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## Murphy's new P.O. could be in old spot

Owyhee County has purchased the old Murphy post office location from a private property owner.

The move, which was ratified with Board of County Commissioners chair Kelly Aberasturi's signature during the Jan. 22 meeting, could mean that the new post office construction — expected in the spring — could happen on the same lot as the previous post office.

According to real estate  
— See **Murphy**, page 4

## Future City team to show winning flair

The community will get an opportunity to see what got Homedale's Future City team to Washington D.C. while also having a chance to help the middle-schoolers make their trip to the nation's capital.

The team will make a public presentation for the public at 6 p.m. on Monday inside the middle school cafeteria.

This is an opportunity for the team to practice its presentation ahead of the national competition. Community members will get a first-hand look at the cause to which they are contributing as well as ask the team members questions.

The winning ticket in the Ruger 77/22 bolt-action rifle raffle will be drawn, too.

Raffle tickets are available for \$1 each or 25 for \$25 from team members or by contacting Lindsey Love at (208) 989-5139, Carina Purdom at (208) 337-8233 or Camille Heck at (208) 899-9282.

## NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS AGAIN



Marsing Disaster Auction and Sale chair Audrey Lindemann (left) and co-chair Joseph Ineck show some of the \$10 raffle items. The auction begins at 10:13 a.m., on Saturday at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center.

## Marsing Disaster Auction's new chair embraces role

### Audrey Lindemann has long history of involvement in fundraiser

The Marsing Disaster Auction and Sale has someone new at the helm this year.

This year's auction, which will take place at 10:13 a.m. on Saturday at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, will be the 57<sup>th</sup> annual edi-

tion of this highly anticipated community event.

This year's chairman is Audrey Lindemann, who takes over for Bobo Carter, who headed up last year's event.

Lindemann has helped out with the auction for six or seven years, including the

past three or four as a committee member, she said.

Yet, she still had an impact before joining the front lines.

"When I wasn't on the board, I still did stuff," she said. "I was always running."

Lindemann came to Marsing when she was 18 and raised her three children

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## 57<sup>th</sup> auction slated for Saturday

The Marsing community comes together once again Saturday for the 57<sup>th</sup> annual Marsing Disaster Auction.

The auction and sale, long known as "Neighbors Helping Neighbors," will start at 10:13 a.m. on Saturday inside the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. N.

The town's third- through fifth-graders and middle school students continue to sell \$1

raffle tickets, while committee members and the community's first-responders are handling the \$10 raffle.

Audrey Lindemann is this year's auction chair.

Proceeds from the annual auction help area organizations, and money is also placed into the disaster relief fund that helps residents

— See **Auction**, back page

## Homedale library grant try clears big hurdle

### City can fine-tune application before April 13 meeting

The City of Homedale's library expansion grant application has advanced further than it did last year.

The Idaho Department of Commerce's Economic Advisory Council made the city's Idaho Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) application eligible for the next phase during its Jan. 23 meeting in Boise.

Department of Commerce public information officer Megan Hill said the EAC will make its final determinations during an April 13 meeting. Those recommendations will be sent on to Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter, who will make the final decisions on which grants will be funded.

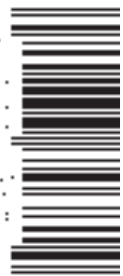
During last week's meeting, the advisory council analyzed the viability of proposed projects and checked the completeness of the associated grant applications.

Applicants received feedback on how to fine-tune their requests, and now they have the opportunity to answer questions about the projects and update details such as costs, matching funds and how prepared they are to move forward.

The city has until March 2 to answer any questions that may have come up during last week's meeting.

Great West Engineering is spearheading the city's bid to

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# Ex-councilman nominated to Homedale library board

## Jensen talks about facility upgrades

With Mike Aebischer now a city councilman, the Homedale Public Library board has taken steps to fill his position.

Jerry Anderson, who lost his bid to continue on the city council in November, has been proposed to replace Aebischer, according to library director Sharla Jensen.



Jerry Anderson

Aebischer and the rest of the city council will vote on the library board's recommendation during its Feb. 14 meeting.

Anderson is no stranger to the library board. He served as the city council's library liaison until his term ended in December. The man was appointed to the city council in December 2015 to succeed Kim Murray.

Aebischer will now act as the board's liaison from City Hall.

## Library acquires 3-D printer

The library recently received a \$1,000 grant from Walmart and has used it to purchase a dual-nozzle 3-D

printer with a heated bed, according to Jensen.

"This will allow patrons to print items in more colors, complexity, and give them options to use a couple different types of filaments," she said.

Jensen said the printer will not be available for another month or so because it has to be assembled and staff must learn how to use it and the new programs that come with it.

"I want to make sure that I can teach others how to use it and help troubleshoot when they try to print items," Jensen said.

## Jensen itemizes upgrades

Through the Together Treasure Valley (TTV) program, the library has been able to put make several changes and upgrades to their building and services it can provide.

With part of the \$11,000 provided by the TTV library grant, the library has been able to provide the new children's stacks, new desks and computers in the back office, and the computer carrels.

Jensen said the full amount of the grant has not been used and she has been in discussions with TTV about how to use the remainder. The hope was to put in handicapped buttons for the doors but the bid came back much higher than expected.

## Clubs and activities abound at library

The Homedale Public Library provides many clubs and activities to appeal to all ages.

Programs, old and new, can be found across the calendar for folks looking for a particular interest or hobby.

Established activities include Story Time, which is targeted to younger children. Story Time usually consists of the reading of illustrated stories to the children and frequently involves physical play and arts and crafts projects.

The children recently got a visit from Brady, the K-9 officer for the Homedale Police Department, and her partner Officer Karl Kingston.

This activity is usually led by librarian Carol McMichael and starts at 10:15 a.m. every Friday morning at the library, located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Fridays also bring Teens & Tweens. This group meets weekly at 4 p.m., and activities usually include arts and crafts projects, games, and contests, among others.

The library hosts a book club that meets the last Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. Club members are currently reading "The Light Between Oceans" by M. L. Stedman.

The next book club meeting is set for Feb. 27.

The library has also begun a crochet club that meets every other Tuesday at 10



Katey Mounkes (left) and Pauline Cook share their skills at the Homedale crochet club's first meeting in December. The club drew members of varying skill levels to share knowledge and styles. Members also got to see the new computer carrels (seen in the background).

a.m. Members are currently working on an eternity scarf. Sandy Von Tagen heads up this club, which consists of six to eight women, but all are welcome. The club meets again next Tuesday.

The library also has an ongoing book sale.

For more information on any activities, call the library at (208) 337-4228.

**Date Night basket drawing starting**

Starting Thursday, anyone 16 or older can enter a drawing for a Date Night basket. The winner will be drawn Feb. 13. The basket will contain a \$25 gift card to Edwards The-

ater, a \$25 restaurant gift card, and other prizes.

**Library program news**

Cindy Lunte, an education specialist from Idaho Public Television, will visit the library with Curious George on February 9 during Story Time. The will be "colors" and the activity will be Squish Color Bugs.

Contact Carol McMichael from the library at 208-337-4228 for more information.

The library has started a "bookmobile" for the residents of Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation. They take a cart of books to the center twice a month for the residents.

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## Marsing set to bid sidewalk project

Marsing is moving on to the bidding stage for sidewalk construction on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue West (Idaho highway 78).

The city is accepting sealed bids at City Hall at 425 Main St. until 4 p.m. on Feb. 23. Five minutes after bids close, all proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The project consists of constructing approximately 1,450 feet of new 4-foot-wide sidewalks from Bosma Lane to the labor camp. The sidewalk will run on the west side of the highway only (in front of the Marsing School District complex), but there has been discussion about putting a crosswalk at the end of the sidewalk to move pedestrians across to the labor camp.

The sidewalk construction is being paid for by a grant, in which 90 percent is covered by federal aid and 10 percent will be paid by the city, according to Jake Melder of the Idaho Transportation Department.

According to a legal notice published in this week's edition of The Owyhee Avalanche, bid forms, bidding instructions and conditions, contract documents, plans and specifications may be obtained at Civil Dynamics PC at 422 S. 9<sup>th</sup> Ave., in Caldwell.

The point of contact for Civil Dynamics is Kirby Cook, who can be reached at (208) 453-2028.

A non-refundable fee of \$25 must accompany each bid.

General contractors must be plan holders and be on a plan holders list.

Licenses from Idaho Public Works are not required for the bidding process but are required prior to the contract being awarded.

Bidders and contractors must comply with the requirements set forth in the project specifications. Hopeful bidders are directed to contact the city with questions or clarifications. They can be reached at (208) 896-4122.

A specific start date for project to begin has not been set.

"We are leaving the project start date fairly open to help in the bidding process in this very busy construction season," Marsing Mayor James Ferdinand said.

— TK

## MHS academic team earns regional silver

Marsing High School Academic Decathlon team finished second, and individuals had a strong showing at the regional meet at Meridian High School on Saturday.

The team competed in various disciplines in preparation for the state meet in March.

Academic Decathlon advisor Lennie Freeman will accompany 13 students to the state competition, which will be held March 16-17 at Idaho State University in Pocatello.

Divisions are separated by grade-point average in core subjects. Honors division is for students with a GPA from 3.75 to 4.0, Scholastic is for students from 3.0 to 3.74, while Varsity is for students from 2.99 and below.

Jaime Gerthung won the overall bronze medal in the Varsity division, and Natalie Van Hout earned a bronze overall in the Scholastic division.

Outstanding Marsing competitors at the regional meet were:

**Rebecca George** — Art: Bronze Varsity; Economics: Bronze Varsity; Speech: Bronze Varsity; and Interview: Bronze Varsity

**Madison Amaya** — Art: Silver Varsity; Music: Silver Varsity; Science: Bronze Varsity; Social Science: Silver Varsity

**Jaime Gerthung** — Art: Silver Varsity; Speech: Gold Varsity; Interview: Gold Varsity

**Dalton Withers** — Art: Bronze Honors; Economics: Gold Honors; Science: Silver Honors

**Landry Villa** — Economics: Bronze Honors; Science: Bronze Honors; Interview: Silver Honors

**Clarisa Orndorff** — Music: Silver Scholastic; Science: Gold Scholastic; Social Science: Bronze Scholastic; Speech: Silver Scholastic

**Natalie Van Hout** — Literature: Silver Scholastic; Science: Gold Scholastic; Essay: Gold Scholastic

**Hailey Christiansen** — Literature: Bronze Honors

**AJ Aruban** — Social Science: Bronze Honors

**Annie Miller** — Social Science: Bronze Honors

## Homedale teen in Idaho 19 crash

A Homedale teenager escaped injury Friday morning in a three-car crash near Wilder.

Keifer Cooper, 18, was wearing a seatbelt when the crash on Idaho highway 19 occurred at milepost 19 before 10:30 a.m.

Idaho State Police reports Cooper was driving a 2005 Volkswagen Jetta eastbound on Idaho 19 at the time of the accident.

Cristian Rojas, 25, of Nampa was driving westbound in a 2002 Saturn. Rojas drove over the centerline and collided with a 2013 Nissan Sentra driven by Joe Ramos, 86, of Adrian.

Rojas' vehicle then collided with Cooper's car.

Ramos and his passenger, 80-year-old Sunday Ramos of Adrian, and Rojas were transported by ambulance to West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell.

The highway was blocked for about 90 minutes after the crash.



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## ✓ Murphy: Commissioners establish jury mileage reimbursement

documents, the county paid \$14,000 for the property at the corner of Idaho highway 78 and Hailey Street. The sale went through the agency Real Estate Unlimited and selling agent Randy Reinertson, and the broker was Dave Dykstra.

Murphy has been without a post office since the U.S. Postal Service closed the old leased location nearly a year ago because of structural safety concerns.

According to Aberasturi, the

hope is to put a modular post office on the lot after the old building, which was damaged by last winter’s heavy snowfall, is razed.

With the purchase of the plot of land, identified in the documents as “lots 1 and 2 Black 5 Co. Sub Murphy Townsite,” the county government now owns the entire block of property across Hailey Street from the sheriff’s office.

A few weeks ago, the U.S. Postal Service announced in a press release that it had finalized plans to bring a post office back to Murphy, which had been the only county seat in Idaho without a post office.

Originally, the county was going to work out a deal with the USPS to place the modular

post office on property across Basey Street from the Owyhee County Historical Museum. But at the time of the federal agency’s public meeting in September, county officials had expressed hope they could work out something to buy the Hailey Street location.

### Jury compensation set

The county has laid out the details on how citizens selected for jury duty will be paid during Fiscal Year 2018.

County commissioners passed a resolution setting the compensation for jury service and mileage reimbursement.

County Resolution 2018-4 allows for a full-day service to pay \$20, while a half-day will pay \$10.

Mileage reimbursement for travel in personal vehicles, associated with official county business and for jury duty, has been changed to the Internal Revenue Service rate. According to the IRS website, that rate is 53.5 cents per mile.

### County renews BLM permit

The county has renewed its Land Use Permit with the Bureau of Land Management for the purpose of its gravel stockpile.

According to a letter from acting BLM Owyhee Field Manager Brian Thrift, the site covered is in the Reynolds Creek area of Owyhee County.

The county will pay a fee of \$829 and rent of \$540.

The permit stipulates that the site will be used specifically for stockpiling gravel used for road maintenance. No other materials will be allowed on the spot.

The BLM built into the agreement a special stipulation because of nearby sage-grouse leks.

The county cannot perform “repeated or sustained behavioral disturbance,” such as construction activities, road maintenance, pole placement or noise greater than 10 dBA (decibels adjusted to reflect the ear’s response to varying frequencies), between the hours of 6 p.m. and 9 a.m. within two miles of leks during lekking season (March 1 through May 31).

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## HHS grad makes grade at Seattle U.

Homedale High School graduate Hattie Mertz has earned a Dean’s List spot at her college.

The daughter of Jamie and Zell Mertz received notice that she made the Fall 2017 semester honor roll for Seattle University’s College of Nursing.

## County officials schedule Thursday meet-and-greet

The public will have a chance to chat with Owyhee County’s elected officials in Marsing on Thursday.

County Clerk Angie Barkell said all elected officials have

been extended the opportunity to attend the event at the Sandbar Café with a Cause, 12 Sandbar Ave.

The event will begin at noon.

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# School menus

## Homedale Elementary

*Veggie bar, fruit bar, and choice of milk available each day*  
Jan. 31: **Breakfast:** Powdered sugar donut, string cheese, pears, apple juice **Lunch:** Crispito, corn  
Feb 1: **Breakfast:** UBR, applesauce, orange juice **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken, fresh broccoli, cookie  
Feb 5: **Breakfast:** Choc. chip muffin, string cheese, peaches, apple juice **Lunch:** Hamburger, French fries,  
Feb 6: **Breakfast:** Cherry frudel, yogurt, applesauce, orange juice **Lunch:** Chicken drumstick, mixed vegetables, hot roll  
Feb 7: **Breakfast:** Maple brown sugar bar, string cheese, pears, apple juice **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie  
Feb 8: **Breakfast:** Large breakfast round, applesauce, orange juice **Lunch:** Cheese pizza ripper, tossed salad

## Homedale Middle

*Fruit & salad bar, choice of milk available each day*  
Jan. 31: **Breakfast:** Muffin or cereal, string cheese, pears **Lunch:** Hot dog or fish nuggets, string cheese  
Feb 1: **Breakfast:** Donut holes or cereal, yogurt, peaches, juice **Lunch:** Spicy chicken sandwich or PB&J sandwich, tossed salad, cookie  
Feb 5: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza or cereal, fresh apple juice **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken or hamburger, baked beans  
Feb 6: **Breakfast:** Waffle sticks or cereal, yogurt, mixed fruit, juice **Lunch:** Sloppy Joe or rib-b-que, green beans  
Feb 7: **Breakfast:** Muffin or cereal, string cheese, pears, juice **Lunch:** Pork chop or chicken tenders, mashed potatoes w/gravy, hot roll  
Feb 8: **Breakfast:** Donut or cereal, yogurt, peaches, juice **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza ripper or PB&J sandwich, tossed salad, cookie

## Homedale High

*Salad, fruit choice and choice of milk available each day*  
Jan. 31: **Breakfast:** Biscuits/gravy or mini waffles or cereal, yogurt **Lunch:** Crisпитos or rib-b-que, green beans  
Feb 1: **Breakfast:** Donut holes or rolled taco or cereal, yogurt, juice **Lunch:** Chicken patty or pork burrito, chili  
Feb 5: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick or frudel or cereal, yogurt, juice **Lunch:** Pepp. pizza ripper or BBQ chicken ranch wrap, potato chips  
Feb 6: **Breakfast:** Bagel w/cream cheese or breakfast sandwich or cereal, yogurt, juice **Lunch:** Beef taco or burrito, corn  
Feb 7: **Breakfast:** Breakfast boat or maple breakfast sandwich or cereal, yogurt, juice **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice & egg roll or PB&J stacker w/pork & beans, fortune cookie  
Feb 8: **Breakfast:** Donut or yogurt parfait or cereal, string cheese, juice **Lunch:** Nachos or chef salad grab n’go, cookie

## Marsing Elementary

*Milk variety, fruit & veggie bar offered daily*  
Jan. 31: Tater tot casserole, whole-wheat roll, buttered corn or PB&J homemade, buttered corn

## Marsing Middle and High

*Milk variety, fruit & veggie bar offered daily*  
Jan. 31: Tater tot casserole, whole-wheat roll, buttered corn or pork taco, refried beans

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*Milk and fruit offered daily*  
Jan. 31: **Breakfast:** Pancake and egg patty **Lunch:** Taco salad, whole grain tortilla chips, refried beans/salsa  
Feb. 1: **Breakfast:** Biscuit & jelly **Lunch:** Corn dog, tots, baby carrots  
Feb. 5: **Breakfast:** Apple breakfast round **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes & gravy, peas, whole wheat roll  
Feb. 6: **Breakfast:** Muffins **Lunch:** Little smokies, scalloped potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll  
Feb. 7: **Breakfast:** Hashbrowns & waffles **Lunch:** Chili, coleslaw, applesauce, cinnamon roll  
Feb. 8: **Breakfast:** Mini cinnabon **Lunch:** Chicken wrap, fries, baby carrots

# Marsing, Melba play Hunger Games

## High schools enter friendly food drive contest

High school students from Marsing and Melba are bringing back The Hunger Games beginning today. The weeklong food drive has been a traditional competition between the two schools in an effort to gather food to benefit the local communities. Marsing teacher Lennie Freeman said the collection has been held regularly during a time other than Thanksgiving and Christmas because “people face hunger insecurity at all times.” “Unfortunately, due to scheduling conflicts at both

high schools, we have not been able to hold the event for a couple years,” Freeman said. The 2018 Hunger Games will run through next Wednesday. The ball got rolling in December. “A student from Melba contacted our Student Council and asked if we would like to bring it back this year,” Freeman said. “Of course, we said yes.” Freeman explained some of the reasons the first week of February was selected for the food drive. “February is a time of year when many of our communities’ senior citizens are struggling to meet the needs of simply heating a home, and often food goes by the wayside,” she said.

Freeman added that the Sandbar Café with a Cause also serves more than 300 seniors through its Meals on Wheels program. “The demand/need is very high, and Marsing kids want to help,” she said. All classrooms, teachers and community members are invited to participate in The Hunger Games. Student Council members will spend first period each school day until next Wednesday going to classrooms to pick up donations. An incentive competition is planned at Marsing High School on the final day of The Hunger Games. Freeman has asked school principals for ideas on what the reward will be.

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## ✓ Library: More local funding this time

expand the 1,300-square-foot library to 4,900 square feet. The plan calls for the construction of a free-standing 3,600-square-foot addition the metal shell for which is being donated by R&M Steel of Caldwell. The \$500,000 block grant would constitute the bulk of the proposed \$717,932 project. The city’s first attempt at a state grant failed in the January round last year. EAC members determined that the grant, written by Western Alliance for Economic Development executive director Tina Wilson, didn’t include adequate matching funds from the community. The Fiscal Year 2018 application includes the R&M Steel contribution as well as a pledge of \$100,000 from

Gypsy Jackson’s family. The Jackson money is contingent on the grant being awarded and the new library being named in memory of the late library board member. The total community contribution has been set at \$169,000, which also includes the purchase and demolition of the old LDS church immediately to the east of the library for the expansion. The city submitted its public facilities construction and improvements block grant application in November. Great West’s grant writers have emphasized that the library could double as a community center, which could put a better shine on the application in the EAC members’ eyes. Andersen Construction, the firm working on the Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation ex-

pansion across West Owyhee Avenue, will level the old church site in preparation for construction of the 3,600-square-foot addition. The general contractor is using the land for its construction office at present. Library director Sharla Jensen has said that the board will begin efforts to establish a taxing district once construction of the new library concludes, which would be sometime after March 2019. New city councilman Tim Downing is adamant that a taxing district must be established to fund the library. He maintains a larger library footprint means more operating costs, and says that the city cannot continue to use its general fund to support the library.

— JPB



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**Preschool story time**  
3 p.m. to 4 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785  
**Christian Life Club after-school program**  
4 p.m., kindergarteners through sixth-graders, Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 U.S. Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024 or (208) 337-3464

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

**Friday**  
**Story Time**  
10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228, afternoons Monday through Saturday  
**Faith-based support group**  
2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Vision Community Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 455-3660 or songtobe@gmail.com  
**Teens and Tweens program**  
4 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228 afternoons Monday through Saturday

**Saturday**  
**Marsing Disaster Auction**  
10:13 a.m., Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing. [www.marsingdisasterauction.org](http://www.marsingdisasterauction.org)  
**Free lunch**  
Noon to 12:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

**Monday**  
**Board of County Commissioners meeting**  
9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421  
**Faith-based support group**  
2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 455-3660 or songtobe@gmail.com  
**Community Future City presentation**  
6 p.m., Homedale Middle School cafeteria, 3437 Johnstone Road, Homedale.  
**Adult book club**  
7 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. First monday of every month. (208) 896-4690

**Tuesday**  
**Crochet club**  
10 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228  
**Winter weed seminar**  
10 a.m., Jordan Valley Lions Hall, 902 U.S. Hwy. 95 (Bassett St.), Jordan Valley, (541) 586-3000  
**Fit and Fall exercise**  
10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020  
**Ridgeview Irrigation District meeting**  
1 p.m., South Board of Control office

boardroom, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760  
**Gem Irrigation District meeting**  
1:15 p.m., South Board of Control office boardroom, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760  
**South Board of Control meeting**  
1:30 p.m., South Board of Control office boardroom, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760  
**After-school program**  
2 p.m. to 6 p.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho Ave., Grand View. (208) 845-2019

**Wednesday**  
**Movie time**  
Noon, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785  
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**Thursday, Feb. 8**  
**Fit and Fall exercise**  
10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020  
**Owyhee Gardeners meeting**  
1 p.m., Lizard Butte Library community room, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 546-1829  
**4-H youth Valentine’s workshop**  
3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., ages 8-18, \$5, register by Feb. 1, University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4104  
**Marsing Chamber of Commerce meeting**  
5:30 p.m., typically at The Spot, 12 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. Check Facebook for updates. (208) 859-2087 or marsingchamber@gmail.com

**Friday, Feb. 9**  
**4-H youth Valentine’s workshop**  
9 a.m. to noon, ages 8-18, \$5, register by Feb. 1, American Legion Post 134 Hall, 410 Roosevelt St., Grand View. (208) 896-4104  
**Story Time**  
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**Saturday, Feb. 10**  
**Winter beef school**  
10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Oreana Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Road, Oreana. (208) 896-4104

# Obituary

## John Steven Fisher

### “Steve”

John Steven Fisher “Steve” of Homedale Idaho passed away peacefully of natural causes on Thursday, January 18, 2018 at the age of 68. A memorial service was held for Steve on Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM at Mountain View Church of the Nazarene. The address is 26515 Ustick Rd. Wilder, Idaho 83676. All were welcome to help our family remember and come together in his honor.



Steve was born to Johnny and Donna Fisher November 14, 1949 in Nampa, Idaho. He was raised and continued to live in Homedale his entire life. He was a loving son, father, grandpa, brother, uncle and a friend to all who knew him. Steve loved spending time outdoors. He loved camping, hunting and especially loved to go fishing. The only thing that brought Steve more joy than fishing was spending time with his family, children, grandchildren and friends. Steve was a big teddy bear and kids loved him, everyone’s kids. He had a great sense of humor and loved to tell jokes and funny stories. Steve will be missed by so many: His children Jessica Fisher-Ehinger and John Fisher of Nampa, Idaho, their spouses Brandon Ehinger and Kate

Fisher, his grandkids: Reilly, Maddie, Mason, Colt and Fox. He also leaves behind siblings: Ed Fisher, Kathy Watson, Sharon Breshears and Sandy Wilson. Along with dozens of cousins, nieces, nephews and friends. Steve was preceded in death by his parents John S. Fisher and Donna Fisher-Lowrance, his sister Karen Smede, his nephew Anthony Wilson and niece Ashlynn Husak. Dad - It was our greatest honor to be your children. You will be missed more than we could have ever imagined until today. Thank you for always loving us the way only you could and for being a wonderful grandfather. We love you! Condolences can be given at [www.flahifffuneralchapel.com](http://www.flahifffuneralchapel.com)

# Death notice

**WINIFRED MAE (SERSAIN) ROBINSON**, 94, a 1941 Homedale High School graduate who later taught at the school and had resided in Homedale and Marsing, died Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2018 in Moscow. A memorial service was held Saturday, Jan. 27, 2018 at the First Presbyterian Church in Moscow. Private interment took place at the Moscow Cemetery. Arrangements: Short’s Funeral Chapel, Moscow ([www.shortsfuneralchapel.net](http://www.shortsfuneralchapel.net))

# Senior menu

## Homedale Senior Center

*Salad bar available with each meal:*  
*lettuce, tomato, boiled eggs, peaches, apricots, salad dressing*  
*Milk available every day*  
Jan. 31: Beef stew, roll  
Feb. 2: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, string beans, roll  
Feb. 6: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, California blend veggies, roll  
Feb. 7: Ham & cheese on roll, baked potato, carrot salad  
Feb. 8: Beef & broccoli w/fried rice, roll  
Feb. 13: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, beets, roll  
Feb. 14: Hot dog on a bun, chili, carrots, baked potato  
Feb. 15: Baked fish, baked potato, broccoli, roll  
Feb. 20: Taco salad, salsa, chips, cheese, sour cream, lettuce  
Feb. 21: Beef stew, roll  
Feb. 22: Roast pork, mashed potatoes/gravy, carrots, roll

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



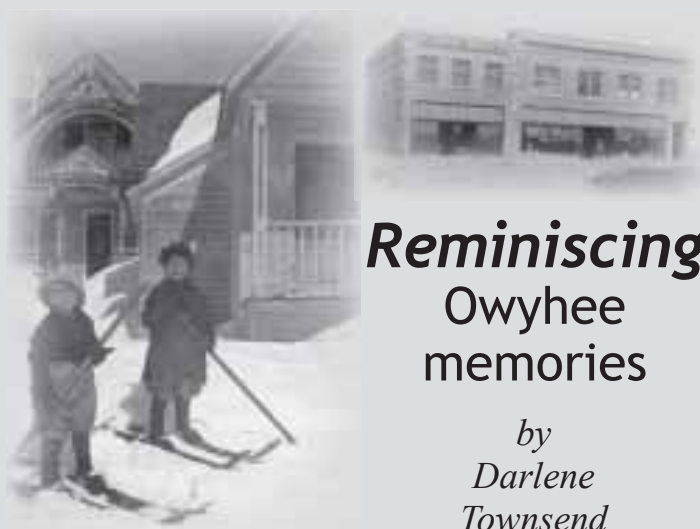
# Roping recollections

No matter where the ranch, branding and working cows from the back of a saddled horse has been a regular part of raising beef cattle for decades.

I remember that when I was a child my father would get a call to come to The Ranch to help with the branding. For our family, there was only one Ranch; the family one on Flint Creek.

We would all gather at the ranch and then often head off to wherever the branding was going to take place. I remember the ones that were held up the creek away at Steve Romelli's place best.

My father would get on a saddled horse to help with the roping that he liked to do and was pretty good at, even though years would have gone by since he had done it on a regular basis. He never forgot how. I liked watching him catch a calf. I can see him yet on a horse in Steve's corral. I recall my father talking of the dangers that could happen to your fingers if you weren't extra careful when you took your dallies around the saddle horn after roping a cow critter.



## Reminiscing Owyhee memories

by  
Darlene  
Townsend

For example, an elderly cowboy, Fox J. Wilson, recently told me of a time in which he was doing some of this same kind of roping. This happened many years ago when he and his border collie cow dog were helping out in one of the many places where he used to use his cowboy skills by helping some friends with branding, which happened to be in Lemhi County.

He had just roped a young black Angus bull while his cowboy friends on their horses were doing their part in another portion of the branding area.

Just as he wrapped the

dallies around his saddle horn, the bull hit the end of the rope hard. Even though he was an experienced roper, and in spite of being careful, he was astounded to see the tip of one of his fingers fly into the air. Seeing where his finger tip lit, he leapt from his horse, pulling a neckerchief from his neck. He ran to gather the piece of finger all the while emitting a cloud of strong cowboy commentary.

Even though moving quickly, just as he got to where he could pick up the fingertip, his cow dog slurped up his bloody finger

tidbit, running off happily swallowing it.

One of the watching cowboys remarked, "I guess he really is your dog since he just ate a piece of you."

He went to a doctor as soon as possible, where the remaining skin was pulled up over the end.

Over the years he has continued doing well in spite of being without that piece of finger.

In fact, he is now in the process of turning an empty piece of Owyhee County into a pasture for more beef cows.

My father managed to rope

until there was no longer a need to do so. Times change and so has the processing of the cattle on a ranch. Consequently, my father made it out of this world with all his fingers intact. Now his saddle sits on a stand in my family room as a pleasant reminder of his Owyhee County horse riding, roping, and branding days.

—Readers are encouraged to submit their memories of humorous and historical Owyhee country events. Call (208) 337-4681, ext. 102 for more information.

## It's February: Time for 4-H, friendship and chocolate

February is a time for friendship, chocolate and crafting.

The Owyhee County Extension Office will play host to a fun workshop for youth that are interested in making a delicious treat as well as a fun sewing project.

Youth will be able to engage with old friends and meet new ones. They will be making a delightful chocolate treat to take home and enjoy while learning kitchen safety as well as learning some basic sewing skills by creating a warm and cozy fleece scarf. As the weather continues to be a bit gloomy, a new handmade scarf is a great way to brighten your day.

We are hoping your children



Janelle Thompson

### University of Idaho Extension

will grab a friend and join us. This event will be for boys and girls ages 8-18. The cost is \$5 per youth and will include all the supplies needed as well as a snack. The registration deadline is Thursday. Call the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 to reserve a spot.

This workshop will be held at two locations:

- From 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 8 at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office in Marsing

- From 9 a.m. to noon on Friday, Feb. 9 at the American Legion Post 134 Hall in Grand View

### 4-H leader meeting set

There will be a leader meeting held on Monday, Feb. 12 at the Owyhee County

Extension Office.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., and the meeting will start at 7 p.m.

We will go over any changes to rules as well as give each club copies of livestock lesson plans, updated documents and club officer job descriptions. There will also be a training on one of the livestock lessons.

We would love to see all current leaders as well as new 4-H leaders.

If you have any questions, please call the Extension Office. We look forward to seeing you.

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



Jack and Marilyn Burke

## Anniversary

### Burkes to celebrate 60 years of marriage with open house

Jack and Marilyn Burke will celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with an open house.

The event takes place from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 10 at the American Legion Hall in Melba.

The couple met during a Labor Day weekend in Silver City, and they were married on Feb. 8, 1958 at St. Thomas Church in Reno, Nev., with several family members and

friends present.

Jack and Marilyn have spent the greatest number of their 60 years together in Idaho where they raised their four children: Janie, Holly, Mary and John. There are eight grandchildren.

Family and friends are invited to share memories and laughs during the open house. Food and drinks will be provided. No gifts please.



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# Events to mark NCA’s silver anniversary

The Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey NCA’s months-long 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration begins Thursday.

The national conservation area, part of which is situated in Owyhee County, will be featured in more than a dozen events stretching into October.

For information or to RSVP for classes and trips, contact Cory Coffman at [ccoffman@blm.gov](mailto:ccoffman@blm.gov) or (208) 384-3485. More information is available at [www.blm.gov](http://www.blm.gov) under the Snake River Birds of Prey NCA tab in the Idaho national conservation lands section. Updates also can be found on the Birds of Prey NCA Partnership Facebook page.

- **5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday** — 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary kickoff party, Jack’s Urban Meeting Place (JUMP), downtown Boise
- **February time and location TBA** — “Meet the Raptors!” featuring educational presentation with live raptors and take-home activity for children.
- **10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., March 26-30** — “Meet the Raptors!”, the Boise Water-Shed
- **April 14** — Halverson Bar Spring Hike: Guided hike along Snake River featuring remnants of mining sites and homesteads. RSVP required.
- **April 21** — Volunteer to clean up litter in the NCA.
- **April 27** — Raptor identification class. RSVP required.
- **April 28** — Raptor ID field trip. RSVP required.
- **May** — Biodiversity days analyzing elements of the NCA ecosystem. RSVP required.
- **May 5: BioCrust Day; May 6: Reptile Day; and May 19: Insect Day**
- **May, dates TBA** — Raptor banding trips (screech owlets and ferruginous hawk chicks). RSVP required.
- **May 20** — Botany/Geology Walk in Snake River canyon. RSVP required.
- **Noon to 5 p.m., June 2** — Snake River Raptor Fest, live birds of prey, live music, Indian Creek Winery, Kuna
- **June 2** — Bikes and Birds: Bird-watching bicycle ride through Snake River Valley. RSVP required.
- **June, dates TBA** — Raptor banding trips. RSVP required.
- **August, date TBA** — NCA designation anniversary commemoration
- **Sept. 8** — Halverson Bar Fall Hike: Wildlife and history with experts. RSVP required.
- **Sept. 9** — Snake River Geology Hike: Learn about formative geology of Snake River canyon and surrounding plateau. RSVP required.
- **Sept. 22** — National Public Lands Day: Volunteer day to help install ferruginous hawk platforms.
- **Oct. 6** — Guffey Butte Hike: Views of Snake River, Oregon Trail. RSVP required.
- **Oct. 20** — National Public Lands Day: Volunteer day to plant sagebrush and restore NCA habitat.
- **October through December** — NCA 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary exhibit, Canyon Crossroads Museum, Celebration Park, Melba



BLM Idaho Abandoned Mines team leader Phil Barbarick (left) and BLM heavy equipment operator Adam R. Nelson take measurements of the collapsed mineshaft. BLM photo

# BLM: Sudden Silver City sinkhole spotlights mine safety

## Shaft collapses near town’s park

The winter watchman program in Silver City paid safety dividends recently.

The Bureau of Land Management was able to respond quickly when winter residents Bobby and Kathie Owens reported a sinkhole resulting from a collapsed mineshaft in the historic mining town.

The BLM took quick action to close off the area then filled the 15-foot-wide by 25-foot-deep hole with boulders and gravel.

“We notified the BLM about the issue and their response

was great,” Silver City Homeowners Association chair Jim Hawe said in an agency press release.

“We really appreciate the effort they made. It couldn’t have gone any better.”

The BLM will inspect the hole in the spring to ensure that the fill is stable.

The federal agency said that the sinkhole posted an immediate safety risk because it was adjacent to the community park and near a campground.

The BLM is warning folks about the dangers in mining towns such as Silver City.

Abandoned mines can be found throughout the region and frequently hold hidden

dangers such as sharp drop-offs, high levels of carbon dioxide and unused explosives.

The agency encourages the public to report all abandoned mines they come across to their local BLM or Forest Service office.

“With tens of thousands of abandoned mine lands throughout the West, we really want people to understand how dangerous they can be,” BLM abandoned mine lands specialist Carrie Wontorcik said.

“When it comes to abandoned mines, we tell everybody to stay out, stay alive.”

For more information, contact Wontorcik at [cwontorcik@blm.gov](mailto:cwontorcik@blm.gov) or (208) 384-3433.

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## Financial Peace offered at Mtn. View church

A Financial Peace University class will begin Tuesday at Mountain View Church of the Nazarene.

The course, which is a product of financial advice columnist and best-selling author Dave Ramsey, is open to the public.

Classes will be held at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday through April 3.

The cost is \$100 to cover materials, and you can enroll and purchase a class kit online at [www.fpu.com/1060043](http://www.fpu.com/1060043).

Mountain View Church of the Nazarene is located at 26515 Ustick Road at the corner of Batt Corner Road and Ustick between Homedale and Wilder.

Call the church office at (208) 337-3151 for more information on the FPU course.

Ramsey's "Dave Says" column appears each week in The Owyhee Avalanche.

## Micron grant fuels STEM bus visit

Elementary schoolchildren in the Bruneau/Grand View district will hop on the STEM bus this week.

The STEMbusUSA.org mobile STEM Lab and Assembly will make a stop at Grand View Elementary School on Thursday. The students will start their day full of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics at 9 a.m.

The STEM bus visit is possible through a grant from Micron that school district staffers submitted.

Parents are welcome to join their children, and they should check with their child's teacher for the schedule.

## Jordan Valley weed seminar set Tuesday

The Jordan Valley Cooperative Weed Management Area presents its annual winter weed seminar Tuesday.

Pesticide recertification credits for both Idaho and Oregon will be available.

The seminar begins at 10 a.m. inside the Jordan Valley Lions Hall, 902 Bassett St. (U.S. Highway 95).

Coordinator Eric Morrison will start the seminar by giving an update on Jordan Valley CWMA activities.

Other talks include:

- Jordan Valley CWMA coordinator Eric Morrison will give an update on the organization.
- Cindy Fritz from the Idaho Bureau of Land Management will provide news on the Soda

Fire planning implementation and results.

- Lonnie Huter from the BLM Boise District will talk about controlling noxious weeds in the wake of the Soda Fire rehabilitation.
- Dr. Matthew Geronimo from the U.S. Geological Survey will discuss how exotic grasses and forbs found on rangeland respond to management experimental treatments.
- Kevin Jensen, who works for the U.S. Department of Agriculture Agricultural Research Service in Logan, Utah, plans to talk about the use of grasses and legumes for fall and winter grazing.
- Another USDAARS staffer from Logan, Utah, Blair Wal-

dron, will discuss establishing and producing forage kochia.

- Bonnie Rasmussen from the Oregon Department of Agriculture will round out the specific presentations with a talk about the identification and control of high-priority noxious weeds.
- The final portion of the meeting, scheduled to begin at 3 p.m., will cover partner and industry updates with short 5- to 10-minute presentations.

For more information, contact the Jordan Valley CWMA office at (541) 586-3000 or [jvcwma@qwestoffice.net](mailto:jvcwma@qwestoffice.net).

Anyone planning to visit the CWMA office at 508 Swisher Ave., in Jordan Valley should call ahead in case Morrison is in the field.

## BLM advisory council to meet

Wildfire-related issues crucial to Owyhee County are among the topics for a rescheduled meeting of the Bureau of Land Management Boise District Resource Advisory Council.

The RAC will hold a meeting on Thursday, Feb. 22 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the district office, 3948 Development Ave., in Boise.

The meeting originally was scheduled for January, but had to be postponed of a scheduling conflict.

RAC members will receive updates on Soda Fire rehabilitation efforts and the Tri-State fuel break project, which is aimed at improving wildfire resilience in an area that includes the Idaho-Oregon-Nevada region.

There also will be field office updates (including Owyhee and Bruneau), and presentations on travel management planning and the Wild Horse and Burro program.

A half-hour public comment period will begin at 11 a.m.

For more information about the meeting, contact Mike Williamson at (208) 384-3393 or [mwilliamson@blm.gov](mailto:mwilliamson@blm.gov).

"The RAC represents diverse public interests and provides invaluable input for managing our public lands," said District Manager Lara Douglas. "Their feedback helps us make more informed

decisions, resulting in better projects on the ground."

Among the 15 members on the Boise District RAC are locals such as Grand View rancher Donna Bennett (Category 1 grazing permittee), retired wildlife biologist Karen Steenhof of Murphy (Category 2 Conservation) and Category 3 representatives Joe Merrick of Bruneau (elected official, District 3 county commissioner) and Ted Howard of Owyhee, Nev., (Shoshone-Paiute tribal representative).

Terms end March 17 for Steenhof, Bennett and Merrick.

Folks starting new terms will be announced soon, and their first meeting will be held sometime in April, according to BLM Boise District spokesperson Michael Williamson.

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## Courthouse report

A list of felony and misdemeanor dispositions recently completed at courtrooms in Murphy and Homedale. Infractions are not included:

**Jan. 22**  
**Richards, Stephanie J., Idaho Falls** — Misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession: \$397.50 in fines and court fees.

**Jan. 17**  
**Williams, Fancy D., Caldwell** — Misdemeanor driving without privileges: two days in jail, 86 days suspended, two days credited, \$522.50 in fines and court fees.

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# Chief justice: Courthouses across state need upgrades

by Nina Rydalch, U of I McClure Center legislative intern  
For The Owyhee Avalanche

Idaho Supreme Court Chief Justice Roger Burdick gave his “State of the Judiciary” address last Wednesday at the Statehouse. In his address, the chief justice said the fast growth in Idaho will pose challenges for the courts. “We welcome our new citizens, but we must realize there will be impacts on our cities, counties, state agencies and the judiciary which must be faced,” he said. “As

I have travelled throughout the state, prosecutors, public defenders and judges have talked about near-crippling increases in criminal cases.” He said the growth will also create a more pressing need for better judicial infrastructure. Many courthouses are already struggling to accommodate the needs of citizens and government employees, he said. “Access to justice in its most basic form means

physical access to a courtroom,” he said. “In some courthouses — with the absence of even a simple elevator — witnesses, jurors and judges with physical challenges must be carried up stairs by bailiffs just to be able to do their work.” The Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy is single-story and has a ramp to the main entrance. Homedale City Hall, which houses the magistrate courtroom, still must undergo Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades.

County Clerk Angie Barkell awaits results of an on-site ADA assessment that was performed in both Murphy and Homedale. Once that report is analyzed, the county will formulate a plan for ADA-compliant upgrades. Courtroom 1 in Murphy has a wheelchair ramp into the witness box, she said. Burdick said right now counties cannot afford to pay for new courthouses. He said the judicial system is seeking additional money to fund these buildings.

Burdick also addressed the expansion of the online systems Odyssey and iCourt, which he said is the largest initiative the courts are currently undertaking. These programs have allowed some counties — including Owyhee — to put records online and make many of these documents more accessible to the public. The eventual goal is statewide implementation. “This has not been an easy transition,” Burdick said, though he added the process is becoming smoother.

## E. Owyhee Library Friends hold meetings

The Friends of the Eastern Owyhee County Library have struck up a new idea to help out in Grand View. During their Jan. 15 meeting, Friends members decided to assist in installing signs for the library’s new disabled persons parking spots. The group also discussed new fundraising ideas and making Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School Class of 2018 students aware of the scholarship program. Two scholarships were approved for students Julianna Mori and Bailey Jewett. Kathy Chick also has been appointed treasurer, succeeding volunteer treasurer Harve Driskell. The January meeting was

the first of the new year, and the first since November’s executive officer elections. The following appointments were made during the November meeting:

- **Joint presidents** — Kathy and Mel Chick were elected as joint presidents
- **Vice-president** — Ellen Jess
- **Secretary and publicist** — Patricia Carothers

Also during the November meeting, members discussed the scholarship award to Hailey Sharek and beginning the process for Class of 2018 scholarships. Members discussed providing a card of thanks and a gift certificate for Willie Roby for her work on the cookbook fundraiser.

## U of I junior signs on as intern

Nina Rydalch, a junior at the University of Idaho, is for The Owyhee Avalanche during the Idaho legislative session as part of the McClure Center internship program. Rydalch is studying broadcast and digital media alongside psychology. She grew up in Rexburg and graduated from Madison Senior High School in 2015. She has written for the Post Register in Idaho Falls, The University of Idaho Argonaut student newspaper, and the UI Honors Program publication “The Looking Glass.” Rydalch decided to pursue writing professionally during her sophomore year of college, after finding a passion for sharing others’ true stories. She

chose to pursue the McClure internship to learn more about government and meet others in her field. She began at the Argonaut as a photojournalist in her freshman year. Since then, she has served at the publication as the Crumbs editor and the Arts and Culture editor. In the Fall 2015 semester, she was the photography and art head editor for The Looking Glass. Rydalch’s Post Register experience came as a general assignment reporter last summer. She continues as a freelance reporter, writing frequently for the Post Register’s Eastern Idaho Business Report section in the past year.



Nina Rydalch


## Irrigation boards to meet a week early

Directors overseeing the southern end of the Owyhee Project irrigation network have moved up the date of their monthly meetings. All three meetings will be held Tuesday in the South Board of Control board meeting, 118 S. 1<sup>st</sup> St. W., in Homedale. The Ridgeview Irrigation District board of directors will

meet at 1 p.m. The Gem Irrigation board convenes at 1:15 p.m. The South Board of Control will meet at 1:30 p.m. The directors typically meet on the second Tuesday of the month, but the February meeting — like the January gathering — has been moved up a week to ensure bills are paid on time.

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Marsing boys slide into third place

# Avalanche Sports

JV girls stay in first, JV boys fall to second

## Rimrock girls roll into district play with home game

Former player leads Raiders to 15 wins

Led by a first-year coach, Rimrock High School will play host to an opening-round district tournament

girls' basketball game. The Raiders swept their final two games of the 1A Western Idaho Conference season last week to wrap up the No. 3 seed in the 1A, Div. I District III Tournament. Former Rimrock standout Kyla

Jewett will coach the squad during its home game at 7 p.m. on Thursday. The No. 3 seed Raiders (15-5 overall, 9-2 in conference) will play either No. 6 Horseshoe Bend or No. 11 Wilder. Those two teams met in a play-in game Tuesday after deadline in Horseshoe

Bend. The Raiders have won seven of nine home games this season. A victory Thursday puts Rimrock in the semifinals at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday — See *Rimrock*, page 15

### DISTRICT DEJÁ VU

## Homedale, Fruitland meet again

HHS girls seeded third for district

Unable to sustain a fast start, Homedale High School's girls' basketball team lost its battle for the district tournament's No. 2 seed. Fruitland rallied from giving up 18 first-quarter points to beat the visiting Trojans, 53-47, on Jan. 23. The Grizzlies swept the season series against their 3A Snake River Valley conference rivals and secured the tiebreaker for the



Homedale junior guard Alex Grant tries to skip a pass into the paint against Parma on Friday night.

— See *Homedale*, page 15

## Marsing, NC reunite in postseason opener

Marsing High School must start the 2A District III Tournament on the road after stumbling in its girls' basketball home finale last week. The No. 5 seed Huskies travel to Nampa to face fourth-seeded Nampa Christian at 7 p.m., on Thursday. The Trojans (9-12 overall) beat Marsing (9-10), 54-43, on Jan. 23 to lock down the No. 4 seed and a home game. Thursday's victor takes on unbeaten top seed Melba (20-0) in a 2 p.m. semifinal Saturday at Vallivue High School in Caldwell. The winner of that

game qualifies for the 2A Real Dairy Shootout state tournament and also gets a chance to play for the district championship at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 8 back at Vallivue. The elimination round of the tournament begins Tuesday with two 7 p.m. games on the home floors of the higher-seeded team. **Thursday: Melba 74, Marsing 22** — The host Mustangs started strong and stifled the Huskies late to close out a 20-0 regular season with their 10<sup>th</sup> 2A Western Idaho Conference victory. Melba began each half with a 25-point

quarter and shut out Marsing in the final period to hold the Huskies to their lowest point total of the season. Kori Pentzer led all scorers with 26 points for Melba, while teammates Kate Clark (15) and Emma Clark (12) also reached double figures. Senior Mackenzie Farrens led five Marsing scorers with eight points. She also had five rebounds. Autumn Bennett hit a three-point goal as part of her seven points, and she also had three boards. — See *Marsing*, page 17

## HHS' Matlock commits to BSU

Scott Matlock has committed to play football at Boise State University. The Homedale High School senior gave his verbal commitment to the Div. I Broncos at noon on Friday, Trojans coach Matt Holtry confirmed later that night. 

Holtry said Matlock will gray shirt for BSU. "Hopefully everything will go as planned, and he will be in a full ride come January 2019," Holtry said. Matlock, whose foster parents are The Bowling Alley owners Mike and Donna Marose, follows his brother into Div. I football. A graduate of Capital High in Boise, Steven Matlock was the starting center at the University of Idaho, wrapping up his career in 2016. At 6-foot-4, 250 pounds, Scott Matlock starred as a defensive end and tight end for the Trojans.

He capped his senior season with All-3A Snake River Valley conference first-team picks as defensive end and tight end. He's the third player with HHS ties in the past 15 years to join a Div. 1 FBS program. Lineman Terence Thomas played at the University of Washington before a foot injury ended his career, and defensive back Trey Corta walked on at BSU. Lane Sale went from Homedale to Div. 1 FBC Weber State in 2014.

## Trojans snag second place in boys' 3A SRV

Big win lifts HHS over Parma before Weiser loss

A fast start helped Homedale High School get a leg up on boys' basketball district seeding Thursday. The Trojans scored the

game's first 16 points and cruised to a 55-49 victory in Parma's final home game of the 3A Snake River Valley conference season. "It was a big-time win to spoil their Senior Night and move to 3-1 in conference," second-year HHS coach Chad Mann said. The Panthers played the

entire first half of the conference season on their home floor and split the four games. Thursday's victory gave the Trojans sole possession of second place, a one-game lead over Parma, and — most importantly — the early tiebreaker for the 3A District III Tournament's second seed over the Panthers.

Homedale (8-10 overall, 3-2 in conference) opened the second half of the 3A SRV season Saturday on the road with a narrow 51-49 loss to Weiser, which is tied for third place with Parma. No statistics were provided from the loss to the Wolverines. — See *Trojans*, page 15



Sports

Huskies perpetuate cardiac kids reputation in 2A WIC

Marsing High School is making a habit of creating heart conditions for its boys' basketball fans.

The Huskies rallied from a double-digit deficit in the second half to squeeze past McCall-Donnelly, 57-55, on Friday and gain sole possession of third place in the 2A Western Idaho Conference.

Tyler Wood stole the basketball and hit a 5-foot, pull-up jump shot with 14 seconds left to give Marsing the lead for good.

"We came up with another steal on McCall's last possession to secure the third seed spot with four games left in league (play)," MHS coach Tim Little said.

The game was tied, 55-55, with 25 seconds left.

The Huskies trailed by as many as 10 points late in the third quarter before Wood got defensive, Merrick Hall started snagging offensive rebounds, and Enrique Quebrado found his range from the three-point line.

Quebrado scored a career-high 31 points, topping his career performance against Cole Valley Christian last Wednesday.

The junior sharpshooter went 8-for-15 from three-point range, many from 25 feet or further, Little said.

Wood scored 10 points and had four defensive rebounds to go with a co-team-high three steals (with Dwight Sevy).

Hall had five of his six rebounds on the Marsing glass.

Marsing grabbed a one-game

lead over the visiting Vandals for the No. 3 seed in the 2A District III Tournament. Melba and New Plymouth sit two games back tied for the fifth seed.

The Huskies (8-9 overall, 3-3 in conference) currently have the inside track in the tiebreaker for the No. 3 seed by virtue of their head-to-head victory over McCall (7-9, 2-4) and the Vandals' earlier loss to New Plymouth.

Little's squad has claimed three of its past four victories by a margin of two points each.

Four of the Huskies' nine losses have come by four points or fewer, including losses to Nampa Christian (49-47) and Cole Valley Christian (62-61), which are first and second, respectively, the 2A WIC.

The team is 4-3 in games decided by four or fewer points.

"We head to fifth seed New Plymouth (today)," Little said. "This is a huge game on the road, and we must keep our momentum rolling into when No. 5 in the state and No. 1 in league Nampa Christian comes to Marsing."

The Nampa Christian night will feature an exhibition game with fifth- and sixth-graders at halftime.

Free white Marsing T-shirts will be given to every fan who comes through the door, too, "in hopes to create a white-out in the stands when we play Nampa Christian," Little said.

**Last Wednesday: Cole Valley Christian 62, Marsing 61** — Showing their usual spunk,

the Huskies came up short in their attempt to create a logjam at second place in the conference.

After Quebrado fired in a deep three-point goal to put the home team within a point, the Chargers missed free-throw opportunities with six seconds remaining.

Marsing was unable to capitalize, though, as Cole Valley Christian's double-team defense stifled the chance at a final shot.

Little said 17 turnovers and a lack of offensive rebounding stymied the Huskies' efforts.

"Cole Valley's depth and size inside was difficult for us to match up with, and they shot the ball extremely well," Little said.

The Huskies shot 46.9 percent from the field (23-for-49) and missed just 12 of 27 shots from within the three-point line. Marsing posted its highest point total of the conference season.

Marsing lost three games in the first half of the 2A WIC season by a total of nine points.

Quebrado knocked in three of four treys and led all players with 29 points.

Sevy was 4-for-7 from the free-throw line and hit a three-pointer en route to 12 points. He had seven of his team-high nine rebounds on the defensive end.

Wood scored eight points with Hall tossing in seven.

Sophomore guard Joaquin Oliveros hit a three-pointer and notched four steals to go with three assists.



Marsing's Tyler Wood takes a jumper over McCall-Donnelly defenders. Photo by Dan Pease

## MARSING HUSKIES

**Girls' basketball**  
Monse Ponce, Jr., P  
Has scored 13 points in varsity games this season

**Boys' basketball**  
Enrique Quebrado, Jr., G  
Averaged 30 points in two games (14-for-25 from 3-point range)

**Wrestling**  
Troy Miller, Jr., 98 pounds  
One-point victory gave him 3rd at R. D. Brown

**Girls' basketball**  
Varsity  
2A District III Tournament  
Thursday, Feb. 1 at Nampa Christian, 7 p.m.  
If win Thursday: Saturday, Feb. 3 vs. Melba, Vallivue H.S., 2 p.m.  
If lose Thursday: Tuesday, Feb. 6, loser-out game vs. TBA, site TBA, 7 p.m.  
Junior varsity  
Finished sixth in 2A Western Idaho Conference

**Wrestling**  
Varsity  
Friday, Feb. 2 at Weiser Invitational, TBA  
Saturday, Feb. 3 at Weiser Invitational, 10 a.m.  
Wednesday, Feb. 7 at Parma for tri-meet vs. Payette, 5:30 p.m.

**Boys' basketball**  
Varsity  
Wednesday, Jan. 31 at New Plymouth, 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, Feb. 2, home vs. Nampa Christian, 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, Feb. 7, home vs. Melba (Senior Night), 7:30 p.m.  
Junior varsity A  
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# Sports

## ✓ Trojans: Team can't keep momentum up on road versus Weiser

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Homedale used its 16-0 start against Parma to hold a lead of 10 or more points for most of the game.

Junior Carson Brown led all scorers with 16 points and capped a double-double performance with 10 assists.

Brown was 5-for-6 from the foul line in the final two minutes after Parma's 6-0 run to open the fourth quarter cut Homedale's advantage to four points. That as the closest the Panthers would get all night.

Trojans teammate Scott Matlock chipped in 10 points and nine rebounds. Mason Kincheloe added nine points.

The scoring was spread around with Nelson Lomeli coming up with eight points and fellow sophomore Daniel Uranga adding six.



Homedale's Nelson Lomeli gets animated going to the basket against Parma. Photo by Tony Uranga

## ✓ Rimrock: JV girls win conference tourney

*From Page 13*

at Parma High School against either No. 2 Notus or the winner of Tuesday's play-in game between Riverstone International and Idaho City.

Jewett's first year at the Rimrock helm started with the team winning eight of its first nine games.

After a three-game losing streak, the Raiders started a five-game conference winning streak with a 39-34 overtime victory against Riverstone on Dec. 21.

Top-seeded Liberty Charter ended the win streak with a 30-27 victory in Nampa on Jan. 19.

Rimrock's only other 1A WIC loss came on the road against Notus on Dec. 15.

The junior varsity girls' basketball team won the 1A Western Idaho Conference tournament championship Saturday after finishing the regular season as the conference's top team.

The Raiders beat Idaho City and Liberty Charter.

*Results for this article were gathered at IdahoSports.com.*

— Ed.

## ✓ Homedale: Girls can't rebound from Parma's fast start on Senior Night

*From Page 13*

second seed in the 3A District III Tournament bracket.

The Trojans (9-11 overall, 4-4 in conference) and Grizzlies (10-11, 6-2) will face off again in Friday's district tournament semifinals at 6 p.m. at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

Fruitland wiped out a halftime deficit by holding Homedale to just six points in the third quarter.

The Trojans' intermittent shooting woes resurfaced in the second half as Homedale players made just five of 25 field-goal attempts (20 percent) and missed all six three-point shot attempts.

Homedale's Jayci Swallow dropped in two three-pointers in the first half for the bulk of her 10 points.

Josey Hall led the Trojans with 13 points, but pulled down just three rebounds.

Faith Jacobson scored 10 points, and she and Amaya Carter collected four rebounds each.

**Friday: Parma 48, Homedale 30** — Despite plenty of chances and a strong showing from the bench, the Trojans couldn't overcome the Panthers' 13-point blitz to start the game.

Ashley Burks (four points) and Faith Jacobson (two) were the only upperclassmen to score on Senior Night for the Trojans, who ended up third in the conference standings.

Parma (18-3, 8-0) used a quick, opportunistic offense to bolt out to a 13-0 lead before junior guard Alex Grant connected on the first of her three baskets for the Trojans with 6 minutes, 12 seconds into the regular-season finale.

Grant was 3-for-3 from the floor with six points and four steals.

Homedale never led and could only get as close as seven points, 15-8, when Amaya Carter hit the first basket of the second quarter.

The Trojans had chances in the first half as both teams displayed sloppy ball-handling, but Homedale couldn't consistently solve Parma's pressure defense.

Another 13-0 run ended when Megan Hancock drained her only shot of the night to give Parma its largest lead of the game, 28-8, with 3:10 remaining in the first half.

Homedale got the deficit down to 10 points, 35-25, by the end of three quarters.

Madison Jackson had three of Parma's nine three-point goals and led all players with 14 points.

Carter led Homedale with seven points and eight rebounds. Fellow junior post Josey Hall had six points and seven rebounds.

# Homedale Trojans

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**Girls' basketball**  
Alex Grant, Jr., G  
Hit all 3 shots for 6 points, 4 steals vs. Parma; 4 points vs. Fruitland

**Boys' basketball**  
Carson Brown, Jr., G  
Played a part in 36 points for Trojans with 16 points, 10 assists vs. Parma

**Wrestling**  
Jaegar Rose, Jr., 145 pounds  
4th place at Berry Classic capped 4-win week

**Girls' basketball**  
Varsity  
3A District III Tournament  
(At Treasure Valley CC, Ontario, Ore.)  
Friday, Feb. 2 vs. Fruitland, 6 p.m.  
If win Friday: Tuesday, Feb. 6 championship game vs. TBA, 7:30 p.m.  
If lose Friday: Tuesday, Feb. 6 loser-out game vs. TBA, 6 p.m.

**Junior varsity and frosh-soph**  
3A Snake River Valley conference tournaments  
(In Parma)  
Frosh-soph championship (if nec.): Wednesday, Jan. 31, opponent TBA, 6 p.m.  
JV championship (if nec.): Wednesday, Jan. 31, opponent TBA, 7:30 p.m.

**Boys' basketball**  
Varsity  
Wednesday, Feb. 7 at Fruitland, 7:30 p.m.  
Junior varsity  
Wednesday, Feb. 7 at Fruitland, 6 p.m.  
Frosh-soph  
Wednesday, Feb. 7 at Fruitland, 4:30 p.m.

**Wrestling**  
Wednesday, Jan. 31, home vs. New Plymouth, 5:30 p.m.  
Friday, Feb. 2 at Weiser Invitational, TBA  
Saturday, Feb. 3 at Weiser Invitational, 10 a.m.

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# Sports



Marsing 98-pounder Troy Miller (top) battles Mason Strong of Weiser in the first match of a round robin tournament Saturday in New Plymouth. Miller finished third in his weight class. Photo by Sarah Grossman / Freeze the Day Photography

## Three Huskies medal at NP

Round robin wrestling treated Marsing High School athletes well at the R. D. Brown Invitational.

Senior Mason Hall won four consecutive matches Saturday in New Plymouth before once-beaten Jose Sanchez won the 220-pound championship with a major decision.

Troy Miller, a 98-pounder, rallied to win three of his last four matches to finish third.

Brackets were established in other weight divisions.

Senior 182-pounder Jaden Kinney won the third-place match by forfeit over Ryan Leverenz of Weiser.

The Huskies finished eighth in the 14-team tournament.

Hall reeled off four first-round pins before his 10-4 major decision loss to Sanchez, a Nyssa, Ore., wrestler in the tournament's final round of

competition.

Hall pinned Weiser's Darrian Hoobery in 1 minute, 17 seconds and stopped Nyssa's Edgar Rivera in 1:35 before taking care of fellow 2A Western Idaho Conference competitors Gage Cussins of Melba (1:44) and David Straw from McCall-Donnelly (1:24).

Miller's round-robin road to third place at 98 pounds concluded when he edged Meridian's Jacob Gomez, 2-1, in a dramatic bout.

Miller surged with back-to-back victories in the second and third rounds: An 11-0 major decision against McCall's Oswaldo Rodriguez and a 51-second pin over Parma's Kenny Forsberg.

Kinney had two victories at 182, pinning Echo/Stamfield wrestler Caden Fisher in 35 seconds to reach the semifinals.

McCall's Parker Pyle pinned Kinney 2:33 into their semifinal to send the Marsing wrestler into the bronze medal match.

Kadin Goins lost the fifth-place match at 170 when Meridian's Caleb Twait came away with a 7-4 decision.

Goins pinned two Burns, Ore., wrestlers in the consolation bracket to qualify for the fifth-place bout. First, Trace Prosser bowed in 2:13 then Goins put Michael Winn on the mat at 1:38 of their semifinal.

Joseph Ineck was 1-3 in the 152-pound bracket. He pinned Tanner Hahn of Meridian in 53 seconds during Round 2 of the consolation bracket.

Jesus Duran's only victory also came in the second round of the consolation bracket at 160. He pinned Tye Nasker of New Plymouth a 1:47.

## Adrian wrestlers ready for district

Logan Griffin continues to warm up for his shot at the 2A/1A Oregon wrestling tournament.

The Adrian High School sophomore finished third at Saturday's Pine Eagle Invitational in Halfway, Ore.

Griffin received a bye into the 145-pound semifinals where he lost a 7-3 decision to Grant Union's Quinten Hallgarth.

Two more byes in the consolation semifinals and the third-place match gave Griffin

the bronze medal.

On Jan. 20, Griffin finished fourth in the 138-pound bracket during the 1A state championships at Crane.

Griffin pinned North Lake's Nikkilas Shumway in 53 seconds of their consolation semifinal match before falling to Siletz Valley's Austin Buckley (pinfall in 1 minute, 32 seconds) in the bronze medal match.

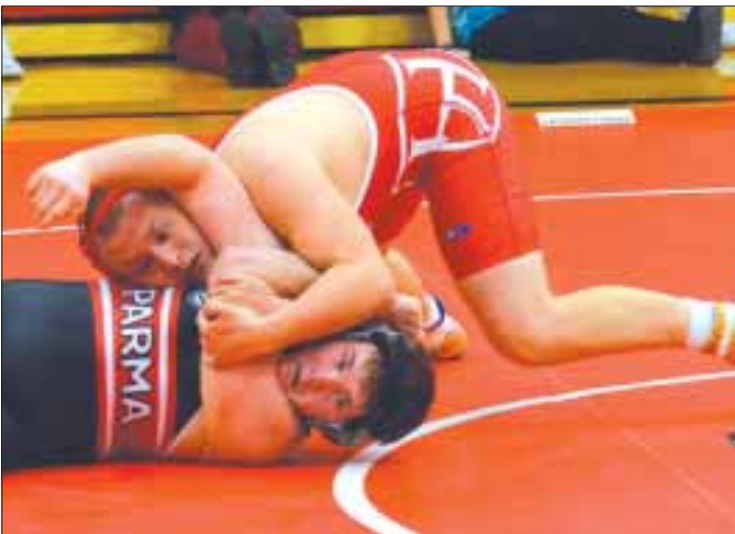
Also at Crane, teammate Kaden Rhead won his final two matches in a round robin

competition to win the 120-pound championship.

Rhead pinned Xander Sweat from Siletz Valley (1:19) and Echo/Stamfield's Daylon Eng (5:27) to go 2-1 in the tournament.

The 2A/1A Oregon state tournament takes place Feb. 16-17 in Portland.

Wrestling qualify for the state tournament through the 1A District 4 championship meet, which will be held Friday and Saturday.



Homedale's Robert Nix (top) tries to get Parma's Hunter Tarr in position for a pinfall in the first round of their 195-pound bout last Wednesday.

## Battling Trojans fall to Parma at home

### 3 wrestlers place at Saturday meet

Homedale High School narrowed the gap in the middle weights, but couldn't pull off the win last Wednesday against Parma.

The Panthers got three forfeits and beat Homedale, 48-33, in a 3A Snake River Valley conference dual meet on the Trojans' mat.

Homedale inched to within three points on Jorge Vega's forfeit victory at 126 pounds and again when 145-pounder Jaegar Rose beat Chase Scroggins, 10-4.

But the Panthers reeled off 18 points with wins in the next three bouts to take control.

Victor Lopez (152) picked up six points when Homedale's Dawson Fox had to retire because of an injury.

Dre Salinas battled Homedale's Ivan Cortez into the final minute of their 160-pound bout before ending things with 45 seconds to go.

The Panthers had built a commanding 42-27 lead before Homedale's Robert Nix pinned Hunter Tarr in 1 minute, 22 seconds to win at 195.

Homedale's first points of the night came when freshman Joseph Egusquiza edged Jackson Rudkin, 6-3, at 113 pounds for an 18-3 score.

Forfeit victories for Savannah Tuner (120) and Jorge Vega (126) put the Trojans within three points, 18-15.

Jace Love's 14-11 win over James Takatori at 138 pounds immediately preceded Rose's triumph.

**John Berry Classic** — Rose finished fourth to lead three Trojans to the podium at the two-day tournament in Sugar

City.

Cortez (160) and Nix (195) each finished sixth in the Friday-Saturday meet at Sugar Salem High School.

Rose reached the semifinals with an 8-2 quarterfinal victory over Shelley's Taylor Balmforth. Fellow 3A Snake River Valley conference wrestler Corey Eckhart of Fruitland blanked Rose, 7-0, in the semifinal.

Rose needed just 45 seconds to reach the third-place match, pinning Bear Lake's Dalton Moss in a consolation semifinal before Grace's Bracken Anderson won the bronze medal with a pin at 4:56.

Rose's first victory was a second-round pinfall of Teton James Fullmer (3:31).

Cortez lost to hometown wrestler Wolf Bennion twice. Bennion beat the Trojans' 160-pounder for fifth place with a pin in 2:03. The Sugar-Salem product also sent Cortez into the consolation bracket with a pin in 2:38 of their quarterfinal.

The quarterfinal was Cortez's first match of the tournament. After another bye, he needed just 40 seconds to pin Rich County (Utah)'s Trey Siddoway in a consolation match before losing in the consolation semifinals to Taylor Adams of Soda Springs (93 seconds).

Nix started his tournament in the 195-pound quarterfinals where Fruitland's Jason Gissel prevailed in 3:11.

Nix pinned Ririe's Gabe Sommers in 4:59 to reach the consolation semifinal then wound up in the fifth-place match after a 7-4 loss to Rich County's Wyatt Weston.

Tyler Lusk from Bear Lake stopped Nix at the 3:44 mark of their fifth-place match.

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Sports



Marsing's Emily Loucks takes a shot against Nampa Christian. Photo by Dan Pease

✓ Marsing: NC comeback spoils Huskies' Senior Night

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Ashley Loucks connected for Marsing's other three-pointer, while Monse Ponce and Hailee Bennett each hit baskets.

Melba scored 24 points off 24 Huskies turnovers.

**Jan. 23: Nampa Christian 54, Marsing 43** — Any momentum the Huskies gained from a lopsided first half didn't stand up against the visiting Trojans on Senior Night.

And with the lead dissipated the Huskies' chances to play host to an opening-round district game.

Ella DeJong scored 25 points to lead Nampa Christian, which won a three-way tie for the No. 4 seed with a larger point differential in head-to-head meetings against Marsing and McCall-Donnelly.

The Huskies earned the No. 5 seed based on their season sweep of the Vandals.

Nampa Christian outscored Marsing, 37-12, in the second half to pull away. The Trojans had 10 second-chance points, too.

The Huskies held a 14-point

halftime lead after dominating the second half by a 17-3 score.

Playing her final regular-season home game, Farrens paced Marsing with 16 points and nine rebounds.

Farrens and Emily Loucks each connected on a pair of three-point goals.

Autumn Bennett grabbed eight defensive rebounds, and a three-pointer counted among her eight points. She also had four steals.

Marsing's players were hot from the three-point line in the first half, knocking down five of 11 tries. But the Huskies missed all eight three-point attempts during a second half in which MHS players converted only five of 24 shots (20.8 percent).

Nampa Christian also benefitted from nearly twice as many trips to the foul line. The Trojans made 15 of 28 free throws, while the Huskies were true on only four of 15 attempts.

Marsing's other scorers were Elsa Margarito with six points and Gabriela Rodriguez with five.

Honor roll  
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Seniors

**4.0 grade-point average** — Oakley, Meryssa J.; Mayer, Krista L.; Pfof, Dillon S.; Johnson, Lainey J.; Henry, Kaden I.; DeWitt, Kaylee E.; Conkwright, Joshua A.; Christensen, Ember E.; Symms, Eva J.; Wolfe, Wyatt D.; Burks, Ashley B.; Nash, Kendall N.; and Muir, Alexis S.

**3.99 to 3.5 GPA** — Modlin, Leah M., 3.86; Packer, Jesse M., 3.83; Smith, Cortnee J., 3.83; Bernabe, Maria Carmen, 3.83; Ramos, Alma R., 3.83; Jacobson, Faith T., 3.80; Albor, Carlos, 3.80; Thatcher, Kendra J., 3.80; Gonzalez, Nallely, 3.75; Mertz, Maxwell W., 3.75; Zamora, Amaya E., 3.71; Benschop, Senna, 3.71; Correa, Julia C., 3.71; Burks, Lindsey S., 3.67; Kelly, Dakota M., 3.67; Lee, Benjamin W., 3.67; Salutregui, Lyndsey N., 3.67; Turner, Kayden J., 3.67; Van Zonneveld, Tess, 3.67; Martell, Gabriella M., 3.60; Shenk, Allison T., 3.60; Vega Martinez, Juan, 3.50; Uriarte, Jose E., 3.50; Vargas, Josue O., 3.50; Miller, Brayden L., 3.50; Egusquiza, Hannah R., 3.50; Packer, Jordan M., 3.50; Milburn, Miely D., 3.50; Evans, Jessica M., 3.50;

**3.49 to 3.0 GPA** — Hernandez, Maria I., 3.40; Elordi, Cody J., 3.40; Bell, Jeremy J., 3.40; and Bowman, Andrew D., 3.40; Merino, Alexis B., 3.33; Beckman, Ian S., 3.33; Vega Ojeda, Diana, 3.33; Raine, Alicia M., 3.25; Cortez, Brenda Y., 3.20; Sifuentes, Ashley R., 3.20; Granden, Quade K., 3.17; Buenrostro, Elaine E., 3.17; Matlock, Scott C., 3.17; Kerbs, Payton T., 3.14; Stoddard, Chase M., 3.14; Santiago, Julia, 3.00; Neri Rodriguez, Yesenia, 3.00; Macias, Aaron, 3.00; Fisher, Lauryn P., 3.00; Flores, Veronica M., 3.00; Legacie, James C., 3.00; Sickinger, Mia A., 3.00; Hilton, Jaylon L., 3.00; and Durrant, Skyler S., 3.00

Juniors

**4.0 grade-point average** — Smith, Mikayla M.; Hall, Josey L.; Downum, Courtney M.; Morse, Tell R.; Nash, Sophia C.; Deal, Drew J.; Rose, Jaegar L.; Rupp, Jenna D.; Rupp, Kyle L.; Cole, Jordann L.; Kelly, Makayla G.; Carter, Amaya N.; Albor, Cindy; and Brown, Carson R.

**3.99 to 3.5 GPA** — Hernandez, Monique J., 3.86; Atkins, Lane S., 3.86; Alvor, Aaliyah L., 3.86; Riaz, Ahsan, 3.86; Farrell, Nathaniel J., 3.86; and Villa Ojeda, Jose B., 3.86; Campbell, Gunner H., 3.83; Rupp, Reigan

Y., 3.83; Wolfe, Clayton D., 3.83; Mitchell, Taylor A., 3.83; Bauer, Madison B., 3.83; Cardenas, Olivia J., 3.80; Cornwall, Nathan G., 3.71; Zamora, Dazsha N., 3.71; Redburn, Noah J., 3.71; Grant, Alexandria K., 3.71; Soto Aguilar, Enrique G., 3.71; Sugiura, Natsumi, 3.71; Conant, Austin, 3.67; Carter, Paige D., 3.67; Garcia, Ismael R., 3.67; Neri, Maria E., 3.67; Wilson, Hannah L., 3.60; Navarrete, Edgar, 3.60; Villarreal, Mauricia V., 3.57; Kincheloe, Mason R., 3.57; Quijano, Autumn Z., 3.57; Vega Aguilera, Maria A., 3.50; Bowman, Morgan J., 3.50; Klepinger, Holden L., 3.50; Conger, Shantelle L., 3.50; Chase, Ethan S., 3.50; Woods, Kari J., 3.50; and Depenwisch, Jan, 3.50;

**3.49 to 3.0 GPA** — Hartnoll, Michael R., 3.43; Hernandez, Lorena, 3.43; Phariss, Lindy R., 3.43; and Pigeon, Kelsie A., 3.43; Taylor, Kelsey L., 3.33; Cortez, Ivan, 3.33; Cortez Sanchez, Cindy, 3.33; Holt, Bennett W., 3.33; Allen, Amber Z., 3.29; Talotta, Riley C., 3.29; Hall, Kage R., 3.17; Rojas, Chelsea, 3.17; Clagg, Allysa R., 3.17; Binford, Kaden R., 3.17; Hernandez, Mellyssa J., 3.14; Ibarra, Carlos E., 3.14; Jerome, Charley R., 3.14; Todd, Corbin W., 3.14; Tamura Obregon, Isabella M., 3.14; Swallow, Jayci L., 3.14; Rich, Jadyn M., 3.14; Cortez-Neri, Gabriela, 3.14; Miklancic, Mathew L., 3.14; Vincent, Michael T., 3.00; Monreal, Melanie, 3.00; and Zamudio, Joseph C., 3.00

Sophomores

**4.0 GPA** — Johnson, Maggie E.; Gray, Abbie A.; Randall, Matthew L.; Purdom, Gage C.; Chase, Brandon M.; Johnson, Nyelah T.; Dines, Grace M.; Trout, Brady J.; Larzelier, Juliette C.; and Uranga, Daniel S.

**3.99 to 3.5 GPA** — Hernandez, Ricardo, 3.86; Schamber, Elizabeth R., 3.86; Miller, Ashlyn B., 3.86; Gomez, Julia D., 3.83; Aviles-Rodriguez, Ahtziri, 3.83; Franko, Lexus K., 3.83; Beal, Jack R., 3.71; James, Wyatt D., 3.71; Garcia, Omar A., 3.71; Llamas, Arnulfo, 3.71; Cardenas, Taiz C., 3.71; Beckman, Amaya L., 3.71; Albor, Lisbed, 3.71; Albor, Cristina, 3.71; Buckley, Savana R., 3.67; Everson, Krystal A., 3.67; Smith, Caleb I., 3.67; Neil, Kaytlynne R., 3.57; Guzman, Christina, 3.57; Rountree, Mason M., 3.57; Monreal, Graciela D., 3.57; Vargas, Caleb I., 3.50; Butler, Kaitlyn L., 3.50; Sanchez, Elizabeth, 3.50; and Moore, Ashley C., 3.50

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**4.0 GPA** — Breshears, John W.; DeWitt, Makenna R.; Evans, Ainslee A.; Miller, Madison G.; Muir, Shane T.; Pfof, Brooklyn M.; Salazar, Roberto A.; Symms, Thomas K.; and Thornton, Emma R.

**3.99 to 3.5 GPA** — Bauer, Kylee E., 3.86; Cardenas-Ritzert, Entenecia S., 3.86; Cline, Mayci E., 3.86; Farrell, Nicole A., 3.86; Gomez Pacheco, Xiomara B., 3.86; Hollywood, William J., 3.86; Miller, Mackenzie M., 3.86; Sosa, Yuridia G., 3.86; Turner, Savannah R., 3.86; Aguilera, Giovanni, 3.71; Missamore, Kaitlyn M., 3.71; Pate, Caitlyn D., 3.71; Robinson-Hopson, Alexandra J., 3.71; Smith, Ruger D., 3.71; Strack, Barton R., 3.71; Turner, Kaydince M., 3.71; Albor, Andres, 3.57; Christoffersen, Brayden A., 3.57; Fox, Dawson M., 3.57; Hernandez, Erik, 3.57; Lindgren, Hanna L., 3.57; McKay, Kenna M., 3.57; Parker, Emma P., 3.57; Smith, Isabella R., 3.57; and Taylor, Paige M., 3.57

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## From the Statehouse Good and bad of healthcare proposals

The Department of Health and Welfare and the Department of Commerce has presented its solution to the health care gap population. It involved a combination of requests for federal waivers in an effort to both lower private insurance rates and cover those currently unable to claim the insurance tax credit. It’s an aggressive move, and I have some serious reservations about the legislation.

The first component, the 1115 waiver, would make some Idahoans with complex medical conditions that currently receive the insurance tax credit and are covered by private insurance now eligible for Medicaid.

This Medicaid eligibility would then make them ineligible for the tax credit and would force them to pay the full private insurance premium to keep their coverage. After transferring these high-cost patients from private insurance to Medicaid, it is projected that the private insurance rates will decline for those able to maintain their private insurance.

The other consequences of this Medicaid transfer could be severe. Not only would the program cost taxpayers \$100 million, but the nature of the medical services approved and provided to these high-cost patients could change. The program will also force those that move to Medicaid to use only Medicaid providers, potentially requiring them to change doctors.

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The second part of the bill is the 1332 waiver that would make those below 100 percent of the federal poverty level eligible for the federal insurance tax credit. I fully support this waiver. All citizens should have equal opportunity to take advantage of the available federal insurance tax credit. Unfortunately, in order to get the 1332 waiver approved, the cost of the tax credits that will be claimed must be offset by the savings currently offered in the previously mentioned 1115 waiver.

The bill hearing for the dual waiver is set for 9

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## From Washington D.C. vacations take planning, but congressionals can help

Washington, D.C., is one of the world’s most popular tourist destinations, and that isn’t surprising as there is so much to see and do, most of it free to the public.

While I have the honor of meeting with Idahoans who travel to Washington, D.C., for business or to take in our national capital’s history, my office can also help with your tour planning. There is a wealth of information on my website, at <https://www.crapo.senate.gov/services/visiting-dc>, that includes a list of sites and tour tips. March through June are especially busy times for tours, and if you are planning to travel during those times, now is when you need to start planning. It is not too early to start requesting tours now for trips this spring.

Most tours can be scheduled and conducted on your own, but some require reservations through a congressional office. You may fill out a tour request form on my website to request tours of the Capitol, the White House, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the Library of Congress and the Supreme Court. The White House always requires a reservation through a congressional office, and opens its calendar for reservations three months in advance. The White House limits the number of daily visitors, more notice for us to request a tour improves our chances significantly. If possible, please give us more than three months’ notice. One to three months minimum advance notice is encouraged for Capitol tours. Similar advance notice is encouraged for Library of Congress and Bureau of Engraving and Printing for tours scheduled between April and September.

Many buildings of the Smithsonian are in close proximity to popular attractions — including the Capitol building, the Washington Monument and the Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials — and stretch along

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the National Mall. The Smithsonian, founded 172 years ago, is a trove of historical and educational resources. Nineteen museums and galleries, the National Zoological Park and nine research facilities make up the Smithsonian. The only Smithsonian museum that requires tickets for entry is the National Museum of African American History and Culture, which you can reserve on the museum’s website, <https://nmaahc.si.edu/visit/passes>. The museum also releases advance timed entry passes for individuals on the first Wednesday of each month, and there are a limited number of same-day tickets that become available each day at 6:30 a.m. The Smithsonian Air and Space Museum also has a second site next to Dulles Airport, which houses some extraordinary aircraft, including a space shuttle, a Concorde and the Enola Gay.

Memorials honoring our nation’s service members

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# Commentary

## Financial management Company shouldn't expect employee to front expenses

**Dear Dave,**  
I recently got a new job that requires monthly expenses of almost \$5,000 that are reimbursed. I can't swing that kind of money right now, and my company told me to get a credit card to cover things. I'm trying to get out of debt, and I don't like this idea. What should I do?  
— John

**Dear John,**  
Your company should be fronting the money for these expenses. When you talk about the cost of doing business, it's the responsibility of the company — not the employee — to pay expenses.  
If I send someone on the road to make money for my company, I pay the bills. It doesn't matter if you're talking about hotel rooms, airfare, or rental cars, those are *my* expenses. If it's someone who travels a lot, we give them a

company debit card. If it's just an occasional thing, we'll give them money out of petty cash. But a company shouldn't treat its employees this way. That's just plain wrong.  
It's a mystery to me how some segments of Corporate America have sold their employees on the idea of being the company bank. Ultimately, the decision is yours. If you don't mind covering your company's expenses and getting reimbursed, but you don't want to go into debt, you'll have to save and build up a \$5,000 business expense fund in a separate checking account. This should be used *only* for business expenses, and what's spent should be replenished immediately when they reimburse you.  
You're in an unusual spot, John. Personally, I think this is an unprofessional way to run a business. But if you like your job, and want to stay without



taking on any more debt, the good news is you'll only have to fill up your expense account one time.  
Good luck!  
— Dave

**Dear Dave,**  
My sister has bad credit because of a lot of late payments. She has finally started to change her ways

and get control of her finances, because she and her fiancé want to make an offer on a house. The bank won't approve it if she is on the loan, and his income alone isn't enough to get the amount they need. His parents are well-off, and they have offered to co-sign on the loan. Is this a bad idea?  
— Rhonda

**Dear Rhonda,**  
It's a *really* bad idea. Those two have no business thinking about a house right now, and his parents are about to make things even worse with their loving, misguided help.  
If you need a co-signer, you're nowhere near ready to buy a home. They need to slow down. I mean, they're just engaged. They don't even need a house at this point. They should get married, live in a cheap apartment for a while, and work on paying off their

debts. After that, they need to save up an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses, then start setting cash aside for a huge down payment on their first, modest home.  
These two have a bad case of house fever. And Mom and Dad need to step back, look at things objectively, and realize they would not be blessing these kids by helping get them into a home they obviously can't afford!  
— 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).

## Letter to the editor Congressional candidate Snyder to visit Owyhee County

Who hasn't heard of Michael Snyder, Republican candidate for the First Congressional District in Idaho? Michael is an unashamed Christian, Pro-Life, Pro-Trump family man who decided last year to come to the aid of his country. Michael Snyder is one of the most popular conservative authors in America. He is the author of four books. He has been a frequent guest on major radio and television shows, and his websites have been viewed more than 100 million times. Michael's articles are also published on dozens of other major websites, and this includes some of the biggest alternative news websites. Maybe you've seen him on Alex Jones' INFOWARS.COM?  
With government ever increasing its domination over the individual, Michael will work to abolish the IRS and the Federal Income Tax. He will work to abolish the Federal Reserve. He also believes that federal agencies like the EPA and BLM, which have been used to take away property rights and our individual freedoms, should be closed. He wants

to shut down Big Brother spying and stop reckless federal spending. He wants to repeal Obamacare, help Trump build the wall and give local communities the right to say "No" to Islamic refugees. Michael believes that every American citizen has the constitutional right to carry a gun. He wants to abolish the U.S. Department of Education, which is imposing Common Core on our youth.  
Michael Snyder is a man of character, integrity and high moral standards who won't sell his soul for a mess of pottage in Washington, D.C. Michael Snyder will help President Trump drain the swamp. You can meet him at the Lizard Butte Library in Marsing from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., on Monday, Feb. 19, or at the Rimrock Senior Center in Grand View from noon to 2 p.m., on Tuesday, Feb. 20. You've heard of Michael Snyder now.  
Garry Young, Givens Hot Springs  
Michael Snyder For Congress  
Owyhee County Chair

## ✓ Healthcare: Waiver hearing available on Legislature website

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a.m., on Thursday in the Lincoln Auditorium, and the public is, as always, welcome to attend. It will also be live-streamed on the legislative website <https://legislature.idaho.gov>. I welcome any of your comments, questions or concerns prior to the hearing via email at [mblanksma@house.idaho.gov](mailto:mblanksma@house.idaho.gov). I would truly appreciate constituent input prior to taking a vote on such an important issue.  
Thank you for the opportunity to serve the people of District 23 and I look forward to hearing from you.

## ✓ D.C.: Plenty of history, monuments to see

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surround the Mall. Arlington Cemetery is a short drive or Metro ride across the Potomac River where visitors can watch the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Also, if you have time to visit sites away from the capital, many Civil War battlefields, including Bull Run/Manassas, Antietam and Fredericksburg, are less than one hour away. Additionally, Mount Vernon, George Washington's home, is just 15 miles south of downtown Washington, and Monticello, home of Thomas Jefferson, is located near Charlottesville, Va.  
Washington is also home to many art galleries; a few are:  
• the National Gallery of Art, located on the National

Mall;  
• the National Museum of Women in the Arts;  
• the Corcoran Gallery, located near the White House; and  
• the Arthur M. Sackler and Freer Galleries of Art, adjacent to one another on the National Mall.  
This is just the tip of the iceberg of the historical attractions in our nation's capital. If you have any questions about visits and to schedule tours, please feel free to reach out to me.  
— 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.

### Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the May 16 primary election until noon on Friday, May 5.  
The usual letters to the editor guidelines apply, including letters must be no more than 300 words and letters must include contact information, including a phone number, of the letter-writer. Submit by:  
• Email to [jon@owyheeavalanche.com](mailto:jon@owyheeavalanche.com)  
• Fax to (208) 337-4867  
• Mail to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628  
• Or drop off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale  
For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

### Letters to the editor

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



# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

February 3, 1993

### Cattlemen to meet Saturday in Murphy

The Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association has announced the annual winter meeting will be held Feb. 6 in Murphy, Idaho.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows: 2 p.m. Registration begins. 2:30 p.m. Call to order; drawing for a silver bit from membership present; Ted Blackstock will deliver the opening introductions, followed by a report from the Idaho Department of Water Resources on current water issues and the Bruneau snail; industry and agency reports to follow.

George Bennett, ICA; report on environmental issues.

Mike Hillman, ICA state and federal lands committee; report on committee actions.

Bob Collett, president ICA; ICA and NCA report.

Fred Grant, Owyhee County Planning Consultant; county land use plan update.

Dave Brunner, BLM Boise District manager; trespass avoidance policy, lease requirements, Owyhee RMP, drought, etc.

Keith Kiler, Idaho Department of Fish and Game; wildlife depredation program.

5 p.m. General business meeting. Ted Blackstock, old and new business; Ted Hoffman, resolutions for 1993.

### BLM, state move ahead with land swap

The Bureau of Land Management and the State of Idaho are considering a land exchange involving approximately 41,000 acres in southwest Idaho as part of a plan to create U.S. Air Force training range.

In the offering are 22,920 acres of scattered state lands in exchange for 18,240 acres of public land.

The state has said it will use the land it acquires as part of a state-owned training range, which would then be used by the Air Force and Idaho National Guard.

### Trojans take 8-4 record into playoffs

With a solid win over Marsing Friday night, 59-44, coach Eric Kennedy and his Trojan squad are poised to enter the district A-3 playoffs next week.

Their record improves to 8-4 in conference play. Marsing drops to 2-10 in A-3 standings.

In Friday’s game Andy Ankeny and Josh Hellwege, both perennial court overachievers, led a Trojan offense on the charge in the third and fourth periods, combining to score 37 points.

The first half saw both teams unable to put together much in the way of scoring with Homedale managing only 8 points in the first quarter and Marsing 6.

In the second half, domination of the boards, Homedale ended up with 42 rebounds to Marsing’s 29, aided the Trojans effort to put the ball up offensively.

### Wrestlers to begin conference action

Weiser took advantage of a Trojan wrestling squad beset by injuries and forfeits Thursday, beating up on Homedale 57-12 in a non-conference dual match in Weiser.

“That was a tough one for us,” coach Bob Stancliff said.

Homedale won three matches, two by decisions and one pin. Sam Freitag won at 125 pounds, Scott Osborn at 189 pounds and Jake Volk took the heavyweight match. Junior Castro lost a close decision 8-7.

## 50 years ago

February 1, 1968

### Huskies drop under strong Parma attack

The Parma Panthers basketball team throttled the offensive drive of Marsing to ring up a 57-29 SRV A-3 basketball win Friday night.

Skip Smyser had 18 points to lead Parma while Keith Mitchell, Larry Hultz and Virgil Holsclaw each had 10. Jim Brunel was high for Marsing with nine.

The win gives Parma a 2-4 league record and 8-5 for the season. Marsing is 1-5 and 6-8.

### Homedale wins 69-51 victory over Greenleaf

Homedale got back on the winning track Friday night, making Greenleaf its seventh victim of the season by a 69-51 decision in an inter-league basketball game.

Rubin Garcia and Dickson paced Homedale with 13 points apiece. Fodge was high point man for Greenleaf with 12.

### Poll planned of Grand View, Bruneau area

An opinion poll survey will be conducted by the Board of Trustees, Joint School District No 365, Grand View-Bruneau, to make a selection by first or second choice of five proposals.

#### Proposal “A” (Bruneau separation)

Population (will be verified) Bruneau, 742; Grand View, 902.

Valuation, Real, Bruneau, \$1,311,709.00; Grand View, \$2,062,266.00. Utilities, Bruneau, \$1,969,846.00; Grand View, \$898,153.00. Total, Bruneau, \$3,301,555.00; Grand View, \$2,960,419.00.

#### Proposal “B” (Grand View re-zoning)

Population: Zone 1, 216; Zone 2, 309; Zone 3, 325; Zone 4, 335; Zone 5, 350.

Valuation: Zone 1, \$1,137,430.00; Zone 2, 1,365,103.00; Zone 3, \$1,269,763.00; Zone 4, \$1,389,636.00; Zone 5, \$1,338,672.00.

These figures come from the Grand View Re-zoning proposal, which was submitted to the Board of Trustees at the regular meeting in August, 1967. The figures are subject to verifications and corrections. Also minor adjustments are needed in the southern lines on Zone 3 and 5.

#### Proposal “C”

(Tuition all high school students to Mountain Home.)

#### Proposal “D” [neutral zone]

Population: Zone 1, 350; Zone 2, 350; Zone 3, 370; Zone 4, 370; Zone 5, 220.

Valuation: Zone 1, \$1,500,000.00; Zone 2, \$1,281,974.00; Zone 3, \$1,000,006.00; Zone 4, \$1,480,000.00; Zone 5, 1,600,000.00.

Minor adjustments will be made to the lines of Zone 2 accurately equalize — half and half — the population in represent Grand View and Bruneau.

#### Proposal “E” (Leave the trustee zones basically as they are now)

Population: Zone 1, 140; Zone 2, 385; Zone 3, 576; Zone 4, 542; Zone 5, 215.

Valuation: Zone 1, \$901,000.00; Zone 2, \$1,400, Zone 3, \$1,360,000.00; Zone 4, \$1,600,419,.00; Zone 5, \$1,000,000.00.

This proposal is basically the same as the present Trustee Zones; however, minor adjustments may be made to somewhat equalize population and evaluation.

## 140 years ago

February 2, 1878

NEWSPAPER WEIGHT — The following is the weight of the AVALANCHE, of the issue of January 19<sup>th</sup>, 1878, deposited in this office:

Papers distributed outside of Owyhee County...36lbs.

Papers distributed in the county and by way-pocket mail leading out of Silver City...12lbs.

Total weight of weekly issue...48lbs.

IN THE LATE REMARKABLE and brilliant speech of Don Voorhees in the U.S. Senate, he argued that it is of the highest importance that the Government should be faithful to the pledges made to its own citizens. Denouncing the National Bank system, and speaking for the Western people, he demanded its abolition, and with affecting eloquence depicted the suffering of the poor and the distress of the business classes, which he attributed mainly, if not wholly, to the unwise and unjust financial legislation of the past six years; and in conclusion, Voorhees indulged in what may be considered a very distinct threat of repudiation, and he warned bondholders and gold-seeking creditors not to go far for the fires of liberty might flash forth again, as they did one hundred years ago. He implored Heaven to avert the threatened danger but, said he, if infatuation has seized our councils the results will only add one more instance to the long catalogue of human crime and folly, where avarice, like ambition, overleaps itself, in an unholy attempt to rob others of their possessions, loses its own.

RESOURCES AND CONDITION OF OWYHEE COUNTY. — We have for some time been contemplating a trip to the eastern section of Owyhee, but inability to leave home, arising from a variety of causes, has prevented us from carrying out our intentions. We have learned from much pleasure and satisfaction of the progressive growth and development of the settlements in and around Rock Creek, Goose Creek, Marsh Basin, Raft River and other places, to each of which there has been a healthy immigration in progress for many months past. That section of Idaho is rapidly rising into importance and possesses all the natural resources to make it a great country. No better soil can be found under the sun, while stock raising, farming, mining and other interests are as yet in their infancy, but must ultimately be the means of attracting many thousand people who will avail themselves of these grand opportunities to establish prosperous homes and communities in that part of Owyhee. In the coming election we shall advocate the rights of that section of the county to have at least one or more representatives in the Board of County Commissioners, with a fair proportion of county and legislative offices. This, the tax-payers there are entitled to, and they shall have the cordial assistance of this journal, which is the only county paper and thoroughly independent from the turn-loose, to back them up in their reasonable and legitimate demands. To those who are unacquainted with the aims of this journal we will take the liberty of stating that it is the defender of the rights of all classes of the people and the foe of corruption and dishonesty wherever they may be found. To aid in the development of the great resources of Idaho is with us the paramount consideration, and being conducted on such a basis no good citizen need hesitate in giving the AVALANCHE a cordial support. We ought to have at least two hundred subscribers in that section of Owyhee County whose great resources we are desirous of bringing more prominently into public notice. Acting upon this desire we have deputed Mr. Frank J. Parker.



# Public notices

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED GRANT ACTIVITIES

The county of Owyhee is submitting a proposal to the Idaho Department of Commerce for an Idaho Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) not to exceed the amount of \$150,000.00. The proposed project is to build a new community building at the Owyhee County Fair Grounds, replacing the old armory building which was torn down last year. The hearing will include a discussion of the application, scope of work, budget, schedule, benefits of the project, how CDBG funds will benefit low and moderate income persons, and location of the proposed project. The application, related documents, and ICDBG Application Handbook will be available for review.

The hearing has been scheduled for February 12, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the County Courthouse located at 20381 State Highway 78, in Murphy, Idaho. Verbal and written comments will be accepted prior to and at the hearing.

The hearing will be held in a facility that is accessible to persons with disabilities. Special accommodations will be available, upon request, five (5) days prior to the hearing in a format that is usable to persons with disabilities. For more information, contact Angie Barkell, County Clerk at 208-495-2806

Kelly Aberasturi, Chairman  
Owyhee County Board of Commissioners  
20381 State Highway 78, P O Box 128, Murphy, Idaho 83650

This Notice can be provided in a format accessible to persons with disabilities and/or persons with limited English proficiency upon request.  
1/31,2/7/2018

## INVITATION TO BID

The City of Marsing, Idaho is accepting sealed bids at the Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St, Marsing, Idaho 83639, until 4:00 pm local time, February 23, 2018 for the following project:

## BOSMA LN TO LABOR CAMP SIDEWALK PROJECT

At 4:05 pm on the same day, all proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.  
The project consists of the construction of approximately 1450 feet of new 4' concrete sidewalk.

Bid forms, bidding instructions and conditions, contract documents, plans and specifications may be obtained at Civil Dynamics PC, 422 S 9<sup>th</sup> Ave, Caldwell, Idaho 83605, phone (208) 453-2028, attn.: Kirby Cook. There is a non-refundable fee of \$25.00. Electronic file is available upon request.

General contractors must be plan holders and be on plan holders list.

Idaho Public Works Licenses are not required to bid but are required prior to contract award.

The Federal-aid project subject to certain non-discrimination, Buy American, and Davis Bacon Wage Act requirements.

Bidders and Contractors must comply with the requirements set forth in the project specifications. Please contact the City with questions or needed clarifications.

Any objections to the contents or terms of the Specifications shall be raised five (5) days prior to bid

## CITY OF HOMEDALE Quarterly Revenue/Expenditure Report 1ST FISCAL QUARTER, FY 2018

FUND	BUDGET AMOUNT	Expended to Date	% of Budget Expended	Revenue to Date	% of Budget Revenue
01 General	\$ 835,971.00	\$ 31,961.00	3.8%	\$ 126,228.00	15.1%
03 Parks	\$ 154,415.00	\$ 16,605.00	10.8%	\$ 10,077.00	6.5%
04 Library	\$ 846,490.00	\$ 22,171.00	2.6%	\$ 17,703.00	2.1%
06 Law Enforcement	\$ 548,728.00	\$ 108,521.00	19.8%	\$ 7,783.00	1.4%
30 Airport	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 103.00	0.4%	\$ 9,336.00	37.3%
Sub-Total	\$ 2,410,604.00	\$ 179,361.00	7.4%	\$ 171,127.00	7.1%
02 Streets & Highways	\$ 278,990.00	\$ 33,023.00	11.8%	\$ 31,470.00	11.3%
60 Irrigation	\$ 169,530.00	\$ 52,596.00	31.0%	\$ 104,881.00	61.9%
25 Water	\$ 813,666.00	\$ 32,707.00	4.0%	\$ 101,674.00	12.5%
26 Sewer	\$ 746,918.00	\$ 94,206.00	12.6%	\$ 119,900.00	16.1%
27 Sanitation	\$ 128,100.00	\$ 18,726.00	14.6%	\$ 31,547.00	24.6%
	\$ 2,137,204.00	\$ 179,361.00	8.4%	\$ 389,472.00	18.2%
TOTAL (all funds)	\$ 4,547,808.00	\$ 358,722.00	7.9%	\$ 560,599.00	12.3%

The General Public is invited to inspect all supporting documents for the above Financial Statement at City Hall during regular business hours.

Signed: Alice E. Pegram  
City Clerk/Treasurer

1/31/2018

opening or it shall be deemed to have been waived.

The City reserves that right to reject any and all bids.  
1/31,2/7/2018

## CALL FOR BID FOR SCHOOL BUS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by Homedale Jt. School District No. 370, Homedale, Idaho for the purchase of one (1) 2019 71-passenger school bus (complete - body and chassis).

Bid documents and detailed specifications are available at the Homedale School District Office, 116 East Owyhee Ave., Homedale, Idaho between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday until day of bid opening.

Bids must be submitted on or before 9:00 a.m. on March 7, 2018 to the Homedale School District Office, 116 East Owyhee Ave., Homedale, Idaho. Bids received after the stated time and date will not be considered. At the stated time and place, bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject or to select any portion thereof of any or all bids and to waive any technicality. No bidder may withdraw his bid after the opening of such bids unless the awarding of the bid is delayed for a period exceeding thirty days.

/s/ Faith K. Olsen, Business Manager  
1/31,2/7/2018

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV-2017-1495-H IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

In the Matter of the Estate of ARTHUR FRED JEROME and CARMEN JUNE JEROME, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

Claims to: Charlene Renee Anderson, 18217 Deer Flat Rd., Caldwell, ID 83607 (208) 695-

8390.

DATED this 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2018.

/s/ Charlene Renee Anderson, Personal Representative of the Estate of Arthur Fred Jerome and Carmen June Jerome  
1/31,2/7,14,21/2018

## NOTICE OF HEARING CASE NO. CV-14-18-118 IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE  
IN RE: JAMES GLEN FREE

A petition to change the name of James Glen Free, now residing in the City of Nampa, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Canyon County, Idaho. The name will change to James Glen Tucker. The reason for the change in is: CDL — to correct birth certificate.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 1 o'clock p.m. on Feb. 26, 2018 at the Canyon County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.

Date: Jan. 3, 2018  
Clerk of the District Court, S. Swanson  
s:/ S. Swanson, deputy clerk  
1/10,17,24,31/2017

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

To be sold for cash at a Trustee's Sale on May 29, 2018, 9:00 AM at the Owyhee County Courthouse Lobby 20381 Highway 78 Murphy ID 83650, the following described real property situated in Owyhee County, State of Idaho ("Real Property"): In Township 1 South, Range 2 West, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho.

Section 18: That portion of Government Lot 3 of Section 18, T1S, R2W, B.M., lying South and West of the High Line Canal.

Excepting therefrom, any portion thereof which many lie within the East 330 feet of said Lot 3.

Together with a Manufactured Home affixed to and made a permanent part of the subject real property described as follows:

Year: 1992  
Make: KITM  
VIN: X9474B22SN14088AB  
Body: HS  
Model: TL  
System Ident. Number: Q31032812  
Commonly known as: 12946 Bailey Road, Melba, ID 83641-4302  
Angela M. Fritzler

and Eric J. Fritzler, as Grantors conveyed Real Property via a Trust Deed dated December 29, 1998, in favor of North American Mortgage Company as Beneficiary, in which Transnation Title & Escrow, Inc. was named as Trustee. The Trust Deed was recorded in Owyhee County, Idaho, on January 6, 1999, as Instrument No. 227119, and modified pursuant to the Modification recorded on December 7, 2012, as Instrument No. 279354, of Official Records. The Deed of Trust was assigned for value as follows: Assignee: Midfirst Bank, a Federally Chartered Bank Assignment Dated: June 4, 2008

Assignment Recorded: June 19, 2008, Assignment Recording Information: Instrument No. 265399. Benjamin J. Mann is the Successor Trustee pursuant to a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Owyhee, State of Idaho on June 26, 2017 at Instrument No. 293070, of Official Records. The Beneficiary has declared a default in the terms of said Deed of Trust due to Grantor's failure to make monthly payments beginning May 1, 2016, and each month subsequent, which monthly installments would have been applied on the principal and interest due on said obligation and other charges against the property or loan. By reason of said default, the Beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable. The total amount due on this obligation is the principal sum of \$107,462.86, interest in the sum of \$7,842.41, and other fees in the amount of \$6,738.85, for a total amount owing of \$124,521.30, plus accruing interest, late charges, and other fees and costs that may be incurred or advanced. The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the property and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent, unless such amounts of taxes are paid by the Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary, the amounts or taxes will be added to the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust. Other expenses to be charged against the proceeds of this sale include the Trustee's fees and attorney's fees, costs and expenses of the sale, and late charges, if any. Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the Trustee to sell the above described property to satisfy the obligation. The sale is a public sale and any person, including the Beneficiary,

may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding in cash or cash equivalents (valid money orders, certified checks or cashier's checks). The conveyance will be made by Trustee's Deed, without any representation or warranty, including warranty of title, express or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an as-is, where-is basis, without limitation, the sale is being made subject to all existing conditions, if any, of lead paint, mold or other environmental or health hazards. The Grantors, successor in interest to the Grantors, or any other person having an interest in the property, or any person named in IRC § 45-1506, has the right, at any time prior to the Trustee's Sale, to pay to the Beneficiary, or the successor in interest to the Beneficiary, the entire amount then due under the Deed of Trust and the obligation secured thereby (including costs and expenses actually incurred and attorney's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation or to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Deed of Trust with Successor Trustee's and attorney's fees. In the event that all defaults are cured the foreclosure will be dismissed and the foreclosure sale will be canceled. The scheduled Trustee's Sale may be postponed by public proclamation up to 30 days for any reason. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Successor Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The above Grantors are named to comply with IRC § 45-1506(4)(a). No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation. This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Dated this 9th day of January, 2018. Benjamin J. Mann Substitute Trustee 376 East 400 South, Suite 300, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111 Telephone: 801-355-2886 Office Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8AM-5PM (MST) File No. 14907  
1/17,24,31,2/7/2018



# Public notices

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE**  
**TS No: ID-17-798764-BB**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **5/22/2018**, at the hour of **11:00 AM** of said day, **Owyhee County Courthouse Lobby 20381 Highway 78 Murphy ID 83650**, said Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, 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 12 AND 13 IN BLOCK 39 OF AMENDED PLAT OF THE TOWNSITE OF HOMEDALE, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF, FILED AUGUST 9, 1911, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 7284, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF OWYTHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.** The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-described real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of **216 W MONTANA AVE, HOMEDALE, ID 83628** may sometimes be 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 made and entered into on **12/1/2005**, by and among **ARTHUR L. POPE AND ALTHEA O. POPE, HUSBAND AND WIFE**, as Grantor, and **CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY**, as Trustee, and **BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.**, as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust having been filed of record on **1/4/2006**, as **Instrument No. 254671** Official Records of **OWYHEE** County, Idaho. The naming of the above Grantor(s) is done to comply with Idaho Code Sections 45-1506(4)(a); no representation is made as to the responsibility of Grantor(s) for this obligation. The default for which this sale is to be made is: **The monthly installment of \$443.67, which may include principal, interest and escrow, due on 5/25/2017, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest through the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee’s fees, and any attorney fees and court costs arising from or associated with the beneficiaries efforts to protect and preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement, including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or pay-off. Nothing in this notice shall be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust pursuant to the terms of the loan documents.** The balance due and owing as of the date hereof on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is the amount of **\$43,706.23** in principal; plus accrued interest at the rate of **4.7400** percent per annum from **5/25/2017 adjusting, if at all, pursuant to the terms of the note**; plus service charges, late charges, and any other costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure as provided by the Deed of Trust or Deed of Trust Note, or by Idaho law. TS No:

ID-17-798764-BB Dated this 3rd day of January, 2018. Robert W. McDonald, Esq, Trustee By: IDSPub #0135631  
1/10,1/17,1/24,1/31/2018

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Water Right: 55-13930

NAME & ADDRESS:  
CHAD HENSLEY  
PO BOX 102  
JORDAN VALLEY OR 97910

SOURCE: SPRING.  
TRIBUTARY: SINKS  
PRIORITY DATE: 10/26/1973  
POINT OF DIVERSION: T04S R05W S02 SWSW  
PURPOSE OF USE: STOCKWATER  
PLACE OF USE: T04S R05W S02 SWSW

Any objection against the proposed claim must be filed with the Clerk of the District Court, Snake River Basin Adjudication, 253 3rd Avenue North, PO Box 2707, Twin Falls, ID 83303-2707 on or before March 12, 2018  
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Water Right: 55-13931

NAME & ADDRESS:  
CHAD HENSLEY  
PO BOX 102  
JORDAN VALLEY OR 97910

SOURCE: SPRING.  
TRIBUTARY: SINKS  
PRIORITY DATE: 10/26/1973  
POINT OF DIVERSION: T04S R05W S10 SESE  
PURPOSE OF USE: STOCKWATER  
PLACE OF USE: T04S R05W S10 SESE

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Water Right: 55-13932

NAME & ADDRESS:  
CHAD HENSLEY

PO BOX 102  
JORDAN VALLEY OR 97910

SOURCE: SPRING.  
TRIBUTARY: SINKS  
PRIORITY DATE: 10/26/1973  
POINT OF DIVERSION: T04S R05W S10 SESW (2)  
PURPOSE OF USE: STOCKWATER  
PLACE OF USE: T04S R05W S10 SESW

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NAME & ADDRESS:  
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PO BOX 102  
JORDAN VALLEY OR 97910

SOURCE: SPRING.  
TRIBUTARY: SINKS  
PRIORITY DATE: 10/26/1973  
POINT OF DIVERSION: T04S R05W S10 SWSW  
PURPOSE OF USE: STOCKWATER  
PLACE OF USE: T04S R05W S10 SWSW

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Water Right: 55-13934

NAME & ADDRESS:  
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PO BOX 102  
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SOURCE: SPRING.  
TRIBUTARY: SINKS  
PRIORITY DATE: 10/26/1973  
POINT OF DIVERSION: T04S R05W S15 NENW  
PURPOSE OF USE: STOCKWATER  
PLACE OF USE: T04S R05W S15 NENW

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# Sports

## Jordan Valley girls take streak to 8 games

Accuracy and a high-performance bench carried Jordan Valley High School to a girls’ basketball victory over its rival Saturday.

The Mustangs took control in the third quarter to set up a 46-38 1A High Desert League victory in Adrian.

Jordan Valley (12-8 overall, 8-0 1A HDL) won its eighth consecutive game to maintain a one-game league lead over Crane. The Mustangs maintained their No. 8 ranking in Monday’s 1A Oregon girls’ basketball coaches Top 10.

The Antelopes (9-7, 4-3) slipped into a tie with Prairie City for third. Jordan Valley routed Prairie City, 54-39, on Friday behind Regann Skinner (17 points), Kiana Quintero

(12) and Nicole Terry (10).

Adrian started its week with a narrow 39-34 non-league victory over Notus on Jan. 23.

Skinner scored 16 points against Adrian, and Terry racked up seven points and a team-high seven rebounds. Taylor Warn had nine points.

Baylee Davis came off the bench and was perfect in three shots, scoring six points as the Mustangs converted 20 of 47 field-goal attempts (42.6 percent).

Adrian trailed by a basket, 23-21, at halftime, but the Mustangs went on a 14-9 run through the third quarter to gain momentum.

Shyanne Allaire’s 11 points paced Adrian, and Morgan Bayes added seven points.

## Mustangs handle Antelopes a day after falling from first

### JV loses battle for top vs. PC

Jordan Valley High School rebounded quickly and fiercely after losing its grip atop the 1A High Desert League standings.

A night after losing to league-leading Prairie City, the Mustangs trounced Adrian in a boys’ basketball game played on the road.

Zeke Quintero scored 30 points Saturday, and Jordan Valley cruised, 86-51.

“The boys stepped on the floor and took care of business,” Mustangs coach Clint Fillmore said of the victory over the Antelopes.

Jordan Valley (16-3, 7-1) solidified its hold on the No. 2 seed.

Warren DeMark had a co-game-high 30 points for Adrian (9-10, 4-3). DeMark drained eight three-point goals, while his brother, Miller, scored seven points and led the team with 10 rebounds. Teammate Kirk Obendorf added six points with 4-for-9 foul shooting and snagged nine boards.

Chase Bertrand added four points for Adrian, which shot 17-for-55 (30.9 percent).

Jordan Valley senior Kirk Eiguren posted a double-double with 12 points and 14 rebounds.

The Mustangs opened each

half with 29-point quarters. In the first period, Chase Fillmore hit both his three-point goals on the way to 23 points.

In the third, Fillmore added eight points, and Quintero chimed in with 15.

Quintero and Fillmore also had nine rebounds each. Wade Stanford scored 11 points.

“They played good defense and shot pretty well as a team,” Clint Fillmore of his squad.

**Friday: Prairie City 57, Jordan Valley 46** — In a first-place battle on their home floor, the Panthers took control in the fourth quarter.

“The Prairie game was a tough game for the boys,” Fillmore said. “They didn’t shoot good, and the game didn’t go their way.”

Prairie City clung to a 40-38 lead heading into the final eight minutes then held the Mustangs to just six points. Senior guard Dorran Wilson knocked down six of eight free throws in the fourth quarter and scored 10 of his game-high 28 points for the Panthers (15-3, 7-0).

Stanford notched a double-double (14 points and 12 rebounds). Eiguren had 12 boards and seven points.

Quintero also scored 14 points, including a pair of three-pointers.

Prairie City converted 14 of 26 free throws, while the Mustangs was 2-for-3.





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# Young auction co-chair brings wealth of experience

Joseph Ineck follows in parents' footsteps

The Marsing Disaster Auction may have a chairman-in-waiting.

Joseph Ineck, whose parents Jason and Kelly have been on the board for years, is this year's co-chair. He went to his first auction when he was two weeks old.

A Marsing High School student, Ineck is helping plan the 57<sup>th</sup> annual auction as part of his senior project.

He said his responsibilities and duties will be to fill a variety of needs. The 18-year-old will open the auction — but his job won't end there.

He will also be picking up donations, running auction items to participants, setting up and tearing down, and

helping with cleanliness and maintenance.

Ineck is a busy young man right now. In addition to schoolwork and his responsibilities with the auction, he is also on the Marsing wrestling team. He played football in the fall.

Joseph said he loves his involvement with the auction and noted that this is his 18<sup>th</sup> one.

"And his grandmother made doughnuts for at least 25 of them," his mother, Kelly, noted.

The co-chair said he will be spending most of his time Saturday running items and helping out on the stage.

Kelly Ineck, who was chairman in 2005, said that the Marsing FFA students, including Joseph and his brothers, donated a roast from a pig that they raised. It will cook in a slow cooker all day during

the auction.

"We auction it toward the end of the day," Kelly said. "It's just like dinner-to-go."

Kelly said she remembered Joseph as a baby being passed around in his car seat at the auction.

"He was so teeny-tiny," she said. "I could have sold getting to hold him."

After graduation, he plans on attending the Walla Walla Community College vocational-technical school to get certified as a diesel mechanic. He has been accepted to the school but not yet the mechanic program.

Although Joseph will be leaving for college, he said he still will be involved in auction activity.

"You'll be here to be chairman next year," current auction leader Audrey Lindemann told him.

— TK

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### ✓ Chair: Lindemann drawn to event's community feel

there. She and her husband Russ have six children and 12 grandchildren. All but two of their children and two grandchildren are still in town.

Her involvement with the auction is a long one.

She started with helping with the shopping spree and set-up. She then progressed to the doughnut booth and helping to coordinate donations.

She then found herself on the auction committee, where she has been for three or four years.

"A community this size, so many people get involved," Lindemann said.

Russ Lindemann has a long involvement with the auction, as well.

The new chair said, "It just seemed natural to jump in and help."

Audrey Lindemann said she is just blown away with the level of generosity the community shows.

"You might not see someone for a year, since the last auction," she said. "Then people just come out of the woodwork to help."

"You know it's special when someone pays a \$1,000 for a dozen eggs, then donates the eggs back. That's the kind of community we have."

Lindemann embraces this kind of togetherness.

"I can't imagine living anywhere else," she said.

— TK

### ✓ Auction: Tradition raffle, sale items up for grabs

recover from fires or cover funeral expenses, medical costs or hospital stays.

To get more information on the auction or purchasing \$10 raffle tickets, call Lindemann at (208) 573-6591 or committee members Sheila Carter at (208) 337-2100, Bobo Carter at (208) 880-8770, James Ferdinand at (208) 794-7270, Jess Ferdinand at (208) 401-4964, Jason and Kelly Ineck at (208) 249-4476 or Tim Dines at (208) 573-3321.

Visit [www.marsingdisaster-auction.org](http://www.marsingdisaster-auction.org) for more information, too.

Tickets for the \$10 raffle also are available at Logan's Market, Marsing Hardware and Pump, the Pour House and the Sandbar Café with a Cause.

Some of the featured auction items include:

- A Traeger Tailgater grill donated by Marsing Hardware and Pump
- Homemade Basque bread by Harlee Ferdinand
- A Rossi Trifecta gun donated by Matteson's
- A pair of one-year subscriptions to The Owyhee Avalanche
- Rib-eye steak packs from Three Brothers cattle ranchers
- A whole pig, cut and wrapped

from Greybell Farms and Risinger Custom Meats

- A 24-gun Rhino safe donated by Showalter Construction
- A Traeger grill donated by Campbell Tractor
- A painting by Mona Lindemann

• A monthly bouquet of flowers for a year from Caldwell Floral

- Two tickets to the Marsing Fire Department crab feed
- Two tickets to the Homedale Fire Department prime rib feed
- A Model 1216 12-gauge shotgun from SRM Arms

The \$10 raffle items include:

- A front-load washer and dryer donated by Parma Furniture, Haken Insurance Agency and Emerald Insurance Agency
- A 55-inch flat-screen, high-definition LCD television donated by the Usabel family
- A gun/security safe provided by DASCO of Idaho and Rhino Metals

• A Savage Trophy Hunter .270 rifle and Nikon scope donated by Homedale-based Owyhee County Farm Bureau Insurance agents Wayne Hunge and Dave Cereghino

The \$1 raffle prizes are:

- A \$250 Marsing shopping spree furnished by American Legion Post 128 in Marsing
- A Boise Getaway donated by the Marsing Disaster Auction committee
- A \$250 cash prize donated by the Carters, Russ and Audrey Lindemann
- A KitchenAid mixer donated by Kelly and Betty Ackerman

## Meeting deals with Malheur conservation ideas

The annual meeting for Malheur County's Natural Resource Conservation Service Local Work Group will take place on Thursday, Feb. 8.

The meeting will be held between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. at the Malheur Education Service

District, 363 A St. W., in Vale, Ore.

The public will have the opportunity to give input on long- and short-term conservation efforts in the county.

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