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CHILI ON A CHILLY MORNING



New sheriff chef in town

Filling in for colleague Jeff Wasson, who typically cooks up the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office entry, Deputy Larry Kendrick works on elements of his red chili during Saturday's eighth annual Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire House Chili Cook-off in Murphy. Find out whose recipes wowed the judges with photos of the winners and sights from the Owyhee County Historical Museum's spring bazaar on **Page 8A**

Lawmakers: Ranchers protected state's sovereignty in stock water fight

Blanksma's
proclamation
urges relief for
Nettleton, Lowry

It's now up to four men to decide whether two Owyhee County ranchers will get help paying the bill they racked up protecting their colleagues' livelihood and the state's

sovereignty.

Both houses of the Idaho Legislature approved House Proclamation 1 last week, urging the Constitutional Defense Fund Council to use \$600,000 from the fund to pay off the ranch mortgages Paul Nettleton and Tim Lowry had to take out to pay attorneys after beating the U.S. government in an Idaho State Supreme Court case.

— See *Water*, page 5A

Irrigation turn-on date still up in the air

Joint Board
delays decision,
hopes for storm

Area growers are still in a holding pattern as water managers wait for one more storm.

South Board of Control manager John Eells said Monday that the Joint Board could decide on a tentative turn-in date during a Friday

meeting.

Eells said water could start spilling into the system out of the Owyhee Reservoir as early as Monday, but he didn't rule out turn-in on April 9 or April 16, either.

Irrigation orders wouldn't be available for a couple days after that, and Eells prefers to turn on the Snake River portion of the system once there is water available to prime the

— See *Irrigation*, page 5A

Marsing pastor to lead Lizard Butte sunrise service again

81st annual
Easter event
slated Sunday

Billed as the oldest event of its kind in the Pacific Northwest, the 81st annual Lizard Butte Easter Sunrise

service takes place Sunday morning.

Marsing Church of the Nazarene pastor Bill O'Connor will serve as guest speaker for the third time since 2002.

The program begins at 7:15 a.m. on Lizard Butte, which is located of Idaho

highway 55 on Symms Road just north of Marsing.

Sister's Promise, a ladies trio, will provide special music. The group is comprised of Margaret Witt, Donna Hayes and Elaine Hey. The women

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Sisters Promise (from left) Margaret Witt, Donna Hayes, and Elaine Hey will perform special music at Sunday's sunrise service. Submitted photo



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Risch salutes Colyers' family cattle business

Senator names Bruneau firm small business of month

A long-standing Bruneau cattle operation will be recognized in the Congressional Record of the U.S. Senate.

Colyer Herefords and Angus Ranch has been named the March Small Business of the Month for March. Sen. Jim Risch (R-Idaho), chairman of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, made the selection.

"It is my pleasure to recognize Colyer Herefords and Angus Ranch as Small Business of the Month," Risch said. "Over the past 42 years, this family-owned business has maintained an exceptional product, while incorporating new innovations into their business model and displaying dedication to the quality of service they provide their customers.

"Apart from Colyer's commitment to their product, their commitment to Bruneau and to the entire cattle community in Idaho is evidenced by the family's numerous service and volunteer efforts. I know I speak for many in saying they are a prime example of the American entrepreneurial spirit and are highly deserving of this recognition."

Founded by Ray and Bonnie Colyer, Colyer Herefords and Angus Ranch has been a family-run operation for many decades.

Ray and Bonnie's son Guy and grandson Kyle currently manage 250 registered Hereford cows and 60 replacement heifers on the ranch.

Ray and Bonnie also added

an Angus cattle herd to the ranch as a response to their commercial customer needs for a type of cattle uniquely suited to Idaho's environment.

The ranch has adapted a number of innovative technologies to help select the finest bulls and sires to breed superior cattle for their customers, including ultrasound, DNA markers, herd management software, and embryo transplants.

Several members of the family serve as volunteer emergency first-responders in the Bruneau area. Guy is a member of several local and national cattle associations, including the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association, the Idaho Cattle Association, and the National Cattleman's Beef Association. He also serves on the board of directors of the American Hereford Association.

Guy and his wife Sherry have also served as advisors for the American Junior Hereford Association to help mentor the next generation of ranchers.

Among Kyle's public service endeavors is volunteering as auctioneer for the Bruneau Booster Club's community auction, which is held each February.

— *The Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship oversees proposed legislation on matters relating to entrepreneurship and provides oversight of the Small Business Administration. The committee also researches, investigates and reports all problems relating to America's small businesses to the full Senate. As chairman, Risch honors America's small businesses and entrepreneurs in the Senate each month.*

Children get ready for several Easter egg hunts around area

Events planned Saturday, Sunday at various locations

Easter egg hunts are planned this weekend, promising entertainment and prizes for local children.

Homedale — The Chamber of Commerce will host its annual Easter Egg Hunt beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday at Sundance Park on South 1st Street West.

Chamber president Gavin Parker suggests participants arrive at 9:45 so they can get to the appropriate area.

Children will be split into four different groups: ages 2 and younger, 3- and 4-year-olds, 5- to 8-year-olds, and those 9 and older.

An on-duty Homedale Police officer will signal the start of the hunt.

There will be signs at Sundance to point children and their parents to the correct location for their age group.

This year, 2,200 plastic eggs, donated by Albertsons, will be filled with chocolate and other candies. The Chamber of Commerce has purchased all the candy, Parker said.

"In the past, this event has been a part of high school students senior projects, but that's not happening this year," Parker said. "We would gladly accept help from the community to fill the eggs."

Any community members who wish to help the Chamber fill the eggs can call Parker at

(208) 337-3271.

Marsing Lions — The high school football field will be sectioned off Saturday for a series of Easter egg hunts sponsored by the Marsing Lions Club.

The action starts at 10 a.m., and each age group will be able to go out on the hunt in their section of the field on their own. Age groups include:

- 2- to 3-year-olds, which is the only age group in which adults are allowed to help
- 3- to 4-year-olds
- Kindergarteners
- First- and second-graders
- Third- and fourth-graders

The Easter bunny will be on hand to start each hunt.

Prizes will be available in some of the eggs, and Logan's Market has donated two Easter baskets for each of the five age groups.

The Lions Club also will sell breakfast burritos with coffee, orange juice or milk. The cost is \$4 a burrito and a drink. Proceeds are used to put on the Easter egg hunt.

Grand View Lions — As usual, the Grand View Lions Club's hunt will be held at City Park and at the Eastern Owyhee County Library. The excitement gets under way at 10 a.m., and is open to toddlers through fifth-graders.

Boys and girls ages 1 to 4 will hunt eggs at the library, while the bigger children will have their fun at the park.

All participants will on the lookout for candy-filled eggs. There also are some eggs filled with prizes, Lions Club

member Dixie McDaniel said.

The Easter bunny will give each child a goodie bag filled with candy and a toothbrush.

Bruneau Canyon 4-H — The club's annual Easter egg hunt for the community's children will start at 10 a.m. The club members will hide 1,200 dyed, hard-boiled eggs on the Bruneau Elementary School grounds.

Jordan Valley FFA — The chapter's annual Easter egg hunt and appreciation breakfast takes place Saturday at the high school. Breakfast will be served at 10 a.m., and the hunt stars at 10:30 a.m.

Marsing Assembly of God — The church will celebrate the Savior with several events Sunday. The public is welcome.

The church is located a 139 Kerry St.

Breakfast will be served from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

An Easter egg hunt will be conducted from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

The church's Easter Sunday service will begin at 11 a.m.

For more information, call the church at (208) 965-1650.

Church in the Dirt, Homedale — The special Easter service at the Tango Saloon on U.S. Highway 95 will begin with coffee and doughnuts at 9:30 a.m. The church service will be held at 10 a.m., and Easter egg hunts will follow. In addition to the children's Easter egg hunt, there will be an egg hunt for teenagers in which a top prize of a \$100 bill will be hidden.

Homedale church organizes Good Friday potluck

First Presbyterian Church in Homedale will play host to a Good Friday potluck at noon.

Bring your favorite dish to share.

The church is located at 320 N. 6th St. W., in Homedale. Call (208) 337-3060 for more information.

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✓ **Sunrise:** Service will be broadcast to parking lot on FM

have been singing as a trio for about five years, but they've also performed solo work for several years.

O'Connor will deliver a sermon titled "An April Fools Easter."

The vice-president of the Lizard Butte Sunrise Association, O'Connor also delivered the Sunrise message in 2002 and 2009.

He has been active with the Sunrise Association since arriving in Marsing in August 2001.

The Lizard Butte Easter Sunrise service has been held continuously since 1938. Heavy wind and rains created impassable muddy conditions that forced organizers to cancel the event in 1989 and 2007.

The service will follow a format similar to what has been carried out for the past eight decades.

As the sun rises in the east, the service will begin with a bugle call and the appearance of two angels at the foot of the concrete cross.

After "The Old Rugged Cross" is sung, and a passage from Matthew read, Sisters Promise will present special music before O'Connor's sermon.

The hymn "Christ Arose" will be sung as the service comes to an end.

The event attracts between 1,200 and 1,500 people each year. Visitors have come from as far away as North Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and occasionally from other parts of the United States.

The Sunrise Association is comprised of about 16 volunteers representing several different churches and multiple denominations from across the Treasure Valley.

Patrons should dress warmly for protection against the chilly morning. They can bring blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy the service.

Parking is located off Symms Road, directly below the butte. Caldwell Scout Troop 276 have been directing parking for the past 34 years.

Canyon County Sheriff's deputies have assisted with traffic control for years.

For the past few years, there has been a courtesy car available to take the handicapped from the parking lot to the platform area.

This year, the association has purchased an FM radio transmitter to broadcast the

service, so folks who are unable to climb the hill can listen on their car radio.

The platform on the butte is refurbished annually by the Job Corps, and for the past three years, the Sunrise Association has continued efforts to construct an all-steel roof over the platform area.

About \$12,000 of estimated project cost (\$18,000 to \$20,000) has been raised. Donations, including

tax-deductible corporate sponsorships, can be arranged at Sunday's service.

More information on the fundraising effort is available by emailing association officials at lizardbuttesunrise@yahoo.com.

An architect's rendering of the planning group's preferred structure will be on display at Sunday's service.

The first service was held from a temporary wooden platform constructed on the

slope of the butte, with the hillside being roughly terraced for seating.

A wooden cross stood at the highest point of the bowl shaped lava flow. After vandals burned the original cross, a reinforced concrete cross that still stands today was built.

The cross is lighted for one week prior to Easter, courtesy of Idaho Power, and can be seen for miles at night when the weather is clear.

Other Easter Sunday services

Church in the Dirt, Homedale — 10 a.m. service preceded by coffee and doughnuts and followed by Easter egg hunts. Tango Saloon, U.S. Highway 95

Assembly of God, Marsing — 11 a.m. service preceded by breakfast (8:30 a.m.) and an Easter egg hunt (10 a.m.). 139 Kerry St., (208) 965-1650

Homedale Calvary Fellowship — 10 a.m. service, 71 W. Idaho Ave.

Find out *What's happening* Read Calendar each week in the Avalanche

81st Annual
**EASTER
 SUNRISE SERVICE**
 Sunday, April 1, 7:15 a.m.
 On Lizard Butte
 Just Outside of Marsing
 Bring a blanket or lawn chairs for comfortable seating.



The four Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency students who are now National Technical Honor Society members, from left, Marisa Adame from Wilder High School, Cortnee Smith from Homedale High, Thalia Blanco from Parma High, and Carlos Castaneda from Wilder. Submitted photo

HHS senior among National Technical Honor students

Four students enrolled with Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency (COSSA) have earned admission to the National Technical Honor Society.

Among these four students is Homedale High School senior Cortnee Smith.

Also honored were Marissa Adame and Carlos Castaneda from Wilder, and Thalia Blanco from Parma.

COSSA chief executive officer Dr. Harold Nevill addressed dozens of students in a ceremony last Wednesday at

the Wilder campus, announcing the honorees and awarding certificates.

According to training coordinator Deb Downing, NTHS is an organization that recognizes academic achievements, leadership, and promotes academic excellence, enhances career opportunities and awards scholarships to participants.

Students must meet high academic criteria, maintaining a 3.5 grade-point average in their career and technical program of study, and a 3.0 GPA

overall.

Smith is studying to become a nurse and is a member of the Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA).

Eligible students must also participate in a student organization, have an excellent attendance record and no discipline issues.

Additionally, they must submit two letters of recommendation, including one from their career and technical teacher and one from their home school administrator or counselor.

Art in the Park returning to Homedale in June

Homedale Art in the Park will return to Bette Uda City Park in late spring.

More than 50 vendors showed their wares during last year's event.

Organizer Susan Mansidor has announced that the 2018 Art in the Park will take place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Saturday, June 9.

The event will feature local

crafters, artisans and entertainers, according to a flyer.

Products for sale will include homemade items, wood crafts, jewelry, home décor, hand-sewn items and many other crafty products.

For more information, search Homedale Art in the Park on Facebook or visit the event's website at www.HomedaleArtinthePark.com.

Rough Riders 4-H'ers plan bake sale to prepare for fair

The Owyhee Ruff Riders 4-H club will pay for its fair entry fees with proceeds from a bake sale.

The sale will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday at Logan's Market on the corner of Main Street and 8th Avenue West in Marsing.

Some of the fare that will be available includes rice crispy

treats, brownies and several varieties of cookies.

Money raised at the bake sale will be used to pay the club members' entry fees for the Owyhee County Fair, which will be held Aug. 6-11 in Homedale.

— Club reporter Hailey Andrus provided the information for this news brief.

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School menus

Homedale Elementary

Veggie bar, fruit bar, and choice of milk and juice available each day

March 28-29: Spring break, no school
 April 2: **Breakfast:** Chocolate chip muffin, string cheese, peaches **Lunch:** Hamburger, French fries
 April 3: **Breakfast:** Cherry frudel, yogurt, applesauce **Lunch:** Chicken drumstick, mixed vegetables, hot roll
 April 4: **Breakfast:** Maple brown sugar bar, string cheese, pears **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie
 April 5: **Breakfast:** Large breakfast round, applesauce **Lunch:** Cheese pizza ripper, tossed salad

Homedale Middle

Fruit & salad bar, choice of milk and juice available each day

March 28-29: Spring break, no school
 April 2: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza or cereal, fresh apple **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken or hamburger, baked beans
 April 3: **Breakfast:** Waffle sticks or cereal, yogurt, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Sloppy Joe or Rib-B-Que, green beans
 April 4: **Breakfast:** Muffin or cereal, string cheese, pears **Lunch:** Pork chop or chicken tenders, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, hot roll
 April 5: **Breakfast:** Donut or cereal, yogurt, peaches **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza ripper or PB&J sandwich, tossed salad, cookie

Homedale High

Salad, fruit choice and choice of milk and juice available each day

March 28-29: Spring break, no school
 April 2: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick or frudel or cereal, yogurt **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza ripper or BBQ chicken ranch wrap, potato chips
 April 3: **Breakfast:** Bagel w/cream cheese or breakfast sandwich or cereal, yogurt **Lunch:** Beef taco or burrito, corn
 April 4: **Breakfast:** Breakfast boat or maple breakfast sandwich or cereal, yogurt **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice, egg roll or PB&J stacker, pork & beans, fortune cookie
 April 5: **Breakfast:** Donut or yogurt parfait or cereal, string cheese **Lunch:** Nachos or chef salad-grab n'go, cookie

Marsing Elementary

Veggie bar, fruit bar and choice of milk available each day

March 28-29: Spring break, no school
 April 2: Chicken sandwich, green beans or PB&J, green beans, snicker doodle cookie
 April 3: Beef taco, refried beans, Spanish rice or PB&J, carrot sticks
 April 4: Tater tot casserole, whole wheat roll, buttered corn or PB&J, buttered corn
 April 5: Cheese burger, seasoned fried or PB&J, seasoned fries

Marsing Middle/High

Veggie bar, fruit bar and choice of milk available each day

March 28-29: Spring break, no school
 April 2: Chicken sandwich, green beans or Philly sandwich, green beans, snicker doodle cookie
 April 3: Beef tacos, refried beans, Spanish rice
 April 4: Tater tot casserole, whole wheat roll, buttered corn or meatloaf sandwich, buttered corn
 April 5: Cheese burger, seasoned fries

Bruneau/Grand View

Milk and fruit offered daily

March 28: **Breakfast:** Pancakes & egg patty **Lunch:** Taco salad, whole grain tortilla chips, refried beans/salsa
 March 29: **Breakfast:** Biscuit & jelly **Lunch:** Chicken patty on a bun, potato wedges, baby carrots

From page 1A

✓ Water: A decision could be months off, if council even decides to take up the issue

The state Senate passed HP 1 by a 28-6 vote Thursday morning.

"Next we find out if and when the Constitutional Defense Fund Council will meet to discuss the issue. Hopefully the meeting will happen in the next few months, but that is probably best-case scenario," proclamation sponsor Dist. 23B Rep. Megan Blanksma (R-Hammett) wrote in an email.

"They could choose not to take up the issue even with the proclamation, but the proclamation puts us one step closer."

Blanksma presented the proclamation to the Senate State Affairs Committee early last week after the House had passed the document with a voice vote on March 19.

The Constitutional Defense Fund Council is comprised of Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter, Attorney General Lawrence Wasden, Senate president pro tem Brent Hill (R-Rexburg), and Speaker of the House Scott Bedke (R-Oakley).

Dist. 23 Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson) spoke on the chamber floor when the Senate took up the proclamation.

Afterward, he handicapped a possible Constitutional Defense Fund Council vote.

"It's assumed that the attorney general will be against

it, and the pro tem voted for it (Thursday)," Brackett said. "The governor is all-in on it. He's a very strong supporter."

Originally, it was thought Bedke might recuse himself from the vote because he is a rancher who would benefit from the court ruling. In fact, he yielded the lead of the March 19 debate in the House.

Brackett figures, even if Bedke recuses himself, a vote would go the ranchers' way, 2-1.

A press release issued from Brackett's office after the Senate vote asserts that reimbursing the ranchers would rectify the state's missteps 20 years ago.

"... the state was complicit in awarding BLM the stock water rights when they did not own any livestock. Therefore, they denied stockmen, who own livestock, the right to make a beneficial use claim for stock water," the release states. "The state was culpable when the mistake was made of awarding BLM the stock water rights."

The LU Ranching Co.-Joyce Livestock victory against the Bureau of Land Management upheld the beneficial use clause of Idaho water law that the Idaho Department of Water Resources and state attorney general's office had ignored when recommending

that the Snake River Basin Adjudication special master give the BLM a stock water right based on the 1934 Taylor Grazing Act passage date rather than the 19th century dates when both families had begun using water to support their cattle operations.

Nettleton and Lowry filed suit after the 1997 SRBA decision and won their litigation a decade later. While siding with the ranchers, though, the state Supreme Court said the men weren't entitled to attorneys' fees relief based on the Equal Access for Justice Act because the case, although filed against the federal government, was heard in state court. The state court also denied attorneys' fees because the justices said the federal government's assertion was not frivolous.

Nettleton and Lowry were left with legal bills of \$1 million each. They negotiated the debt down but had to take out loans in March 2017 to pay the remaining balances.

"I am very pleased that after many years of working on this issue we can finally see a path forward to getting these ranchers, Tim Lowry of LU Ranches and Paul Nettleton of Joyce Livestock, reimbursed for some of their attorneys' bills," Brackett said in the press release.

— JPB

✓ Irrigation: Eells says reservoir gates could open any one of next three Mondays

Gem Pumping Plant.

One last big spring storm is crucial if there is any hope of carryover for the 2019 season, Eells said.

"The way it is right now, the way it sets, (water demand will) drain (the reservoir) right to the bottom," Eells said. "There may be a little left, but not much."

The reservoir was 78 percent full on Monday morning, holding 556,583 acre-feet.

The 715,000 acre-feet capacity reflects two years of irrigation supply.

Water flowed into the reservoir at a rate of 1,947 cubic feet per second, as measured at the Rome gauge on the Owyhee River, early Monday morning, but it had dropped below 1,400 cfs by 10:30 a.m.

After flowing as high as nearly 2,900 cfs late Friday, the river is nearing its lowest

flow rate of the month.

Monday's early morning flow rate was 2,150 cfs lower than the rate at the same time last year, and about 1,550 cfs off the 30-year average.

Water content was at zero or not readable at the Mud Flat and Reynolds Creek SNOTEL stations Monday morning.

The South Mountain instrumentation reported 6.4 inches of water content in 22 inches of snow. — JPB

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Death notices

MICHAEL RICHARD BAUMBACH, 45, of Homedale, died on Sunday, March 18, 2018. A celebration of life was held on Monday, March 26, 2018 at Nampa Funeral Home, Yraguen Chapel. (208) 442-8171

DORIS RAUTIO, 89, of Homedale, died on Saturday, March 24, 2018. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

MARK JOSEPH SHUSTER, 71, of Homedale, died on Friday, March 23, 2018 at a Nampa hospital. Arrangements: All Valley Cremation, 1538 11th Ave. N., Nampa. (208) 899-9361

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar available with each meal:

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

Milk available each day

March 28: Pulled pork on roll, baked potato, beets

March 29: Roast turkey breast, mashed potatoes/gravy, carrots, roll

April 3: Salisbury steak w/mushrooms & onions, mashed potatoes w/gravy, peas & carrots, roll

April 4: Taco salad w/salsa, chips, cheese, sour cream, rice

April 5: Beef & broccoli, rice, roll

Rimrock Senior Center

All meals are served with milk & fruit juice

March 29: Veal steak, sweet potato fries, 3-bean salad, fresh fruit, whole wheat roll

April 3: Roasted chicken dinner, roasted veggies w/gravy, steamed spinach, canned apricots, French bread

April 5: Fish taco, coleslaw, corn, stuffed celery, canned plums, rice

Birth

Chet Joseph Collinsworth

Nathan and Temi Collinsworth of New Plymouth welcomed a baby boy — Chet Joseph Collinsworth — on Sunday, Feb. 11, 2018.

Chet weight 7 pounds, 5 ounces and measured 18 inches long at birth.

He joins brother Will.

Grandparents are Tim and Michelle Freeman of Jordan Valley, and Marvin and Darla Collinsworth of New Plymouth.

Great-grandmother is former Marsing resident Mary Freeman, who now lives in Nampa.



Chet Joseph Collinsworth

Marsing Gun Show

Saturday, April 7 • 9 am - 5 pm

Sunday, April 8 • 9 am - 3 pm

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Owyheean shine in multi-county 4-H horse judging competition

Owyhee County 4-H horse clubs spend many hours practicing and preparing for the annual Multi-County Horse Judging Contest, which took place on Feb. 24 at the Canyon County Fair Building in Caldwell.

Judging is a great skill to have, and it will benefit our youth over their lives in different decision-making situations. Members judged a variety of different classes, including:

- Paint geldings
- Quarter horse mares
- Mules
- Showmanship
- Western Pleasure
- Western Horsemanship.

The youth judged and placed the horses in each of these classes and then gave oral reasons on the Quarter Horse Mares class as well as the Western Horsemanship class. Oral reasons are organized statements by which youths explain to a judge as to why they placed the class in the order they did.

Owyhee County was represented by 30 youth in all four age divisions.

Cloverbud members, ages 5-7, did a great job. There

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were two Cloverbud members that attended for their second year: Bailey Harris and Kylee Montenegro of Owyhee Sage Riders. Good job, girls!

The Junior division, ages 8-10, had seven participants. Owyhee Outlaws member Jessica Hipwell finished in first place followed by fellow Owyhee Outlaws member Mayleigh Carter in second. Ainsley Erwin of Snake River Livestock took third followed by Karlee Leffler of Owyhee Sage Riders in fourth. Emeline Hipwell of Owyhee Outlaws was fifth and Jade Rada of Reynolds Creek finished sixth. Gracie Clay of Owyhee Ruff Riders also did a fantasis job in the Junior division.

The Intermediate division, ages 11-13, had nine youth participate. Claiming first place was Gene Showalter of Owyhee Silver Spurs, Kaci Carter of Owyhee Outlaws in second, Elizabeth Whitehead of Pony Express in third, and Kate Hipwell of Owyhee Outlaws took home fourth. Audrie Miller of Pony Express came in fifth and Trinity Nesor of Owyhee Sage Riders in sixth. Following close behind was Rowdy Brown of Snake River Livestock, Deonna Barnard of Owyhee Sage Riders and Raven Rada of

Reynolds Creek.

The Senior division, ages 14-18, had the most participants this year with 12. Taking home top honors were two members from Owyhee Outlaws, Allison Hubbler in first and Merced Carter in second. Fallon Wasson of Owyhee Sage Riders took home third place, and Treylan Fisher of Owyhee Outlaws was fourth. Annie Miller of Pony Express finished in fifth place followed by Cedar Hammock of Snake River Livestock in sixth place. Other participants in the Senior division were Carter Clay of Owyhee Ruff Riders, Montana Wasson of Owyhee Sage Riders, Amber Allen of Owyhee Ruff Riders, Kari Woods of Pony Express, Faith Svedin of Owyhee Outlaws and Elizabeth Bearden of Snake River Livestock.

Congratulations to all our participants. You did an amazing job!

Thank you to Canyon County for hosting the and to all the volunteers that help make this event possible.

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

Wellness fair to visit Jordan Valley

The next health resource fair sponsored by the Malheur County Community Advisory Council (CAC) takes place Thursday, April 5.

The fourth annual Spring into Wellness fair tour continues with a stop from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Jordan Valley Lions Hall, 902 Bassett St. (U.S. Highway 95).

The Jordan Valley event is the third of seven fairs planned through mid-June.

Each fair will feature free health screenings, community resources and health education.

Some of the screenings

available include:

- Eye tests
- Blood sugar and blood pressure testing
- Bone density screening
- Oral health exams

Children and adult bicycles will be raffled off at each event, and there will be door prizes. There will be representatives from more than 25 agencies to answer questions.

Other fairs are planned in Nyssa (May 5), at Willowcreek Elementary in Vale (May 17), Ontario Lions Park (May 26), and Vale's Wadleigh Park (June 14).

More than 2,600 residents participated in the first three years of the Spring into Wellness campaign.

Fair sponsors include Eastern Oregon Coordinated Care Organization (EOCCO), Malheur County Health District, Ontario Saint Alphonsus, Northwest Health Foundation (NWHF), Oregon Problem Gambling Resource (OPGR), and Building Healthy Families.

For more information, contact Karina Carbajal, Spring into Wellness Coordinator, at (208) 739-2966 or via email, kcarbajal@vfhc.org.

Marsing kindergarten screening nears

Appointment slots are available for prospective Marsing kindergarteners.

Parents can call Marsing Elementary School (208) 649-5411, ext. 4 to block out a meeting time.

The elementary school will hold a kindergarten pre-registration and Meet the Teacher event on Tuesday, April 10.

The event will be held from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., at the school.

Parents must bring their child, a certified copy of their child's birth certificate, and their child's immunization records.

Students eligible to enroll in kindergarten for the 2018-19 school year must be 5 years old before Sept. 1.

Fit and Fall exercise program ongoing at Homedale Sr. Center

The usual monthly events will be held at the Homedale Senior Center in April.

- The Widows Breakfast will be held on Tuesday.
- The Ladies Coffee Group meets at 9 a.m. each Wednesday.
- The board of directors holds a meeting open to the

public at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10.

- Each Tuesday and Thursday, the center plays host to a Fit and Fall Class from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- The exercise class precedes the center's congregational meal.
- Lunch is available Tuesday through Thursday at the senior

center.

The senior center, located at 224 W. Idaho Ave., is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The thrift store is open every day the senior center is open, and proceeds help with the operation of the center.

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

Thursday

Fit and Fall exercise

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

Friday

Story Time

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

Good Friday community potluck

Noon, bring dish to share, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3060

Faith-based support group

2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Vision Community Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 455-3660 or songtobe@gmail.com

Teens and Tweens program

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

Saturday

Marsing Lions Easter egg hunt

10 a.m., preschool through fourth grade, breakfast burritos available, Marsing High School football field, 8th Avenue West

Homedale Chamber Easter egg hunt

10 a.m., toddlers through 9 and older, Sundance Park, S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3271

Grand View Lions Easter egg hunt

10 a.m., toddlers through fifth-graders, Eastern Owyhee County Library and city park, Grand View.

Free lunch

Noon to 12:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

Sunday

Lizard Butte Easter Sunrise service

7:15 a.m., Lizard Butte, off Idaho highway 55 and Symms Road, Sunny Slope.

Easter Sunday

8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., breakfast; 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., Easter egg hunt; 11 a.m., Easter Sunday service, Marsing Assembly of God Church, 139 Kerry St., Marsing. (208) 965-1650

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

Adult book club

7 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. First Monday of every month. (208) 896-4690

Tuesday

Crochet club

10 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Fit and Fall exercise

10:30 a.m., 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

Wednesday

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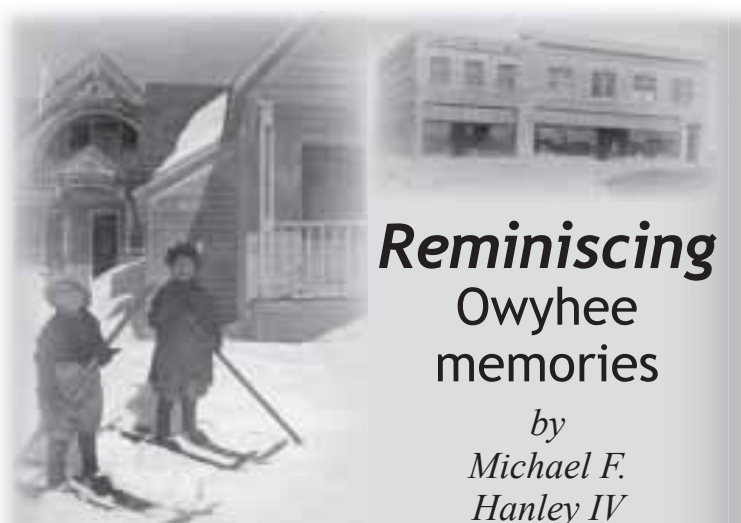
NOCWMA meeting

6 p.m., U.S. Department of Agriculture Resource Center, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., Marsing. (208) 896-4544, ext. 102

Thursday, April 5

Health fair

9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Lions Hall, 902 Bassett St. (U.S. Hwy. 95), Jordan Valley.



Reminiscing Owyhee memories

by
Michael F.
Hanley IV

Spring rain on the range

I was greeted this morning with the fresh smells brought with our first spring rain. It's easy to take for granted the benefits of seasonal changes, but that's what makes life on the range so appealing. However, that feature almost cut my college experience short.

In the early spring of my freshman year at Eastern Oregon College at La Grande, Ore., the scent of sagebrush drifted over the mountains, and if I had a car I would have been back in Jordan Valley.

As I write, I'm reminded of a similar experience that happened a year earlier, at Corvallis, Ore., during a debate competition.

Until that time, I thought I'd go to Oregon State, but the refreshing rains of Eastern Oregon weren't the same as those on the west side. Not only was it damp, dreary and foggy, but slugs crawling on the sidewalks were too much for me.

— Michael F. Hanley IV is a Jordan Valley rancher, author and historian. Interested in sharing your remembrances of the past in Owyhee County? Email your memories and pertinent photos to jon@owyheeavalanche.com. For more information on the Reminiscing feature, call (208) 337-4681, ext. 102.

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Bazaar's crafts, MRW's chili have something for everyone's tastes



Loni Monson serves up a helping of her People's Choice award-winning chili during Saturday's Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire and Rescue contest at the county museum.



Wilson Sagehens member Pam Stevens (left) and her husband Lauren check out some textiles at the Owyhee County Historical Society spring bazaar Saturday inside McKeeth Hall in Murphy.

Other cook-off winners

Champions decided by the Board of County Commissioners in a legally posted special meeting.



Red chili, no bean
Pat Monson



Red chili, with bean
Rich Monson



White chili
Angie Barkell (left) and Brook Russell, Owyhee County Clerks



Anything goes
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The Owyhee Avalanche



Vegan chili
Mary Monson



Guffey resident Jan Gerdes tidies her Needles & Pins custom-made sewing table during the early-goings of Saturday's bazaar.



Caldwell resident Chet Powell works to separate the materials he uses to create his native jewelry at his Owyhee County Historical Society spring bazaar vending booth just outside the entrance to McKeeth Hall.



From farm to classroom

Homedale FFA members Krista Mayer (left), daughter of Jerry and Noreen Mayer, and Meryssa Oakley, daughter of Tommy and Danielle Oakley, climb aboard the tractors they piloted during "Drive your tractor to school day" on March 20. Both girls are seniors.

Homedale FFA'ers among inaugural officers for the Treasure Valley District

With the formation of the Treasure Valley District at the most recent FFA State Leadership Conference, a new set of officers had to be selected.

Homedale chapter members Spencer Fisher (treasurer) and DeLainie Dorsey (secretary) were installed earlier this month.

Officer candidates were sifted from chapters in Homedale, Marsing, Middleton, Notus, Ridgevue, Vallivue and Wilder schools.

As part of district officer sifting, candidates have to undergo several interviews to see if they are well suited to run an entire district.



Spencer Fisher (left) is the first Treasure Valley District treasurer, while DeLainie Dorsey is the first secretary.

Submitted photo

Homedale FFA chapter reporter Jenna Rupp supplied information for this article.

— Ed.

SOURCES OF STRENGTH SPIRIT WEEK AT HHS



Top: Senior Jeremy Bell (left) and freshman Thomas Symms arm wrestle during last Wednesday's carnival. Right: An eighth-grader (right) gets information on joining the high school tennis team come next spring.



Coaches laud HHS cheerleaders' work at state competition

The Homedale High School cheerleading team made the second trip in program history to the 3A state championships earlier this month. The team competed in the pom and coed show divisions on March 16 at the Ford Idaho Center in Nampa. "We would like everyone to know how proud (assistant coach) Dixie (Leedom) and I are of the kids," Trojans cheer coach Jessie Kerbs said. "They worked so hard and did the best they could with what little we had. We all had a great time at competition." Submitted photo

More defense counsel appointed in murder case

Trial dates vacated for all three defendants

The county has entered into another criminal defense provider agreement connected to the capital murder case against two Owyhee County men and a Mountain Home woman.

The Board of County Commissioners has retained the services of Boise attorney Robert Chastain as defense counsel for Willie Keith Rabey, one of three people accused of taking part in

the murder of Oregon teenager Hunter Smith-Tash last summer in the Bruneau Desert.

Chastain will earn \$175 per hour if he serves as Rabey's lead defense attorney. If he is an assistant counsel, the rate reduces to \$135 per hour.

Rabey faces felony counts of conspiracy to commit murder and attempting to destroy evidence.

Nicholas B. Vandenberg has been charged with first-degree murder as the alleged gunman in the killing. He faces a felony enhancement for using

a deadly weapon in the commission of a crime as well as a felony charge of destroying evidence.

The third defendant, Montanna Rae Reed, has been charged with felony counts of conspiracy to commit murder and failing to notify authorities of a death.

Vandenberg's jury trial, which had been scheduled to start March 20, has been rescheduled to June, but according to court records, his defense attorneys have filed motions that will be heard in April and May.

Chastain and Elisa G. Massoth represented Rabey in a March 23 motion hearing, the results of which weren't known at press time. A jury trial set to begin in April was vacated, no new date set.

A motion hearing is scheduled for May 11 before Judge Davis Vandervelde at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy.

Reed's May trial date has been vacated with no new date set yet.

All three defendants remain in custody in county jail in Murphy. — TK

Power outage affects Marsing school day; Homedale spared

Reliance on classroom technology triggers closure

Last Wednesday's widespread power outage ended the school day in Marsing and nearly sent students home in Homedale.

About 12,000 customers in an area stretching from Jordan Valley to western Caldwell were without power for part of the day. Idaho Power spokesperson Melissa Thom said an equipment failure along a 138-kilovolt transmission line caused the outage, which began at 9:38 a.m.

"We were able to bring roughly 2,000 customers back online about every half-hour as we worked down the line," Thom wrote in an email.

The staggered restoration is necessary because increased demand from customers who have been without power would cause another overload if the system was restored in full at the same time, Thom said.

Marsing School District superintendent Norm Stewart said the electricity came back on in town about two minutes before officials had scheduled an 11:30 a.m. early release.

"We had already released the high school kids, and we were getting middle school and elementary school kids on buses," Stewart said.

Stewart said officials decided to end the school day

when it became evident that a prolonged power outage was at hand. The decision was made after consultation with Idaho Power.

Stewart said the fact that some classrooms receive little or no natural light was a determining factor in the decision. But the biggest reason was that teachers rely on electricity to power the technology that is integral to instruction these days.

"The timeframe kept expanding on how long the outage would be," Stewart said.

"The information that was being relayed to us at that point was (electricity) was going to be out for an extended period time. We were trying to determine what to do with the students and also looking at the lunch situation. With no power, we can't feed kids and keep kids warm."

Because parents already had been contacted about the early-release plan, Stewart said there was no turning back when the power came back on.

"We had to use personal cell-phones to make phone calls," Stewart said, referring to the district's Internet-based phone system that relies on electricity. "It was a pretty complicated couple of hours."

Stewart also was in contact with school officials in

TEARDOWN BEGINS TRANSFORMATION



School district office leveled in first phase

Changes in the Marsing School District began to take shape recently when a crewmember from hometown Showalter Construction used an excavator to bring down the district business office and school trustees boardroom. A new district office will be built with part of the bond money voters approved last year.

Homedale and at the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency (COSSA) in Wilder.

Homedale superintendent Rob Sauer said a decision had been made to release students gradually after huddling with school principals and district transportation supervisor Tom

Muir.

The plan never came to fruition, though, because electrical service returned before scheduled releases of 12:15 p.m. at the middle school, 12:20 at the elementary school and 12:30 at the high school.

"Just as we were agreeing to

that time, the power came back on," Sauer said.

"We had planned to serve the students lunch before sending them home. The lunch was prepared, and the lunch staff was all ready. Fortunately, the power came back on just in time."

— JPB

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Three Creek schoolchildren study water, make fire station field trip

Several inches of snow fell at Three Creek School after students began learning about ancient rituals to improve precipitation.

Schoolchildren learned that certain parts of the nation and indigenous people couldn't rely on irrigation, so there were ceremonies to encourage rain.

As part of their study of water, the students created rain sticks.

"Apparently, some of our students were a bit over-enthusiastic about old ceremonies and traditions as instead of getting rain, we have accumulated over five new inches of snow at the school," teacher Dena Pollock wrote in her monthly newsletter.

"It is melting fast, though, and birds are arriving, so spring must be near."

The water study continued Thursday when an Idaho Department of Environmental Quality water specialist visited the school.

Irene Nautch, a regional drinking water protection coordinator from DEQ's Twin Falls office, used water maps to teach the children about the aquifer that supplies southeastern

Owyhee County. She and Twin Falls DEQ colleague Rich Bupp also helped the students understand the results of their own water testing.

The recent snowfall made visiting the Jackpot (Nev.) fire station a bit challenging, but Three Creek Highway District operators led the way with a plow as the students embarked in a snowstorm on March 15.

The children took a tour of the fire station and were able to ride on a couple fire trucks. They also dressed down in firefighting turnouts and equipment and witnessed a demonstration of rescue equipment.

After the field trip, the group ate lunch at the Desert Room inside the Cactus Pete's casino.

Three Creek School now has nine children in the student body.

A kindergartener and second-grader have joined the fray with the arrival of Eric and Persefany Patterson.

Three Creek students return from spring break on Monday. The Idaho Youth Theater will visit on April 12, and the schoolchildren will enjoy a

star party with the Magic Valley Astronomical Society on April 20.

Three Creek School now has protection against a power outage. A generator authorized by the school board has been installed.

"It will be set up to supply power to enable class to continue and prevent plumbing from freezing during an outage," Pollock said in the newsletter.

The school district is still shopping for a new lawn mower and someone who can seal the new tile flooring at the school.

The Parent Teacher Organization has entered the school in the Box Tops sweepstakes. The next turn-in date is next month, and box tops can be mailed to Three Creek School, 49909 Three Creek Hwy., Rogerson, ID 83302.

Pollock reported the death of Rey Nystrom, the owner of the Trading Post in Jarbidge. Nystrom had lived in Jarbidge since the 1940s, Pollock said.

Donald Rey Nystrom died on March 7, 2018, at the age of 85.

BLM adds time to Silver City TMP scoping period

Problems with the project website has led federal officials to extend the scoping period for the Silver City Travel Management Plan (TMP) environmental assessment.

The Bureau of Land Management has added two weeks to the public comment period. The new deadline is April 13.

The extension is the BLM's response to difficulties that made the website inaccessible for some users for short periods of time.

"This TMP effort is an example of working with our partners and the public to promote multiple-use activities on public lands, so it is important for us to allow enough time for comments," Acting BLM Owyhee Field Manager Lance Okeson said.

Scoping comments can help identify issues that may influence the environmental analyses or the range of alternatives to be analyzed. The public will also have an opportunity to provide comments on the environmental assessment prior to a decision being issued.

Detailed information on the Silver City TMP can be found at <https://go.usa.gov/xnsD2>

Scoping comments can

be submitted by: are being accepted through the following means:

• Email—oma_trans_wild@blm.gov

• Fax — (208) 896-5940

• Postal mail — BLM Owyhee Field Office, 20 First Ave West, Marsing ID, 83639

For more information, contact the BLM Owyhee Field Office at 208-896-5912.

Those who provide feedback about issues are advised that before including their personal identifying information (address, email, and phone number) they should be aware that the entire statement — including their personal identifying information — may be made publicly available at any time. While those providing feedback can ask in their response to withhold this information from public review, the BLM cannot guarantee that they will be able to do so.

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Pole Creek juniper piles to be burned

More jackpot piles of juniper will be burned next month in the Pole Creek Wilderness in southwest Owyhee County.

The prescribed burn expected to take place during the first two weeks of April, but the exact timing is subject to weather, fuel and ground conditions.

The Pole Creek Wilderness is located about 35 miles southeast of Jordan Valley, and the 2,500-acre burn area will take place on the western flanks of Juniper Mountain.

The piles will be ignited in the first two or three days of the project. Mop-up and patrol will continue for several days afterward.

The burn will target piles of heavy, dead fuels that have accumulated from previous western juniper thinning

projects, but not the surrounding live vegetation. This is part of an effort to protect the sage-steppe landscape that supports traditional land uses and serves as important habitat for wildlife.

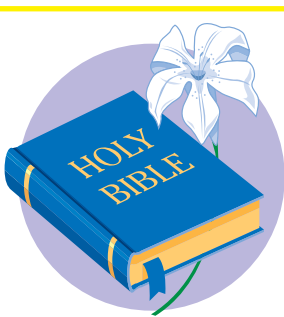
The project continues the effort begun last spring to burn jackpot piles. Last year's burns were hampered by wet conditions from heavy snowfall.

For more information, contact the BLM Boise District at (208) 384-3210.

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Youths involved in separate accidents

A Melba teenager has been charged with a misdemeanor after he rolled his car on Jump Creek Road in Marsing on Sunday.

The 15-year-old juvenile faces a reckless driving charge as well as an infraction for not adhering to driving restrictions.

Before 8 p.m., the boy was driving a 2012 Honda Fit with a 15-year-old male passenger when he swerved to avoid oncoming traffic. He overcorrected and rolled the vehicle, according to Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman.

The driver of the vehicle traveling toward the juveniles told deputies that the Fit appeared to be out of control and fishtailing, Bowman said.

Bowman said the 15-year-old was driving too fast on the gravel road.

Both of the juveniles refused

medical attention at the scene, Bowman said.

• A 16-year-old male suffered injuries when he wrecked an all-terrain vehicle Saturday in the Hemingway Butte area.

Bowman said the boy's mother reported her son was driving down a hill on an ATV when he hit a rock and flipped over. The vehicle then landed on top of him.

He was not wearing a helmet.

According to Bowman, the juvenile sustained a possible fractured wrist and a concussion. He was transported by Marsing Ambulance to Saint Alphonsus Medical Center in Nampa.

He was cited for failure to purchase an off-road sticker and failure to wear a helmet, both of which are infractions.

— TK

Students encouraged to volunteer for Homedale Farmers Market

Youth needed to help with various aspects

The Homedale Farmers Market seeks local youth for a new program introduced this season.

Middle school and high school students are encouraged to sign up to serve as volunteers during the weekly market at Bette Uda City Park.

The summer farmers market starts on June 7 and will run from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. each Thursday until Sept. 27.

"Our market is growing and we need volunteers to meet the demand," market manager Denise Dixon said.

Student volunteers are sought to help vendors, assist with the Cultivate Children's Nutrition Class and spread the word about the market.

Each student must fill out a volunteer application, which can be found online at www.homedalefarmesmarket.com. The market's board of directors will review each application

and determine if the volunteer can be approved.

"Commitment is the key to success, so if the student signs up for volunteer hours, we will expect them to show up and work," Dixon said.

Market officials will keep track of the students' volunteer hours through a sign-in and sign-out sheet that will be available at the market's information table each week.

At the end of their volunteer service, Dixon will offer to write a letter of recommendation for use in looking for a job or as part of a college application.

"This is also a great way to build your resume," Dixon said. "Students looking for their first job can use our program as a springboard to get that job, or to advance in their present job."

Student volunteers aren't new to the market. Dixon said Homedale Middle School Honor Society members served as volunteers during the fall markets last year.

"We would like to invite those students back as well as the high school honor society

students," Dixon said. "These students need to maintain community service to continue in the program."

"All college and scholarship applications are looking for community involvement in their candidates. A well-rounded student weighs heavy when applying for scholarships and college."

Some of the volunteer duties may include:

- Assisting vendors with set-up and break-down of their booths

- Helping customers load their purchases

- With the Cultivate children's class, at least two volunteers are needed each week to assist the facilitator and help the children with their project.

- Older students can distribute flyers to local businesses.

- Students could help plant and maintain the community garden as a volunteer project.

Dixon said there may be opportunities for the youth to continue volunteering during the holiday market in the fall.

Marsing woman faces drug charge

A Marsing woman was arrested Saturday after a routine traffic stop by an Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy on Old Bruneau Highway.

Cera Jackson, 28, was pulled over for not having a license plate on the front of

her vehicle, sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman.

Bowman said the deputy approached Jackson's car and could smell marijuana coming from within. A search of her vehicle failed to find any drug but she did possess paraphernalia.

Jackson also had a 6-year-old male in the vehicle with

her. She faces misdemeanor charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and child endangerment.

Jackson was brought to the Owyhee County Jail, where she was booked and released.

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Albertsons store tour part of healthy diabetic diet class

Homedale's Albertsons will host a free Eating Healthy with Diabetes store tours next month.

A registered dietitian and Albertsons' in-store pharmacist will lead the tours during a free class that will start at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 7.

During the 90-minute presentation, attendees will learn about food choices to help them feel better and attain better blood sugars.

New blood sugar meters will be available for free for anyone in the class who needs one.

The class is open to anyone who is diabetic, prediabetic or a caregiver of someone with

diabetes.

The tour will focus on carb-counting success, creating a diabetes-friendly meal, portion size tips and other tips.

The pharmacist will provide information about glucose meters, testing tips, recommended vaccinations, A1c testing and other health screenings. Group classes and other services available for people with diabetes and prediabetes also will be discussed.

To get more information on class participation, contact registered dietitian Molly Tevis at (208) 939-9850 or molly.tevis@albertsons.com.

Courthouse report

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

March 20

George, Allen L., Grants Pass, Ore. — Misdemeanor controlled substance possession and drug paraphernalia possession: 180 days in jail (27 days served, 153 days suspended), 30 months supervised probation, and \$1,145 fines and costs

Noffsinger, Steve A., Eagle — Misdemeanor marijuana possession and paraphernalia possession (withheld judgment): \$497.50 in fines and costs

Poulson, Alan Clair, Duchesne County, Utah — Misdemeanor no log book (withheld judgment): \$200 in fines and costs

March 14

Gracia, Kahlia Jeanette, Boise — Misdemeanor marijuana possession and paraphernalia possession: 180 days in jail (2 days served, 178 days suspended), 1 year unsupervised probation, and \$700 fines and costs

Today	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue
63° 34° Cloudy	63° 36°	68° 40°	64° 38°	60° 36°	60° 38°	66° 32°
March 20 54° 29° .00	March 21 55° 39° .00	March 22 63° 46° .00	March 23 62° 29° .04	March 24 N/A	March 25 N/A	March 26 N/A

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	Snow Equiv.	Snow Depth	Year-to-date Precip.	Previous day's temperature Max	Min	Avg
	(measured in inches)			(measured in Fahrenheit)		
Mud Flat						
3/20	0.0	0	7.2	42	31	37
3/21	0.0	0	7.3	48	34	40
3/22	0.1	0	7.5	46	33	41
3/23	0.0	1	7.7	45	29	37
3/24	0.0	0	7.6	41	29	34
3/25	0.0	1	7.6	34	24	29
3/26	0.0	0	7.7	n/a	n/a	n/a
Reynolds Creek						
3/20	0.0	0	10.2	42	30	35
3/21	n/a	1	10.2	50	32	41
3/22	0.0	1	10.5	44	33	39
3/23	n/a	1	10.8	41	29	35
3/24	n/a	1	10.8	37	24	31
3/25	n/a	1	10.7	35	24	28
3/26	n/a	1	10.6	n/a	n/a	n/a
South Mountain						
3/20	6.7	19	18.0	41	30	35
3/21	6.7	18	18.1	46	34	39
3/22	6.7	17	18.6	41	30	38
3/23	6.4	16	19.1	39	28	33
3/24	6.6	15	19.1	38	24	30
3/25	6.3	16	19.1	33	23	26
3/26	6.4	22	19.5	n/a	n/a	n/a

Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 78 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 1,947 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 36 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 556,583 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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

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County, feedlot reach road agreement

Rancher to pay for repairs caused by increased cattle truck traffic

County officials have ensured that a local agricultural producer will pay his share for the infrastructure impact of his operation once it expands.

In August 2017, Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commissioners approved a conditional use permit so the Wilson Creek Cattle Feeders owner John Hepton could increase the number of livestock kept at his feedlot down in Wilson near Idaho highway 78.

One condition of the permit

allowing Hepton to double the feedlot's capacity from 15,000 to 30,000 head was finalized March 12 when county commissioners signed a road maintenance contract that Hepton had signed six days earlier.

By signing the agreement, county officials and Hepton acknowledge that nearly all the traffic on Wilson Creek Road from Idaho 78 to the Wilson Creek Cattle Feeders access point of Feedlot Drive

will be attributable to Hepton's growing business.

According to the agreement, traffic directly related to the feedlot will cause well over half the wear and tear on the road once the capacity increases to 30,000 head.

It is estimated the road will need to be repaired around January 2023, per the agreement, and the total estimated expense of the project is \$660,000.

Hepton has provided an improvement bond from Lexon Insurance Co., in the amount of \$330,000 towards the estimated cost of the project.

The county is exploring the possibility of grant funds that could cover all or part of the project's cost.

Even if the county is able to acquire a grant, Hepton must still cover any remaining costs plus the grant match requirement, which is currently 7.35 percent.

Without the permit, as explained in the agreement, Hepton would not be able to increase his livestock on the property because of the expected wear and tear on the road that would result from the increase.

— TK

Homedale library marks Easter

Homedale Public Library youth services coordinator Carol McMichael will be reading "Minerva Louise and the Colorful Eggs," by Janet Morgan Stoeke, and "The Day the Crayons Came Home," by Drew Daywalt for Story Time at 10:15 a.m. on Friday.

A crayon-themed activity will mark National Crayon Day, which is Saturday.

At 4 p.m. on Friday, Teens & Tweens (ages 10-17) will hold an Egg Drop Challenge.

Using different materials youth will protect an egg and then drop it. Total weight cannot exceed three pounds.

After amendments, trespass revamp goes to governor

by Nina Rydalch
U of I McClure Center
legislative intern

In a matter of three days, a controversial anti-trespassing bill was amended then passed by both houses of the Idaho Legislature.

To become law, HB 658 needs to be signed by Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter.

The bill, which received hours of testimony and debate in public hearings, would increase penalties for trespass and ultimately overhaul current civil trespassing laws. The bill has received a lot of support, primarily from agricultural landowners, and much

opposition from sportsmen.

On the Senate floor, three senators — two Democrats and a Republican — brought forward competing amendments on March 20. The Senate approved amendments made by Sen. Mark Harris (R-Soda Springs). Harris said he sought to address concerns raised by sportsmen and lawyers in committee hearings.

Harris' adopted amendments include:

- Defendants in trespassing cases can be awarded attorney fees when the case is brought "without foundation." Harris said this avoids a "one-way attorney fee."

- Oral permission would be a legitimate form of permission to be on property. The original legislation defined permission as written only.

- Investigative costs must be "reasonable." This amendment addressed concerns that landowners could charge for investigations without limit, and defendants would have to pay.

- Trespassing for the first time without damage is an infraction, rather than a misdemeanor.

- A lessee whose crops have been damaged may receive compensation for the loss.

- Department of Fish and

Game funds are to be used only in cases of recreational trespass, rather than in all cases of trespass.

- Defining "remain." Some testifying in public hearings said the word needed to be clarified.

Boise Democrat Sen. Maryanne Jordan, who brought an amendment that would have kept the bill from being enacted, said it was too late to fix HB 658.

"To bring amendments this complicated, this late, with no opportunity for participation and conversation, I think is going to result in a law that is not nearly as good as we probably could make it with a little more time and care," Jordan said.

The bill passed the Senate as amended last Wednesday by a 29-6 vote. That same day, the House concurred with the changes. On Thursday, the House passed the new version of the bill.

With amendments, the bill gained some votes. Rep. Kelley Packer (R-McCammon), who voted "no" on the original version, said the changes made in the Senate effectively addressed problems she had had with the bill.

"I really like the amendments," Packer said. "They, I think, have helped a lot."

Packer and three other Republican lawmakers — Neil Anderson, Wendy Horman

and Rick Youngblood — went from voting "no" on the original bill to supporting it with amendments.

On the other side, Dist. 19A Rep. Mat Erpelding (D-Boise) said though the amendments improved the bill, it still needed work. He also said he had concerns about the bill's overlay with Senate Bill 1313 — the bill that incorporated stand-your-ground and Castle doctrine language into Idaho Code.

HB 658 sponsor Dist. 9B Rep. Boyle (R-Midvale) said the idea is a stretch.

"Tying this to this private property bill is pretty outrageous thing to do as far as I'm concerned," she said. "No offense to the gentleman from (District) 19, but I know that has also been in the paper quite a bit."

A deputy attorney general's opinion earlier this year stated the two bills could lead to more shooting of trespassers. The governor allowed SB 1313 to pass without his signature. He wrote in a letter that the bill "will exonerate killings that otherwise would be considered unreasonable."

After Thursday's 51-18 vote in the House, the HB 658 was transmitted to the governor for signing, the final step before it becomes law.

The full amended version of the bill can be found here: <https://bit.ly/2IW9qbk>.

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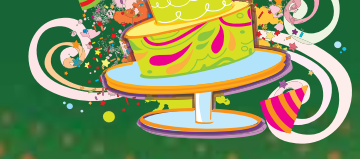
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Folkstyle Nationals-bound Joseph Egusquiza (center) sits among other Homedale wrestlers who will compete alongside him in next month's Flo Reno Worlds. Clockwise from top left: Kaydince Turner, Savannah Turner, Jorge Vega and Willy White. Submitted photo

Family ties bind standout Homedale wrestlers to sport

Egusquiza wrestles nationals before
city contingent heads to Reno

Joseph Egusquiza isn't the only Homedale wrestler preparing to step on the biggest stage in a young career.

Egusquiza will be in action with Team Idaho in the Folkstyle Nationals from Thursday to Saturday on the University of Northern Iowa campus in Cedar Falls.

Next week, though, he's back wrestling with hometown compatriots in the Flo Reno Worlds Championships.

Fellow Homedale High School wrestlers Kaydince and Savannah Turner and Jorge Vega along with middle school standout Willy White will make the trip to Nevada with Egusquiza for the April 5-8 competition inside the Reno Livestock Events Center.

The 14-year-old son of Joe and Sarah Egusquiza, Joseph Egusquiza got the rare opportunity to compete in the Folkstyle Nationals after a phone call from Team Idaho coach Chris Owens, a former longtime assistant coach with the now-defunct Boise State program.

"It was really humbling," the younger Egusquiza said of being chosen.

"There are only 30 wrestlers on the team, so it was super humbling."

After 11 years of wrestling, Egusquiza doesn't get intimidated too easily: "I've always have been super-confident in wrestling."

He sees this week's
— See *Wrestlers*, page 3B

Savannah Turner (left) tries to take down her sister Kaydince during a recent workout inside the Homedale High School wrestling room.



Consistency carries Trojans



Sophomore Daniel Uranga tees off on No. 12 at River Bend Golf Course. He was second on Homedale's card with a 5-over-par 42.

Homedale boys
win Parma Invite
at blustery
River Bend course

They may not have huddled against the wind and the threatening skies, but Homedale High School's golfers were bunched up on the leader board last Wednesday.

Senior Scott Matlock's 5-over-par 41 was tops for the Trojans as they won the nine-hole Parma Invitational by 20 strokes at River Bend Golf Course in Wilder.

The Trojans' second-seeded golfer, Matlock was two strokes off Cole Valley Christian's Keegan Spengler's medalist score and one shot behind runner-up Bradley Hansell from The Ambrose School.

With sophomore No. 1 Daniel Uranga carding a 42 and Kaden Henry and Spencer Fisher both chiming in with 44s, Homedale had the most consistent round of the afternoon.

Homedale scored 171, while Cole Valley was second at 191 behind Spengler and a 44 from No. 1 Jack Curran.

One of Homedale's 3A Snake River Valley conference rivals, Weiser, was third at 198. Nate Burris and Rein Laan both shot 48s for the Wolverines, who

— See *Trojans*, Page 6B

Huskies start Sauer Memorial with first win, lose WIC opener

The Marsing High School softball team ended the week remembering one of its alumni and winning its first game of the season.

The 18-14 win over Adrian, Ore., in Saturday's Taylor Sauer Memorial at Sundance Park in Homedale came a few days after the Huskies had dropped their 2A Western Idaho Conference opener.

Despite plenty of offense, Marsing couldn't pull off a win, falling, 21-11, to visiting Nampa Christian last Wednesday.

The Huskies (1-7-1 overall, 0-1 in 2A WIC) scored eight runs in the last three innings

but fell, 21-11, to the Trojans in six innings last Wednesday.

The home team saw a great performance from catcher Emma Heitz, who had a single and a three-run home run. The junior also scored four times, while drawing two walks and a stealing a base.

Sophomore outfielder Autumn Bennett had two hits and knocked in two runs.

Starting pitcher Hailee Bennett, a junior, recorded just three outs, allowing one hit but walking seven and letting eight Trojans cross the plate.

— See *Huskies*, back page



Josh Sauer talks about his late sister Taylor during Saturday's Put It Down presentation to discourage texting and driving.

Sports

Marsing beats Homedale JV, loses WIC opener

The Marsing High School baseball team experienced the highest of highs and lowest of lows last week.

The visiting Huskies matched up against the Homedale junior varsity team on March 19 at John Jackson Field and saw an outstanding first starting pitching gig for Boone Sevy. The junior typically plays third base but was pressed into service on the mound.

Marsing collected an 18-0 victory in five innings as Sevy threw one-hit ball through four innings.

The right-handed pitcher let his presence known, blanking the Trojans through four innings. The only hit allowed by Sevy was a single in the third inning to HHS junior short-stop Kaden Binford.

“Boone Sevy pitched very well for his first start,” Marsing coach Kenny Mace said. “Our guys up and down the lineup had a lot of quality at-bats.”

The Huskies (4-1 overall, 0-1 in the 2A Western Idaho Conference) lost their conference opener, 15-0, to reigning 2A state champion Nampa Christian last Wednesday.

Against the Homedale JV, Sevy also blasted a double to center in the fourth inning.

Marsing jumped out to a 7-0 lead after two innings but waited until the fourth to really pile it on.



Boone Sevy prepares to fire a fastball toward the plate during his performance against the Homedale junior varsity. Photo by Dan Pease

The Trojans sent four pitchers to the mound that inning, including junior starter Jason Puri, freshman Jace Love, freshman Dakota Gammel, and Binford. The Huskies knocked in 11 runs.

Sophomore Joaquin Oliveros came into the game for the Huskies in the fifth inning and finished off the home team on 12 pitches.

Marsing sophomore catcher

Isaiah Prado had two doubles and six RBI.

Senior center fielder Brian Purtell had two hits and scored three times.

Homedale did have five men on base during the game with Binford's single and four walks.

Trojans outfielder Garrett Bettleyon made it all the way to third in the fourth. Sevy walked the junior, and he

advanced to third base after freshman Dalton Strack was hit by a pitch and freshman Ivan Cortez walked.

Bettleyon was stranded at third when Cortez was picked off first base.

Last Wednesday: Nampa Christian, 15, Marsing 0 (5) — Managing just three singles, the host Huskies suffered their first loss of the season to the three-time defend-

ing 2A state champions.

The Huskies were able to total just three singles against Nampa Christian pitcher Joe Ihli. Ihli pitched a complete game, allowing just the three hits, walking one, and striking out five.

The Trojans starter also hit a double and scored twice.

Marsing's struggles came both at the plate and on the mound. Huskies pitchers Tyler Wood and Jaden Kinney combined to allow 15 runs, although only six were earned. They also walked seven batters and struck out eight.

“Obviously, that game didn't go how we wanted it to,” Mace said. “There were some good things and things to build on moving forward.”

The coach took time to reflect on the mistakes that were made.


“The big thing was giving up the nine unearned runs,” Mace said. “We have got to limit our mistakes on defense and rely on solid fundamentals.”

Nampa Christian (3-6, 1-0) has played for the state title for five consecutive seasons.


“Talking with the guys, we all feel like this is a great learning experience for us. We have defined some things we need to work on to play this game at a high level,” Mace said.

“We are capable of it. We just need to trust the process.”


MARSING HUSKIES



Baseball
Boone Sevy, jr., P
Threw 1-hitter, hit a double in win over Homedale JV



Softball
Emma Heitz, jr., C
HR vs. Nampa Christian was part of 11 RBI week



Track
Isaac Lee, so.
4th-place (11.97 seconds) in 100 meters at New Plymouth meet


Baseball
Monday, April 2, home vs. Wilder, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, April 3 at Cole Valley Christian, 5 p.m.

Softball
Tuesday, April 3 at Cole Valley Christian, 5 p.m.


Track and field
Thursday, April 5 at Melba Invite, 4 p.m.

Golf
Boys
Tuesday, April 3 at 2A WIC meet, River Birch GC, Star, 3 p.m.
Girls
Tuesday, April 3 at 2A WIC meet, River Birch GC, Star, 3 p.m.

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Sports



Clayton Wolfe takes a cut during Homedale's conference-opening loss to Payette on March 20 at John Jackson Field.

Trojans rally after 3A SRV loss

Clayton Wolfe homers again at Oregon tourney

Offensive execution was the different in Homedale High School's first loss of the baseball season.

Payette hammered Trojans' starter Drew Deal for five runs on five hits and two walks in the first two innings and rolled to a 9-2 victory in both teams' 3A Snake River Valley conference opener March 20.

Homedale (10-1 overall after a weekend tournament in Oregon) could never find its footing at John Jackson Field.

Leadoff hitter Ben Lee scored on an error in the bottom of the first inning when Deal singled into left field. But the Pirates' Mason Rynearson picked off Deal at first base and picked up two of his nine strikeouts to end the threat.

The Trojans threatened in the third inning when Jake Collett walked and Ismael Garcia reached on a bunt single. But Garcia was doubled off first when Rynearson threw over after snagging Lee's bunted pop-up.

Jaylon Hilton drew a bases-loaded walk in the fifth inning to force in Collett with Homedale's other run, but the Trojans couldn't generate any offense in the final two innings.

Lee was 2-for-3 as Homedale managed seven singles in the contest.

Payette wasted little time against Homedale. Bryant Gerdes led off the game with a double as the Pirates had four hits in the first inning.

Gerdes scored on a wild pitch, and Christopher Walker laced a two-out, two-run single.

Gerdes started the sixth with a triple and scored on Rynearson's grounder to shortstop.

Iron Triangle Tourney

Saturday: Homedale 7, Sherman (Ore.), 6 — Deal's bases-loaded walk brought

in Clayton Wolfe with the winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning at Malone Field. The Trojans completed a perfect 4-0 run through the Iron Triangle Tournament in John Day, Ore.

Homedale owned a 4-1 advantage when Sherman awoke with five runs in the top of the seventh inning against Deal, who had relieved starter Lee. The Huskies from Moro, Ore., used three hits and two walks to fuel the rally.

Garrett Bettleyon's base hit brought home Wyatt Wolfe with the tying run in the bottom of the seventh.

Clayton Wolfe's double brought home Chase Stoddard to tie the game, 1-1, in the fourth inning. Collett scored on an error to put Homedale ahead.

Deal scored on Lee's triple for a 4-1 HHS lead in the sixth.

Sherman County took a 1-0 lead with an unearned run in the top of the first inning.

Saturday: Homedale 22, Bonanza, Ore., 2 (4) — The Trojans sent 18 batters to the plate in the opening inning, piling up 12 runs in a rout at McConnell Field.

Homedale batted around before Lee singled for the team's first hit of the game. Bonanza's pitching walked and hit batters to spark the rally. Lee and Hilton scored on errors.

Jordan Packer picked up the first of his three RBI when he drove home Jesse Packer. Jordan scored on Clayton Wolfe's base hit.

Wolfe was 3-for-3. Jordan Packer was 2-for-3 with three runs scored. Lee also knocked in three runs. Garcia went 2-for-3 with two RBI.

Pinch-hitter Bettleyon ripped a two-run single in the third inning as Homedale closed the rout with nine runs.

The Trojans led 13-0 when Bonanza scored its only runs in the third.

Three HHS pitchers limited Bonanza to a pair of hits. Deal struck out three in two innings,

and Wyatt Wolfe struck out two in one inning of work. Hilton closed the game with one strikeout in the fourth.

Friday: Homedale 10, Harrisburg, Ore., 0 (6) — Hilton went 3-for-4 with a double and four RBI for the Trojans.

Hilton led a 12-hit attack, while starting pitcher Clayton Wolfe scattered five hits and struck out six in five innings at Malone Field. Reliever Stoddard struck out two in one inning of work.

Deal walked with two outs in the first inning and scored from second on Hilton's base hit.

Hilton's double cleared the bases in the fourth inning as Homedale scored three runs in an at-bat for the second time in three innings in the game.

Jordan Packer (2-for-4) drove in a run in the sixth, and the Trojans set up the 10-run rule with another three-spot.

Clayton Wolfe picked up two RBI on a double in the third inning when Homedale rose up with two outs to score three times. Hilton, Stoddard and Jordan Packer singled ahead of Wolfe.

Thursday: Homedale 6, Grant Union 3 — Hilton hit the go-ahead home run in the fifth inning as the Trojans opened their travels with a comeback win over the tournament hosts at Malone Field.

Hilton's two-run double gave Homedale a 2-0 lead in the top of the first inning, but Grant Union rallied for the lead with three runs in the bottom half of the frame.

Clayton Wolfe led off the fourth inning with his second homer of the season to tie the game, and Hilton hit his solo shot with one out in the fifth.

Winning pitcher Collett led off the sixth with a walk and scored on Garcia's single. Wyatt Wolfe singled and scored on Collett's two-out base hit in the seventh.

Collett struck out seven in 5 2/3 innings, and Wyatt Wolfe fanned two while pitching around three walks in 1 1/3 innings pitched.

Mustangs' Quintero shows he has hops in track and field, too

All-state basketball player Zeke Quintero is now making waves in track and field.

The junior finished third in two events to lead Jordan Valley High School's performance at the Vale Small School Meet on March 20.

Quintero posted a personal record of 19 feet, 8½ inches in the long jump. He posted a season-best 39-3 in the triple jump.

Three Mustangs, including

two freshmen, grabbed top-10 finishes in the girls' meet.

Ninth-grader Tina Gammett had the day's best finish, placing sixth in the 100 hurdles at 21.43 seconds.

Sophomore Baylee Davis posted a personal-best time of 6 minutes, 20.86 seconds in her seventh-place showing in the 1,500 meters.

Freshman Kiana Quintero was 10th in the triple jump at 29-3.

Wrestling: Wrestling sisters proud of new trails they're blazing in Homedale

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tournament as a chance to improve upon his fourth-place high school state tournament showing by challenging competitors he has never seen before.

"I'm excited," he said. "It's going to be some good competition there. It'll help me grow."

The HHS freshman isn't concerned about wins and losses this week.

"Even if I go two-and-out, it's just the experience," he said. "To be able to wrestle different guys will give me knowledge of how people wrestles around the United States."

If, with more than a decade on the mat, Egusquiza is the grizzled veteran of the Homedale group, the Turner sisters are the rookies.

The daughters of Wilder-area residents Mike and Malorie Turner have been in the Homedale school system since sixth grade.

Kaydince, 15, and Savannah, 14, have only been wrestling for two years.

The girls are 13 months apart, and Savannah convinced her older sister to try out the sport.

"Mainly because I didn't want to be the only female, and I thought it would be cool that we can start something no other female had tried in the sport," Savannah said.

Savannah said she "instantly fell in love with" the sport after a girl at her church exposed her to wrestling. She didn't think about joining competitions until she chatted with Jake

Levinski, though.

The HHS wrestling coach encouraged her to compete with the middle school team as an eighth-grader. Because he's a teacher at HMS, he was able to keep an eye on her progress.

He still is. Although Joe Egusquiza leads the Reno-bound quintet, Levinski visits practices for updates.

Savannah is unclear if she'll be able to wrestle in an all-female bracket in Reno.

And she won't bite at the obvious question of whether she's better than her sister.

"We're both equal in our own ways," she said. "I think it builds our confidence having someone else there who can relate."

"Having two girls come in is better than just one."

Kaydince just completed her second year in wrestling, too. She has an agenda on the mat.

"Just giving it 100 percent and excelling in my wrestling career to show the guys that it's not just a men's sport. It's coed," she said.

Wrestling is a family thing for 14-year-old Willy White, too. According to Joe Egusquiza, Willy's dad, Josh, coached at New Plymouth High, and his grandfather led the Caldwell High program.

Willy's mom is Monica.

Jorge Vega, the 17-year-old son of Aurora and Ventura Vega, heads to Reno after a junior season wrestling for Levinski at the high school. He reached the state tournament.

— JPB

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

March 31, 1993

State to provide city with impact study

The Idaho Transportation Department has agreed to provide Homedale with an economic impact study prior to construction on the proposed U.S. 95 bypass, a letter from the state to Mayor Paul Fink discloses. This is in response to a Feb. 15 request by the city and the Homedale Chamber of Commerce for an economic analysis of the proposed project.

But for additional improvements also requested — curbs, gutters, sidewalks and street lights — the city would have to get out its checkbook to cover a minimum of 30 percent, or roughly \$80,000. The state will resurface and bring up to current standards U.S. 95 from its proposed junction with the new alternate route north to Idaho Avenue, but balks at footing the bill for added improvements because it plans to remove that stretch of road from the state system. Mayor Paul Fink said a grant he filled out and sent back to the state two weeks ago may cover part of the \$80,000 price tag.

Theft of road signs a tough problem to solve

A rash of road sign thefts has the potential to create traffic problems with dire consequences, highway officials say. They worry a driver unfamiliar with the area may cruise through an unmarked intersection where stop signs have been removed. Signs reported stolen this past weekend include a stop sign at Graveyard Point and U.S. 95 and a stop sign at Jump Creek near Filler King. A curve sign and two railroad signs were reported shot up, Owyhee County Sheriff's Dispatch said.

Ralph Dines, superintendent with the Gem Highway District in Marsing, said stop signs, a railroad crossing sign and one bridge marker have disappeared from roads in his district in the last two weeks. Dines runs his roads every Monday, an area that includes Givens Hot Springs in one direction and Jump Creek in another.

He carries signs with him and replaces stolen stop signs quickly. Law enforcement also tips him off about missing signs. Echoing Dines' assessment of the potential for carnage is Kent Curtis, an operator with the Homedale Highway District. Curtis said he doesn't think the individuals responsible know what kind of danger they are creating when they steal stop signs.

Council bids more sewer work; wants alleys fixed

At Thursday night's city council meeting, Dennis Dines asked for permission to hold a yard sale at the city park to raise money for a group of Homedale High students' trip to Australia for the Down Under Bowl. Mayor Paul Fink said he has contributed \$10 towards the group's expenses. "It's a worthy cause," he said. The council agreed and approved the event. The sale is planned for Saturday, April 24.

The first phase of the city's 21-block sewer project has been completed, Larry Bauer said. Mayor Fink said the city would like to do replace an additional block of sewer lines behind where the Two Boys Market used to be at First and Second West between Owyhee and Idaho Avenues. The push for work on the block is, in part, so that a chronic water runoff problem in the alley can be fixed. Fink said water in the alley is running into Jane and Jerry's Restaurant and flooding the basements of businesses on that block. "I think we need to do something to support the businesses," Fink said.

The council agreed that, since the contractor would be tearing up the alley for the sewer anyway, the city may as well go ahead and have the alley fixed.

50 years ago

March 28, 1968

Homeowners must hook up to sewer line by July 1

To comply with Ordinance 136 of the City of Homedale, which governs the city water and sewer systems, it will be necessary for all owners and occupants of any premise which is occupied a percent of the day and is situated within 100 feet of a city sewer line, to connect on the sewer before July 1, 1968, according to Mayor Les Carter.

It is required that every business and home be connected to the sewer for the following reasons:

Before the sewer charges were set, a thorough study was made of the city by the Mayor and Council, to determine the total number of connections that would be on the city sewer system and the average amount of water that has been used by each business and family home during the past several years.

The sewer rates as set, figured on everyone being connected to the sewer system, is the amount required to bring in enough revenue to pay the interest and retire the bonds as they become due on the \$216,000 bonded indebtedness of the city water and sewer system.

Ropers vie at Murphy

MURPHY-From 25 to 30 contestants took part in the sixth annual Boise Valley Roping Club contest held in the Murphy area Sunday.

Winners in calf roping were Dee Christianson, Hagerman, first; Bud Ingram, Haines, Ore., second; Don Morris, Meridian, third; and Lowell Taylor, Caldwell, fourth.

In team roping, DeWayne Hagler, Kuna, and Jasper Thompson, Boise, first; Tom Eddy, Meridian, and Lonnie Wright, Caldwell, second; Don Derris and Lonnie Wright, third; Jim Rutledge, Boise and Gary Graham, fourth.

Barrel racing, Carol Prout, Nampa, first; Karen Allen, Garden Valley, second; Betty Eddy, Meridian, third; Barbara Plush, Kuna and Nelma Muller, Melba, tied for fourth.

Grand View news

At the PTA meeting for Girl Scout week the girls put on a program. The meeting was opened by PTA President Vaughn Simper, who turned the meeting over to Mrs. Roy Beaman, Cadette leader, after the business of the meeting was taken care of. The Cadettes posted the colors with Cathy Beaman as color guard captain and Diana Hunt, Clorice Monaghan and Dixie Benzle carrying the colors. The Cadettes then presented a Philippine dance "The Tinney Cling," and then they played Lumber Sticks. With Cathy playing the guitar, they sang "Ho Young Riders" and "The Ship Titanic." Senior Cathy sang a song she learned at camp last summer, "Seek and Ye Shall Find." Junior Scouts Cheryl Hunt and Gay Turner explained and showed the symbols and promise of Scouting and the badges and what they represent. Then the Juniors danced their Basque dance. Room count was taken with the sixth grade winning with the most parents there. The meeting was adjourned and a lovely lunch of cookies and coffee and punch was served.

President of the Grand View Lions club would like to thank everyone who helped with the Lions club winter Fair and Auction. Without the help of each and everyone who participated, it couldn't have been such a success. If during the year anyone has something to donate for the auction and no place to store it, a Lion member will store it. Thank you.

140 years ago

March 30, 1878

The War on Governor Brayman

The Supreme Court of Idaho has lately occupied itself by the most singular proceeding ever known in Court of Record. A member of the bar made an accusation, not verified by any oath, and not stating any language of the accused, but only that it had been reported, that Governor Brayman had used language derogatory to the dignity of the court, whereupon the court, without notice to Gov. Brayman, ordered a committee of five lawyers to investigate whether the Governor had used language derogatory to the dignity of the court, and report the same to the court. No Precedent can be found wherein a court has ordered an investigation of the conduct of an attorney upon such loose, indefinite charges not verified. To make such a charge is always injurious to the party accused, and the generality of the charge would not warrant a court to entertain it. Such indefiniteness at once indicates either the malice of the accuser, or his ignorance of any ground of offense. Such generality gives the accused no opportunity to defend himself, and in this instance the court acted upon this general charge *ex parte*, without giving the Governor an opportunity or notice to show why the investigation should not be ordered. A member of the bar guilty of making such an indefinite charge, unsupported by evidence, should have been severely reprimanded or otherwise punished by the court, but instead of this, the court patiently listened to the motion, and general abuse by the Governor in his absence, and ordered the investigation. Two, instead of quorum, made the report of the committee of five, with what purported to be the evidence of the misconduct of the Governor annexed. This evidence was to the effect that Governor Brayman had advised the people of the mining camp, where they only had one term of court a year, to settle their difficulties by arbitration rather than to suffer the expense and delays of litigation in courts. As courts generally encourage the settlement of litigation, and as the statute itself provides for arbitration, and as it is the sworn duty of every lawyer to keep his clients out of vexatious, expensive and long litigation when he can, we should have expected the court upon this evidence, to have dismissed the proceedings, with strong commendation of Governor Brayman for his highly honorable and good advice to his clients.

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Sports

Kelly dominates Pirates in 3A SRV softball opener

Sophie Nash breaks up Ridgevue pitcher's perfect game

As if Homedale High School's offense clobbering Payette wasn't enough, senior pitcher Dakota Kelly fired a no-hitter in the softball conference opener.

Kelly and Daszha Zamora ripped home runs as the Trojans drubbed the Pirates, 21-0, in a five-inning 3A Snake River Valley conference game March 20 at Sundance Park.

Homedale (6-1 overall, 1-0 3A SRV) scored 13 runs against two Payette pitchers in the first inning.

Zamora, Sophie Nash and Kelly had consecutive doubles after Alex Grant started the rally with a base hit.

A junior left fielder, Zamora went 4-for-5 with five RBI. She ripped a two-run double in the third and returned in the fourth with a single to plate

Grant, who had hit her second double of the game.

Josey Hall scored on Amaya Carter's double late in the first inning as the Trojans sent 17 batters to the plate.

Carter was 3-for-3, and Grant and Hall went 3-for-4.

Kelly knocked in four runs.

The Pirates managed just four base runners against Kelly as she struck out nine, walked one and hit a batter. Payette got other base runners on a dropped third strike and an error.

Catcher Sophie Nash threw out one of the Pirates as she was trying to steal second base.

Last Wednesday: Ridgeview 7, Homedale 0 — The 2017 Class 4A state runners-up scored five times in the sixth inning to break



Senior pitcher Dakota Kelly delivers a ball during her no-hit performance against Payette as first baseman Josey Hall gets ready on defense.

in the fourth inning. Zamora reached on an error to start the seventh, but — like Nash — couldn't get past first base.

Solo home runs from Kiley Kendall with two outs in the first and leading off the fourth gave Ridgevue all the offense it needed. The first six Warhawks to visit the plate reached base in the five-run sixth inning.

Jazmin Ramirez went 2-for-4 for Ridgevue, which fell, 3-2, to Middleton in last year's 4A state final.

WTP Spring Break Classic — Homedale will play at least two games Friday at Vallivue High School in Caldwell during the first day of action.

The Trojans are scheduled to take on Canyon Ridge from Twin Falls in pool play at 9 a.m. on the Vallivue junior varsity field.

Other games are scheduled in the afternoon.

Bracket play will be held Saturday beginning at 9 a.m.

open a non-conference game at Sundance Park.

The Trojans managed only two base runners against Gracie Walters, who struck out 18

batters and walked no one.

Walters fanned the first 11 batters she faced before Sophie Nash broke up the perfect game with a two-out single

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Baseball
Jaylon Hilton, sr., DH/2B
3 of 6 hits for extra bases, including go-ahead HR vs. Grant Union; 9 RBI



Softball
Sophie Nash, jr., C
Had hits in both games, threw out runner vs. Payette



Golf
Kaden Henry, sr.
Fired a 44 in team's Parma Invitational win



Tennis
Makayla Kelly, jr.
Teamed with Mikayla Smith to win No. 1 doubles match vs. Nyssa



Track
Caleb Smith, so.
Had a hand in three wins at Vale meet

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Baseball

Varsity
Tuesday, April 3 at Parma, 5 p.m.
Junior varsity
Tuesday, April 3, home vs. Parma, 5 p.m.

Softball

Varsity
WTP Spring Break Classic
Friday, March 30 vs. Canyon Ridge, Vallivue H.S. JV field, 9 a.m.
Friday, March 30 other game times: 1 p.m., 3 p.m., or 5 p.m., Vallivue H.S.
Saturday, March 31: Bracket play game times: 9 a.m., 11 a.m., or 1 p.m.
3A SRV conference
Tuesday, April 3 at Parma, 5 p.m.
Junior varsity
Tuesday, April 3, home vs. Parma, 5 p.m.
Wednesday, April 4, home vs. Wilder, 5 p.m.

Track and field

Tuesday, April 3 at Parma, TBA

Tennis

Thursday, April 5, home vs. Weiser, 4 p.m.

Golf

Boys
Varsity and JV
Monday, April 2 at 3A SRV conference meet, Scotch Pines GC, Payette, 3 p.m.
Girls
Varsity and JV
Monday, April 2 at 3A SRV conference meet, Scotch Pines GC, Payette, 3 p.m.

Go Trojans!



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Sports

Small Homedale tennis squad ready to make waves

German wins at No. 1 boys' singles for Trojans

Two of Homedale High School's top tennis entries got victories in a non-conference match on the road.

The Trojans lost both parts of the March 20 dual meet against Nyssa, Ore., which was the last action for coach Scott Michaelson's team before Spring Break.

Nyssa prevailed, 7-3, in a match that was rescheduled at the last minute from a date later in April.

German exchange student Max Schmidt, a junior, swept Nyssa's Eli Esplin, 6-0, 6-0, in the No. 1 boys' singles match. It was Homedale's only victory in the boys' ladder.

On the girls' side, Homedale won both doubles matches.

The top team of Mikayla Smith and Makayla Kelly opened another season together with a 6-2, 6-1 win over Nyssa's Savanna Kesler and Hailey Long.

Another returning player, senior Eva Symms, teamed up with Neci Cardenas to beat Nyssa's Kristy Benjamin and Makayla Kesler, 6-2, 6-4, in the No. 2 girls' doubles match.

Jessica Evans and Austin Conant, playing at No. 1 doubles, took their Nyssa counterparts to three sets. The Bulldogs' Jacoby Ashby and Wyatt Jensen prevailed, 6-2, 4-6, 6-4.

Michaelson is treating the Nyssa match as the Trojans' season opener. He said he didn't have enough players with the requisite 10 practices in before the non-conference match against Ontario, Ore., on March 13.

Coach expects big things from No. 1 boys' singles

Homedale High School's top tennis players have state tournament experience. This year, with a thin roster, they could see plenty of playing time, too.

Scott Michaelson returns for his seventh season as coach, and he'll work with a team of 10 girls and only four boys.

"We have low numbers this year, which presents the opportunity for more individual attention and potential for greater improvement," Michaelson said. "The players have positive attitudes.

"On the other hand, it would be nice to have competition for spots on the team creating a natural motivation to work hard. Low numbers also mean we don't have a lot of experience."

Last year's No. 1 singles players — Ben Holloway and Sara Jones — have graduated. Holloway played mixed doubles in the 3A state tournament last spring with Jessica Evans.

Evans is back for her senior season as is last year's other two state qualifiers — the top girls' doubles team of Mikayla Smith and Makayla Kelly.

"Three state qualifiers from last year are returning, giving us some valuable experience," Michaelson said.

The top boys' returners are Austin Conant and Joseph Zamudio, who comprised the seventh-place doubles team in the 2017 district tournament.

Zamudio pulled double duty in last week's first official match of the season. He lost the No. 2 boys' singles match and played with returning senior Eva Symms in a No. 2 doubles match.

As the Homedale track and field team's top girls' thrower, Symms is pulling double duty in her own right this spring.

Rounding out the boys' ladder is German exchange student Max Schmidt. Michaelson envisions a strong state tournament run for Schmidt.

"Max Schmidt will be our standout as he is a very skilled tennis player," the veteran high school coach said.

Schmidt is one of three foreign exchange student-athletes

on the squad. Senna Benschop is seeing time with the tennis team and the track team, and fellow Dutch girl Tess Van Zonneveld has tried out for the tennis squad.

With low numbers and no feeder program, Homedale faces the task of rebuilding nearly every spring. But Michaelson sees the dilemma as an opportunity for his small squad to step up.

"One of our goals will be to continually improve throughout the year to qualify as many entrants into the state tournament at districts as we can and try to rack up as many points as we can in the state tournament," Michaelson said.

Playing in the strong 3A Snake River Valley conference could prepare the Trojans for the state tournament.

Parma swept the state championships for the second consecutive season last spring, and Fruitland was runner-up in both tournaments. Weiser's boys placed third.

"It appears that our district will again be the toughest in the state," Michaelson said.

— JPB

✓ Golf: Freshman Parker paces Homedale's female golfers with a 57

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received a 49 from No. 3 Caleb Harris.

Tournament host Parma was led by Noah Jones' 57 and finished with a 248 team score.

Weiser wins girls' tournament at River Bend — Homedale put four golfers on the course for the Parma Invitational, but the Wolverines ruled the day.

Emma Parker shot the Trojans' lowest round with a 57. Homedale scored 259 as Ashlyn Miller (63), Shanlee Swallow (64) and Brooke Pfost (75) also teed up.

Emma Davidson's medalist score of 45 paced the Wolverines' 201 total. Weiser won by nine strokes over Cole Valley, which boasted runner-up Sarah Huff (48) and Bella Huff, who tied Weiser's Sydnee Reyes' for third at 49.

Parma was third at 234, as Jill Gibson led the way with a 54.



Homedale's Shanlee Swallow watches her putt approach the hole as a fellow competitor begins to walk toward her ball marker at River Bend Golf Course.

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Sports

Sprinters push Homedale boys to 2nd at Vale track meet

Eva Symms wins girls' discus

Caleb Smith played a part in three victories as the Homedale High School boys finished runner-up in the Vale Small School Meet.

The sophomore swept the short sprints, nearing his personal-best times from late last season and beating former Homedale student Michael Babcock — another sophomore — each time.

Smith also ran the anchor leg on the Trojans' victorious 4x100-meter relay. Max Mertz, Jose Ojeda and Erik Hernandez ran the first three legs for a 46.31-second winning time, which is only .57 seconds slower than the starting time for the 4x100 squad a year ago.

"We can certainly cut off more time as they improve their speed and we work more on handoffs, so it promises to be another good team," HHS coach Heidi Ankeny said.

Senior Eva Symms threw 95 feet to win the girls' discus.

The HHS boys scored 90 points and were second behind Burns, Ore., which amassed 109 points.

On the girls' side, Homedale was fourth (65), while Adrian (101.5) finished third.

Although Homedale is classified as a larger school compared to many at the meet, Ankeny said the Trojans' contingent was small.



Senior Max Mertz takes off on a long jump attempt. Photo by John Braese / Malheur Enterprise

"We are small in numbers, but they are fierce competitors and they give every ounce of effort that they have," the coach said.

Jordan Valley also was among the 16 schools competing.

"As coaches, we could tell on the way to the meet that the mood seemed lighter and more fun," Trojans coach Heidi Ankeny said. "The kids were more excited and lively than they had been on the way to Weiser."

"It was obvious that this mood spilled over into their performance."

Homedale athletes posted 20 personal-best marks, Ankeny said.

"Multiple times, we had kids coming up to us after a race,

jump, throw and say that, 'it felt so easy' or 'it was so much fun' or they 'just felt good,'" the coach said.

"Their conditioning and training is starting to kick in, and they are feeling physically stronger and in better shape, so we will continue to see them improving their marks now."

Smith finished the 100 in 11.77 seconds, four-hundredths ahead of Babcock. He won the 200 in 23.23 as Babcock notched a PR of 23.75.

Mertz also had a PR of 24.99 to finish fifth in the 200.

Sophomore Matthew Randall notched a pair of personal records with runner-up performances in the 1,500 (4:45.4) and the 3,000 (10:28.12). He also finished fourth in the 800

in 2:21.33.

"He is a lot stronger this season and seems to be maintaining his speed more evenly throughout the race, not slowing down as much in the middle where distance kids tend to get pretty tired," Ankeny said.

Other PRs included:

- Samuel Ankeny, so. — 800 meters: 4 minutes, 11.21 seconds

- Tony Baltierrez, sr. — High jump: 5 feet, 6 inches (runner-up)

- Bryce Cornwall, fr. — Triple jump, 34-0; and 400, 1:03.84

- Nathan Cornwall, jr. — Triple jump, 34-7

- Keagan Christensen, fr. — 200 meters, 27.81; and triple jump, 35-8

- Milo Mertz, fr. — 200 meters, 27.41; and triple jump, 35-8

- Francisco Jimenez, fr. — 200 meters, 30.93

- Jose Ojeda, jr. — Triple jump, 34-11

- Gage Purdom, so. — 200 meters, 25.45

- Ricky Soto, jr. — 1,500 meters, 5:05.31

- Ember Christensen, sr. — Triple jump, 32-3 (fourth)

- Lainey Johnson, sr. — Long jump, 15-2 (fifth)

- Alicia Raine, sr. — Discus, 70-0

- Kari Woods, jr. — Shot put, 25-5

- Senna Benschop, sr. — 800 meters, 3:05.69; 1,500 meters, 6:26.59

Christensen had her best

mark of the season with a fourth-place finish at 56.11 in the 300 hurdles.

The Johnson girls — Lainey (28.53) and Maggie (29.36) — were third and fourth, respectively, in the 200. Lainey finished third in the 100 (14.13), and Maggie was fifth (14.22). Maggie also finished fourth in the 400 at 1:05.69.

"As coaches, we recognize small improvements from week to week, but as Coach (Alex) Willson said to me, it is really fun to see them recognizing that their hard work is paying off," Ankeny said.

Purdom blazed the final 125 meters of the opening leg in the 4x400 relay to move the Trojans from fifth to second place. Ojeda, Erik Hernandez and Smith joined Purdom for an effort of 3:54.51.

Purdom finished fourth in the 400 at 56.81, which Ankeny said is just off his personal record.

Max Mertz finished sixth in the long jump at 19-2, but Ankeny said the senior scratched on another effort in which he leapt more than 20 feet, which would have been a PR.

Ninth-grader Thomas Symms didn't get a PR in the discus, but he did finish second at 129-0.

"The freshman boys are improving over their middle school marks by quite a bit in a short amount of time, and they look to be a strong group of jumpers/sprinters over the next three years," the coach said.

Three victories send Adrian girls to third place at Vale meet

Roby Young and Morgan Bayes shared three event wins as Adrian High School finished third in the Vale Small School track and field girls' meet.

A senior, Bayes ran a personal-best 1 minute, 3.38 seconds to win the 400 meters. She also won the 300 hurdles in 49.98.

Young beat fellow Antelopes junior Shayla Griffin with a time of 27.83 in the 200. Griffin finished second in 100, too, at 13.8.

Junior Sadey Speelmon notched another runner-up showing in the 800 with a time of 2 minutes, 50.5 seconds.

Senior Shyanne Allaire was runner-up in the shot put with a distance of 33 feet, 9 inches. She finished fourth in the

discus at 90-5.

Kenzie Sorrell was second in the pole vault. The sophomore cleared 7 feet for a personal record.

Young finished third in the triple jump with a distance of 32-8½.

Bayes, Speelmon, Griffin and Sorrell teamed up to finish third in the 4x100 relay in 57.95.

The Adrian boys' squad saw seven top-four finishes.

Sophomore Michael Babcock was runner-up in the 100 (11.81) and the 200 (a PR of 23.75).

Another 10th-grader, Wade Bond, notched a PR of 5-6 for the second-best high jump of the meet.

Babcock, Bond, fellow

sophomore Ethan Sheets and senior Eduardo Muñoz finished second in the 4x100 relay with a 46.88.

The Adrian 4x100 team of freshmen Manuel Aguirre and Clay Ready, junior Santiago Sueiras and senior Alex Garcia was third in 49.47.

Aguirre and Ready joined forces with junior James Ellsworth and Caysen Young to finish fourth in the 4x400 at 4:01.33.

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense Ol' Buddy

Ernie's an artist. He's a rawhide man. He plaits California vaquero-style headstalls, romals, reins, reatas and other fancy stuff. When you ride with Ernie, you always feel like yer in a parade.

But like any artist who is self-unemployed, he has plenty of time to kill. He told me he was settin' in the sale barn one mornin' visitin' with the geezers and watchin' Noah's Ark run through the ring. They ran the assorted single lambs, odd hogs, box of baby chicks and day-old Holstein calves through and had moved on to the beef cows and calves.

Ernie kept his eye on E.B., the local order buyer, to learn some tricks of the trade. E.B. sorted through the lots of killer cows, gummer pairs and shiny-lookin' weaners. Ernie sat on his hands. E.B. noticed Ernie's lack of participation. In came a shaggy-lookin', something-or-other cross. The digital scale read-out showed 205 counting the tags and mud ball on his tail. A leepie, obviously, with a big belly and a muzzle like a leaf rake. And to top it off he was swayback!

The auctioneer got him up to 20 cents a pound. E.B. acknowledged the bid but stated loud enough for the curious to hear, "I'm buying him for Ernie!" After the sale, Ernie paid for the calf but cornered E.B., "Thanks, E.B., but what did you see in that steer, or what didn't you see that the rest of us missed?"

"Son," said E.B. "You bring him back through the sale this spring and see what he brings. He'll make you money." Ernie had respect for E.B.'s opinion and took "ol' Buddy" home.

Buddy ate like a span of Belgians. Although he didn't get much taller, he developed an impressive rumen capacity. Somewhere around four hundred pounds he prolapsed. Ernie replaced it. He prolapsed three more times until at last Ernie administered the humane .22-caliber painkiller. Buddy became rawhide. Ernie made several scarf slides from Buddy. Buttons he called them.

At the sale that spring, he caught E.B. in the café and showed him what ol' Buddy had become. "You wanna buy one of these buttons?" he asked E.B.

"Sure. How much?"

"Ten bucks."

"Tell ya what," says E.B. "I'll give ya five bucks each and buy 'em all."

Ernie thought it over, dug six more buttons out of his pocket and said, "It's a deal."

"See there," said E.B., "I told ya he make you money when you brought him back!"

"Yup," said Ernie, "Yer sure right. If his tail had been just a little longer I'da broke even."

— Visit Baxter's Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black books, CDs and DVDs. His newest book is "Scrambled Wisdom — Almost Isn't ... Is It."

Wayne Hoffman, Idaho Freedom Foundation executive director



Eye on the Statehouse Legislature's liberty-minded session may be just the beginning

Perhaps because it's an election year, perhaps because lawmakers are finally getting the message, perhaps because Gov. Butch Otter is a lame duck. I've been doing this work for more than two decades, and I've never seen an Idaho legislative session more disposed toward limited government than the one about to end.

Allow me to count some of the ways this has been a good session. The 2018 Legislature:

- Passed meaningful tax relief, dropping the top marginal income-tax rate below seven percent for the first time. Idaho's taxes are still too high, and the addition of a child tax credit wasn't a great tax policy choice, but what a difference from the token tax relief offered in previous years.

- Repealed the Depression-era law that required items to be marked up by a minimum government-enforced amount and outlawed the sale of items below cost. Until now, Idaho retailers who held loss-leader or Black Friday-type sales risked prosecution and substantial fines under this anti-free market, anti-consumer statute.

- Amended a 1961 state law so that Idahoans can more easily buy and sell health insurance across state lines. People have wrongly assumed that it's the federal government that stops across-state-lines insurance sales. That's not true. Idaho's own law has

helped create the anti-competitive insurance markets we have today. It will take years to repair the damage caused by Idaho's law (and similar ones that remain in other states), but it's a good start.

- Reduced the number of hours needed to become a licensed cosmetologist and provided a way for unlicensed makeup artists to provide their services legally. Though Idaho still needs to do more to eliminate barriers to work caused by occupational licenses, this is the first time lawmakers have greatly reduced the requirements needed for people to participate in a profession.

- Restricted the use of civil asset forfeiture against people who have never been convicted of a crime, and required law enforcement agencies to keep better records of the circumstances under which property is taken from people. Though civil asset forfeiture remains on the books in the Gem State, the revised law should prevent abuses that have occurred in Idaho under this "policing for profit" policy.

- Passed restrictions on local governments to prevent them from essentially lobbying to convince voters to support a bond or levy election. Though the bill, which awaits the governor's signature, wouldn't stop taxpayer money from being misused, it's a

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William Pendley Perry



Summary Judgment Trump's on the money with national monument review

When it was announced, it was the most outsized match since Goliath, the Philistine champion, sneered in contempt at the ruddy-faced David, the shepherd boy. But the mainstream media, as usual, missed it. How?

After all, a who's-who of the most powerful organizations on the planet along with a billion-dollar corporation filed a host of federal lawsuits targeting three tiny rural counties in an isolated and remote corner of a western state, and the media piled on the praise. Part of the reason for the reason was the lawsuits were against Donald J. Trump, president of the United States, and reporters (what one pundit calls "Democrats with bylines") love every lawsuit, regardless of legal merit, filed against President Trump. Another reason was the lawsuits challenged President Trump's change to two monuments created (illegally, say most experts) by Presidents Clinton and Obama, both media darlings.

There is no excusing, however, the failure of the media to reveal the real target of the lawsuit, that is, some of the hardest-working, poorest, and longest-suffering descendants of some of the nation's oldest families: the men, women, and children of Garfield, Kane and San Juan Counties. To all of them, the lawsuits demand they stop ranching and farming, logging and mining, searching for sources of energy, and recreating on the vast, wide-open federal lands

they and their ancestors have used, in complete and full compliance with federal law, for many generations.

And what are they to do instead? Pump gas, pull espressos, and fluff duvets or otherwise serve the tourists who never come? Even if they came, as third-generation logger Bruce Vincent said when a similar disaster befell his tiny town, "You have to sell a lot of T-shirts to replace a job in the mill."

Just who are these Goliaths that so denigrate rural Americans?

The Natural Resources Defense Council, as of 2015, nearly three years ago, had revenue of \$130 million and assets of three times that amount. The Sierra Club, the same year, raised nearly \$110 million with assets of \$82 million. The same year, the National Trust for Historic Preservation raised nearly \$52 million and boasted assets of nearly \$296 million. Who knows how much they are worth today? All totaled, they and the groups allied with them in the lawsuits against the people of rural Utah raised \$390 million for the latest year available and bragged of assets of more than \$855 million.

At the head of the parade is the most admirable, self-made billionaire owner of Patagonia, a self-described "dirtbag" who once spent over 200 nights

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Commentary

Financial management

Prosecuting parent for theft from son isn't the answer

Dear Dave,

I'm about to graduate from college, and while I've been in school my mom has been handling most of my finances.

Recently, I discovered she's been taking my student loan money and spending it on herself. So far, it looks like she's taken around \$12,000, and I have a total of \$25,000 in student loan debt. Since I realized this was happening, I've been reading your books and learning how to manage my own money. I don't know how to deal with this situation with her, though. She admits she did wrong but says she can't pay it back. Can you help?

— Alan

Dear Alan,

I hate hearing this. There's no easy way to deal with these kinds of situations.

The first thing you need to do is take over complete and total control of all your finances. Shut down any accounts that have her name on them, and anything else financially-related that she can access. I know this sounds harsh, but she has proven she's just not trustworthy. It's a hard thing to hear about a parent, but at this point you've got to take steps to protect yourself. What she has been doing is theft, and financial child abuse.

One extreme is to press criminal charges. The other extreme is to just forget it and pay it. In between is a promise



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from her to repay everything she has taken, but she's already out of control. That's a promise that wouldn't be kept. The problem with prosecuting someone criminally for this

type of action — other than the emotional toll, because she's your mom — is the money's already gone. It's doesn't make them magically have the money to repay you. On top of all this, you'd have a really hard time legally getting the student loans removed from your name because of theft.

Honestly, under the circumstances I think you're probably going to end up eating this. But sit down, and try to have a calm, clear discussion about what has happened, and why it happened. Let her know first, without a doubt, that you will criminally prosecute her if she ever uses your name to put money into her own pocket again. Second, tell her you're prepared to forgive her and forget about

it — and she pays you back at some point, if she can — if she agrees to get some financial and emotional counseling.

Try to get her some help, and get her under control, Alan. If you don't, I'm afraid things are only going downhill from here.

— 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).

✓ Liberty: Transparency, reining in governments among the highlights

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starting point to prevent school districts, counties, and cities from using tax dollars to advocate for the passage of higher taxes.

• Opened the House of Representatives to being filmed and photographed while the people's business is being conducted. This rule change will allow political watchdogs, as long as they don't disturb proceedings, to capture film and audio recordings of House committee meetings.

That's a long list, and it more than blunts the negatives associated with this session, including liberty-oriented bills that were denied hearings, the state's runaway spending and passage of a couple of bills that redistribute wealth. But, I won't dwell on those today.

The fact is, Idahoans have long wanted a legislative session like the one we just had. And this, my friends, is just the beginning.

Should Idahoans elect a governor who actually

believes in free markets and limited government — and doesn't just give lip service to them — and should Idahoans add to the growing ranks of conservative legislators this year, 2019 could prove even better.

— Wayne Hoffman of Nampa is president of the Idaho Freedom Foundation, which on the IFF website is described as a non-partisan educational research institute and government watchdog.

✓ Review: President's review helps reinvigorate spirit of Antiquities Act

From Page 8B

a year sleeping outdoors. Sadly, he thinks all should live this lifestyle.

As outrageous as is the demand by the multi-millionaire environmental groups and the billionaire ascetic for the future of the families of rural Utah is the legal holding they want federal courts to adopt. According to them:

"No president's action may be reversed by a future president!"

It sounds like "The Ten Commandments" when Pharaoh shouts: "So let it be written. So let it be done." But presidents — no matter how exalted by the media — are not pharaohs; nothing is written in stone — even our beloved Constitution can be amended; and, all illegal acts are meant to be rectified.

President Trump was right to review past uses of the Antiquities Act of 1906 to see if they met congressional intent to protect "historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest," such as, "interesting relics ['ruins'] of prehistoric times" that are "scattered throughout the Southwest [on] public lands." He also sought to ensure the land in the monuments was "the smallest area compatible with the proper care and

management of the objects to be protected."

No one was surprised that the review ordered by President Trump concluded that both President Clinton and President Obama grossly violated the Antiquities Act; after all, both presidents openly thumbed their noses at the law in their pursuit of an "environmental legacy" and in kowtowing to the demands of radical environmental groups. Nowhere were their actions more shameful than in Utah where they turned deaf ears to the pleas of Utahns.

Clinton, with the 1.9 million-acre Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in Garfield and Kane Counties — Utah's two poorest counties — killed one of the world's best low-sulfur coal deposits. Mining it would create 1,000 local jobs and generate \$20 million annually. He lied to Utah's leaders — but not Robert Redford — about his plan until he announced it at Arizona's Grand Canyon; meanwhile, in Kanab, Utah, he was being hanged in effigy. Likewise, Obama, in a belated Christmas gift to Leonardo DiCaprio and other radical environmentalists, thumbed his nose at Utahns with his 1.35 million-acre Bears Ears National Monument in neighboring San Juan County.

President Trump's orders brining the two decrees

in full compliance with federal law was absolutely the right thing to do; after all, he has a duty to ensure laws are faithfully executed. He had to act to restore the rule of law. Moreover, it was the right thing to do for the people of rural Utah. That he has the legal authority to do so is beyond question.

Nonetheless, rich environmental groups will fight all the way to the Supreme Court of the United States. That is why Mountain States Legal Foundation is representing the people of rural Utah to ensure justice is done. Please join MSLF in this epic battle for freedom and for the rights of rural Americans.

— William Perry Pendley is president of Lakewood, Colo.-based Mountain States Legal Foundation. The former U.S. Marine Corps captain has authored five books and is admitted to practice law in Wyoming, Colorado, Washington, D.C., and Virginia. According to its website MSLF is a nonprofit, public-interest legal foundation dedicated to individual liberty, the right to own and use property, limited and ethical government, and the free enterprise system. Contributions to MSLF are tax-deductible, and can be made to Mountain States Legal Foundation, 2596 S. Lewis Way, Lakewood, CO 80227

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Training Location	Date	Time
Marsing American Legion – Community Hall Building 126 2 nd Ave. W. Marsing, Idaho 83639	Wednesday April 11, 2018	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Eastern Owyhee County Library 520 Boise Avenue Grand View, Idaho 83624	Thursday April 12, 2018	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Owyhee County Courthouse 20381 State Hwy. 78 Murphy, Idaho 83650	Wednesday April 25, 2018	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

3/28,4/4/2018

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE AMENDMENT FOR PUBLICATION BOARD OF OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ORDINANCE NUMBER 2-1-3

Title: An ordinance amendment that changes the number of members on the Owyhee County Preservation Commission.

Summary: The ordinance amendments change the number of members on the Owyhee County Preservation Commission from seven (7) to five (5). The principal provisions of the ordinance amendment are as follows, with the deletions shown in strikethrough, additions are shown underlined:

2-1-3: CREATED:

A. Created; Membership: There is hereby created a historic preservation commission which shall consist of ~~seven~~ five (5) members who shall be appointed by the board of county commissioners (hereinafter "board").

The effective date for this ordinance as amended shall be March 19, 2018. The full text will be available online 24 hours a day,

7 days a week at: http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/codebook/m_index.php?bookid=871, as well as at the Owyhee County Clerk's office, which is located at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, between the hours of 8am to 5pm on working days Monday through Friday.

Statement: This summary is true and complete and provides adequate notice to the public.

OWYHEE COUNTY CLERK
/s/ Angela Barkell
3/28/2018

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the members of the MARSING COMMUNITY DISASTER FUND, an association will be held at eight (8:00) o'clock p.m., Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at the MARSING COMMUNITY CENTER for the purpose of electing (1) director-at-large for a term of 3 years, (3) area directors for a term of 3 years. One (1) each from the communities of Lakeview area, Marsing area, and Jump Creek area. Director-at-large from within the Association boundaries, area directors, for

the election of officers for the Association and any other business relative to the Annual Meeting. Jessica Showalter, Association Secretary
3/21,28/2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV37-18-00091 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 DONALD RAY BARNHILL, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate 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 addresses indicated below, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 15 day of March, 2018.

/s/ Jeffrey David Barnhill
5699 Old Bruneau Hwy
Marsing, ID 83639
William A. Morrow
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PLLC, Attorneys for Personal Representative

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV-2016-1086 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

In the matter of the Estate of ARTHUR SULLIVAN REINHART, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate 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.

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Boise, Idaho 83701.

DATED this 14 day of March, 2018.

/s/ Robin Reinhart Accinelli
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Minden, NV 89423
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T02N R04W S35 L2(SENENE)
Total Acres: 16

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GARY SPACKMAN,
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Sports

Weather does not deter Huskies from solid showing in NP

Weather threw a wrench in the gears of the track meet held on Thursday in New Plymouth.

The meet was cut short because of lightning, but several Marsing High track athletes recorded some personal bests first.

Sophomore Isaac Lee, participating in his first track meet since an injury sustained during a wrestling meet, ran a personal-record 11.97 seconds to finish fourth in the 100 meters.

"To be able to record a personal (best) in the 100 meters by almost 0.4 of a second, considering the circumstances, has him and the coaching staff excited about what's to come," first-year coach Kurt Carey said.

Wes Ireland took fourth in the first 400 of his career, running at 59.61.

"We're excited about his potential in the event," Carey said. "We believe that he'll continue to improve on that time for the remainder of the season."

Senior Landry Villa placed fifth in the 3,200 meters with a time of 11 minutes, 50.44 seconds.

Merrick Hall matched his performance from the season-opening meet in Ontario, Ore., with a high jump of 5 feet, 4 inches. The effort was good

enough for third place. He also placed sixth in the long jump at 17-2, which was two inches better than teammate Ireland.

On the girls' side, Chloe Ramirez took seventh in the discus with a throw of 72-10.

"I'm seeing a lot of improvement with Chloe and her technique in throws," Carey said. "With Chloe and Taj Jacobi, we have been going back to the basics so that we can perfect those basic concepts of the throws."

"Then we can move on to the more complicated parts of the throwing technique."

Carey expressed his confidence in the team's solid practices. He said athletes are taking advantage of every drill and repetition.

"Overall, I'm excited about the culture that the athletes are creating in practice and how it has been translating to our meets," he said.

Carey gives credit for the change in culture to the work of assistant coaches Clint Thomas and Barry Butler.

"They have been very helpful, and they know the athletes very well and know the athletes' potential, which helps (them) to coach to the athletes' needs," he said.

— TK



Homedale High School's DeLaynie Dorsey takes a swing during the Trojans' 6-5 victory over North Fremont in Saturday's first round of the Taylor Sauer Memorial Tournament at Sundance Park.



Marsing's Fallon Lopez makes contact during the Huskies' narrow 18-14 victory over Adrian, Ore., on Saturday at Sundance Park.

✓ Huskies: Homedale JV wins rivalry game; Marsing goes 1-1-1 in Taylor Sauer tourney

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Ashley Loucks replaced Hailee Bennett on the mound and allowed three runs and six walks in her two innings of work.

Loucks suffered an injury in a collision at home plate in the third inning when she tagged out a runner trying to score on a wild pitch. Loucks, who had received a throw from Heitz, later complained of neck pain and had to be taken to a hospital for medical attention.

According to assistant coach Bryce Osborn, Loucks was diagnosed with whiplash.

Sophomore Aubrey Villa pitched the last three innings, allowing 10 runs on nine hits and five walks. She also struck out four.

Nampa Christian was led by senior Sierra Brookshire, who had two hits, two runs, and three RBI. She also walked twice.

Starting pitcher Dani Randolph pitched a complete game, allowing 11 earned runs on seven hits. She had nine strikeouts and an equal number of walks.

Saturday: Taylor Sauer Memorial — Marsing got its first victory of the season in its opening game of the annual tournament at Sundance Park in Homedale.

The Huskies beat Adrian, 18-14, in their opener.

Marsing also tied the Kuna junior varsity, 2-2.

The Huskies lost to North Fremont, 11-7.

No statistics were provided prior to The Owyhee Avalanche's deadline.

March 19: Homedale JV 20, Marsing 18 — The Huskies found more offense versus the Trojans' junior varsity on Monday in Homedale.

Sophomore Emily Loucks

had four hits, including a triple, and knocked in four runs, while scoring twice herself.

Marsing starting pitcher Hailee Bennett struggled with her control over a five-inning stint. She allowed seven hits but gave up 19 runs, 17 of which were earned, and walked 18 batters. She struck out four.

Ashley Loucks pitched a hitless sixth inning, issuing three walks, and carding a strikeout.

Homedale starter Lizzy Schamber struggled on the mound, too. In 5 1/3 innings, she gave up 17 runs on 18 hits. She struck out six and walked five.

Kenna McKay led the Trojans with two hits, three RBI, and four runs scored. Nacho Evans and Savana Buckley scored four times each for the home team.

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