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No leads yet in Jump Creek incident

Police
impersonator
zip-tied group

Law enforcement has had no leads in a kidnapping case that began late Thursday evening.

According to an Owyhee County Sheriff's Office press release, a man posing as a police officer attempted to detain four young adults near Jump Creek Falls southwest of Marsing.

The incident took place after the recreational area had closed for the day.

Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said no new information or leads have developed from this case since it was first reported. The investigation continues.

The man, who is still at-large, allegedly tied the hands of the three males and one female with zip ties after approaching the group. OCSO dispatch received a call on the incident at 1:50 a.m., on Friday.

The man then took a female victim to her own vehicle. The suspect fled the scene when she was able to break free of her restraints and run back to her friends.

The suspect is identified as a white male, approximately 30 years old, 5 feet, 6 inches tall with a stocky build.

The victims said the man was wearing either camouflage or

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Owyhee County Assessor Toni Gruenwald (right) fields a question during the political forum on Thursday at The Bowling Alley in Homedale as her opponent, Marsing resident James Ferdinand (second from left) leans in to listen. Also on the dais are Dist. 23A representative candidate Oscar Evans (far left) and Dist. 23 state Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson).

Candidates prep for primary with forum

Hopefuls meet to answer questions,
declare views in Homedale

Republican candidates for county and district legislative offices met at a forum Thursday at The Bowling Alley in Homedale in preparation for the May 15 primary election.

Candidates discussed their stances on various political topics and answered questions both submitted from the au-

dience and prepared by Jon Brown, managing editor of The Owyhee Avalanche.

Present for the forum were Toni Gruenwald and James Ferdinand, who are vying for the Owyhee County Assessor's position. Gruenwald currently holds the office, while Ferdinand is the mayor of Marsing.

Also on hand were Rep. Christy Zito (R-Hammett) and Homedale resident Oscar Evans, who are running for Zito's

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Residents encouraged to pitch in on cleanup

Volunteers sought for Homedale event

Homedale residents will have free access to a dumpster for 11 days during the annual spring cleanup campaign.

Cleanup days will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on successive Saturdays (May 12 and May 19), but the dumpster will be available between May 11 and May 21.

Available for items that normally Westowns Disposal Inc. garbage service doesn't accept, the dumpster will be located on Riverside Drive in Deward Bell Stadium parking lot. Officials suggest spring cleanup items as well as old and/or nonfunctioning items can be disposed in an effort to

clean up private lots.

City officials want to hear from any and all volunteers who want to help out during the two cleanup days. Individuals as well as service groups such as Boy and Girl Scout troops and 4-H clubs are encouraged to get involved.

Individuals or clubs interested in helping out can call City Hall at (208) 337-4641 for

more information on getting involved. But volunteers can just show up ready to work on the cleanup days, too.

Lunch will be provided for volunteers who donate their time to help with the cleanup.

In recent years, only city employees and their spouses have turned out to clean up the public areas during the cleanup days.



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A school year in the life

Homedale's exchange students adjust to American way of life

Homedale High School is offering a change of pace education for students from around the world.

HHS has six exchange students this school year, one from Japan, one from Pakistan, and two each from Germany and the Netherlands.

Being a visiting student can be a life-changing experience for these six young people, and it can be a time of great impact for their host families, too.

Stacy Woods is a coordinator for Education First (EF), a student exchange program, and is also hosting a student for the fourth time.

"It's my responsibility to check up on the students and the host families," she said. "I check up on them every month to see if they're doing well in school here in Homedale and that they're making friends."

Four of Homedale's exchange students are with EF, including Senna Benschop, Woods' charge, who is from the Netherlands. She is one of two visitors who are seniors.

SENNA BENSCHOP

The Netherlands

"Homedale is really nice, but it's a lot smaller than I'm used to," Senna said. "Everybody knows everybody, and I'm not sure if I like that or not."

Senna is from the Dutch city of Montfoort, between Gouda and Utrecht.

Her immersion at HHS included running for the cross country team in the fall. Now she is involved in yearbook and is playing tennis and run-



Homedale High School's 2017-18 foreign exchange students are (from left) Natsumi Sugiura (Japan), Senna Benschop and Tess van Zonneveld (both of the Netherlands), Jan Depenwisch and Max Schmidt (both of Germany), and Ahsan Riaz (Pakistan)

MEET OUR VISITORS

Senna Benschop

Country — The Netherlands
Age — 18
Grade — Senior
Host — Stacy Woods

Jan Depenwisch

Country — Germany
Age — 17
Grade — Junior
Host — Alyssa Fogg

Ahsan Riaz

Country — Pakistan
Age — 17
Grade — Junior
Host — Janet McCornack

Max Schmidt

Country — Germany
Age — 17
Grade — Junior
Host — Heather Bowen

Natsumi Sugiura

Country — Japan
Age — 17
Grade — Junior
Host — Clara Leigh Evans

Tess van Zonneveld

Country — The Netherlands
Age — 17
Grade — Senior
Host — Natasha Miller

ning track. She said it's the first time she's done those things; in the Netherlands she played soccer and did gymnastics.

This is not her first time in the United States. She took a trip to New York previously and also made a road trip from San Francisco to Las Vegas.

She has grand plans for the future, and they align well with her year as an exchange

student.

"My future goal is trying to help the world get closer to each other and make it better and understand each other," she said. "I'm not sure how I'm going to do it, but that's my goal."

Senna has a compatriot from the Netherlands with her in the little town on the Snake River.

TESS VAN ZONNEVELD

The Netherlands

Tess van Zonneveld, also a senior, hails from the large city of Rotterdam.

"I was kind of surprised (by the different culture), but I also knew it would be



very different to live in a city with 650,000 or a town with 2,000," she said. "I'm not sure that Homedale is really for me, but I like that it's a small community and everybody is super nice. You don't get that in a big city."

Jason and Natasha Miller are Tess' hosts.

She said she has had some great experiences since coming to America, including skiing with Senna and visiting Portland.

"I'll take back the memories I made with all my new friends and all the things I've done, eaten, and experienced for the first time," Tess said.

She is involved in yearbook and choir. Like Senna, she ran cross country in the fall. She is on the Trojans' tennis team currently.

When she goes back home, she still has two years of high school left. She said she wants to go to college, preferably in Paris, and study communication and media, journalism, or history.

Homedale is hosting two students from Germany — Jan Depenwisch and Max Schmidt.

JAN DEPENWISCH

Germany

Jan is from the northwest of Germany and is hosted by Alyssa Fogg and her family. The exchange program was his first opportunity to come to the States.

He kept his mind wide open when contemplating his stay in America.

"I tried not having any



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✓ Students: Some expected a large city when they thought of Homedale

From previous page expectations,” he said.

Jan said he has had many positive experiences since coming to Homedale.

“I’m really enjoying my time here because I got to play many different sports and I got to know a lot of nice people,” he said. “I really enjoy the school spirit and athletics.”

A popular lament among the exchange students is the inability to move around freely by themselves.

“The thing I dislike most is that I’m not able to move around by myself,” Jan said. “(It’s) a long distance between my host-house and everything else.”

He said he is going to take back to Germany the memories of friends he’s made, new sports he’s learned, and how to shoot a gun.

**MAX SCHMIDT
Germany**

Max is from Saarland, Stenweiler, Germany. He is hosted by Heather Bowen and family.

He said he took English in school for six years but being here has helped him speak it much better.

“I’m a little bit surprised by some things (in America),”

he said. “I knew the culture would be different. I come from a small town in Germany, so Homedale itself is just different.”

He said school is not quite what he expected, but he does enjoy the four-day week. It is frustrating for him also to sometimes not have rides when he wants to get out and do things.

He is unsure what he will be doing in the future, other than his two more years of high school, but he said he will have many great memories about friends, families, and sports.

“I will never forget my time in America,” he said.

**NATSUMI SUGIURA
Japan**

Natsumi Sugiura is from the Aichi prefecture in Japan.

She said she had minimal experience with English prior to coming to America and had never been here before.

To Natsumi, freedom is the most important thing about



America.

“I feel the school is so easy and more fun!” she said. “America is the best country to come as an exchange student.”

She has enjoyed Homedale life, saying the people are really nice.

Natsumi said she will take the memories of hanging out and talking with her friends and host family.

She is hosted by Oscar and Clara-Leigh Evans and their family.

She said she wants to use both English and Japanese languages in the future and has the best plan toward that end.

“I want to be a flight attendant, then I can come back to America,” she said.

**AHSAN RIAZ
Pakistan**

Ahsan Riaz comes from the Pakistani city of Jhang, in the province Punjab. He is hosted by Janet McCornack, whom he calls Grandma.

He said he never had the op-



portunity to speak much English growing up, but the subject is mandatory all through his schooling. His trip in the exchange program was his first chance to visit America.

“It’s the first time I’ve left my country,” he said.

He said he expected Homedale to be a big city.

“I surely was surprised,” he said. “My city back home is around a million people, and my school is about 5,000 students.”

It was a shock to Ahsan when he first arrived in Homedale, but he said he’s gotten used to it. A big issue for him was that back home everything he needed was within walking distance, but here he has to wait for rides.

“My experiences here are good and bad,” he said. “As it’s said, ‘Everything has its perks and cons.’ There are bad times, but I don’t think about those much. I always focus on the good things that happen.”

He said he’s enjoyed many things during his time in



Homedale and that perhaps the best was being on the wrestling team. He’s also enjoyed attending school just four days a week, compared to the six days he is in class back home.

He said he will remember the time with his teammates, teachers, friends, and host family.

Ahsan plans to go into the medical field after graduation, with the intent of becoming a surgeon. He also dreams of travelling around the world.

“I want to meet my exchange student friends from different countries,” he said. “After I can support myself financially.”

For information about becoming a host for an exchange student, contact Stacy Woods at (208) 250-0855.

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✓ Jump Creek: Recreationalists reminded of park’s summer hours and curfew

Basic Dress Uniform (BDU) pants. The suspect, who wore a badge around his neck, identified himself as a police officer, the victims said.

When he fled, he left in a newer model, light-colored, Chevrolet-type four-door sedan with unknown plates, according to Bowman.

Bowman also said it’s imperative that citizens understand that Jump Creek’s summer hours are from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m., and people caught in the area after hours are subject to citation.

“We want people to be safe,” Bowman said.

The four individuals from Thursday’s ordeal, who range in age from 18 to 20, will not be cited, he said.

Anyone with information or questions about the case can call OCSO dispatch at (208) 495-1154. — TK



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April 27	81	38	.00
April 28	70	45	.00
April 29	59	37	.00
April 30	52	47	.09

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County announces May 15 polling places

Friday is deadline to request mail-in absentee ballots

The Board of County Commissioners has set the polling places for the May 15 primary election:

- **North Homedale** — Senior citizens center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.
- **South Homedale** — Magistrate courtroom inside City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.
- **North Marsing** — Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.
- **South Marsing** — University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W.
- **Wilson** — Wilson school-house, 10427 Johnston Lane of Idaho highway 78
- **Murphy** — Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381

- Hwy. 78
- **Oreana** — Community Center, 18092 Oreana Loop Road
 - **Grand View** — Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave.
 - **Bruneau** — American Legion Post 83 Hall, 32536 Belle Ave.
 - **Mail-in precincts** — Pleasant Valley, Riddle and Three Creek
 - **In-person absentee voting** — Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy

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

- Voters have until 5 p.m. on Friday 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.

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✓ Forum: Legislative candidates agree infrastructure needs are priority

Dist. 23A House of Representatives seat.

Dist. 23 Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson) was also present, along with Mark Rhatigan from Mountain Home. The two are running for Brackett's seat in the Senate.

Dist. 23B Rep. Megan Blanksma (R-Hammett), county Treasurer Annette Dygert, County Clerk Angie Barkell, county Coroner Aaron Tines, and county commissioners Jerry Hoagland and Joe Merrick also made appearances. All six are running unopposed in the election.

There are no Democratic candidates, so the May 15 primary will decide all offices.

Evans, a former fighter pilot with the U.S. Navy and Air Force, emphasized the areas he thinks are most pressing to the people of District 23, and the items he would address if elected. These include infrastructure (roads, buildings, power supplies), education, and decreasing Idaho's dependence on the federal government.

"I want to see us reel in our education toward a workforce development career technical model," Evans said, referring

to the direction he believes education needs to move.

"About 60 percent of our high school graduates aren't going to college, yet we're still stuck in the 1950s K-12 model of education," he said.

Zito said that her unwavering support of the Second Amendment is an aspect of her platform that is very important to her constituents.

"I sponsored House Bill 444. That was really strong. It had teeth in it," she said, referring to the "Stand your ground" and Castle Doctrine legislation that didn't pass the 2018 Legislature.

Ferdinand believes that the most important attribute for an assessor is being fair and treating everyone equal.

"As an assessor, customer service should be our goal," he said. "We have to treat everyone the same."

Gruenwald stated her strong support of the Fourth Amendment, which guarantees citizens' protection against unlawful searches and seizures.

"Just like what James said, something (retired county Assessor Brett Endicott) did teach us is that customer ser-

vice should be vitally important to our office," she said.

She said there is no job in the Assessor's office that is so important that citizens' personal property rights should be violated.

"If I'm ever on your property doing an assessment and you want me to leave, just ask, nicely, and I promise I will leave," Gruenwald said.

"The police need a warrant to enter your property, and we are certainly not above the police and we are not above the Fourth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution."

Rhatigan said he believes it's necessary to separate Idaho even more from the federal government because burdens from Washington D.C. impede real progress for Idahoans.

"I've seen federal regulations prevent a lot of really great things from happening," he said. "We can do what the (current) federal government is doing; for every new regulation, we can get rid of at least two."

Brackett, who is completing his fifth term in the Senate, claims to be a fiscal conservative and strong proponent

for private property rights, limited government and local control. Like most conservatives, he supports the Second Amendment.

"I'm pro-life and a defender of traditional marriage," he said. "I also support increased funding for education, lowered taxes and a decreased regulatory burden."

Brackett said that he's running for reelection because there are still some things that he feels he needs to accomplish.

"Infrastructure is one of them," he said. "As chair of the Transportation Committee I can see a real need there."

Rhatigan said he is running for the Senate because he believes the incumbent (Brackett) has an "establishment seat."

"When the governor has a bigger voice with the senator than the people, we're doing it backwards," he said. "We as a people need to be going upstream with the information and ideas."

Zito said she's running for reelection for the same reason that got her into the race two years ago — to represent the voice and wishes of the people.

Evans feels he can simply do a better job than the incumbent.

"I care about what the people in the district are telling me," he said.

Gruenwald and Ferdinand have similar philosophies about running the Assessor's office. Both believe an open-door policy is very important, to listen to employees and know what the expectations

are for their staff.

"I want to take the resources I already have and use them in the position the best I can," Ferdinand added.

Ferdinand said he has spoken with Marsing city attorney Stephanie J. Bonney about potential conflicts with being mayor and assessor at the same time, and he is assured there are none.

"Being mayor of Marsing is a part-time position, so there won't be any conflicts with time," he said.

When asked about the most important issues to Dist. 23 constituents, the four legislative candidates agreed on one main issue: the need to maintain and improve infrastructure. Evans and Zito agreed that education is of prime importance as well.

A question from the audience asked Evans why he didn't support HB 444 like his opponent, Zito, did.

"A good bill has to be a good bill," Evans responded. "It can't be just a good idea. I didn't support it. I knew it was a popular bill, especially among my Second Amendment friends, but if it causes more harm than good, I can't support that. That was not a good bill."

The theme for the evening's discussions centered on a few items that all the candidates found vitally important: reduce federal government reliance and interference, improve infrastructure, and hold strong to the Constitution.

The primary election is May 15. Friday is the final day to request to vote absentee by mail.

— TK



Gubernatorial candidate visits Marsing

Lt. Gov. Brad Little visited the Phipps-Watson American Legion Community Center in Marsing on April 24, as part of his whirlwind tour of Idaho leading up to the May 15 primary election. Little is seeking the Republican nomination for governor. **Left to right:** Owyhee County Assessor Toni Gruenwald, former assessor Brett Endicott, Dist. 1 County Commissioner Jerry Hoagland, Little, and Reynolds Creek rancher Inez Jaca.

Ahlquist's whistlestop tour of state comes to Owyhee this weekend

Republican gubernatorial candidate Tommy Ahlquist's plan to visit 133 cities across Idaho in 11 days includes quick stops this week in Owyhee County.

Ahlquist began his "One Idaho" Tour of all 44 counties in Eagle on Tuesday, and he'll wrap it up in Meridian on

May 12.

On Friday, he'll make three Owyhee-area stops between 5:50 p.m. and 8:20 p.m.

At 5:50 p.m., he's scheduled to stop in Wilder, and 20 minutes later he'll be in Homedale.

After visiting Caldwell and Greenleaf, Ahlquist will make

an appearance in Marsing at 8:20 p.m.

His schedule Saturday is even more ambitious, and includes Owyhee County stops.

He'll visit Bruneau at 10 a.m. and then he's scheduled to stop in Grand View at 10:45 a.m. and finally Murphy at 11:30 a.m.

District 23 GOP state delegates sought

Republican Party state convention delegates will be chosen at a meeting in Mountain Homedale later this month.

Registered Republicans from Owyhee County, Elmore County and rural portion of western Twin Falls County are eligible to run as a delegate or alternate for legislative District 23.

The selection meeting will take place at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 24 inside the Elmore County Sheriff's

Complex in Mountain Home.

The state convention is set for June 28-30 in Pocatello.

In addition to being a registered Republican, prospective delegates and alternates must sign a statement affirming their ability and intention to attend the convention.

For more information, call chairman Mark Bryant at (208) 598-5144. Get more state convention information at www.IDGOP.org.

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Death notice

STEVE LOUIS CALZACORTA, 53, of Caldwell, died Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at a Boise hospital of natural causes. Arrangements are under the care of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. (208) 459-0833

School menus

Homedale Elementary
Veggie bar, fruit bar, and choice of milk and juice available each day
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
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:** Pepp. pizza ripper or PB&J sandwich, tossed salad, cookie

Homedale High
Salad, fruit choice and choice of milk and juice available each day
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
May 1: Super Nachos, mixed vegetables or PB&J, mixed vegetables
May 2: Lasagna, garlic bread, green beans or PB&J, green beans, jell-o w/fruit
May 3: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, buttered corn or PB&J, buttered corn

Marsing Middle/High
Veggie bar, fruit bar and choice of milk available each day
May 1: Lasagna, garlic bread, green beans, jell-o with fruit
May 2: Super nachos, mixed vegetables
May 3: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, buttered corn

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UPCOMING EVENTS

To help celebrate Cinco de Mayo. the Library is selling tickets on a basket of Misc. items, including a Festiva Barbie collector doll. The winner will be announced May 12th
Thank you to those of you that donated items!
Proceeds will go in the Capital Improvement Fund.

The library is looking forward to Summer Reading during the month of June. Sign up will start June 1st. This year’s theme “Libraries Rock” will be have fun activities for the kids and families. Read for prizes.

The library is located at
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Trustees bid first phase of HMS complex for high school softball

Successor hired for retiring English teacher

Homedale school trustees took one of the first official steps to create a high school softball complex.

During last Wednesday’s special board meeting, trustees voted to seek bids on dirt work for the two-field complex that is planned for Homedale Middle School.

District superintendent Rob Sauer said the timeline depends on how contractors respond to the request for bids.

“The board will either accept the bids or they won’t,” he said. “The goal is to have the dirt work part of the project completed by mid-September so grass can be planted and the rest of this part of the project completed by mid-November.”

Sauer said the first phase of the project doesn’t include a concession stand or restrooms.

The bid process is part of being prepared, Sauer said.

“We are also trying to balance which projects we can do each year and it’s important to know roughly how much each project will cost and have projects ready when the funding is available,” he said.

The goal is the have softball fields on district property, meaning the high school teams would stop playing home games at Sundance Park.

Sauer said it was unclear if the Trojans would begin playing on school property next spring.

“(That’s) to be determined. It depends somewhat on when the project actually starts and how much is completed between now and next spring,” he said.

Personnel changes finalized

Trustees also hired Justine Mai, who will replace Sally Gonser next year as a high school English teacher.

Gonser is retiring, but Sauer said the district plans to bring her back to teach one period of advanced English during the 2018-19 school year.

In another personnel move, it was announced that part-time middle school librarian Nikki Christiansen will assume the full-time role in the school’s computer lab.

— JPB

Homedale High driver’s ed enrollment deadline is today

Online enrollment ends today for Homedale High School’s summer driver’s education session.

Enrollment is limited to 14 students for the session that begins May 11. A mandatory parent-student orientation will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday inside the school library.

Enroll at www.homedaleschools.org/driver-education. Class fee is \$180.

Eligible students must be 14½ years old and have a learner’s permit from the Division of Motor Vehicles before the first class. A learner’s permit costs \$21.50 through the DMV.

To get a permit, students must take the following documents to the DMV office:

- Birth certificate
- Social Security card
- Proof of residency
- Picture ID
- Verification of Compliance form, which is available from the HHS office

For more information, contact Luci Asumendi at lasumendi@homedaleschools.org.

Owyhee musicians part of concert for military veterans

A couple of musicians with Owyhee County ties will be part of a concert to honor and assist Idaho’s military veterans

Homedale native Betty Adams, and Marsing resident Donna Huntley will be among the performers for the 2018 Gospel Country Concert.

The concert will take place on Monday, May 14 at the Nampa Civic Center. The doors open at 6 p.m., and the entertainment starts at 7 p.m.

Admission is \$15 for adults, and children ages 12 and younger get in free. Tickets can be purchased online at www.nampaciviccenter.com. Call (208) 468-5555 for more information.

Proceeds will help veterans in need.

The Bravehearts Band will open the show, and other artists will include Honi Deaton, Miss Elaine, and Lorinda Yamamoto Norton.



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Calendar

Today

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

Story Time
10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

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

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

Thursday

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

Friday

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

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

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

Saturday

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. (208) 337-5419

Monday

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. (208) 896-4690

Tuesday

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

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

After-school program
2 p.m. to 6 p.m., Knight Community Church,

630 Idaho Ave., Grand View. (208) 845-2019

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

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

Marsing school board meeting
7 p.m., school district office boardroom, 8th Avenue West, Marsing. (208) 896-4111

Ridgeview Irrigation District meeting
7 p.m., South Board of Control office boardroom, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

Gem Irrigation District meeting
7:15 p.m., South Board of Control office boardroom, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

South Board of Control meeting
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Movie time
Noon, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Senior center board meeting
1 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Melba school board meeting
5 p.m., district office, 511 Broadway, Melba. (208) 495-1141

Homedale City Council meeting
6 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641

Grand View City Council meeting
6 p.m., City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2700, noon to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday

Marsing Fire Commissioners meeting
7 p.m., Marsing Fire Hall, 303 Main St., Marsing.

Marsing City Council meeting
7 p.m., City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122

Thursday, May 10

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

Owyhee Conservation District board
Noon, USDA Service Center, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., Marsing. (208) 896-4544, ext. 102

Owyhee Gardeners meeting
1 p.m., Lizard Butte Library community room, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 546-1829

Marsing Chamber of Commerce meeting
5:30 p.m., typically at The Spot, 12 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. Check Facebook for updates. (208) 859-2087 or marsingchamber@gmail.com

University of Idaho Extension

Extension education reaches overseas

I have spent the last two weeks participating as part of a U.S. Department of Agriculture Foreign Ag Service program in Central Europe. We conducted seminars and farm visits in Poland, Bulgaria, and Romania for the purpose of helping farmers increase their knowledge of current and emerging technologies and to expand markets for U.S. livestock genetics in these countries. Additionally, I had the opportunity to spend two days in Kazakhstan to work with university personnel there to better understand Extension work and program development.

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not always trusted as many are more interested in selling something than what the producer might really need.

One important Extension program that is missing in other countries is the 4-H youth development program. There are no programs available in most other countries aimed at helping youth develop life skills or cultivating an interest in production agriculture. Many who have visited the U.S. have commented to me that they wish there was such a program in their own country.

I am biased but consider us fortunate that Extension programs and educators are available throughout Idaho and across the U.S. Extension programs in Idaho provide our population with information, classes, workshops, field days, and other learning opportunities on livestock production, crop production, food safety, family finance, gardening, community development, 4-H Youth Development programs, and a variety of other things. If you don't know something, just call your local Extension office and they will help you find the information that you need!

I am very fortunate to have had the opportunity to participate in several international programs now. I have met a lot of great people, experienced other cultures, and shared some information that will help our international friends to better succeed in production agriculture. Each trip also helps me to better appreciate what a blessing and privilege it is to live in the United States of America!

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



Scott Jensen

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Homedale store’s sale becomes community fest

Family Dollar bills Saturday event as block party

A simple parking lot sale at a Homedale store has turned into so much more.

The Family Dollar, located at 330 W. Idaho Ave., had planned a parking lot sale event for Saturday, but those simple plans have morphed into something much bigger.

Store manager Lacie Castleberry has rebranded a “Family Dollar parking lot sales event” into the “Family Dollar Block Party.”

The store will play host to other local businesses, individuals, and public entities.

Vendors will begin setting up when the store opens at 8 a.m.

Various Homedale emergency responders, including Homedale Ambulance Service, Homedale Fire Department, and Homedale Police, will be on hand when they are available throughout the day.

According to Tasha Miller, assistant manager for Family Dollar, the following will also be on hand:

- Glas, with Life in the Sun, a bible-based discipleship, will provide music from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Glas leads a pair of support groups in Marsing and Homedale to help men and

women struggling with addiction, emotional scarring and self-destructive behaviors.

- Nita and Gary Rasmussen with Double R Creations, will sell jewelry, horseshoe décor, wood décor, and hot dogs.
- Louise Vigil with Scentsy
- Guy Daison with Bro’s Speedway and Hobby Shop will provide demonstrations on remote control cars and drones.
- The Bowling Alley will have a table set up and will be selling pies.
- Eunice and Sandy with Homedale Senior Center will sell tickets for the annual Buckaroo Breakfast quilt, which will be given away in August during Owyhee County Fair week.
- Wendy Wilt with Paparazzi Accessories will sell jewelry.
- Voodoo Tattoo will sell shirts. At 4 p.m., Voodoo Tattoo owner John Mitchell will offer children’s face-painting.
- Tammy House with Pups Best Munchables.
- Susan Boozer with Boozer Jewelry.
- Food vendors will include Moxie Java, the Wee-Nee Wag-on, a taco truck, and tamale salesman.
- The Homedale High School band and color guard will perform.

Castleberry is excited about the upcoming festivities.

“It’s a great opportunity to bring the community together,” she said.

— TK

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar available with each meal:

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

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May 2: Meatball hero, broccoli, tater tots

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

May 8: Turkey w/gravy, mashed potatoes w/gravy, peas & carrots, roll

May 9: Philly cheese steak sandwich on a roll, California blend veggies, tater tots

Rimrock Senior Center

All meals are served with milk & fruit juice

May 3: Meatloaf, baked potato w/sour cream, steamed broccoli, fruit, whole wheat roll

May 8: Chicken noodle soup, salad, cheese-filled celery, fruit crisp, cornbread w/honey or jam

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Plant sale Saturday in Homedale

Bette Uda City Park in Homedale will see its first springtime public event Saturday with the Homedale Farmers Market Spring Fling plant sale.

The sale, which is the first official even of the market’s 2018 summer season, will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The plant sale will feature garden plants, flowers, hanging baskets and more.

Information on the plant sale, summer market and what it takes to be a vendor 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.

All prospective vendors – both adult and youth sellers – must attend a training session at 6 p.m. on Thursday, May 24 at Bette Uda City Park.

Vendor applications are available on the farmers market website.

Adult vendor fees are \$50 for the summer season plus each vendor must pay five percent of the sales at the end of each market.

If the season vendor fee isn’t paid in full by July 5, the charge for a full season will jump to \$80.

Youth vendors must pay five percent of their sales at the end of each market, but they exempt from any other vendor fees.

A one-time vendor fee is \$10 plus five percent of sales.

Drop-in vendors will be charged \$20 per market.

Non-profit groups selling items won’t have to pay a booth fee, but they will have pay five percent of their sales to the market.

Proceeds from the vendor fees benefit Homedale School District arts programs.

Networking vendors, who aren’t directly selling products, will pay \$25 per market for each product that is advertised. Products such as Scentsy, Avon, Lularoe, DuTerra and Young Living are subject to this fee.

Only three networking booths are available at each market, and networking vendors must schedule to appear at the market with manager Denise Dixon in advance.



Owyhee County fifth-graders inspect sheep horns at one of the Owyhee Field Days education stations at the Owyhee Reservoir. **From left:** Shailee Rutan and Josie Lisle from Pleasant Valley, and Jessica Hipwell and Kate Hipwell from Murphy. Photo by Tiffany Hipwell

Field Days teach local fifth-graders about watershed

Oreana resident mans rafting experience

by Mandi Boren
For The Owyhee Avalanche

Perfect weather enhanced the Owyhee Watershed Council’s 17th annual Fifth-grade Field Days on Wednesday and Thursday last week.

More than 900 students attended the event at Owyhee Reservoir. Hailing from 19 schools, including Homedale, Adrian and Pleasant Valley, the fifth-graders learned about the many benefits of the watershed.

Stations enlightened students on the diversity of recreation activities, business, wildlife and ecology within the watershed.

Among other activities, student were fascinated by a guided tour through the dam, a golden eagle presentation and a horse-drawn freight wagon ride.

Another favorite station was the rafting station where

students donned life jackets and were escorted around the reservoir in a boat.

Rafting station presenter Steve Boren, an Oreana resident, has been involved in Field Days since it first began in 2002. He said he has seen the event grow from a one-day event and said he “really enjoys seeing the kids’ enthusiasm.”

Each attending student received lunch and a T-shirt. The winning T-shirt design this year was submitted by Addy Martin and Celie Davis of Adrian Elementary School and included a golden eagle flying above a cowgirl in the saddle roping a spotted calf.

Education committee co-chair Sheryl Anderson was enthusiastic about the success of the event.

“I thought the presenters, kids, weather ... everything was wonderful this year,” she said.

“We had really balanced presentations of multiple uses of the watershed, and we touched so many kids in two days.”

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E. Owyhee Library Friends announce fundraisers

Quilt tickets, calendar entries now available for purchase

The Friends of the Eastern Owyhee County Library are mounting fundraising efforts. The group that supports the library in Grand View plans a yard sale and a quilt raffle to raise money for the scholarship fund and shelving in the library’s children’s reading area. The Friends accepted three scholarship applications from Grand View-area high school seniors at its regular meeting on April 17. About \$2,000 is needed for the shelving project and scholarships. Raffle tickets for the quilt will be sold during the benefit

yard sale, which is scheduled to run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 16 at the library, 520 Boise Ave., in Grand View. Fundraising was discussed after the Friends of the Library board approved the financial report as well as reports from the secretary and treasurer. The Friends of the Library organization is accepting orders for the 2019 calendar fundraiser, too. Community members can list their family’s important dates in the calendar for a minimal cost, or ads can be purchased in the calendar. Call Mel and Kathy Chick at (208) 832-1949 for more information on calendar entries. The Friends of the Library are always looking for new members. Annual dues is \$5, which helps finance yearly projects.

Marsing traffic stop turns up stolen car

Two Wilder residents face felonies after being stopped outside Marsing. Owyhee County Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Isidro Rodriquez, 23, and Simona Duque, 36, are in jail after allegedly borrowing a vehicle and not returning it. The vehicle in question is a 1999 Jeep Grand Cherokee. Rodriquez, the driver, has been charged with felony grand theft and misdemeanor driving without privileges. Duque, who was the passenger, faces one felony count of possessing a stolen vehicle. The vehicle was allegedly stolen in Meridian, Bowman said. The pair was pulled over at the junction of Idaho highway 55 and U.S. 95, west of Marsing.

— TK

Irrigation meetings slated

The irrigation directors overseeing water for producers in northwest Owyhee County and part of Malheur County will meet Tuesday. The Ridgeview Irrigation District board, which runs the water operation in Oregon, starts the series of meetings at 7 p.m. The Gem Irrigation District directors meet at 7:15 p.m. The South Board of Control directors, comprised of all the Gem directors and Ridgeview chair John Lax, will convene at 7:30 p.m. All three meetings will take place in the basement board room at the South Board office, 118 S. 1st St. W., in Homedale.



Alexis Bernabe, 11, of Homedale, displays the birdhouse he made during Teens & Tweens on Friday at Homedale Public Library. Alexis is the son of Rosa and Juan Bernabe.

Homedale Public Library celebrates cultural events

The Homedale Public Library will observe Cinco de Mayo on Friday at 10:15 a.m. during Story Time. The library’s youth service coordinator, Carol McMichael, will read “Pedro’s Burro,” written by Alyssa Satin Capucilli and illustrated by Pau Estrada. She will also entertain the children with “... and Nick.” The Story Time gang will also make coffee filter flowers and perform a flower experiment. Friday is also May the 4th, unofficially known as Star Wars Day (“May the Fourth be with you” is a play on “May the Force be with you”), and the Teens and Tweens group will observe an appropriate theme at 4 p.m. on Friday. There will be many activities, including “Create your own Start Wars name,” “Fighter pilot training,” “Design a Jedi ship,” “Jedi mind test,” and “light saber battle.” The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave., in Homedale. **Learn writing from award-winning author** Homedale native Jacquie Rogers, an award-winning author now living in Seattle, will return home to teach a beginning writers class at the library. The class will run from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. on Thursday, May 17. It is the first of two planned classes and will touch on the basic elements of storytelling. This includes creating larger-than-life characters, world-building, conflict, and structure. The class also will include a question-and-answer period. For more information, call the library at (208) 337-4228.

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Degrees, awards handed out at Homedale FFA banquet

by Brooke Pfof
Chapter reporter

The Homedale FFA chapter held its annual banquet on April 23. Approximately 150 members and guests looked on as awards were presented to FFA members who worked diligently throughout the year.

The banquet marked new beginnings, with the election of 2018-19 officers, and a farewell to chapter advisor Sue Poland, who will retire at the end of the school year.

The new officers include:

President — Megan Bauer

Vice-president — Jenna Rupp

Secretary — Delaynie Dorsey

Treasurer — Spencer Fisher

Reporter — Brooke Pfof

Historians — Makenna DeWitt and Jordann Cole

Sentinel — Gunner Campbell

With Poland retiring, Rachel Rhubey will fill the advisor and ag education positions at Homedale High School.

The chapter will always be grateful for Sue's influence, and will always remember and further the love she had for agriculture and FFA.

With the close of the school year nearing, the chapter saluted the senior members whose FFA journey is ending. Lauryn Fisher, Jesse Packer, Jordan Packer, Tylee McKay, Krista Mayer, Kaden Turner, Meryssa Oakley, Kaylee DeWitt, and Lyndsey Salutregui, are heading off to college and leaving behind their blue jacket.

Degrees awarded

Every year, the Idaho FFA Association presents the State FFA Degree to recognize students who have met leadership standards and invested \$1,000 in their Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) program.

Homedale's six 2017-18 recipients are Jenna Rupp, Janae Volk, Gunner Campbell, Isabella Tamura, Ben Holt, and Jaegar Rose.

The Discovery Degree is awarded to middle schoolers who have attended chapter meetings and participated in at least one FFA activity.

Recipients included William Haun, Amaia Aberasturi, Ashley Stebly, Bailey Purdom,



The Homedale FFA chapter officers for 2018-19 are, from left: Sentinel Gunner Campbell, Historians Jordann Cole and Makenna DeWitt, reporter Brooke Pfof, treasurer Spencer Fisher, secretary Delaynie Dorsey, president Megan Bauer, and vice-president Jenna Rupp. Submitted photo

Beeg Hockenhull, Belisia Larzelier, Catherine Decker, D'Orr Packer, Emma Criffield, John Lejardi, Josh Brown, Laney Swallow, Logan Romans, Olivia Miller, Ryker Johnson, Rylan Love, Wylie Layne, and Kampbell Garrett.

The Greenhand Degree goes to first-year high school members who have learned the FFA creed, FFA history and knowledge, and have developed satisfactory plans for their SAE:

Freshmen — Skylr Badiola, Makenna DeWitt, Bowen Campbell, Keagen Christensen, Brayden Christoffersen, Jace Love, Brooke Pfof, Caitlyn Pate, Kaitlyn Missamore, Kenna McKay, Mackenzie Miller, Madison Miller, and Ainslee Evans

Sophomores — Julia Gomez, Nyelah Johnson, and Amaya Beckman

Juniors — Jordann Cole, and Tell Morse.

The Chapter Degree is earned by members who have been active in the chapter for two years of high school. They must have earned at least \$150 or worked 45 hours towards their SAE:

Juniors — Reigan Rupp, Kyle Rupp, and Kaden Binford

Sophomores — Weston Dorsey, Spencer Fisher, Delaynie Dorsey, Gage Purdom, Bradley Kress, Maggie Johnson, Ashlyn Miller, and Elias Hibbs

Chapter awards

Star Greenhand — Ainslee Evans was honored as the most active first-year member who has a strong SAE program and has demonstrated leadership throughout the school year.

Ainslee cares for a hereford cattle herd at home and raises sheep for exhibition at the Owyhee County Fair. She has competed on multiple teams.

She will represent the Homedale chapter and Idaho at the national convention after

winning the Treasure Valley District and state championship in Creed Speaking.

Star Farmer — Spencer Fisher won this award, which is presented to a member who has an outstanding SAE in production agriculture and demonstrates the most involvement in all phases of the chapter's activities.

Spencer's SAE consisted of raising a large flock of sheep and Boer goats. He traveled to shows around the country to exhibit his stock.

He is the current Treasure Valley District Treasure.

Star in Agricultural Placement — Bradley Kress won this award, which is similar to the Chapter Star Farmer. The difference is the member's SAE program involves placement in production agriculture, agribusiness or directed laboratory that is not agriscience-based. This placement can be a paid or unpaid experience, although the member must have enough earnings and investments from their SAE to qualify for the Chapter FFA Degree.

Bradley has been working with cattle since he was 14 years old. He started off working for JWB Cattle Co., gaining the skills needed to start his own family's herd.

He received a silver ranking in his proficiency at State Leadership Conference, and he also competed on the horse judging team this year.

Leadership Award — Five chapter members were honored for going above and beyond a regular FFA standard.

Being a leader is more than just chairing a committee; it is those who compete in leadership events, those who are willing to step in when needed, and those who keep FFA advisor Poland in line.

Winners included juniors Jaegar Rose, and Jordann Cole; sophomore Spencer Fisher; and freshmen Makenna DeWitt, and Brooke Pfof

Doing to Learn Award — Gunner Campbell received this award.

He has a "can-do" attitude and is willing to try to do anything, even if he has no idea how to do it. Gunner is willing to tackle anything life throws at him.

Part of the FFA motto says "Learning to Do, Doing to Learn." These short words describe Gunner completely. He is always willing to try and learn new things with a smile.

Scholarship Award — The chapter strongly encourages members to do their best in and out of the classroom. The award recognizes those members who maintain the highest grade-point average among FFA members in their class.

Recipients included: Senior Meryssa Oakley; juniors Drew Deal and Jenna Rupp; sophomores Gage Purdom, Nyelah Johnson, and Maggie Johnson; and freshmen Makenna DeWitt, Ainslee Evans, Madison Miller, and Brooke Pfof.

Top Shop Student — Tell Morse earned this award, excelling in the shop during the school year and helping teacher Logan Kotar bring the shops alive.

Tell has worked on multiple metal fabrication projects, while continuing to maintain a good standing as an FFA member. He helped finish a new metal sign for the Idaho FFA Association.

Proficiency Awards — Given to members who excel in SAE programs, these awards encourage members to develop



Gunner Campbell



Tell Morse

specialized skills that will apply toward a future career.

- State winners:
- **Janae Volk** — Diversified Agriculture Production
 - **Kyle Rupp** — Fiber and Oil Crop Production
 - **Isabella Tamura** — Goat Production
 - **Lauryn Fisher** — Sheep Production
 - **Ben Holt** — Diversified Livestock Production Entrepreneurship. He also won gold in Beef Production
 - **Kayden Turner** — Dairy Production

Bradley Kress received state silver in Beef Production.

Community awards

Every fall, the Harvest Auction helps buy gifts for needy families in the chapter's Gift of Green program, and cover expenses for state and national conventions.

Dwayne and Tracy Fisher were recognized as the top buyers at this year's auction.

Honorary Degree — This degree is given to farmers, schools superintendents, principals, school trustees, chapter advisors, teachers, agriculture education staff members, business people and others who help advance agricultural education and FFA or have rendered outstanding service.

This year's recipients are Thomas and Danielle Oakley, Jerry Mayer, Noreen Mayer, David and Mica McKay, and Wendy Salutregui.

Distinguished Service Award — For dedicating their time to the FFA, Dwayne and Tracy Fisher received this token of appreciation.

The award recognizes individuals who help chapter members get to many competitions, which may include driving the livestock team to Twin Falls or making sure that everyone has the right official dress.

These individuals are selfless when it comes to helping the FFA chapter be the best it can be.

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Exchange student
unbeaten in tennis

Marsing baseball
knocks off Pilgrims

Avalanche Sports

Trojans get revenge, No. 2 district baseball berth

Hilton's walk-off
single sinks Melba

Two years after fighting tooth-and-nail and losing the state championship, Homedale High School sent a message to Fruitland.

The Trojans put an exclamation point on a season series sweep April 23, crushing the host Grizzlies to nail down

second place in the 3A Snake River Valley conference.

Wyatt Wolfe knocked in five runs to fuel Homedale's 20-6 shellacking as Clayton Wolfe and Ben Lee combined on a four-hitter.

Lee struck out the side twice in his two innings of hitless relief work.

Homedale (18-3 overall, 5-2 in conference) nailed down the No. 2 seed in the 3A District III Tournament, which

begins Saturday at Walter Johnson Field in Weiser.

The Trojans won for the 11th time in 12 games as Wyatt Wolfe tuned up Fruitland pitching for a single, double, three runs scored and the five RBI.

Homedale snapped a scoreless tie with five runs with two outs in the second inning.



Jaylon Hilton



Wyatt Wolfe

— See **Baseball**, page 17

Power trip secures top seed for HHS

Trojans homer
three times in
12th straight win

Sophie Nash's two home runs ignited a power display as Homedale High School secured the top seed in the postseason.

Senior Dakota Kelly homered and spun a four-hitter from the pitching circle as the Trojans pounded Fruitland, 10-2, in a 3A Snake River Valley



Sophie Nash

conference game April 23. With its 12th consecutive victory, Homedale (19-2 overall, 7-0 in conference) sewed up the top seed into the 3A District III Tournament, which begins Tuesday in Payette. The Trojans wrapped up the regular season after deadline Tuesday against visiting Weiser.

Nash hit her first home run of the game in the third, and Kelly followed immediately with her team-leading sixth home run of the season.

The solo homers gave Homedale a 4-0 lead on the Grizzlies' field.

Nash led off the fifth with a solo shot to tie Alex Grant and Dazsha Zamora for second on the team's 2018 home run list.

— See **HHS**, page 16



Homedale sophomore Caleb Smith gets to the line ahead of Adrian's Michael Babcock (left) in his 100 meters victory Saturday at the Saint Alphonsus Invitational in Ontario, Ore. Photo by Machele Randall

Homedale athletes show durability, determination

Trojans dominate sprints
in two meets

Lainey Johnson turned in the best week of her track and field season.

The Homedale High School senior sprinted to victories and her 2018 top times at the Weiser Invite on Thursday.

Her season-best times were 13.14 seconds in the 100 meters and 27.55 in the 200. She also finished second in the 400 with a season-fastest 1 minute, 2.35 seconds.

On Saturday, at the Saint Alphonsus Invitational in Ontario, Ore., she won the 400 meters in 1 minute, 2.8 seconds, and finished fifth in both the 100 and 200.

Homedale athletes posted 19 personal records in Weiser and return with more career marks in Ontario.

Trojans coach Heidi Ankeny said her athletes held up well to the stress of two meets in one week.

"This team is tough and handled the two meets like seasoned, well-conditioned athletes and came back from Ontario with more PRs and extremely consistent times and distances," she said.



Homedale senior Lainey Johnson won the 100 meters at the Weiser Invite last week. Photo by Machele Randall

Sophomore Caleb Smith continued his dominance in the boys' sprints, sweeping the 100 and 200 in both meets.

— See **Homedale**, page 17

Replay: Uranga beats rival in playoff

Fruitland wins
another 3A SRV
golf outing

Playing on a familiar layout, Daniel Uranga shot his lowest round of the season to win individual golfing honors.

The Homedale High School sophomore carded a 2-under-par 34, and beat Fruitland's Jake O'Neil in a playoff again.

The Grizzlies posted an 18-stroke victory in last Wednesday's 3A Snake River Valley conference nine-hole tournament, which was held at River Bend Golf Course in Wilder.



Spencer Fisher

Parma hosted the tournament, but shares home course honors with the Trojans.

Three of Fruitland's four golfers shot 38 or lower, and the Grizzlies kept its perfect 3A SRV season going by scoring 149.

Homedale was runner-up again, tying for second with Weiser at 167.

Behind Uranga, sophomore Spencer Fisher shot a 43,

— See **Replay**, page 15

Sports



German exchange student Max Schmidt prepares to hit a forehand shot during a recent Homedale tennis home match.

HHS’ Schmidt keeps winning

Lack of depth hurts tennis team

Homedale High School’s top tennis players collected wins last week, but a thin roster sapped the Trojans’ ability to score points.

Results from Thursday’s Senior Night 3A Snake River Valley conference matchup against Parma were not received.

Coach Scott Michaelson’s squad closes out the conference season Thursday on the road against Payette. Seven days later, the 3A District III Tournament will get under way.

Last Wednesday: Vale, Ore., 11, Homedale 1 — Max Schmidt picked up the Trojans’

only victory during a non-conference match in which the home team secured seven forfeits.

Schmidt routed Vikings No. 1 Marco Ramiro, 6-0, 6-1, in the only boys’ singles match of the day.

Austin Conant and Joseph Zamudio, Homedale’s top boys’ doubles team, fell to Dan Wenger and Brody Marvin, 6-1, 6-3.

The Vale’s girls’ squad won all three contested matches.

April 24: Weiser 10, Homedale 2 — The Trojans top players pulled off victories in a conference match on the Wolverines’ courts.

Schmidt completed his season sweep of Weiser’s Isaac Too’malatai with a 6-0, 6-0 whitewash.

Too’malatai managed to win two second-set games in the pair’s April 5 meeting at Bette Uda City Park.

Homedale’s only victory in the girls’ meet came at No. 1 doubles. The junior tandem of Mikayla Smith and Makayla Kelly battled through the first two sets and rallied from a marathon second-set loss. The Trojans outlasted Weiser’s Taylor Usary and Bentley Weldon, 7-6, 5-7, 6-3.

The Homedale team swept Usary and Weldon in their April 5 encounter.

The Trojans lost five points to forfeits last week, and Dutch exchange student Senna Benschop lost, 6-4, 6-2, after putting up a fight against Weiser girls’ No. 3 Danielle Hoopes.

Binford sends Homedale JV to exciting baseball win

There will be no postseason for the Homedale High School junior varsity baseball team.

But even though no 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament is scheduled this year, the reigning conference champions have wrapped up another successful campaign against their rivals.

Before Tuesday’s 3A SRV season finale against Weiser, Homedale (8-6 overall) had won four of five conference games. The Wolverines were the only team to beat the Trojans, 12-5, last month.

Coach Zack Ozuna’s club picked up two narrow victories last week during a three-game non-conference run.

Saturday: Homedale 5, Melba 4 — Kaden Binford’s two-run single with two outs in the sixth inning turned out to be the game-winning hit for the Trojans at John Jackson Field.

Dropping down to the JV squad, Ismael Garcia led off the winning rally with a double. He scored on Brady Trout’s single. Garcia was 3-for-3 with two runs scored.

Trout and Jace Love (walk) scored on Binford’s base hit.

Garcia got the win, striking

out 10 during a complete game.

Homedale tied the game, 1-1, in the bottom of the second. Trout led off with a single, stole two bases and scored on an error.

The Trojans tied the score again in the fourth when Garcia ripped the first of his two doubles and scored a Jason Puri single.

April 24: Homedale 16, Baker, Ore., 11 — Tommy Muir made the most of the leadoff spot, going 3-for-3 with four runs scored. His two-run double in the third was part of a four-RBI performance.

Homedale scored nine runs to erase a 5-1 deficit in the third inning.

Puri led off the fourth inning with a triple and scored on Garrett Bettleyon’s single.

Puri scored during the Trojans’ four-run fifth inning. He moved to third base on Brady Trout’s double and came home after a two-out, bases-loaded walk.

German exchange student Jan Depenwisch had a two-run single in the third inning.

Love went 2-for-4 with a double and two runs.

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Baseball
Ismael Garcia, jr., SS
Double, 2 RBI, 2 runs vs. Fruitland

Softball
Allison Shenk, sr., CF
On base 3 times, scored twice vs. Fruitland

Tennis
Austin Conant, jr., boys' doubles
Part of No. 1 team that battled tough vs. Vale

Track and field
Thomas Symms, fr., discus
Two runner-up finishes highlighted by PR in Weiser

Golf
Daniel Uranga, so.
Won another medalist honor in another playoff vs. O'Neil

Baseball
Varsity
Wednesday, May 2 at Nampa Christian, 5 p.m.
3A District III Tournament (In Weiser)
Tuesday, May 8 vs. No. 3 seed, 3 p.m.
If lose Tuesday: Wednesday, May 9 vs. TBA, 3 p.m.
If win Tuesday: Wednesday, May 9 championship game vs. TBA, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity
Season complete

Track and field
Wednesday, May 2 at Grizzly Invite, Fruitland, 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 9, home for 3A District III championship meet

Golf
Boys' varsity
Monday, May 7 at 3A District III Tournament (18 holes), Scotch Pines GC, Payette, 10 a.m.
Girls' varsity
Wednesday, May 9, home for 3A District III Tournament (9 holes), River Bend GC, Wilder, 9 a.m.

Tennis
Thursday, May 3 at Payette, 4 p.m.

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Sports

Huskies' baseball split includes upset of NP

District tourney starts Friday

Marsing High School baseball saw mixed results in two conference games last week.

On Friday, the Huskies (6-9, 2-7 in WIC play) travelled to McCall, which is struggling mightily this season, and lost a tough 2A Western Idaho Conference game. 4-3.

For Marsing (6-9 overall, 2-7 2A WIC), Brian Purtell and Jaden Kinney had two hits each, Purtell also knocked in a run.

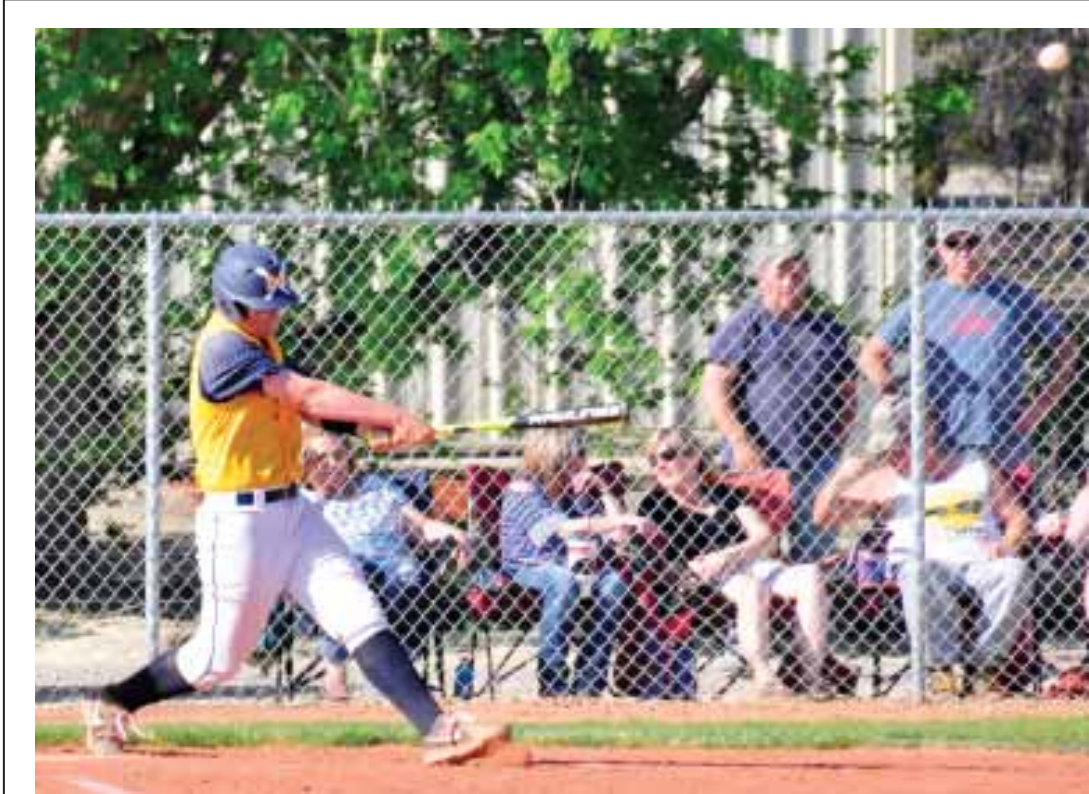
Senior Tyler Wood pitched into the sixth and struck out nine Vandal batters.

The Huskies scored once in the seventh inning, but couldn't mount a comeback.

Marsing starts the 2A District III Tournament on the road Friday. A site and an opponent was determined after the final round of conference games, which were played Tuesday after deadline.

The tournament's second round includes games at 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Saturday at Nampa Christian High School.

April 24: Marsing 20, New Plymouth 17 — Locked in a relentless offensive barrage against one of the top teams in the conference, the Huskies pulled off a big win on the



Huskies JV falls short against Parma

Brady Dines connects on a pitch in the Huskies junior varsity non-conference loss to Parma last Wednesday. The visiting Panthers prevailed, 16-10. Photo by Dan Pease

Pilgrims' home field.

Marsing scored three times in its final at-bat to win.

Trailing by 10 runs heading into the fifth, Marsing was on the brink of losing via the mercy rule.

The Huskies managed 11 runs over the fifth and sixth innings for a one-run lead.

New Plymouth tied the score, 17-17, in the bottom of the sixth.

Jaden Kinney, who relieved

Dwight Sevy in the fourth, put the lid on the game, holding the Pilgrims scoreless in their half of the final inning.

Sevy, Isaiah Prado and Joaquin Oliveros had three hits apiece. Prado collected a double, triple and five RBI.

Sevy allowed 10 runs, all unearned, in his three innings of work. The Huskies committed eight errors.

"Defensively, we definitely had some problems making

the routine play in the second, third, and fourth innings," first-year coach Kenny Mace said.

The Pilgrims scored 16 runs in those three innings.

"It wasn't their (Sevy and Kinney) best pitching performances of the season," Mace said. "They were clutch when we needed them to be, and they really kept New Plymouth from squaring up a lot of solid hits." — TK

✓ Replay: Parker fires 50 for girls

From Page 13 while HHS teammates Scott Matlock, Kaden Henry and Arnulfo Llamas all came in at 45.

Rein Laan led the Wolverines with a 39.

Girls' tournament — Freshman Emma Parker scored 50 to lead three Homedale golfers.

Shanlee Swallow carded a 55, and Brooke Pfof scored 63.

Tournament champion Weiser put three players in the top three, including medalist Sara Lundberg, who shot a 6-over 42.

JV boys finish second — Bowen Campbell and Ben Holt fired 51s to fuel Homedale's runner-up showing.

The Trojans scored 208, 16 shots behind tourney winner Weiser (192).

Homedale's Garrett Elordi and Gunnar Campbell closed out the scoring with 53s. Skylr Badiola, whose score was included in the team tally, fired a 63.

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MARSING HUSKIES

Baseball
Brian Purtell, sr., 2B
Two hits, two RBI and four runs in win over NP

Softball
Aubrey Villa, so., OF
Four hits, two runs, two RBI in three games last week

Track
Anahi Moreno Vargas, jr., sprints
Personal-best 31.81 seconds in the Dave Mangum girls' 200

Baseball
2A District III Tournament
Friday, May 4 vs. TBA, site TBA, 5 p.m.
Saturday, May 5 vs. TBA, Nampa Christian H.S., 2 p.m. or 5 p.m.
If nec.: Monday, May 7 vs. TBA, site TBA, 5 p.m.
If nec.: Wednesday, May 9 vs. TBA, Nampa Christian H.S., 2 p.m. or 5 p.m.

Track and field
Wednesday, May 2 at Grizzly Invite, Fruitland, 3:30 p.m.
Friday-Saturday, May 11-12 at 2A District III championship meet, New Plymouth

Golf
Boys and girls
2A District III Tournament (18 holes), Lakeview GC, Meridian

Softball
2A District III Tournament
Tuesday, May 8 vs. TBA, at either Melba or New Plymouth, 4 p.m.
If win: Tuesday, May 8 at either Melba or New Plymouth, 6 p.m.

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Sports

Two Rimrock middle schoolers place third at district meet

Several athletes establish PRs

by Mandi Boren
For The Owyhee Avalanche
The Rimrock middle school track team finished its season with two third-place finishes and 17 personal records at the 1A District III championships Thursday in New Plymouth.

Eighth-grader Victor Lemus finished the boys' 1,600 meters in a personal-best time of 5 minutes, 23.04 seconds for third place at the meet that featured 1A Western Idaho Conference teams. He shaved eight seconds off his previous PR. He also grabbed fourth in the high jump, clearing the bar at 4 feet, 6 inches.

Seventh-grader Ella Boren dropped 11 seconds off her PR, finishing third in the girls' 1,600 in 6:09.

Raiders assistant coach Melissa Raymond said 17 team members achieved PRs at Thursday's meet.

Joslynn Burk, a 10-year-old sixth-grader, had a strong seventh-place finish in the girls' 1,600 with a PR of 6:38.

Eighth-grader Gentry Kunsky finished ninth in the girls' 100 with a PR, and seventh-grader Angel Gallardo finished 11th with a PR in the boys' 100.

Eighth-grader Hailee Meyers finished 10th in the discus.

Lemus ran the anchor 400



Gentry Kunsky flashes down the New Plymouth track in the girls' 100 meters. Submitted photo



Victor Lemus does his part during the boys' sprint medley relay. Submitted photo

meters, taking the handoff from fellow eighth-grader Logan Field, who ran a 200-meter leg, as Rimrock finished seventh in the boys' sprint medley relay in 2:15.56. Seventh-graders

Jayden Costalez and Andrew Hogaboam ran the opening 100-meter legs.

Sixth-grader Loyd Boren finished 11th in the boys' 1,600 with a PR of 5:56.

MHS athletes amass PR marks

Marsing High School track and field athletes posted several personal records last Wednesday at the 2A Western Idaho Conference meet in Melba.

Sprinter Wes Ireland topped his personal best in the 100 meters with a time of 11.62 seconds on the Dave Mangum Track straightaway. It was good enough for a sixth-place finish for the sophomore.

He also finished second in the long jump with a leap of an even 19 feet.

Ireland was also part of the 4x400 relay team that finished third in 3 minutes, 53.12 seconds. He joined forces with Isaac Lee, Matthew Lee, and Adonis Stelzried.

Merrick Hall's strong high jump campaign, with a runner-up mark of 5 feet, 10 inches.

Isaac Lee also reached a PR in the 100, finishing just behind Ireland in 11.66.

Reynaldo Aguirre finished his 800 meters in a new best time of 2:22.6, the 13th-fastest showing last week. Stelzried had Marsing's best time in the event with a time of 2:20.

Anahi Moreno Vargas reached a personal-record time of 31.81 in the 200 meters. Hailey Christiansen was next among Marsing's girls with a time of 34.02, also a personal best.

Chloe Ramirez finished seventh in the girls' shot put with a throw of 28-1. She also tied for 13th in the discus throw at 73-4.



Aubrey Villa fires a pitch toward home plate and catcher Emma Heitz during Marsing's non-conference game against Parma last Wednesday. Photo by Dan Pease

MHS softball team's struggles continue

The Marsing High School softball team endured three tough losses last week.

On Friday, the Huskies found themselves in an early eight-run hole against 2A Western Idaho Conference foe McCall-Donnelly from which they would not be able to dig out of.

The Huskies lost, 13-3, on the road in five innings.

Marsing (3-15-1 overall, 2-7 2A WIC) managed just four singles against the Vandals' Carli Dauphinais, who struck out six en route to a complete game.

Marsing starter Aubrey Villa allowed 14 runs, only six of which were earned, in four innings. She also walked six batters.

Villa also picked up the Huskies' only RBI.

Last Wednesday: Parma 18, Marsing 7 (5) — The Huskies suffered a non-conference setback at home.

Villa and Autumn Bennett led Marsing's offense.

The sophomores had two hits apiece and accounted for two of their team's three RBI.

Villa started the game and struggled with control throughout. She gave up 10 runs in 4 1/3 innings. She walked eight and fanned two.

Reliever Hailee Bennett pitched just two-thirds of an inning, allowing no hits but walking eight and allowing seven runs.

The Huskies managed seven hits against Parma pitching, scoring six unearned runs.

April 24: New Plymouth 15, Marsing 0 (5) — The host Pilgrims overpowered the Huskies as Anna Loomis pitched a complete-game two-hitter.

Loomis struck out 12 and issued no walks.

Ashley Loucks and Autumn Bennett both singled for the Huskies' only hits.

Loucks started in the circle, allowing 15 runs, while walking nine and striking out just two in four innings.

✓ HHS: Trojans dominate Fruitland ahead of districts

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The Trojans have hit 20 home runs in 21 games this season.

Kelly got Homedale on the board in the second inning when she led off with a single, stole second base and scored on Josey Hall's base hit.

Hall scored after Fruitland pitcher Phoebe McGrath uncorked a couple wild pitches.

Allison Shenk, Amaya Carter and Grant ripped consecutive singles to start the sixth inning,

and Homedale scored two more runs.

Shenk and Carter drew two out walks in the top of the seventh and scored the Trojans' final runs on Grant's double.

Grant was 2-for-4 with three RBI, while Carter went 2-for-3 with two RBI.

Kelly went the distance in the circle, striking out eight and allowing one walk.

Fruitland scored two unearned runs in the bottom of the sixth inning.

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Sports

Adrian senior shines at St. Al’s Invitational in Oregon

Several Antelopes post PRs in Ontario

Morgan Bayes wound up on the podium four times Saturday at the Saint Alphonsus Invitational. The senior sprinter led the Adrian High School girls’ track and field team to a strong showing in Ontario, Ore. Bayes took the first baton handoff in the Antelopes’ victorious turn in the 4x400-meter relay. Shayla Griffin started the race, and fellow juniors Sadey Speelmon and Roby Young ran

the final two legs in a 4-minute, 20.86-second effort. Bayes was second in the 300-meter hurdles, running to a personal record of 46.64 seconds. She finished third in the 300 hurdles in 16.73. She also ran the anchor leg for the Antelopes’ 4x100 relay team. Speelmon, Griffin and Young set the pace for a 53.72 time. Senior Shyanne Allaire was runner-up in the girls’ shot put after a best effort of 32 feet, 1½ feet. Allaire was third in the javelin, heaving the apparatus 105-2.

Young finished third on jumps in the high jump. Speelmon was fourth as both girls cleared 4-8. Sophomore Kenzie Sorrell set a PR of 7-6 in the pole vault. Adrian’s boys’ 4x100 relay team finished second in 46.31. Wade Bond, Ethan Sheets, Eduardo Munoz and Michael Babcock pulled off the race. Babcock had Adrian’s best individual finish, taking third in the 100 at 11.54. Junior distance runner James Ellsworth posted a pair of top-10 finishes. He was eighth with a 4:40 time in the 1,500, and his PR in the 3,000

(10:48.41) was good for 10th. Freshman Clay Ready pulled off a PR of 32-3 in the shot put, and ran the final leg of the sixth-place 4x400 relay team. Manuel Aguirre, Munoz and Caysen Young teamed with Ready for a time of 3:51.64. Young was eighth in the javelin at 108-6. Munoz and junior Santiago Sueiras earned PRs in the long jump. Munoz was eighth at 18-3, and Suerias soared to a mark of 16-6½. Sophomore Logan Griffin PR’d in the triple jump at 34-5.

Brother and sister drive Mustangs track

Jordan Valley athletes post PRs in Ontario

The Quintero siblings has some of the best marks for Jordan Valley High School at a track meet in Ontario, Ore., on Saturday. Zeke Quintero, a junior, and Kiana Quintero, a freshman, had the highest finishes for the Mustangs at the Saint Alphonsus Invitational. Zeke had the runner-up mark in the triple jump at 41 feet, 1¼ inches. He was fifth in the long jump at 18-11½. Zeke’s younger sister was third in the triple jump at 29-10¼. Junior Sam Green had Jordan Valley’s other top-10 result, taking seventh in the 110-meter hurdles in 18.72 seconds. He also established a personal record in the 800 meters at 2 minutes, 40.68 seconds. Freshman Quinton Collins notched a PR in the triple jump at 28-1½. Personal bests were plentiful on the girls’ side: • Freshman Abby Green was timed at 15.44 in the 100. • Sophomore Shaianne Keller ran at 17.95 in the 100. • Ninth-grader Tina Gammett registered to PRs. She ran her best 800 at 3:07.24, and flung the javelin 72-11 for another PR. • Sophomore Baylee Davis PR’d in the 1,500 in 6:20.64.

✓ Baseball: Trojans play narrow games late in the season

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Wolfe doubled home two runs and scored on Drew Deal’s triple. Deal crossed the plate when Lee doubled. Jaylon Hilton and Jake Collett smashed back-to-back triples and Homedale sent 16 batters to the plate in the 10-run third inning. Hilton doubled earlier in the breakout rally. Clayton Wolfe’s double later in the frame brought in Collett with his second run of the inning. Ismael Garcia doubled in the inning for one of his two RBI. Chase Stoddard scored three runs, but never recorded a hit, and Deal was 3-for-5 with three RBI. Hilton was 3-for-3 with two runs scored and two RBI.

Saturday: Homedale 3, Melba 2 — This time, it was the Trojans’ turn to win a game in their final at-bat. After losing to a walk-off hit earlier in the week against Baker, Ore., Homedale edged the Mustangs when Lee scored from second on Hilton’s base hit with one out in the bottom of the seventh inning. Melba had tied the game with a two-run rally in the fourth inning against Trojans starter Collett. The left-hander was cruising before the fourth, striking out six and allowing a single in the first three innings. Collett shut down the Mustangs’ rally with three consecutive strikeouts. Two Owyhee County residents played a part in Melba’s rally. Tristen Stimpson led off the

inning with a walk and scored on Abe Riley’s single. Another Owyheean, Tim Reinerston, was 1-for-4 with a base hit. The Trojans built a 2-0 lead with the help of Melba mistakes. Lee doubled and eventually scored on a passed ball in the first inning. Lee led the offense, going 3-for-4 with two runs scored. He also closed out the game on the mound with three hitless innings that included four strikeouts and two walks. In the second at John Jackson Field, Jordan Packer reached on an error, moved around two balks, and scored on Mason Kincheloe’s two-out single. **April 24: Baker/Powder Valley (Ore.) 6, Homedale 5** — Connor Lay’s one-out

walk-off RBI single in the bottom of the seventh inning spoiled the Trojans’ late-game comeback in a non-conference road contest. Homedale scored all of its runs in the final three innings to come back from a 4-0 deficit. Stoddard led off the seventh inning with a walk and tied the scored, 5-5, on Jordan Packer’s third single of the game. Homedale scored three times in the sixth inning when Collett notched an RBI double, and later scored on Lee’s two-out walk with the bases loaded. Hilton scored an unearned run on Packer’s base hit. Collett singled and scored after a flurry of two-out hits to get Homedale on the board in the fifth inning. Lee had the run-scoring single.

✓ Homedale: Athletes peaking ahead of district meet

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He logged a personal record to win the Weiser 200 at 21.95. Freshman teammate Erik Hernandez had a PR for fourth place in the 100 (11.73) as Smith won that sprint in 10.79. Another sophomore, Gage Purdom, grabbed eighth in the 100 with a PR of 12 seconds. Max Mertz continues to recover from an injury, and Ankeny put together a 4x400 relay team to help with the senior’s return. “He is slowly working his way back up to short sprints after nursing a hamstring injury,” Ankeny said. Mertz joined Smith, younger brother Milo Mertz, and Gage Purdom to finish second in the relay to Weiser. Homedale logged a 3-minute, 43.28-second effort, less than eight seconds behind the host squad. On Saturday at the St. Al’s, Smith went 11.24 in the 100 and 22.6 in the 200.

Freshman Thomas Symms was runner-up in the St. Al’s discus, flinging the disc 136 feet, 8 inches. Symms got his PR at 137-10 and finished second in Weiser. Trojans athletes achieved PRs at the St. Al’s meet Saturday. **Matthew Randall, so.** — Finished sixth in the 800 in 2:10.73, seventh in the 3,000 at 10:20.7, and 11th in the 1,500 in 4:43.21. “He is running extremely strong this season,” Ankeny said. **Milo Mertz, fr.** — Finished 12th in the triple jump at 36-10¾. **Jose Ojeda, jr.** — Pulled off a long jump PR of 16-3¼ for 20th. **Jake Beebe, so.** — He had throwing PRs of 41-10 (discus) and 18-11 (shot put), and also ran the fastest 1,500 of his career (5:32.8). **Brayden Christoffersen, fr.** — Notched a PR in the 400

(1:00.51). **Bryce Cornwall, fr.** — Also PR’d in the 400 at 1:01.09. **Senna Benschop, sr.** — Posted career-best times in the girls’ 800 (2:51.61) and the 1,500 (6:06.02). “Her brother and friend were here to watch her from the Netherlands,” Ankeny said. **Lisbed Albor, so.** — Threw the shot put a career-best 21-4. “She is one who does everything right all the time, and it has been a while since she has gotten a PR, so we were really happy to see it all come together for her,” Ankeny said. Max Mertz, Jose Ojeda, Hernandez and Smith went head-to-head with one of Oregon’s best small-school relay teams, finishing two spots behind Adrian in 46.84. The Antelopes finished second in 46.31. “We tried the boys’ 4x100 relay again to test out Max’s hamstring,” Ankeny said. “He was not running at 100 percent,

and they are out of practice, but they still placed fourth.” Other PRs at the Weiser Invite included: **Ojeda** — Got a PR of 26.22 in the 200 **Francisco Jimenez, fr.** — Finished in personal-best 29.45 in the 200, and PR’d at 57.82 in the 300 hurdles **Max Mertz** — Finished ninth in the 400 in a PR of 56.32. **Jesus Lopez, so.** — Ran 5:44.6 in the 1,600 **Will Fleming, so.** — Posted a PR of 28-11 in the shot put **Milo Mertz, fr.** — Led three Trojans PRs in the long jump after clearing 16-4. **Nathan Cornwall, jr.** — Went 16-3 for his long jump PR **JD Waltman, so.** — Notched PR of 10-2 in the long jump **Bryce Cornwall, fr.** — Finished ninth in the triple jump at 34-10 **Kari Woods, jr.** — Set discus PR at 64-9

Commentary

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Letters to the editor Oscar Evans is best person for Dist. 23A job

Sometimes a leader comes along who defies all labels, selflessly puts himself or herself forward in the public eye for complete scrutiny, and then sacrifices to use a rare type of intelligence, relationship building, judgment and strategy to continue to preserve our way of life in Idaho.

Twenty years ago, I met such a person. He was a junior officer in the Navy. I was serving as a national officer for the National FFA Organization. What began as a few letters being sent across the Atlantic Ocean to the USS Enterprise and back became two young people sharing their love for Jesus and passion for agriculture and leadership and became a marriage and three children who came to Idaho.

Many times I have answered the question, "Why Idaho?" When I first traveled to Idaho in 1996, I met Idaho and fell in love with her. Little did I know

after living in southeastern states as my husband served 20 years in the military, we would have to make a choice about a place to live where two of our children diagnosed with Muscular Dystrophy could feel better and have the best chances to defy their diagnoses. In addition, we longed to return to rural America among people like us who are business owners, farmers, ranchers and volunteers. After much research, Idaho was our choice, and Idaho is our home.

May 15, we have an opportunity to select Oscar Evans to serve the state as representative for District 23A. I do not ask for you vote for my husband. As a fellow constituent, I ask you to vote for the best person to represent our district: Oscar Evans, a real conservative leader.

Clara-Leigh Evans
Homedale

Former legislator backs Evans for Dist. 23A

Oscar Evans deserves your close review of his credentials to represent you in District 23. I am deeply concerned about the future of our great state and nation. As the primary election approaches, I've reviewed the qualifications of those running and have been very impressed with what I have learned about this good man from Homedale.

Oscar has a wealth of experience both in military service and business. In addition, he's a man of strong faith and family values as well as being active in serving his community. Please go to his website to learn more about him.

I know what it takes to be a dedicated public servant, and Oscar has what it takes. I believe Oscar's experience shows

he would be an excellent leader for the residents of our district. As an Air Force pilot, he understands the needs of the Mountain Home Air Force Base. His business and agricultural experience will be an asset to ranchers, farmers and business owners; he has walked the talk. We have found the candidate that can successfully represent all the varied business and economic issues in District 23.

I hope that you will join me in voting for Oscar Evans, a true conservative, for state representative in District 23A. His life shows he will serve our district with honor and integrity.

Frances Field
Former District 23 legislator
Grand View

From Washington Better wildland firefighting policy cuts through D.C. morass

The political divisiveness in Washington, D.C., may make advancing sensible legislation seem nearly impossible. But, legislation ending fire borrowing was pushed over the finish line by a group of lawmakers from both sides of the aisle and both houses of Congress. I have been proud to be a part of this effort that will better enable agencies to fight wildfires like the disasters they truly are and reduce wildfire risks.

As wildfires intensify across the West, wildland firefighting costs are escalating and often far exceed budget estimates. The National Interagency Fire Center reports that suppression costs have increased from nearly \$240 million in 1985 to more than \$2.9 billion in 2017. This has resulted in agencies, such as the U.S. Forest Service and U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM), diverting funds from important projects that improve the health of our

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forests and enable recreational activities

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Commentary

Financial management

Home buyers must clean up all debt to beef up credit score

Dear Dave,
My husband and I are trying to buy a house, but we both have low credit scores, so we're having trouble securing a loan. We've heard you talk about getting a mortgage loan with no credit score. Is this the same as a low credit score?
— **Laura**

Dear Laura,
No, it is not. No credit score means you don't have any credit or your credit score is "indeterminable." A low credit score indicates you've had — or still have — debt in your life, and you haven't done a good job of paying creditors on time.
Two things will help solve the problem of having a low credit score. One is time. If

you've had instances of late payments from years ago, time will help heal that to a degree. The older late issues become, the less they count against you.
But my guess is you two probably have some bad debt. By bad debt, I mean things that were never paid, or accounts that are in collections. If that's the case, you need to contact those people, and settle those debts in full — and in writing — as quickly as possible. Officially close the accounts, too, before you try to buy a home.
When it comes to buying a home, Laura, I always advise folks to first be debt-free and have an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses set aside.
— **Dave**



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Dear Dave,
Why don't you recommend having short-term disability insurance while doing the first three Baby Steps of your plan? It seems like a good time for it, when you're in the beginning

stages of getting your finances in order.
— **Bob**
Dear Bob,
You could certainly do that if you want, possibly even through your place of employment. I'm a big fan of folks having long-term disability insurance when they're in their prime wage-earning years. But short-term disability is something I've always considered to be gimmick insurance, and that's something I don't recommend or buy.
I get the argument, too, that short-term disability coverage usually isn't very expensive. But during the first two Baby Steps — getting a \$1,000 beginner emergency fund set aside, and paying off

everything but the house — you're trying to *limit* expenses as much as possible. Chances are you wouldn't need it in Baby Step 3, because that covers your full emergency fund of three to six months of expenses.
Hope that helps, Bob!
— **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.*

✓ Firefighting: Bipartisan group of senators secure end of “fire borrowing”

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on our public lands to covering pressing wildfire suppression costs. This practice, known as fire borrowing, results in fewer resources for the very activities that can prevent large, devastating fires, and the harmful fire cycle worsens as forest and rangeland health projects are tabled.
In 2013, I joined fellow Sen. Ron Wyden (D-Ore.) in introducing legislation to end fire borrowing, and we worked steadily over the years with a bipartisan group of fellow senators and representatives to use any legislative opportunity to stop the erosion of the Forest Service's and BLM's budgets and ramp up fire prevention projects. As part of this effort, last fall, Sen. Wyden and I led a bipartisan letter, also supported by fellow Idaho Sen. Jim Risch, to Senate Leadership urging the inclusion of the fix in any disaster aid packages passed by Congress. We wrote, “This fix is long overdue, and people throughout the West desperately need our help.” Risch, Rep. Mike Simpson (R-Idaho, 2nd district) and Kurt Schrader (D-Ore., 5th district) were instrumental in the recent enactment of the fire borrowing fix.
The recently enacted law not only improves federal budgeting for wildfires by permitting disaster relief funds to be accessed when fire suppression expenditures exceed their 10-year average, but also

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the May 15 primary election until noon on Friday, May 4.

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includes forest management reforms that will result in significant positive impacts on forest health. The law expanded the Good Neighbor Program to allow for needed road reconstruction. The Good Neighbor Program has improved the federal government's ability to partner with state foresters on restoration projects across state-federal boundaries. The new law would also permanently renew the Federal Land Transfer Facilitation Act, which allows federal agencies to conserve sensitive wildlife habitats and historic and cultural resources and protect water

quality through conservation projects that consolidate public-private land ownership. Another provision would expand stewardship contracts to up to 20 years to further the benefit of these forest and rangeland stewardship projects. Stewardship contracts are an important component of the efforts to achieve land management goals on public lands that meet local and rural community needs.
These are just some of the bipartisan improvements included in the recently enacted law that will make progress in the way wildfires are addressed by treating them like other natural disasters and improve the health of our forests and rangelands. I commend my congressional colleagues for perseverance in pushing this important part of the solution over the finish line and look forward to continuing to work with them and others to ensure public land managers and firefighters have the resources they need to improve the health of our forests and rangelands to reduce the threat to our communities and ensure the continued enjoyment and productivity of our public lands.
— *Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U. S. Senate. He is in his fourth six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.*

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Looking back...

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27 years ago

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Facility election is next Tuesday

Polls will open at noon next Tuesday, May 14, for the special election on the proposed Owyhee County law enforcement facility bond. Polls will close at 8 p.m. The election is to decide on the bonded indebtedness of the county for \$1.6 million for the construction of a 12,500-square-foot building, which includes a 30-bed jail facility, support accommodations, including kitchen, dispatch, civil, drivers’ license, and offices for the sheriff and staff. The proposed facility would be constructed adjacent to the courthouse in Murphy.

Tipping station is open

A new Owyhee County garbage transfer, or tipping, station was opened last weekend to serve residents in the Opaline-Wilson area. All other dumpsters in the Opaline-Wilson area were simultaneously closed down. The new garbage depository is located one-half mile from Givens Hot Springs on Highway 78. It will be open every Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., where an attendant will be on duty, according to Owyhee County Commissioner George Hyer. It will not be open other days of the week. There is no charge for county residents using the tipping station, but out-of-county residents will be charged, Hyer said.

Six qualify for state meet

Six young track and field enthusiasts from Homedale qualified Saturday in Caldwell to compete in the state track meet sponsored by the Hershey Candy Bar Co. on June 15 in Idaho Falls. The six are Ben Davenport, Zeb Ross, Jose Tovar, Marcus Christoffersen, Deitra Haylett and Marcella Uhlenkott. They will be vying at the event for expense-paid trips to the company’s national track meet in Hershey, Pa., on Aug. 17. To win the trip, they will have to come out on top at state as well as post better marks than statewide winners from other states in the Pacific Northwest, Washington, Oregon, Montana and Alaska, according to Amy Christoffersen, their volunteer coach.

Softballers place second at district tournament

The fourth-seeded Homedale Trojans softball team took 2nd place at the district A-3/A-4 tournament in Melba on Monday, with head coach Jim McMillan praising the “tremendous improvements” made by his players this year. The scrappy team finished with a 13-6 record, the exact reverse of their 6-13 mark last year. In the tournament that started Saturday, Homedale beat New Plymouth 17-8 in their first game and swatted their way to an 11-1 victory over Marsing next. Then they lost to Melba 18-9. On Monday, they played Marsing again, winning 7-5, before losing the championship game to Melba, 19-2. In the opener against the Pilgrims, Toni Belknap was 4-for-4 at the plate while Cindy Roe was 3-for-4, including 2 doubles. Shelley Stansell also batted 3-for-4 to help her team win. In their first face-off with the Huskies, Tarah Galloway was 3-for-4 on the wood, Tammy Aspiazu batted a perfect 3-for-3, Roe was 2-for-3 and Mary Puri was 2-for-3. McMillan later called this one “one of the better games we played all year. Tarah Galloway had an excellent game in the field, with (several) double plays.”

52 years ago

May 5, 1966

School trustee election to be held here May 9

The school board election in Joint School District No. 370 will be held Monday, May 9 between 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Polling place for school district patrons living in Owyhee County will be the high school gymnasium in Homedale. Polling place for Canyon County patrons will be the Clubhouse of the Wilder Rod and Gun Club in Central Cove. Everett Van Slyke will run for re-election as trustee of the Zone 3, that part of the school district lying in Canyon County, for a three-year term. Running for trustee for a three-year term for Zone 4, that part within the city limits south of the center line of Montana Avenue, will be Dr. Merwin Funk. Paul Zatica will run for a two-year term for Zone 5, that part of the district lying within the city limits of Homedale north of Montana Avenue. There will be one trustee elected from each zone.

200 people sign guest book at museum Sunday

Two hundred people signed the guest book at the 2nd Annual Open House of the Owyhee County Museum in Murphy Sunday. Mrs. Doug Hyslop, Museum Chairman, reported two auto-loads of people were waiting for the museum to open and a crowd continued throughout the afternoon. A busload of 23 social studies students and their instructor, Al Ballou of Nyssa, Ore., attended, also curator Lowell Hockin and Mr. and Mrs. Byron Pitman of the Idaho State Museum. A special feature was the display of clothing worn in the 19th century. Mrs. Clark Wylie, new president of the society and vice-president Paul Anstey, assisted by Mrs. Paul Pline, were in charge of the afternoon tea.

Taylor named to IOOF Historical Society post

Charles E. Taylor of Homedale was elected first vice-president of the Odd Fellows Historical Society at the annual meeting Sunday, May 1, at the Historical Building in Caldwell. He succeeds Lee Bybee of Boise.

Discontinues lobby at drive-in theatre

The management of the Homedale Drive-In Theatre has announced that the lobby will not be open as of this month. Decision to close the lobby was made because it is too small to accommodate the younger people, as it gets too congested and noisy for the children to get the full benefit of the movie.

Homedale wins league contest

Homedale lifted its Snake River Valley B League record to 6-1 Thursday afternoon when they scored a 5-4 extra-inning win over Middleton. The Trojans scored in the top of the eighth when Parker singled, was wild-pitched to second, sacrificed to third and scored on a second wild pitch. Rob Hays had two singles to pace the winners while Middleton’s Val Hansen banged out a triple and two singles. The loss left the Vikings’ SRV-B mark at 3-4

Homedale locals

Mrs. Clara Newman of Twin Falls has spent the past two weeks with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Newman of Homedale. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Newman returned with them for a visit.

146 years ago

May 4, 1872

FRANCE, GERMANY, AND RUSSIA

The rumors of pending trouble between France and Germany are quickly followed by others more serious still. It is now alleged that France and Russia are in close alliance, and that the latter has long been preparing for a desperate struggle with Germany. The statement that Russia and Germany were jealous of each other is not a new one; it was put forth soon after the close of the France-Russian war, and has much to justify it. To begin with, Russia is jealous of the free development of Polish nationality allowed in Posen and Galicia, and considers the state of affairs in these provinces to be a standing menace to her continued possession of Poland. Again, the Baltic provinces of Russia have long been ruled by a German aristocracy, the cities are for the most part German, and German has been the language of law and of civil life. But Russia has taken to crushing out the German element and language, and to inciting the peasantry to massacre the landholders. The oppressed element has complained to Bismarck, and he has interfered in their favor unavailingly. Russia’s anger, too, has been unwontedly excited by their impudent request to be annexed to the German Empire; and she has of late become jealous of the growing power and influence of Germany and of the alliance which the latter has been forming with Austria and Italy. Germany has grown too great for her, and there is little doubt but that the outbreak of war is merely a question of time. The present alarm may be premature, but the struggle, which it foreshadows, is sure to come.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN

Throughout this month the weather has been very changeable here — snowing, blowing, hailing and sunshine, all within fifteen minutes. There is as much snow at present as there was in January, and snowing like fury today. It appears as though March and April had changed places, in order to make the mosquito season of short duration. Two more houses are being built and nearly completed. Bob Baird is busily engaged finishing his hotel. The prospecting and development of our mines is somewhat slow at present on account of bad weather. The Hastings tunnel is in 157 feet, running through 60 feet of ore, and they think they have not struck the main body of mineral yet. On the evening of the 27th there was quite an excitement among Democrats at the primary election, there being two candidates on the track for the honorable position of Delegate to the County Convention — G.C. coming out victorious, not withstanding one of the opposing party put in four votes at a lick for his friend, and then lost it by two majority. Pretty close guessing, and if he had got in three more votes on the same piece of paper, he would have won the victory. The Kepabs hold their primary election at 6 o’clock tonight. I understand there are two rival candidates for the Delegateship, and consequently some squabbling may be expected. It is lamentable that South Mountain should only be allowed one delegate to the County convention, when there are more people here than in Boonville and Wagontown both put together. P.S. The Republicans held their primary this evening. There were five aspirants for the Delegateship in the field, Mr. McEachran coming out victorious.

Public notices

ITEMS TO SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION

The following items, belonging to Owyhee County, will be auctioned off at the Caldwell Public Auction, 4920 E. Cleveland Blvd, Caldwell Idaho 83605, on Thursday May 10, 2018. For more information you can contact the Owyhee County Clerk’s office at 208-495-2421.

- 1 – Large wooden table
- 1 – Podium
- 1 – Small wooden desk
- 3 – large metal desks
- 4 – Tall metal file cabinets
- 1 – Short metal file cabinet
- 1 – 4 shelf metal shelf
- 2 – Office dividers
- 6 – Various rolling chairs
- 2 – Metal, tall and wide file cabinets

5/2/2018

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

On May 23, 2018 beginning at 10:00 am, the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear testimony in the Annex Building of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 17069 Basey St., Murphy, Idaho on the following matters at the times listed below.

Beginning at 10:00 am, the Commission will hear application Z18-18, a request for a conditional use permit filed by **Barry Schenk** seeking approval to establish a second single-family residence on a 1.83-acre platted lot in Hidden Valley Estates subdivision located off Riverfront Drive. The subject parcel, RP008400010170A, is in a Residential zone located in the NE¼ of the NW¼ of Section 26, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Beginning at 11:00 am, the Commission will hear application Z18-19, a request for a conditional use permit filed by **Jake Kunsy** seeking approval to establish a firearms consulting, fabrication, and modification business on an 8.4-acre parcel. The subject parcel, RP06S04E159000A, is in an Agricultural zone located at 28049 Merrick Lane in Bruneau and is situated in the SE ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 15, Township 6 South, Range 4 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Beginning 1:00 pm, the Commission will hear application Z18-20 filed by **Reynolds Creek Calf Ranch, LLC** seeking approval of a conditional use permit to add a second single family residence for employee housing to a. approximately 24-acre parcel of land. The subject parcel, RP01S02W193010A, is in an Agricultural zone located at 13648 Reynolds Creek Road situated in the NE¼ of the NW¼ of Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Beginning 1:30 pm, the Commission will hear application Z18-21 filed by **Reynolds Creek Calf Ranch, LLC** seeking approval of a conditional use permit to add an approximately 2200 sq. ft. eight room dwelling to be used for rental rooms for employees. The subject parcel RP01S02W187800A, is 120-acres located at 13615 Reynolds Creek Road in a Multiuse zone situated in a portion of the SE ¼ of Section 18, Township 1 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Copies of the proposed projects are available for review in the

Planning and Zoning office. For additional information please call 208-495-2095 ext. 2.

5/2/2018

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS BY THE CITY OF HOMEDALE FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR HOMEDALE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

ISSUED: April 12, 2018

The City of Homedale (the City) is issuing this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for architectural/engineering services (Services) for Homedale Municipal Airport (the Airport). The projects are anticipated to be funded in part by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), State of Idaho Aeronautics Division and the City. The City will retain the services of a consultant for a period of up to five (5) years to provide professional engineering, surveying, testing, FAA grant preparation and administration assistance and construction inspection for airport related projects. The City will receive Statements of Qualifications from parties interested in providing the Services until 5:00 p. m. May 10, 2018. All Statements of Qualifications must be received by the City at its physical location, 31 West Wyoming Avenue, Homedale, ID 83628 or the mailing address, PO Box 757, Homedale, ID 83628, at or before the Deadline. The City will not consider Statements of Qualifications received after the Deadline. Each Statement of Qualifications must be placed inside a sealed envelope or package, and the outside of the envelope or package must be marked with the wording: “Statement of Qualifications for Architectural / Engineering Services.” The outside of the envelope or package must also state the name(s) of the Respondent(s). Information for Respondents relating to this RFQ is on file and open for public inspection at Homedale City Hall, 31 W Wyoming, Homedale, ID. The Information for Respondents contains a copy of this Request for Qualifications, General Information for Respondents, General Requirements for Statements of Qualifications, Information Required from Respondents and Criteria for Selection. A copy of the Information for Respondents should be obtained by contacting the airport management office as follows: Telephone No.: 208 337 4641.

Physical Address: City of Homedale, 31 West Wyoming Ave. Homedale, ID 83628. Mailing Address: City of Homedale, P.O. Box 757, Homedale, ID 83628. The City will negotiate a contract with the Respondent determined by the City in its sole discretion to be best qualified to perform the Services. Prior to selection, the City may request certain Respondents to make presentations or provide additional information to a Selection Committee. The City reserves the right to reject any and all Statements of Qualifications for any reason at any time prior to execution of an Agreement with the Respondent selected by the City to perform the Services; to waive any and all informalities in the process; and to extend the period of time for the acceptance of Statements of Qualifications in its sole discretion. Alice Pegram, City Clerk/Treasurer.

4/18, 5/2/2018

NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the election will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018. The election will be held to elect the following offices:

- Representative in Congress, First District

- Governor

- Lieutenant Governor

- Secretary of State

- State Controller

- State Treasurer

- Attorney General

- Superintendent of Public Instruction

- State Senator, District 23

- State Representative, District 23 Position A

- State Representative, District 23, Position B
- County Commissioner, First District

- County Commissioner, Third District

- Clerk of the District Court

- County Treasurer

- County Assessor

- County Coroner

- Precinct Committeeman

- Justice of the Supreme Court

- Judge of the Court of Appeals

- Third Judicial District Court Judges

On Election Day, the polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following designated precinct polling place:

- Precinct 001 – North Homedale
Senior Citizens Center
224 W Idaho Avenue
Homedale, Idaho 83628

Precinct 002 – South Homedale
Magistrate Court / City Hall Building
31 W Wyoming Avenue
Homedale, Idaho 83628

Precinct 003 – North Marsing
Marsing Community Center
126 2nd Avenue West
Marsing, Idaho 83639

Precinct 004 – South Marsing
Extension Office
238 West 8th Avenue
Marsing, Idaho 83639

Precinct 006 – Wilson
Wilson School House
10427 Johnston Lane
Melba, Idaho 83641
- Precinct 007 – Murphy
Owyhee County Courthouse
20381 Hwy 78
Murphy, Idaho 83650

Precinct 008 – Oreana
Oreana Community Center
18092 Oreana Loop Rd
Oreana, Idaho 83650

Precinct 009 – Grand View
Eastern Owyhee Library
520 Boise Avenue
Grand View, Idaho 83624

Precinct 010 – Bruneau
Bruneau American Legion Hall
32536 Belle Avenue
Bruneau, Idaho 83604

Precinct 013 - Absentee Voting
Owyhee County Courthouse
20381 State Hwy 78
Murphy, Idaho 83650

5/2/2018 Angela Barkell, Owyhee County Clerk

CITY OF GRAND VIEW, IDAHO					
Quarterly Expenditure & Revenue Report					
For 3 Month Period-Quarter Ending 3/31/2018					
As required by Idaho Code 50-1011					
2rd Quarter	2018 Budget	Actual Expense	% of Budget Expense	Actual Revenue	% of Budget Revenue
FY 2017					
GENERAL-CITY	\$82,727	\$7,704	9%	\$16,784	20%
STREET & ROAD	\$70,562	\$15,477	22%	\$6,513	9%
PARK	\$4,236	\$0	0%	\$2,000	47%
SEWER	\$185,338	\$23,456	13%	\$17,724	10%
WATER	\$297,756	\$32,715	11%	\$22,131	7%
TOTAL	\$640,619	\$79,352	12%	\$65,152	10%
The general public is invited to inspect all support documents for the above financial statement at City Hall, 425 Boise Ave, Grand View, Idaho during regular business hours.					
Clerk					
	4/26/2018				

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

Bybee Air Service will be conducting aerial applications in and around the areas of Grand View, Mtn Home, Murphy, Marsing, Glenn’s Ferry, Hammett, and Bruneau during the months beginning March 2018 through November 30, 2018. If you have any concerns or questions regarding operations in the vicinity or over your property, please contact your neighboring farmer or Bybee Air Service at 208-590-9792.

Public notices

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROPOSE OR PROMULGATE NEW OR CHANGED AGENCY RULES

The following agencies of the state of Idaho have published the complete text and all related, pertinent information concerning their intent to change or make the following rules in the latest publication of the state Administrative Bulletin.

The proposed rule public hearing request deadline is May 16, 2018, unless otherwise posted.

The proposed rule written comment submission deadline is May 23, 2018, unless otherwise posted.

(Temp & Prop) indicates the rulemaking is both Temporary and Proposed.

*(*PH) indicates that a public hearing has been scheduled.*

IDAPA 16 – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0036

16-0208-1801, Vital Statistics Rules. (Temp & Prop) Establishes a process for the amendment of a gender marker on a birth certificate; requires a notarized affidavit from the applicant; prohibits the marking of the replacement birth certificate as amended; and designates that a previous or concurrent name change must not show revision history, or be marked as amended.

**16-0315-1801, Secure Treatment Facility for People With Intellectual Disabilities.* (*PH) New chapter sets standards and provides the licensing requirements and the criteria for use of restrictive or secure features at this type of facility, including staffing, treatment requirements, and enforcement remedies; provides for and addresses client rights. Comment By: 6/30/18

IDAPA 19 – IDAHO STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0021

19-0101-1801, Rules of the Idaho State Board of Dentistry. Deletes the American Dental Association's sedation-related documents as incorporated by reference; the rule regarding moderate sedation (19.01.01.060) is being amended by the addition of qualifying course requirements.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF TEMPORARY RULE

IDAPA 28 – DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE 28-0203-1801 – Rules of the Idaho Regional Travel and Convention

Grant Program (eff. 3-2-18)T

NOTICES OF PROPOSED PROCLAMATION OF THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

IDAPA 13 – IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

13-0108-1701P (amended), Rules Governing the Taking of Big Game Animals in the State of Idaho
13-0108-1801P, Rules Governing the Taking of Big Game Animals in the State of Idaho
13-0109-1802P, Rules Governing the Taking of Game Birds in the State of Idaho
13-0111-1802P, Rules Governing Fish

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE – NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

IDAPA 02 – DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

02-0501-1801, Rules Governing Produce Safety (see Bulletin for scheduled meeting dates/times)

IDAPA 07 – DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY

07-0206-1702 (3rd Notice), Rules Concerning Idaho State Plumbing Code (see Bulletin for scheduled meeting dates/times)
07-0401-1801, Rules Governing Safety Inspections – General (see Bulletin for scheduled meeting dates/times)
07-0901-1801, Safety and Health Rules for Places of Public Employment (see Bulletin for scheduled meeting dates/times)
07-1001-1801, Rules Governing the Damage Prevention Board, Division of Building Safety (see Bulletin for scheduled meeting dates/times)

IDAPA 16 – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE

16-0310-1704 (3rd Notice), Medicaid Enhanced Plan Benefits (see Bulletin for scheduled meeting dates/times)
16-0310-1801, Medicaid Enhanced Plan Benefits (see Bulletin for scheduled meeting dates/times)
16-0314-1801, Rules and Minimum Standards for Hospitals in Idaho (see Bulletin for scheduled meeting dates/times)

IDAPA 35 – STATE TAX COMMISSION

35-0102-1801, Idaho Sales and Use Tax Administrative Rules (see Bulletin for participation information)
35-0103-1801, Property Tax Administrative Rules (see Bulletin for participation information)

IDAPA 39 – IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

39-0300-1800, Vehicles and/or Loads That are Required to Operate Under an Overlegal Permit (see Bulletin for scheduled meeting dates/times)

IDAPA 47 – DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

47-0102-1801, Rules and Minimum Standards Governing Extended Employment Services (see Bulletin for scheduled meeting dates/times)

IDAPA 58 – DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

58-0101-1802, Rules for the Control of Air Pollution in Idaho (see Bulletin for scheduled

meeting dates/times)
58-0102-1802, Water Quality Standards (see Bulletin for scheduled meeting dates/times)

IDAPA 60 – IDAHO STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

60-0501-1801, Resource Conservation and Rangeland Development Program (see Bulletin for scheduled meeting dates/times)

IDAPA 61 – STATE PUBLIC DEFENSE COMMISSION

61-0108-1801 (2nd Notice), Rules Governing the Administration of Idaho's Indigent Defense Delivery Systems – Rule Definitions (see Bulletin for participation information)

Please refer to the Idaho Administrative Bulletin **May 2, 2018, Volume 18-5,** for the notices and text of all rulemakings, proclamations, negotiated rulemaking and public hearing information and schedules, executive orders of the Governor, and contact information.

Issues of the Idaho Administrative Bulletin can be viewed at www.adminrules.idaho.gov/

Office of the Administrative Rules Coordinator, Dept. of Administration, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0306
-Phone: 208-332-1820; Email: rulescoordinator@adm.idaho.gov
5/2/2018

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

57-11901
PAULINE COLYER
MARGIE BYBEE
PO BOX 172
GRAND VIEW, ID 83624
Point of Diversion SWNE S35 T05S R03E OWYHEE County Source SHOOFLY CREEK Tributary SNAKE RIVER
Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to 11/15 0.26 CFS
Total Diversion: 0.26 CFS

Date Filed: 5/18/2017
Place of Use: IRRIGATION
T05S R03E S23 NESW

Total Acres: 13

57-11979
DENNIS TURNER
2830 RIVER RD
HOMEDALE, ID 83628
Point of Diversion SWNW S4 T03N R05W OWYHEE County Source SUCCOR CREEK Tributary SNAKE RIVER
Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to 11/15 3.24 CFS
Total Diversion: 3.24 CFS

Date Filed: 1/10/2018

Place of Use: IRRIGATION

T03N R05W S4 L3(NWNW) SWNW NWSW
T03N R05W S5 L1(NENE) SENE NESE
T04N R05W S32 L4(SESE)
T04N R05W S33 L3(SWSW)

Total Acres: 162

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional

REQUEST FOR BID

The Eastern Owyhee Cooperative Weed Management Area Steering Committee is requesting bids for chemicals to be used in noxious weed control.

Product	Package Size
Alligare 2,4-D	1 Gallon
Alligare 2,4-D	2.5 Gallon
Garlon 4 Ultra	2.5 Gallon
Trend 90	2.5 Gallon
Opensight	20 Ounce
R-11	Quart
R-11	1 Gallon
R-11	2.5 Gallon
Syltac	Quart
Syltac	1 Gallon
Syltac	2.5 Gallon
Telar	Any
Glyphosate (Roundup)	2.5 gallon jugs /Brand & Generic
LV6	2.5 Gallon
Bronc Max	2.5 Gallon
Milestone	Quart
Milestone	2.5 Gallon

The lowest acceptable bid will be awarded the contract, the bid is not to exceed, \$67,000.00.

Bids must be sent by email to: Rayola_1@msn.com Bids will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., May 14th, 2018.

The bid review and award will take place May 15th at 6:00 p.m., in Bruneau, Idaho at the Idaho Power Company, Jacks Creek Headquarters meeting room. Notice of winning bid will be provided by May 21st to applicants.

For questions or information contact: Rayola Jacobsen, email Rayola_1@msn.com; by phone: (208) 338-0019 or cell: (208) 249-0234. By mail, 248 E Bayview Ct., Boise, Idaho 83706.

5/2,9/2018

information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208) 334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s), please see www.idwr.idaho.gov. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of the application(s) must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 5/21/2018. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN,
Director
5/2,9/2018

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
4/11,18,25,5/2/2018





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Alfalfa Hay. Third cutting, in shed. 75 lb bales. \$6 each. Call (208) 337-3821.
Balewagons: I sell & buy New Holland, self-propelled & pull-type models/ parts/ tires/ manuals. Financing/ trades/ delivery available. Call Jim Wilhite (Greenleaf) 208-880-2889 www.balewagon.com

WANTED

Tree Limbs for Project. I need 20 limbs 3-5 inches in diameter and 11-12 feet long. If you are trimming trees and can spare the limbs, call Cindy at (208) 880-3024.



FOR RENT

Marsing Storage Inc., Hwy 55 & Van Rd. 10x10 units available, trailer spaces. Call 208-830-1641

YARD SALE

High & Low 2nd Hand Store Open this Saturday. May 5th from 9-4pm. 110 W Idaho Homedale, Id. Come check us out!
Moving Sale. Everything goes! May 5th & 6th. 9a.m. 23390 Lower Pleasant Ridge Rd. Wilder 83676.



HELP WANTED

Now Hiring Cook, at RIMROCK SENIOR CENTER. 15.5 hours per week (Tuesdays & Thursdays) For more information or application contact: Rimrock Senior Center. 525 Main Street, Grand View 208-834-2922. Applications will be taken through May 8th with interviews being held on May 10th.
Lube Tech Wanted Full time 8 to 5:30 Monday-Friday. \$10/hour. Job starts May 21. Call Jason at 337-4664 or come by Matteson's Owyhee Motors in Homedale
Now hiring for Clerks/Deli. We are looking for motivated individuals who enjoy working with people. Part-time with flexible hours. Interested individuals may apply at Matteson's in Homedale or Wilder. Applications may be mailed back to: PO Box 66, Homedale, ID 83628 or turned into to Kay.

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Rimrock High School's Anthony Herrera, a bull rider from Grand View, won Sunday's contest with a 76-point ride. Photo by Cherie Rolland / Cherie Rolland Photography

Rimrock bull rider wins in Homedale

The District 2 rodeo circuit visited the Owyhee County Fairgrounds on Saturday and Sunday for its second Homedale stop on the spring season.

Local competitors took advantage of the proximity, and Grand View bull rider Anthony Herrera won Sunday's go-round. The Rimrock High School student finished second in Saturday's opener.

Competing in the junior high school rodeo, Adrian's Sydney Davis was victorious in barrel racing Saturday. She finished second Sunday.

The District 2 finals rodeo will be held May 11-12 at the Caldwell Night Rodeo grounds. The Friday performance begins at 8 p.m., and the Saturday finale will start at 1 p.m.



Homedale FFA prepares for greenhouse sale

Caitlyn Pate (left) holds wave petunias and fellow Homedale FFA member Kaitlyn Missamore displays hanging baskets to signal the start of Homedale High School's annual greenhouse plant sale. The greenhouse behind the Ag shop is open during school hours and from 8 a.m. to noon on Fridays and Saturdays. The sale runs through May 24. The inventory includes hanging baskets, priced at \$25, basket stuffers ranging from \$1.50 to \$3, and a variety of tomatoes. Submitted photo

Pair charged with drunk driving

A Caldwell man spotted driving erratically late Friday evening as he was leaving Marsing is under arrest.

An Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy noticed Emigidio Zapata Galvan's driving pattern and made a traffic stop.

According to sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman, the 41-year-old Zapata Galvan almost hit a curb before the deputy pulled over the 1997 Ford SUV just east of the Marsing bridge in Canyon County.

Zapata Galvan admitted to the deputy that he had been drinking. Consequently, he failed a field sobriety test, Bowman said.

According to Bowman, Zapata Galvan's blood-alcohol content was tested at .196, and he was charged with a misdemeanor driving under the influence.

Zapata Galvan was still in custody at the Owyhee County Jail at press time.

Alejandro Modesto, 19, of Grand View was found parked in his 2011 BMW on Idaho highway 78 near milepost 57 early Sunday morning.

A sheriff's deputy approached Modesto and reported smelling alcohol on the man, Bowman said.

Modesto failed a field sobriety test, Bowman said, and his blood alcohol content was measured at .204.

He was charged with misdemeanor excessive driving under the influence.

He remained in custody at the county jail in Murphy at press time.

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