its/their heirs, devisees, successors and/or assignees, and all of the unknown owners and unknown claimants and/or occupants of 6350 Shari Hill Way, Marsing, Idaho, 83639:

You have been sued by Plaintiffs, John M. Larsen and Donna L. Larsen, husband and wife, in the District Court of the Third Judicial District, in and for the County of Owyhee, Idaho, Case No. CV-2017-1460.

The nature of the claim against you is an action to quiet title.

Any time after 20 days following the last publication of this summons, the Court may enter a judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the Case Number, and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650, (208) 495-2421, and served a copy of your response on the Plaintiffs’ attorney JULIE ADAMS DEFORD, DeFORD LAW, P.C., 317 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Nampa, Idaho 83651, telephone No. (208) 461-3667.

A copy of the Summons and Complaint to Quiet Title can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the attorney for Plaintiff.

If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.

DATED: July 26, 2017  
Angela Barkell, Clerk of the Court  
Rachelle Fahey, Deputy Clerk  
8/16,23,30;9/6/2017

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE**

On Tuesday, the 28th day of November, 2017, at the hour of 11:00 o’clock a.m. of said day in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Ryan M. Fawcett, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of

Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lots 3 and 4 of Block 17 of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof filed August 9, 1911 as No. 7284 on file in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho.

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 411 W. California Ave., Homedale, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by TAD AUSTIN GAMBLE, a Single Man, Grantor, to Ryan M. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., recorded October 21, 2016, as Instrument No. 291096, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to the IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on July 6, 2017, as Instrument No. 293179, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506 (4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT HE IS, OR IS NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated October 20, 2016, in the amount of \$390.00 each, for the months of February through July, 2017, inclusive; and for each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reimbursement. All delinquent payments are now due, plus accumulated late charges, plus any costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure. The accrued interest is at the rate of 3.25% per annum from January 1, 2017. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$58,719.07, plus accrued interest at the rate of 3.25% per annum from January 1, 2017.

DATED This 28th day of July, 2017.

RYAN M. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE  
8/16,23,30;9/6/2017

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE  
IDAHO CODE 45-1506**

Today’s date: August 2, 2017  
File No.: 7424.20059  
Sale date and time (local time): December 5, 2017 at 11:00 AM  
Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650

Property address: 209 North 1st Street West Homedale, ID 83628

Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900

Deed of Trust information  
Original grantor: Brandon T. Winchel and Spouse, Casey Winchel

Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company of Canyon County  
Original beneficiary: Mortgage

**NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING**

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that the Homedale Highway District Board of Commissioners will meet August 30, 2017 at 7 p.m., at 102 East Colorado Avenue, Homedale, Idaho to consider and adopt a final budget for 2017 – 2018 fiscal year. A Public Hearing will be held for the enactment, of said budget at that same time and place. The proposed budget is available for the public to inspect at the Office of the District, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

Terri Uria  
Secretary/Treasurer

**HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT – PROPOSED BUDGET  
OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

<i><b>BUDGETED ANTICIPATED RECEIPTS</b></i>	<i><b>Proposed Budget Oct.1, 2017 to Sept. 30, 2018</b></i>
Balance Carryover FY 2016 - 2017	270,000.00
Agricultural Replacement	2,492.00
Highway User Funds	600,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue and Permit Fees	2,000.00
Sales Tax/Surplus	11,000.00
Penalties and Interest	500.00
Property Tax	76,000.00
Rental Income	2,000.00
Transfers and Adjustments	- 11,000.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>952,992.00</b>

<i><b>BUDGETED PROPOSED EXPENDITURES</b></i>	
Professional Fees: Legal	3,000.00
Commissioner’s Salary	14,976.00
Contingency Fund	30,000.00
Dues and Subscriptions (IAHD)	3,500.00
Engineering Fees	3,000.00
Equipment Lease/Purchase	44,000.00
Equipment Rental	2,000.00
Gas, Oil and Tires	23,000.00
Insurance [General]	6,000.00
General Supplies and Miscellaneous Expenses	7,000.00
Materials/Construction	383,866.00
Mileage	1,000.00
Office Supplies	3,000.00
Payroll Benefits and Taxes	39,600.00
Health/Dental Insurance	35,500.00
Phone Expense	2,800.00
Professional Fees: Audit	5,500.00
Repairs & Maintenance and Tools	25,000.00
Salaries and Wages	150,000.00
Signs	4,300.00
Utilities	3,300.00
Weed Control	22,000.00
Workmen’s Compensation	8,500.00
Advertising Expense	1,500.00
Training and Education	650.00
Ending Fund Balance	130,000.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>952,992.00</b>

8/16,23/2017

Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as designated nominee for MB Financial Bank, N.A., beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns

Recording date: 11/19/2015  
Recorder’s instrument number: 288281

County: Owyhee  
Sum owing on the obligation: as of August 2, 2017: \$120,133.84  
Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check.

For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above.

Basis of default: failure to make payments when due.

Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above.

The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property’s legal description is: Lot 16 and a part of Lot 15, Block 52, Amended Plat of the Townsite of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof filed August 9, 1911 as Instrument No. 7284 on file in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho; more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the intersection of the centerlines of Montana Avenue and First Street West, said intersection monumented with a 5/8 inch diameter iron pin; thence North 89 degrees 14’34” West a distance of 30.00 feet; thence North 0 degrees 48’01” East a distance of 40.00 feet to the Southeast corner of said Block 52, said point being the Point of Beginning, and monumented with a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence continuing North 0 degrees 48’01” East a distance of 125.00 feet along the Easterly boundary line of said Lot 16, to

the Northeast corner of said Lot 16, said corner monumented with a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence North 89 degrees 14’22” West a distance of 95.02 feet along the Northerly boundary of Lots 15 and 16 to a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence South 0 degrees 48’01” West a distance of 125.00 feet parallel with the Easterly boundary of said Lot 16 to a point of the Southerly boundary of said Lot 15, said point monumented with a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence South 89 degrees 14’34” East a distance of 95.02 feet along the Southerly boundary of said Lots 15 and 16 to the Point of Beginning.

The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at [www.northwesttrustee.com](http://www.northwesttrustee.com) or [USA-Foreclosure.com](http://USA-Foreclosure.com). The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. Winchel, Brandon T. and Casey (TS# 7424.20059) 1002.292293-File No.  
8/16,23,30;9/6/2017



# Public notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
Bruneau Fire Protection District  
2017/2018 Proposed Budget

Public Hearing August 24, 2017 Bruneau Fire Station 7 pm  
Fiscal Year Ending October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017

	2017 Budgeted	Actual Spent	2018 Budgeted
Utilities	\$1000	\$798.10	\$1000
Training	\$2500	\$996.50	\$2500
Building/Property Maintenance	\$950	\$870	0
Equipment Maintenance			
Personal Protective Equipment	\$2000	\$1824.02	\$2000
New Equipment	\$1750	\$1574.02	\$2000
Maintenance/Consumables	\$2350	\$2248.05	\$2350
Insurance	\$1500	\$1500	\$1537
Administrative	\$200	\$132.40	\$200
QRU Rent	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
Totals	\$22,250	\$19,943.09	\$21,587
Income Received to Date-			
Sales Tax	\$4131.18		
Ag Replacement-	\$152		
Property Taxes-	\$17067.05		
Total	\$21,350		
2018 Anticipated	\$20,903		
Misc. (Grants/Donations)	\$4567.50		0
Savings	\$50,158.86		
Grand Total	\$76,076.36		
08/9,16/2017			

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

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT

TRANSFER NO. 81664  
WILLIAM WHITE and BEVERLY WHITE, 18138 OREANALOOPRD,MURPHY, ID 83651; has filed Application No. 81664 for changes to the following water rights within Owyhee County(s): Right No(s). 57-2181, 57-7043. The purpose of the transfer is to create a 333 acre PPU with a total of 289 acres authorized in a single season. The transfer also will correct the existing POD's while adding a single ground water POD. Water will be used at the current place of use along Catherine Creek, south east of Oreana, ID.

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TRANSFER NO. 81665  
WILLIAM WHITE and BEVERLY WHITE, 18138 OREANA LOOP RD, MURPHY, ID 83651; has filed Application No. 81665

for changes to the following water rights within Owyhee County(s): Right No(s). 57-41B, 57-60. This transfer proposes to create a 195 acre PPU to rights 57-41B and 57-60. The 2 rights are part of a 5 water right combined use limit of 5.72 cfs on 286 acres. The farm is located along Catherine Creek, directly south east of Oreana, ID.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT

TRANSFER NO. 81666  
WILLIAM WHITE and BEVERLY WHITE, 18138 OREANALOOPRD,MURPHY, ID 83651; has filed Application No. 81666 for changes to the following water rights within Owyhee County(s): Right No(s). 57-38, 57-39. This transfer proposes to create a 150 acre permissible place of use to rights 57-38 and 57-39. The 2 rights are part of a 5 water right combined use limit of 5.72 cfs on 286 acres. The farm is located along Catherine Creek, directly south east of Oreana, ID.

PROPOSED EXCHANGE OF WATER RIGHT(S)

WILLIAM WHITE and BEVERLY WHITE, 18138 OREANALOOPRD,MURPHY,

ID 83651; has filed Application No. 81715 on May 17, 2017 to exchange Water Right(s) No. 57-39 with an 1868 priority date from Catherine Creek totaling 0.61 cfs. The right(s) is diverted and used for irrigation from 3/1 to 11/15 off Morrow Res Road, north of Glenns Ferry. The purpose of the exchange is to move the current point of diversion from Catherine Creek approximately 1.2 miles west upstream onto Hart Creek. This is a permanent exchange proposal.

For additional information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208) 334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s) or proposed transfer(s) or exchange(s), please see [www.idwr.idaho.gov](http://www.idwr.idaho.gov). Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-222. Any protest against the proposed change(s) must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise, ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 9/5/2017. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN,  
Director  
8/16,23/2017

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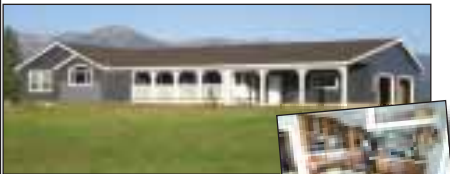


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# 1917 Owyhee County Fair 2017



Chicken Dinner Road performs Thursday. **From left:** John Blakely, Dennis Stokes, Rue Frisbee, Gary Eller and L.B. Robertson.



Homedale's Piper Purdom gets a little wet while competing in Friday's siphon tube-setting contest.



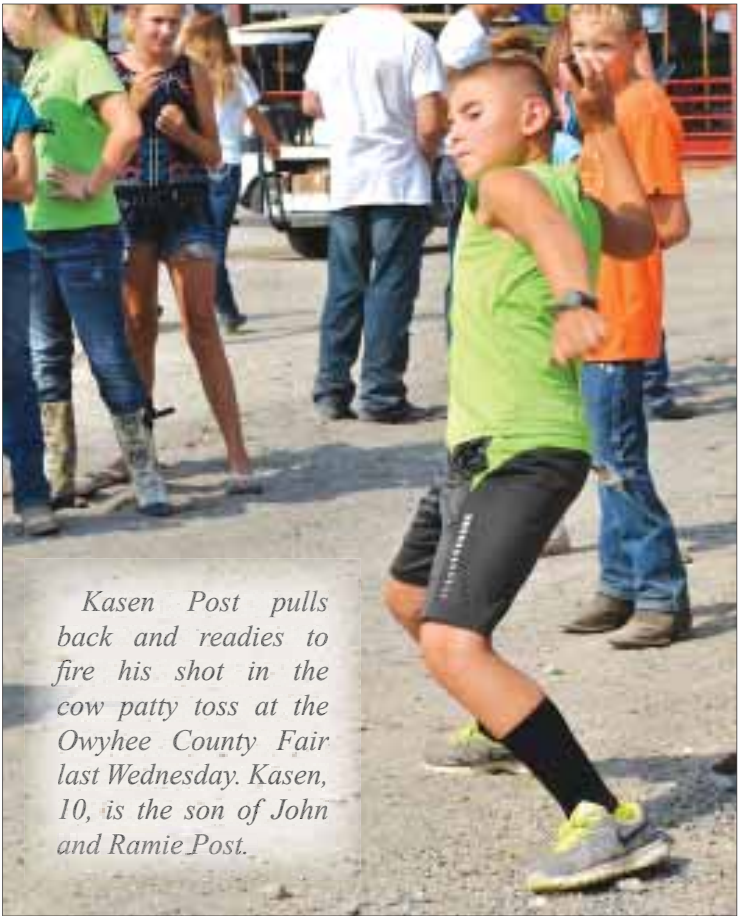
Rebecca Wasson (left) and Tony Fisher lead the Owyhee Sage Riders 4-H club in the parade of clubs at the county fairgrounds on Tuesday, Aug. 8.



Owyhee Outlaws 4-H'ers Whitney Scott, 7, (left) with "Peter" and Ava Ewing, 6, with "Teddy" during the rabbit and cavy show on Thursday. Whitney's parents are Jerod and Lisa Scott. Ava's parents are Ryan and Kelly Ewing.



Ily Genette (left) with her hen "Joy" and Mackley Prow with her entry "Ivy" talk with judge Mike Stanton during the bird show at the fair on Thursday. Ily, 6, is the daughter of Thomas and Shonie Bailey. Mackley, 7, is the daughter of Brody and Kelli Prow. Both fair competitors are members of the Bruneau Canyon 4-H club.



Kasen Post pulls back and readies to fire his shot in the cow patty toss at the Owyhee County Fair last Wednesday. Kasen, 10, is the son of John and Ramie Post.