

It's official: Gateway West will stay off private land

Feds' final decision helps county commissioners, residents breathe easier

More than a year after county commissioners filed an appeal, the federal government has ensured the Gateway West electrical transmission line will remain off private property in Owyhee County.

The Department of Interior announced last Wednesday that the final Record of Decision for Segments 8 and 9 of the 500-kilovolt power line had been approved.

The routes preferred by county

officials, project co-manager Idaho released Monday morning. Power, and affected residents were included in the decision.

"We got to this solution through the steadfast efforts of Owyhee County citizens and property owners who were the first to advise us of the detrimental impacts of what was then BLM's proposed routing," the Board of County Commissioners wrote in a statement

"When we realized the impacts of the proposed route, we engaged local BLM management to ensure that the route selected used federal land to the greatest possible extent as was required under the provisions of the Energy Act of 2005."

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Homedale children check out mysterious animals Tyler Messina from Reptile Adventures in Nampa holds a tegu lizard during Homedale Elementary School's Mystery Day on April 17. The black and white tegu is native to east and central South America and can go grow to be four feet long and weigh up to 15 pounds. The children also saw a tortoise and a Burmese python.

Prestigious honor will finance Murphy museum improvements

Award includes \$10K cash grant

The Owyhee County Histor-



With more skin in game, Homedale gets its library grant

Governor awards expansion funding on city's second try

A new grant writer, a new approach and more local commitment did the trick for the Homedale Public Library expansion plan.

The City of Homedale's Idaho Community Development Block Grant application

was filled last week when Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter awarded 16 public facilities and infrastructure financing requests.

"We are very excited to receive it," library director Sharla Jensen said. "We can't wait to have more space to provide more room, books, and activities to the residents of Homedale and the surrounding areas."

Otter's action came after the Department of Commerce's

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Candidates forum scheduled Thursday in Homedale

Three contested races on May 15 GOP ballot

hear the views of candidates Thursday in Homedale.

dates who will appear on the Republican primary ballot on Tuesday, May 15.

There is only one contest race for an Owyhee County elected office as appointed As-Voters will have a chance to sessor Toni Gruenwald faces Marsing Mayor and former assessor's office employee James Ferdinand.

ical Museum received a prestigious award at a ceremony on Saturday in Murphy.

Three different organizations partnered together to present the 2017 annual Sister Alfreda Elsensohn Award to the museum located at 17085

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David Pettyjohn, executive director of the Idaho Humanities *Council (third from left) presents a check and plaque to Owyhee* County Historical Museum director Amy Johnson (fourth from *left) while surrounded by other dignitaries Saturday.*

The Owyhee Avalanche candidates' forum will begin at 6:30 p.m. at The Bowling Alley, 18 N. 1st St. W.

The doors will open at 6 p.m., allowing folks to meet and mingle with the candi-

Gruenwald and Ferdinand have been invited to take part in the forum, which will feature questions from the audience

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Homedale church turns 60, Pg. 2: Sunday service celebrates Land use planning, Pg. 3: Another Homedale meeting looms Documenting heritage, Pg. 6: Basque project at Txoko Ona Tops in state, Pg. 12: HHS' Smith has fastest 100, 200 times **Obituaries, 6 • Looking Back, 19 • Commentary, 20-21**

Homedale church marks 60 years at Sunday service

Potluck planned, anniversary cookbooks reissued

Homedale's First Presbyterian Church celebrates its 60th anniversary with a special service and potluck dinner on Sunday.

The event begins at 11 a.m., and Rev. Bruce Swanson will lead morning worship for all community members.

Afterward, there will be a potluck dinner in the fellowship hall. Folks are asked to bring salads and side dishes.

Harkening to the church's silver anniversary, the Evangelism Committee will sell church cookbooks. The recipe books are reproduction of cookbooks that were published in 1983 to mark the church's 25th anniversary.

A new section of added recipes from current friends and members of the church will accompany the original recipes from Orpha Cossel, Bonnie Jemmett, Judy Phelps, the Aldrich sisters, Lorraine Stone, Ida Condra and many other longtime community members.

The First Presbyterian Church of Homedale began on March 23, 1958.

Early services were held in the Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

Soon, though, the Presbyterian church building that stands at the corner of West Washington Avenue and North 6th Street West was built with hours of donated labor and the help of one hired carpenter.

The 8,200-square-foot church was dedicated with a service on April 7, 1963, and it's still in use today.

During the last 60 years, the church has given birth to many ministries and programs of service to the Homedale community.

Past projects include:

• The establishment of the Homedale Senior Center

• A food booth at the Owyhee County Fair

• Fundraising auctions

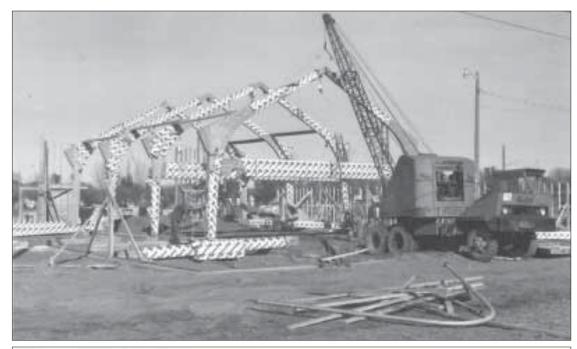
• A community preschool and vacation Bible school

• Supporting the Heifer Project

• Involvement in the World Day of Prayer and the United Presbyterian Women

Currently, the church provides a free luncheon each Saturday to anyone who walks through the church's doors.

More than 40 children visit the church each week for the Friday Youth Club. Homedale Elementary teachers help with this educational and enrichment program that blossomed after the school district decided to go to a Monday-through-Thursday school week.





Construction is shown in various stages during the project six decades ago.

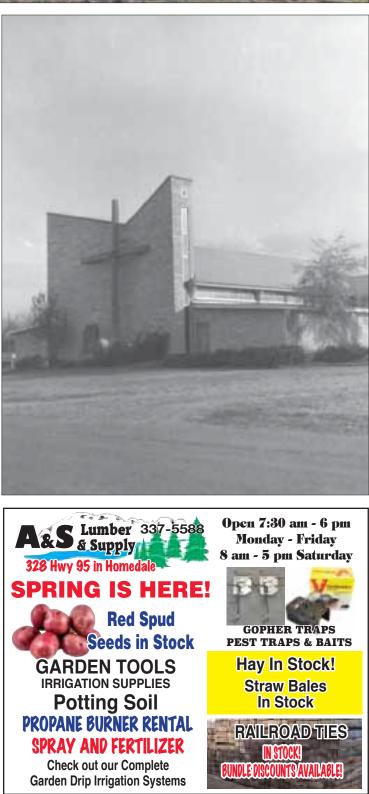
Top: Trusses are placed with a crane. Middle: Most of the sanctuary is complete with large towers in place on the left to accommodate a façade. **Bottom:** The finished facade holds a large cross in the days before the church was opened for its first service.

Submitted photos

Other youth programs include Sunday School and the Presbyterian Kids Club.

The church also donates to community causes proceeds from the annual Under the Shadow of the Owyhees musical concert.





Your local retirement planning experts



Another Homedale zoning public meeting scheduled

County P&Z seeks more input about land use outside city limits

City and county officials will gather again to discuss land use planning in rural Homedale after another planned public meeting.

From 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11, the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will take public input on a new proposed land use map. Officials stress no land use zones inside the city limits are part of the process.

The P&Z and city council will meet in a joint meeting at 7 p.m. after the public hearing. The city council will hold a short regular meeting beginning at 6 p.m. All events will take place at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

The new map, showing modified zoning ideas, was developed after P&Z commissioners and the Homedale city council agreed in March that the proposed residential zone in the city's area of impact south of the city limits should only stretch to Pioneer Road. In earlier proposals, the residential zone stretch further south to a point between Pioneer and Market roads.

The city's impact area also stretches east from U.S. Highway 95 to the Snake River and south of Pioneer Road to a midway point between Pioneer and Market. That area is proposed to be zoned multi-use, just like the area south of the impact area to Market Road.

Another change is keeping the area around Boise Cascade and Specialty Inc. Wood Products near Pioneer Road as a residential area but with an option for light industrial development. That zone is also in the town's impact area.

The map of proposed zoning as well as past survey results can be viewed on the county Community Development Department's website at http://owyheecounty.net/departments/communitydevelopment/.

Call the department at (208) 495-2095, ext. 2 for more information or to get questions answered.

Dairy seeks more RV spaces for employee housing in Marsing

More homes sought in ag zone

County planners will hear a Marsing dairy's bid to expand an employee housing development today.

DeRuyter Properties, L.P.'s conditional use permit application is scheduled to be the last one heard during the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

The hearings begin at 10 a.m. inside the Owyhee County Courthouse Annex Building, 17069 Basey St., in Murphy.

The DeRuyter hearing is scheduled to convene at 1 p.m.

The dairy is seeking a CUP to add six more units to a

recreational vehicle employee housing park that the county previously approved. The park is on about 74 acres in an agricultural zone about 3.2 miles northwest on Marsing.

Two other hearings — at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. — will address people who are seeking to build single-family residences in agricultural zones.

The 10 a.m. hearing deals with a request to build on a 2.7-acre parcel off Wilson Cemetery Road and Idaho highway 78.

The 11 a.m. hearing will examine a proposal to build on a 3.8-acre parcel in an agricultural zone in the Oreana area about a mile northwest of the intersection of Bates Creek Road and Oreana Loop Road.

- Haya Angelou



Homedale band, choir compete at District III festival

The joint concert band from Homedale High School and Middle School performed at the District III festival held on Thursday at Ridgevue High School in Nampa. The band for grades 7-12 directed by John Zieske scored a 2 out of 5 by judges, or the equivalent of an "excellent" mark. The HHS choir scored a 3 for their performance. Marsing High School also performed at the festival, with both the band and choir scoring a 2.





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From page I

$\sqrt{\text{Library:}}$ Per agreement, new library will be named for Gypsy Jackson

Economic Advisory Council had made its recommendations

The Homedale library grant is \$492,873.50, which is nearly \$8,000 under the maximum allowed. The total project to add 3,600 square feet to the library's footprint is estimated to cost \$701,424.83

The city's total match is more than \$208,000, or about 30 percent of the total project cost.

Decorated Veteran

Proven Leadership Experience

compiled the fiscal year 2018 grant application after the city's unsuccessful FY 2017 grant try.

Great West Engineering grant writers decided to emphasize that the expansion would give the city a community center. The company's Craig Erickson wrote the grant.

During a November public hearing, Great West's Andrew Kimmel said the city's grant

Workforce Development

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Great West Engineering application would never be tion was an increase in comawarded without changing the focus to add the community center element.

> The plan is to build a freestanding, 3,600-square-foot building on land east of the existing library, which was built in 1980. The current 1,300square-foot library would become the community center portion of the facility.

> Another positive improvement to the FY 2018 applica-

Correction

In the April 18 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche, the location of the Marsing Wine and Art in the Park celebration scheduled for May 19 was incorrectly identified. The correct location is Island Park in Marsing.

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munity-based contributions.

The most important aspect of the community contributions is \$100,000 that the Gypsy Jackson's family pledged if the ICDBG was awarded and officials agreed to name the expand facility for the longtime member of the library's board of directors. Jackson died in 2016.

The other part of the \$146,495 in local contributions is Caldwell-based R&M Steel's donation of a building that will house the library addition.

The \$27,383.83 the city paid for the lot east of the existing library, which was the site of the town's old Mormon church, also was included in the in-kind funding. So was the \$2,770 the city paid Showalter Construction to raze the old church.

The total in-kind contribution is set at \$37,056, but the application didn't specify whether land-leveling of the old church site is included in that amount.

Andersen Construction, which is building the Owyhee

Health and Rehabilitation addition across West Owyhee Avenue from the library, has agreed to level the ground for the expansion. The firm is doing that in return for permission to use the site as a staging area for the OHR project.

City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram said the library also was supposed to apply for a \$25,000 U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development Community Facility program grant this month. But Pegram said she has not heard if the application was submitted.

The breakdown of the ICDBG monies includes \$395,923.50 for construction, \$42,750 to pay design professionals, \$49,200 to be paid to Great West Engineering for grant administration, and \$5,000 for soil testing,

Construction is expected to start in July with a completion date expected in March 2019.

Jensen has said that efforts to establish a taxing district to support the expanded library will begin after the expansion project is completed.

– JPB

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Calendar

Today

Ladies Coffee Group

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

Owyhee P&Z hearings

10 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse Annex, 17069 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2095, ext. 2

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

Candidates forum

6 p.m., doors, 6:30 p.m., forum, The Bowling Alley, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-4681, ext. 102

Friday

Idaho Foodbank drop-off

9 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale.

Story Time

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

Faith-based support group

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

Teens and Tweens program

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

Saturday

Homedale golf fundraiser scramble

9 a.m. shotgun start, \$60 per player, \$240 per team, River Bend Golf Course, Wilder. (208) 340-4611 or cgrove@homedaleschools.org

Free lunch

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

Sunday

60th anniversary church service, potluck

11 a.m., service, potluck to follow, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

Monday

Wednesday

Ladies Coffee Group

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

Story Time

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Movie time

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

NOCWMA meeting

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

Thursday, May 3

Fit and Fall exercise

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

Friday, May 4

Story Time

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

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

Teens and Tweens program

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

Saturday, May 5

Farmers market spring plant sale

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, East Idaho Avenue, Homedale. www. homedalefarmersmarket.com

Free lunch

Noon to 12:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale.

Monday, May 7

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

Homedale library board meeting 1 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3228 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.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Each day: veggie bar, fruit bar, and choice of milk and juice April 25: **Breakfast:** Powdered sugar donut, string cheese, pears **Lunch:** Crispito, corn

April 26: **Breakfast:** Breakfast round, applesauce **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken, fresh broccoli, cookie

April 30: **Breakfast:** Choc. chip muffin, string cheese, peaches **Lunch:** Hamburger, French fries

May 1: **Breakfast:** Cherry frudel, yogurt, applesauce **Lunch:** Chicken drumstick, mixed vegetables, hot roll

May 2: **Breakfast:** Maple brown sugar bar, string cheese, pears **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie

May 3: **Breakfast:** Large breakfast round, applesauce **Lunch:** Cheese pizza ripper, tossed salad

Homedale Middle

Fruit & salad bar, choice of milk and juice available each day April 25: **Breakfast:** Muffin or cereal, string cheese, pears **Lunch:** Hot dog or fish nuggets, string cheese

April 26: **Breakfast:** Donut holes or cereal, yogurt, peaches **Lunch:** Spicy chicken sandwich or PB&J sandwich, tater tots

April 30: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza or cereal, fresh apple **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken or hamburger, baked beans

May 1: **Breakfast:** Waffle sticks or cereal, yogurt, mixed fruit **Lunch:** BBQ chicken or rib-b-que, green beans

May 2: **Breakfast:** Muffin or cereal, string cheese, pears **Lunch:** Pork chop or chicken tenders, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, hot roll

May 3: **Breakfast:** Donut or cereal, yogurt, peaches **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza ripper or PB&J sandwich, tossed salad, cookie

Homedale High

Each day: Salad, fruit choice and choice of milk and juice April 25: **Breakfast:** Biscuits/gravy or mini waffles or cereal,

yogurt Lunch: Crispitos or rib-b-que, green beans April 26: Breakfast: Donut holes or rolled taco or cereal,

yogurt Lunch: Chicken patty and chili or French dip sand. w/ macaroni & cheese

April 30: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick or frudel or cereal, yogurt **Lunch:** Pepp. pizza ripper or BBQ chicken ranch wrap, potato chips

May 1: Breakfast: Bagel w/cream cheese or breakfast sandwich or cereal, yogurt Lunch: Beef taco or burrito, corn

May 2: **Breakfast:** Breakfast boat or maple breakfast sandwich or cereal, yogurt **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice and egg roll or PB&J stacker, pork & beans, fortune cookie

May 3: **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 April 25: Tater tot casserole, whole wheat roll, buttered corn or PB&J, buttered corn

April 26: Cheese burger, seasoned fries or PB&J, seasoned fries

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 Jordan Valley CWMA meeting

7 p.m., Jordan Valley Cooperative Weed Management Area office, 508 Swisher Ave., Jordan Valley. (541) 586-3000 or jvcwma@ qwestoffice.net

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 (208) 896-4690

Tuesday, May 8 Fit and Fall exercise

10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020 **Homedale Senior Center board meeting** 1:30 p.m., open to public, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

After-school program

2 p.m. to 6 p.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho Ave., Grand View. (208) 845-2019 **Gem Highway District meeting**

6 p.m., district office, 1016 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4581

Bruneau-GV school board meeting

7 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School library, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau. (208) 834-2260

April 30: Chicken nuggets, whole wheat roll, steamed carrots or PB&J, steamed carrots, chocolate chunk cookie

Marsing Middle/High

Veggie bar, fruit bar and choice of milk available each day April 25: Tater tot casserole, whole wheat roll, buttered corn or meatloaf sandwich, buttered corn

April 26: Cheese burger, seasoned fries

April 30: Chicken nuggets, whole wheat roll, steamed carrots or pork taco, carrots, choc. chunk cookie

Bruneau/Grand View

Milk and fruit offered daily

April 25: **Breakfast:** Pancakes & egg patty **Lunch:** Taco salad, whole grain tortilla chips, refried beans/salsa

April 26: **Breakfast:** Biscuit & jelly **Lunch:** Hamburger on a bun, potato wedges, baby carrots

April 30: **Breakfast:** Breakfast bar **Lunch:** Teriyaki chicken, oriental rice, stir-fry veggie

Obituaries Mary Katherine Herrera

1926 ~ 2018

Mary Katherine Herrera was born March 9, 1926 in Los Angeles, California to John Joseph and Edwina Kathryn Daniger Buehler. She departed from us on April 22, 2018 at Sunny Ridge Care **Rehabilitation and Retirement** Center in Nampa, Idaho.

She married Ross Albert Evans on November 8, 1945, a sailor in the US Navy. Together, they would have five children, Mark, Nina, Lynn, Ruth, and Neal, all of whom survive. Ross passed away on May 29, 2006.

Mary played many roles in life, but her crowning achievement, other than her children, was going to nursing school and becoming an LPN at the age of 52. She retired from St. Alphonsus Hospital at



the age of 65, and would later return to St. Alphonsus, where she worked as a clerk until again retiring at age 72.

She married Charles Oliver Daniel on April 26, 1979. They remained married until his death on March 12, 1992. She married Presciliano "Percy" Silva Herrera on July 11, 1998. Percy passed away on August 7, 2009.

She is survived by her five children: Mark Evans of Boise, Idaho; Nina Nelson of Milwaukie, Oregon; Lynn Vona of Duvall, Washington; Ruth Hannon of McKinney, Texas; and Neal Evans of Unity, Oregon. She is also survived by a sister, Jo Ann Pylant of Rio Rancho, New Mexico, 10 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, and four great-great-granddaughters.

There will be a viewing at Relvea Funeral Chapel, 318 N. Latah St., Boise, at 1:00 pm on Saturday, April 28. A funeral service will commence at 2:00 pm. There will be no graveside service.

Anniversary



Robert Scheuffele and Bonnie Kiester-Sheuffele Scheuffeles to celebrate 60 years of marriage

Robert Scheuffele and Bonnie Kiester-Sheuffele, who were married in Homedale 60 years ago, will celebrate their anniversary with an open house.

The Nampa residents married on April 20, 1958 at the Friends Church in Homedale.

The open house takes place from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., on

Saturday, April 28, 2018, at West Valley Baptist Church Hall, 2603 Sundance Road, Ste. 10. in Nampa.

The Scheuffeles' children all live in Nampa: Tina (Rod) Stephens, Mary (John) Goddard, and Scott (Irina) Scheuffele. They have six grandchildren and two stepgrandchildren.

Clarence Arthur "Pete" Merrick

Clarence Arthur "Pete" Merrick, of Bruneau, left this earth peacefully, on Thursday, April 19, 2018, at the age of 91. Services will be held on Saturday, April 28, 2018, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, in Grand View. The family will greet friends from 10:00 AM to 10:45 AM, and funeral services will begin at 11:00 AM, burial will follow at the Riverside Cemetery, in Grand View. Arrangements are under the direction of Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel, in Mtn Home.

He was born in Lamar, Colorado, on March 8, 1927, to Clarence Herbert and Emma Palestine Fillman Merrick. He was the third child of five siblings: Helen, Leroy, Marjorie, and Mary Ellen. The family later moved to Nyssa,



Oregon where he fell in love "with the most beautiful gal" at a dance in Homedale, Idaho. He married Verna Woodland on October 14, 1951. One of the highlights of his life, was when he took his family to be sealed in the Temple. They have been married for almost 67 years.

Pete loved his family, his Savior, horses, cattle and farming. He loved living and raising his family in the Bruneau Valley. Pete loved the people of the Bruneau Valley, where he developed long lasting friendships. Pete is a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He loved serving in the church and the surrounding communities.

He is survived by his wife, Verna, sons Joe (Verla), Allen (Carol), Aaron, and Jared (Kelli) and daughter in-law Karlette, 25 grandchildren and 36 great-grandchildren, with 4 more to arrive this year. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Leroy, sisters Helen and Mary Ellen, son Dean, daughter Sidney, a grandson, and a great-granddaughter.

Basque asked to share photographs, stories

Officials carrying out an ongoing project to document local Basque heritage will visit Homedale on Monday.

The Boise-based Basque Museum and Cultural Center's Community Research Team will lead the effort to get information on local families. The event starts at 7 p.m. on Monday at the Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., in Homedale.

Photographs and video histories from immigrants and their descendants will help the research project's objective to tell the story of Basques in the Owyhee County.

The team can scan photos, so permanent donations aren't necessary. But the team does ask that folks take time to identify individuals in each image that is being provided.

Researchers also can make

notices

BARBARA "BOBBIE" JEAN HAMMER, 80, of Caldwell, died Monday, April 16, 2018 at home of natural causes. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Caldwell. (208) 459-0833

GLADYS LOUISE LARSEN, 84, of Boise, formerly of Marsing, died Saturday, April 14, 2018 at a Boise hospital of natural causes. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. (208) 459-0833

As many known Owyhee County Basque families and their descendants have been contacted, but anyone interested in learning or sharing about the local Basque history is welcome to attend the event.

Basque Museum and Cultural Center team members will present information that has been located in various archives, but welcome input of Basques from Marsing/ Homedale and throughout Owyhee County to help formulate information for the center's website, future publications and possible future panels for the museum.

an appointment with those people who want to put their family's story on a video recording.

Officials hope all primary families in the area will be represented. The local stories will be added to those of other Basque communities from throughout the American West.

The research project material will be featured on the Dorothy Bicandi Aldecoa Community History Project page that will be unveiled soon on the Basque Museum's website.

Anyone unable to attend Monday's gathering can still contribute by calling Patty Miller at (208) 343-2671.

Homedale's Sawyer on college honor roll

A Homedale High School graduate has been in Spokane, Wash. named to her college's honor roll.

Carlie Sawyer appears on the winter term honor roll at Spokane Falls Community College

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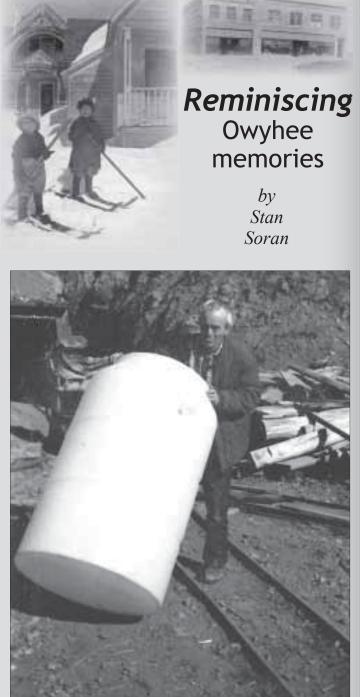
To land on the honor roll, students must carry 12 credits or more and earn a grade-point average of 3.0 or higher.

Modern living

There was a time when the cabin was pretty much selfcontained. We had most of the conveniences of at least a rustic place in town. That is, if by "town" you mean Sheaville. At the push of a button or the turn of a knob both water and electricity were available. There was even a telephone, though it only connected the mine with the cookhouse. Good for calling in lunch. There was a generator up by the mine that started with a push of a button in the cookhouse. After the evening card game, another push shut the lights out. Music was supplied by car radios hooked to batteries, which got pretty good reception especially in the evening.

The water system was a bit more complicated. There were two large storage tanks back in the mine filled by a spring high up on the hill on the opposite side of the draw. If need be, a pump by the creek could be used to fill the tanks. The spring slowed to an unreliable trickle after the earthquake of 1983. After that, the first thing to do on a cabin visit was fill the tanks using the pump but only after a series of valves were opened, closed, cracked a quarter-turn and diverted. There was only one way to do it right, and that required reading Uncle Bill's instructions. You can imagine how many times that worked out right.

Maintenance was always an issue whether it was for the lack of it or from the wrong application of it. After a few years, the generator wore out from said lack of maintenance and was overhauled, but it never did operate as nicely or as cleanly. It needed multiple quarts of oil and much cussing and fussing to get it to run. No longer was it a convenience but another chore. Eventually, the Kohler was replaced with a Honda generator, and that died of an overdose of rotten ethanol fuel. We then reverted to reliable camp lanterns to light the evening poker game and the way to the bunk house. A couple of winters' worth of neglect turned the water system into sprinkler pipe. After that, a weekend visit would start off by duct-taping, clamping



The author's father positions one of the water storage tanks near the mine. Submitted photo

and replacing plastic pipe enough to get the plumbing cobbled back into operating mode. Before long, the joy went out of that, and we would just dip water out of the creek to fill the toilet and do the dishes.

The "Last Hurrah" for modern living at the cabin came when I installed an "on demand" water heater borrowed from my brotherin-law Doug. Using whatever fittings were available, I blocked off any plumbing that was leaking and routed all the water directly to the heater. The resulting pipe sculpture would have made Rube Goldberg proud. This was all plumbed to the sunken bathtub in brother John's cabin. Yes, very cosmopolitan for the Owyhees. With all systems ready, I cranked the hot water valve on to see just a trickle of water. Not nearly enough to start the heater. The laws of physics would not be denied! The water tanks in the mine were about

the same level as the heater in the cabin, so there was not enough pressure to ignite the heater.

Proceeding to Plan B, I started the pump after shutting off the appropriate valves, had good water pressure and filled the tub with very hot water. I added some dishwashing soap for bubbles, and with a beer and a book, I enjoyed a muchdeserved bath.

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Ethical behavior is 4-H's backbone

4-H aims to teach our youth is ethics.

One of the many lessons members to complete each year. By completing an ethics training the youth, as well as parents/guardians, will learn what is expected of

Ethics is defined as the study and practice of standards of

conduct and moral judgment. While ethics can refer broadly to moral principles, one often sees it applied to questions of correct behavior. Ethics gives us a baseline for understanding the concepts of right

and wrong and the Janelle Thompson Sale a positive and

discipline dealing with what is good and bad and with moral duty and obligation. We are all given a choice to be either ethical or not ethical.

There are many ways to practice good ethics. Here are just a few examples of being ethical:

• Being truthful in completing the required paperwork, following deadlines and rules

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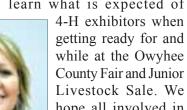
 Knowing how to properly handle and treat animals

• Dealing with disagreements in a peaceful way

• Helping others whenever possible

• Doing your own work when it comes to your project

An ethics training is a requirement for all 4-H



hope all involved in 4-H and FFA will do their part to keep the Owyhee County Fair and Junior Livestock

honest learning experience that the public and all people in animal agriculture can be proud of.

Ethics is something that could be applied to every area of your day-to-day life, not just in 4-H. Good character is ethics in action. Remember the importance of ethics in all you do.

It takes courage to be ethical. Be Brave, Be Bold and Be True!

— 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.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

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April 25: Baked fish, baked potato, broccoli, roll

April 26: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes w/gravy, peas & carrots, roll

May 1: Salisbury steak w/mushrooms & onions, mashed

– Caldwell resident Stan Soran's family has a long history of Owyhee County capers. Since the 1950s, the Soran Family has had a mine on Soldier Creek. Four generations of family and friends have hiked, hunted, played, panned, partied, mined, built, burned and rebuilt at the "Cabin." If you have an Owyhee County tale you'd like to reminisce about, call (208) 337-4681 or email jon@ owyheeavalanche.com for submission information.

potatoes w/gravy, Calif. blend veggies, roll May 2: Meatball hero, broccoli, tater tots

May 3: Roast pork, mashed potatoes w/gravy, Calif. blend veggies, roll

Rimrock Senior Center

All meals are served with milk & fruit juice April 26: Beef stroganoff w/mushrooms & onions, green beans, corn, canned pears, cottage cheese, noodles, oatmeal muffin



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Fifth-grade Field Days return to Lake Owyhee

Four area schools participating in watershed education

fifth-graders will swarm over the Owyhee Reservoir and its state park today and Thursday for annual Field Days.

The Owyhee Watershed Council has been presenting the natural resources educational program each spring since 2002. This year, 1,000 students are expected to attend.

Today, Adrian and Jordan Valley fifth-graders will be among students visiting various stations at the lake.

Homedale and Pleasant Valley fifth-graders are among children who will take in the Field Day on Thursday.

There will be students from 19 schools visiting during the two-day event.

Field Days aim to provide area students with a fun, comprehensive, hands-on way to learn about the diversity within a watershed.

Adrian and Jordan Valley students are among six FFA chapters that will provide leadership during the event.

Each child will receive a T-shirt emblazoned with the winning entry from this year's poster contest. Adrian Elementary students Addy Martin and Celie

Several Owyhee country Davis submitted the winning designs.

This year's Field Day stations include: • Rafting — Steve Boren

and Crew

• Owyhee crops — Adrian FFA

• Marine Safety — Malheur County Sheriff's Office

• Freight Wagon — Kathy Ross

• Vector — Malheur County Vector District

• Stream simulator — Vale FFA chapter

• Water quality monitoring - Malheur Soil and Water Conservation District

• Fur trapping — Idaho Department of Fish and Game

• Geology and mining — Kinross DeLamar Mine

• Noxious weeds — Jordan Valley Cooperative Weed Management Area

• Irrigation — Owyhee Irrigation District

• Wildfire management — Bureau of Land Management Vale District

• The Incredible Edible Aquifer — Owyhee Irrigation District

· Backcountry safety and survival-Malheur County

Search and Rescue • Watershed/water cycle —

Nicole Sullivan

• Wind energy/renewable State Parks energy — Joe Burris

• Raptors — Monte Tish

• Beef by-products — Vale FFA

• Got milk — Oregon Dairy Princess

• Soils and erosion — Erik Feibert, Malheur Experiment Station

• Rangeland ecology — Lynn Larsen, Natural Resource **Conservation Service**

• Idaho Fish Uncovered — Trout Unlimited

• Food safety in the backcountry-Surine Greenway, University of Idaho Owvhee County Extension

• Predator and prey — Vale FFA

• Hunters safety — Dave Stiefvater and Dale Wickert

• Fly fishing — Idaho Anglers Association

• Leave No Trace — Oregon

• Renewable energy — Nickie Shira

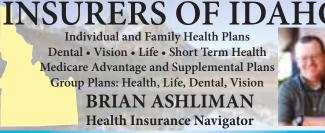
• Invasive species — Idaho State Department of Agriculture

Donations are accepted to help the OWC offset Field Days costs, which include deferring travel expenses for the participating schools.

The money is also used to provide lunch and a T-shirt for each participant. The Nyssa School District prepares the food for lunch.

The name of each sponsor donating \$100 or more is placed on the event T-shirt, but event coordinator Michaelann Seiders stresses that smaller donations are also welcome.

Oregon State Parks cosponsors the event by allowing use of the reservoir park.



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VOTE, MAY 15

Spring fling plant sale set May 5 in Homedale

The Homedale Farmers fees are available on the Market 2018 summer season is still six weeks away from its start, but some vendors will get a jump on the year next week.

The market will hold its annual Spring Fling Plant Sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 5 at Bette Uda City Park.

The plant sale will feature

farmers market website.



garden plants, flowers, hanging baskets and more.

More information on the plant sale, summer market and vendor pricing is available at www.homedalefarmersmarket. com.

The farmers market summer season begins at Thursday, June 7. The market will be open from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. each Thursday through Sept. 27.

A mandatory vendor training session, for both adult and youth vendors, will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday, May 24 at Bette Uda City Park.

Vendor applications and more information on vendor

No jail for smoking meth in park

A Caldwell woman arrested in 2016 on multiple drug charges has been sentenced.

Wenndy Maribel Tellez was originally charged with one felony and three misdemeanors after Homedale Police arrested her in September 2016.

But on April 13, Third District Judge Davis VanderVelde sentenced Tellez after she entered a guilty plea to felony controlled substance possession.

Tellez must serve three years'

felony probation and pay court costs of \$735.50.

Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery dropped three misdemeanor charges including drug possession, paraphernalia possession and unlawful possession of a simulated controlled substance, reported as Spice.

Tellez was arrested on Sept. 24, 2016 by an HPD officer after a bail bondsman alerted him that the woman was wanted on Canyon County warrants.

Tellez was found at a park in Homedale, and the bail bondsman's assistant reported seeing Tellez smoking methamphetamine in the park bathroom.

A search of Tellez's backpack also turned up a meth pipe, according to the HPD probable cause statement.

Marijuana was located in the backpack when Tellez had been transported to Owyhee County Jail.

— JPB



Absentee balloting deadlines loom

There are some deadlines to keep in mind for the May 15 election:

• Voters have until 5 p.m. on Friday, May 4 to request a mail-in absentee ballot from the county clerk's office in Murphy.

Those ballots must be returned to the clerk's office

by 8 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15 (Election Day).

• In-person absentee voting at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy is available until 5 p.m. on Friday, May 11. The courthouse in Murphy is the only location where county voters can cast in-person absentee ballots.

✓ Forum: County assessor,two Dist. 23 races contested

asked through a moderator.

Those people who have questions for the candidates can submit their questions to the moderator between 6 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., or drop off the questions at the Avalanche office before 5 p.m. today.

Two of the three District 23 legislative elections will be contested.

First-term Dist. 23A Rep. Christy Zito (R-Hammett) is facing a challenger from Homedale Republican Oscar Evans.

Dist. 23 Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson) seeks a seventh two-year term against Mountain Home Republican Mark Rhatigan.

Rhatigan said he is running as a "Liberty Legislator," and that he worked on Zito's campaign two years ago.

The four legislative candidates have been invited to attend the Homedale forum,

too.

Dist. 23B Rep. Megan Blanksma (R-Hammett) is unopposed in her bid for a second two-year term.

Only incumbents or appointees have filed for the other elected offices on the ballot, including Annette Dygert, who was appointed to succeed Brenda Richards as treasurer last summer; Aaron Tines, who is seeking a full four-year term after being appointed to succeed Harvey Grimme; and incumbents Angie Barkell (county clerk), Jerry Hoagland (District 1 commissioner) and Joe Merrick (District 3 commissioner).

All offices carry a fouryear term except for District 1 commissioner, which is for two years.

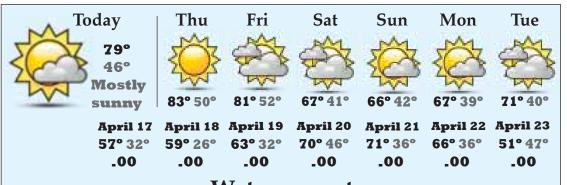
All candidates in uncontested races have the opportunity to briefly address the audience.



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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 82 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 705

cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 180 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 582,821 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



Homedale beet dump undergoes an upgrade

Workers continuing building a new above-ground truck scale on Friday at the Amalgamated Sugar Co.'s beet dump on the corner of U.S. Highway 95 and East Idaho Avenue in Homedale. The new scale is replacing the existing pit-style one. Boise-based Total Scale Service is completing the project. Pictured are Joe Buglione (left) and Joe Burgin.

Non-compliant sex offender sentenced to probation

A registered sex offender investigator. living in Grand View has been sentenced after failing to update his status.

Jonathon Edgar Haynes was originally charged with three felony counts of failing to register a change of address or name and misdemeanor count of providing false information to a law enforcement

Haynes was sentenced on only one of the felony counts, and he avoided a state penitentiary term of between three and five years when Third District Judge Davis VanderVelde suspended the sentence during an April 17 hearing.

Haynes will be on felony

probation for three years, and he has been ordered to pay \$245.50 in court costs.

In connection with providing false information, Haynes faces one year of supervised probation and costs of \$157.50.

VanderVelde suspended a six-month term in county jail.

Weekend Special Porterhouse Pork chop

Probation, fines for **Caldwell man's DUI**

A Caldwell man is on on Jan. 26. probation until October after his misdemeanor conviction for driving under the influence.

Martin Meza Ramirez was placed on six months' probation during his April 4 sentencing before Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober in a Homedale courtroom.

Previously, Meza Ramirez was ordered to pay \$361.50 in fines and costs for speeding and littering infractions written when an Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy arrested him

He must also pay \$750 in fines and fees for the misdemeanor DUI conviction

Meza Ramirez entered not guilty pleas to the DUI and possession of an open container of alcohol on Jan. 30. The prosecution dismissed the misdemeanor for an open container prior to sentencing.

Grober gave the defendant credit for three days spent in county jail and suspended the balance of a six-month sentence.

Courthouse report

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

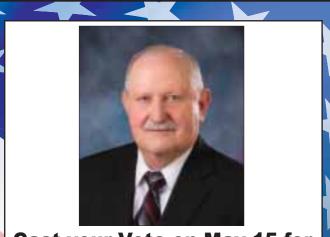
A list of felony and costs: \$157.50. Dismissed by prosecutor: Felony sex offender-fail to register change of address or name (two counts)

April 17

Haynes, Jonathon Edgar, Grand View — Felony sex offender-fail to register change of address or name; misdemeanor providing false identification information to investigating law enforcement officer: 3 to 5 years state prison (suspended), 6 months in jail (suspended), 4 years supervised probation (3 years felony probation), court

April 13

Tellez, Wenndy Maribel, Caldwell—Felony controlled substance possession: 3 years felony probation, court costs: \$735.50. Dismissed by prosecutor: Misdemeanor controlled substance possession, misdemeanor unlawful possession of a simulated controlled substance, and misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession



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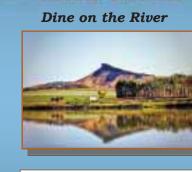
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Girls' rodeo opens season in Homedale

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Homedale's Erik Hernandez (third from left) runs the first 200 meters of the sprint medley relay last Wednesday on his home track. Photo by Machele Randall

HHS soph leads state in sprints

Smith pulls down three of Trojans' 18 PRs at home

Earlier this season, Caleb Smith's coach commented on his breakout potential after an offseason of hard work.

Last week in front of home crowd, Homedale High School track and field coach Heidi Ankeny's words seemed prophetic.

One week after achieving one goal he had set — beat-

ing his 3A Snake River Valley conference rival — the sophomore s p r i n t e r swept the 100- and 200-meter

races at the *Caleb Smith* Homedale Invite.

Smith blazed to personal records in both sprints. His 10.78-second turn in the 100 beat Weiser's Jacen Smith for the second time in as many

outings.

Caleb Smith won the 200 in 22.15.

Trojans coach Heidi Ankeny said Smith has the top times in the state for both events now.

He also ran the second 200meter leg of the sprint medley as Homedale finished second in 4 minutes, 0.43 seconds.

Erik Hernandez ran the opening 200, and Gage Purdom ran the 400 leg, while Matthew Randall closed the relay with an 800.

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Marsing track excels in busy week

Marsing High School's track and field team saw some encouraging efforts during last week's invitationals in Homedale and at Bishop Kelly in Boise.

Marsing had struggles at the BK Invite, finishing 13th in a field of 15, but several athletes had strong weeks for the Huskies. Merrick Hall, a sophomore, continued to impress his coach.



Huskies pick up 2A WIC softball wins

Marsing snaps seven-game losing streak

The Marsing High School softball team beat Cole Valley Christian on Friday for its second consecutive 2A Western Idaho Conference victory.

The home victory started a winning streak after Marsing had lost seven consecutive games.

The Huskies (3-12-1 overall, 2-5 in conference) raced out to a huge lead after three innings to post a 17-9 victory.

Hailee Bennett got it done

at the plate and on the mound. The junior was on base three times, scoring each time, and knocked in three runs.

Bennett had some struggles on the mound, allowing nine runs and walking seven batters. She started out with three shutout innings but allowed nine total runs between the fourth and fifth.

Sophomore Aubrey Villa came on in relief and pitched 2 1/3 strong innings, allowing just one hit and striking out one. She also had a hit and two walks at the plate, scoring twice.

Junior catcher Emma Heitz

— See Softball, page 13



Junior Hailee Bennett pitches during Marsing's conference softball win over visiting Cole Valley Christian. Photo by Dan Pease

Zamudio zips to victory for Trojans' tennis team

Hailee Benne

"Merrick keeps improving," first-year coach Kurt Carey said.

Hall jumped 5 feet, 11 inches at Bishop Kelly, good enough for second place, just two inches below the host team's Troy Colleran. The jump was a personal best for Hall.

Adonis Stelzried saw a personal best in the 200 meters with a time of 24.35 seconds Sophomore Wes Ireland had a strong week as well. Marsing's sophomore AJ Ayuban (second from left) finishes a step ahead of Homedale's Jose Ojeda in a 100 meters heat last Wednesday.

He reached a personal record in the long jump of 19-9, the fourth-best mark in the 2A Western Idaho Conference this year.

Chloe Ramirez threw a personal-best 29 feet, $5\frac{1}{4}$ inches in the girls' shot put.

"She continues to improve

as well," Carey said. "She's been dedicating so much time in practice to improving and has been very teachable."

Carey said that when his team first got to the Bishop Kelly meet, they may have

— See Marsing, page 15

Experience expands as season moves on

A new athlete broke into the win column for Homedale High School's tennis team. Junior Joseph Zamudio beat Payette No. 2 boys' singles player Paden Whiteley, 6-1, 6-0, on April 17 at the Bette Uda City Park courts.

"Joseph has improved his serve a lot and played very well, but his advantage in experience over his opponent was a big factor in the lopsidedness of the match also," HHS coach Scott Michaelson said.

Despite Zamudio's first individual victory of the season, Payette prevailed, 10-2, in the 3A Snake River Valley conference meet.

The Pirates collected three forfeits in the boys' ladder, including both doubles matches.

Homedale junior Max Schmidt, an exchange student

— See Tennis, page 16

Sports

Huskies showing potential as district looms

NC capitalizes to escape with win

Trailing early Friday against visiting Cole Valley Christian High School, Marsing's baseball team didn't have quite enough to dig out of the hole.

"Kinda same song, different verse," first-year Huskies coach Kenny Mace said. "We have that inning in just about every game where we implode."

Marsing lost, 12-9, in a 2A Western Idaho Conference game.

The Huskies fell behind 7-2 in the third inning and trailed, 11-5, after five. They scrapped together four runs in the last two innings but it was too little, too late.

"We did claw our way back, and the boys really did play hard," he said. "We need to eliminate the mental errors and make the routine plays."

The Huskies (7-7 overall, 1-6 in 2A WIC) had several strong performances at the plate. As a unit, they had 19 hits.

Sophomore Isaiah Prado went 4-for-5, including a double, collected two RBI, and scored a run.

Dwight Sevy had three hits while scoring twice and knocking in two runs.

Tyler Wood also had three hits and two RBI. He also



Senior Tyler Wood throws a pitch during the Huskies' setback at home against Cole Valley Christian. Photo by Dan Pease

pitched the first three innings, giving up eight hits and seven runs while striking out three.

"We want to be playing our best baseball by districts, and we really feel that it's heading that way," he said. "We need to keep grinding."

The 2A District III Tournament begins May 4.

Heading into Tuesday's game against conference leader New Plymouth, the Huskies were tied with McCall-Donnelly for the fifth seed. Marsing travels to play the Vandals on Friday before closing the 2A WIC season Tuesday at home against Melba.

With four games left in the regular season, time is of the essence for Marsing to play its best ball.

"Each week we have kept improving," Mace said. "I do believe that we are on schedule to peak at districts, as long as the boys keep that bluecollared work ethic and attitude."

April 17: Nampa Christian 4, Marsing 3 — Jaden Kinney pitched a shutout into the sixth inning against the tough Trojans in Nampa.

The Huskies held a 3-0 lead until Nampa Christian rallied for four runs — two unearned — in the bottom of the sixth inning.

A junior, Kinney threw a complete game but came out on the short end of a tight game. He allowed just five hits and two earned runs. He collected two strikeouts and allowed five walks.

Dwight Sevy continued to produce from the plate, getting on base twice and scoring a run.

The Huskies did all their damage in a busy third inning.

"We had a huge opportunity to bust the game wide open in the third, but we left the bases loaded," Mace said.

Marsing had a pretty solid game defensively, and Mace said the Huskies are showing a little more aptitude in the field as the season wears on.

"I felt that defensively we played very well," he said. "We had two errors that both came in the bottom of the sixth and lead to (Nampa Christian's) runs and eventual win."

— TI

√Softball

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and sophomore outfielder Autumn Bennett collected two hits and scored two runs apiece, while Heitz also knocked in two.

Ashley Loucks was credited with four RBI.

The Huskies jumped out quickly, scoring six times in their first at-bat. Marsing hitters notched 15 hits.

April 17: Marsing 10, Nampa Christian 9 — The Huskies built a five-run lead in the seventh inning and withstood the Trojans' late heroics in Nampa.

Junior first baseman Fallon Lopez led the charge for Marsing with two hits and three RBI.

Loucks and both Bennetts had two hits apiece. Heitz scored three of Marsing's 10 runs.

Hailee Bennett threw a complete game for the Huskies, allowing nine runs on 11 hits, while striking out five. She walked 12 batters.

Nampa Christian pecked away at Marsing's lead, scoring single runs in five of the first six innings. and trailed by just two going into the seventh.

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everything in hand, scoring
three in the top of the seventh,
taking a 10-5 lead. The Trojans
put up four in that inning, but
fell short.



Baseball Isaiah Prado, so., C Five hits, 3 RBI in 2 games Softball Hailee Bennett, jr., P 5-for-8, 3 RBI; threw 11 strikeouts in two victories Track and field Merrick Hall, so., high jump 2nd at BK Invite at 5 feet, 11 inches; ranked 2nd in 2A WIC

Baseball

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Softball

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Sports

Payette has Homedale's number again, sweeps season

Collett overpowers Parma; Trojans close on No. 2 seed

Homedale High School suffered only its second loss of the baseball season last week, but it may have cost the Trojans a shot at the top seed.

Bryant Gerdes and reliever Christopher Walker combined on a four-hit shout April17 at Harmon Killebrew Field, and the Pirates took a two-game lead for the top seed into the 3A District III Tournament with an 8-0 victory.

Payette swept the 3A Snake River Valley conference series with Homedale (16-2 overall, 4-2 in conference after beating Parma, 4-0, on Friday).

The Pirates' first six runs — all scored against starting pitcher Ben Lee — were unearned as the Trojans committed five errors.

Payette added two unearned runs in the sixth inning against reliever Jake Collett.

Chase Stoddard had three hits for the Trojans, including a double in the fourth inning.

Drew Deal had Homedale's other single, and he was the only HHS base runner to make it to third base. He was 90 feet away after a third-inning wild pitch and wound up on third base in the fifth with two outs after a walk, stolen base and Lee's groundout. By beating Parma on Friday, the Trojans built a 1½-game lead over the Grizzlies for the No. 2 seed into the district tournament, which begins Saturday, May 5 at Walter Johnson Field in Weiser.

Homedale visited Fruitland on Monday after deadline.

Friday: Homedale 4, Parma 0 — Jake Collett struck out a career-high 13 batters and fired a two-hitter in a conference victory on the road.

Clayton Wolfe clubbed his third home run of the season during a two-run uprising in the fourth inning.

Collett was unhittable and had six strikeouts before Ricky Almeida singled to left field with two outs in the third inning.

Cole Hemry had an infield single and stole second base with two outs in the fifth inning to become the only Parma player to get past first base against Homedale's lefthanded starter.

The Trojans grabbed a 2-0 lead in their first at-bat. Drew Deal led off with a walk and – after a stolen base and Ben Lee's single – scored on Panthers starter Braden Jensen's balk.

Jesse Packer notched the first



Homedale junior left-hander Jake Collett strides toward the mound during his dominant performance against Parma on Friday at John Jackson Field.

of his two RBI with a sacrifice fly to bring home Lee.

Collett scored on Packer's bases-loaded walk in the fourth inning as the Homedale second baseman got two RBI without an official at-bat.

April 16: Homedale 11, Vale, Ore., 8 — The Trojans scored in bunches early then held on for a non-conference victory as the host Vikings piled up eight runs in their final three at-bats.

The Trojans escaped when Collett struck out two batters with the bases loaded in the seventh inning after the Vikings had scored three runs and had the tying run on base.

Homedale led 5-0 after two innings. Collett doubled home a run in the three-run first. Ismael Garcia had an RBI single in the second inning.

Clayton Wolfe pitched the first five innings, giving up two runs, only one of which was earned. He struck out seven.

After the Vikings pulled to within four runs, Homedale answered with a three-run

sixth. Two runs scored on bases-loaded walks, and Mason Kincheloe drove in Stoddard with a base hit. Wyatt Wolfe trotted home with the bases loaded on a walk that proved to be the decisive play.

Wolfe also pounded a tworun double in the seventh inning to give Homedale some breathing room.

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Clayton Wolfe, jr., 1B Hit third HR of year vs. Parma; 2 RBI in 3 games

, jr., 1BAmaya Carter, jr., 3Byear vs..500 (5-for-10), triple, 43 gamesRBI, 4 runs in 4 games

Joseph Zamudio, jr. Won in the singles ladder vs. Payette; took part in doubles win vs. Ontario Senna Benschop, sr. Exchange student achieved PRs in 800 and 1,600 at Homedale Invite Kaden Henry, sr. Carded a 40 in Trojans' runner-up 3A SRV finish



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Baseball

Varsity Saturday, April 28, home vs. Melba, 1 p.m. Monday, April 30 at Ontario, Ore., 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 1, home vs. Weiser, 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 2, home vs. Nampa Christian (Senior Night), 5 p.m. Junior varsity Friday, April 27 at Wilder, 4 p.m. Saturday, April 28 at Melba (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Monday, April 30, home vs. Ontario, Ore., 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 1 at Weiser, 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 2 at Nampa Christian, 5 p.m.

Softball

Varsity Monday, April 30, home vs. Weiser (Senior Night), 5 p.m. Junior varsity Monday, April 30 at Weiser, 5 p.m.

Track and field

Thursday, April 26 at Weiser Invite, 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 28 at Saint Alphonsus Invitational, Ontario, Ore., 11 a.m

Golf

Boys Varsity and junior varsity Wednesday, April 25 at 3A SRV meet, River Bend GC, Wilder, 3 p.m. Monday, April 30 at 3A SRV meet, Scotch Pines GC, Payette, 3 p.m. Girls Varsity and junior varsity Wednesday, April 25 at 3A SRV meet, River Bend GC, Wilder, 3 p.m. Monday, April 30 at 3A SRV meet, Scotch Pines GC, Payette, 3 p.m.

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Allison Shenk (left) and Amaya Carter demonstrate just how loose the Homedale softball dugout can get during Friday's rout of Parma at Sundance Park.

Kelly returns, Trojans keep up winning ways

scored eight runs in the bottom

of the first inning using a

station-to-station strategy then

cruised to a conference victory

Kendall Nash's RBI double

to spark a four-run fourth was

the only Trojans' hit out of 16

Kelly and Cardenas

Nash was 4-for-4 with four

Zamora and Amaya Carter

Last Wednesday:

Homedale 10, Ontario, Ore.,

2 — The Trojans piled up

seven runs before the Tigers

broke through against Kelly

in a non-conference game at

Ontario scored a pair of

unearned runs in the third

inning. Kelly spun a four-

hitter with four strikeouts. She

Kendall Nash tripled and

Grant and Sophie Nash

April 16: Homedale 10,

scored on an error in the third.

smacked RBI doubles in the

four-run second inning.

pitched around three walks.

Sundance Park.

combined on a three-hitter.

runs scored and two RBI.

knocked in three runs each.

at Sundance Park.

that wasn't a single.

Her team didn't miss a Parma 0 (5) — The Trojans beat when Dakota Kelly was sidelined for a few games.

The powerful Homedale High School softball pitcher picked up right where she left off when she returned.

The senior right-hander, who will play college ball at Northwest Nazarene University, was activated last week after a stress fracture in one of her shins, Trojans coach Larry Corta said.

Kelly returned to the lineup on April 17 in Homedale's 18-0 demolition of 3A Snake River Valley conference foe Payette.

She pitched the first three innings on the Pirates' field, allowing no hits, walking one and striking out six. Olivia Cardenas, one of two players who picked up the slack in Kelly's absence, pitched the final two innings in a game that was halted after five innings because of the 10-run rule.

Alex Grant smashed a tworun home run with two outs in the fourth to highlight a 3-for-3, four-RBI day.

Grant scored the first of her

ports

HHS second to Fruitland again

Daniel Uranga's secondlowest round of the season couldn't push Homedale High School to victory in its home golf meet last Wednesday.

The sophomore was evenpar 36 over nine holes at River Bend Golf Course, but three Fruitland golfers scoring in the 30s pushed the Grizzlies to a 16-stroke victory in the third 3A Snake River Valley conference meet of the season.

Uranga shot par or better for the second time in as many conference tournaments.

Fruitland has won all three 3A SRV meets held this season, and Homedale has been right behind the Grizzlies each time.

Last week's tournament was considered a home match for runner-up Homedale. The

conference is back at River Bend today for a meet hosted by Parma.

Uranga was the only Homedale golfer under 40 last week, while medalist Lucas Rynearson fired a 3-under-par 33 to lead

three Grizzlies under Spencer Fisher 40. Fruitland scored a 152 aggregate.

Jake O'Neil and Jonas Bicknese both carded 2-over 38s, while Tyler Teetzen shot a 43.

Homedale had five golfers in the varsity meet, of which the



Homedale senior Scott Matlock rolls a putt toward the hole during last Wednesday's action at River Bend Golf Course.

top four scorers are counted. Senior Kaden Henry shot 40

as Homedale came home with

a 168. Sophomores

Spencer Fisher (45) and Arnulfo Llamas (47) rounded out the Trojans' scoring. Senior Scott Matlock was the No. 5 player at 48.

Girls' take third in varsity meet

- Shanlee Swallow's seasonlow 48 was four shots off the medalist score.

Sara Lundberg scored 44 to take individual honors for meet champion Weiser, which tallied 192.

Homedale was third at 229,

eight shots behind runner-up Parma.

Emma Parker and Brooke Pfost each scored 55 for the Trojans, and Ashlyn Miller's 71 rounded out Homedale's individuals.

Boys' JV finish second - Sklyr Badiola notched a 47 to lead a full complement of Homedale golfers. The Trojans were runners-up to Weiser, which tallied 195 with two golfers in the 40s.

Garrett Elordi shot 55 for the Trojans, who scored 218. Teammates Bowen Campbell and Ben Holt came in with 58s, and Gunnar Campbell scored 59.

Weiser's Justin Estes was medalist at 44.

$\sqrt{\text{Marsing:}}$ Huskies take BK meet in stride

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been a little intimidated.

"I could tell our athletes felt a little out of place when we first arrived," he said. "We're coming from a program that can't afford team warmups, and they look around at all the nice uniforms, warmups and equipment.

"Once it is time for them to compete, none of those things matter to them."

At the Homedale meet last Wednesday, several Huskies saw personal bests.



three runs in the Trojans' eightrun first inning. She led off with a single ahead of Dazsha Zamora's homer.

Zamora also had a two-run double later in the first inning, and finished with five RBI.

Allison Shenk doubled twice, and Paige Carter added a double.

Amaya Carter tripled in the fourth and scored on one of Shenk's doubles. Kendall Nash, who has singled, came home on Carter's triple.

By week's end, Homedale (18-2 overall, 6-0 in conference) had extended its winning streak to 11 games.

Friday: Homedale 21,

Vale, Ore., 0 (6) — The Trojans cruised along until the sixth when they scored seven runs to set up the mercy rule in a non-conference road game. Cardenas struck out six and scattered four hits over six innings to get the completegame victory.

Leading 3-0 since the third inning, Homedale blew open the game in what turned out to be the team's final at-bat.

Jayci Swallow and DeLaynie Dorsey drilled back-to-back run-scoring doubles in the big inning. The 10th batter in the inning, Josey Hall laced a single to score Dorsey with the winning run.

AJ Ayuban and Brody Archer raced to PRs in the 100 meters, in 12.28 and 12.31 seconds, respectively. Isaac Lee led the Huskies at 11.96.

Stelzried finished ninth in the 200 at 24.4 seconds and eighth in the 800 at 2:17.59. Teammate Matthew Lee was just behind at 2:18.95.

Matthew Lee reached his season-best time in the 1,600-meter run, clocking in at 5:30.52. Senior Landry Villa also scored a seasonbest in the 3,200 meters, finishing sixth overall in 11:30.32.

Ireland finished strong in the 300-meter hurdles with a runner-up time of 44.78 seconds.

Marsing had some good showings in the field events in Homedale, too.

Taj Jacobi finished 12th in the shot put with a throw of 37-2.5. He also finished 23rd in the

Christopher Even competes in the shot put during the Homedale Invitational last Wednesday.

discus throw at 86 feet.

Stelzried finished fourth in the long jump, with a leap of 19-11.

— TK

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Locals shine in girls' rodeo opener

Association season began Sunday with an event at Badiola Arena in Homedale. Several competitors were from Owyhee County and the surrounding area.

Annie Smith placed second and third in team roping on separate runs with partners Angie Layne (16.14 seconds) and Becky Temple (16.5 seconds).

Homedale's Yo Curtis had one of the top times in barrel racing, notching a 17.657.

Karlee Smith, the daughter of Tyler and Annie Smith, made

The Idaho Girls' Rodeo her IGRA debut in Mini-Mite barrel racing and pole bending.

Laci Davies also competed in the Mini-Mite Division for barrel racing, pole bending and goat flanking.

The IGRA returns to Homedale on Aug. 19 for a performance inside the Owyhee County Rodeo Arena inside the fairgrounds.

The IGRA finals will be held Sept. 29-30 at the Owyhee County Rodeo Arena.

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Above: Annie Smith competes in a round of team roping during Sunday's season opener for the Idaho Girls' Rodeo Association at Badiola Arena in Homedale. Left: Homedale's Yo Curtis guides her horse around an obstacle during barrel racing action Sunday. Photos by Cherie Rolland / Cherie Rolland Photography

Tennis: More Trojans players beginning to taste success on the courts

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from Germany, remained unbeaten at No. 1 boys' singles with a 6-1, 6-0 shellacking of Ben Rosorea.

The most exciting match of the day came at No. 2 girls' singles.

Homedale's Lindy Phariss battled to win the first set in a tiebreaker, but Rose Winsor battled through two more marathon sets to get the point for Payette.

Winsor prevailed, 6-7, 7-6, Linde. 7-5.

thing since it lasted well beyond the end of all the other matches."

Payette gained forfeits in the No. 1 girls' doubles and second mixed doubles matches.

Coach Scott Michaelson had a full complement of girls' singles players.

No. 1 Isabel Hernandez lost to Fini Proehl, 6-0, 6-1, and Dutch exchange student Senna Benschop fell, 6-1, 6-3, to Payette No. 3 Katharina

Another Dutch player, Tess "Lindy played a great Van Zonneveld teamed up with natch," Michaelson said. "It Alissa Clagg at No. 2 doubles.

Mason, 6-1, 6-0.

Thursday: Homedale 3, Ontario, Ore., 3 — The Tigers came to Bette Uda City Park with just enough players to accommodate the Trojans' small roster, and the teams split the non-conference meet.

Schmidt shut out Ontario's Caleb Wilson, 6-0, 6-0, in the top boys' singles match.

Austin Conant and Zamudio played No. 1 boys' doubles and dispatched the Tigers' team of Anthony Lopez and Trevor Gamage, 6-0, 6-1.

Isabel Hernandez needed three tough sets to win the fiers.

Roberts, 7-6, 6-7, 7-5.

Three other matches were played in the girls' ladder, including the return of the Trojans' top doubles team.

Mikyala Smith and Makayla Kelly reunited but fell, 7-6, 6-3, to Emily Jordans and Haliegh Taylor.

Michaelson said the match continued a trend of close results between the HHS duo and their Ontario counterparts.

"They are finally both healthy and here, and appear to be starting to click again," Michaelson said of the 2017 3A state tournament quali-

tinue and peak for the tournaments at the end of the season."

Phariss lost the No. 2 singles match to Ontario's Keyona Navarette, 6-2, 6-2.

At No. 3 singles, Benschop battled early but came up short, 6-4, 6-1, against the Tigers' Megan Oester.

April 16 vs. Nyssa, Ore. - Schmidt kept rolling during an abbreviated non-conference match on the Trojans' courts.

Schmidt blasted Eli Esplin, 6-1, 6-2.

Zamudio and Conant won five games in the No. 1 boys? doubles match, but lost to Josh and Jacoby Ashby, 6-3, 6-2.

was fun to watch because it The Homedale duo bowed girls' No. 1 singles match. The was so close, which is a good to Lauren Cummins and Liz Homedale player beat Victoria

"Hopefully they will con-

HHS: Assistant coach thrilled at progress shown by Trojans throwers

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The team took four seconds off their previous season-best time.

"I think it is safe to say that we are moving over the midseason slump," Ankeny said. "The wind was a bit high, but temperatures favored us for the first time in a few weeks."

The coach said there were 18 personal records set.

Randall was runner-up in the 3,200 with a PR of 11:16.19.

He shaved about 15 seconds off his previous best time. The only other runner-up performance from the Trojans was senior Lainey Johnson's 13.84-second run in the girls' 100.

She was fifth in the long jump at 14-3.

Purdom ran the fastest 400 of his life to finish fourth.

Freshman Thomas Symms was third in the discus with a throw of 135 feet, 4 inches.

Pakistani exchange student Ahsan Riaz also achieved a PR in the shot put.

The ninth-grader's sister, senior Eva Symms, was third in the girls' throws. She notched a 99-8 in the discus, and heaved the shot put 29 feet.

Senior Alicia Raine picked up a PR in the discus at 74-3.

"Coach (Alex) Willson is extremely happy with his bunch of throwers and the work that they put in during practices," Ankeny said. "Many of them are new or inexperienced throwers but they are improving by leaps and bounds from one week to the next."

Dutch exchange student Senna Benschop, a senior, posted two PRs in the girls' meet, running 10th in the 800 (2:56.57) and 12th in the 1,600 (6:49.18).

Another senior, Ember Christensen, was fifth in the triple jump at 31-8, and she

was sixth in the 300 hurdles at 56.69.

As the season winds down, the Trojans' stamina will get a challenge with two meets this week. Homedale takes part in the Weiser Invitational on Thursday before traveling to Ontario, Ore., on Saturday.

"It will be a good test of their strength and conditioning before we start heading towards peaking them for the district meet," Ankeny said.

Two traffic stops result in drug charges

Two men are in custody on jail with her. felony drug charges after a routine traffic stop on Sunday in Marsing.

Edgar Arizmendi, 24, of Marsing, was pulled over in his 1996 Chevy Blazer by an Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy for signaling incorrectly, according to Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman.

Arizmendi admitted to the deputy that he was driving on a suspended license and his vehicle was also found to have expired plates.

He also admitted to having methamphetamine on his person, Bowman said. He was found to be in possession of .7 grams of the narcotic.

Israel Cardenas, 25, also of Marsing, was a passenger in Arizmendi's vehicle and was also found to be in possession of 1.1 grams of meth.

warrant for failure to appear for an April 17 hearing on a misdemeanor possession of paraphernalia charge in Twin Falls County.

Arizmendi Both and Cardenas are in custody at Owyhee County Jail. Both have been charged with felony possession of a controlled substance.

• Bowman said a woman who was arrested for drug possession during a traffic stop on Saturday at the Gem Stop in Marsing was hit with another felony charge when she brought more drugs into

A deputy at the county jail took possession of 1.5 grams of meth that had fallen from Kay Alves, 55, of Marsing, after she had been taken into custody.

Alves was the passenger in a 1994 Isuzu Rodeo that deputies pulled over for erratic driving.

The driver, Amanda Bautista, 38, of Caldwell, admitted to not having insurance on her vehicle.

A K-9 unit was called, and the dog alerted to the vehicle, Bowman said. Deputies found 2.8 grams of a green, leafy substance on Bautista. They also found a substance weighing 1.4 grams that tested presumptive positive for meth, weighing 1.4 grams, Bowman said.

Alves was the passenger Arizmendi also had a in the vehicle and had paraphernalia in her purse and a testable amount of meth, Bowman said.

> More meth was found in the car, in bags belonging to Bautista.

> Both Alves and Bautista have been charged with felony drug possession misdemeanor and drug paraphernalia possession. Alves also faces an additional felony charge of bringing contraband into the jail.

> A third occupant in the vehicle,a43-year-oldCaldwell man, was not arrested.

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From left: Grand View kindergartener Mercedes Mendoza listens as her teacher, Maya Davis, and third-grade teacher Alex Meyers give feedback. Submitted photo



Bruneau Elementary School secretary Becky Lisle listens as fifth-grader Samantha Sierra talks about her project. Submitted photo

Bruneau-GV elementary schools find success in new learning model

District accepting applications for elementary principal

by Mandi Boren For The Owyhee Avalanche Community members, students, parents and staff came together earlier this month for the first annual Project Based Learning Nights at Bruneau and Grand View elementary schools. Under the direction of district superintendent and elementary principal Ryan Cantrell the area's two elementary schools have been using the learning model for two years now. Cantrell summed up PBL learning as "The act of learning through identifying a realworld problem and developing its solution."

about their project even two years later, most students can still tell you in great depth what they learned, how they used it and why it was/is relevant to them," Cantrell said.

of the student and in the student presentation evenings," Cantrell said.

Trustees to split jobs for principal, superintendent

Cantrell has held the two

Homedale native to teach writing at library

The Library will be welcome a published author to teach a beginning writers class from questions and answers, as 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m., on well. Thursday, May 17

Homedale Public characters, world-building, conflict, and structure.

• The library will hold its

Time has been allotted for

Homedale native Jacquie Rogers will be the instructor for "The Secrets to Basic Storytelling, Part 1."

According to Rogers' writeup, "Everyone has a story to tell."

Now a Seattle resident, Rogers is a four-time winner of the Will Rogers Gold Medallion Award, the Laramie Grand Prize, and the Romance Through The Ages (RTTA) Western Romance Award.

According to a library press release, the May class will be the first of two and touches on the basic elements of storytelling. This includes creating larger-than-life

weekly Story Time at 10:15 a.m., on Friday.

Youth coordinator Carol McMichael will read "The Curious Garden," by Peter Brown and "Ants."

At Teens & Tweens at 4 p.m., the library will celebrate Arbor Day. Boys and girls ages 10-17 are invited to drop by to paint birdhouses and make birdfeeders.

• The Friends of the Homedale Public Library will host its semi-annual book sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 19 at the library at 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

All proceeds go toward supporting the library.

learning is "that students retain the information. When asked

The two schools have been reaping the benefits of studentowned learning. Teachers report high levels of student engagement and pride in their work.

Cantrell also believes students build "grit through the expectation of multiple revisions to their work," and he has also seen "cross-over benefits to other areas of their schooling."

Additionally, the school The greatest benefit of PBL has "really appreciated seeing the parent and community participation in both the work positions of superintendent and elementary principal throughout the 2017-18 school year.

In December, though, school trustees approved the hiring of a separate elementary principal for the district.

The district is not on a timeline to hire a principal. Instead, officials are focused on finding the right fit. The district has already started interviews: however, applications are still being accepted.

Interested applicants are encouraged to find the job description on the district website, www.sd365.us, or contact the district office at (208) 834-2260.



The Marsing lunch ladies are, from left, Linda Aguirre, Karen Perry, Lois Floyd, Brandee Robbins, Kim Moore, Judy Loughmiller, Sharon Acosta, and Becky Reisch. Submitted photo

MSD to honor school lunch heroes

District invites community to help celebrate on May 3

Between preparing healthy food, adhering to strict nutrition standards, navigating student food allergies, and offering service with a smile, Marsing School District nutrition professionals have a lot on their plate.

To celebrate their hard work and commitment, Marsing schools will celebrate School Lunch Hero Day on Thursday, May 3. This day, celebrated annually since 2013, was designated by The School Nutrition Association and Jarrett Krosoczka, author of the "Lunch Lady" graphic novel series.

School Lunch Hero Day provides an opportunity for parents, students, school staff and communities to thank those who provide healthy meals to 30 million of America's students each school day.

must balance many roles and

follow numerous federal, state and local regulations to ensure safe and healthy meals are available in schools," Marsing School District child nutrition director Teresa Bettlevon said. "School Lunch Hero Day provides the opportunity for the community to thank these hard-working heroes."

Federal nutrition standards ensure that school cafeterias always offer low-fat or fat-free milk, fruits, vegetables, whole grains and lean protein. School meals also meet limits on calories, sodium and unhealthy fats.

The importance and nutritional value of school meals are well documented. For many children, school lunch is the most important and nutrient-rich meal of their day.

Marsing School District "School nutrition employees child nutrition staffers serve breakfast and lunch to an

average of 650 students each day.

Elementary students are offered a mid-morning fresh fruit or vegetable snack each day provided by the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Grant.

"We also participate in the At-Risk supper program through the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), which allows us to feed an additional meal to the 21st CCLC students that stay after school and on Fridays," Bettleyon said.

The School Nutrition Association (SNA) is a national, non-profit professional organization representing more than 58,000 school nutrition professionals across the country.

Founded in 1946, SNA and its members are dedicated to making healthy school meals and nutrition education available to all students. To find out more about today's school meals, visit www.schoolnutrition.org/ SchoolMeals.

Jordan Valley CWMA focuses on whitetop, medusahead fight

Public input urged at Monday meeting

Landowners and other stakeholders are invited to a weed management meeting Monday to give input on treatments.

The Jordan Valley Cooperative Weed Management Area will meet at 7 p.m. inside the organization's office at 508 Swisher Ave., in Jordan Valley.

A public meeting on herbicide treatments within the CWMA is part of the agenda.

Jordan Valley CWMA coordinator Eric Morrison urges folks to attend CWMA meetings to provide input on how the battle against noxious and invasive plants should be waged.

Other topics include:

• Aerial treatments in Revnolds Creek and Jordan Valley

• A discussion on treating medusahead in the Idaho portion of the CWMA. During the March 26 CWMA meeting, a Parsnip Peak project was discussed as was a plan to work with Idaho state and federal agencies as well as interested landowners.

Treatments are anticipated to begin in the fall.

In the meeting announcement, the CWMA provided a detailed profile of Hoary cress, a k a whitetop. The description was culled from "Selected Noxious Weeds of Eastern Oregon."

The weed is an herbaceous

perennial that can produce hundreds of seeds per plant.

Draba is the most common of three species in Eastern Oregon. The plant's seed pods are heart-shaped, and leaves are 1 to 3 inches long with slightly toothed margins near the tip.

White flowers develop to form a canopy.

Whitetop thrives in disturbed areas and places with deep submoisture, including hay fields and pastures, and the weed has been infesting rangeland in recent years.

The CWMA suggests plant competition to prevent the invasion of whitetop.

Weed control depends on spraying at the right time and following an aggressive reapplication strategy.

Telar, Escort and MSM 60 is recommended for pre-bloom to bloom application.

Cimmarron X-tra and Chaparral also are effective.

From full bloom to plant desiccate, it's recommended to apply Plateau.

2,4-D should be sprayed before the bud stage.

Glyphosate is also effective.

At its March 26 meeting, the CWMA reported that whitetop treatments will begin by mid-May and that whitetop at the Jordan Valley Rodeo Grounds will be treated as part of the annual cleanup ahead of the Jordan Valley Big Loop Rodeo.

For more information on the CWMA, call (541) 586-3000 or email jvcwma@qwestoffice.net.

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 \sqrt{Museum} : Exhibition upgrades among the work planned at Murphy site

Basey Street in Murphy.

A \$10,000 award is attached to the award.

According to an Idaho State Historical Society news release, "The Sister Alfreda award is the highest honor currently awarded to a museum in the state."

Present for the ceremony were Idaho Humanities Council executive director David Pettyjohn, Idaho State Historical Society executive director Janet Gallimore, Idaho Heritage Trust treasurer John Hyler, and others.

Hyler, whose family has been in Idaho since the 1860s, presented the award to museum director Amy Johnson.

The award is named after the founder of the historical museum at St. Gertrude Monastery in Cottonwood in the 1930s.

"A museum is a bridge that links the present with the past," Sister Alfreda said.

In 1963, the Historical Society erected its first building next to the Murphy schoolhouse, which had been acquired two years earlier. The main building has gone through multiple expansions since then and includes galleries, offices, and a library. The museum currently covers about half an acre.

"The Owyhee County Historical Museum has been dedicated to the preservation and interpretation of the past through a variety of exhibitions since its inception in 1960," Gallimore said.

"(We are) honored to recognize the Owyhee County Historical Museum with this award."

Johnson believes they were chosen for several reasons. High on that list is the publication of its Owyhee Outpost, through which the museum has been publishing local history for 49 years.

Johnson said the library is dedicated to educating ev-

eryone who comes to the museum.

"We do this through programs, field trips for adults and school-age children, and exhibitions," she said.

The growth of the museum is vital as well.

"We are always striving to better serve our members and our community through expansion and growth," she said.

The museum plans to use the \$10,000 award to install a new exhibit in its third gallery. Included in that are the purchases of three new and seven used cases, new flooring and paint, base boards and blinds.

"We will display unique features of various communities throughout the county," Johnson said. "Some exhibits will include the dance halls and musical influences."

Also included is the Homedale girls' basketball team in full-length skirts, the DeLamar baseball team, the Murphy Pinochle club, and more.

The plan is for the money given by the Idaho Heritage Trust to be used to make repairs to the Murphy schoolhouse, Johnson said.

"We are very excited about this award and deeply honored," Johnson said. — TK

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

27 years ago

April 28, 1991

Commissioners open bids for new jail

Forty-two bids were presented to the Owyhee County Commissioners Monday afternoon proposing to do construction work on the new criminal justice building at Murphy.

County voters approved a \$1.6 million bond for the facility last year, and the commissioners added an additional \$100,000 from the building fund budget, for a total of \$1.7 million for the project.

Awarding of bids, which were submitted on 15 various phases and types of construction, will be made Friday afternoon, after the commission voted to take the bids under advisement.

However, preliminary calculations of the low bids totaled just over \$1.5 million, bringing in the total cost predicted to be under the moneys available.

There, are, however, other expenses not included in the bidding which will be taken out: the architect fee of \$122,000, and the general manager fee of \$55,000.

"Trojan Pride" Day is happening today

The fourth annual Homedale High School Trojan Pride Day is taking place today, with students from the Junior and Senior High School working to clean paint and improve school and city properties.

HHS Principal Nolan Taggart revived Trojan Pride Day, patterned on the similar cleanup day held here while he was in school.

In recent years, some of the more visible projects have included grading, raking and laying sod at the school, building fences, laying a sprinkler system, pouring concrete pads at the track, cleaning parks and preparing an area for grass along Highway 95.

Work projects scheduled today include: painting flag poles and goal posts, cleaning and waxing the scoreboard, painting garbage barrels, picking up trash along the highway and sprucing up the city parks with additional flowers.

Groups of students are also expected to wash school buses, fire trucks and the ambulance. They are performing general clean-up work around both City Hall and Homedale Public Library as well as at all school grounds, including the football and baseball fields.

Six games to go: Trojans remain undefeated

Can Homedale's baseball team, the mighty Joe DiMaggios-at-bat of the 1991 season, keep their string undefeated through the remaining six games of the regular season? It's happily looking that way, considering four of the remaining games are rematches with teams already defeated. But Julian, the newcomer baseball coach, can't help being optimistic, for all that. His team used its 2nd face-off against always feisty Fruitland to crunch the Grizzlies neatly 11-0 last Thursday. And that, Julian pointed out, tidily brought Homedale's undefeated record to the same 11-0 mark prior to yesterday's game against Marsing here. (Results of that one will be reported next week, due to the publishing deadline.) Fruitland, Julian added, got zero hits the first time around and only one last week. The game was perhaps Kevin Alambra's finest one of the season. He pitched the 1st four innings, striking out 7 and giving up a single hit. He was also 3-for-4 at the plate, whamming 2 doubles, scoring three times and contributing an RBI. Tony Uranga pitched the final inning, striking out 1, and allowing no hits or runs.

50 years ago

April 25, 1968

Paul Evans, Caldwell, elected to head Owyhee **Historical Society**

Paul Evans, Caldwell, was elected president of the Owyhee County Historical Society, at the bimonthly meeting held Friday night at the courthouse in Murphy. Paul Sweeney, Marsing, was elected vice-president; Mrs. Jean Anstey, Caldwell, secretary, and Mrs. Roth Randall, Bruneau, re-elected treasurer. Outgoing president, Paul Anstey, conducted the election.

New board of directors is Mr. Evans, Mr. Swinney, Dr. S. A. Swayne, Marvin Jess, Hugh Nettleton, Doug Hyslop and Alvin Benson.

Mrs. Hester Gittins, outgoing secretary, reported the club has 187 paid-up members and 58 honorary members. Twenty-five new members were added during the past year. It was decided to publish a roster of names of members. About 60 members answered roll call Friday evening. Reports of committees were heard, and acting committee members were discharged.

Mrs. Julie Hyslop, museum director, reported on work at the museum and said an open house will be held there on Sunday afternoon, May 5, to begin the summer season. Mrs. Hyslop told of a museum school she attended last September at Portland, Ore., and said she was the only one attending from Idaho and probably represented the smallest museum. However, she was able to gain much knowledge, which she hopes to use in the Owyhee museum, but lack of space is her greatest problem.

Arvin plant dedication planned

The Arvin Millwork company and the Homedale Development Company will join in dedicating the new Arvin plant on Thursday, May 2, with a special ceremony. Open house at the plant will be held Saturday, May 4.

The new plant, representing perhaps a half million dollars to the Homedale area, is now in operation, providing jobs for local workers and adding to the community payroll.

It seems like only yesterday that this huge plant was only a dream — a far-off hope in the minds of men.

Now it is a reality, with a beautiful new building, modern machinery, all-electric powered, and wheels turning.

The Old Scooper's hat is off to this community for the work and cooperation which has broken the barrier and brought an industry to Homedale.

140 years ago

April 24, 1878

County roads

The County Commissioners at their last meeting ordered a public road viewed out from Ruby or Silver to a point on Snake River on the most direct route to Boise City. This is the indigent step to free roads less commendable, it followed on by opening the road as soon as viewed. It is gratifying to know that at some future day the Commissioners hope to enable travel and freight to reach Jordan Creek without being subjected to levy toll. It is a lamentable fact that one can hardly trace twenty miles in a mining region on the Pacific coast without being confronted by the toll gatherer. Free roads are great incentives to patronage. The nature of mining sections may be such as to make it necessary to encourage the building of roads by private enterprise. But the eagerness with which franchises are sought shows that they have been generally profitable. The public funds of the county cannot be better expended that in constructing free highways. Every pound of merchandise is measured in price by paying toll gets. Traveling expenses are increased and the public subjected to a continued annoyance. It would be much better to be taxed even hence once a year than every time passing along. Many emigrants and prospectors in the area are without any funds or as nearly so that it is injurious — to take it from them for the privilege of passing through the country. If the public road system were earnestly managed it might be more affordable.

Men who expend large sums of money on a toll road should have their rights opened; but the public do not stipulate to abstain from building free roads when a franchise is granted. Let the proposed road to Snake River be speedily constructed.

Narrow escape

During the early portion of this week, while a party of gentlemen from Flint were out on a fishing and prospecting excursion to Bowlder, Mr. H. S. Murdoff became separated some distance from the others, and at a time when he was entirely off his guard was attacked by three Indians, who snapped at him several times, but fortunately their guns were out of order and their powder failed to burn. They then opened on him with a volley of arrows, Mr. M. returning their fire with a six-shooter. By this time, however, Murdoff's horse, becoming dissatisfied with the situation, concluded he would fall back on Flint, and just at the moment of "about face" the rider received a flesh wound in the part presented to the enemy close to the saddle, from an arrow which we are told he carried home before extracting it from the wound, and very coolly told his astonished but admiring friends where he found it. The wound is said to be somewhat painful but not dangerous.

Adrian topples Marsing nine

Adrian's Antelopes exploded for 10 runs in the top of the seventh inning to break open a tight ball game and rout Marsing 16-3 at Marsing Tuesday.

Pud Franks tapped two doubles and a homer to drive in five runs in leading Adrian to its ninth win in 10 games and its seventh win in as many games in the SRV-B. Marsing dropped to 6-3 for the season and 4-3 in loop play.

Program to mark opening of potato plant

Ceremonies marking the opening of a new \$3 million Idaho Potato Growers, Inc. processing plant near Nampa will be held on Saturday, it was announced by R. R. Bohannon, general manager.

The plant, which is located near the Middleton Road between Nampa and Caldwell, is scheduled to begin production of frozen French fry potato products on April 29, or shortly thereafter.

Rough gambling

A game of this species was attempted in Silver on last Sunday night. J. P. Gabriel was the proposed subject. One of these gay gamesters accosted him near the Hurdy shebang, presented a revolver and demanded his money. Mr. G. kept right on, with the remark, "O p-s-haw! I've got no money." It would be good policy to go prepared and — if possible have a few of these kind of gamblers for breakfast or any meal most convenient. It is said that a few are "spotted" for an extra meal.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense I was only trying to help

It is a wonder that some vet students don't get discouraged. I don't mean from the grueling hours of study, the four years without sleep or the daunting specter of trying to cram 10 metric tons of knowledge into a six-ounce brain.

No, I mean when the student first begins to realize that despite all their skill, mental prowess and cow savvy, even the lowliest animal can reduce you to bumbling klutz.

Young Bruce was an enthusiastic vet student who spent his holidays and summers at Dr. Lionel's clinic. He showed up one fine afternoon during spring break and asked Doc if he could go on call with him. Bruce dressed in his finest and was sporting a new straw hat. He was anxious to observe and assist, if Doc needed it.

Off they went to check on a horse with the vague complaint of bein' touchy about the head. They arrived at the address on the outskirts of town. The owner, a lady, explained as they walked around the back of the house that they'd had the horse a month and wondered if he had an ear infection.

Standing ankle-deep in the sprouting pigweed was a scruffy little stallion. He stood 13 hands and maybe weighed 800 pounds. He was tethered on a 25-foot rope and had mowed weeds in a 50-foot circle. "He's an Adopt-A-Horse," she said. They'd named him Sparky.

Bruce, eager to help, untied the tether. Doc gathered his thermometer and stethoscope and stood visiting with the owner. They watched Bruce gently work his way up the rope. The horse eyed him like a prisoner watches the hangman. Just as Bruce was reaching for the halter, the stallion took a savage bite at him! His teeth locked onto the new Resistol and jerked it off his head!

Sparky reared and pawed. Bruce fell back. Sparky wheeled and raced toward the back fence. "It's only an acre lot," the lady said encouragingly. Bruce caught the rope at the 20-foot mark and was catapulted to his feet! He hung on as they coursed around, between and through the truck camper up on blocks, the boat covered with blue plastic, the tilting hay pile, aluminum storage shed, old appliances, sheep wire, pile of posts and collection of ancient farm implements. Sparky was finally yanked to a halt when his rope tangled in the remains of an old pickup bed. Bruce staggered from the bone yard streaked and tattered. He lost his glasses and his straw hat looked like a regurgitated cud. While Doc was prescribing a treatment she could put in the feed, the owner asked, "Since you're here could you put my dog to sleep?" Doc agreed and returned from his vet truck with the euthanasia solution to find Bruce, trying to regain his lost dignity, holding the dog in his arms. The lady explained her reasons and said goodbye to the dog then remarked, "and another thing, every time I picked up that dog it peed on me."

From Washington Income tax year's end means optimistic new code, savings

by the Idaho congressional delegation This is the final year where taxes will be paid under the more complicated old federal tax system that takes more of your hard-earned income. When you file next year, rate reductions will be among the more clearly felt benefits of tax reform. The positive outcomes of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act are continuing to take shape, but the advantages — including bonuses and wage increases; business investment, productivity and job growth; boosts to retirement assets and other investments; and time and resources savings through filing simplification — are making a difference in our economy.

Increased Retirement and Education Investments — Americans are gaining an increase in their retirement assets and 529 education savings accounts for their children as a result of the rise in stock prices and corporate stock buybacks, even before the benefits of lower tax rates for individuals take effect. An increasing portion of corporate ownership is being held by pensions and defined contribution retirement plans. The Investment Company Institute reports that the majority of U.S. households with defined contribution retirement plan accounts had moderate incomes and some had incomes of less than \$25,000 per year. This means that the millions of middle-class Americans with a 401 (k) plan or other related savings, including 529 plans for their children, benefit significantly from increased stock equity from boosts to the stock market and stock buybacks.

Lower Taxes — Idahoans in every income group are receiving reductions in their tax burdens, with the largest percentage reductions benefiting those in lower- and middle-income tax categories, according to the Joint Committee Local office 350 N. 9th St., Ste. 302 Boise, ID 83702 Phone — (208) 342-7985 Fax — (208) 343-2458 **Washington, D.C., office** 483 Russell Senate Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20510 Phone — (202) 224-2752 Fax — (202) 224-2573

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on Taxation. The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act lowers individual tax rates; increases the Standard Deduction; expands the Child Tax Credit; preserves the Adoption Tax Credit, the deduction for charitable contributions, the home mortgage interest deduction; eliminates the Obamacare — See Savings, Page 21

Letters to the editor

Support Labrador, Fulcher in this important election

I hope and pray that voters in Owyhee County will not get sucked in by the negative ads put out by Tommy (Ahlquist, gubernatorial candidate).

Tommy is not a Republican. He is a carpet-bagging imposter.

As she spoke Bruce felt the warmth soaking down the front of his shirt.

— 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." Something on your mind? We welcome letters to the editor **The Ownhee Avalanche** P.O. Box 97 • Homedale ID 83628 jon@owyheeavalanche.com

To drain the swamps, I hope we can give Raúl Labrador (for governor) and Russ Fulcher (for First Congressional District) the majority vote.

This is a very important election, so let's turn out and do the right thing.

P. T. Rathbone Marsing

Evans is the commonsense choice for District 23A

In an era of disappointment and general distrust of many politicians, we find ourselves genuinely excited to lend our support for Oscar Evans for Dist. 23 State Representative, Seat 23A.

One doesn't have to spend much time around Oscar to see his passion for things that matter,

— See Letters, Page 21

Commentary

Financial management There's no return in a tiny home investment

Dear Dave,

Do you think the value of a "tiny home" would depreciate like a trailer?

- Romeo

Dear Romeo,

That's a tough one. I'm not certain they would depreciate like a trailer, but I don't think they would go up in value much, either.

Anytime there's a very limited demand for something, the price or value doesn't generally increase. And there are very few people looking to buy tiny homes. The tiny home movement is kind of a niche thing. It's a very narrow market, and something that doesn't have a lot of demand

isn't going to appreciate. I would avoid the tiny house movement if I were you, Romeo. Don't invest in things that don't have proven track records and don't go up in value. I love real estate, but not tiny real estate!

— Dave

Dear Dave,

My husband and I are just starting Baby Step 1 of your plan. Prior to this, we told my two nephews we would buy them laptop computers for college. They don't get a lot of encouragement or support from their immediate family, so we try to help them when we can. Should we go ahead and honor this commitment, postpone get-



ting our starter emergency fund in place, and possibly take on a little more debt, or bow out of the agreement?

Dear Lisa,

Well, it's difficult to be generous when you're broke. You don't even have \$1,000 to your names, and you're going to buy two laptops? I don't know how much debt you have, or what your household income is, but I do know neither of you have managed your money very well in the past.

If you make \$50,000 a year, and you have \$70,000 in debt, you should sincerely and apologetically bow out. Explain that you made a big mistake, and just be honest about why you can't provide the laptops. If you make \$200,000 a year, but you've just been incredibly silly and lazy with your money, you should buy — Lisa the laptops and then get serious

about growing up and getting control of your finances.

Don't make promises, financial or otherwise, you can't keep. I know this is a tough, embarrassing situation, but it's what I would do if I were in your shoes.

- 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.

Savings: New law simplifies tax code, increases workers' earnings

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individual mandate penalty beginning Jan. 1, 2019; provides immediate family farm and family business relief from the Death Tax by doubling the exemption amount; and more.

Simplification — Calling the compliance burdens in the tax code "overwhelming," the Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) reported, in a 2016 report, that taxpayers and businesses spent about 6 billion hours a year complying with tax-filing requirements. The tax reform law's simplification and compliance cost reductions will ease tax filings. By doubling the standard deduction, many middle income families will see the benefit of no longer having to save all of their receipts throughout the year and then produce them again at tax time next year.

Wage Boosts and Bonuses - Companies based or operating in Idaho and nationwide have been announcing bonuses and wage increases.

Increased Investment, Jobs and Competitiveness - Freeing up capital needed to expand American businesses and American jobs is also a long-term

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benefit of tax reform. The tax reform law lowered the corporate tax rate so that American businesses are no longer taxed at the highest rate in the industrialized world. A more competitive tax code better enables capital formation resulting in new companies being formed, staying here and expanding job opportunities.

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Second Congressional District (Republican)

Rep. Mike Simpson

Local office



Term expires 2018

Now that this year's tax filing has drawn to a close, we say goodbye to our old federal tax system and welcome lower taxes for Idahoans, simplification, economic boosts and other significant benefits brought through tax reform. We look forward to building off the benefits of tax reform for the betterment of Idaho and America.

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the May 15 primary

Letters

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and commonsense leader for our district. Please take

especially in the areas of support for agriculture, rural lifestyle, and education of our youth. He is a pro-life, Christian conservative with a commonsense approach to statewide and local issues. He stands against unnecessary federal influence in our statewide affairs, and has an educated, no-nonsense approach to improve our free market and workforce development.

Service to others is ingrained in Oscar. He is the current president of the Owvhee County Sheriff's Posse, and a visible volunteer in the Owyhee County 4-H and FFA programs, serving on the Owyhee County Junior Livestock Auction committee.

As a retired U.S. Air Force fighter pilot, Oscar has experienced life to the fullest, but his daily devotion to God, family, and country are the values that impress us the most.

We trust Oscar Evans will be a strong, effective,

the time to get to know him. Once you do, you will vote for Oscar Evans in our Republican primary May 15.2018.

David VanWassenhove Sharon VanWassenhove Marsing

Couple hails Homedale firefighters' work

We would like to thank the men from the Homedale Fire Department for their quick response to our emergency fire on April 6 when we had a vehicle explode into flames.

Ted and Lesta Chadez

Homedale

election until noon on Friday, May 4.

The usual letters to the editor guidelines apply, including letters must be no more than 300 words and letters must include contact information, including a phone number, of the letter-writer. Submit by:

- Email to jon@owyheeavalanche.com
- Fax to (208) 337-4867
- Mail to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628

• Or drop off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale

For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

ublic notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

On May 9, 2018 beginning at 6:30 pm, the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners will hear public comments in the courtroom of the Homedale City Hall located at 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale, Idaho on the following matter at the time listed below. Beginning at 6:30 **pm** the Board will hold a public comment meeting to get input and ideas from citizens concerning current land use zones, allowed uses, and possible rezoning of unincorporated lands around Homedale. The public meeting will run from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. This meeting is for unincorporated Owyhee County only and does not pertain to any land inside city limits. Copies of proposed maps are available for review in the Planning and Zoning office and can also be viewed at www. owyheecounty.net under the Community Development tab. For additional information please call 208-495-2095 ext. 2. 4/18,25 2018

INVITATION FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that bids will be received by the Board of Trustees of Bruneau Grand View Joint School District No. 365, Bruneau, Idaho for Conventional Bus (es). Detailed specifications are available at the Bruneau Grand View Joint School District Administration Office, 39678 State Highway 78, Bruneau, Idaho 83604, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Sealed bids must be submitted on or before 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 to the Bruneau Grand View Joint School District Administration Office at 39678 state Highway 78, Bruneau, Idaho. Bids received after the stated time and date will not be considered. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept, reject or to select any portion of any or all bids and to waive any technicality. No bidder may withdraw the bid(s) after the opening of such bids unless the awarding of the bid

is delayed for a period exceeding thirty days.Questions should be made in writing via email to Ms. JayDene Aquiso, jaquiso@ sd365.us, Business Manager. Ryan Cantrell, Superintendent, Bruneau Grand View Joint School

2018 NORTHWEST OWYHEE CWMA CHEMICAL PURCHASE REQUIREMENTS

Alligare Glysophate 4 Plus EPA #81972-9

Alligare *Chlorsulfuron* 75 EPA #81927-43 (8oz)

Alligare **MSM 60** EPA #81927-7 (8oz) NuFarm Razor EPA #228-

366 Remuda EPA Monterey

#228-366-54705 Wilbur-Ellis **Base** Camp Amine 4 EPA #71368-1-2935

(2.5)Wilbur-Ellis Bronc Max (2.5)

Wilbur-Ellis Climb (2.5) Wilbur-Ellis *R-11* (qt)

Wilbur-Ellis Super Marking

Dye

Wilbur-Ellis Syl Tac (qt) Note: Absolutely no purchases will be in bulk

Please submit bids no later than April 20, 2018 to Gina Millard gina.millard@id.nacdnet.net 4/11,18,25/2018

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Area 3 Senior Services Agency (A3SSA), the designated Area Agency on Aging (AAA) Serving Southwest Idaho, announces its intent to accept proposals from interested service providers for homemaker and respite services in various locations in Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette, Valley and Washington Counties. The Request for Proposals Guide and Application materials are available on the A3SSA's website at: https://www. a3ssa.com/news-and-events/ request-for-proposals/. Providers may submit proposals for one or more services in any or all of the designated cities and counties.

Contracts will be issued with the winning providers for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021. Providers with questions regarding the application packet should contact the A3SSA Bookkeeper/Contracts Manager, Debbie Leigh by telephone at (208) 898-7076 or by e-mail at debbie.leigh@a3ssa.com. An informational conference for all interested providers will be held on Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 2:00 pm. Unless specified otherwise, this will be held at the Boise Senior Activities Center, 690 Robbins Rd, Boise, ID 83702. After the informational conference is concluded, the A3SSA will not answer any questions. Providers must submit proposals to the A3SSA, 701 S. Allen Street, Meridian, Idaho, 83642 by Friday, May 11, 2018 at 4:30 pm. Award announcements will be made on Thursday, June 14, 2018. There will be a mandatory provider's Conference on Thursday, June 28, 2018 to finalize awarded contracts. A3SSA does not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, creed, ability to speak English, disability, sex, age or marital status in admission, treatment, or participation in its programs, services, and activities, or in employment. 4/18,25/2018

NOTICE OF HEARING CASE NO. CV-37-18-00116 IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF **IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE**

IN RE: HARLIE DANIELLE PALMER

BOBBIE CATHERINE PALMER

A petition to change the name of HARLIE DANIELLE PALMER and the name of BOBBIE CATHERINE PALMER, now residing in the City of Marsing, State of Idaho, has been filed in District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The names will change to HARLIE DANIELLE FREELOVE and BOBBIE CATHERINE FREELOVE. The reason for the change in names is: for legal reasons, and the children are requesting the change also.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 10:30 o'clock a.m. on May 23, 2018 at Owyhee County Courthouse, Homedale. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.

Date: March 27, 2018

Clerk of the District Court, Angela Barkell

Deputy Clerk, Cindy Chaves 4/11,18,25,5/2/2018

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No: ID-17-798764-BB NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on 8/7/2018, at the hour of 11:00 AM of said day, Owyhee County Courthouse Lobby 20381 Highway 78 Murphy ID 83650 said Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit: LOTS 12 AND 13 IN BLOCK 39 OF AMENDED PLAT OF THE TOWNSITE OF HOMEDALE, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF, FILED AUGUST 9, 1911, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 7284, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF DWYTHEE COUNTY, IDAHO. The current trustee is Robert W. McDonald, Esq, whose address is 108 1st Ave. South, Suite 202, Seattle, Washington 98104 and who can be reached by telephone at (866) 925-0241. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-described real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of 216 W MONTANA AVE, HOMEDALE, ID 83628 may sometimes be associated with said real property. Said sale will be made, without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust made and entered into

on 12/1/2005, by and among ARTHUR L. POPE AND ALTHEA O. POPE, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, and CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Trustee, and BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust having been filed of record on 1/4/2006, as Instrument No. 254671 Official Records of OWYHEE County, Idaho. The naming of the above Grantor(s) is done to comply with Idaho Code Sections 45-1506(4)(a); no representation is made as to the responsibility of Grantor(s) for this obligation. The default for which this sale is to be made is: The monthly installment of \$429.84, which may include principal, interest and escrow, due on 5/25/2017, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest through the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee's fees, and any attorney fees and court costs arising from or associated with the beneficiaries efforts to protect and preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement, including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or pay-off. Nothing in this notice shall be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust pursuant to the terms of the loan documents. The balance due and owing as of the date hereof on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is the amount of \$43,706.23 in principal; plus accrued interest at the rate of 4.7400 percent per annum from 5/25/2017 adjusting, if at all, pursuant to the terms of the note; plus service charges, late charges, and any other costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure as provided by the Deed of Trust or Deed of Trust Note, or by Idaho law. TS No: ID-17-798764-BB Dated this 6th day of April, 2018. Robert W. McDonald, Esq, Trustee By: IDSPub #0139182

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$\sqrt{\text{Gateway West: Commissioners say change in administrations was key}}$

The segments, which utilize an existing energy corridor through the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area, were endorsed by a Bureau of Land Management Boise District Resource Advisory Council subcommittee during the Obama administration.

But in the final days of the Obama presidency, the BLM national office ignored the recommendation and made a route that avoided the NCA the preferred alternative in a draft environmental impact statement.

The Board of County Commissioners appealed the action, and after Donald Trump became president, the issue was re-examined.

"If the 2016 presidential election had left us dealing with a continuation of the Obama-era policies, we would be facing years of litigation to prevent the placement of this transmission line on the private property of unwilling owners in Owyhee County," the commissioners said. "The change in administration gave us the opportunity to resolve this in a reasonable, timely fashion that provides the power transmission our nation needs."

The turning point was

legislation worked out by Rep. Mike Simpson (R-Idaho) and supported by the rest of the Idaho congressional delegation that created about 4,800 acres of public land near Hammett to compensate for the use of the energy corridor along Baja Road in the Birds of Prey NCA.

"We are pleased that the majority of the issues that we have fought for so many years have been resolved," the county commissioners said in their joint statement.

The BOCC showed their appreciation for the effort put forth by Simpson, Rep. Raúl Labrador and Sens. Mike Crapo and Jim Risch, and also thanked Trump for signing the bill into law.

The commissioners also praised Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter and Idaho Power officials for remaining steadfast in their fight to secure the locally preferred route. The commissioners also acknowledged the long hours of work the Boise BLM RAC members put in.

"We also recognize that the final success of our efforts came from the Trump Administration's focus on listening to, and working with, affected local government," the commissioners said. "We have a solution that we

County keeps close eye on B2H

Even though the Boardman-to-Hemingway electrical power line project has been finalized with similarly favorable results as the Gateway West line, county commissioners are keeping a close eye on it.

Board of County Commissioners chair Kelly Aberasturi said a meeting is planned for 11 a.m. on Monday to check out the siting for the B2H line.

During a recess in Monday's BOCC meeting, Aberasturi said that, although the Owyhee County section of the B2H line has been sited away from private property, county commissioners still need to be vigilant to ensure that a one-mile siting variance on the energy corridor doesn't encroach on private land.

support, thanks to the Trump Administration's wise reliance on local involvement."

With the passage of the Fiscal Year 2017 Consolidated Appropriations Act, the 4,800 acres were added to the Birds of Prey NCA, and the federal sanctuary will receive enhanced mitigation and conservation measures.

The BLM authorized publicland ROWs for segments 1 through 7 and 10 in 2013, but deferred a decision on segments 8 and 9 to examine additional routing options.

Siting Segments 8 and 9 is the final piece of the puzzle for the 1,100-mile-long transmission line that will stretch from the Windstar substation in

Wyoming to Hemingway substation in Wilson.

According to a Department of Interior press release announcing the final decision, the project will generate about 3,100 jobs, and that more than 1,300 of those positions will be in southern Idaho for the construction and operation of Segments 8 and 9.

Total labor income is estimated at \$23.1 million.

"Throughout his time as Secretary of the Interior, Secretary (Ryan) Zinke has put an emphasis on working with federal, state, and local partners to achieve mission success," Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management Joe Balash said.

"The Gateway West approval is a major victory for the West, and it was only possible as a result of the Secretary's commitment to partnership, as well as the State of Idaho's willingness to make this happen. President Trump's bold leadership is having real and positive consequences for American infrastructure and American energy."

Balash signed a Decision Record authorizing the BLM to offer rights-of-way (ROWs) on public lands for segments 8 and 9 of the project to Idaho Power and Rocky Mountain Power and amending applicable BLM land use plans to accommodate these ROWs.

For the private property owners in Owyhee County who saw their rights threatened throughout the process, last week's decision came as a relief.

"We spent eight years in the wilderness, fighting an uphill battle against entrenched regulators in the Obama administration to get this essential piece of energy infrastructure approved. Now, in just over a year under the Trump administration, we've seen a 180-degree change in the federal approach," Otter said.

"I'm grateful for the recent rebirth of federalism we've seen, and for the Interior Department's understanding of this project's importance throughout the region."

The BLM analyzed a range of alternative routes for segments 8 and 9 in a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS). A subsequent Environmental Assessment led to a Finding of No New Significant Impact beyond those disclosed in the Supplemental EIS.

The EA follows appeals of the January 2017 Record of Decision (ROD) from the State of Idaho, county commissioners, and three environmental groups, along with requests for reconsideration from Otter and PacifiCorp/Rocky Mountain Power and Idaho Power.



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