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Dusting at dawn

A crop duster biplane banks against the sunrise while working a field south of Homedale on July 17. Photo by Debbie Abel

Canyon families want in Homedale district

Voters have final say if board of ed. accepts proposal

A group of Canyon County residents has requested annexation into the Homedale School District.

Homedale's trustees voted July 17 to support the redrawing of district boundaries and will send a letter of support

— See *District*, page 5A

Bridge jumping on Snake outlawed

Commissioners set purchasing policy

It is now illegal to jump or drop from Owyhee County bridges over the Snake River.

The Board of County Commissioners passed an ordinance prohibiting such acts earlier this month. The ordinance goes into effect on Thursday.

"We get calls often about people jumping off the bridge," Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant said. "While it wasn't illegal (before the ordinance), it is dangerous."

— See *Commissioners*, page 5A

West Nile-carrying mosquitos found in Bruneau trap

Health officials have announced the discovery of the first Owyhee County mosquitoes to test positive for West Nile Virus.

Mosquitoes carrying the virus were trapped in Bruneau, and Southwest District Health officials stressed that the area is not within the jurisdiction of a mosquito abatement district.

SWDH urged residents to take extra precautions to avoid being bitten:

- Drain any standing water on your property.

— See *West Nile*, page 5A

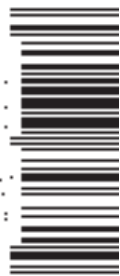
Ranchers have their minds on their resource this year

The 140th edition of the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association summer meeting will meld conservation and preservation.

When the county's ranchers gather in Silver City on Saturday morning, they'll hear about sustainable

— See *Ranchers*, page 4A

Special section: A look at The Owyhee Cattlemen's Association summer meeting, including the pending election of the board's first woman president.



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Owyheean looks for a way to beat the summer heat
Korina Colyer, 12, shows how one deals with the summer heat with a jubilant leap on July 17 into the Snake River at Island Park in Marsing. With temperatures hovering around 100 degrees, a cool dip in the water is just what the doctor ordered. Korina is the daughter of Steve and Patty Colyer of Marsing. The temperatures won't let up this week either. See The Owyhee Avalanche weather report on **Page 10A**.

Sheriff's deputies involved in another high-speed chase

Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies engaged in a high-speed pursuit for the second time in 16 days on Thursday. A 31-year-old New Plymouth man led deputies on a chase that began on the Snake River bridge in Marsing and continued into Canyon County.

Justin Lee faces felony charges of possession of methamphetamine and attempting to elude a peace officer, and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia.

A deputy noticed that the license plates on the 1993 Chevy Cavalier driven by Lee did not match the plates that state records showed belonged to the vehicle.

As Lee was crossing the bridge, the deputy activated his lights and gave chase.

According to Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman, Lee's vehicle reached speeds upwards of 90 mph as he drove into Canyon County.

When Lee reached Idaho highway 45 and Lakeshore Drive, the deputy turned off his lights but continued to follow the suspect.

Canyon County Sheriff's deputies did not pursue Lee, Bowman said.

Owyhee County deputies resumed their pursuit of the suspect and were able to bring the chase to a safe conclusion, Bowman said.

A search of Lee's vehicle discovered an undisclosed amount of methamphetamine.

Lee was still behind bars in Owyhee County Jail at press time.

On July 3, a suspected car thief led OCSO deputies on a high-speed pursuit from Marsing into the Caldwell area.

— TK



Justin Lee

Colorado man faces drunk driving charge

A Colorado man is behind bars after allegedly driving while intoxicated on Thursday afternoon in Marsing.

An Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy spotted Aurelio Najar Bettancourt, 31, from Denver, speeding and then driving off the north shoulder onto the sidewalk on Main Street, according to sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman.

Bettancourt was charged with misdemeanor driving under the influence after his blood-alcohol content was measured at .313, nearly four times the legal limit.

He was also discovered to have no plates on the front of his 2003 Ford Escape.

The deputy pulled Bettancourt over in the Subway parking lot, and a strong odor of alcohol was coming from the suspect, Bowman said.

As there was a language barrier, a standard field sobriety test was not performed.

Bettancourt was brought to the county jail in Murphy where the BAC measurement was assessed.

— TK

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OCSO: Speeding Californian busted with meth, pot

In Jump Creek after hours, boy nabbed for marijuana

A California man remains behind bars after his arrest on multiple drug charges after a traffic stop on Sunday in Marsing.

Rodolfo Sanchez, 51, of San Luis Obispo, was stopped at the corner of Main Street and 7th Avenue West for speeding. He was clocked going 40 mph in a 25 mph in his 1999 BMW.

Sanchez was arrested on a felony charge of methamphetamine possession and misdemeanor counts of marijuana possession and drug paraphernalia possession. He also received an infraction for speeding.

According to Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman, the arresting deputy requested a K-9 unit, but Sanchez admitted to possessing marijuana prior to the dog's arrival.

After a search of Sanchez's

vehicle, the deputy discovered 15 grams of marijuana, 6.7 grams of methamphetamine, and drug paraphernalia.

• A deputy's routine patrol late Sunday evening in the Jump Creek recreational area in Marsing resulted in a drug charge for a 17-year-old male from Meridian and an Alaskan woman.

The juvenile was charged with misdemeanor possession of a controlled substance, and both he and Breonna Smith-Cheney, 20, of Fort Wainwright, Alaska, received infractions for being in the Bureau of Land Management recreation area after normal hours.

A deputy spotted a 2005 Chevy pickup with no occupants. According to Bowman, the truck had the distinct odor of marijuana.

After the deputy's arrival, the two suspects approached the vehicle. The juvenile admitted to possessing "about an ounce," of marijuana, according to Bowman. The deputy, in fact, discovered 17.1 grams of the substance, which a little more than half an ounce. — TK

Homedale library youth to picnic with teddy bears

The Homedale Public Library is planning a picnic for its younger patrons.

A Teddy Bear Picnic will be held outside at 10:15 a.m., on Friday as part of the weekly Story Time activity.

Children are invited to bring their teddy bears or another stuffed animal for the Story Time, which will feature two

children's books — "The Teddy Bears' Picnic" by Jimmy Kennedy and "Three Bears of the Pacific Northwest" by Marcia and Richard Vaughan.

The children will enjoy a teddy bear craft and go on a bear hunt after the stories.

For more information on the library and its programs, call (208) 337-4228.

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SUMMER IN OWYHEE



Sunflowers at sunset

Summer is waning for the Pearson sisters of Grand View.

Top: Heidi Pearson took a photo of one of many sunflower fields along Idaho highway 78 near town. Cars, especially those with out-of-state license plates, can be spotted pulled off on the side of the road as motorists enjoy the colorful sight.

Bottom: Heidi snapped a photo of her older sister, Hailey, admiring the sunset and the sunflowers. Hailey is entering her third year at Idaho State University, and Heidi will be a junior at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School. They are the daughters of Joel and Sariah Pearson.



Show off your Summer in Owyhee: If you have a photo of how you spend summer in Owyhee country, email it to jon@owyheeavalanche.com, and include details such as when and where the photo was taken, who is in the photo and what's going on. For more information, call managing editor Jon Brown at (208) 337-4681, ext.102.

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✓ Ranchers: Cattlemen to hear updates on industry, sage-grouse plan

practices and other efforts to ensure the resource remains viable.

OCA president Lynn Bachman drops the gavel on the meeting at 9:30 a.m., inside the old mining town’s schoolhouse.

James Rogers, who manages Nevada’s Winecup Gamble Ranch, will discuss outcome-based grazing.

The concept, which the Bureau of Land Management has embraced under Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke, encompasses

flexible rangeland in an attempt to protect the vegetation and the habitat. The BLM has implemented a demonstration program on public lands, and Winecup puts the practices to use in northeast Nevada.

Representatives from the BLM’s Twin Falls District Office will give a presentation looking back at the Murphy Complex Fire. The wildfire burned more than 650,000 acres in Owyhee County and Elko County, Nev., in 2007. The 483,000 acres scorched in Idaho, nearly twice the size of the 2015 Soda Fire.

Josh Uriarte of the Governor’s Office of Species Conservation will step to the podium to discuss the BLM sage-grouse resource management plan amendments.

Changes have been proposed to align the federal sage-grouse conservation policies with the Idaho sage-grouse plan

developed during the Obama administration. The state task force included Dist. 1 County Commissioner Jerry Hoagland and Dist. 23 state Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson).

What could be the future of the cattle industry in Owyhee County will head to the front of the room next as this year’s OCA Heifer Replacement Program participants receive their sponsored calves.

After lunch, fifth-generation rancher Elias Eiguren will give an update on efforts to protect the Owyhee Canyonlands in Oregon. The Arock cattle producer is part of the Owyhee Basin Stewardship Coalition, which formed in the latter days of the Obama administration when a Portland-based outdoor footwear company led the charge to establish a national monument in the Malheur County.

After years of getting

visits from Larry Hayhurst, the OCA ranchers will hear from the state’s new brand inspector Saturday.

Cody Burlile will get a chance to address the local cattlemen and also answer their questions.

OCA president Lynn Bachman will give a report on his year in office during the reports and update portion of the meeting, which will also include a talk from Idaho Cattle Association president Tucker Shaw and BLM officials.

Brad Griff, Rep. Raul Labrador’s regional director, will talk about his boss’ work in Washington, D.C. Labrador is on the House Natural Resources and Energy Committee.

Reynolds Creek rancher Brenda Richards, the Public Lands Council past president and a former OCA director, will give an update on the PLC’s work for the industry.

Jordan Valley rancher Bob

Skinner is current PLC vice-president and is in line to become national president soon, giving the Idaho-Oregon-Nevada region its second PLC chief in the past three terms.

Rosemary and Terry Warn will be saluted as the OCA’s newest honorary lifetime members before the membership considers any resolutions.

No resolutions have been brought forward prior to the meeting, but there is always a chance that resolutions could be proposed by the membership Saturday.

The final order of business Saturday is the election of new board members and Lynn Bachman’s retirement as OCA president. Bachman will pass the gavel to Oreana’s Lorna Steiner at the end of the meeting.

Association secretary Scott Jensen said that the OCA directors’ annual meeting at the Nettleton Corral will take place Sunday morning.



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Courthouse report

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

July 17
Alejandro Modesto, Grand View — Misdemeanor driving under the influence: 180 days in jail (2 days served, 178 days suspended), 180-

day driver’s license suspension, 15 months supervised probation, \$650 in court costs

July 16
Michael D. Good, Nampa — Misdemeanor disturbing the peace (amended from misdemeanor weapon possession with intent to assault), and misdemeanor battery:

180 days in jail (1 day served, 179 days suspended), 2 years, supervised probation, \$300 in court costs

Gonzalo Rico, Jr., Caldwell — Misdemeanor hunt, trap or fish without a license: \$250 in court costs

July 13
Tracie Rutledge, Caldwell —

Misdemeanor violation of protection order for harassment by telephone or by stalking: 2 days in jail (served), \$300 in court costs

July 11
Juan Carlos Cisneros Garcia, Moses Lake, Wash. — Misdemeanor hunt, trap or fish without a license: \$250 in court costs

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✓ District: Wilder board delays decision as more information is gathered

to the state Department of Education.

In a July 11 meeting, Wilder trustees sent the document back to the petitioners seeking more information.

The petition, which includes signatures of parents whose children already attend Homedale schools, asks that part of the Wilder district north of Boehner Road off U.S. Highway 95 be added to the Homedale district boundaries.

According to the petition, there are about 52 children in the proposed annexation area, and 40 of those are current Homedale students through the district’s open-enrollment policy.

“The impacted families ... identify themselves as Homedale residents,” the petition states.

Proposed minutes from the Wilder trustees’ July 11 meeting reflect that the district returned the petition to its applicants in search of “specific information,” including better-defined boundaries. The petition was turned back on the advice of the school district’s attorney, according to proposed meeting minutes found on the Wilder district’s website.

State law says the districts must make a recommendation to the state Department of Education no later than 10 days after the meeting at which the petition was received. But with the Wilder trustees seeking more information, action from that district may be delayed until at least the Aug. 13 board meeting.

The petition has 15 signatures, Homedale superintendent Rob Sauer said, and those signatures represent eight households in the proposed annexation area.

Among the signatories are Homedale High School principal Matt Holtry, school district employees Nikki Christiansen and Sherri Romriell, and Homedale Chamber of Commerce president Gavin Parker, who is part of the Parker Advisors financial and investment advising business in Homedale.

The petitioners claim the Homedale district offers “more diverse extra-curricular opportunities” than the Wilder district and that annexation is in the best interest of the children in the area because they have or will have established relationships with other activities and individuals in the Homedale community before entering their school years.

Including the proposed portion in the Homedale district would allow those students attending Homedale schools to receive bus transportation not available now, the petitioners said.

“Parents must make other arrangements to get kids safely to and from school; in some cases up to five miles each way,” the petitioners wrote.

In rough terms, the proposed annexation area is bordered by Lower Pleasant Ridge Road to the north, U.S. 95 to the east and the Snake River to the west.

If approved, the annexation would increase the Homedale district’s tax base while reducing Wilder’s. It’s unclear how the annexation would affect enrollment.

The Wilder district will hold a bond election on Aug. 28.

Sauer said the petitioning of each board of trustees is just the beginning of the process.

Criteria the state board of education must consider for approval includes the best interest of the students in the area as well as whether or not the change would leave Wilder with indebtedness above the level allowed by law.

If the state trustees agree to the plan, the proposal would be put before voters in the affected area for final approval.

If an election is successful, the earliest the district boundaries would change is the 2019-20 school year, Sauer said.

— JPB

✓ Commissioners: Owyhee deputies to help with concert security again

The sheriff and commissioners said no specific incident prompted development of the ordinance.

According to information provided by the county, the ordinance calls for penalties for intentionally, or with criminal negligence, jumping or dropping from bridges and other landscape features over or adjacent to the Snake River.

Violating the ordinance will be an infraction subject to a \$300 fine.

There is no right to a jury trial for citations or complaint for an infraction. Trials will be held before the court without a jury.

Referring to the danger of jumping off the bridge in Homedale, Dist. 1 County Commissioner Jerry Hoagland said, “There’s a reason they call it the Snake River. It’s a treacherous river.”

Full text of this ordinance will be available online at www.sterlingcodifiers.com/codebook, as well as at the Owyhee County Clerk’s office, located at 20381 State Hwy. 78. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

County defines procurement policy

County commissioners have adopted a policy to help guide county officials in their purchase and procurement decisions.

The procedures are for the purposes of complying with state code.

All purchases above \$1,000 must be pre-approved by the BOCC, and all contracts above \$1,000 are void unless the commissioners sign them.

The policy lays out a step-by-step procedure for making purchasing decisions:

- Purchases of \$1,000 or less — elected officials and department heads can make these purchases without a formal bid process.
- \$1,000 to \$5,000 — officials must attach a minimum of two bids to purchase request.
- \$5,000 to \$50,000 — attach a minimum of three bids to request.
- \$50,000 or more — officials must consult with legal counsel to determine which process is appropriate.

Sheriff’s office to help with concert

The Owyhee County and Elmore County Sheriff’s offices have entered into a law enforcement assistance agreement, effective Friday through Monday. The annual contract helps provide security for the Mountain Home Country Music Festival.

This agreement was made because the Elmore County Sheriff’s Office does not have sufficient personnel available to handle the expected traffic control and other law enforcement matters that accompany the three-day concert.

According to the agreement, Owyhee County will provide personnel and patrol vehicles for the concert.

Elmore County will pay Owyhee County \$42.68 per hour for each deputy and \$25 per hour for each vehicle provided.

Idaho County Concerts LLC is the promoter for the Elmore County event.

— TK

✓ West Nile: Southwest District Health outlines what precautions to take

- Wear mosquito repellent when outdoors.

SWDH also explained how people can get infected.

The virus is a potentially serious illness that is usually spread to animals and humans through the bite of an infected mosquito.

Most infections do not cause symptoms, but one out of five people who become infected show symptoms such as fever, headaches, body aches, nausea, vomiting, and sometimes swollen lymph nodes, or a skin rash.

Symptoms typically occur from two to 14 days after the bite from an infected mosquito and they may last for several weeks.

There is no specific treatment, but in more severe cases, people usually need hospitalization.

For more information on West Nile, visit the following websites:

- <http://www.swdh.org/westnile.asp>
- www.cdcc.gov/westnilevirus
- westnilevirus.idaho.gov

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Death notice

EDWARD WELTY, 81, of Salmon, who grew up in Marsing and attended Marsing schools, died Tuesday, July 17, 2018 in Idaho Falls. A Rosary will be held at 10 a.m., Wednesday, Aug. 8, 2018 at Holy Apostles Catholic Church, 6300 N. Meridian Road, Meridian, followed by a Memorial Mass at 11 a.m. A private family committal will be held at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery at a later date. A full obituary may be read and remembrances left for the family at www.AccentFuneral.com.

Reunions

Marsing High all-class potluck picnic scheduled

The annual Marsing High School all-class reunion is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 5. The potluck will begin at 1 p.m. at City Park. All Marsing classes are invited, and folks are asked to bring something to share for the picnic as well as drinks, chairs and table service. For more information, call (208) 896-4220.

Homedale High Class of '68 plans reunion

The Homedale High School Class of 1968 will hold its 50th reunion next week. The events begin with a catered dinner at the Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., on Friday, Aug. 3. Social hour, for which classmates can bring their own beverages, begins at 5:30 p.m. The dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. Graduates from all other classes from around the time of the 1968 graduation are invited to attend another social hour beginning at 8:30 p.m. The Class of 1968 also will attend a no-cost barbecue at noon on Saturday, Aug. 4 at the home of Donna and Stuart Batt. For more information on the reunion, call Colleen Paxton at (208) 337-4503 or Ann Morris Ordorica at (208) 337-1299.

Graduation

Homedale residents receive U of I degrees

A double major graduate is among local students to receive degrees from the University of Idaho. The Moscow-based university announced its spring 2018 graduates last week. **Ana S. Vasquez** was among a handful of Homedale residents to receive degrees. Enrolled in both the colleges of Agricultural & Life Sciences and Letters Arts & Social Sciences, Vasquez earned Bachelor's degrees in Family and Consumer Sciences with a Child & Youth Development option, and Spanish. Other Homedale-linked graduates include:

- **Kenneth B. Harper** — College of Education, Health & Human Sciences, Bachelor's in Recreation
- **Mikel D. Mavey** — College of Business & Economics, Bachelor's in Operations Management
- **Other local graduates include:**
- **Janey A. Reeves, Melba** — College of Agriculture & Life Sciences, Bachelor's in Ag Economics with an Agribusiness emphasis
- **Jordan L. Brady, Wilder** — College of Science, Bachelor's in Biochemistry

U of I students received 1,527 degrees in May commencement ceremonies held in Boise, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls and Moscow.

Obituary

Terry Fay Pegram

Terry Fay Pegram, of Homedale, Idaho, passed away on July 21, 2018 at his home. Terry was born on June 10, 1948, in Roswell, New Mexico, the son of Fay and Norma Pegram. He grew up traveling the world while his father served in the United States Air Force. His family settled in Homedale where he graduated from high school in 1966. Terry had the spirit of an entrepreneur and a zest for life. He loved to cook and shared this passion with others. He was a proud father and grandfather. He cherished time



spent with family and friends. He is survived by his two daughters: Nikki (Chad)

Christiansen, of Wilder, and their sons Dominic and Cooper; and Kacey (Jacob) Hyer, of Caldwell, and their three daughters Delaney, Kinsey, and Brynley; his sister, Donna (Stuart) Batt of Wilder; and his niece Brandy (Troy) Kerr and their daughters. He is also survived by many other nieces, nephews, cousins, and family. He was preceded in death by his parents, Fay and Norma Pegram, and one nephew, Scott White. Services will be held Friday July 27, 2018 at 11 a.m. at the Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 U.S. Hwy. 95.



Pip (left) and Squeaks, who is the newest feline friend of the Eastern Owyhee County Library, live in the Grand View facility and help greet patrons. Submitted photo

Grant helps library fuel STEM fun in Grand View city park

Weekly lessons part of public library offerings

Local boys and girls are learning about Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics at Grand View City Park thanks to a grant. The Eastern Owyhee County Library has started a five-week STEM activities program for children in kindergarten through 12th grade. Library programs director Penny Vance presents hands-on activities at 10 a.m. each Wednesday at the park. There are myriad activities, including building bridges to robotics to chemistry and biology experiments. The program, funded with an I-STEM grant provided by the Idaho STEM Action Center, runs through Wednesday, Aug. 8.

Other programs offered

The final session of the library's summer reading program takes place at 10 a.m., on Thursday at the library, 520 Boise Ave. Two 3D printer classes are available at the library each Friday. Fifth- through 12th-graders can learn about the machine and its technology at 10 a.m., and the adult class starts at noon.

Fundraising continues

The Friends of the Eastern Owyhee County Library, which recently held a benefit yard sale, has raised more than \$1,000 to buy new movable bookshelves, according to library director Tammy Gray. The Friends' fundraising aims to provide shelving in the library's children's department. Each unit costs \$2,000. The Friends of the Library

held a June 16 yard sale and raffled a quilt to raise money. The Friends of the Library's community calendar fundraiser is underway, too. It costs \$5 annually to belong to the Friends group, which also accepts cash donations to help the library. Orders for 2019 calendars are now being accepted. Folks can list their family's important dates for a minimal cost, and ads in the calendar also are available. Call Mel and Kathy Chick at (208) 832-1949 for more information.

Library staff addition

Gray also wanted to introduce the newest edition to the library "staff." "Squeaks, our newest feline friend, is now a permanent part of the library and keeps Pip company when the library is closed," Gray said. "Both are very popular with our patrons, especially the younger ones."

Got News?
Call us! (208) 337-4681. Community happenings, events or issues.

Calendar

Today

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

STEM in the Park
10 a.m., City Park, Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Thursday

Summer reading program
10 a.m., final session, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

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

Homedale Farmers Market
3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, East Idaho Avenue

Friday

3D printer class
10 a.m. to noon, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. Grades 5-12. (208) 834-2785

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

3D printer class
Noon to 2 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. Adult class. (208) 834-2785

Life in the SON support group
2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Vision Community Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 504-7884 or songtobe@gmail.com

Life Without Limbs ministry
7 p.m., free, Homedale Calvary Fellowship, 711 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 615-0578

Saturday

Church yard sale fundraiser
8 a.m., to 3 p.m., Homedale Assembly of God Church, 15 W. Montana Ave., Homedale (208) 412-2946

OCA summer meeting
9 a.m., registration, 9:30 a.m., meeting, Silver City Schoolhouse

Oreana church services
10 a.m., Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church, Oreana. Fourth Saturday of every month. (208) 466-7031

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

OCA summer meeting dinner
6 p.m., Silver City

OCA summer meeting dance
9 p.m., \$7 per person, \$12 couples, Silver City

Monday

Life in the SON support group
2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 504-7884 or songtobe@gmail.com

Tuesday

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

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

Wednesday

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

Thursday, Aug. 2

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

Friday, Aug. 3

STEM class
10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. Grades 5-12. (208) 834-2785

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

STEM class
12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. Adult class. (208) 834-2785

Life in the SON support group
2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Vision Community Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 504-7884 or songtobe@gmail.com

Saturday, Aug. 4

Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Parade
9 a.m., registration (HHS parking lot and football field), 9:30 a.m., judging, 10 a.m., parade, downtown Homedale. (208) 337-3888

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

Summer reading awards
6 p.m., Grand View City Park, Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Sunday, Aug. 5

Catholic Mass
1 p.m., Our Lady of Tears Catholic Church, Silver City.

Monday, Aug. 6

Owyhee County 4-H Horse Show
8 a.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds rodeo arena, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale.

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) 337-4228

Life in the SON support group
2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 504-7884 or songtobe@gmail.com

University of Idaho Extension

Fair is a perfect time to show support for young livestock producers

The purposes of 4-H and FFA market animal projects are to help teach kids responsibility, teach the value of hard work, and to give them some life experience raising livestock. Market livestock projects provide some excellent learning opportunities for kids.

The Owyhee County Fair shows will begin at noon on Wednesday, Aug. 8 with the goat and sheep shows.

Thursday morning, Aug. 9, at 8 a.m. will be the beef show. There were 65 market steers entered this year!

The dairy show will begin Thursday afternoon at 3 p.m.

The swine show will get underway at 8 a.m. Friday morning, Aug. 10.

On Saturday, Aug. 11, the large animal round robin begins at 10 a.m.

The Owyhee County Jr. Livestock Sale will begin about 1 p.m., on Saturday, Aug. 11. The sale will be preceded by a buyers' lunch at noon. This lunch is paid for by the boys and girls from the proceeds of the sale of their animals.

There are three ways that you can support youth at the sale.

First, you can purchase the animal outright to have it butchered for your personal consumption. The sale committee will see that it is delivered to the custom butcher of your choice.

The second option is to purchase the animal and then "turn it back to the floor." You would then pay the difference between the bid price and the floor price. The animal is then sold/delivered to the floor buyer.

The third option is to do an "add-on." To add on to a youth, you simply complete an add-on form for one or more kids and submit the form along with payment to the sale committee.

If you would like to bid on a project animal but cannot attend the sale, please contact a sale committee member or our office, and we will gladly help you.

The sale committee will disperse funds to the kids when all the funds have been collected. The sale committee collects a small commission from the sale of each animal and from each add-on to cover the expenses of putting on the sale and buyers' lunch.

Market livestock projects provide an excellent learning opportunity for our youth. I encourage you to show your support during the Jr. Livestock Shows at the Owyhee County Fair and at the Owyhee County Jr. Livestock Sale on Aug. 11 at the fairgrounds!

— 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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Inspiring ministry to visit Homedale church

Members of the Life Without Limbs ministry team will be on hand Friday at Homedale Calvary Fellowship.

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Gary Godbey and Jay Harvey are part of Nick Vujicic's Life Without Limbs ministry, and they'll visit the fellowship at 7 p.m. on Friday.

More information on the ministry can be found at www.lifewithoutlimbs.com.

Homedale Calvary Fellowship is located at 711 W. Idaho Ave. Call (208) 615-0578 for more information.

Assembly of God church plans Homedale yard sale

The Homedale Assembly of God plans a fundraiser Saturday.

A church yard sale will take place from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., at 15 W. Montana Ave.

The donation of sale items is welcome.

Call Homedale Assembly of God pastor Ivar Moore at (208) 412-2946 for more information.

MHS cheer washes cars for funds

Marsing High School cheerleaders will hold a car wash Friday at teammate Emily Loucks' business.

The car wash will take place from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Emily's Cones and Coffee (formerly Coy's Coffee) on Main Street west of Logan's Market.

The cheer squad is also holding a Traeger grill raffle. Tickets are \$10 each or \$25 for three. The prize was donated by Campbell Tractor in Nampa.

Owyhee, Nev., woman dies in car crash

A 30-year-old Owyhee, Nev., woman has died in a single-car crash on Interstate 84.

Brittani Gibson died shortly after midnight Sunday at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center after her 1998 Ford Explorer rolled west of Mountain Home hours earlier.

According to the Idaho State Police, Gibson was eastbound on the Interstate with three minor passengers when she lost control. Gibson and two of the juveniles were ejected when the Explorer rolled and came to a rest in the median.

Gibson was transported to St. Al's in Boise by air ambulance. The three children were taken to the same hospital by ground ambulance.

Birthday

Chadez 90th birthday celebration set for Homedale Senior Center

Helen Chadez turns 90 on July 25, 2018, and her family invites you to join in celebrating her life.

The celebration will take place from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 4, 2018 at the Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

The family shared information about Helen, who has been an advocate of the Homedale community since 1948 when she and Eddie were married. Together they raised seven children and many crops.

She was a stalwart member of St. Hubert's Catholic Church and Altar Society, and she coordinated funeral dinners for many years.

Helen's special ministry was sending cards and writing poems for friends and family, with a butterfly often included.

Helen lives her life with the mantra: "Attitude is gratitude."

The family hopes people will help celebrate her special day "as a tribute to Helen's gifts of time, love, energy, and generosity."



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Chainsaw crews cutting next Owyhee Front fuel breaks

Latest phase follows mowing, grazing work

Federal officials attending Saturday’s Owyhee Cattle-men’s Association summer meeting could cover the lat-est on the Soda Fuel Breaks program.

The Bureau of Land Man-agement Boise District an-nounced that the next phase of the project along the Owyhee Front began last week.

The comprehensive project aims to combat wildfires and protect Soda Fire rehabilitation

efforts. Owyhee ranchers also have been involved in targeted grazing to create fire breaks.

The next phase could poten-tially last through Oct.12.

The fuel break work includes thinning or removing vegeta-tion in order to reduce flame lengths, slow the spread of fast-moving wildfires. The project also would provide opportunities for firefighters to safely engage and contain a fire.

The latest element of the project comes after mowing that was completed last fall on BLM-administered lands along the Rabbit Creek, Reynolds Creek and Kane Springs road-

ways in the vicinity of Mur-phy and the Reynolds Creek drainage.

The work that began last week includes hand-cutting 448 acres that were not acces-sible for mowers during last year’s treatments.

BLM acting Owyhee Field Office manager Lance Okeson says fuel breaks are a helpful tool for firefighters.

“The strategy of reducing vegetation and breaking up its continuity along established road systems will provide a safer work environment for the wildland firefighting com-munity, resulting in more sup-pression options in the event of

a large fire,” he said.

Contracted hand crews will use chainsaws to reduce the height of brush in fuel breaks adjacent to the identified roadways. The crews will es-tablish fuel breaks up to 200 feet wide on both sides of the roadway.

This fuel reduction effort is part of the larger Soda Fuel Breaks project designed to reduce fuels and provide fire-fighters a better opportunity to combat wildfires in and around the area burned by the 2015 Soda Fire. Overall, the project will develop fuel breaks on BLM-managed land along 271 miles of existing roadways.

Earlier this spring, the Boise District introduced targeted grazing along the Owyhee Front as part of the same project. Targeted grazing is an experimental technique that enables ranchers to participate in fire prevention efforts by grazing their livestock herds on selected fuel break tracts. Like the use of mowers and hand crews, targeted grazing helps develop and maintain fuel breaks.

The BLM asks the public to be aware of contract vehicles working along roads during this time.

For more information, con-tact BLM at (208) 384-3378.


Yard Sale Fundraiser

Homedale Assembly of God is hosting a church yard sale fundraiser July 28th from 8am to 3pm.

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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 54 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 77 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 140 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 388,209 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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

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Busy MHS student serves up java

Loucks likes being her own boss after opening coffee shop on Main Street

A new business opened in June in Marsing, and it comes with a little twist.

The idea for Cones and Coffee, located at 901 Main St., began when 16-year-old Emily Loucks decided she wanted a job but didn’t necessarily want to work for someone else.

Emily has a demanding schedule with school, where she will be starting her junior year this fall. She will likely be pulled in multiple directions as a result of her school commitments, so she thought having some control over her work schedule would be ideal.

“I play a lot of sports,” she said. “(With the business) I’m going to be able to make my own hours.”

Cones and Coffee provides a variety of ice cream flavors, milkshakes, snow cones, and

coffee, of course.

She also thinks it’ll be a great place for her friends to hang out and be comfortable.

“I wanted to have a place where, after football games and volleyball games, my friends can come and hang out here,” she said. “I can open up at night and be a hang-out spot.”

Emily’s family has been involved in various businesses. Her grandfather, Les, owned a farm and her father, Lamon, ran a trucking company and now owns Loucks Homes. Her mother is Melissa.

“It might just be in my DNA,” she said. “I just like being in charge.”

She said that things may occasionally get a little boring at her little shop — which formerly was Coy’s Coffee — but at least she’s not just at home, lying around on

the couch all summer.

Although Emily owns the business, her dad owns the property on which it sits.

Emily said she’s not really sure where the business will go and how it will play out in her future plans.

“Who knows?” she said, smiling. “Maybe I’ll franchise it.”

She said she intends to go to college, perhaps at the University of Idaho, but like many people her age, she doesn’t know for sure what she’ll study.

“I have plenty of time to think about that,” she said.

Emily is very busy away from her little business. During the school year, she plays basketball, volleyball, softball, and is on the cheerleading team.

She said that although she’s not on student council, she’ll likely stay involved in the goings-on at her school, likely planning events and dances and the like.

“It’s just who I am,” she said.

— TK



Incoming Marsing High School junior Emily Loucks opened Cones and Coffee earlier this summer at 901 Main St. Emily said it was a perfect fit because being in charge is part of who she is.

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Above: With scaffolding in place and vinyl siding removed, the front of Homedale Elementary School looks much different. **Below:** There will be new entrances and stucco on the exterior walls in the coming weeks.

Building work continues as Homedale school year nears

With students returning in less than five weeks, improvements are ongoing the Homedale School District.

A crew from Middleton-based Roger Hibberd Masonry continues to build vestibules on the east side of the Homedale Elementary School building.

When the work is done, the kindergarten and first-grade side of the building will match the exterior doors to classrooms on the west side of the school.

A new entryway is planned for the front of the school on 420 W. Washington Ave., and the vinyl siding has been stripped from around the main building, too. The plan is to replace it with stucco.

District superintendent Rob Sauer said the district is spending between \$50,000 and \$60,000 on the project.

Another \$5,000 will be spent to build a six-foot wrought-iron fence across the front of the high school on East Idaho Avenue. Designed to funnel foot traffic to the doors of the



school's main office, the fence will stretch from the library to the office entrance.

Earlier this summer, the aging Austrian pines were removed to make room for the fence. Sauer said the district could plant locust trees in place. The locust root system won't compromise cement walkways as the sprawling roots of evergreens had in the past, he said.

A ground-floor classroom at HHS is being remodeled to accommodate a student who is unable to access the school's second floor. That room also will be used for senior project

classes.

At the middle school, the boundary for the new softball complex has been staked out to the north of the school, and crews are replacing carpet in the fifth- and sixth-grade classrooms.

Shanley remains school board chairman

Kurt Shanley was retained as chair for the board of trustees during the annual meeting on July 17.

Tim Quintana replaces Shane Muir as vice-chair, and Muir will become the district's Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency board liaison, succeeding Shelley Shenk.

The school board will con-

tinue to hold its regular meetings at 7 p.m. on the second Monday of each month unless rescheduled on an individual basis.

The next board meeting takes place on Aug. 13.

Board supports school age change

Trustees voted to support the Boise School District's proposal that the state's school age be lowered to 4 years old.

The move would give districts the flexibility to use state funding to finance early childhood (pre-kindergarten) instruction, Sauer said.

Boise's proposal and any supporting letters will be forwarded to the state board of education for consideration.

District office to close

After trustees took action last week, the school district office at 116 E. Owyhee Ave., will be closed next week.

The office will reopen on Aug. 6.

Cooks, coaches hired for upcoming school year

Former HES secretary Pam Gibbens and Janet McDaniel

have been hired as part-time cooks in the food service department.

Trustees also renewed volleyball coaching contracts for Debby Turner (seventh grade) and David Hann (eighth grade).

All teaching positions have been filled since earlier this summer. Sauer said the district still has a middle school paraprofessional job opening.

Fall sports openers announced

The high school football team will play two games in August. Trustees approved fall sports schedules last week.

The Trojans will open the season with a 7 p.m. game on Friday, Aug. 24 against New Plymouth.

Filer is the Homecoming game opponent on Sept. 14, and the regular season ends on Oct. 19 on the road against Weiser.

There is one Thursday night game, on Oct. 4, when Homedale visits Parma for the Milk Jug Game.

The volleyball team will open with the Melba Jamboree on Tuesday, Aug. 21, and the regular season starts at home the next night against New Plymouth.

The 3A District III tournament will be held Oct. 16-18 in Payette.

The cross country season starts on Thursday, Aug. 30 at the Caldwell Twilight meet.

The state meet is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 27 in Lewiston. — JPB

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“Basco Bugs” back in service

PJ Mansisidor restores family’s World War II Weasel as tribute

A childhood dream has evolved into P.J. Mansisidor’s tribute to his family’s military service.

The 1992 Homedale High School graduate recently put a piece of World War II history on the road after 10 years of research and restoration.

But the 1945 Studebaker M29C Light Cargo Carrier (or Weasel) that Mansisidor chauffeured his 94-year-old father Ray around in during the Homedale Fourth of July parade really is more heritage than history for the 44-year-old Boise resident.

“My dad had parked the Weasel when I was 8 years old, so I never got to drive it, but I got to sit in it,” P.J. said. “It was always in the back of my mind, ‘That would be fun to drive’ or ‘I wish I could drive that some day.’”

P.J. said the current incarnation of his “Basco Bugs” Weasel is actually a mash-up of the family’s 1944 M29 and 1945 M29C.

The 1944 M29 contributed the engine, radiator, transmission and gauges to the project. That machine was previously used by the Idaho Department of Highways on gravel roads, much like other Weasels were used on forest roads.

Ray bought the M29 and fitted it up to spray his potato fields. The wide-track design of the Weasel gave the machine stability over the corrugations much like how it rode over all types of terrain — whether it was the snow and mud of the European theater or the sandy beaches and humid jungles of the Pacific theater — during the war.

Even though a 1945 M29C hull had been purchased years earlier for spare parts, parking the Mansisidor equipment was really a no-brainer by the early 1980s.



Ray Mansisidor waves as he rides down Idaho Avenue in the passenger seat of a restored M29 Weasel during the Homedale Fourth of July parade. His son PJ Mansisidor drives the machine.

“It had really been used to its last amount,” P.J. said.

Life went on. P.J. occasionally sat alone in the cramped, four-person cockpit with only his driving dreams as a co-pilot. Then he went off to the University of Idaho for a mechanical engineering degree that would set him up for a globe-hopping job with a Spokane firm.

After seven years at TEI Machine Systems, he moved back to Idaho, obtained a master’s degree from Northwest Nazarene University and started helping out at the family farm while working for Power Engineers in Meridian.

P.J.’s thoughts of driving the Weasel rekindled after he became a homeowner.

“Once I bought the house, and working at the farm and seeing that Weasel out there. I had room to work on it,” he said.

Restoration — including tracking down new old stock (NOS) parts and even building some parts that couldn’t be found — began in 2007.

“It took 10 years with traveling and work, but a lot

of that was research,” P.J. said, adding that he surfed online message boards and also tracked down Robert Walsh, who is renowned in the Treasure Valley for his military vehicle restorations.

The research is where the idea of a tribute vehicle was born.

Although it’s a good bet that none of the stateside Weasels were ever in Europe or the Pacific because of the expendable nature of the machines, in-theater vehicles were used to move equipment to the front lines and then ferry back the wounded. The all-terrain design was perfect for moving casualties out of the Ardennes during the Battle of the Bulge in the winter of 1944-45.

“There’s more to this vehicle than just me wanting to drive it,” P.J. said. “There are a lot of people’s lives involved.

“It’s my opportunity to pay respect to the people that have done more than I have. To pay respect to the people that do put their lives on the line when they sign that check and go out there to serve in the military.

And fire and police, too. All that have served.”

The tedium included stripping the Weasels and meticulously removing thousands of bolts and rivets to dismantle the tracks. It took 1,300 bolts to put the restored tracks back together.

The tedium included rebuilding the 170-cubic-inch, 70 HP Studebaker Champion engine.

The tribute came when P.J. painted the hull:

There was the “Basco Bugs” design (Bugs Bunny wearing a beret in a reproduction of World War II bomber nose art).

The hull number from the 1945 M29C was painted, and the olive drab was chosen because that 1945 model was used by the Marines for training in California. P.J. said the 1944 model probably was originally painted white or black because it would have been used in the mountain divisions.

Finally, P.J. painted the names of a dozen family members who had served on the back of the Weasel.

The men include his dad,

uncles, brothers and cousins who have served in the Army Air Corps, the Army, and the Navy in wartime and peacetime, and a police officer, volunteer firefighter and corrections officer.

Once the decade-long restoration was complete, P.J. finally got his chance to have some fun.

He drove the Weasel to work. Well, he trailered it to within 100 yards and then drove it into the parking lot. At the front desk, he reported that someone had left their headlights on, and as is company policy, the announcement for the owner of the “tank” to come turn his headlights off was made. Co-workers rushed to the lobby to get a glimpse of history.

“Basically, I talked to the people at Power Engineers so someone wouldn’t call the cops and say there was a tank in the parking lot,” P.J. said.

The tribute aspect was launched when Cindy Schaffeld from the Boise Basque Museum & Cultural Center asked P.J. to bring the Weasel downtown for the grand opening an exhibit showcasing Basque immigrants who served in the U.S. military.

Then the big thrill: P.J. was able to escort his father and pull the Mansisidor Family Farm float through the Homedale Fourth of July parade.

Going forward, he’d like to provide the Weasel for events at the Warhawk Air Museum in Nampa and maybe show it off at car shows and military vehicle exhibits.

Of course, there is a fun aspect to showing the vehicle, too.

“For the names on the back, and that it’s unique and that it’s just pretty cool,” he said.

— JPB

A family’s history of service

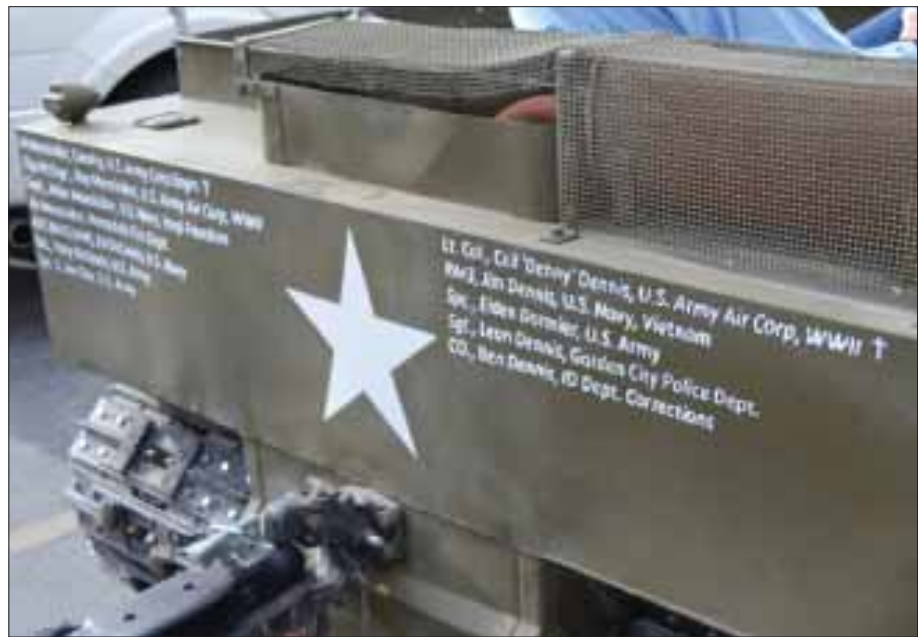
The list of names that appear on P.J. Mansisidor’s restored Weasel World War II Light Cargo Carrier:

Left side

- Al Mansisidor**, Cavalry, U.S. Army Corp Engineers — uncle
- SSgt-Flight Engineer Ray Mansisidor**, U.S. Army Air Corps (World War II) — father
- Cmdr. Mike Mansisidor**, U.S. Navy (Iraqi Freedom) — brother
- Joe Mansisidor**, Homedale Fire Dept. — brother
- ADC Ed DeCouto**, U.S. Navy — brother-in-law
- Spc. Tony DeCouto**, U.S. Army — cousin
- Spc. 5 Joe Osa**, U.S. Army — uncle

Right side

- Lt. Col., Ceil “Denny” Dennis**, U.S. Army Air Corps (WW II) — uncle
- RM3 Jim Dennis**, U.S. Navy (Vietnam) — cousin
- Spc. Elden Dormier**, U.S. Army — cousin
- Sgt. Leon Dennis**, Meridian Police Dept. — cousin
- CO Ben Dennis**, Idaho Dept. of Correction — cousin



Updates scheduled at Jordan Valley CWMA meeting

Leafy spurge, perennial pepperweed on Monday’s docket

Jordan Valley Cooperative Weed Management Area will hold its monthly meeting to plot more weed-fighting strategies.

Community members are urged to attend Monday’s meeting to give input.

The meeting will start at 8 p.m., at the JVCWMA office, 508 Swisher Ave., in Jordan Valley.

Points of discussion will include an update on Brace Flats treatment and

leafy spurge treatments.

Topics for the winter weed seminar also will be hashed, and attendees will hear about Idaho State Department of Agriculture grant changes.

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

Eric Morrison is the JVCWMA coordinator.

This month’s meeting announcement flyer covers perennial pepperweed, which can be a problem in older alfalfa and meadow hay.

The JVCWMA handout quotes the publication “Selected Noxious Weeds of Eastern Oregon.”

The plant can grow up to six feet

tall, but averages between three and four feet.

Attached to long petioles, the weed’s lance-shaped basal leaves have a white midvein, and both leaves and stems are waxy.

The weed is bright green until flowering at which point the green color darkens and its waxy cuticle hardens.

The plant’s flowers are white with four spoon-shaped petals clustered at the branch tips from early summer to fall.

Fruits are roundish, slightly hairy, 1/16 of inch in size and contain two tiny smooth oval light brown seeds.

The weed reproduces through both copious seed production and creeping

roots.

Rhizomatous shoots form in the top six inches of soil and emerge by mid-May.

The weed can be found in waste areas, ditches, roadsides, cropland and seasonally wet areas.

The JVCWMA bulletin says the success of control efforts depends on spraying at the right time and being aggressive with reapplication. Another strategy is treatment of re-growth after grass hay is removed.

Effective herbicides include Telar (Escort Metcel or MSM 60 surfactant required), Cimarron X-tra and Cimarron Max, Chaparral, Arsenal, 2,4-D before bud stage, or Glyphosate.

Grand View man gets probation for DUI

A Grand View resident has been sentenced after pleading guilty to misdemeanor driving under the influence.

Alejandro Modesto was placed on 15 months supervised probation during a July 17 appearance before Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober in Murphy.

Grober suspended the man’s driver’s license for six months and ordered him to pay \$650 in court costs.

Modesto was given credit for two days served in Owyhee County Jail, and Grober suspended the remainder of a six-month jail sentence.

Modesto was 19 when an Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputy arrested him for DUI on April 29. His blood-alcohol concentration was measured at .204, more than twice the legal limit of .08.

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FIRE SEASON HEATS UP

BLM Boise crews get handle of fires

Fire crews from the Bureau of Land Management Boise District battled a series of fires after July 16 lightning strikes.

- The East White Fire burned 3,237 acres 25 miles southeast of Bruneau before it was controlled at 1:30 p.m. on Friday.
- BLM resources dispatched to the fire included a helicopter, six engines, a hand crew, a water tender and one dozer.
- The West Duck Fire located a mile west of the Duck Valley Indian Reservation in southern Owyhee County was controlled at 8 p.m. last Wednesday. The fire burned 11,160 acres.
- Resources included a helicopter, hand crew, water tender, seven engines and three dozers.
- Another fire that burned near Duck Valley – the Otter Fire – was controlled at 7 p.m. on Thursday.
- The fire was located a mile north of the reservation, and it burned 2,427 acres.
- Resources deployed included two helicopters, seven engines, two hand crews, two dozers and a water tender.
- The Red Basin Fire burned 255 acres 10 miles southeast of Juniper Mountain.
- Crews got the fire under control at 7:40 p.m. on Thursday. A helicopter was enlisted in the battle.
- The Garat Fire in the Owyhee Wilderness burned 9,460 acres before it was controlled at 4 p.m., on Thursday.

Blaze near Adrian triggers smoky skies

Smoke hanging over Homedale last week came from a lightning-caused fire burning near Snively Hot Springs.

The Tunnel Hill Fire reportedly burned more than 32 acres in the Bureau of Land Management Vale District overnight on July 16.

Four engines, a hand crew and a dozer were dispatched to the fire that burned five miles west of Adrian.

Before containment was reported last Wednesday morning, the fire had smoldered in an Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC), according to a Vale District press release.

Crews stopped the spread of the fire a day after it started, but at one point steep and rocky terrain was hampering control efforts.

The fire was 30 percent contained by July 17.

Feds close Bruneau corrals after outbreak

What is believed to be equine distemper (a k a strangles) has forced the Bureau of Land Management to close the Bruneau Wild Horse Off-Range Corrals (ORC).

According to a press release, the BLM voluntarily closed the corrals to horses entering or leaving the facility because of the outbreak of an upper respiratory infection.

Infected animals are being tested to confirm the diagnosis of strangles.

The disease is highly contagious, the BLM said, and spreads from direct or indirect contact between horses. Although horses usually recover without treatment, the diseased can lead to more serious complications in some animals.

The closure may delay the shipment of the wild horses gathered from three Wyoming Herd Management Areas to BLM facilities.

“The Bruneau ORC horses will be monitored closely by facility staff and an on-call veterinarian,” corrals manager Krystle Wengreen said.

“After all signs of infection have passed, the closure will be lifted and horses may be transported out of the facility to event locations. The BLM takes the health of every wild horse seriously.”



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Physical exams
to help high schools

County rodeo entries accepted next week

Entries for the Owyhee County Rodeo open next week.

The Idaho Cowboys Association-sanctioned rodeo takes place Aug. 8 through Aug. 11 during the Owyhee County Fair in Homedale.

Entries for the pro rodeo will be taken from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday at (208) 366-2326 or by fax at (208) 366-7967.

Entries for the ICA rodeo

— See **Rodeo**, page 16A

Pitchers lift Rivercats to 14th straight

Ben Lee and Tyler Wood teamed up on a one-hit shutout last week for the Owyhee Rivercats American Legion Single-A team.

The Rivercats pounded the Canyon County Cobras, 7-0, for their 14th consecutive victory.

Lee struck out seven over 5 2/3 innings and surrendered the only hit the Cobras managed.

The Rivercats (25-3 after the game) scored three runs in the bottom of the third inning and never looked back.

Drew Taylor and Chase Stoddard knocked in two runs apiece for Owyhee.

Taylor went 2-for-3 with

— See **Rivercats**, page 16A

Quest to be the best

Michael Babcock sprints into Jr. Olympic national meet



Michael Babcock has noticed improvement in his technique since he began competing for the Idaho Dash earlier this summer.

What began as a quest for self-improvement has turned into a trip to a national track and field meet for Marsing’s Michael Babcock.

The 16-year-old is part of the Idaho Dash contingent that will compete this week at the USA Track and Field Hershey National Junior Olympic Track and Field Championships.

“I was just looking for a team that was close (to home) to help me improve and get better at the sport for high school and give me an extra edge,” the son of Michelle Wallace said.

Babcock may have already had some sort of an edge after earning medals in high school track and field state meets first as a freshman at Homedale and then last spring as a sophomore at Adrian.

He was part of Homedale’s state champion 4x200 meters relay team and the runner-up 4x100 relay team in 2017.

The Adrian High School junior-to-be began training with the Idaho Dash at Bishop Kelly High School in Boise soon after finishing sixth in the 100 meters at the 1A Oregon state meet. He was also part of the Antelopes’ third-place 4x100 relay team.

In a short period of time with the Dash, however, a light bulb came on for Babcock.

“I kind of started to figure out those parts and pieces I’ve been missing,” he said. “The things I need to do a lot more.”

The result was a strong

— See **Babcock**, page 16A

Playing the Percifield softball tourney just got cooler



Percifield Memorial Coed Softball Tournament funds were used to build the new school concession stand. Submitted photo

Annual Marsing event provides new shelter near fields

A coed softball tournament that has long been a fixture in Marsing has now provided a fixture for the town’s high school athletic complex.

A new concession stand and permanent shade structure was built earlier this month in preparation for the 38th annual Percifield Memorial Coed Softball Tournament.

Tournament co-director Amy Chadez said the structure will be christened with this week’s tournament, and it will also be used during the Huskies’ high school baseball and softball seasons.

The new concession stand is nestled between left field of the baseball field and the home plate area of the softball field.

The stand will be in use when the 32-team tournament begins at 6 p.m., on Friday. The action resumes at 8 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday with the championship games and award ceremony taking place Sunday afternoon.

“We encourage people to stop by,” Chadez said. “We have

— See **Percifield**, page 16A

Sports

From page 15A

✓ Babcock: Junior-to-be hopes experience helps at Adrian

showing at the USATF Western Regional in Provo, Utah. He barely missed a Junior Olympics berth in the 100 meters, but Babcock and his Idaho Dash teammates grabbed two relay championships in the 17-18 age group. Finishing eighth in the 100 at the Western Regional was a wakeup call for Babcock. “It just came to me how much I need to improve and work harder to be at that upper level and an All-American sprinter,” he said. “It came to me that I need to step up.” But Idaho Dash coach James Honnell apparently had enough faith in Babcock’s ability that he put his youngest 17-18 relay member on the opening leg of both events.

“I guess they put me there because I’m a pretty fast starter and can come out of the blocks the fastest on my team,” Babcock said. Babcock has been training with some new relay teammates since the Western Regional because some of the championship runners are unable to make the trip to North Carolina A&T University in Greensboro, N.C. There will be 22 Idaho Dash boys and girls among the 8,000 athletes at the Junior Olympics. The meet began Monday, but Babcock arrives today after he and his mother fly into Charlotte, N.C. Still, he will make the most of his down time by visiting

the zoo, maybe a water park and taking in seminars and motivational speeches from some of the several Olympic athletes who will be in town during the week. Babcock is scheduled to take part in the 4x100 preliminaries at 6:25 p.m. on Thursday. The 4x400 preliminary heat will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday. The 4x100 final is set for 2:15 p.m. on Saturday, and the 4x400 championship race takes place on Sunday. “It’ll probably be a lot of fast competition,” Babcock said. “A lot of kids, their bodies are a lot more physically tuned and grown up, it seems.” The fast end to summer won’t slow down for Babcock once he returns Monday. He’ll

go back to work helping his grandfather — Homedale cattle rancher Doug Burgess — with his herd. Babcock is also getting an animal ready for the Malheur County Fair beef show and then Adrian High School football practice starts in mid-August. Babcock hopes to use the Junior Olympic experience as motivation for his high school career and his quest to run track in college. He sees the experience as an asset for the entire Adrian program, too. “I feel like I can bring back some helpful tips to help some of the kids over there have better runs and have better form,” Babcock said. — JPB

Local schools benefit from physicals

Local boys and girls can help their high school athletics programs by getting their physicals done Tuesday in Homedale. RehabAuthority personnel will perform physical examinations from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Homedale clinic, 134 E. Idaho Ave. Each physical costs \$20, but all proceeds will be returned to the respective programs of the student-athletes who turn out for their physicals. Idaho High School Activities Association guidelines require all student-athletes complete a physical examination prior to the first practice of their freshman and junior years. Call RehabAuthority at (208) 337-3254 for more information. For Homedale and Marsing high schools, the football teams begin practice on Monday, Aug. 6, and the volleyball and cross country teams begin workouts on Friday, Aug. 10.

JV Jr. Rodeo entries close next week

Next Wednesday is the deadline to enter the annual Jordan Valley Junior Rodeo. The rodeo starts at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 18 at the Jordan Valley Rodeo Grounds. Boys and girls 18 and younger are eligible to compete in the rodeo. Custom-made buckles are awarded to the champions in each event and the all-round champions in each division. Cash and merchandise is awarded to the top five placers in each division. Rodeo proceeds benefit college scholarships for local high school seniors. More information is available on the Jordan Valley Junior Rodeo Facebook page. Organizers are willing to work with entrants who may also be competing in the Caldwell Night Rodeo to avoid conflicts.

✓ Percifield: Thirty-two teams begin competition Friday

food and beverages as well as some tournament memorabilia for purchase.” Hats, T-shirts and can koozies are among the tournament-branded items that are available. The final Friday games will start at 10 p.m., and the final Saturday game will start at 7 p.m. Championship games are expected to begin at 2 p.m. on Sunday. In the past, there has been a home run derby held Saturday night. There are three championships up for grabs — the A Division, B Division and C Division (which is the family division and is usually populated by

several local teams). Tournament co-directors JW and Amy Chadez urge spectators and tournament athletes to use off-site parking at the high school gymnasium on Main Street. Parking is extremely limited on the school grounds because of a comprehensive school construction project. Even with the ongoing school construction, volunteer organizations and individuals found space and time to complete the concession stand project earlier this month. According to a Facebook post, several firms contributed to the work, including: • Valley Construction • R and M Steel

• Idaho Electrical Service • Bush Excavation • Armenta Concrete • Franklin Building Supply • Action Garage • Idaho Sand and Gravel Less than a week before the tournament, officials also received the donation of a refrigerator for the concessions stand. The concession stand is just the latest project funded by proceeds from the long-running tournament. Tournament funds also have helped build the visiting dugout and complete construction of the home team dugout at the baseball field. Proceeds also have been used

to cover the youth baseball dugouts and purchase team uniforms and equipment as needed. The tournament began as a city tournament in 1981, and was renamed to honor Tim Percifield — Amy Chadez’s father — in 1985. Amy’s uncle, Mike, was later memorialized and the tournament name was shortened to the Percifield. The tournament MVP award is named for Kim Panzeri, who was an outstanding player in the first decade of the event. A community support award named for Chris Salove was added later. — JPB

✓ Rivercats: Jr. Legion club falls short against Indians

two runs scored, a double and a triple. Stoddard also had a double. Lee and Drew Deal went 2-for-4. Junior Legion The Owyhee Rivercats’ Junior Legion team could

complete a comeback in a 9-6 loss to the Nampa Indians on Thursday. Beeg Hockenhull went 2-for-4 with a triple, and he scored a pair of runs. Brady Trout was 2-for-3 with a double and three RBI for the Rivercats.

✓ Rodeo: ICA-sanctioned event to be held Aug. 8-11

also can be logged by visiting enterup.biz anytime until 5 p.m. on Thursday. For more information on the pro rodeo, visit www.icarodeo.com. Call back for the ICA rodeo will be held from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, and the draw will be posted at the ICA website and enterup.biz. Entries for the local rodeo will be taken from 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesday. Call (208) 337-3666. The local events (with entry details) include: • Mutton busting for ages

5-7 up to 55 pounds (entry fee \$20) • Steer riding for ages 8-13 (\$40) • Wild cow milking (\$28 per man) • Wild horse race (\$33 per man) • Local team roping for teams with at least one person from Owyhee County or living within the boundaries of adjacent school districts, Jordan Valley or Adrian (\$50 per man) For more information on the local rodeo, call secretary Jacky King at (208) 337-3666.

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County adopts land use/management plan

The long-awaited day arrived Monday afternoon for members of the county’s special committee, formed to draft the “Interim Comprehensive Land Use and Management Plan for Federally and State Managed Lands in Owyhee County”, when the commissioners voted unanimously for its adoption.

The document was conceived to force federal agencies to coordinate all land planning efforts with the county, following the guidelines of federal law, including Presidential Executive Order No. 12630, the Taylor Grazing Act, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, the Public Rangelands Improvement Act, the Wilderness Act, the National Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, the Endangered Species Act, the Wild and free Roaming Horse and Burros Act, the General Mining Law of 1872, the Reclamation Act of 1902, the National Trails System Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, Reclamation Reform Act of 1982, the Homestead Act, the Desert Entry Act, and others.

Committee chairman Tim Lowry said the document is designed “to protect the custom, culture and economic stability” of the county, and that the plan’s “foundation rests on freedom and property rights”.

Commission chairman Dick Bass commended the committee and counsel for their dedicated efforts and comprehensive results in drafting the plan.

Legal counselor Fred Grant told the commission that he “has never worked with a harder-working citizens committee”, and described the draft as “a first-class document”.

BLM’s Owyhee Resource Area Manager Jay Carlson said, “It is obvious the committee worked hard on this”, and stated his opinion that “the primary drive and concern is where we go from here”. Carlson said it is “very critical” for the BLM to meet with the committee as soon as possible.

The 58-page document, representing a year’s work by the committee and Grant, is available for review at the county clerk’s office. Copies will be available to the public as soon as they are printed.

P & Z to consider idea of park caretaker

A proposal that would allow a couple to live permanently in a trailer at Riverside Park in exchange for grounds upkeep has been forwarded to planning and zoning for review.

P & Z approval is needed prior to placing a singlewide trailer at the park. Once a special use permit is secured, the city council would also have to approve the arrangement.

If given the go ahead, the move may happen as early as this fall. The caretakers would pay all hookup costs and monthly utility bills.

City supervisor Larry Bauer said he likes the idea because it frees up city workers from park maintenance and allows more time for other projects.

“We can’t let the parks slide,” Bauer said. “This is a cheap way for the city to have a part-time employee. The city can have a part-time employee for \$1,200.”

The caretaker would be responsible for mowing, irrigation and weeding in all city parks. In return, the city would pay \$200 per month for six months and not charge rent for the trailer space.

Park neighbors are receptive to the idea of a permanent host because of the additional security offered by their presence.

50 years ago

July 25, 1968

Cattlemen to cavort again at Silver City

The 90th annual convention of the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association will be held Saturday and Sunday at Silver City with a full program on the opening day.

The sessions will begin at 10 a.m. with introduction of special guests and the president’s report given by Bill Tindall of Grassmere. Also listed on the agenda will be the Owyhee Cattlemen Feeder sale awards, the election of 1968 officers and directors and consideration of resolutions.

Guest speakers during the afternoon session will be A. L. (Gus) Hormay, range conservationist for the Bureau of Land Management at Berkeley, Calif., speaking on “Rest Rotation of Crested Wheat Seedings,” Sen. Frank Church; and Dr. Earl L. Drake, extension veterinarian, University of Nevada, speaking about “Grass Tetany.” Presentation of old-timers awards will be made.

At 6 p.m. a barbecue will be served by the Stateline Grange of Homedale followed by a dance, at 9:30 p.m. with music provided by Marty Martin. A midnight supper served by the Stateline Grange will culminate the day’s activities.

Officers of the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association are: Tindall, president; John Tyson, Murphy, Vice president; Jesse Wilson, Marsing, secretary; and Ernie Bahem, Bruneau; Dick Bass, Reynolds Creek; Milt Carsther, Grand View; John Miller, Melba; Ben Panzeri, Marsing; Asa Black, Bruneau; and Lee Stanford, Jordan Valley, all directors.

Owyhee Soil District chooses Takasugi

The Owyhee Soil Conservation District has selected John Takasugi of Homedale as its 1968 conservation farmer. In reviewing the cooperators in the Owyhee SCD, the board unanimously agreed that he is following a sound management conservation program and meets all of the criteria for a conservation farmer.

The crops grown on the Takasugi’s 230-acre farm are alfalfa seed, potatoes, sugar beets and grain. Extremely high yields are obtained on all of these crops. John declares that a good crop rotation, sound management practices and a lot of hard work is the secret to successful farming.

Approximately 300 head of Hereford cattle are fed annually on the Takasugi farm utilizing all of the grain grown on the farm.

This is a family size farm and all members of the family assist in the operation. Each has his respective jobs to do and by the appearance of the farm and homestead all members are participating, according to John Noyes, work unit conservationist for the district.

Nearly all of the head ditches on the farm are concrete lined and reorganization of the irrigation system has been completed within the past few years. Pipelines and land leveling are two other practices that have improved the irrigation management program.

Homedale locals

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Romjue and family, Portland, Ore., are visiting his mother, Mrs. Gladys Matteson, and other relatives in the area.

Pam Van Derhoff and Barbara Baker attended college camp held at Quaker Hill, McCall, from Friday to Sunday.

140 years ago

July 27, 1878

GOVERNOR JOHN S. HOYT, of Arizona, has concluded to accept the position of Governor of Idaho, and will depart for his new home as soon as General Freemont, the new Governor, arrives in Arizona. Governor Hoyt has made himself very popular in Arizona, and it was at one time his intention to remain and practice his profession, rather than go to Idaho, but the necessity for the inauguration of a new regime in the Territory threatened with Indian difficulties, has probably decided him to accept. The Los Angeles *Star* has the following information about the movements and plans of General Fremont, derived from a gentleman just arrived from Arizona, who claims that it is authentic and well known in office circles there: “General Fremont leaves New York, to take the Gubernatorial chair of Arizona, on the 24th instant; with a suite of twelve persons, among them his son, who is to act as his private Secretary, thus displacing the present incumbent, Mr. Anderson. They will stop at San Francisco several days, and on their arrival at Yuma will take Government transportation, furnished by Major Lord, Assistant Quartermaster at Yuma depot, by order of the Quartermaster General, U. S. A. Among General Fremont’s staff are gentlemen representing capitalists of the East, who are coming to investigate the mining districts of the Territory, and probably with the intention of investing money in the interest of the poor Pathfinder. The appointment of General Fremont to the Governorship of Arizona leads many to think that an attempt will be made at an early date to bring Arizona in as a State, and that there is a Senatorship in the near future for the impoverished explorer.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

The property known as the
WAR EAGLE HOTEL,
in Silver City,

now doing a prosperous business,
WILL BE SOLD AT A BARGAIN,
if purchased immediately, or
RENTED ON MODERATE TERMS.

It contains 35 Rooms, all well furnished.

THERE IS A
PRIVATE RESIDENCE
ATTACHED,

which will be sold or rented separately.
The entire property is in good condition, and
combines a stable and other appurtenances.

In addition to this hotel property the
proprietor offers for sale
AT LOW FIGURES

*Five Houses and a Stable
in Fairview, and*

A FARM ON PICKET CREEK,
with a house and other
improvements thereon.

A house and Corral, on Meadow Creek;
several horses and some fine milch cows;
about fifty tons of hay, and various other
products and property that can always
command purchasers.

The above property or a part of the
same will give the purchaser a desirable
opportunity to make money. A great
bargain can be had. In case of the sale of
a part or all payment could be made
either in cattle or money.

For further particulars call on or
address, V. BLACKINGER,
Silver City.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of
common sense
The Roper’s Rule



As I look back on my career, it never did exist.
I tried to ride the broncs and bulls, I truly did persist
But I never won a buckle. Oh, second now and then
So now that I’ve got older I’m a roper, born again.
But somehow things are still the same. In fact, they’ve gotten worse!
There has to be a reason why I never come in first.
Well, friends, there is. It’s sad to say. I learned it yesterday.
I was entered in a jackpot and pressin’ all the way.

McIntire was in the lead and in the finals go
His heeler single-hocked their steer and dallied up real slow
I made a National Finals run that left the crowd in awe
And when the dust had settled Mac and me had fought a draw!
We gathered ’round the judge to see how they would break the tie.
I got to wonderin’ if them rules of Dress Code should apply.
I pointed out that McIntire was wearin’ tennis shoes!
And decked out like a refugee embarking on a cruise.

Why, his ratty tee shirt said, EIGHT SECONDS AIN’T THAT GREAT!
If that’s no violation then there’s none to violate!
The judge thumbed through his rulebook to attempt to clear the fog.
I hung on to his pant leg like a broken-hearted dog.
“Oh, please pick me! I never win. There’s always somethin’ wrong.
The timer’s clock was faulty or the handle was too long.
My horse was old, my rope was new, the flagger was too slow.
He ducked his head, he drug his feet. Ya listenin’ Judge? Hello?
It’s not my fault. It never is. The sun got in my eyes.
My hat blew off, my dally slipped, I wasn’t synchronized!”
He continued to ignore me as I knelt there in the dirt.
“You can have my stamp collection, my brand new Trevor shirt.”
I offered him my wife and kids. I’d nothing left to lose
But he finally paid attention when I threw up on his shoes.
He turned to McIntire and said, “He’s right. You get no time.”
I skipped a beat! ‘By dang,’ I thought, ‘I’m ’bout to hit my prime!’

After years of grim donations and payin’ for the ride
I was gonna win a buckle. It felt so good inside,
The judge looked down at me and said, “Yer gettin’ second place.
By rights that buckle should be yours but you’re a special case.
You fall within the Roper’s Rule. No matter how you try
Yer doomed to be an also-ran, unlucky kind of guy
I could ignore your conduct, but I’m stickin’ to my guns.
In rodeo like real life...You whiners chafe my buns.”

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

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington
Confirm judges who
protect Constitution



U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo
Republican (term expires 2022)

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Our nation’s first president, George Washington, wrote in 1789: “The administration of justice is the firmest pillar of government.” The judicial system’s critical role in our constitutional republic is reflected in the process for appointing federal judges, which apportions responsibility between the two political branches of government. The Senate Judiciary Committee, on which I serve, is tasked with considering judicial nominations, including for the U.S. Supreme Court, appellate courts and district courts. With lifetime appointments, the individuals serving on the federal bench can have a major impact on the delivery of justice, and it is important we confirm talented and constitutional-minded judges.

From confirmation of an Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court to district court judge confirmations, we are seeing the selection of quality Article III judges who are going to serve the American people for years to come. In 2017, the U.S. Senate confirmed Judge David Nye to serve as U.S. District Court Judge for the District of Idaho by a unanimous, bipartisan vote of 100-0. His was the very first district judge approved by the 115th Congress. His extensive legal experience, including as judge for Idaho’s Sixth Judicial District and in private practice litigation, already is benefiting the people of Idaho and the American people.

Judge Nye is just one of 42 judges nominated by President Trump and already confirmed by the Senate. Also under review by Congress is Ryan Nelson, the president’s nominee for an Idaho-based seat on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. I chaired Ryan’s nomination hearing on July 11 and look forward to his swift confirmation by the Senate.

Last year, the Senate also confirmed Supreme Court Associate Justice Neil Gorsuch. Throughout his confirmation

process, I was impressed with his commitment to our law and upholding the separation of powers defined in our Constitution that he has now brought to the Supreme Court. As Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa) reflected, “Judges should say what the law is, not what they think it should be. ... We have a president appointing textualist and originalist judges and a Republican Senate Majority actively confirming them. The results speak for themselves.”

I take my advice and consent role very seriously, a role delegated explicitly to the Senate in Article II, Section 2 of our Constitution. Judges who substitute their personal beliefs for the law undermine a fundamental principle of our government and erode our liberties. Ultimately, a fair judge, Supreme Court or otherwise, must follow the law, not make laws from the bench.

As the Trump administration works to advance the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to succeed Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy and other federal judicial nominees, I will continue to consider whether nominees look foremost to the Constitution for guidance. Following decades of customs and

— See *Judges*, Page 19A

Center for Rural Affairs

Planning, cooperation can make wind farms a rural boon



by Lu Nelsen

Wind energy has paid off for rural areas. Whether it be new employment opportunities, additional revenue for counties, or direct payments to landowners, rural communities have received significant benefits.

However, any kind of new development comes with concerns. One frequent concern voiced by local residents is what effect a wind farm may have on property values. Several studies have examined how wind farms may

affect property values.

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory completed a study in 2013 that used data collected from the sale of more than 50,000 homes in 27 counties, in nine different states. These homes were within 10 miles of wind projects, with 1,198 sales within one mile and 331 within half of a mile. This study also used data from before a project; the post-announcement, pre-construction period; and during operation. The study found no evidence

of an effect on prices of homes in proximity to wind turbines.

While wind farms appear to have no notable effect on property values, siting remains an important piece of wind energy development. Developers, along with county and community officials, must identify ways to address concerns and mitigate impacts from new development, while allowing landowners

— See *Wind*, Page 19A

Commentary

Financial management

To ensure quality, extend hiring process beyond interview

Dear Dave,
I own a small business with two employees, and I have a bit of a hiring conundrum. I'm looking at two candidates for a position, and on paper they're evenly matched. I've interviewed each of them four times, and I'm still undecided. I was hoping you had an idea for determining which is best for the job.

— Bryan

Dear Bryan,
As an entrepreneur, that's a great problem to have. I'm glad you understand the wisdom of interviewing potential hires more than once. Sometimes business owners hire a person after just one meeting. That's a really bad idea.
Have you let your team members talk to them? Sometimes other people — especially those who might be someone's co-worker — will pick up on things you missed during a formal interview.

You might also think about scheduling a meeting with each of the candidates off-site. People tend to be more at ease in an informal setting, like a restaurant or coffee shop, and this could lead you to discover new things. Sometimes, a more relaxed setting allows you to see the whole person, and decide if you like who they really are. It can also lead someone to say things that might cause you to hire them — or *not* hire them.
Something we always do at my company is a final interview over dinner. Spouses are invited to this meeting, and we encourage them to speak into the situation. I'm not talking about a big test, just conversation and a friendly, family atmosphere. You can tell a lot about a person by how they talk to, and interact with, their spouse. And sometimes a spouse, if there is one, will catch things you missed during other interviews.



DAVE Says
by Dave Ramsey • www.davesays.org

I'm impressed that you're taking this seriously, and devoting some real time and energy to hiring. Your thoughtfulness leads me to think you'll make the right decision!

— Dave

Dear Dave,
What can someone do if they can't convince their spouse to begin planning and saving?

I've tried for years to persuade my wife to join me in following your plan, but I can't get her to start thinking about our financial future and stop living in the moment.

— Donald

Dear Donald,
It sounds like your wife, for whatever reason, is not willing to pay a price for a short period of time. I'm sorry to say it, but that kind of thinking is a one-way ticket to a lifetime of mediocrity. If you're unwilling to pay a price to win, then you're going to end up paying the price that comes with never having paid a price.
In essence, you're asking me how to get her to grow up. I'm not sure there's a way to convince her at this point. If she's not willing to delay getting or doing things she wants, that's a sign of immaturity. You can't change that within another person. It must be a conscious, willing

decision on their part.
Maybe you could try letting her know that being careful with your money and planning for the future doesn't mean you can't have any fun. It just means you may have to delay certain things for a little while. My wife and I do and have lots of cool things now, because we saved like crazy and sacrificed years ago. We lived like no one else, so now we're able to live like no one else. In other words, we paid a price to win!

— 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 14 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.*

✓ Judges: Administration appointing judges who adhere to rule of law

From Page 18A
precedents, the Senate will take up nominations as expeditiously as possible. Throughout, I will continue to maintain that an emphasis on following the law and upholding our Constitution must be a central characteristic of any person confirmed for the federal branch.
The significant legal issues surrounding our courts give even greater weight to confirming outstanding,

constitutional judges. Each year, federal courts hear cases that affect individual rights and uphold or erode our constitutionally protected rights.
To safeguard our rights, judges must adhere to the rule of law and not enable judicial activism to prejudice rulings.
We are headed in the right direction in advancing a court system that preserves our constitutional rights, ensures a limited government and provides speedy

and fair justice. I look forward to continuing to support nominees who carefully exercise this judicial responsibility within the limits of the law.
— *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.*

✓ Wind: Careful siting, fair local standards produces benefit not burden

From Page 18A
to host wind turbines, if they choose.
A good first step is to identify questions and concerns of local residents, often through public meetings, to discuss potential projects and share information. These meetings can offer an opportunity for county officials to gather input informing decisions about local regulations, and for developers to answer

questions and use feedback to make adjustments to projects.
Careful siting and fair, well-informed standards also help ensure other local concerns can be avoided or mitigated. Rural communities can work together, and with developers, to make wind energy projects better, and continue to reap the benefits of new renewable energy.

— *Lucas "Lu" Nelsen is a policy program associate for the Lyons, Neb.-based Center for Rural Affairs. Contact him at lucasn@cfra.org. Established in 1973, the Center for Rural Affairs is a private, non-profit organization working to strengthen small businesses, family farms and ranches, and rural communities through action-oriented programs addressing social, economic, and environmental issues.*

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Washington, DC 20510
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Term expires 2020
Rep. Raul Labrador (R-Idaho)
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Fax — (202) 225-3029
E-mail — <https://labrador.house.gov/contact-me/email-me>
Term expires 2018
Governor
Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter
Office of the Governor
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Boise, ID 83720
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E-mail — see <http://gov.idaho.gov>
Term expires 2018

Public notices

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE FOR PUBLICATION BOARD OF OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ORDINANCE NUMBER 2018-3

Title: An ordinance that prohibits jumping or dropping from bridges in to the Snake River.

Summary: The ordinance prohibits acts on the Snake River and penalties for violations. No person shall act intentionally, or with criminal negligence by jumping or dropping from bridges and other landscape features over or adjacent to the Snake River. Violation of this Ordinance shall be an infraction, punishable by a fine of \$300. There is no right to trial by jury of a citation or complaint for an infraction and such trials shall be held before the court without a jury. The effective date for this ordinance as amended shall be July 26, 2018. The full text will be available online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at http://www.sterlingcodifiers.com/codebook/index.php?book_id=871, as well as at the Owyhee County Clerk’s office, which is located at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, between the hours of 8am to 5pm on working days Monday to Friday.

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

OWYHEE COUNTY CLERK

Angela Barkell
7/25/2018

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please be advised that a public hearing will be held before the Council and Mayor of the City of Homedale on the 8th day of August, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Homedale City Hall, 31 West Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho.

The subject matter of this hearing is:

An Ordinance to declare the intent of the city to exchange certain city owned real property located at Airport Way for property of equal value located at Westown’s Disposal.

The public is invited to attend and offer input.

Alice E. Pegram
City Clerk/Treasurer
City of Homedale (208-337-4641)
7/25,8/1/2018

COMBINED PUBLIC NOTICE FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND NOTICE TO INTENT TO REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

City of Homedale
(Name of Grantee)
31 West Wyoming Avenue,
Homedale, Idaho 83628
(Street, City, Zip Code)
(208) 337-4641
(Telephone No.)

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Homedale.

Request for the Release of Funds

On or about (at least day after the end of the public comment period) the City of Homedale will submit a request to the Idaho Department of Commerce, State of Idaho, administering

agency for the release of Idaho Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383), as amended, to undertake the following project:

City of Homedale Library Construction Project
(Project Title)

Construction of a 3,600 sq. ft. public library on property owned by the City of Homedale

(Purpose or Nature of the Project)

125 Owyhee Avenue, City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho

(Location of Project: City, County, State)

\$701,425.00
(Estimated Cost of Project)

Finding of No Significant Impact

The City has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment.

Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the **City of Homedale City Hall at 31 West Wyoming Avenue** where the ERR can be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Public Comments

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comment to the City of Homedale for receiving and responding to comments.

All comments received by **August 10, 2018** will be considered by the City before authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. The comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

Release of Funds

The City of Homedale certifies to the Idaho Department of Commerce that Gheen Christoffersen, in his official capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The Idaho Department of Commerce’s approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows for the City to use ICDBG funds.

Objections to State Release of Funds

The Idaho Department of Commerce will accept objections to its release of funds and the City certification for a period of fifteen (15) days following the anticipated submission date or its receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases:

A. The certification was not executed by the certifying officer.

B. The City has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58;

C. The City has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of the release of funds by the Idaho Department of

Notice of Public Hearing

FY2019 PROPOSED BUDGET

Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 (FY2019)

CITY OF HOMEDALE

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1002, will be held for consideration of the proposed budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019 (**FY2019**). **A proposed Budget Hearing will be held at Homedale City Hall, 31 W Wyoming at 6:00 p.m. on August 08, 2018.** Copies of the proposed city budget with details are available for review at Homedale City Hall during normal business hours. All interested persons are invited to appear.

	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019
	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	PROPOSED
01 General	\$756,441.00	\$835,971.00	\$855,941.00
02 Streets & Highways	\$279,485.00	\$278,990.00	\$288,559.00
03 Parks	\$137,670.00	\$154,415.00	\$186,989.00
04 Library	\$696,557.00	\$846,490.00	\$873,890.00
05 Local Improvement District	\$44,567.00	\$44,567.00	\$42,844.00
06 Law Enforcement	\$494,439.00	\$548,728.00	\$581,388.00
25 Water	\$810,542.00	\$813,666.00	\$856,076.00
26 Sewer	\$731,094.00	\$746,918.00	\$794,910.00
27 Sanitation	\$122,000.00	\$128,100.00	\$134,500.00
30 Airport	\$20,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$210,010.00
60 Irrigation	\$162,570.00	\$169,530.00	\$178,778.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (all funds)	\$4,255,365.00	\$4,592,375.00	\$5,003,885.00
Property Tax Levy			
General Fund	\$389,800.00	\$405,066.00	\$418,000.00
Park & Rec	20,531.00	21,100.00	21,700.00
Total Property Tax:	\$410,331.00	\$426,166.00	\$439,700.00
Revenue Other Sources			
01 General	\$366,641.00	\$430,905.00	\$437,941.00
02 Streets & Highways	\$279,485.00	\$278,990.00	\$288,559.00
03 Parks	\$117,139.00	\$133,315.00	\$165,289.00
04 Library	\$696,557.00	\$846,490.00	\$873,890.00
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30 Airport	\$20,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$210,010.00
60 Irrigation	\$162,570.00	\$169,530.00	\$178,778.00
Total Other Sources	\$3,845,034.00	\$4,166,209.00	\$4,564,185.00
TOTAL REVENUE (all funds)	\$4,255,365.00	\$4,592,375.00	\$5,003,885.00

Alice E. Pegram
Homedale City Clerk/Treasurer
7/25,8/1/2018

CITY OF HOMEDALE
Quarterly Revenue/Expenditure Report
3rd FISCAL QUARTER, FY 2018

FUND	BUDGET AMOUNT	Expended to Date	% of Budget Expended	Revenue to Date	% of Budget Revenue
01 General	\$ 835,971.00	\$ 464,469.00	55.6%	\$ 551,780.00	66.0%
03 Parks	\$ 154,415.00	\$ 72,881.00	47.2%	\$ 66,811.00	43.3%
04 Library	\$ 846,490.00	\$ 67,520.00	8.0%	\$ 79,963.00	9.4%
06 Law Enforcement	\$ 548,728.00	\$ 354,565.00	64.6%	\$ 315,553.00	57.5%
30 Airport	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 535.00	2.1%	\$ 9,948.00	39.8%
Sub-Total	\$ 2,410,604.00	\$ 959,970.00	39.8%	\$ 1,024,055.00	42.5%
02 Streets & Highways	\$ 278,990.00	\$ 87,087.00	31.2%	\$ 101,116.00	36.2%
60 Irrigation	\$ 169,530.00	\$ 105,080.00	62.0%	\$ 113,995.00	67.2%
25 Water	\$ 813,666.00	\$ 357,235.00	43.9%	\$ 306,606.00	37.7%
26 Sewer	\$ 746,918.00	\$ 374,611.00	50.2%	\$ 322,213.00	43.1%
27 Sanitation	\$ 128,100.00	\$ 74,703.00	58.3%	\$ 96,450.00	75.3%
	\$ 2,137,204.00	\$ 998,716.00	46.7%	\$ 940,380.00	44.0%
TOTAL (all funds)	\$ 4,547,808.00	\$ 1,958,686.00	43.1%	\$ 1,964,435.00	43.2%

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

Signed: Alice E. Pegram
City Clerk/Treasurer

7/25/2018

Commerce.

D. Another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures at 24 CFR Part 58 and shall be addressed to:

Dennis Porter, Community Development Manager
Industry and Community Services Division

Idaho Department of Commerce

700 West State Street
PO Box 83720
Boise, Idaho 83720-0093
Telephone: 208-287-0782

Potential objectors should contact the Idaho Department of Commerce to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

/s:/ Gheen Christoffersen, Mayor, City of Homedale (Typed Name and Title)

This Notice can be provided in a format accessible to persons with disabilities and/or persons with limited English proficiency

upon request.

Se le puede proveer esta notificaci6n en un formato accesible para las personas discapacidades y/o personas con conocimientos limitados del ingles a pedido.

7/25/2018

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trade it, rent it...
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Public notices

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The board of commissioner for the Marsing-Homedale cemetery maintenance district have tentatively adopted a budget for the 2019 fiscal year, for the cemetery district, as set forth below. A public hearing will be held for the enhancement, of said budget, at the office for the Marsing-Hamedale cemetery, located at 4410 Cemetery Road, Marsing Id, at 2:00 p.m. on august 1st, 2018. The budget is available for public inspection between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday at the cemetery office.

Proposed budget dated July 3rd, 2018

Budget Term: October 1st, 2018 to September 31st, 2019

Carry Over Funds	\$7,200.00
ANTICIPATED REVENUE:	
TAX LEVY	\$78,070.00
FARM RENT	\$7,500.00
OPENING & CLOSING	\$10,000.00
BURIAL LOTS	\$10,000.00
GENERAL	\$57,000.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$162,570.00
TOTAL BUDGET	\$169,770.00
ANTICIPATED DISBURSEMENT:	
SALARIES:	
SEXTON	\$40,000.00
PARTIME LABOR	\$24,000.00
FARM OVERSIGHT	\$8,400.00
WEEKEND/HOLIDAY FUNERALS	\$1,200.00
SPECIAL MEETINGS	\$700.00
TOTAL:	\$74,300.00
EXPENSES:	
TRAVEL & MEALS	\$600.00
GAS & OIL	\$4,500.00
PAYROLL TAXES	\$3,700.00
IDAHO POWER	\$3,000.00
IRRIGATION	\$3,500.00
TELEPHONE	\$1,500.00
SANITATION	\$3,500.00
PROPERTY INSURANCE	\$2,700.00
LEGAL NOTICES	\$500.00
BOND INSURANCE	\$125.00
PROPERTY TAX	\$100.00
REPAIR GROUNDS	\$8,000.00
REPAIR EQUIPMENT	\$3,300.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$800.00
STATE INS. FUND	\$3,400.00
CHEMICAL & FERTILIZER	\$3,200.00
PERSI	\$6,200.00
DEEDS	\$600.00
CONTINGENCY	\$46,245.00
TOTAL	\$87,366.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENT	\$169,770.00
TOTAL BUDGET	\$169,770.00
BRUCE BENSON:SEC/TRE, CLERK, AND SEXTON	
MARSING-HOMEDALE CEMETERY MAINTENANCE DISTRICT	
7/18,25/2018	

SUMMONS

CASE NO. CV37] 800058
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE STATE
OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR
THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
COLLECTION BUREAU,
INC, an Idaho corporation, an
Idaho corporation, Plaintiff,
-vs- ANTONIO V. MARTINEZ,
Defendant.
TO: THE ABOVE NAMED
DEFENDANT(S): CASE NO.
CV37] 800058 SUMMONS FOR
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and owing. Anytime after 21
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to the Clerk of the Court and
served a copy of your response
on the Plaintiff's Attorneys,
Mark L. Clark, PLLC, PO Box
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(208) 463—2311. A copy of
the Summons and Complaint
can be obtained by contacting
either the Clerk of the Court or
the attorney for Plaintiff. If you
wish legal assistance, you should
immediately retain an attorney to
advise you in this matter.
DATED 15, Dec., 2018
Angela Barkell, Clerk of the
Court
By: Lena Johnson, Deputy
Clerk
7/4,11,18,25/2018

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The Commissioners of GEM HIGHWAY DISTRICT, Marsing, Idaho, Owyhee County, Idaho have tentatively adopted the 2018-2019 budget for said district as set forth below. A public hearing will be held for the adoption of the budget at the Office of the District at 1016 Main Street at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, August 14, 2018. The budget is available for public inspection at the District Office between the hours of 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. Call 896-4581 for an appointment.
Dated this 16th day of July, 2018

Proposed Budget Oct. 1, 2018 – Sept. 30, 2019

	FY 2017 Actuals	FY 2018 Estimated Actuals	FY 2019 Proposed
Anticipated Beginning Balance:	\$ 595,789	\$ 639,734	\$ 687,853
Anticipated Revenue:			
County and Local Revenue:			
Property Tax incl. penalties & interest	62,327	64,417	70,000
Ag Equipment Replacement Tax	3,337	3,410	3,112
Sales Tax	10,640	11,749	10,000
Interest	2,088	2,702	3,000
Miscellaneous	2,794	2,800	5,000
State Revenue:			
Highway Users Fund	479,708	501,288	496,000
Total Anticipated Revenue:	\$ 561,094	\$ 587,766	\$ 586,112
Budget Balance:	\$ 1,156,883	\$ 1,227,500	\$ 1,273,965
Anticipated Expenses:			
Gas, Oil and Tires	12,389	11,739	30,000
Insurance and Bonds	9,877	9,184	12,000
Labor and Salaries	120,059	100,000	125,000
Lease	320	0	8,000
Professional Fees	7,050	7,100	8,000
Office Expense	9,500	2,585	10,000
Payroll Taxes and Benefits	31,970	28,704	35,000
Repairs and Maintenance	36,887	5,701	30,000
Equipment Capital Outlay	0	0	50,000
Roads & Bridges	263,008	248,680	270,000
Shop Expense	7,365	4,647	8,500
Utilities	4,068	6,490	8,500
Weed Control	14,558	14,815	16,500
Contingency	0	100,000	100,000
Total Anticipated Expenses:	\$ 517,149	\$ 539,646	\$ 710,500
Anticipated Ending Balance:	\$ 639,734	\$ 687,853	\$ 561,465

Stella J. Bush
Secretary-Treasurer
7/25,8/1/2018

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The Commissioners of MARSING RURAL FIRE DISTRICT, Marsing, Idaho, Owyhee County and Canyon County, Idaho have tentatively adopted the 2018-2019 budget for said district as set forth below. A public hearing will be held for the adoption of the budget at the Office of the District at 303 Main Street at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, August 15, 2018. The budget is available for public inspection at the District Office between the hours of 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday.
Dated this 20th day of July, 2018

Proposed Budget Oct. 1, 2018 – Sept. 30, 2019

	FY 2017 Actuals	FY 2018 Estimated Actuals	FY 2019 Proposed
Anticipated Beginning Balance:	\$ 332,796	\$ 401,640	\$ 219,631
Anticipated Revenue:			
County and Local Revenue:			
Property Tax incl. penalties & interest	77,276	334,248	450,000
Ag Equipment Replacement Tax	16,525	9,915	17,000
Personal Property Replacement	498	19,592	800
Sales Tax	10,611	11,783	13,000
Interest	33	4,661	4,000
Road Inspection	1,400	1,080	1,500
Miscellaneous	16,015	2,634	16,000
Total Anticipated Revenue:	\$ 122,358	\$ 383,914	\$ 502,300
Budget Balance:	\$ 455,154	\$ 785,554	\$ 721,931
Anticipated Expenses:			
Personnel Costs	7,233	16,824	20,000
Operations and Maintenance	27,952	48,158	52,000
Support Services	5,831	941	6,000
Capital Outlay	12,498	500,000	500,000
Contingency	0	0	100,000
Total Anticipated Expenses:	\$ 53,514	\$ 565,923	\$ 678,000
Anticipated Ending Balance:	\$ 401,640	\$ 219,631	\$ 43,931

Stella J. Bush
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7/25,8/1/2018



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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

To be sold for cash at a Trustee’s Sale on December 4, 2018, 09:00 AM at the In the Lobby, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, the following described real property situated in Owyhee County, State of Idaho (“Real Property”): A part of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 1 South, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described to-wit: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 14, Township 1 South, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence South 89°14’45” East 1,327.39 feet along the North line of said Section 14 to the Northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence South 0°41’50” West 333.41 feet, along the West line of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, to the initial point of this description; thence continue South 0°41’50” West 333.42 feet; thence South 89°17’42” East 663.31 feet, to a point on the East line of said West Half; thence North 0°43’50” East 333.13 feet along the East line; thence North 89°16’13” West 663.50 feet, to the initial point of this description. Excepting there from: Commencing at the initial point of the above described tract, being the initial point of this exception; thence continuing South 0°41’50” West 161.00 feet, along the West line of the said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter to a point; thence South 89°16’13” East 270.00 feet to a point; thence North 0°43’50” East 161.00 feet to a point; thence North 89°16’13” West 270.00 feet to the initial point of this description. Also excepting there from: A part of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Section 14, Township 1 South, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described to-wit: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 14, Township 1 South, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence South 89°14’45” East 1,327.39 feet along the North line of said Section 14 to the Northwest corner of the said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence South 0°41’50” West 666.83 feet, along the West line of the said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, to a point; thence South 89°17’42” East 663.31 feet, to a point on the East line of the said West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 14, said point being the initial point of this description; thence North 89°17’42” West a distance

of 286.53 feet to a point; thence North 00°43’50” East a distance of 166.57 feet to a point; thence South 89°17’42” East a distance of 286.53 feet to a point; thence South 00°43’50” West a distance of 166.57 feet, to the point of beginning Commonly known as: 12635 Trail Drive Road, Melba, ID 83641 Judith M. Phillips and Kenneth L. Phillips, as Grantors conveyed Real Property via a Trust Deed dated March 12, 2009, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Taylor, Bean & Whitaker Mortgage Corp., its successors and assigns as Beneficiary, in which Pioneer Title was named as Trustee. The Trust Deed was recorded in Owyhee County, Idaho, on March 18, 2009, as Instrument No. 267723, and modified pursuant to the Modification recorded on January 14, 2014, as Instrument No. 283059, of Official Records, and modified pursuant to the Modification recorded on March 4, 2014, as Instrument No. 283381, of Official Records. The Deed of Trust was assigned for value as follows: Assignee: Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC Assignment Dated: November 4, 2014 Assignment Recorded: November 17, 2014 Assignment Recording Information: Instrument No. 285268 Shelly M. Espinosa is the Successor Trustee pursuant to a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Owyhee, State of Idaho on July 11, 2018 at Instrument No. 296539, of Official Records. The Beneficiary has declared a default in the terms of said Deed of Trust due to Grantor’s failure to make monthly payments beginning March 1, 2018, and each month subsequent, which monthly installments would have been applied on the principal and interest due on said obligation and other charges against the property or loan. By reason of said default, the Beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable. The total amount due on this obligation is the principal sum of \$115,811.58, interest in the sum of \$2,605.74, and other amounts due and payable in the amount of \$160.24, for a total amount owing of \$118,577.56, plus accruing interest, late charges, and other fees and costs that may be incurred or advanced. The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the property and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent, unless such amounts of taxes are paid by the Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary, the amounts or taxes will be added to the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust.

Other expenses to be charged against the proceeds of this sale include the Trustee’s fees and attorney’s fees, costs and expenses of the sale, and late charges, if any. Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the Trustee to sell the above described property to satisfy the obligation. The sale is a public sale and any person, including the Beneficiary, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding in cash or cash equivalents (valid money orders, certified checks or cashier’s checks). The conveyance will be made by Trustee’s Deed, without any representation or warranty, including warranty of title, express or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an as-is, where-is basis, without limitation, the sale is being made subject to all existing conditions, if any, of lead paint, mold or other environmental or health hazards. The Grantors, successor in interest to the Grantors, or any other person having an interest in the property, or any person named in IRC § 45-1506, has the right, at any time prior to the Trustee’s Sale, to pay to the Beneficiary, or the successor in interest to the Beneficiary, the entire amount then due under the Deed of Trust and the obligation secured thereby (including costs and expenses actually incurred and attorney’s fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation or to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Deed of Trust with Successor Trustee’s and attorney’s fees. In the event that all defaults are cured the foreclosure will be dismissed and the foreclosure sale will be canceled. The scheduled Trustee’s Sale may be postponed by public proclamation up to 30 days for any reason. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder’s sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Successor Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The above Grantors are named to comply with IRC § 45-1506(4)(a). No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation. This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Dated this 17th day of July, 2018. Shelly M. Espinosa

Substitute Trustee 376 East 400 South, Suite 300, Salt Lake City, UT 84111 Telephone: 801-355-2886 Office Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8AM-5PM (MST) File No.

53051
7/25,8/1,8,15/18

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

At 11:00 o’clock a.m. on the 18th day of September, 2018, in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, Idaho, Michael D. Mayfield, Esq. (Idaho State Bar No. 7857), Successor Trustee, or his designee, 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 real property described in Exhibit A attached hereto, located in Owyhee County, Idaho (the “Real Property”). For information purposes only, the tax identification number for the Real Property is purported to be RPB002000100B0A. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust and Fixture Filing dated April 18, 2017, executed by Marsing Senior Citizens, Inc. as Grantor, in which Pioneer Title Company of Canyon County was named as Trustee and ZB, N.A., dba Zions First National Bank, was named as Beneficiary, and was recorded on April 19, 2017 as Instrument No. 292539, in the official records of Owyhee County, Idaho (“Trust Deed”). The above Grantor is named to comply with Section 45-1506(4)(a) Idaho Code. No representation is made that it is, or is not, presently responsible for this obligation. The default(s) for which this sale is to be made is the maker’s failure to comply with the terms of that certain Promissory Note dated April 18, 2017, made by Marsing Senior Citizens, Inc. (“Maker”) in the original amount of \$75,000.00 (the “Note”). Maker has failed to pay the required monthly payments due and owing in October 2017 and each month thereafter. As a result of Maker’s failure to comply with the terms of the Note, the Beneficiary has elected to accelerate the maturity date of the Note and there is due and immediately owing on the Note secured by the Trust Deed the approximate amount of \$74,442.09, including any and all interest in an amount of not less than \$2,928.73, late fees in the amount of \$1,070.39 and taxes, costs and expenses actually incurred. All delinquencies are now due together with any late charges, advances to protect the security, and fees and costs associated with this foreclosure. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause said property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. The successful bidder, other than the Beneficiary, must make a \$5,000.00 down payment, at the time of sale, by bank cashier’s check made payable to ZB, N.A.

dba Zions First National Bank, with the remaining balance of the successful bid payable, in certified funds, within 24 hours following the sale. DATED this 11th day of May, 2018. SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE: Michael D. Mayfield (Idaho State Bar No. 7857) Ray Quinney & Nebeker P.C. 36 South State Street, Suite 1400 Salt Lake City, Utah 84111 (801) 532-1500 Generally available during normal business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) Monday through Friday. EXHIBIT A: A tract of land situated in Block 1 of the Revised Plat of Butte, Idaho (City of Marsing) and more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the intersection of First Avenue East and First Street North monumented with a brass disk; thence South 78° 03’ 50” East a distance of 49.50 feet to the Northwesterly corner of Block 1 to POINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 56° 56’ 10” East a distance of 265.00 feet; thence South 9° 37’ 35” East a distance of 163.42 feet; thence South 56° 56’ 10” West a distance of 200.00 feet; thence North 33° 03’ 50” West a distance of 149.94 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO a 20.00 foot ingress/egress easement as follows: An easement parcel being a portion of Block 1 of the Revised Plat of Butte lying in the SW 1/4 of Section 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at intersection of 1st Street North and 1st Avenue East, said point marked with a 3 inch diameter brass disk; thence S. 32° 25’ 53” E., a distance of 35.00 feet along the centerline of 1st Avenue East to a point on the southeasterly right-of-way of 1st Street North; thence N. 57° 37’ 17” E., a distance of 35.00 feet along said southeasterly right-of-way of 1st Street North to a point on the northeasterly right-of-way of 1st Avenue East; THENCE S. 32° 25’ 53” E., a distance of 149.91 feet (formerly S. 33° 03’ 50” E., a distance of 149.94 feet) along said northeasterly right-of-way of 1st Avenue East to the POINT OF BEGINNING of said easement; thence N. 57° 35’ 35” E., (formerly N. 56° 56’ 10” E.) a distance of 200.00 feet to a point on the approximate top of bank, said point marked with a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence N. 08° 58’ 05” W., a distance of 21.80 feet along said approximate top of bank; thence S. 57° 35’ 35” W., a distance of 208.68 feet to a point on the northeasterly right-of-way of 1st Avenue East; thence S. 32° 25’ 53” E., a distance of 20.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING of said easement.
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140TH ANNUAL SUMMER CONVENTION

SATURDAY

9 a.m. — Registration at the Silver City schoolhouse

9:30 a.m. — Business meeting

Pledge

Membership bit drawing

Introductions

James Rogers, WineCup Gamble Ranch

"Outcome-based grazing"

Break

Deck o' cards raffle

Twin Falls Bureau of Land Management

"Murphy Complex Fire: 11 Years Later"

Josh Uriarte, Office of Species Conservation

Sage-grouse RMP update

OCA Beef Heifer Replacement Program

Noon — Potluck lunch

Elias Eiguren

Owyhee Basin Stewardship Coalition

Cody Burlile

State brand inspector

Reports and updates

Tucker Shaw, Idaho Cattle Association president

Lynn Bachman, OCA president's report

Bureau of Land Management

Break

Deck o' cards raffle

Political updates

Brad Griff for Congressman Raúl Labrador

Brenda Richards, Public Lands Council past president

Honorary Life Members

Terry and Rosemary Warn, Jordan Valley

Resolutions

New Business

Election of Directors

5 p.m. — Social hour

6 p.m. — Dinner by Cowgirls Catering

\$12 for adults, \$10 for youth 10 and younger

9 p.m. — Dance with music from Runnin' for Cover

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140TH SUMMER MEETING

About the cover photographer

Rachel Burk moved from East Texas to Idaho in 2014. She teaches English and journalism at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School.

She lives in Oreana with her husband Dale, and their two daughters. They spend many hours out their back door hiking, biking and enjoying Owyhee County.

Aside from the bounty of nature Owyhee County provides, Rachel also loves the people and culture. She shares her passion for photography with students in her classroom. This county offers "more than just wilderness, it offers great people and students," she said.



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Correction

The sponsor of the deck o'cards raffle prize was incorrectly reported after the winter meeting. Doug Rutan and Anipro donated the headstall.

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*Incoming Owyhee Cattlemen's Association president Lorna Steiner holds her grandson Chuck as she stands with family members. **From left:** Son Jake Steiner and his wife Ashley, Lorna Steiner and Chuck, and Lorna's husband Johnny Steiner. **Not pictured:** Son JR Steiner and his wife Sammie.*

It'll be business as usual for association's first woman president

Steiner ready to continue promoting, protecting industry

Lorna Steiner will make history Saturday afternoon. But the Oreana rancher just sees it as part of her job.

The historic step of becoming the first female board president for Owyhee Cattlemen's Association matters less to the 57-year-old than what she can do for the industry over

the next year to further what the men who have held the gavel before her have started.

"I don't really see there is a difference," Steiner said. "Either way there is a responsibility and a job that needs to be done. It's the same as any of us running a ranch or small business. A

man or woman can take a leadership role, and hopefully we can earn respect from those we are working with and get the job done. Perhaps others will look at it differently. I don't.

"The only thing that may differ is I probably won't wear my cowboy hat to meetings."

It's no different than the life the 38-year Owyhee County resident has

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OUTGOING PRESIDENT

Term ends with changes on the horizon

Lynn Bachman's pending departure as the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association president brings an end to a long and storied history of leadership by the Bachman clan.

But the latest Bachman man to lead saw his tenure go by in the wink of an eye.

After his term as president ends on Saturday, he will stay on the board for one more year as past president.

"It's gone by really quickly. It's just flown by," Bachman said.

What will be a seven-year term began for Bachman in 2012 when he replaced his older brother Kit, who moved to Nevada for work.

Lynn Bachman, 35, has a young family that consists of his wife Tiffany, who he married in 2005, two daughters, 11-year-old Elsie and 4-year-old Lillie. The couple also has a 9-year-old son, Jacob.

Bachman says there have been some interesting issues that he and the other board members have dealt with over the last year.

"In February we went to the capitol a couple times and wrote quite a few letters to draw up support of the Lowry-Nettleton Constitutional Defense fund business," he said.

In 2018, Dist. 23A Rep. Megan Blanksma (R-Hammett) sponsored Idaho House of Representatives Proclamation 1 to get financial relief for Tim Lowry and Paul Nettleton, whose fight inspired state stockwater rights legislation.

"It wasn't anything planned, but those things can come up and you deal with them. It's always been in the back of everyone's mind but all of a sudden there was some movement," Bachman said.

He added, "As president and



Lynn Bachman was all smiles when he swung his newly acquired gavel to close the 2017 summer meeting.

board member, you just have to go to where the issues arrive."

Bachman feels that there have been no big changes in the OCA during his tenure, but some relationships have improved.

"Our relationship with the BLM has definitely improved," he said. "They seem to be not as contentious. There are definitely still some issues that need to be worked on."

He sees the BLM's work to align its sage-grouse plan with the Idaho conservation strategy as a positive change. Public comment on the BLM proposal is open until Aug. 2.

"The Idaho plan was kind of turned away by the (Obama) administration, and we are happy to see it come back," he said.

The structure of the OCA board is one issue incoming president Lorna Steiner and the directors will have to deal with in the next year, Bachman said.

"We've had some issues with finding people to come on the board," he said. "The ranching community is not getting any larger. The person who doesn't go on (to becoming vice-president and president), you lose them after three years. Chad (Nettleton) and myself stayed on an extra year."

Directors who follow the presidential track usually serve only three years as a director. Nettleton and Bachman served four years before becoming vice-president.

He said the board will have to discuss ways to change so it can hold on to its members.

Bachman thinks that Steiner will be a great president.

"She'll be the first woman president in the 140-year history of the association," he said. "She'll be great. She's been a tremendous help."

— TK

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HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Warns busy, active on both sides of border

Terry and Rosemary Warn have been ranching in the Pleasant Valley area for more than 50 years, but for Terry, the relationship with Owyhee County goes back much further.

On Saturday, the Warns will be honored as the 2018 recipients of the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association Life Member Award, something Terry simply attributes to longevity.

"I'm really not sure why we're nominated," Terry said. "We just got a call from (OCA director) Jerry Wroten, who told us we were on the list.

"I guess it's just because we've been in Owyhee County so long. I guess if you stick around long enough ..."

According to Wroten: "They are great neighbors to have and are hard workers. I know they have always supported the local community."

The road that brought Terry to 1,200 acres of meadow for his cattle, led him the short distance from Jordan Valley to Pleasant Valley, where his family moved when his older sister was ready to start school in 1944.

Rosemary lived in McDermitt, Nev., until she was seven years old, when her family moved to Crooked Creek, then to Rome, Ore., and ultimately to Jordan Valley.

The Warns have raised four children from their "Home Place at Pleasant Valley," as Terry called it.

They have two sons. The oldest, Con, works for the City of Jordan Valley, and youngest child John lives



Terry and Rosemary Warn of the Jordan Valley area will receive the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association Honorary Life Member Award on Saturday. Submitted photo

and works on his parents' ranch.

Oldest daughter Julie Allison lives in Melba and works for the school district, and second daughter Joan Swisher lives in Lamoille, Nev.

The Warns have been with the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association since the 1960s, not long after they began ranching.

"We definitely didn't have as much then as we do now," Terry said of the family's holdings. "We've added a lot since then."

While grateful for the nomination Warn says because most of the land they own is on the Oregon side, they're more heavily involved over there than on the Owyhee side of things.

"I'm not really sure who it was that recommended us, but we do appreci-

ate whoever it was that was thinking of us," he said.

Terry said he knows that outgoing OCA president Lynn Bachman has done well during his term, although he understands that Bachman and the previous presidents are limited on exactly what they can do.

"He's done a great job, though," he said. "I don't know him real well, but I do know Frank Bachman." The 1989 OCA president, Frank is Lynn's father.

Terry said that he and Rosemary will not take time off any time soon. He said they need to stay busy.

"We like to stay active. As soon as you start relaxing too much, before you know it you're up on Boot Hill."

— TK

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The Owyhee Cattlemen's Association 2017-18 board of directors includes, from left, Jerry Wroten, Scott Bunderson, Paul Nettleton, Kenny Sevy, Steve Boren, Lynn Bachman, Chad Nettleton, Lorna Steiner, and Josh Bruce.

2017-18 board of directors

Lynn Bachman

Position: President

Age: 35

Occupation: Rancher

Family: Wife, Tiffany (13 years); Children: Elsie, 11, Jacob, 9, and Lillie, 4

Residence: Bru-neau

OCA membership: Lifelong

Joined board in 2012

Background: Fifth-generation rancher. ... Great-grandfather Lynn (1942-47), great uncle Earl (1951-52) and father Frank (1989) all served as OCA president. ... brother Kit was an OCA board member ... Graduate of the Leadership Idaho Agriculture program



Lynn Bachman

Lorna Steiner

Position: Vice-president

Age: 57

Occupation: Rancher

Family: Husband, Johnny (36 years), sons JR (31; wife, Sammie) and Jake (29; wife, Ashley)

Residence: Ore-ana

OCA membership: Six years (Johnny was a member previously)

Joined board in 2014

Background: The 38-year Owyhee County resident will become OCA's first female president at the end of Saturday's meeting. ... Second female director in OCA history. ... On why she joined the board: "I felt I should



Lorna Steiner

support and contribute to our local organization that represents and defends our lifestyle and livelihood for future generations." ... She also serves as the Republican Party Central Committeeperson from the Oreana Precinct.

Chad Nettleton

Position: Past president

Age: 39

Occupation: Rancher

Family: Wife, Michelle (six years); Sons: Jarret, 4, and Kase, 3

Residence: Murphy

OCA membership: Seven years

Joined board in 2011

Background: Great-great-grand-

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Chad Nettleton

OCA LEADERSHIP

Cattlemen's board of directors

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father, Matthew Joyce, was one of the OCA's founders, and his father, Paul, is in his second stint as an OCA director. ... On his reason to serve on the OCA board: "I have been going to meetings since I was a kid, and I wanted to help further the organization."

Paul Nettleton

Position: Director (incoming vice-president)

Age: 68

Occupation: Cattleman

Family: Divorced. Four grown children (three daughters and one son)

Residence: Silver City (Murphy)

OCA membership: Lifelong member

Joined board in 2015

Background:

A lifelong OCA member, Nettleton served previously on the board from 1984 to 1987. ... His great-grandfather, Matthew Joyce Sr., was a founding member of the OCA in 1878. ... His uncle, Jim Nettleton, was OCA president in 1955-56, and his father, Hugh, was treasurer in the 1930s. ... His son, Chad, also served as OCA president ... His great uncle, Jim Joyce, and uncle, Joe Nettleton, also served on the board of directors.



Paul Nettleton

Steve Boren

Position: Director

Age: 44

Occupation: Rancher

Family: Wife, Mandi (8 years); Children: Tyson, 15; Ella, 12; Loyd, 10; Eli, 7; Robert, 3; Zach, 1

Residence: Oreana

OCA membership: Five years

Joined board in 2016

Background:

Bruneau-Grand View school board member since 2017. ... Moved to Owyhee County from central Nevada in 2011. ... Of his time on the board thus far, "It's been great. I like the people I get to work with."



Steve Boren

Josh Bruce

Position: Director

Age: 36

Occupation: Rancher

Family: Wife, Alica; Children: Houston, Page, and Jaxon

Residence: Jordan Valley

OCA membership: Five years

Joined board in 2016

Background: The lifelong Owyhee County resident is in his first year as an OCA director.



Josh Bruce

Scott Bunderson

Position: Director

Age: 46

Occupation: Tax accountant, rancher

Family: Debbie Bennett (fiancée)

Residence: Nampa (has ranch in Owyhee County for more than 15 years)

OCA membership: 15-plus years



Scott Bunderson

Joined board in 2015

Background: Fiancée's dad, George Bennett, led OCA in 2000

Kenny Sevy

Position: Director

Age: 57

Occupation: Dairyman, rancher

Family: Wife, Sarah (35 years); six sons, five daughters

Residence: Lifelong resident of Opaline area

OCA membership: 10 years

Joined board in 2016

Background:

Sevy is the first member of his family to serve on the OCA board ... He decided to join the board because "I think it's a pretty good organization. I think it's a worthwhile cause."



Kenny Sevy

Jerry Wroten

Position: Director

Age: 29

Occupation: Relationship mgr., Northwest Farm Credit Services; owns cows in Jordan Valley

Family: Wife, Hanna (4 years)

Residence: Wilder and Jordan Valley (Owyhee for 15 years)

OCA membership: Seven years

Joined board in 2017

Background: Joined the board to serve the ranching industry and to promote the OCA. ... ICA member ... Grandson of OCA Lifetime Member Marion Wroten (1975).



Jerry Wroten

HISTORY OF LEADERSHIP



2003

Incoming OCA president Tony Richards (left) accepts the gavel from retiring president Charles Lyons, who is holding his son, Henry.

Past Presidents

Owyhee Cattle and Horse Growers Association

(no list available prior to 1935)		1972	Ben Panzeri	1995	Jerry Hoagland
1935-41	Frank Gusman	1973	Bob Collett	1996	Michael F. Hanley IV
1942-47	Lynn Bachman	1974	Pete Jackson	1997	Peter Jackson Jr.
1948-50	Milford Vaught	1975	Bill Ross	1998	Chris Black
1951-52	Earl Bachman	1976	Don McKay	1999	Richard Brandau
1953-54	Dick Gabica	1977	George Earll	2000	George Bennett
1955-56	Jim Nettleton	1978	Ted Cossel	2001	Martin Jaca
1957	Gene Davis	1979	Ray Colyer	2002	Kenny Tindall
1958	Frank Maher	1980	Frank Davis	2003	Charlie Lyons
1959	Ed Riddle	1981	Ted Gammett	2004	Tony Richards
1960	Alvin Benson	1982	Gene Tindall	2005	Brian Collett
1961	Frank Baltzor	1983	Elias Jaca	2006	Brad Huff
1962	Arsen Alzola	1984	Rand Collins	2007	Russ Turner
1963	John Malmberg	1985	Forest Fretwell	2008	Dana Rutan
1964	Walt Morgan	1986	Eric Davis	2009	Bodie Clapier
1965	Walt Yarbrough	1987	Craig Malmberg	2010	Doug Rutan
1966	Don Davis	1988	Dave Tindall	2011	Mark Frisbie
1967	Lee Stanford	1989	Frank Bachman	2012	Matt Tindall
1968	Bill Tindall	1990	Vern Kershner	2013	Bill White
1969	John Tyson	1991	Tim Lowry	2014	Kenny Kershner
1970	Ernie Bahem	1992	Bill McBride	2015	Ken Bahem
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1968 Ralph Stanford
Norman MacKenzie

1969 Henry Hatton
Albert Harley

1970 Jonas Bass
Kirby Forman
Earl Bachmann
Hugh Nettleton

1971 Milford Vaught
Omar Stanford
Angel Bilboa
Zack Montini
Bill Burghardt
Theron Adcock

1972 Ray Pershall
Al Mackey

1973 Walt Adams

1974 No one chosen

1975 Marion Wroten

1976 Elmer C. Johnston

1977 Perle Davis

1978 Marvin Jess
Joe Nettleton

Albert Black
Frank Baltzor
Adam Blackstock

1979 No one chosen

1980 Lee Stanford

Ed Muller

1981 Cliff Feltwell
Everett Townsend

1982 Joe Turner
Grant Strickland
Cliff McMahan

1983 Dick Gabica
Albert Harley
Paul Black
Bob Gluch

1984 Walt Yarbrough
Noy Brackett
Johnny Miller

Jim Alzoa

1985 Bill Maher
Art Bahem



2010

New Owyhee Cattlemen's Association Life Member Forest Fretwell got a hug from his mother, Evelyn, after being presented with the award for he and his wife, Nancy.

1985 Emeline Nettleton
Rollie Patrick
Dick Benham
George Johnstone
Henry Brandau

1986 Al Curtis
Jay Thompson
Clayton Turner
Bill Tindall

1987 Harold Markley
Curley Heath
Willie Panzeri

Bob Harris
1988 Frank Maher
Owen Barton

1988 Fostino Alzola

Bob Davis
1989 Monk Stimmel
Don McKay
Rufus Lequerica
1990 Arsen Alzola

Bill Swan
Chuck and Frankie Dougal
Gertrude Anderson
Gusty Elordi*

1991 Chet Tindall
Bill Tindall
Ruby Staples

1992 Roy Hoagland

1993 Ted Cossel
John Malmberg

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Don Davis
 1994 LeRoy Beaman
 Walt Morgan
 1995 Calvin Johnston
 1995 Joe Churruca
 Bill and Nita Lowry
 1996 Bob Collett
 Bus Cummings
 Gene Davis
 Hazel Hanley
 Tom Skinner
 1997 Frank and Nathalie (Tally) Davis
 Ray and Bonnie Colyer
 Frances Field
 1998 Tom and Celia Hall
 Jack and Elvira Potter
 Gene Stanford
 1999 Joe Black
 Ronald Hutchison
 Herb Mink
 Merv Robinson
 2000 Bud Greeley
 Clarence and Virginia Miller
 2001 No one chosen
 2002 Richard Bennett
 2003 Ace and Marilyn Black
 2004 Frankie Dougal
 Virginia Stanford
 Dick and Karen Bass
 Curt Strickland*
 2005 Juanita Johnstone
 Dick and Barbara Jayo
 Virginia Belknap
 2006 Fred and Lodice Grant
 Bob Kelly
 Barbara and David Lahtinen
 2007 Elias and Inez Jaca
 2008 Ernie and Sherry Bahem
 Walt Nilles
 2010 Benny and Mary Panzeri
 Forest and Nancy Fretwell
 2011 Tom and Connie Hook
 Chad Gibson
 2012 No one chosen

2013 Pete and Nancy Jackson
 2014 No one chosen
 2015 John Biar
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 Tim Nettleton
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Ranchers, government find common ground in the sagebrush

Treatment of 11K acres of sage-grouse habitat helps other species, too

by **Mandi Boren**

For The Owyhee Avalanche

In Owyhee County putting ranchers and the federal government in the same sentence is enough to spark a heated debate at the local coffee shop or anywhere you might bump into a neighbor.

However, over the past six years, two Owyhee County ranchers and the federal government have been making large-scale efforts to improve rangelands and habitat for the greater sage-grouse, proving common ground can be found even in the most uncommon places.

Thomas Cattle Co. and Arrow B Ranch are neighbors in the Owyhee Mountains. The Owyhees are home to the greater sage-grouse as well as various birds and wild game and have been used for nearly two centuries by cattle ranchers.

Steve Boren of Arrow B Ranch operates the Josephine Creek Ranch in remote Owyhee County. His ranch was one of the early ranches in the county to sign-on to the Sage-Grouse Initiative in 2012. The Josephine Ranch encompasses approximately 12,500 acres of deeded and state land.

Seth and Logan Thomas operate

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Above: With a thick stand of juniper trees as a backdrop, Geramy King (left) and Chad Nettleton rope calves during a spring branding at the Josephine Ranch. Photo by Mandi Boren

Below: The same roping corral as it appeared after the juniper treatment. **From left:** Carson Raymond, Cooper Raymond and Ella Boren. Photo by Rachel Burk



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Ground: 1 tree needs 40 gallons of water daily

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the Thomas Cattle Co. They signed on to the initiative in 2014. Their ranch covers approximately 16,500 deeded and state acres. Both ranches include prime sage-grouse habitat.

The terrain on the two ranches can vary from thick stands of trees to sparsely populated stands and even marshy meadows. Subsequently, the implementation of the two projects has been different for each ranch.

Boren first began thinning trees with the help of a local mastication company. The process of mastication involves a skid steer machine on tracks with an attached rotary drum. The drum has chipper teeth that shred the tree and spread chips across the surrounding terrain.

While efficient on some projects,

mastication efforts on the Josephine Ranch proved less effective. Boren said the first 40 acres were tedious with frequent machinery malfunctions. The diameter of the trees proved too big for the machine.

Boren then switched to using a feller-buncher, a large logging machine also on tracks with a circular saw on the end of a long boom with an extendable reach. The machine moved quickly through the ranch's thick stands of large trees and made a clean cut close to the ground.

In very steep and rocky areas, Boren used chain saw crews. Each day, a six-man crew could move through eight to 12 acres of extremely rough terrain where the machine could not access.

The Thomas Cattle Co. has also

been treating their country with chain saws. Additionally, the Thomases also use a telehandler with an attached shear.

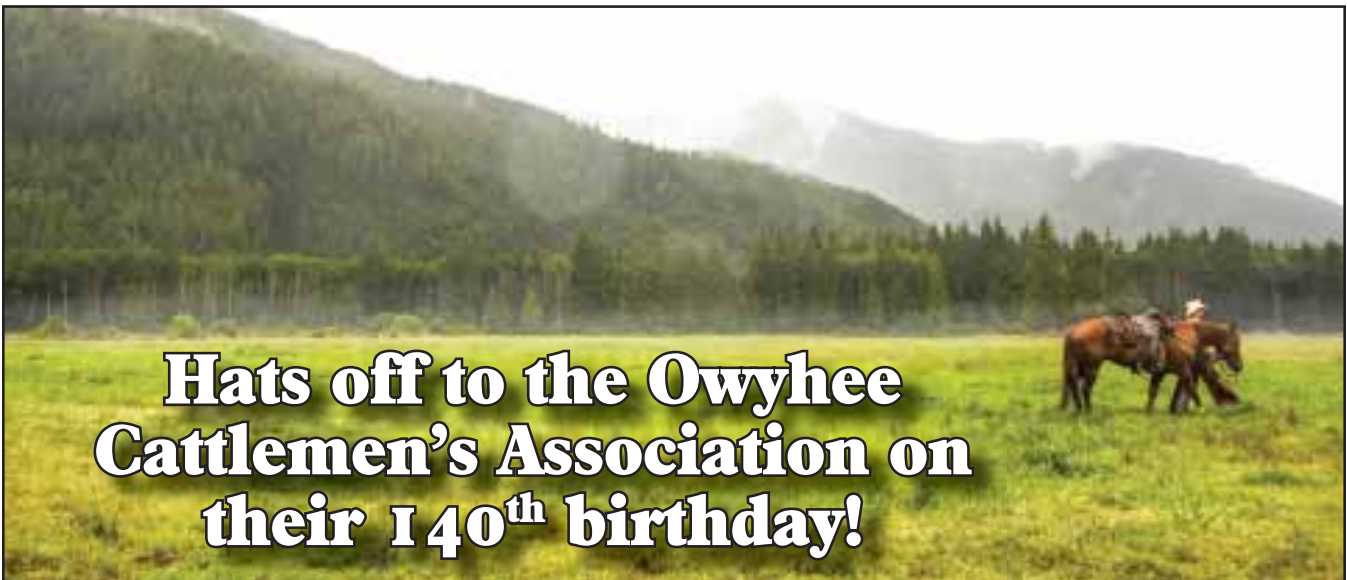
To date, the two ranches have treated approximately 5,500 acres each.

Both ranches are pleased with the immediate results of treatment and are optimistic about the long-term benefits they will provide.

Boren said since the project began he has seen a resurgence of grouse and previously dry springs. He also noted the increasing presence of native grass, shrubs and even mountain mahogany trees.

Researchers at Oregon State University estimate a mature juniper

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⌘ Ground: Fed programs help with removal work

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tree can consume between 30 and 40 gallons of water per day during the hot summer months.

Josephine Creek Ranch part-owner Dr. Paul Collins said:

"After the cut, the flow of water in Josephine Creek has now become year-long," and "... is a much more robust resource for the fish, deer and birds."

The Thomas Cattle Co., has also noted improvements in their rangeland.

"It's amazing how quickly after treatment the water recovers ... in three years, we have seen a drastic improvement in the grass," Seth Thomas said.

Josh White, a wildlife biologist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, began working with Boren in 2012. The majority of his work has been coordinating, developing and implementing conservation projects with landowners and program partners.

"There are many efforts working together for the benefit of the sage grouse," White said.

But, he believes, "The ranching community is one of the most important groups in sage-grouse and sagebrush conservation.

"Ranching and conservation are really one in the same in that sustainable rangeland practices are the tools used to manage rangeland habitats," White said.

According to White, proper maintenance of the treated areas is essential to the success of sage-grouse projects.

One issue the Josephine Ranch encountered after treatment was what to do with the felled trees. Juniper

wood is excellent firewood, but the remote location of the ranch and the difficult limbing process proved too costly.

Both ranches have repurposed logs for fence posts and firewood, but Boren found the most effective plan for his ranch was to use a controlled burn. To date the Josephine Ranch has burned approximately 2,000 acres of slash.

Seth Thomas said the logs are so light that they do not take long to decompose if not removed.

With the help of the Natural Resource Conservation Service, the Josephine Ranch has also undertaken multiple reseeding treatments.

The winter of 2017 brought a record snowfall to Owyhee County. The added moisture to the disturbed and newly planted ground created prime soil conditions for seedling growth. The positive effects of reseeding have been seen on the Josephine as quickly as one year after treatment.

"The difference between a successful and unsuccessful project is follow-up management," White said. "If we do not continue to evaluate and respond to new issues that arise overtime, that's when we lose."

Having a successful project and maintaining a working landscape is exactly what the Thomas Cattle Co., and the Josephine Creek Ranch are aiming for.

"It's amazing how quickly after treatment the water recovers ... in three years, we have seen drastic improvement in the grass."

— Seth Thomas, Thomas Cattle Co.

"Everyone understands that maintaining a healthy, working landscape is vital for both wildlife and ranching," White said.

"I've been really fortunate to work with some great ranchers in southwestern Idaho, and without their participation and willingness to work with people like me we wouldn't get a lot done."

According to White, one of the largest planned projects in Idaho is the Bureau of Land Management's Bruneau-Owyhee Sage-Grouse Habitat Project. The project goals are to remove early-phase juniper across an estimated 726,000 acres and improve a total of 1.67 million-acres of sage-grouse habitat over a 15-year period.

White believes the Bruneau project ties in well with work done by the ranching community.

"It's my feeling that when you have honest and open discussions about an issue and outline what your goals are, you will see a common thread and be able to get some good things done on the ground," White said.

More than 11,000 combined acres of improved rangeland and sage-grouse habitat in the Owyhees is a good thing in the eyes of the federal government and the ranchers, proving that common ground can be found even in the most uncommon of places.

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HEIFER REPLACEMENT

Youth program reaches 10th year

Fair livestock veteran
among three
2018 recipients

Three teenagers will be introduced Saturday as the newest participants in the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association heifer replacement program.

OCA members have been donating animals to this program since 2009 although no one applied to receive heifers last year.

In the program's nine years, nearly 40 heifers have been provided to help more than 30 youths start their herds.

One of the 2018 recipients — Mitchell Erwin of Bruneau — joins a handful of youths who have benefitted twice from the program aimed to keep the industry and lifestyle vibrant in Owyhee County.

The 14-year-old son of Russell and Deidre Erwin, Mitchell joins 15-year-olds Emma Eldridge and Fallon



Melba-area resident Zane Helm discusses his heifer project during last year's summer meeting. Helm is raising an animal donated by David Rutan.

Wasson as the 2018 recipients.

Ranching families serving as 2018 sponsors include Matt and Lisa Tindall, Lynn and Tiffany Bachman, and John and Lorna Steiner.

The participants will draw to see which rancher is their specific sponsor, OCA secretary Scott Jensen

said.

This is the 10th summer meeting at which ranchers have helped Owyhee County boys and girls start their fair projects.

Erwin, who is working a heifer donated by Joyce Livestock Co., is among five teenagers who will give their second-year reports at Saturday meeting:

- **Lauren Jensen** — The 16-year-old daughter of Marsing residents Scott and Sharla Jensen is raising a heifer provided by Dan Mori.

- **Chloe Heitz** — Another Marsing resident, the 14-year-old daughter of Jay and Karen Heitz received her animal from Doug Rutan.

- **Zane Helm** — The 16-year-old son of Nate and Neita Helm of Melba, Zane is raising a heifer donated by David Rutan.

- **Gabe Shaffer** — The 13-year-old has an animal provided by Ed

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HEIFER REPLACEMENT

œ Youth: Program started with seven in 2009

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Olsen. Gabe's parents are Brecca and Mitch Hipwell of Oreana and Matt Shaffer of Homedale.

No one applied to receive heifers in the 2017-18 season.

Erwin, Eldridge and Wasson got involved this year when they submitted an application before June 1.

Eldridge lives in Bruneau and is the daughter of Erin and Eric Eldridge.

Wasson's parents are Rebecca and Jeff Wasson of Marsing.

Program participants, all of whom must be OCA members, are required to give oral reports during each OCA summer meeting. Some participants have provided photos of

their growing animals during their presentations.

In their reports, the participants usually talk about what goes into caring for their animals as well as the adventures in trying to get the heifers bred.

Eligible youth must be in fifth through 10th grade at the time of their application. They also must be members of a 4-H club or a FFA chapter in Owyhee County.

Further information on the program and details on how youth and ranchers can get involved is available on the OCA website at www.owyheecattlemen.com under the "Education" tab.

The participants in the program raise and care for their animals and

show them at the Owyhee County Fair for two summers — first as a yearling and then as a cow/calf pair.

The OCA-sponsored cattle are also singled out in competitions at the fair. The association sponsors the belt buckle for the top cow/calf pair, and Art and Stacy Butler of Spring Creek Ranch sponsor the buckle award for the top bred heifer.

The fair's beef show will be held at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 9 in the Livestock Barn at the Homedale fairgrounds. The show takes place 24 hours after the final beef weigh-in begins on Wednesday, Aug. 8.

Seven boys and girls received animals to kick off the replacement program in 2009.

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IN MEMORIAM

Don Barnhill

January 8, 1946 to February 24, 2018

Donald Ray Barnhill, 72, of Murphy, died at home on Feb. 24, 2018.

Don was born in Wichita, Kan., on Jan. 8, 1946.

His family later moved to Carlsbad, Calif., and during his high school years Don built and raced cars at the Carlsbad Speedway. He married Diane and had two children, Mike and Jeff.

In the early 1970s, Don moved his family to Buhl and purchased his first ranch. After owning many businesses and ranches over the years, Don settled in Murphy, and ran the Wintercamp

Ranch.

His favorite pastime was archeology, and he attended Boise State University and obtained a degree in the field.

He had a passion for antiques, muscle cars and anything that went fast.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Earnest Ray and Pearl Doraline, and his siblings, Vicki and Roger.

He is survived by his two sons, Mike and Jeff (Michelle); grandchildren, Jordan (Bryce) and Tanner (Jestin) and two great-grandchildren, Braxton and DallieJo as well as countless friends.



Frank Davis

September 13, 1927 to February 20, 2018

Former Owyhee Cattlemen's Association board president Leland Frank Davis of Bruneau died on Tuesday, Feb. 20, 2018 in Bountiful, Utah. He was 90.

Frank and his wife, Nathalie (Tally), were named OCA Life Members in 1997. He served as OCA president in 1980.

Frank was born at Canyonville, Ore., on Sept. 13, 1927, the fifth of six children of Perle and Hilda Davis. In December of 1927, his family moved from Oregon to Kuna where Frank went to school until the middle of the seventh grade. In 1939, his dad took up a homestead just across the Oregon border from Homedale. He finished school at Adrian, Oregon.

Upon graduation from high school in 1945, Frank enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps. After completing boot camp at San Diego, he was assigned to the Marine detachment aboard the aircraft carrier USS Midway, where he served until the end of World War II.

After the war, Frank worked with

horses and cowboyed as much as possible until the Korean War, when he reenlisted in the Marines. He served

in Korea from November 1950 until he was wounded in June 1951. He received his second honorable discharge in October 1951. He came away with memories of flatlanders who had never been off city sidewalks trying to negotiate the brush-covered hills of Korea.

In 1953, Frank started rodeoing, riding bareback horses and occasionally bulls.

In his quest to become a bull rider, he joined the RCA in 1954 and rodeoed steadily until 1967. He split the Cow Palace title with Wagner in 1959, won Tucson on a good Vold bull in 1960, got a buckle from John Day, Ore., and gathered a few other



bits of memorabilia.

Frank was a gold card holder in the PRCA, a member of Bruneau American Legion Post No. 83, and an inductee to the Idaho Cowboy Hall of Fame. He also served on the Idaho Animal Damage Control Board.

During and after his rodeo years, he cowboyed for brothers, Bob, Don and Gene until he got a ranch of his own. Frank ran cows for nearly 40 years and raised horses.

Frank married the love of his life, Nathalie "Tally" Davis, in 1970. He always said marrying her was the best thing that ever happened to him. They had nearly 48 years together.

Frank is survived by his wife Nathalie "Tally" Davis, her two sons, Mike and Doug Atkins, his brother Dick and his wife Joyce, sister-in-law Pat Davis, 13 nieces and nephews and their families and many family members on Tally's side. He was preceded in death by both parents, his sister Frances Newman, his brothers Bob, Don and Gene, nephew Bill Davis and niece Darlene Williams.

IN MEMORIAM

Frankie Dougal

February 11, 1918 to August 26, 2017



Lifelong Owyhee County resident Francis Clara Whitby Dougal, better known as “Frankie,” died on Aug. 26, 2017, at the age of 99.

Frankie was born on Feb. 11, 1918 in Jordan Valley to Tom and Clara (Drummond) Whitby. Frankie was delivered by a midwife, an old Basque lady named Margette. At just three weeks old, her folks loaded the family in a wagon and headed back to the Five Bar Ranch on the Owyhee River.

When the family sold the Five Bar Ranch in 1922, Frankie was on the move again to the Grover Foster Homestead. Frankie grew up there with her two sisters: Ulea “Peachie”, Evelyn; and one brother Arthur. The four kids attended school in a

one-room, dirt floor log cabin at Cliffs for all eight grades with only one teacher.

In March 1939, Frankie married Charles “Chuck” Gordon Dougal in Boise. There was no honeymoon, just the horseback ride to the Brace Brothers Ranch on Juniper Mountain. After working 4½ years for \$30 a month, they went to work for Ernest Fenwick for two years before Chuck and Frankie saved up enough to buy the Ed Beers Ranch from Pat O’Keefe located on Cherry Creek. Later, they would buy the Prince Hardisty Ranch from Tom Booth in 1949, and her brother Arthur’s ranch in 1962.

Frankie and Chuck raised their three children — Charlene, Ben and Helen — on the Hardisty Ranch.

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IN MEMORIAM

Frankie Dougal

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The Dougals were honored as Owyhee Cattlemen's Association Life Members in 1990.

Frankie's true passion in life was not only her many grandkids; great-grandkids; and great-great-grandkids, but also making horsehair Mecates for many cowboys and cowgirls, from as close as her neighbors a few

miles away, or north to Canada and Alaska, or as far away as Australia, Belgium, Switzerland and Hawaii.

Frankie is survived by daughter: Charlene Stanford; son: Ben (Cathy) Dougal; daughter: Helen (Bob) Corbari; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Frankie was preceded in death by her husband Chuck; grandson Gordon Stanford; her parents; an infant brother Thomas Whitby; brother Arthur Whitby; two sisters: Ulea "Peachie" (Bob) Gluch and Evelyn (Bill) Farmer, and many other beloved family members.

Frankie was buried at Jordan Valley Cemetery.

Barbara Jayo

January 10, 1930

to October 5, 2017

Former Owyhee County Clerk and OCA member Barbara Jayo of Murphy died on Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2017 at her daughter's home.

Barbara was born on Jan. 10, 1930 in Boise, the youngest of Bryan and Ida Brunzell's three children.

Barbara's family had deep roots in Owyhee



County, immigrating from Europe in 1864 and getting involved in mining and construction.

After graduation from Jordan Valley High School in 1950, Barbara married Richard Dix Jayo on

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IN MEMORIAM

Nita Lowry

December 4, 1926 to June 16, 2018

Vernita "Nita" Emily Lowry died of natural causes June 16, 2018 in the presence of her husband, Bill and family.

Nita was born in Redmond, Ore., on Dec. 4, 1926 to Mary and Fay Hein. She was the second of six children.

At a young age, Nita and her family moved to Rumsey, Alberta where her father

farmed. They moved back to Oregon and farmed in the little community of Elmira. Nita attended classes at Red Oak School. She and Winona, her older sister, looked out for their three younger brothers, keeping them safe from the older boys of the country school.

In 1940, the family moved

to Prineville, where Nita attended and graduated from high school. While in school and during the summers, she worked at several different jobs. One job was being the cook's helper at the Stearns' Ranch where she met her husband-to-be, Bill Lowry. They



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Barbara Jayo

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Oct. 14, 1950.

Their twin daughter and son were born May 12, 1953.

Barbara and her husband were named Owyhee Cattlemen's Asso-

ciation Life Members in 2005.

Barbara was involved in most of the community activities in the town of Murphy and Owyhee County, and served as Owyhee County Historical Society as treasurer. She also was a self-taught artist.

She was preceded in death by her

husband Richard Dix, brother Tommy, and her parents.

Barbara is survived by daughter Rene' (Sam) and son Richard; brother Bryan (Margaret), and numerous extended family members.

She is interred at Melba Cemetery.

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IN MEMORIAM

Danice Payne

June 7, 1942 to January 16, 2018

Danice Payne, 75, of Jordan Valley, died on Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018 at a Caldwell hospital.

Danice was born June 7, 1942 in Klamath Falls, Oregon to Dale and Edith Brown. The first part of her life they lived on the Bittner Ranch in Nevada, close to Cedarville, Calif. In 1948, they moved to Rome, Ore. She was the only student in her class in a one-room schoolhouse until the seventh grade. She graduated from the eighth grade at Rome and went on to graduate out of the Jordan Valley High School in 1960.

In 1962, she married a local ranch boy, Pat Payne, and they lived on the ranch in Jordan Valley. They were blessed with two children: Gary and

Terry. She worked in the hayfield, on horseback, irrigating and cooking for many people over the years. She attended the Church of the Rock in Jordan Valley.

In later years, Pat and Danice had the opportunity to travel to the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas several times. She enjoyed sewing and ATV 4-wheeling. Her greatest joy was her children, grandkids and



great-grandkids.

Danice was preceded in death by her parents, mother and father-in-law, Tex and Agnes Payne.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Pat Payne; daughter, Terry (Jerry) White of Jordan Valley, and son, Gary Payne of Jordan Valley; brother, LeRoy (Linda) Brown, of Jordan Valley; sister, Patty (Terry) Ackerman, of Ontario, Ore.; sister, Lois Murray of Nampa, a brother-in-law Ted Payne of Jordan Valley; six grandchildren: J.T. White, Michael White, Jessica Greene, Chelicy Payne, Shelly Cline and Rory Davis, and four great-grandchildren.

Danice is interred at Jordan Valley Cemetery.

Nita Lowry

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married in July 1945 and remained married for nearly 73 years. From this union came their two sons, Tim, who would become OCA president in 1991, and Mike.

Tim's family includes: his wife Rosa Maria, two daughters, Miren and Amaya, and a son Luke. Mike's family includes: his wife Gaylene, daughters Micki and Melissa. In addition, Nita was blessed with nine great-grandchildren.

Bill and Nita were named Owyhee Cattlemen's Association Life Members in 1995.

Nita grew up during the Depression in the 1930s, which emphasized frugality, which influenced Nita's habits for her life; especially cooking from "scratch." She could make

a wonderful meal from very little, most notably her pies and raised rolls! She loved to cook for a bunch of cowboys, who truly appreciated her tasty meals, as well as friends and "drop-ins" who were always urged to stay and eat.

The yard and garden were Nita's special joy. The small "postage stamp"-sized garden produced a variety of vegetables all summer and fall. Trees, shrubs and flowers attracted birds large and small.

Nita made numerous baby quilts for the Lifeline Pregnancy Center. Many are the adults and young people of Jordan Valley who had Nita for a release time class or a Sunday school teacher.

Before the disabling arthritis, Nita loved to ride with Bill and the boys, to work or move cattle. She was busy at brandings, helping with the

calves, as well as providing a home-cooked meal with her signature strawberry pie!

On many a cold, nasty winter day, she would bundle-up to drive tractor, while Bill threw the hay off to the cows.

In 1989, Nita wrote and published "The Last of Juniper Mountain Homesteaders," which is the biography of longtime ranchers Ernest and Helen Fenwick. The book was reprinted in 2012. Bill and Nita leased the Circle Bar Ranch from the Fenwicks in 1961.

Nita is survived by her husband Bill; sons and families of Tim and Mike; brothers David and Clarence "Slim" Hein; sister Karen Mackenzie, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, sister Winona Nelson and brother Jim Hein.

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IN MEMORIAM

Bill Watterson

July 2, 1938 to November 8, 2017

Former Owyhee Cattlemen's Association director William "Bill" D. Watterson, 79, of Homedale died on Nov. 8, 2017 at his son's Boise home.

Bill served on the OCA board from 1991 to 1994.

Bill was born July 2, 1938, in Nampa. The 1956 Homedale High School graduate entered the U.S. Navy in early 1957, serving for four years.

Bill spent the majority of his adult life farming and ranching in the Homedale area. He had a strong passion and love for the ranching lifestyle and was most at home running sheep and cattle in the Owyhee Mountains. He loved sharing this experience with family and friends dur-

ing times of round-ups, gatherings and brandings. He especially enjoyed spending time with his large extended Watterson family, at his parents' farm in Homedale, throughout the years where his numerous nephews and nieces knew him as the fun-loving "Uncle Billy".

He had a deep appreciation for



the ranching history and people of Owyhee County. In 2015, Bill moved to the Boise area to live with his son and daughter-in-law to help operate their small family cattle ranch, passing on his knowledge and spending time with his grandchildren.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, Irene Rivett Watterson and Joseph M. Watterson. He is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law: Joe and Jill Watterson of Boise, and David and Corinna Alcorta of Elko, Nev.; four grandchildren: Blaikley, Orlie, Lukas and Evan; six siblings: Teresa Moulton, Louise Thompson, Margaret Kay, Fred Watterson, Glenda Uranga and Susan Pritchett.

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IN MEMORIAM

Ed Wilsey

April 12, 1953 to May 21, 2018

Eddie Lee "Ed" Wilsey of Marsing died Monday, May 21, 2018, in Nampa. He was 65.

Ed was born April 12, 1953, in Lewiston, the first child of Mark Lewis Wilsey Jr. and Elise Jeanette (Forsman) Wilsey.

At an early age, Ed lived south of Lewiston, in Upper Tammany with his maternal grandparents, Carlos and Gertrude (Paris) Forsman. Ed looked to his grandfather to learn the ranching life. Ed only left the ranch once his parents told him he had to attend school. After that, every holiday and summer vacation was spent on the ranch working cattle, breaking horses, haying or shooting bullfrogs.

Ed participated in football, wrestling and track at Kamiah High School. In 1971, his senior year, Ed was the 185-pound Idaho state wrestling champion.

A ranching accident affected Ed's eyesight and prevented him from passing the physical for the military draft for Vietnam. He played guard for the Walla Walla Community Col-



lege football team.

On June 2, 1973, Ed married Debra Kay Bowles in Kamiah. He then started his 15-year career as a timber feller and dozer operator. Ed's logging career had him working in the woods from the Pierce/Headquarters area in Idaho to Unity, Ore.

Ed began working in the Alaskan Arctic and over a 20-year span worked his way up the ranks from a toilet cleaner to superintendent. After working at Prudhoe Bay, Alaska, he worked as a gas pipeline job site inspector and then as a line inspector in Louisiana, Texas, North Dakota and California.

Throughout all these jobs, Ed has always maintained a cattle ranch and over the last 10 years his efforts had been focused on building a sustainable grass-fed beef business with the help of his wife and family, on the McBride Creek Ranch in Owyhee County. He partnered with Bob and Pam Howard to form Desert Mountain Grass Fed Beef.

Ed is survived by his wife, Debby; daughters Rachel (Jake) Higgins of Melba, and Lisa of Marsing; son Matthew (Nerea) of Nampa; grandchildren Hayden Higgins and Matteo, Isabella and Amaia Wilsey; sisters T.J. (Danny) Breeze of Kamiah and Diana (David) Wilsey Geer of Cheyenne, Wyo.; and numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

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INCOMING PRESIDENT

Steiner: Having family close at hand a blessing

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lived for 36 years with her husband, Johnny.

With the equality of it all, Steiner brushes off her gender, just like every other ranch wife.

"I guess I don't really look at it that way or put an emphasis on it. I know there are many more experienced women than me that could easily be in my position," she said. "On ranches, we work right alongside the guys every day, working cows, irrigating, running equipment or doing the everyday business, so this isn't anything different to me."

Steiner spends a lot of time on the business of the Triangle Ranch as her husband cultivates additional income with real estate and wind farm development. Her responsibility to keep the ranch running is a microcosm of the job she will assume Saturday and, really, has been doing since she joined the OCA board four years ago.

"After serving as a director, I've become more interested in assisting the local ranchers and the OCA membership on affairs that affect our industry and lifestyle," she said. "I've been exposed to and learned many things while serving on the board and wanted to continue to do what I can to help the OCA."

Steiner's motive for serving is no different than any of her predecessors: Preserve the lifestyle, lift up the industry.

The means to the end may be different, though, and that may also be the only time Steiner plays the gender card. She suspects she may have a "softer approach to issues," but can also listen to the membership. In fact, she wants her fellow ranchers to seek her out with suggestions and con-



Lorna Steiner's son JR, who is in the process of transferring to Mountain Home Air Force Base, and his family. **From left:** Son Eli, wife Sammie, daughter Macie and JR. Submitted photo

cerns.

But there may be an inherent attention to detail, too.

"Perhaps as a woman and mom I'm used to listening to the little things that sometimes get passed over," she said. "However, my predecessors have been very supportive, and I have really enjoyed working with them. I will continue to pick their brains when issues come up."

That goes for one unique predecessor: Public Lands Council past president Brenda Richards, the only other woman to sit on the OCA board in the organization's 140-year history.

"Brenda has encouraged and supported me from the time I came on the board. I appreciate her encouragement and admire the knowledge and hard work she has invested in the PLC," Steiner said.

"Brenda, too, has taken the position that it doesn't matter if you're male or female, it's a matter of doing what needs to get done. She has way more leadership and public speaking experience than I do. I'll look to her for advice on issues that she is familiar with."

That are other parallels with Richards. Both women have sons who are also finding their footing in the cattle business.

The Steiners' sons — 31-year-old JR and 29-year-old Jake — grew up on the ranch.

"They both have ranching in their blood and are fortunate to have married local girls that love the lifestyle, too," Steiner said.

Jake works at the Triangle, but also runs his own herd. He and his wife

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INCOMING PRESIDENT

Steiner: Trump policies elicit guarded optimism

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Ashley have a place in Oreana and also lease the Mud Flat Ranch.

JR and his wife, Sammie, are in the process of moving their young family back to Idaho from South Carolina. An Air Force Academy graduate, JR is transferring to Mountain Home Air Force Base to get back to the family business.

“Both of our sons run cows at Triangle and want to continue expanding their operations. It’s so great now to see the grandkids having the opportunity to grow up continuing in the ranching industry, if that’s their choice,” Steiner said. “As a grandma, I’m just thrilled to have them close and believe there is no better place to grow up.”

There are even parallels between the Steiners’ Triangle Ranch and her OCA presidential predecessor, Lynn Bachman. Bachman’s ancestors homesteaded the Triangle.

And now, Steiner is poised to continue the work Bachman started in his year at the head of the table.

During his term, Bachman has helped the OCA work with the Bureau of Land Management to address juniper encroachment and the prolonged Owyhee 68 permit renewal saga.

“Lynn has started a dialog with the local and district office of the BLM to see if we can work through some of these issues. I’m hopeful with the current administration that we can at least have our voices heard and work with our local/state offices,” Steiner said.

“We have some good people in the BLM right now that want to work with the ranchers. I think both sides need to be open to working together to come up with workable solutions.”

While the Trump administration has fueled optimism among livestock producers like Steiner, the incoming OCA president also sees potential issues even in some of the policy changes.

Trade tariffs, she said, may require some patience among her colleagues – even as industry groups strive to open new markets.

“We may have to do a little ‘wait and see’ to see how they may affect our industry,” she said of the tariffs.

“I personally believe the administration is trying to balance our trade policies to our benefit. Though it might hurt our prices for a little while, I think in the long run it will be better. This might be something we will have to just wait and see what is coming up, then deal with it as it comes.”

The general prosperity that has crept into the nation’s economy with the new administration actually could cause problems for cattlemen.

But Steiner says ongoing efforts to improve the quality of what goes to market will help.

“I know visiting with many businesses and individuals there is a shortage of good workers and competition from higher-paying jobs has made it tough on agriculture,” Steiner said. “It’s always been hard to pay good wages in our industry, and long hours don’t help either.

“This, too, goes back to making a good product that enables us to receive higher prices, which will allow us the capital to pay better wages. But it’s still really tough on small family ranches that are big enough to need outside help but can’t afford to pay the higher wage.”

Higher interest rates associated with a stronger economy also puts a strain on young farmers and ranchers trying to get started in the industry, she said.

“We are all hopeful our younger generation will be able to continue in our footsteps,” Steiner said. “However, higher interest rates plus higher land values are making it difficult for them to get a foothold.”

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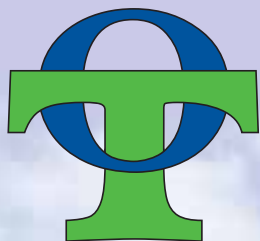
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