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Bobo Carter (left) and Tim Dines (right) look for the highest bidder as auctioneer Sam Baker from Baker Auctions carries on during the Marsing Disaster Auction on Saturday. Carter and Dines are Disaster Auction board members.

Marsing Disaster Auction brings community together

Preliminary count shows \$63K raised with more to come

Saturday's Marsing Disaster Auction proved to be another successful event.

The 57th annual event raised a preliminary total of over \$63,000, according to Marsing Mayor and auction committee member James Ferdinand.

Sources included the live
— See *Auction*, page 11A



Bidders came out en masse making Saturday's Marsing Disaster Auction a shoulder-to-shoulder, standing-room-only affair.

Grand View mayor to resign as he moves outside the city limits

Collett elected to full term in November

The City of Grand View could have a new mayor in the coming weeks.

City Clerk Jodi Jewett confirmed Saturday night that Mayor Ed Collett has told the city council he will resign.

Collett is moving outside of the city limits, and state law requires elected officials to reside in town.

Collett was elected to a four-year term in November after spending 15 months as an appointed chief executive.



Ed Collett

The mayor ran unopposed when John Morrison was re-elected to the council and Danny Martinez earned his

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Ex-sheriff's office dispatcher stripped of POST certification

Lori Collins sentenced for falsifying records

A former Owyhee County Sheriff's dispatcher has been sentenced for falsifying records.

Lori Collins, 47, of Melba left employment with the sheriff's office in June when allegations that she falsified

records came to light.

Collins has been decertified by the Idaho Peace Officer and Standards Training (POST) Council.

Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober ordered Collins to serve one year of unsupervised probation and perform 50 hours of community service during a Jan. 29 hearing in Murphy. Collins entered a guilty plea before her sentencing.

— See *Dispatcher*, page 4A

GV Lions auction to remember an original

Bates had obvious passion, love for his town

The Grand View Lions will remember a charter member during Saturday's auction.

And Tommy Bates was certainly an original.

Tommy died on Jan. 11 at the age of 88.

"He was just an all-around good Lion and a good fella,"

Paul Spang, the club's lone surviving charter member, said. "People liked him. Everybody liked him. He was just a nice fella."

The annual Grand View Lions auction begins at 1 p.m. inside the Grand View Elementary School gymnasium. Food

will be sold, and there are raffle prizes.

Tommy had been involved with the auction since its inception both as a Lion and as a business owner.

"When he came into a room, he just brightened the whole room," Lions Club treasurer

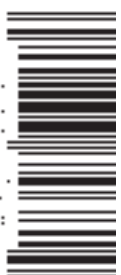
Doug Thurman said. "He always had a joke to tell. Some weren't politically correct, but they were always funny."

"He was always upbeat and bringing people up. Even when he wasn't feeling well himself,

— See *Lions*, page 5A



At right: Former Grand View Lions president Tommy Bates (right, with his wife Ellen) was an avid fisherman. Submitted photo



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Former Owyhee magistrate retires from district bench

Ryan ready for outdoors,
but will remain senior judge

A longtime Owyhee County Magistrate and District Court judge has stepped down from his position as a full-time adjudicator.

The Hon. Thomas J. Ryan oversaw his last case as a full-time Third District judge on Jan. 31.

Ryan will be taking on a senior judge status. Although that job requires a minimum of 35 working days per year, he has volunteered to work about 75 days each year for the next five years.

“Makes it not such a dramatic change for me,” Ryan said.

He added, “With this option of taking senior status and working part-time, I just think it’s about the right time.”

The judge was born in Caldwell in 1953 and graduated from Nampa High School. He is the oldest of five siblings. Right after graduation, the family moved to Kansas City, Mo., when his father received a promotion in the seed company he worked for. Most

of Ryan’s siblings still live in that part of the country.

Ryan attended the University of Notre Dame in Indiana, but eventually came back to Idaho and received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Idaho College of Law.

Judge Ryan was a practicing attorney in Boise and Twin Falls from 1983 to 1995.

On July 1, 1995, Ryan became a Magistrate when then-Owyhee County Magistrate Daniel Eismann was appointed to the Third District bench.

Three different governors — Dirk Kempthorne, Jim Risch, and C. L. “Butch” Otter — appointed Ryan to the Juvenile Justice Commission.

The Idaho Juvenile Justice Association presented Ryan with the John Schuler Award for Outstanding Contribution to Juvenile Corrections in 2004.

That same year, he received the Idaho State Bar’s Outstanding Service Award.

He remained a Magistrate judge until May 2007 when Otter named him to the Third District Court.

His ascension to the district bench didn’t end Ryan’s ties



Thomas J. Ryan



In a nod to his days at Notre Dame, a leprechaun festooned with a “ND” was affixed to the podium during Judge Thomas J. Ryan’s retirement celebration Friday at The College of Idaho in Caldwell. Submitted photo

to Owyhee County. He continued to travel to Murphy twice a month to oversee about half the District Court cases there until last month.

After such a long career in public service, he felt it was the appropriate time to retire.

“I turn 65 in June, and fortunately, I still have my health,”

Ryan said. “It’ll be nice to have some retirement years while still healthy.

“I’m really looking forward to having the time to get out and do all those things I love and just haven’t had time to do.”

Ryan enjoys bird hunting and fly-fishing.

Retirement will also allow Ryan more time for his three children and seven grandchildren.

There are many things that he will miss about the work.

“The really attractive part of

“I’m really looking forward to having the time to get out and do all those things I love and just haven’t had time to do.”

— Thomas J. Ryan
Retiring Third District judge

this position is rarely is there a dull day,” he said. “There’s always something going on. I’ll miss that challenge, that excitement.

“But by that same token, it naturally carries with it a lot of stress, and I’m definitely not going to miss that.”

In his long career, Ryan feels he has just about seen it all.

“As a magistrate judge and district judge, I’ve had about every type of legal dispute you could imagine,” he said.

“I’ve had disputes between neighbors in which one neighbor’s pet pig got out of its pen and ruined the other’s garden, all the way up to first-degree murder.”

Ryan has thought a lot about what he deems is the most important aspect of his career for the past 23 years.

“I’ve always looked at this position as being a public service,” he said. “It is always a stressful situation to be in the conflict resolution business, but it’s always been a privilege to provide this for the state that I grew up in.”

— TK



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Cattlemen to gather in Oreana on Saturday

Beef school precedes OCA winter meeting

The county’s ranchers meet this weekend, three weeks before the federal grazing fee is scheduled to drop nearly 25 percent.

The Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association winter meeting will be held Saturday afternoon inside the Oreana Community Hall. The University of Idaho Extension’s annual beef school runs from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

OCA members could hear about the new Bureau of Land Management animal unit month (AUM) fee, which has been set a \$1.41 for 2018.

Ranchers paid \$1.87 per AUM in 2017.

Half of the revenue collected are deposited to the Range Betterment Fund, and some of the money also goes back to the states for use in the counties from which it was generated.

OCA president Lynn Bachman said the grazing fee is set on a number of factors, including cattle prices, which have stabilized since peaking in 2016.

BLM officials are scheduled to give an agency update about 30 minutes into the meeting, but there may not be much to talk about with the Owyhee 68 permits still in litigation.

There have been some changes in local levels of the bureaucracy recently.

OCA resolutions

The following resolutions have been proposed for sunsetting:

- Support of a countywide mosquito abatement program (2009)
- Support of changes to the national beef checkoff program (2009)
- Support of the OCA pursuing a captive breeding program to augment the sage-grouse population
- The establishment of a Canadian BSE minimal-risk region (2005)
- Request the U.S. Department of Agriculture maintain a ban on cattle and beef imports from Canada pending more thorough assessment (2004)
- State agency guarantee of property rights (1990)
- Bruneau Sand Dunes State Park (1982)
- Loss of agricultural land (reaffirmed 1981)
- Appreciation of the Owyhee Cowbells (1980)
- Appreciation to Owyhee County Sheriff Tim Nettleton (1979)
- Brucellosis (no date)
- Licensing fees for cars and trucks (no date)
- Birds of prey sanctuary (reaffirmed 1979)

Former Idaho BLM second-in-command Peter Ditton is now the acting state director with Tim Murphy’s retirement, and Brian Thrift is now the acting Owyhee Field Office manager.

A Bruneau resident, Bachman will drop the gavel at 1:30 p.m., and the traditional membership bit drawing will follow.

“I expect it to go smoothly,” Bachman said of his first full membership meeting at the helm.

Scheduled speakers in the 2 p.m. block include T.K. Kuwahara, the Idaho Beef Council’s new executive director, and John Nalivka from Sterling Marketing.

Nalivka plans to give a beef market update.

A series of reports will be heard after 3 p.m.:

- Idaho Cattle Association president Tucker Shaw and executive director Cameron Mulroney
- Owyhee County rancher Brenda Richards, representing the Western Resource Legal

Center and Public Lands Council

- Brad Griff, who is Congressman Raul Labrador’s regional director
- Owyhee Cattlemen’s Heritage Board and Assessment Committee
- Jordan Valley Rodeo Board annual donation to the public lands defense fund

The second half of the meeting also will include discussion of resolutions.

No resolutions were brought forward in the pre-meeting mailing, but there is always the possibility that resolutions could be brought from the floor during the meeting.

The OCA board of directors have proposed sunsetting several resolutions, some dating back nearly 40 years.

“I’m sure all the resolutions will be something, but I think they’re all just stuff that’s overdue and has been overlooked for a while,” Bachman said. “And I don’t think there will be any real conflict in sunsetting those resolutions.”

The meeting will adjourn after a second deck o’cards raffle.

Seth and Logan Thomas of

Thomas Cattle, Jerry Wroten and Josh Bruce will sponsor the social hour, which is scheduled to start at 5 p.m.

A potluck dinner will begin at 6 p.m.

The local band Runnin’ For Cover, featuring former OCA president Brian Collett, will play live music for the fundraising dance at 9 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person, and proceeds will help maintain the community hall.

The rest of the OCA board includes vice-president Lorna Steiner of Oreana, past president Chad Nettleton of Murphy and directors Scott Bunderson (Nampa), Paul Nettleton (Murphy), Ken Sevy (Melba), Steve Boren (Oreana), Jerry Wroten (Wilder) and Josh Bruce (Jordan Valley).

—JPB

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From page 1A

✓ Mayor: Martinez now council president



Danny Martinez

first four-year term as a councilman. Martinez was elected council president — succeeding Morrison — in January. Jewett said Collett told the council during last month’s meeting that he would have to step down. The council could appoint from within to fill the vacancy, but Jewett said the city plans to open the application process to any town citizen inter-

ested in the post. That’s how Collett became mayor in 2016. Then council president, Morrison served as interim mayor for two months after Franklin Hart resigned. Collett was appointed in August 2016. Elevating a councilman to mayor would leave a board seat vacant.

— JPB

✓ Dispatcher: Probation, no jail time

Collins also must pay a \$500 fine and \$207.50 in fees. Grober ordered a 10-day jail sentence, but suspended the punishment. The jail time could be reinstated if Collins violates terms of her probation. Grober granted a withheld judgment, which means the record could be expunged if Collins successfully completes her probation. Collins was charged in Octo-

ber after an investigation. The investigation turned up evidence that, in June, Collins accessed an incident report on the sheriff’s office database. She altered the report, printed it, deleted the alterations and took the altered document home for a personal purpose. Collins admitted her actions to an investigator, according to a press release from the Idaho Attorney General’s office.

Deputy Attorney General David Morse from the Idaho AG’s Special Prosecutions Unit handled the case, which Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery had conflicted because of Collins’ employment with the county at the time of the crime. Collins began her county employment on Dec. 28, 2009 during the tenure of Sheriff Daryl Crandall.

Correction

An article about Scott Matlock’s verbal commitment to the Boise State football program that appeared in the Jan. 31 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche contained outdated information. While Mike and Donna Marose were originally Scott’s foster parents, they adopted him 3½ years ago.

Marsing Lions bring bingo back Saturday

The Marsing Lions Club bingo season is down to its final three nights. The next outing takes place Saturday at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N. The bingo games will be held on the second Saturday of the month in March and April, too. Last month, nearly 100 people turned out, and there was a record 20-person win in one game. Bingo begins with a 6:45 early bird game. The regular 12-game series starts at 7 p.m.

The early bird game costs \$1, and the first set of game cards for the regular 12-game series is \$15. Each additional card set costs \$5. Free popcorn is furnished, and players have the opportunity to purchase sandwiches made by the Sandbar Restaurant with a Cause, sodas and water, coffee and cookies. Bingo season proceeds benefit causes in town, but also fund Lions Club activities such as the annual Easter egg hunt and vision screenings for Marsing Elementary School second-, third- and fifth-graders each year.

Homedale-area roof fire causes minimal damage

The Homedale Fire Department responded to a call about a structure fire on Northside Road west of Homedale Saturday afternoon. The volunteer crew found a burning roof and made quick

work of it, according to Fire Chief Dennis Uria. The chief said there was only damage. There was one woman in the residence at the time of the call, but no injuries were reported.

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✓ Lions: Fellow club member recalls Bates' involvement late into life

he was always telling a joke and trying to keep things rolling.”

Tommy joined the Lions Club International soon after graduating from Nyssa High School, where he met his wife, Ellen.

“He was always affiliated with the Lions Club, even as a young man,” Tommy’s daughter, Cathy Bates, said.

Tommy and Ellen Bates were married for 69 years and lived in Coos Bay, Ore., Grand View and Alaska.

Tommy owned the Square Deal store in town and also was the first chief of the volunteer Grand View Fire Department in the 1960s.

While running the store, Tommy worked with Boise Wholesale Dry Goods and canned food companies to donate hundreds of cases of canned foods for the annual Lions auction.

“The Lions Club auction used to be quite a production,” Cathy said. “They had hay, cattle and greased pig chases.”

In 1954, Tommy purchased the Square Deal store from his great aunt and great uncle, who had owned the Grand View store since the 1920s, his daughter said. Tommy sold the store to Melva and Arvin Hunt in 1969, and Melva shuttered the store last year.

After selling the store, Tommy sold Farm Bureau Insurance and also spent time logging in Alaska.

He and Ellen vacationed frequently for a decade in Buena Vista Sur in Baja California, and Tommy’s Mexico fishing trips only added to his originality.

Cathy said her father used to fish in the Sea of Cortez in a rubber raft powered by a 15hp engine. That is, until he hooked a pair of sailfish one year.

“The story of the ‘Old Man



Above: Tommy Bates stands next to the rubber raft he used to haul a sailfish to shore from the Sea of Cortez in Mexico. Below: Tommy’s Lions vest and his many pins. Submitted photos

and the Sea,’ that would be my dad,” Cathy said. “Only it was a sailfish that about ate him.”

As the story goes, Tommy couldn’t start the boat’s motor after getting two 100-pound sailfish on the line. For his own survival, he let one fish break off and then grabbed the sword on the other fish and slit the gills to tow it to shore — only to remember that the Sea of Cortez has sharks.

Tommy put the fish over the center bench of the raft and made it back to camp — 7½ hours late.

“The next year, he had an aluminum boat with a bigger motor and an electric start,” Cathy said.

Cathy said the story epitomized her father’s outlook.

“He was a little on the stubborn side,” she said. “But you know what? He lived his life the way he wanted.”

Tommy and Ellen also spent a lot of time going to Lions Club conventions in Sun Valley, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Oregon where he collected pins from fellow Lions from around the world.

“Mom and Dad and Tom and Juanita Collett and Harold Collett went to a lot of the conventions,” Cathy said.

Tom Collett and Harold Collett were two other charter



Grand View Lions.

During Tommy’s Lions Club tenure, the service organization helped bring lights to the town’s streets and its baseball field. Installed in the 1960s, the field lights are no longer operational but they’re still standing.

“Back in the 1960s and ’70s, they had town teams that would come from all over, and they’d have to play in the dark (before the lights),” Cathy said.

“There used to be hundreds of people who would come down for the ballgames from Grand View, Murphy, Oreana and Bruneau. Grand View had



Tommy Bates (left) and George Bennett Sr., stand in front of a Grand View Fire engine in 1963. Submitted photo



A collection of the items that will be on the block during Saturday’s annual Grand View Lions Auction. The auction begins at 1 p.m. inside the elementary school gymnasium. Submitted photo

one of the top teams.”

The club also helped with city parks upkeep.

“You could tell he loved his community,” Thurman said of Tommy. “Even when he got older and couldn’t physically help, he always was there.

Thurman said Tommy and his fellow charter Lions played a pivotal role in molding modern Grand View.

“(Grand View) started with the Lions putting that town together between streetlights and filling a lot of the dredges in town,” Thurman said. “They did a lot for the community,

and you could just tell Tommy enjoyed doing service.”

— JPB

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Seven local residents were among the more than 600 fall graduates at the University of Idaho.

Graduates are listed with their college, degree and major:

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Jacob O. Murray—College of Business & Economics, Bachelor of Science in Business, Management and Human Resources with a HR management emphasis

Megan M. Quintana — College of Business & Economics, Bachelor of Science in Business, Operations Management

Esteban J. Lejardi — College of Business & Economics, Bachelor of Science in Business, Accounting

Nickele J. Mainarick — College of Letters Arts & Social Sciences, Bachelor of Arts, Sociology with a Criminology emphasis

Rebecca Schroeder

— College of Natural Resources, Master of Science, Homedale

Marsing

Favian R. Garcia — College of Agricultural & Life Sciences, Bachelor of Science in Animal and Veterinarian Science, Animal and Veterinarian Science with a Dairy Science option

Jason K. Galligan — College of Science, Bachelor of Science, Biology

Local high school grads qualify for University of Idaho honors

Several local students have earned spots on the University of Idaho Dean’s List for the Fall 2017 semester.

The Dean’s List honorees are listed by hometown with their college, degree sought and major.

Homedale

Esteban J. Lejardi — College of Business & Economics, Bachelor’s of Science in Business, Accounting

Jennifer Bautista Ramirez — College of Agricultural & Life Sciences, Bachelor’s of Science Food Science, U of I/Washington State Bistate School Food Science

Michael J. Lejardi — College of Engineering, Bachelor’s of Science in Computer Engineering, Electrical & Computer Engineering

Morgan E. Nash — College of Letters Arts & Social Sciences, Bachelor’s

of Science, Psychology/Communication Studies

Nash J. Johnson — College of Education, Health & Human Sciences, Bachelor’s of Science in Education, Curriculum & Instruction

Nickele J. Mainarick — College of Letters Arts & Social Sciences, Bachelor’s of Arts, Sociology & Anthropology

Orion S. Cardenas-Ritzert — College of Natural Resources, Bachelor’s of Science in Ecology, Conservation and Biology, Natural Resources

Marsing

Tyler C. Simonson — College of Business & Economics, Bachelor’s of Science in Business, Business

Melba

Janey A. Reeves — College of Agricultural & Life Sciences, Bachelor’s of Science in Agricultural Economics,

Agricultural Economics & Rural Sociology

Murphy

Jessica A. Riley — College of Agricultural & Life Sciences, Bachelor’s of Science in Animal & Veterinary Science, Animal & Veterinary Science

Wilder

Lawson J. Matteson — College of Business & Economics, Bachelor’s of Science in Business, Accounting Business

Riley Haun — College of Agricultural & Life Sciences, Bachelor’s of Science in Agricultural & Life Sciences, Agricultural & Extension Education

Caldwell

Richard A. Symms — College of Business & Economics Bachelor’s of Science in Business, Business

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Veggie bar, fruit bar, and choice of milk available each day
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
Feb. 12: **Breakfast:** Cereal bar, string cheese, peaches, apple juice **Lunch:** Corn dog, tater tots,
Feb. 13: **Breakfast:** Mini bagel, yogurt, applesauce, orange juice **Lunch:** Fish nuggets, steamed broccoli
Feb. 14: **Breakfast:** Fruit & grain bar, string cheese, pears, apple juice **Lunch:** Spaghetti, green beans

Homedale Middle

Fruit & salad bar, choice of milk available each day
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
Feb. 12: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick or cereal, orange wedges, juice **Lunch:** Hot dog or chicken patty, potato wedges
Feb. 13: **Breakfast:** French toast sticks or cereal, yogurt, applesauce, juice **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets or Orange chicken, steamed rice, broccoli, fortune cookie
Feb. 14: **Breakfast:** Muffin or cereal, string cheese, pears, juice **Lunch:** Spaghetti or corn dog, green beans

Homedale High

Salad, fruit choice and choice of milk available each day
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
Feb. 12: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza or fruit & grain bar or cereal, yogurt, juice **Lunch:** Hot beef sandwich or chicken nuggets
Feb. 13: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll or breakfast sandwich or cereal, yogurt, juice **Lunch:** Crispito w/refried beans or chef salad-grab n’go
Feb. 14: **Breakfast:** Breakfast plate or French toast sticks or cereal, yogurt, juice **Lunch:** Chicken tender, mashed potatoes w/gravy & dinner roll or corn dog w/tater tots

Marsing Elementary

Veggie bar, fruit bar and choice of milk available each day
Feb. 7: Hamburger, seasoned fries, PB&J homemade, chocolate, white, strawberry milk
Feb. 8: Pepperoni pizza, tossed salad or PB&J homemade, tossed salad, rice crispy treat
Feb. 12: Chicken nuggets w/roll, steamed carrots or PB&J homemade, steamed carrots, chocolate chunk cookie
Feb. 13: Super nachos, mixed vegetables or PB&J homemade, mixed vegetables
Feb. 14: Lasagna, garlic French bread, green beans or PB&J homemade, green beans

Marsing Middle/High

Veggie bar, fruit bar and choice of milk available each day
Feb. 7: Cheeseburger, seasoned fries
Feb. 8: Pepperoni pizza, tossed salad or chili cheese fries, whole-wheat roll, rice crispy treat
Feb. 12: Chicken nuggets, whole-wheat roll, steamed carrots or teriyaki chicken bowl, steamed carrots, chocolate chunk cookie
Feb. 13: Super nachos, mixed vegetables
Feb. 14: Lasagna, garlic French bread, green beans, jello w/ topping

Bruneau/Grand View

Milk and fruit offered daily
Feb. 7: **Breakfast:** Hash browns & waffles **Lunch:** Chili, coleslaw, applesauce, cinnamon roll
Feb. 8: **Breakfast:** Mini cinnabon **Lunch:** Chicken wrap, fries, baby carrots
Feb. 12: **Breakfast:** Cereal bar **Lunch:** Mac attack, tossed romaine salad, broccoli, whole wheat roll (Rimrock)
Feb. 13: **Breakfast:** Pancakes **Lunch:** Orange chicken, oriental rice, stir-fry veggie
Feb. 14: **Breakfast:** Biscuits & gravy **Lunch:** Nachos, whole wheat tortilla chips, refried beans/salsa, corn

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Death notice

BETTE COLLINS, 93 of Jordan Valley, died Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2018 at a Caldwell care facility of natural causes. Memorial Mass was held on Monday, Feb. 5, 2018 at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church, Caldwell. Arrangements: Dakan Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. (208) 459-3629



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Calendar

Today
Ladies Coffee Group
9 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Story Time
10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
Movie time
Noon, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785
Preschool story time
3 p.m. to 4 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785
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
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
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
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
Winter beef school
10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Oreana Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Road, Oreana. (208) 896-4104
Free lunch
Noon to 12:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419
OCA winter meeting
1 p.m., Oreana Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Road, Oreana.
Valentine’s dinner and dance
6 p.m., doors, 6:30 p.m., dinner, \$10, please RSVP, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Marsing Lions bingo
6:45 p.m., early-bird game, 7 p.m., regular games, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing.

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
Homedale school board meeting
7 p.m., school district boardroom, 116 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4611

Tuesday
Fit and Fall exercise
10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Homedale Senior Center board meeting
1:30 p.m., open to public, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
After-school program
2 p.m. to 6 p.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho Ave., Grand View. (208) 845-2019
Gem Highway District meeting
6 p.m., district office, 1016 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4581
Bruneau-Grand View school board meeting
7 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School library, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau. (208) 834-2260
Marsing school board meeting
7 p.m., school district office boardroom, 8th Avenue West, Marsing. (208) 896-4111

Wednesday
Ladies Coffee Group
9 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Story Time
10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
Movie time
Noon, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785
Senior center board meeting
1 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
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
Melba school board meeting
5 p.m., district office, 511 Broadway, Melba. (208) 495-1141
Homedale City Council meeting
6 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641
Grand View City Council meeting
6 p.m., City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2700, noon to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday
Marsing Fire Commissioners meeting
7 p.m., Marsing Fire Hall, 303 Main St., Marsing.
Marsing City Council meeting
7 p.m., City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122

Thursday, Feb. 15
Fit and Fall exercise
10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Math Night
5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4033

University of Idaho
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U of I beef school focuses on cattle health treatments

The 2018 University of Idaho, Owyhee County Extension winter beef school will be held Saturday, beginning at 10 a.m. at the Oreana Community Hall. The beef school is open to anyone who would like to attend, and no pre-registration is necessary. There is no cost to attend.



Scott Jensen

Topics for the beef school will be “Diagnosing, Treating, and Preventing Calf Scours” presented by myself, and “Vaccines: What’s Out There, What They Are, and How They Work or Don’t Work” presented by University of Idaho Extension veterinarian Dr. Jim England.

In the discussion on calf scours, I will focus on the different and specific causes of calf scours and how to treat them. Often, we have the mindset that scours is scours and should all be treated the same. Reality is that some treatments may be more effective with specific causes of scours than others.

I remember a lesson I learned many years ago. While in college, I interned at a large ranch in Elberta, Utah. We had a terrible outbreak of scours that spring, and normal treatments were ineffective. Finally, our veterinarian necropsied a calf and was able to find an antibiotic that the disease-causing organism was susceptible to. I thought we had found a miracle drug for all causes of calf scours as it was a one-shot cure.

Fast-forward a couple of years to a ranch I worked on in Texas. When we had a few cases of scours, I was sure I knew exactly how to cure it. I purchased some of the same antibiotic that we used in Utah from our local vet and treated the calves, with absolutely no effect. It was a different organism that did not respond

to that same treatment. Being able to identify the cause is key to proper and best treatment.

Vaccines are an important topic. Knowing what is available and how they work will help you to have a successful vaccination program. Dr. England will discuss important issues related to immune response such as proper nutrition and the important role of minerals.

One key component of vaccine effectiveness is proper storage and handling of vaccines. Vaccines should be stored at 35°F to 45°F. Vaccines that have frozen for even a few minutes will be ineffective and should be discarded. A University of Idaho Extension study of ranch-level vaccine handling practices across Idaho showed that only 33 percent of ranch refrigerators are maintaining proper vaccine storage temperatures. To ensure proper storage temperatures and vaccine effectiveness, producers should use a minimum/maximum thermometer and monitor refrigerator temperatures on a regular basis.

Modified-live vaccines should only be mixed as needed and never in a quantity of more than will be used within one hour. These vaccines begin to degrade as soon as they are mixed, thus reducing their effectiveness over a very short period of time.

Please join us to learn more about these topics. At the conclusion of the beef school, there will be a tri-tip lunch sponsored by the Idaho Beef Council, Owyhee County Farm Bureau Insurance, and Simplot Western Stockmen’s.

— Scott Jensen is the University Idaho Owyhee County Extension educator. He welcomes questions on livestock care. The U of I Owyhee County Extension office is located at 238 8th Ave. W., in Marsing and can be reached at (208) 896-4104. Contact at scottj@uidaho.edu.

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Homedale man to seek Dist. 23 House seat

Homedale resident Oscar Evans has announced he'll seek election to the Idaho House of Representatives.

The retired fighter pilot will run for the Republican nomination for the Dist. 23 Seat A position currently held by freshman legislator Christy Zito of Hammett.



Oscar Evans

U.S. Air Force with the rank of lieutenant colonel, lives outside Homedale with his wife Clara-Leigh Evans. They have three children.

"Leading and representing the fastest-growing state in the Union requires critical thinking from our public servants. People and businesses are moving here to take advantage of our abundant resources, conservative government and positive business environment," Evans wrote in a press release.

He says he holds a bold optimistic vision where Idaho grows wisely while maintaining traditional conservative principles.

"Idahoans want and deserve limited government at the lowest level and a focus on the right priorities — education, infrastructure, low taxes and fewer regulations," he said. "They deserve strong representation and proven leadership that puts the people and interests of the district first."

District 23 encompasses Owyhee County, Elmore County and rural western Twin Falls County.

Evans has established a campaign website at <http://evans-foridaho.com>.



Homedale FFA chapter members attended the Idaho FFA leadership conferences in Boise. **Back row, from left:** Megan Bauer, Krista Mayer, DeLaynie Dorsey, Jenna Rupp, and Meryssa Oakley. **Middle row, from left:** Kenna McKay, Jordan Packer, Spencer Fisher, Jesse Packer, Kayden Turner, Bradley Kress, Ben Holt, Gage Purdom, and Gunner Campbell. **Front row, from left:** Nyelah Johnson, Jordann Cole, Ainsley Evans, Madison Miller, Kaylee DeWitt, McKenzie Miller, Lyndsey Salutregui, Julia Gomez, Makenna DeWitt, Janae Volk, Brooke Pfof, Ashlyn Miller, and Maggie Johnson. Submitted photo

FFA's hone leadership skills

Nearly two dozen Homedale chapter members attended FFA leadership conferences in Boise last week.

More than 700 students from FFA chapters across Idaho attended the 212° and 360° Leadership Conferences on Jan. 29-30 in Boise.

Syngenta was the title sponsor, and Helena Chemical Co., also provided support for the National FFA Organized-sanctioned events.

Homedale attendees included: Krista Mayer, Lyndsey Salutregui, Kaylee DeWitt, Makenna DeWitt, Gunner Campbell, Ben Holt, Gage Purdom, Maggie Johnson, Ashlyn Miller, Brooke

Pfof, Janae Volk, Bradley Kress, Julia Gomez, Madison Miller, McKenzie Miller, Kayden Turner, Jesse Packer, Spencer Fisher, Jordann Cole, Kenna McKay, Nyelah Johnson, Jordan Packer and Ainsley Evans.

The 212° conference takes its name from the temperature at which water boils.

The conference is geared toward taking students to the "boiling point" of leadership, according to a press release.

The two-day conference focuses on student development and helps FFA members become aware of personal growth. Chapter members attended sessions

on making positive decisions, setting SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Time) goals and taking steps toward self-improvement.

The 360° conference takes students full circle in terms of chapter leadership.

The two-day gathering focuses on the importance of influence and how to become an influential leader.

Students spent their time in sessions understanding the importance of influence, conducting a chapter needs assessment, crafting an influence plan for their local FFA chapter and developing a strategy to be influential.

HES Mystery Week an entertaining time

Homedale Elementary School first-graders Crystal Ruiz (left), 7, daughter of Guadalupe and Victor Ruiz, and Aniyah Barroso, 6, daughter of Roxanne Barroso and Hugo Lopez, climb the wall leading to an inflatable slide last Wednesday in the school gymnasium. The fun was sponsored by the Homedale Elementary PTO.



From left: Allyson Reynolds, Kyndra Williams, Alex Williams, Cooper Mackenzie, Shailee Rutan, Cassidy Gluch, Jayden Skinner, and Kelsey Gluch. Submitted photo

S. Mtn. 4-H starts new year

The South Mountain Livestock 4-H club welcomed new members and elected 2018 officers at its first meeting.

Officers appointed during a Jan. 28 meeting included:

- **President** — Cassidy Gluch
- **Vice-president** — Kelsey Gluch
- **Secretary** — Allyson Reynolds

- **Treasurer** — Jayden Skinner
 - **Reporter** — Kyndra Williams
 - **Photographer** — Alex Williams
 - **Scrapbook** — Shailee Rutan
 - **Tale Twister** — Cooper Mackenzie
- New members are Cooper Mackenzie and Alex Williams.

Valentine’s dinner, dance slated

All ages celebration part of February at Homedale Sr. Center

A Valentine’s dinner and dance is planned for Homedale Senior Center on Saturday.

Mountain View Church of the Nazarene is sponsoring the event, which is open to the public.

Tickets are \$10 per person, and dinner is a roast beef meal prepared by senior center coordinator Joan Thomson.

Thomson said the event is just a way to bring folks together for a special event. All ages are welcome.

The doors open at 6 p.m. with dinner being served at 6:30 p.m., and dancing afterward.

Anyone planning to attend the festivities is asked to call or drop by the senior center to reserve tickets.

The center is located at 224 W. Idaho Ave., and can be

reached at (208) 337-3020.

Center to buy fridge, computers

Thomson also announced that US Ecology Idaho has awarded the senior center a \$1,400 Helping Hand grant.

The money will be used to buy a new refrigerator for the kitchen and new computers for the center’s administrative offices.

Foot clinic returns

The senior center will play host to a foot examination clinic on Tuesday, Feb. 20.

The cost is \$15, and examinations will be given on a first come, first served basis beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Call the center at (208) 337-3020 for more details.

The foot clinics are now held at the senior center every other month.

Other events

• The monthly widow’s breakfast will be held this morning.

• The senior center’s board of directors meets at 1 p.m. next Wednesday at the center, and the public is welcome.

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

• Fit and Fall classes are held from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each Tuesday and Thursday, right before the congregate luncheon.

The senior center is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week.

The thrift store, which helps fund operations, is open whenever the senior center is open.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar available with each meal:
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Milk available each day

- 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

Rimrock Senior Center

All meals are served with milk & fruit juice
Feb. 8: Swiss steak, peas & potatoes-creamed, 3-bean salad, pears, chocolate pudding, cookie
Feb. 13: Meatloaf, baked potato w/onions, green beans w/ bacon, fruit cocktail, muffin
Feb. 15: Lasagna, tossed salad, peas, canned fruit, garlic bread

Underclassmen vie for Mr. Rimrock title

Proceeds from the Mr. Rimrock 2018 contest will benefit the Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School student council.

The pageant featuring three sophomores and four juniors will be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 17 inside the school’s auditorium. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens.

This year’s theme is “A Night of Disco.”

The school is located at

39678 Hwy. 78 in Bruneau. This year’s contestants include:

• **Juniors** — Dalton Allison, Levi Nanney, Todd Marvin and Anthony Herrera

• **Sophomores** — Christian Sharek, D-O Draper and Koby Kunsky

This year’s judges include Bruneau/Grand View school board trustee Scott McNeley, Mark Owens, Cheryl Whiteside, Bobby-Jean Colyer and Cheri Meyers.

Sandbar collecting medical equipment for seniors, disabled

The name recently changed, but the Sandbar Restaurant with a Cause is still focused on helping in the community.

In its February newsletter, the organization announced a new program making medical equipment available free of charge to seniors and the disabled.

The Sandbar seeks any used mobility items such as walkers, canes and grab bars.

Contact the Sandbar at (208) 896-4124 or information@thesandbarmarsing.org for more information.

Or you can drop by at 18 Sandbar Ave., in Marsing.

The Sandbar also has received \$682 from the Area 3 Senior Services Agency, which reported the restaurant served 7,381 meals in-house and through Meals on Wheels during Fiscal Year 2017 (Oct. 1, 2016 to Sept. 30, 2017).

The Meals on Wheels program recently received a donated delivery vehicle.

The newsletter also announces that the restaurant, formerly known as Café with a Cause, will have a special

Valentine’s Day dinner for two available from Feb. 14 to Feb. 17 featuring lobster, steak, potatoes, vegetables an dessert plus a bottle of house wine.

The cost is \$75 per couple. Reservations are required and can be made by calling (208) 896-4124.

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Spotter Kurt Weitz acknowledges a bid during Saturday's Marsing Disaster Auction at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center.



The top three finishers in Marsing Disaster Auction raffle ticket sales (from left): Third place Jaxon Astorquia, 10, son of Megan and Jake Astorquia; second place Josie Showalter, 9, daughter of Gina and Chad Showalter; and first place Caleb Smith, 10, son of Amber and Brian Smith.

✓ Auction: Mayor thanks volunteers for their help

auction, raffle, concessions, and donations, but there may be money still to come.

"I do know there are several donations still forthcoming and usually come in for the next month or so," he said.

Ferdinand acknowledged all the people who put in the time and effort for this year's auction, including volunteers, FFA members, 4-H groups, the auction committee, and more.

"Without them, this auction would not be possible," he said.

The auction is an established social event for the city of Marsing, and that proved true again. It was a gathering place for all reaches of the populace. It drew all manner of folks wanting to support their community.

Tickets for the \$1 raffle were sold by third-, fourth-, and fifth-graders, with an award given to the students who sold the most tickets. This year, that honor went to Caleb Smith, younger brother of last year's winner Kaitlyn Smith.

The top three finishers in this year's ticket sales were Caleb, 10, son of Amber and Brian Smith; Josie Showalter, 9, daughter of Gina and Chad Showalter; and Jaxon Astorquia, 10, son of Megan and Jake Astorquia.

"Neighbors helping neighbors is our motto, and year after year, these amazing people come together and show us all that there is no better community around," Ferdinand said.

— TK



A Marsing FFA member displays a bronze statue that was up for bid at the Marsing Disaster Auction on Saturday. The statue sold for \$185.

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Health officials seek more suicide prevention funding

Owyhee County: 16 suicides since 2012

by Nina Rydalph
U of I McClure Center
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For The Owyhee Avalanche

Suicide was a sensitive topic for lawmakers at the Division of Public Health Services budget hearing Jan. 29.

Suicide is the second-leading cause of death among Idaho youth, division administrator Elke Shaw-Tulloch told the committee during the hearing. Shaw-Tulloch said between 2012 and 2016, Idaho lost 105 young people between the ages of 6 and 18 to suicide.

The division’s budget request for the Youth Suicide Prevention Program was \$523,800, which would allow for expansion of the “Sources of Strength”

program to 25 additional schools. Gov. C. L. “Butch” Otter, however, recommended \$256,600, which would limit the expansion to 17 schools this year.

Sources of Strength is currently in 10 schools, including Homedale’s high school and middle school.

The Public Health Services funding request would also help the division incorporate “The Good Behavior Game,” which Shaw-Tulloch said will help first-graders learn coping and resiliency skills.

“What we’re seeing more and more with research coming out nationally about suicide prevention is the importance of what we call getting further upstream,” she said. “So in my mind, I almost think of it as pre-prevention work: How do we prevent children from becoming suicidal in the first place?”

Dist. 7 Sen. Carl Crabtree

(R-Grangeville) asked what lawmakers could expect in the future, saying his district has the highest suicide rates in the state. Shoshone and Clearwater counties, which are in Crabtree’s district, are two of six counties that had the highest suicide rates per capita from 2012 to 2016, according to a Division of Public Health 2017 report.

Sixteen suicides were recorded in Owyhee County between 2012 and 2017, according to the report and Coroner Aaron Tines. That’s an average of 2.7 per year. County 911 coordinator Christine Ballard said that sheriff’s deputies and police officers responded to 20 suicidal subject calls in 2017.

“I think now that we have some more time with our program, having the opportunity to get settled — because it hasn’t really been that long to have this state-level program — I think we’re really poised to be able to make some great headway to move forward,”

Shaw-Tulloch said. The division’s youth suicide prevention program started two years ago in 2016. Shaw-Tulloch said because the program is new, it is difficult to provide lawmakers with data regarding the effectiveness of the program in Idaho. Shaw-Tulloch also said it will be a while before the program is fully implemented.

“Being able to have the funding at the state level and have a dedicated state program has been extremely helpful, to start coordinating from the top all the different partners,” she said. “Because as you can imagine, it’s a heart-wrenching issue to have to deal with, and so I think we see everybody having almost a frantic ‘we’ve got to do something immediately,’ and we’re trying to make sure at the state level that we’re really evaluating what those best-practice programs are ... but it is going to take some time.”

Few citizens take opportunity to meet county officials



Sandbar Restaurant with a Cause diners Donna Larsen (left) and Esther Rounds chat with Owyhee County Treasurer Annette Dygert at Thursday’s elected officials meet and greet.

A handful of Owyhee County’s elected officials attended a meet and greet at the Sandbar Restaurant with a Cause in Marsing on Thursday.

A few citizens showed up for the noontime event at the eatery, which recently changed its name from Café with a Cause.

County commissioners Kelly Aberasturi (Dist. 2) and Joe Merrick (Dist. 3) were on hand as were appointees Annette Dygert (treasurer) and Toni Gruenwald (assessor) as well as Clerk Angie Barkell, Coroner Aaron Tines, and Sheriff Perry Grant.

Barkell said the meet and greet was open to all of Owyhee County’s elected officials, but was also aimed at giving citizens a chance to

meet Dygert and Gruenwald, who have only been on the job a few months after succeeding Brenda Richards and Brett Endicott, respectively.

Dist. 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland and Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery did not attend the event.

Dygert and Gruenwald will seek four-year terms in their respective offices, beginning with the Republican primary election on May 15.

Terms also are ending for Barkell, Merrick and Aberasturi.

The District 3 commissioner-ship is a four-year term, and the District 2 position carries a two-year term in the next cycle.

The candidate filing period runs from Feb. 26 to March 9.

Lincoln Day nears

The Owyhee County Republican Central Committee is making Lincoln Day plans.

The biennial Lincoln Day Banquet, at which many political hopefuls announce their candidacies, will be held on Monday, Feb. 19 in Marsing.

The event begins at 11:30 a.m. with a meet and greet.

The luncheon begins at noon. A fundraising auction follows. Festivities will be held at

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

County GOP chair Shawn Dygert received a steady stream of commitments from elected officials and primary candidates who plan on attending.

The luncheon costs \$25.

More information is available by contacting Dygert at (208) 250-9882 or shawn.dygert@gmail.com.

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Homedale Chamber gets financial boost

Mayor: City has land for walking path

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce finds itself with a little extra in the coffers.

It was announced at the monthly Chamber meeting that the Chamber has received a donation from the Homedale Development Co., which formed in the early 1960s to bring the original Arvin Wood Products factory to town.

“They did many things to foster economic development in Homedale,” Chamber president Gavin Parker said.

It was already in the works to permanently close their doors and with the passing of Jim Duncan, the last of economic development organization’s board members, all the residual money from the company was donated to the Chamber.

Parker did not have the exact amount of the donation.

“It’s a little north of \$20,000,” he said.

The only stipulation with the donation was that the money must be used to stimulate economic development.

One way the money could be used, according to Parker, is as matching funds for Homedale’s “Operation Facelift.”

“Operation Facelift” is a program discussed by the Chamber to improve storefronts, facades, and signage for businesses in town.

City gets land for walking path

Mayor Gheen Christoffersen told Chamber members that the city has acquired land on which walking paths for middle school students could be built.

Attempts to get state grant money for the project had been hampered because the city did not own the land yet.

The city and Chamber have been working together on a plan to build a walking path that would get fifth- through eighth-graders off Idaho Avenue (Idaho highway 19) and onto a safer route to and from the middle school.

Christoffersen also reported that with the mild weather, the city has been able to work on some of the irrigation projects earlier than normal.

“I know we need the moisture, but it has helped us get going on some of the projects we’re working on,”

he said.

Library director updates grant status

Sharla Jensen, Homedale Public Library director, reported that the application seeking funds to expand the building’s footprint has moved on to the second phase of the Idaho Community Development Block Grant process.

“It’s called the addendum stage,” she said. “We need to send them a little more information by March 2, and we’ll hear more from there.”

She didn’t specify what additional information the library will need to provide.

Jensen also provided an update on the Together Treasure Valley grant. She reported most needed improvements have been completed, including the furniture upgrades and the computer carrels. However, she reported the buttons to activate automatic doors — an Americans with Disabilities Act upgrade — have yet to be installed.

“The problem is the bid came in a fair bit higher than the grant provided,” she said.

She has reached out to the community for assistance with the issue and requested help from Chamber members.

More Chamber notes

• Jose DeLeon from the Idaho Department of Labor reported a low unemployment rate statewide.

“We’re seeing a lot of growth with our companies locally,” he said. “We’re just kind of hitting our stride. It’s not letting up.”

“We’re seeing that the economic climate is not slowing down.”

• Lindsey Love, the community liaison from Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation, gave an update on the facility’s construction project.

The new building is going to be a physical therapy center and will also provide 18 new beds.

“It’s set to open in June,” she said.

— TK



Nampa artist Marilyn Lees is the latest person to be showcased by the Friends of the Lizard Butte Library. Her artwork will be in place at the Marsing public library through April. Submitted photo

Friends of Lizard Butte Library group spotlights another artist

Part of Lees’ “life of art” is giving back

With the start of a new year, the Friends of Lizard Butte Library are ringing in a new featured artist.

Marilyn Lees has lived in Idaho for more than 60 years, and her artwork will be displayed at the Marsing public library through April.

She succeeds Marsing photographer Dan Pease as the featured artist.

The library opens at noon Monday through Friday, closing at 6 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and at 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. The library is also open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Marilyn Lees was born and raised on a farm in western Kansas near Dodge City. She moved to Idaho in 1957, and spent 27 years working for the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farmers Home Administration.

She and her husband, Dave, were married 56 years before

his passing. They have two children, two grandchildren and two great-grandsons.

“We lived a full life together, were both avid golfers and had many hobbies and friends to share them with,” she said. “Dave had his farm and yard shop and I had my art.”

She retired in 1997, but was painting long before she left her day job.

“I have been creating art all my life,” the Nampa resident said. “I mostly use my own photos for reference in my paintings and drawings.”

Lees creates art in her newly remodeled workshop, which she calls “Country Road Studio.” She’s a longtime member of the Nampa Art Guild, and her work has been seen in libraries, the Nampa

Civic Center and several local art shows.

She also has exhibited at the Lizard Butte Library in the past.

Lees said she most likes to depict Idaho landscapes and rural scenes in a realistic manner by using a variety of mediums, including watercolor and pastels.

“My other preference is Plein Air painting, being outdoors and painting what you see,” she said. “My heart is in my drawing, and now I take that into many aspects of my art.”

Lees art career has included workshops and classes over the years, but she also gives back with workshops and classes for those folks just beginning their journey into art.

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Jail, probation for DUI crash

A Grand View man must serve jail time and probation after he crashed his car while driving drunk.

Jesten J. Dick, 22, was sentenced on Jan. 29 by Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober.

Grober ordered eight days of jail and two years of supervised probation for Dick's conviction on a misdemeanor charge of driving under the influence (excessive).

Dick's blood-alcohol concentration was .318 on Sept. 14, the day he drove a 2001 Chevrolet Prizm off Black Sands Road near Strike Dam Cutoff Road. The man exited his vehicle and ran to a nearby business where volunteer firefighters responding to the crash found him.

Grober suspended 170 days of a six-month jail term and gave Dick credit for two days he spent behind bars at Owyhee County Jail after his arrest.

Dick's driver's license has been suspended for a year, and he must also pay \$1,000 in fines and court costs.

Misdemeanor charges of possession of an open alcohol container in a vehicle and failing to immediately report an accident were dismissed.

Judge hands down drug sentence on last day

A Homedale resident has been placed on felony probation for methamphetamine possession.

Omar Aguilera received his sentencing before Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan on Jan. 26 in Murphy.

It was Ryan's final day on the bench in the Owyhee County Courthouse. He retired last week.

Convicted of felony possession of a controlled substance, Aguilera must serve three years' supervised probation and pay \$735.50 in court costs.

County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery dropped misdemeanor charges of drug paraphernalia possession and driving without privileges.

Aguilera was arrested by Homedale Police during a Feb. 22 traffic stop triggered by excessive speed.

According to court documents, officers found meth and a scale used to weigh marijuana during a search of the vehicle.

Courthouse report

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

Jan. 30

Dick, Jesten J., Grand View — Misdemeanor excessive DUI: 10 days jail (2 days credit), 170 days jail (suspended), driver's license suspended 1 year; 2 years supervised probation; \$1,000 fines and court costs

Jan. 26

Aguilera, Omar, Homedale — Felony controlled substance possession: 3 years supervised probation, \$735.50 in court costs

Burright, Colby Jake, Homedale — Felony injury to child (2 counts): 3-10 years in state prison (suspended), 4 years supervised probation, \$2,095.50 in court costs

Martinez, Fernando, Jr., Bruneau — Felony lewd or lascivious acts on minor child 16 to 17, and felony sexual battery of a minor child 16 to 17: 2-4 years in state prison (12 months retained jurisdiction), credit for 264 days in jail, \$1,441 court costs

Gonzalez-Martinez, Luis, Homedale — Felony Lewd Conduct with Child Under 16 (2 counts): 10-20 years state prison (12 months retained jurisdiction), \$1,081 in court costs, \$5,000 in victims' restitution, no-contact order

Convicted sex abuser ordered to pay victims restitution

A Homedale man faces the possibility of 10 to 20 years in state prison after being convicted of felony lewd conduct with a minor.

Luis Gonzalez-Martinez was sentenced Jan. 26 in the Murphy courtroom of Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan.

Gonzalez-Martinez has been placed on a yearlong rider.

The man originally was charged with seven counts of felony lewd conduct with a minor under the age of 16 in November 2016. He was accused of sexual misconduct against girls ages 8 and 16.

In addition to the possibility of a lengthy prison term, Gonzalez-Martinez must pay \$2,500 in restitution to each of his two victims and \$1,081 in court costs.

According to a police report, Gonzalez-Martinez had abused the 8-year-old since she was 4 or 5.

Man placed on rider for sexual battery of minor

A Bruneau man has been placed on a one-year rider after his conviction on felony sex abuse charges.

Fernando Martinez Jr., 27, can avoid a state prison sentence of two to four years if he successfully completes the Idaho Department of Correction rider.

Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan retained jurisdiction in the case after he sentenced Martinez in Murphy on Jan. 26.

Martinez was convicted on two felony counts of sexual battery on a minor aged 16.

Martinez must pay \$1,191 in court costs and a \$350 fee for a public defender. He received credit for 264 days spent in Owyhee County Jail since his arrest.

Felony charges of domestic battery with traumatic injury and methamphetamine possession were dropped. A misdemeanor charge of providing false information to a law enforcement official also was dropped.

Martinez was arrested at his Bruneau residence on May 8 when he was found with a 16-year-old girl who had been reported as a runaway from Ada County.

Four years probation for man's lewd conduct

A Homedale man has been placed on four years supervised probation after his conviction on two counts of felony injury to child.

Colby Jake Burright was sentenced on Jan. 26 in the courtroom of Third District Judge Davis VanderVelde.

VanderVelde suspended a prison term of between three and 10 years, but ordered Burright to pay \$1,500 in restitution to his 14-year-old female victim as well as \$841 for court fees and a public defender fee.

The man must also perform 100 hours of community service. VanderVelde attached 90 days of jail time to be used at the discretion of Burright's probation officer.

Burright was accused of fondling a 14-year-old girl in February 2016. He entered guilty pleas to two felony counts in November 2017.

EOU honors Owyheeans

Two students with Owyhee County ties have made news at Eastern Oregon University.

- Grand View's Katie Jo Johnson is among the La Grande, Ore., school's fall 2017 graduates.
- Homedale's Conner Morris is among 529 EOU students to appear on the fall Dean's List.

She graduated summa cum laude with degrees in Multidisciplinary Studies and Elementary Education.

Summa cum laude graduates compiled grade-point averages between 3.85 to 4.0 during their studies at EOU.

Students on the list maintained a GPA of 3.5 or higher while completing at least 12 hours of graded coursework during the term.

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Former player pilots old team to state tournament

Rimrock girls edge Notus for first berth since 2014

Kyla Jewett is returning to the state tournament, but this time the former

Rimrock High School standout will be watching from the sidelines.

The first-year varsity girls' basketball coach doesn't mind, though.

Jewett has her alma mater's basketball program back in the 1A, Div. I Real Dairy Shootout for the first time since her senior season in 2014.

"I wanted to bring the love and passion back to the new kids, and I wanted them to know what it's like to succeed when you win and try," Jewett said.

The third-seeded Raiders (16-5 overall) edged Notus, 33-30, in Saturday's 1A, Div. I District III

tournament semifinal in Parma.

Two freshmen — Sintia Varela and Madie MacMillan — scored key points down the stretch as Rimrock avenged a 1A Western Idaho Conference loss and earned a spot in the state tournament, which will be played Feb. 15-17 at

— See *State*, back page

JV girls cruise to district's top berth

Jordan Valley High School slammed the lid shut on the top seed in the girls' basketball district tournament.

The Mustangs topped 90 points in back-to-back games during the weekend to stretch to complete a perfect 10-game 1A High Desert League campaign and inch up a spot in the 1A Oregon coaches' Top 10.

Jordan Valley (14-8 overall) is rated seventh in Monday's poll.

The Mustangs have a pair of non-league tune-ups on the road this week against Grant Union in John Day, Ore., on Thursday and McDermitt, Nev., on Saturday.

Coach Kelsi Skinner's squad will be the top-seeded team back in John Day, Ore., for the 1A District 8 Tournament, which will begin on Thursday, Feb. 15.

Jordan Valley played seven of its final eight regular-season games on the road.

Saturday: Jordan Valley 92, Harper Charter 27 — Nicole Terry scored 17 points as part of a double-double as the Mustangs ended 1A HDL play.

Regann Skinner led the team with 10 points, and Kiana Quintero added 17. Allysin Reynolds rounded out the double-digit scorers with 15 points.

Taylor Warn dished eight assists.

Friday: Jordan Valley 94, Huntington 11 — Regann Skinner's 31 points helped the Mustangs steamroll the Locomotives with a season-high team point total.

Taylor Warn chipped in 19.



Homedale junior post player Amaya Carter strains to put up a shot against two Fruitland defenders during Friday's 3A District III semifinal at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

HHS girls run out of chances vs. Grizzlies

Trojans suffer third loss of season to Fruitland

The search for consistency continued Friday for the Homedale High School girls' basketball team.

The Trojans didn't have successful shooting to pair with their tenacious defense and fell, 34-28, to Fruitland in the 3A District III semifinals inside John

J. Easley Gymnasium on the Treasure Valley Community College campus.

The victory in Ontario, Ore., was the second-seeded Grizzlies' third of the season against No. 3 Homedale (9-12).

"We played well, I thought," HHS

coach Joe Betancourt said. "We have yet to play our best game."

Fruitland (11-11) earned a spot in Thursday's district championship game against top-seeded Parma (19-3).

Homedale played a loser-out game against Weiser on Tuesday after deadline. The winner will face the loser of the

— See *HHS girls*, page 8B

Three Huskies wrestle for third in Weiser

Seniors secure bronze medals

Two Marsing High School seniors snagged bronze medals Saturday at the Weiser Invitational.

In all, three Huskies medaled during the two-day tournament.

Jaden Kinney pinned Payette's Isaac Morado in 2 minutes, 23 seconds to win the third-place match at 182 pounds.

Mason Hall needed just 48 seconds to dispatch hometown wrestler Darrian Hoobery for third at 220 pounds.

Sophomore Adonis Stelzried (138) also reached his bracket's

third-place match, but Weiser's Berke Walker notched a 5-0 decision.

Kinney pinned Homedale's Owen Houser in 42 seconds to start his tournament, but lost in the quarterfinals, 10-5, to Columbia's Franco Pedro.

He then rebounded with three consecutive consolation victories: He pinned Lincoln

Clark of La Grande, Ore., in one minute, edged Kimberly's Hunter O'Berg, 4-2, and moved into the third-place match when Buhl's Theron Christensen couldn't answer the call for the consolation semifinal because of an injury.

Hall's road to third place began in the quarterfinals with

— See *Huskies*, page 3B

Sports

Antelopes stumble to fourth in 1A HDL

Girls rip Huntington to maintain No. 3

A tough loss may have relegated Adrian High School to the No. 4 seed in the boys’ basketball district tournament.

The Antelopes trail both Crane and Huntington by a half-game with Adrian’s final 1A High Desert League games set for Thursday and Friday.

Adrian (9-12 overall, 4-4 in league) lost the tiebreaker edge to Huntington after a narrow 61-59 loss at home Thursday.

Coach Craig DeMark’s squad ends the regular season on the road against Harper Charter (Thursday) and at home versus Burnt River (Friday). Both opponents are below the Antelopes in the league standings.

The 1ADistrict 8 Tournament begins Thursday, Feb. 15 at Grant Union High School in John Day, Ore.

Thursday: Huntington 61, Adrian 59 — The Antelopes were unable to make up a six-point deficit over the final eight minutes.

The Locomotives steadily built a lead over the first three quarters and held off Adrian’s fourth-period charge.

Warren DeMark popped five three-point goals for the majority of his team-high 19

points for Adrian. He also had 12 rebounds.

Miller DeMark was 8-for-19 from the floor and scored 18 points. He filled up the stat sheet before fouling out, leading Adrian with 17 rebounds and seven blocked shots.

Dakota Martin added 12 points.

Jan. 30: Tri Valley 69, Adrian 41 — The Antelopes fell behind early in a non-league loss to the Titans in Cambridge

Tri Valley of the 1A Long Pin Conference led, 39-20, at halftime and exploded for 24 points in the third quarter.

Warren DeMark was true on five of six two-point shots, and he led the team with a pair of three-pointers and 19 points.

Miller DeMark logged 11 points, six rebounds and four blocks.

The DeMark brothers had two steals apiece, and Kirkland Obendorf added two more.

Girls: Adrian holds on to No. 3 seed — The Antelopes crushed Huntington, 54-10, on Thursday to maintain their grip on third place in the 1A HDL.

Coach Gene Mills’ team (10-7, 5-3) owns the tiebreaker for the No. 3 seed against Prairie City. closes the season against Harper Charter (Thursday on the road) and Burnt River (Friday at home).

The Antelopes have won five of their past seven games.

✓ Huskies: Four other Marsing wrestlers get wins

From Page 1B

a 33-second wipeout of La Grande’s Gabe Shuckle.

After Fruitland’s Brisyn Cutburth got a pin at 3:13 of their semifinal, Hall pinned Borah’s Brody Martinez in 30 seconds to set up his medal match with Hoobery.

Stelzried reached his divisional semifinal with the first of four consecutive matches that went the distance.

He shut out Borah’s Jose Rexach, 7-0, then beat Homedale’s Jace Love, 12-7.

Emmett’s Monte Zufelt prevailed, 7-2, in the semifinal, but Stelzried kept going with

a 7-1 win over Columbia’s Isaac Crace in the consolation semifinals.

Bastion Ackerman pinned Homedale’s Jesse Packer in four minutes to reach the quarterfinals at 152.

Troy Miller got a win at 98 pounds with a 9-1 major decision over Alijah Huerta of Ontario, Ore., in the opening round.

Evan Miller (113) pinned Payette’s Sam Hsu in 1:22 of their first-round consolation match.

Jedidiah Crandall needed just 23 seconds to pin Vallivue’s Kevin Carreon in a 195-pound consolation match.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

February 10, 1993

Cattlemen discuss snail issue, land use plan

Four resolutions were adopted by members of the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association during the group’s winter meeting in Murphy Saturday. The group also heard several speakers discuss various topics with the listing of the Bruneau Snail as an endangered species the most-discussed subject.

The meeting began with a videotape from Senator Larry Craig, who called the Endangered Species Act, “One of the most powerful laws today.” He referred to the Bruneau Snail listing as “being based more on politics than on science.”

A representative of the Idaho Department of Water Resources board, Gary Spackman, also spoke on the snail listing. He said that of the two state agencies commissioned to assist with the study neither the IDWR nor the Idaho State University study supported the listing, based on the “inconclusive evidence” of the studies.

The third study, that of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, is yet to be released, even though this study was the determining factor in the designation.

Idaho Cattle Association president Bob Collett, Oreana, reported on the NCA convention, and announced that Eric Davis, Bruneau, was named as a director at-large of the national association, and will serve on the executive committee of the organization.

Fred Grant, consultant for Owyhee County on its land use plan, said it may take court action in getting determination that recognizes the status of the county in regards to being an active participant of any and all planning on federal lands with the county.

Saddle repair is part of upholstery

All those miles in the saddle, all those miles in the sun, rain, and snow, take a toll on leather. If a cowboy didn’t take care to condition his saddle, it either fell apart, or he turned it over to a craftsman like Jim Fleming to give it another life.

Fleming looks more like a man happy cranking bolts on a hot rod than stitching a saddle back together. Maybe it’s the sideburns, or the cut of his hair, the hint of a 1950s ducktail in back. Maybe he wore it like that when he graduated from high school in 1960.

Fleming even compares saddles to cars, using the analogy that if you don’t change the oil in you car it breaks down, and if you don’t care for the leather on your saddle, it breaks down as well.

He has made leather repair and restoration a serious sideline to his upholstery business since 1977. It was something he first learned out of practicality at age 11.

“I grew up having to fix my own tack, and the first saddle I got when I was a little kid, it was pretty well roughed up,” the Homedale craftsman said.

Police chief explains reserve officer program

If it looks like the Homedale Police Department has doubled its ranks lately, it hasn’t, at least not with full-time officers.

Chief Bob Fitzgerald has put his reserves out on the streets to handle minor law enforcement duties, and he says it’s advantageous for the department to do so, freeing up his full-time officers to handle investigations.

Of the eight reserves, all of whom are volunteers with an average age of 25, the police department uses the five with the most training, called level one reserves, to cover for full-time officers on vacation, to handle traffic enforcement, and other duties.

50 years ago

February 8, 1968

Two students win top awards in magazine contest

Vickie Howell, daughter of LeMoyne Howell, and Roy Eiguren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Eiguren, students at Homedale High School, have been cited as winners in the annual Current Affairs contest conducted by Time Magazine.

The winners were selected from more than 2,500,000 high school and college students across the U.S. and Canada who participated in the event, now in its 32nd year.

The Current Affairs Test, based on significant news stories, comprises 100 questions on national and foreign affairs, as well as business, sports, entertainment, science, religion, literature and the arts.

Marilyn Powell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Powell, was runner-up on the same test.

The test created for the Time Education Program — an exclusive classroom service of Time magazines — has been taken by some 10,000,000 students since its inception 32 years ago.

Roy and Vickie were awarded certificates of excellence, and Marilyn was awarded a certificate of merit from James R. Shepley, publisher of Time.

NFO meets to organize at Homedale

The National Farmers Organization meeting held in Homedale on Jan. 31 was well attended.

Speakers were Elton Hasselstron of Paul and Dian Walton of Rupert, chairman of the Minidoka County’s NFO. Dee Winegar of Ontario assisted them with the membership.

In order to better acquaint the farmers with the aims of this organization, an entire outline was given concerning bargaining production, small family farms, etc. Farming of the past and present also was discussed.

It was stated that the NFO is the largest farm organization as far as production was concerned. A question-and-answer period was held before adjournment.

Homedale quint takes 79-73 win over Kuna

Four Homedale Trojans scored in double figures Saturday night as the Homedale cagers upset Kuna’s Kavemen by a 79-73 score at Homedale.

Ruben Garcia led all scorers with 18 points, and he was assisted by Gary Garrett’s 15, Stan Zatica’s 14 and Mike Pearson’s 11 in the win.

High man for Kuna was Randy Arnold with 15, with an assist from Allen Stroebel with 14.

Homedale’s win raised its record to 2-7 in the SRV A-3 while the loss lowered Kuna to 5-4 in the race.

Mike Packer finishes course

Pvt. Michael D. Packer, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert T. Packer, Route 1, Homedale, completed a helicopter repair course Jan. 24 at the Army Transportation School, F1, Eustia, Va.

During the 13-week course, he was trained in the repair and maintenance of the Army’s cargo and troop-carrying helicopters.

His wife, Sharon, lives in Boise.

Farm Bureau to conduct poster contest

Idaho Farm Bureau’s Safety Slogan Poster contest is now in progress in the schools throughout Idaho. Anyone in grades four through 12 is eligible to enter this contest. The Safety Slogan Poster theme must pertain to safety in the home, on the farm or ranch, on the highway or in recreation.

140 years ago

February 9, 1878

SINCE the Democrats have had a majority in the House of Representatives, it has been generally remarked that the House has lost its “tone,” as it is called. It may be said that the majority is feather-headed. There is a random, rattling fire of musketry whenever the two parties in the House are arrayed against each other. But the solid columns are on the Republican side of the House; the Democrats seem destitute of policy and incapable of discipline. A mob of raw fellows from the backwoods could not straggle worse than the so-called ruling party in the lower House. It has been a mystery, we doubt not, to outside observers, that a party with such a working majority should flounder helplessly about, flop over, and generally deport itself in a flabby and incoherent manner. The Democratic newspapers are furnishing an explanation to this enigma. The Cincinnati *Enquirer* has very plainly charged that the Democrats in the House are so often drunk that things are going very badly indeed. A Washington dispatch to the Dayton (Ohio) *Democrat* has said the same thing. The *Sun*, which shines for all and gilds no Democratic vice with convivial glow, commenting on the fact that the Democrats expect to strengthen their majority by decisions in several contested cases, says: “If they could begin by un-seating a half dozen or more who are habitually unfit to appear in the House, and who are always missing when their votes are needed, as for instance on the Army bill, the moral effect would be better.” This is quite specific. The Democrats who were “missing,” or at least did not vote on the Army bill, were as follows: Bliss, Brag, Bright, Alva A. Clark, of New Jersey; John B. Clarke, of Kentucky; Corvet, Douglas, Morgan, Phelps, Sayler, Southard Veeder, and Walker. Here are considerably more than the half dozen referred to by our beaming contemporary, and the same of the convivial and genial S. S. Cox is not on the list of absentees. A Washington dispatch to the *World* is equally as candid in its specifications as the *Sun*. The Democratic correspondent represents a certain “quiet, old-fashioned Democrat from the North-west” as saying: “I have only one fear for our men in the House. I don’t know that they drink any more whiskey that the Republicans, but it goes more to their heads. That sort of thing is never safe — except with a settled policy and an Administration of your own.” The indictment seems tolerably clear. According to Democratic authority, if the Democrats in the House do not manage well for their party, it is because too many of them lose their wits in whisky.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE MINING NOTES.

The Golden Chariot is looking well and the prospects are much more encouraging at the 15th than they were on the 13th level. Operations are being judiciously carried forward, and enough wood and other supplies remain on hand to keep the mine running until mid-summer. There is every indication that a bonanza is looming up in the lower levels.

At the Potosi, work is being prosecuted under very favorable auspices, and a considerable quantity of rich rock is being turned out daily.

The accounts from the Black Jack mine continue to be very encouraging. The ledge is improving all the time, and the great bulk of the rock taken out, without being assorted, will average somewhere in the vicinity of \$30 to the ton.

Sports



Huskies run out of gas vs. NC

Senior guard Elsa Margarito (right) launches a three-pointer in Thursday's matchup with Nampa Christian. The Marsing High School girls' basketball team started strong but faded late during a 54-39 loss to the Trojans in the 2A District III Tournament opener in Nampa. The Huskies trailed at halftime 29-28. No statistics were provided. Marsing played a loser-out game Tuesday after deadline on the road against New Plymouth. Nampa Christian advances to the district title game against unbeaten Melba. Photo by Dan Pease

McCall's upset of Cole Valley drops Huskies into No. 4 seed

Huskies trail by game with one week left

Marsing High School boys' basketball players lost grip on their destiny Friday.

The Huskies' frigid second half against 2A Western Idaho Conference leader Nampa Christian was compounded by McCall-Donnelly's upset victory over second-place Cole Valley Christian.

Nampa Christian took advantage of the evening's developments to grab sole possession of first place.

But Marsing's 44-28 loss to the Trojans pushed the Huskies into fourth place, one game behind McCall-Donnelly with two games left in the season. The host Vandals beat the Chargers, 62-59, on Friday.

Marsing (8-10 overall, 3-5 in conference) has the upper hand against New Plymouth and Melba for the No. 4 seed into the 2A District III Tournament, but Friday's results put a dent in the Huskies' chances for a first-round home game.

Friday: Nampa Christian 44, Marsing 28 — The Huskies had just three field

goals after halftime on the conference leaders' home floor.

"Defensively, we had a good effort," MHS coach



Dwight Sevy

Tim Little said. "Nampa Christian is big and went to an extended 2-3 zone in the second half, which gave us issues and resulted in some poor shooting."

Marsing went 13-for-46 from the floor (28.3 percent) and connected on just three of 10 free throws.

Junior guard Enrique Quebrado dropped in the Huskies' only three-pointers and led the team with 13 points, three assists and four steals.

Dwight Sevy added five points and five defensive rebounds.

Tyler Wood and Sophomore guard Joaquin Oliveros scored four points each.

Last Wednesday: New Plymouth 42, Marsing 41 — For the second time in three games, the Huskies took a conference game to the wire only to lose by a point.

"We had our chances the last

45 seconds to pull out the win; however, we could not execute and dropped a needed road victory," Little said.

Marsing held a 41-39 lead with 3 minutes, 20 seconds remaining, but the Huskies couldn't find the bottom of the net again. Marsing players missed free throws and had open looks miss the mark, Little said.

"We also had difficulty executing directions after timeouts," the coach said.

The Huskies connected on just nine of 25 two-point shots (36.5 percent) and managed just six offensive rebounds.

Quebrado fired in three of the team's five three-point goals and led the scoring with 17 points.

Oliveros scored six points on 2-for-2 shooting from beyond the three-point line.

Wood added seven points and five rebounds, and Merrick Hall led the team with eight rebounds evenly split on either end of the floor.

Oliveros and Colby Loucks came away with two steals each.

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MARSING HUSKIES



Girls' basketball

Mackenzie Farrens, sr., P
Team's leading scorer in district loss to Nampa Christian



Boys' basketball

Joaquin Oliveros, so., G
Averaged 5 points in two games; 2 3-pointers vs. New Plymouth



Wrestling

Adonis Stelzried, so., 138 pounds
Finished 4th at Weiser Invitational

Girls' basketball

Varsity
2A District III Tournament
Thursday, Feb. 8, third-place game vs. TBA (if nec.),
Vallivue H.S., 6 p.m.

Wrestling

Wednesday, Feb. 7 at Parma for tri-meet vs. Payette, 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 10, home for Marsing Pod Tournament, 10 a.m.

Boys' basketball

Varsity
Wednesday, Feb. 7, home vs. Melba (Senior Night), 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 9 at Cole Valley Christian, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 14, 2A District III Tournament, details TBA
Junior varsity A
Wednesday, Feb. 7, home vs. Melba, 6 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 9 at Cole Valley Christian, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity B
Wednesday, Feb. 7, home vs. Melba, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 9 at Cole Valley Christian, 4:30 p.m.

Go Huskies!



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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense
Pig tales



Pigs are funny. Nobody would argue about that. There are people who collect them: Pictures of them, memorabilia, statuettes, door stops, curtains, pig clocks, wallpaper, pig tails, piggy banks, pigweed, pick stickers, piglets, pig-eyed piebalds and pygmies. In the home of a pig collector, you are surrounded by pig knick-knacks.

But because of my lack of experience, I have never been able to write pig poetry. When I attended veterinary school, there were only three pigs west of Scott City, Kan., and they were in the Salt Lake City Zoo. In the world of cowboy music, no one has risen to claim the title Ghost Riders in the Sty.

I have held the contention that most cowboy poetry is funny because of that close relationship between humor and tragedy. Workin' livestock is a dangerous life, and those of us who do it get hurt ... a lot! So the only way to deal with the pain is to laugh about it. And you quadruple the chance of injury (and therefore humor) by adding a horse to the equation. Well, most people don't work pigs a'horseback, so you don't have as many wrecks. But where there's a will there's a way.

Ol' Mr. Schneider had a hog operation in central Missouri. He was one of the few in the country to employ dogs on the farm. Specifically, blue heelers.

One afternoon he had gathered two sows to take to the sale. Big ones, in the 500-pound range. He backed his pickup to the loading chute and pulled the tailgate up. Climbing down in the loading pen, he set the gates and began tickling and tormenting the two sows up the loading ramp. He thrashed and cursed them, but they wouldn't go more than halfway. It was then he happened to look up and see his blue heeler, Bruno, sitting in the pickup bed peering down the loading chute.

He shouted commands at the dog, who promptly leaped into action! The two sows started backing down the ramp and into Mr. Schneider, who was wedged in place. He went down in the chute, and one of the sows sat in his lap! The dog scaled the pileup and exited stage left.

Gasping for air and grasping for straws, Mr. Schneider did what any good cowboy would do ... he called the dogs!

Bruno tore back around the corner, stormed up the chute and bit Mr. Schneider on the ham! They loaded in the chute alright, slick as you please. All three of 'em.

Bruno is now sausage.

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From the Statehouse
Legislature works on state income tax relief tied to federal tax reforms

This past week, the House Revenue and Tax committee printed House Bill 463 with the intent of providing income tax relief for all Idahoans. It addresses both individual and corporate income tax and changes to Internal Revenue Code because of the dependence of Idaho income tax code on federal taxable income numbers. The current bill would provide the largest tax relief in Idaho history.

Idaho indexes its tax liability calculations to the federal Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) numbers. In the federal tax cut legislation, the AGI was doubled while personal and dependent exemptions and many itemized deductions were eliminated. Without changes to Idaho code, this will result in increased state tax revenue somewhere in the neighborhood of \$125 million. In fairness to Idahoans, changes in both individual and corporate provisions for Idaho code have been proposed to prevent this substantial tax increase.

For individuals, the income tax rate will be decreased by .475 percent, and the standard deduction will increase. Changes also come with personal and dependent exemptions, including a \$130 nonrefundable Idaho Child Tax Credit. On the business side, corporate income tax rates will also be decreased .475 percent, resulting an estimated \$15.1 million in tax relief to Idaho businesses. Finally, when all the tax savings is combined, the proposal represents just over \$201 million in relief for Idaho taxpayers.

In this proposed combination of corporate and individual tax relief, the state shows its commitment to

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both fiscal responsibility and keeping dollars in the hands of those who earned them. My hope is that it will move quickly through the process, instead of getting bogged down in end-of-the-session negotiation.

If you would like to see the plan in more detail, it's available on the legislative website at legislature.idaho.gov for your review.

I also welcome questions, comments and requests for more detailed information via email at mblanksma@house.idaho.gov. Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter's summary of the proposed plan is on the blog portion of my website at meganblanksma.com. I look forward to hearing from you and appreciate the great opportunity you have given me serve the good people of District 23.

From Washington
History shows tax reform spurs growth

By the end of this month, nine out of 10 Idahoans will begin receiving bigger paychecks because Congress and President Trump enacted the most significant tax reform in 31 years.

I voted for the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act in December because it simplifies the tax code, lowers overall rates for Idaho families and eliminates loopholes that benefit special interests. This bill helps keep the promise I made to the people of Idaho, and I was proud to support it.

The new lower rates are putting money back in the pockets of hard-working Idahoans. According to the House Ways and Means Committee, a four-person family in Idaho's First Congressional District making the median household income will receive a tax cut of \$2,102 this year. An individual will pay \$1,258 less.

On top of that, almost 300 employers have been spurred by the tax cuts to implement a wide range of benefits for three million American workers, including wage and salary increases, bonuses, or 401(k) match increases, according to Americans for Tax Reform.

Thanks in part to changes in the tax rate, companies are making lasting commitments to invest in America. Exxon-Mobil is investing more than \$50 billion. Pfizer says it will spend \$5 billion on capital projects, FedEx is adding \$3.2 billion, and Starbucks earmarked more than \$250 million for employee wages and benefits.

Dozens of businesses that employ Idahoans have made similar announcements, including Ball Ventures, Home Depot, Wells Fargo, Washington Federal and Melaleuca. Melaleuca CEO Frank VanderSloot said his 2,000 workers are getting a one-time bonus of \$100 for every year they have worked at his company. Of those 2,000 workers, 147 have worked there for

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Term expires 2018



at least 20 years.

Washington Federal announced that it would add an additional tech office in Boise. Walmart, which employs about 7,900 Idahoans, is raising the starting wage for hourly workers to \$11, expanding benefits and providing bonuses of up to \$1,000. AT&T, with about 1,100 Idaho employees, is investing \$1 billion this year and paying workers a \$1,000 bonus.

Unfortunately some who opposed tax relief and want the president to fail have turned their noses up at the good news, among them House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi, who called the increases "crumbs."

But the fact is the tax bill is doing what we said it would, letting workers keep more of their hard-earned pay and stimulating growth. Citing the tax cuts, the International Monetary Fund boosted its estimate for 2018 growth in the U.S. to 2.7 percent, up from 2.3 percent.

— See *Growth*, Page 7B

Commentary

Financial management

Rent-to-own deals designed to keep people in debt

Dear Dave,
Is it OK to buy something using a rent-to-own plan?
— Josh

Dear Josh,
I advise against rent-to-own deals. Rent-to-own places get people in the door with promises of low monthly or weekly payments. But when it comes to rent-to-own furniture, washer and dryer sets, and that kind of thing, you'll end up paying much, much more than if you saved up and bought the item outright. The amount you'll pay out-of-pocket is even more ridiculous if you compare it to buying the same item, slightly used, somewhere else. I don't recommend rent-to-own scenarios when it comes to buying a home, either. Most

of those offerings are listed at full retail price and then some. Plus, the contracts are tilted toward the seller's side of the equation. And very few people who sign a rent-to-own home deal follow through and become homeowners. When it comes to real estate deals, the only thing I would consider — other than an outright cash purchase — is leasing with an option to buy. That's different than rent-to-own, because in a rent-to-own situation you've committed to purchase. On a lease with an option to buy deal, you have the *right* to purchase, but not the obligation. Josh, most of the people who use rent-to-own deals are not in good financial shape. They're deeply in debt, and they have



no money. Rent-to-own ensures they'll stay there.
— Dave
Dear Dave,
I'm looking at long-term disability insurance policies.

What does the term "elimination period" mean?
— Glen
Dear Glen,
The elimination period is, by definition, the time from the point you're declared disabled by a doctor until you begin receiving payments from the insurance company. If you have a 90-day elimination period, it will be about that long from the time you're officially declared disabled until you see your first check. I recommend 90- to 180-day elimination periods, depending on what kind of financial shape you're in, and how much money you have stashed away in savings, investments, and your emergency fund. If you have a fully loaded emergency

fund of three to six months of expenses — and you have little or no debt, plus other money stashed away — you should be able to carry a policy with a longer elimination period. And remember, the longer the elimination period, the lower your premiums will be. Hope this helps, Glen!
— Dave
— Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including *The Total Money Makeover*. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 13 million listeners each week on 585 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at [@DaveRamsey](https://twitter.com/DaveRamsey).

Electrical infrastructure

B2H power line will bring multiple benefits to entire region

Recently, there has been an uptick in letters to the editor about Idaho Power's Boardman-to-Hemingway (B2H) transmission line project. While we want the public to share their opinions, Idaho Power also wants the information shared to be accurate and fair. Transmission lines provide flexibility to balance regional energy needs. They are designed to handle any type of power generation and provide the ability to economically serve customer demand over large geographic areas. B2H is a low-cost option to serve Idaho Power customers, including about 19,000 in Oregon.



Mitch Colburn

Analysis shows the need for B2H to provide energy to customers is still strong. The B2H project was initiated in 2007, after first being identified as a cost-effective option in Idaho Power's 2006 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). The yearlong IRP process is thorough and transparent, and involves members of the public who devote months of hard work to the end result. Over the past decade, there has been much analysis and collaboration between B2H stakeholders to determine a line route that minimizes impacts. These stakeholders include farmers, ranchers, local and state

governments and those interested in preserving the Oregon Trail. We see these collaborative conversations continuing, even though the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has approved us to site the line on the public land it manages. We are committed to minimizing any visual impacts from B2H. The right-of-way will be 250 feet at its widest only, and some towers allow us to be as narrow as 150 feet in some locations. The average tower height will be around 140 feet. In some areas, we expect to use alternative tower types to mitigate visual impact to the Oregon Trail. We have worked to limit the number of new roads we need to build. In fact, more than half of the necessary access will use existing roads. We're making every effort to minimize the crossings of active creeks and streams, especially those that are habitat for salmon and trout. In analyzing the need for a new resource to serve customers, we considered many options, including distributed generation (such as roof-top solar), demand-reduction and energy efficiency. These options can supplement B2H, and we're willing and able to use those resources. But the reality is those small-scale sources are not able to replace the benefits of a 1,050-megawatt transmission line. Building and operating B2H will cost money. Idaho

Power is a publicly held company, and does provide its shareholders a return on their investment — just like businesses all over the world. However, our mission as a company is to ensure our customers have the energy they need, 24/7. Idaho Power and our regional project partners, Bonneville Power Administration and PacifiCorp, are building B2H to serve our customers. Those customers will ultimately pay for this project that benefits them. That is something we've always been very transparent about. The cost estimate for B2H is \$1 billion to \$1.2 billion. However, Idaho Power currently only has a 21 percent stake in the project, meaning that our customers — including those we serve in Oregon — will not see anywhere near \$1.2 billion total reflected in their energy prices. Customers expect safe, reliable, low-cost electrical power whenever they need it, and that requires infrastructure. The existing system does not have enough capacity for periods of high demand, or to reliably and economically serve future customer needs. Fortunately, there is a solution in B2H, which will ensure customers have reliable, responsible, fair-priced energy for decades to come.
— Mitch Colburn is Idaho Power's resource planning and operations director. Learn more about the B2H project at boardmantohemingway.com.

✓ Growth: Trump presidency already has triggered stock market expansion

From Page 6B
In the month following the passage of tax cuts, the Dow Jones Industrial Average went up about 1,500 points, reaching the 26,000 mark for the first time. During the president's first year in office, the Dow rose 31 percent — the best annual gain of any president since Franklin Roosevelt. And while U.S. unemployment is at a 17-year low, we have every reason to believe that job growth will accelerate as consumer confidence rises thanks to expectations for a better economy, according to The Conference Board.

Despite the attempts of Pelosi and others, the popularity of the new tax law is quickly rising as Americans begin to see the benefits to their families. A new NPR/PBS NewsHour/Marist poll shows a remarkable 21-point swing between December and January. To help you learn how the bill benefits your family, check out the New York Times Tax Bill Calculator. For more information, you may read the House and Senate Conference Committee Report on the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. I hope you'll join me in expressing optimism about

our economy. History is on our side. Major tax relief laws passed under Presidents Kennedy, Reagan, and George W. Bush were followed by significant job creation, stronger growth, and even higher tax revenue. I expect a similar impact from the 2017 bill.
— Republican Raúl Labrador has held the Idaho First District U.S. House of Representatives seat since 2011. He will be leaving the House this year. He's seeking the Republican nomination to become the next Idaho governor.

Sports

Even after loss, Trojans have inside track to No. 2 seed

HHS boys close at home vs. Parma on Friday

The Homedale High School boys' basketball team kept last week's home game with Payette close start to finish. But a late foul gave the Pirates crucial free throws. Post Colton Lewis knocked down two foul shots with 2.3 seconds left for a 52-51 3A Snake River Valley conference victory.

Lewis got to the line after drawing a foul from Trojans senior Scott Matlock. "We seemed to have a defensive breakdown in that last possession," second-year HHS coach Chad Mann said.

Homedale (9-10 overall, 3-3 in conference) owns a half-game lead over Weiser for the No. 2 seed. The Trojans travel to face 3A SRV leader Fruitland today then close the conference season at home against Parma.

Mann said Homedale possesses the tiebreaker against Weiser, and the Trojans need only one win in their final two games to sew up the No. 2 seed. If Homedale loses to Fruitland, Parma has to get a margin of victory greater than six points over the Trojans to steal second place.

Against Payette, Homedale grabbed a late lead, 51-50, after Carson Brown drew a hard foul. The junior guard converted one of two free throws to snap the 50-50 stalemate.

The Trojans had scrambled back from a 41-38 deficit after three quarters.

Sophomore guard Nelson Lomeli's three-pointer tied the score, 46-46, with 3:30 left in the game.

Lomeli and Lewis led the scoring for their respective teams with 20 each.

Homedale saw a strong first half from junior guard Mason



Homedale sophomore guard Nelson Lomeli elevates for a layup in the second half against Payette. Junior guard Carson Brown (1) trails Lomeli on the fast-break play.

Kincheloe, who dropped in 10 of his 12 total points in the first 16 minutes.

The score was tied 12-12 after the first quarter, and Homedale went into the locker room trailing, 29-25.

Matlock had to sit for a spell in the first quarter. The

Trojans' big man appeared to injure himself just a few minutes into the game.

According to Mann, Matlock "just slightly rolled his ankle." The senior's minutes were not substantially affected.

Payette senior wing Bryant Gerdes notched 11 points.



Homedale junior guard Alex Grant tosses an off-balance layup attempt at the glass during the second half of Friday's district semifinal.

✓ HHS girls: Turnovers stymie Trojans' shots at win

From Page 1B
championship game for the 3A District III's second berth into the state tournament at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday at TVCC.

Fruitland and Homedale locked into a defensive struggle for most of Friday's semifinal, but that doesn't mean the Trojans didn't have their chances.

Several ill-advised passes prevented Homedale from capitalizing on Fruitland's sputtering offense. The Trojans couldn't get many second chances at the rim while shooting 20.5 percent (9-for-44) on the night.

In the game's final seconds, Homedale committed passing and dribbling mistakes to end crucial possessions.

"We get going so fast sometimes," Betancourt said of Homedale's fast-break offense. "We just get going too fast with our feet then mentally we get in too much of a hurry."

Homedale took its first lead of the game, 23-21, on Alex Grant's three-pointer with 12.4 seconds left in the third quarter.

The Trojans had the lead again with less than three minutes to go when Faith Jacobson hit two free throws. The senior guard had been fouled after dribbling coast-to-coast with a defensive rebound. Moments earlier, Amaya Carter hit a baseline jump shot to tie the score.

Carter lost the ball out of bounds on a similar play later in the quarter, but Betancourt said his play-calling lapse put

the junior out of position.

"I love her aggression because of her size and I love her athleticism," the coach said. "Where she put the ball out on the baseline, that was bad on my part because we have to give her a chance to come off the top of the key and drive."

Carter and fellow starting post Jayci Swallow played despite being drained by illness.

"Jayci gave it all she could, but you could tell she could only go in short spurts," Betancourt said.

The Grizzlies took the lead for good on Madi Pedracini's free throws with 1:51 remaining. Fruitland scored the game's final seven points from the foul line.

Neither team shot well, and with few fouls being called in the first half, the Grizzlies worked hard to hang on to the advantage.

Lilly Richins scored five of her game-high 11 points in quick succession to give Fruitland an 11-4 lead with 1 minute, 10 seconds left in the first quarter.

But Homedale held Fruitland to two points in the second quarter and closed the first half on a 7-0 run. The Trojans pulled to within a point, 13-12, on Alex Grant's driving underhanded layup with 3.2 seconds remaining.

Junior post Josey Hall led Homedale with eight points, while Grant and Jacobson chipped in five.

— JPB

Cake auction set for HHS boys' senior night

Homedale High School's annual senior class cake auction fundraiser will be held Friday.

The auction will be held at halftime of the boys' basketball varsity game against Parma. The game tips off at 7:30 p.m.

Got news?

Call us with community events, happenings or questions: (208) 337-4681

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
20381State 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 9th 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

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 31st 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 TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV37-18-0004 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE MAGISTRATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of EDITH JANE SUTER, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JANICE MARIE WOODS has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased

are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must both be presented to the Personal Representative of the Estate at the law offices of White, Peterson, Gigray & Nichols, P.A., 5700 East Franklin Road, Suite 200, Nampa, Idaho 83687, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

Dated this 26th day of January, 2018.

./s/: Wm. F. Gigray, III
Attorneys for Personal Representative
./s/: Janice Marie Woods
Personal Representative
2/7,14,21/2018

NOTICE OF CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT

The following Notice of Claim and Motion for Determination of Deferred De Minimis Domestic or Stock Water Use to a water right has been filed in the Snake River Basin Adjudication. Note that the place of use is in Owyhee County is shown to the nearest section -- more specific locations are available upon request.

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 S10 SESW (2)
PURPOSE OF USE: STOCKWATER
PLACE OF USE: T04S R05W S10 SESW

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
1/24/31,2/7/2018

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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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Water Right: 55-13933

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 SWSW

PURPOSE OF USE: STOCKWATER
PLACE OF USE: T04S R05W S10 SWSW

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Water Right: 55-13934

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 S15 NENW
PURPOSE OF USE: STOCKWATER
PLACE OF USE: T04S R05W S15 NENW

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1/24/31,2/7/2018

BRAND INSPECTOR’S NOTICE

Pursuant to Idaho Code 25-2301, the State Brand Inspector is holding one black cow found in Oreana. She will be sold on Friday 2/16/18 at Treasure Valley Livestock Auction. May be claimed with proof of ownership and paying all expenses. 208-459-4231
2/7,2/14/2018

Life’s milestones

The Owyhee Avalanche welcomes any news of engagements, weddings and births or announcements of significant birthdays or anniversaries. Photos are accepted, too. Announcements must be received by 5 p.m. Friday the week before publication.

There are numerous ways to get your information to the Avalanche:
Mail — P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628
Fax — (208) 337-4867
E-mail — jon@owyheeavalanche.com
Drop off — 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale

Call (208) 337-4681 for more information on guidelines, including e-mailed photos.

The Owyhee Avalanche

Public notices

Classifieds

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 may 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: Q3I032812 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

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
Trustee’s Sale No. ID-LTE-18002921

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on June 5, 2018, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, ON THE STEPS OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED AT THE CORNER

OF HIGHWAY 78 AND HAILEY STREET, MURPHY, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the “Property”), situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, to-wit:

In Township 4 South, Range 1 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho
Section 28: Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter lying North of the County Road as now constructed

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 18080 SHORT CUT ROAD , MURPHY, ID 83650, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by JULIE MAGEE, as Grantor, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF CANYON COUNTY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of DAVID PUTNAM, AN UNMARRIED MAN AND THOMAS T. NICHOLSON AND DIANE RAE NICHOLSON, as Beneficiary, dated 3/13/2014, recorded 3/24/2014, under Instrument No. 283533, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by DAVID PUTNAM, AN UNMARRIED MAN AND THOMAS T. NICHOLSON AND DIANE RAE NICHOLSON.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 3/13/2014, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 10/11/2017 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH.

All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$308,436.77, together with interest thereon at 6.500% per annum from 9/11/2017, until paid.

The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same.

DATED: 1/24/2018.
/s/: Deborrah Duncan, Assistant Secretary, for Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender, 8151 W. Rifleman Street, Boise, ID 83704 Phone: 888-342-2510 2/7,14,21,28/2018

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Sports

Mustangs await seeding fate

Jordan Valley High School has done all it can do in its quest for a top seed in the boys' basketball district tournament.

The Mustangs swept their final two games in the 1A High Desert League season, ending up at the top of the heap — for now.

"The boys played good this weekend on both ends of the floor," Jordan Valley coach Clint Fillmore said.

Jordan Valley (18-3 overall, 9-1 in league) routed Huntington (66-38) and Harper Charter (79-41), but the Mustangs still need some help if they are going to have the No. 1 seed when the 1A District 8 Tournament begins in John Day, Ore., on Thursday, Feb. 15.

Prairie City must lose both of its remaining league games this week in order for Jordan Valley to get the top seed. The Panthers handed the Mustangs their only loss of the league season, 57-46, on Jan. 26 to secure the tiebreaker for the top seed.

Saturday: Jordan Val-

ley 79, Harper Charter 41 — The Mustangs scored 22 points in each of the game's first three quarters, and held a 44-19 halftime edge after Chase Fillmore had scored 19 of his 23 points.

Fillmore had three three-point goals in the first half, and Chase Easterday came off the bench to drilled three treys in the fourth quarter.

Zeke Quintero had a first-quarter three-pointer to start a 17-point night. He also carded six rebounds.

Kirk Eiguren scored 10 of his 16 points to start the second half and snagged nine rebounds.

Garrett Fisher scored 13 points for the Hornets

Friday: Jordan Valley 66, Huntington 38 — Fillmore and Eiguren led a second-quarter charge that helped the Mustangs gain control against the pesky Locomotives.

"Huntington played well," Clint Fillmore said. "They shot the ball good and played good D."

"They are a team that will

try you if you don't give a good effort, but the boys finally got going."

In the second quarter, Chase Fillmore scored seven points and Eiguren added five as the Mustangs surged ahead to an eight-point halftime lead after the teams played to a 14-14 stalemate after eight minutes.

Fillmore connected on half of his six three-pointers in the first quarter and led all scorers with 30 points. He also pulled down 11 rebounds.

Eiguren put the finishing touches on a 22-point performance with 13 points in the fourth quarter. He was 4-for-5 from the foul line and registered 10 boards.

Wade Stanford scored four points in the third quarter as Jordan Valley forged a 14-point lead.

Eugene Evans scored all six points in Huntington's fourth quarter and finished with a co-team-high 10 points with Duha Ersoy, who nailed two three-pointers in the second quarter.



Jordan Valley senior Kirk Eiguren (23) soars in for a floating jump shot against Huntington. Submitted photo

✓ State: Almunas Jewett also helped JV team win conference tournament

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Columbia High School in Nampa.

Varela hit a pair of free throws to pull the Raiders to within a point with 2 minutes left. She was 4-for-5 from the foul line and led the team with 15 points.

MacMillan hit her only field goal of the game — a layup — 50 seconds later to push Rimrock out front for good.

"We went full-court, full-man (defense) after that," Jewett said. "That was the longest 1 minute, 10 seconds of the girls' lives."

The dramatic ending mirrored the rest of the contest.

"It was back-and-forth the whole game," Jewett said. "It came down to time and who could put together a run."

"I kept telling the girls to believe and we could get there, and to keep the state tournament in mind."

Cheyenne Stewart scored 10 points for No. 2 Notus (17-4 before Tuesday's loser-out game against Victory Charter after deadline).

Now that the state tournament berth business is out of the way, the Raiders have a shot at the district championship.

The tournament final will be



Rimrock girls' basketball junior varsity team won the 1A Western Idaho Conference tournament championship at home on Jan. 27. **From left:** Coach Kyla Jewett, freshmen Sami Jewett, Abby Eldridge, Mattie Draper, Emma Eldridge, Laney Jenkins, and Madison Macmillan, sophomores Heidi Pearson and Taylor Magers, and freshman Sintia Varela, and coach Teresa Fredell. The Rock, Rimrock Journalism photo

played at 7 p.m. on Thursday in Parma against No. 1 seed Liberty Charter. The Patriots (17-6) beat Ambrose, 32-17, in Saturday's other semifinal.

Rimrock gave Liberty Charter one of its biggest challenges of the conference season in a 30-27 loss in Nampa on Jan. 19.

That's the Raiders' only loss in the past 10 games.

Rimrock has shown a penchant for bouncing back from losses this season.

The team edged Notus, 42-38, in a November non-conference game only to lose the conference contest with the Pirates, 46-34, on Dec. 15.

"They wanted to go and just beat Notus," Jewett said. "Notus was our first conference loss of the season, and that hit

home hard."

Jewett succeeded Bobby-Jean Colyer as Raiders coach prior to the 2017-18 season. Colyer was at the helm when Jewett played in a pair of state tournaments as a junior and senior. The Raiders were 0-2 in both their stays.

After graduation, Jewett spent a season at Treasure Valley Community College

before she gave birth to daughter Teegan, who will turn 2 in March.

With her playing career over, Jewett returned to Owyhee County and began coaching. She coached the Rimrock Jr. High team in 2015-16 and was a junior varsity assistant last year.

— JPB