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Kidnapping suspects have felony records

Both men convicted of crimes against minors

Two state prison parolees are in custody as the case of an Owyhee County kidnapping deepens.

The Owyhee County Sheriff's Office announced Dec. 31 that 24-year-old Mikal James Christensen and Chancey Lee Baker, 36, had been charged with several

felonies, including second-degree kidnapping and burglary.

Both men are in custody on \$500,000 bonds.

The arrests came as investigators continued to look into the Dec. 22 report from a 36-year-old woman that she had been kidnapped. The

woman was found with minor injuries when deputies executed a search warrant on a property in the area of Lootens Lane between Marsing and Homedale.

On Christmas Eve, authorities arrested 41-year-old Tressa Marie

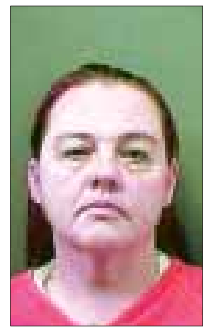
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Chancey Baker



Mikal Christensen



Tressa Sipes



Homedale's 2019 Future City project developers prepare their city for the regional competition on Saturday at Boise State University. **From left:** Seventh-grader Lita Thomas; eighth-graders Bailey Purdom and Omar Rios; and seventh-grader Cooper Christiansen. Purdom, Rios, and Christiansen will make the middle school's presentation Saturday in Boise.

HMS Future City crew shoots for another regional title

Competition set at BSU on Saturday

Homedale Middle School's brightest will have their time to shine at Future City's Idaho Regional Finals on Jan. 12 in the Jordan Ballroom at Boise State University.

This year's theme is "Powering the Future," and it gives the 2018-19 team, under the guidance of HMS science teacher Kim Portwood, the chance to build on the success of last year.

The theme gives middle

school students the opportunity to design innovative power grids that allows their cities to withstand and recover from natural disasters.

For Homedale Middle School, this year's city is called "Imperium."

According to a media alert, DiscoverE's Future City competition will bring together 37 teams of middle school students from around the state. Their cities are created on large tabletop models.

Students present and defend their cities to judges at the competition.

Homedale's student presentation team includes eighth-graders Bailey Purdom (Engineer) and Omar Rios (Mayor), and seventh-grader Cooper Christiansen (Citizen Joe Melvine).

Each entry also has been judge on an essay and the model.

The first-place team will receive an all-expense-paid trip to compete in the Future City Competition National Finals in Washington, D.C. on Feb. 17-19.

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Grand View mayor faces possible recall

Petitioner must certify eight more signatures for March ballot

by Mandi Boren

For The Owyhee Avalanche

A recall effort has been mounted against Grand View Mayor Sandy Skinner.

Former city council member Marie Hipwell filed a recall petition at City Hall last Wednesday.

The recall petition, obtained Friday by The Owyhee Avalanche in accordance with the Idaho Public Records Act,



Sandy Skinner

alleges:

- "The mayor is not willing to listen to council members ... and does things without asking the council's approval."

- Skinner does not welcome certain residents at city council meetings and "does not get along with" a former employee.

- In the recall paperwork, Hipwell expressed frustration over the recent termination of a city employee. In a phone conversation with the Avalanche, she identified the former employee as Ellis Nanney.

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Homedale's animal ordinance could change after hearing

Council seeks public input at tonight's meeting

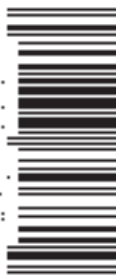
Public hearings are planned at tonight's Homedale City Council meeting.

Councilmembers will take

citizens' input on plans to change the city's animal ordinance as well as the process by which bartender licenses are approved.

The first council meeting of the year will take place at 6 p.m., at City Hall, 31 W.

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Young chairman back to lead Marsing Disaster Auction

A fundraising institution with more than 50 years of providing assistance for its community has announced the date for its next big event.

The Marsing Disaster Auction and Sale will hold its 58th annual event to help with local disaster relief on Saturday, Feb. 2 at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center in Marsing. The auction is set to begin at its tradition of 10:13 a.m.

According to a letter from disaster auction chair Joseph Ineck, proceeds go toward helping families who have suffered from serious illnesses or other tragedies and help cover costs associated with hospital stays or large medical bills, funerals, or fire damage to their homes.

The auction also assists other local service organizations.

The auction committee is looking for donations or services to be sold the day of the auction. The committee includes chair Ineck, Audrey Lindemann, Marsing Mayor James Ferdinand, Jess Ferdinand, Bob Carter, Kelly Ineck, Tim Dines, and Sheila Carter.

The chairman notes that

cash donations are welcome and appreciated and can be used to purchase other items for the sale. He writes that the auction relies on generosity of local citizens and businesses to make the auction a success every year.

In 1961, the disaster fund was organized, and nearly \$6,000 was raised at the first auction.

The Marsing Community Disaster Fund is a registered 501(c) organization.

Ineck wrote that approximately \$75,000 in total gross revenues is raised by the auction every year to help families affected by unforeseen tragedies.

“Now, that’s what we call ‘Neighbors Helping Neighbors,’” Ineck wrote, invoking the auction’s motto.

For more information about the auction, contact Ineck at (208) 249-4493, Lindemann at (208) 573-6591, James Ferdinand at (208) 794-7270, Jess Ferdinand at (208) 401-4964, Bob Carter at (208) 880-8770, Sheila Carter at (208) 337-2100, Dines at (208) 573-3321, or Kelly Ineck at (208) 249-4476.

Interested folks can also speak with any Marsing volunteer fireman or ambulance crewmember.

The committee can also be reached by email, marsingdisasterauction@gmail.com.



Joseph Ineck



County courthouse personnel bids Grober farewell

Top: Owyhee County deputy recorder Marcy Peterson (left) watches as retiring Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober opens a going-away gift during a farewell party inside Courtroom 2 in Murphy on Dec. 31. **Bottom:** Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery (left) shares a story with Grober during the party. Grober plans to return as a senior judge. Submitted photos



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Homedale tries for another walking path grant

Two federal grants for schoolchildren safety previously denied

A much-anticipated walking path intended to help students safely get to Homedale Middle School has reached another potential turning point.

The City of Homedale has applied for another grant to fund the project, which is now being called the Homedale Middle School Bike and Pedestrian Pathway.

Homedale has twice previously tried to get the project off the ground but hit a couple snags in the process.

A grant writer for the city, Great West Engineering’s Craig Erickson, submitted a Children Pedestrian Safety grant application on Dec. 6 to the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council.

“This started out as a Safe Routes to Schools grant about three years ago,” Chamber of Commerce president Gavin Parker said. “The program changed the following year and became a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant application.

“We did not receive either of those grants mainly due to the

fact that the land to be used for the path was not yet owned by the city.”

Both grants were federally funded and administered through the Idaho Transportation Department.

The latest grant application seeks \$202,800 from the LHTAC and ITD join program. The cap for each individual project is \$250,000. The second round of grants has a pool of \$2 million, but only 40 percent of that money is earmarked for local projects. The rest will go to state highway projects.

The amount Homedale seeks would cover the entire cost of the project.

It’s not known when Homedale officials would find out if they got the grant.

Now the city owns the land needed for the walking path, and a new grant application has been submitted. Great West Engineering Inc. wrote the grant.

“The largest parcel was generously donated by Suzanne Takasugi, owner of Takasugi Seed Farms,” Parker said.

Additionally, there was a small parcel of land bordering Sundance Park that the city purchased.

The proposed project will consist of a 10-foot wide strip running from Sundance Park to Johnstone Road, across from the middle school.

“This whole project has evolved over the years with the primary goal of getting HMS kids safely out to the middle school by keeping them off of Idaho Avenue (Idaho highway 19) and Johnstone Road,” Parker said.

“With no sidewalks and virtually no shoulder for walkers and bicyclists (on the highway), it has always been a safety concern.”

If the grant is awarded, the project design phase could start by February and be submitted by April.

Bidding would begin in May, and construction would start in June. It is anticipated that the project would be completed by August.

To remain eligible for the grant funds, the city must agree to program requirements:

- Receive concurrence from ITD if the project is in the state right-of-way or along a

- state route.
- Pay for and/or complete project design and plans.
- Provide LHTAC with a construction schedule before construction begins.
- Prepare a mid-project update to LHTAC by June 1.
- Follow state procurement rules for advertising, bidding and award of contracts.
- Provide accounting, before and after pictures, and close-out summary form upon project completion.
- Complete project construction by Dec. 6.

Attached to grant application, the city provided letters of support from organizations including:

- Homedale School District
- Homedale Police Department
- Homedale Chamber of

Commerce

- Owyhee Sand and Gravel
- South Board of Control

According to the grant application, approximately 100 students walk the shoulder of Idaho 19 to get to the middle school. The proposed pathway will enable pedestrians to either walk or ride their bicycles from Sundance Park and the surrounding residential areas.

The application states that the pathway will increase pedestrian safety and encourage students to walk or ride their bicycles to school.

Additionally, it states, “The proposed project is the first phase of a multi-phase project that will ultimately provide a pedestrian connection to Main Street and extend east to the Snake River and the city’s parks.”

— TK

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Crowdfunding effort started to help kidnap victim

GoFundMe page says woman was tortured, tased before making her escape

A Caldwell resident has established a GoFundMe account to help the family of a Homedale kidnapping victim. The page has a goal of \$50,000 to help the family of the victim move their trailer and help the victim with physical and emotional recovery, according to the GoFundMe page narrative.

As of Monday, \$275 had been raised in the first eight days of the campaign. According to the GoFundMe page, the victim escaped after being “tortured, tased, and beaten repeatedly for eight days.” “We are trying to raise money to move or completely buy them a new living space. The trailer was also the place where she was taken from,” page organizer Ben Nelson said. “Our goal is to give them a fresh start. I can’t imagine the process and time it’s going to take for this family to recover.” Nelson said the money will be used to help the family move or to purchase a completely new living space.

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✓ Kidnapping: One suspect could be extradited from Lemhi County

Sipes. She was arraigned Monday after deadline on felony charges of aiding an abetting a kidnapping and burglary. Sipes was in court Monday after deadline seeking a reduction in her bond. Although OCSO’s press release called Sipes a Homedale resident, a no-contact order filing from Dec. 24 lists a Caldwell address. Christensen and Baker also have been charged with other felonies, including criminal conspiracy to commit

kidnapping and unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon. Additionally, Christensen faces a felony count of controlled substance possession, and Baker has been charged with grand theft. The sheriff’s office provided few details into the apprehension of Christensen and Baker in a Dec. 31 press release. OCSO said both men were Homedale residents. The Owyhee Avalanche

has learned that Baker was charged with misdemeanor possession of drugs and drug paraphernalia in Lemhi County in Eastern Idaho last month. Local authorities said he had been originally arrested in Salmon on charges of felon in possession of a firearm and felony possession of a schedule II narcotic. Lemhi County Sheriff’s Lt. Rick Reichert said Baker was released on the Lemhi County charges, but was being held on a parole violation. He was served with the Owyhee County warrant while in jail on Dec. 31. Reichert said last Wednesday that Baker could be extradited to Owyhee County.

“I believe Owyhee County is sending us a transfer order, but I haven’t seen it yet, so I’m not quite sure how it’s going to go down,” Reichert said. “He may be bouncing back and forth, he may end up (in Owyhee County).” According to the state’s online court repository, Baker has a lengthy criminal record in various counties across the state. He was paroled in 2010 after serving about six years of a state prison sentence of up to 15 years for a 2004 conviction of felony lewd conduct with a child under the age of 16 in Canyon County. In 2005, he received a two- to

an eight-year prison sentence for felony injury to child in Owyhee County. That sentence was concurrent with the 2004 Canyon case. Baker was also convicted in 2013 for failing to register as a sex offender in Canyon County. In 2003, an Owyhee jury acquitted Baker on a battery charge. He also apparently has an outstanding case from Valley County in 2013 alleging misdemeanor drug possession and resisting arrest in McCall. It appears Christensen was placed on probation in 2017 after serving about two years

on a state prison sentence of two to seven years for a Minidoka County conviction of felony attempted injury to child and misdemeanor drug and paraphernalia possession charges. According to the Magic Valley Times, he was living in Burley at the time and was arrested after conversing for several months with an undercover officer he believed to be an underage girl. He had arranged to meet for sex. He was released and placed on probation after completing a treatment program for sex offenders.

— JPB and TK



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School menus

Homedale Elementary

Veggie bar, fruit bar, and choice of milk and juice available
Jan. 9: **Breakfast:** Waffle sticks, applesauce **Lunch:** Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes with gravy
Jan 10: **Breakfast:** Donut, mixed fruit, string cheese **Lunch:** Corn dog, tater tots
Jan 14: **Breakfast:** S’more oatmeal bites, peaches **Lunch:** Burrito, Spanish rice, corn
Jan 15: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, pears **Lunch:** Hamburger, French fries
Jan 16: **Breakfast:** Choc. chip muffin, applesauce **Lunch:** Spaghetti, green beans, garlic toast

Homedale Middle

Fruit & salad bar, choice of milk and juice available each day
Jan. 9: **Breakfast:** Waffle sticks or cereal, applesauce **Lunch:** Spaghetti or corn dog, green beans, mozzarella bites
Jan 10: **Breakfast:** Donut holes or cereal, string cheese **Lunch:** Pepp. pizza ripper or PB&J sandwich, rice krispie treat
Jan 14: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza or cereal, peaches **Lunch:** Beef taco or chicken taco, corn
Jan 15: **Breakfast:** Yogurt parfait or cereal, pears **Lunch:** Chicken patty or Rib-b-que, tater tots
Jan 16: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick or cereal, applesauce **Lunch:** Ham & cheese sandwich or hot dog, potato chips

Homedale High

Salad, fruit choice and choice of milk and juice available
Jan. 9: **Breakfast:** Breakfast plate or mini pancakes or cereal **Lunch:** Beef or chicken taco, corn
Jan 10: **Breakfast:** Donut or yogurt parfait, cereal **Lunch:** Chicken tender, mashed potatoes w/gravy, roll or grab’n’go chicken wrap
Jan 14: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza or cinnamon pull apart or cereal **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken or mini calzones, garlic toast, steamed carrots
Jan 15: **Breakfast:** French toast sticks or rolled taco or cereal **Lunch:** Hamburger or cheeseburger, tater tots, cookie
Jan 16: **Breakfast:** Breakfast plate or maple breakfast sandwich or cereal **Lunch:** Orange chicken or egg roll, steamed rice, pizza hot pocket, fortune cookie

Marsing

Elementary
Veggie bar, fruit bar, fruit juice and choice of milk each day
Middle/High School
Grab-n-go line: *Monday & Wednesday: Cheeseburger, pizza, croissant sandwich, salad w/breadstick; Tuesday & Thursday: Chicken sandwich, pizza, wrap, salad w/breadstick*
All main entrees served with fries, milk & fruit/veggie bar
Jan. 9: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, banana **Lunch:** Tater tot casserole or PB&J, whole grain roll, buttered corn
Jan 10: **Breakfast:** Breakfast wrap, yogurt, grapes **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, seasoned fries or PB&J
Jan 14: **Breakfast:** Strawberry mini bagel, apple **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, whole grain roll, steamed carrots or PB&J, chocolate chunk cookie
Jan 15: **Breakfast:** Apple cinn Tx toast, strawberries **Lunch:** Super nachos, mixed veggies or PB&J
Jan 16: **Breakfast:** Egg & cheese taco, orange smiles **Lunch:** Lasagna, garlic bread, green beans or PB&J

Bruneau/Grand View

Breakfast: Milk and fruit offered daily
Elementary: Milk and fruit offered daily
Jr.-Sr. high school: Milk, fruit & salad bar offered daily
Jan. 9: **Breakfast:** Waffle and hashbrowns **Lunch:** Chicken taco, baked beans/salsa, corn. **Additionally at Rimrock:** Pizza
Jan. 10: **Breakfast:** Bagels & cream cheese **Lunch:** Little Smokies, scalloped potatoes, green beans whole wheat roll. **Additionally at Rimrock:** Pizza
Jan 14: **Breakfast:** Cereal bar **Lunch:** Chicken & noddles, tossed romaine salad, steamed carrots, whole wheat roll **Additionally at Rimrock:** Pizza
Jan 15: **Breakfast:** Biscuits & gravy **Lunch:** Nachos, whole wheat tortilla chips, refried beans/salsa, corn **Additionally at Rimrock:** Pizza
Jan 16: **Breakfast:** Muffins **Lunch:** Orange chicken, Oriental rice, stir-fry veggies **Additionally at Rimrock:** Pizza

Today

Christian Life Club
4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., after-school program for kindergarten through sixth grade, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024, (208) 337-3464
Melba school board meeting
5 p.m., district office, 511 Broadway, Melba. (208) 495-1141
Homedale City Council meeting
6 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641
Grand View City Council meeting
6 p.m., City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2700, noon to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday
Marsing City Council meeting
7 p.m., City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122
Marsing Fire Commissioners meeting
7 p.m., Marsing Fire Hall, 303 Main St., Marsing.
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Homedale Highway District meeting
7 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale

Thursday

Fit and Fall exercise
10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Owyhee Conservation District board
Noon, USDA Service Center, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., Marsing. (208) 896-4544, ext. 102
Pinochle games
After lunch, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922
STEMCraft at the library
4 p.m., grade-school ages, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785
Marsing Chamber of Commerce meeting
5:30 p.m., typically at The Spot, 12 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. Check Facebook for updates. (208) 859-2087 or marsingchamber@gmail.com
VFW meeting
7 p.m., Samuel C. Phillips III Post 11086 Hall, Wilder.

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
Teens and Tweens program
4 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228 afternoons Monday through Saturday
Teen game night
6 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
Life in the SON Christian support group
7 p.m., Vision Community Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 504-7884 or songtobe@gmail.com

Saturday

Prayer breakfast
8 a.m., non-denominational, guest speaker each month, Marsing Church of the Nazarene, 12 S. 2nd St., Marsing.
Free lunch
Noon to 12:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419
Pinochle and dominoes games
1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922
Marsing Lions bingo
6:45 p.m., early game, 7 p.m., regular games, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing.

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting
9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421
Homedale school board meeting
7 p.m., school district boardroom, 116 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4611

Tuesday

Foot clinic
8:30 a.m., \$15, first come, first served, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Fit and Fall exercise
10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Pinochle games
After lunch, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922
Gem Highway District meeting
6 p.m., district office, 1016 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4581
Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire meeting
7 p.m., Wilson Fire Station, 10427 Johnston Lane, Wilson.
Marsing school board meeting
7 p.m., school district office boardroom, 8th Avenue West, Marsing. (208) 896-4111

Wednesday

Bruneau and Beyond speaker series
Noon, free, RSVP by Monday, Jan. 14, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131
Christian Life Club
4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., after-school program for kindergarten through sixth grade, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024, (208) 337-3464
Academic Bowl
4:15 p.m., Homedale Middle School cafeteria, 3437 Johnstone Road, Homedale.
Grand View Chamber meeting
5:30 p.m., Grand View Fire Station, 721 Roosevelt St., Grand View.

Thursday, Jan. 17

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Marsing plat amendment hearing continued to February

Council to hear updates on many construction projects

Citizens looking to have their voice heard regarding the Meadow Brook residential subdivision preliminary plat amendment that was scheduled for tonight will want to make other plans.

The Marsing City Council was supposed to hold a public hearing on the matter during today's 7 p.m. meeting, but the hearing was continued until Feb. 13, the date of the council's next meeting.

Marsing City Clerk Janice Bicandi believes the reason for continuing the amendment discussion is because a needed traffic study has not been completed.

The amendment will address changes to the prelimi-

nary plat, including adding the 45.59 acres that was annexed into the city limits in November and increasing the lot sizes to address concerns about housing density. The plat amendment would change the number of lots from 213 to 123.

With the addition of those 45 acres, the total amended size of the plat will be 104.75 acres.

Tonight's meeting will include updates on the multiple construction projects taking place around the city.

The list of projects to be addressed by Amy Woodruff and Kirby Cook of Civil Dynamics include updates on the Marsing School District con-

struction project, Idaho highway 55 utility infrastructure relocation, Reich Street rehabilitation, and the sidewalk project on 8th Avenue West.

Idaho Transportation Department officials will be on hand for a presentation and project overview for the work on Idaho 55 and the planned Snake River bridge replacement.

City attorney Stephanie J. Bonney and city code enforcement officer Harvey Gist will present their reports to the council.

Additionally, maintenance supervisor Philip Gibson and Mayor James Ferdinand will be presenting their monthly reports.

The meeting will start at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 425 Main St.

— TK

Obituary

Priscilla Jo Nilan (Jody)

Priscilla Jo Nilan (Jody) unexpectedly passed away in her home on Dec. 30, 2018, in Marsing, Idaho.

Jody grew up in Southern California and relocated to Marsing 10 year ago. She was a friend to all she met and enjoyed working at the Snake River Mart, Marsing, and Paul's Market in Homedale.

Jody is survived by her longtime love Wade Ormsby, three children Christy Nilan (AZ), George Nilan III (OR), Mitchell Nilan (AZ); her mother and father, Sandra and Dane Prall, Marsing, ID; brother Tim Gates (Caryn) (CA), Steven Prall (Sherry) (CA), a great many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her brother David Gates; father James Gates; grandparents Marguerite and Paul Murphy, Leona Prall, sister Rebecca



Prall.

Jody was a loving, beautiful soul and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

"If there ever comes a day where we can't be together, keep me in your heart. I'll stay there forever."

Spring services are pending.

From page 1

✓ Hearing: Possible ordinance change affected property setbacks could be coming

Wyoming Ave.

The public hearings were not advertised in The Owyhee Avalanche beforehand. According to City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram, city attorney Paul J. Fitzer informed city officials that only public hearings on land use issues require legal notices.

Removing references to certain breeds is among amendments planned for the animal ordinance.

The council also will consider changing the bartender license approval process to remove

the requirement that the city council vote on every application after receiving a report from the police chief.

Under the proposed change, approval would be delegated to Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller and Pegram.

Votes on both changes could be taken later in the meeting.

A third hearing changing alley rear setback requirements to five feet was postponed after the original agenda was posted last week.

The council also will hear a request from JB Salutregui

to rent city property on U.S. Highway 95 for an upcoming public auction staged by JBS Auctions.

The council will receive an annual report from city employee health insurance carrier IIIA.

Departmental reports from the police, public works, Planning and Zoning, the public library, and the city attorney are listed on the agenda, as usual, as is council and mayoral report segment.

— JPB

Death notices

ALTHA MARGUERITE BISH, 96, of Huston, died Nov. 10, 2018. A Celebration of Life was held on Friday, Jan. 4, 2019 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel. Inurnment followed at Marsing-Homedale Cemetery. Condolences: www.flahifffuneralchapel.com. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel. (208) 459-0833

STANLEY ARTHUR SCHWANZ, 80, of Parma, died Thursday, Jan. 3, 2019. Arrangements: All Valley Cremation, 1538 11th Ave. N., Nampa. (208) 899-9361

IVAN "VAN" STAHL, 70, of Marsing, died Thursday, Jan. 3, 2019. Arrangements: Zeyer Funeral Chapel, Nampa. (208) 467-7300

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Jan. 9: Baked ziti (noodles) w/meat sauce & cheese, broccoli

Jan 10: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes w/gravy, beets, roll

Jan 15: Baked ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, roll

Jan 16: Beef & noodles w/Calif. blend veggies, roll

Jan 17: Baked fish, macaroni & cheese, carrots, roll

Rimrock Senior Center


All meals are served with milk & fruit juice

Jan 10: Hawaiian meatballs, sweet & sour sauce, rice, chow mien noodles, steamed broccoli, Madarin oranges & cottage cheese, fortune cookie

Jan 15: Ham, yams, green bean casserole, carrot & raisin salad, pineapple & cottage cheese, apple crisp, whole wheat roll

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The Ford V8

I may not be able to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth when writing this story! After 50 years, my memory may be fading. I may also have to resort to the use of “alternative facts” to get this right! I hate to use the word “stupid” when describing myself and the four friends involved in this occurrence, but I will say we were at least crazy or out of our minds. I’m pretty sure this even actually happened unless my imagination has gone completely wild.

It was either early summer or possibly May of 1968 or summer of 1969 when this incident took place. After my birthday in June 1968 I left for Denver to go to school, and I was in the Navy in 1970. It was warm out because I just had on a not-so-clean T-shirt (Oh! I did have my pants and shoes on). It must have been a Saturday because the five of us were either not in school if it was 1968 or we were off work or whatever in 1969.

We had worked all Saturday morning jerking the blown-up 352-cubic-inch V8 engine out of this ’64 Ford Galaxie. The engine was shot because a connecting rod had lost its grip on the crankshaft and had ventilated the crankcase ... ruining the block, oil pan, and who knows what else. What caused the blowup is uncertain but suffice it to say, the engine was beyond repair.

We had located a replacement engine at one of the wrecking yards. They had a 390 V8 with a four-barrel carburetor and dual exhaust, and it was pretty much “turnkey.” That means it was complete and all we had to do was bolt it in, get in, turn the key and start it — presto, yer good to go. The old 352 engine just had a two-barrel carburetor and single exhaust as I remember it.

So we loaded up the complete old engine in the back of somebody’s pickup and headed



Reminiscing Owyhee memories

by
Rob Townsend

out to get the new engine. There were five of us ... the car owner was drivin’ the pickup, my brother Steve was ridin’ shotgun, I was in the back with Lucy (not her real name) and the other guy who has since died.

Somebody hollered out, “Let’s just shove this piece of junk out the back seeins how the salvage yard didn’t really want the old engine anyway.” It sounded like a fun idea to me, so I banged on the cab and told the driver to get the pickup goin’ about 80 mph ’cause we were gonna shove the engine out. We were on a nice, long straight stretch of backcountry road — the exact location to remain undisclosed. We were already laughing and nobody was in disagreement to the dirty deed at hand. The pickup was picking up speed, and I yelled at the driver to honk the horn when we were going at least 80 mph. So two of us braced ourselves against the fender wells and put our legs on that old engine. When the horn honked, we shoved it right out the back onto the asphalt. I was thinkin’ later that it was a good thing our shoelaces or something didn’t get hung up on the engine!

What ensued after that engine smacked the pavement was beyond hilarious! The stupid thing hit and started tumbling, rolling, sliding and jumping down the middle of the highway. Then, BANG, all of a sudden some part of it dug into the pavement and launched that booger about 10 feet in the air! The whole time the engine was spinning and flipping and slinging that nasty old black oil that we hadn’t drained out all over the place!

Amidst all the hootin’ and hollerin’ and laughing from the

show that engine was puttin’ on, I heard Lucy screaming, “HEY, you guys, I think that dang thing (not her exact words) is catching us!” Sure enough it was gaining ground on us pretty fast. The engine was tumbling and rolling and then it shot up in the air again. The pickup had slowed down ’cause the driver was lookin’ in the rear-view mirrors tryin’ to see the action. He forgot that we needed to stay ahead of that 600-pound hunk of iron overtaking us. I reminded him at the top of my lungs, “PUNCH IT! — the engine is catching us!” That stinkin’ engine got closer than I’d like to think about, and if it had bounced back into the bed of that pickup, somebody or all could have been killed in the wreck.

Anyway, we managed to get out of its trajectory, and it was still tumbling and rolling and sliding and leaping into the air once in a while. My sides were starting to hurt from laughing so hard. The engine ended up darting into the bar pit and then ricocheted off a power pole and came to rest about halfway out into the road. We went back and drug the scarred-up old piece of junk into the bar pit and left it and went on to the salvage yard to get the 390. We never heard any more about the old 352.

Good thing there was very little traffic on the roads back in them days. We won’t think about what might have happened if that engine had met an oncoming car or somethin’!

— Rob Townsend is a Homedale resident. Submit your Owyhee country memories to *The Owyhee Avalanche*. Email jon@owyheeavalanche.com or call (208) 337-4681 for more information.

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Never too early to start thinking about your 2019 garden

Seed catalogs are starting to fill my mailbox, and I know I’m not the only gardener to savor each one, especially on cold, gray days. Retail stores are starting to stock their spring seeds as well. But beyond being an escape from winter, seed catalogs, seed company websites and colorful packets are also often brimming with useful clues and valuable instruction. And if you’re only looking at the pictures before you make your decisions, you’re missing out on key information that can help you grow your best garden.



Ariel Agenbroad

Here’s what to look for in the small print of a good seed catalog, website or seed packet:

- **Hybrid or heirloom:** A hybrid is simply a natural cross between two named parent plants that results in a superior offspring with the best qualities of both. Hybrid benefits are usually increased vigor or disease resistance. The downside is that saved seeds will not usually retain those characteristics, reverting instead to one of the original parents.

An open-pollinated choice is a stabilized genetic variety with the potential to produce reliably similar offspring.

An heirloom is an open-pollinated variety that has been preserved for more than 50 years.

- **Days to maturity:** This number indicates how soon you’ll eat after planting! Remember, though, that for tomatoes, eggplants, peppers, cabbages and other crops commonly started indoors, this number starts at the time of transplanting, so add another four to eight weeks of time.

- **Disease resistance:** Either through luck or good breeding, some varieties turn out to be resistant to common diseases.

These varieties will have one or more letters behind their names that indicate to what they are resistant. For example, Roma VFN is a paste tomato likely to be resistant to verticillium fungus, fusarium fungus and nematodes.

- **Organic, treated, pelleted:** If a seed is listed as certified organic, that means that the plant it was collected from was grown according to standards set by the National Organic Program and a third party has verified, inspected, and certified the process.

Treated seed is often coated with a fungicide to protect against seedling diseases in cool, wet soil.

Pelleted seed has been coated (usually with a natural clay) to make it easier to handle and plant.

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Marsing Lions bingo returns Saturday

The third night of bingo sponsored by the Marsing Lions Club in 2018-19 will take place Saturday.

The early bird game starts at 6:45 p.m., and the regular series of games begins at 7 p.m.

The bingo nights take place at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.

Refreshments are available for purchase, and the Lions Club provides free popcorn. The Sandbar Restaurant with a Cause provides sandwiches and snacks, and sale proceeds benefit senior services in Marsing.

Each night starts with the selection of a hot number, and if someone bingos on that number, they win the progressive pot. The hot number pot rolls over each month until a winner is found, or the entire pot is folded into the stakes available at the final bingo of the year.

Bingo costs include:

- \$1 per sheet for the early bird game
- \$1 for entry into the hot number contest
- \$15 for the first card of the regular series of games
- \$5 for a second regular series card

Area history focus of 2019's first edition of Bruneau and Beyond

A woman with ties to two pioneer families from Owyhee and Elmore counties will discuss the area's history at Bruneau Valley Library next Wednesday.

The 2019 season opener for the Bruneau and Beyond luncheon speaker series is the final event subsidized by an Idaho Community Foundation grant.

Betty Ann Nettleton, the great-granddaughter of a stage stop operator, is the speaker for the free event, which begins at noon at the library, 32073 Ruth St., in Bruneau.

With family ties to Elmore County dating back more than 150 years, Nettleton has become well versed in the area history. She's made studying that history a bit of a hobby.

Her family, the Walkers, came to Elmore County in 1868, and her great-grandfather Charles managed the Cold Springs Station for the Oregon Trail Stage.

Betty Ann is married to Nick Nettleton, who is a descendant of Matthew Joyce, the founder

of Joyce Ranch in Owyhee County and one of the founding members of the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association.

Betty Ann and Nick run a cattle operation spanning both Elmore and Owyhee counties from Castle Creek to Bennett Mountain.

Betty Ann grew up in Glenns Ferry and worked in health care in Mountain Home for many years.

There is no charge for next week's program, which includes a light luncheon.

The Rimrock Senior Center usually provides transportation to the event for senior citizens.

Organizers ask that folks call the library at (208) 845-2131 by Monday to ensure that adequate space and food is available.

If the crowd is expected to exceed the library's capacity, the event will be moved to the Bruneau Emergency Center next door, and signs alerting folks of the change in venue will be posted.

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SNOTEL report, Owyhee County sensors

	Snow Equiv.	Snow Depth	Year-to-date Precip.	Previous day's temperature		
				Max	Min	Avg
	(measured in inches)					
Mud Flat						
01/01	3.1	13	4.0	19	-9	7
01/02	3.1	13	4.0	25	5	14
01/03	3.1	13	4.0	31	11	22
01/04	3.2	13	4.2	40	21	30
01/05	3.2	13	4.2	38	21	31
01/06	3.3	13	4.4	36	29	31
01/07	3.5	15	4.6	n/a	n/a	n/a
Reynolds Creek						
01/01	3.0	13	4.8	23	10	17
01/02	3.0	13	4.8	31	16	24
01/03	3.0	13	4.8	33	21	26
01/04	2.9	13	4.8	39	22	28
01/05	2.9	13	4.8	36	24	28
01/06	2.9	13	4.8	35	27	29
01/07	3.1	18	5.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
South Mountain						
01/01	6.0	22	8.7	27	9	18
01/02	6.0	22	8.7	36	20	28
01/03	6.0	22	8.7	41	28	35
01/04	6.0	22	8.7	48	34	41
01/05	6.0	22	8.7	39	33	36
01/06	5.9	21	8.9	33	26	28
01/07	6.4	27	9.2	n/a	n/a	n/a

Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 36 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 170 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 26 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 257,297 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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✓ Mayor: Two councilmen signed petition

Hipwell stated that the mayor “... would not leave him alone to do his work... He was an outstanding city employee ...”

Skinner could not talk specifically about the allegations regarding Nanney; however, minutes from the October council meeting show that the council entered executive session with the city attorney to “consider the evaluation of an employee’s performance.”

When council members reconvened in a regular meeting, the board voted unanimously to terminate the employee for “failure to comply with employee handbook.”

Skinner’s vote was not required because the council decision was unanimous.

Skinner did not address the allegations involving her interactions with Nanney; however, she did respond to the recall in general.

“There is no truth to the allegations ... they are baseless and unsubstantiated,” she said.

Skinner said she hoped the city council would answer to their experience working with her.

Council president Danny Martinez did speak about his interactions with Skinner.

“We get along great, and the mayor always calls with issues ... my personal opinion is the city is headed in the right direction,” he said.

Veteran Councilman Bill Mead agreed with Martinez that Grand View is headed in the right direction and called the allegations, “The biggest pack of lies I’ve ever heard in my life.”

Mead said he has never heard the mayor say anyone was unwelcome at council meetings nor has she ever done anything without council approval.

He went on say that this recall is, “Not for the betterment of the city ...” and in his opinion “is a personal agenda.”

Mead, who is serving his eighth year on the council, said, “This is the fifth mayor I have served with, and the best one we’ve had yet.”

“I’ll be behind her every step of the way.”

Councilman John Morrison, the brother of petitioner Hipwell, said he had signed the petition, but declined to comment further.

Mead said Morrison assisted with gathering signatures for the recall.

Councilman Jon Pennington had no comment, but records show he also signed the petition.

According to Idaho Code 34-1704 when attempting a recall of a city official, the petitioner must first gather 20 signatures for the petition to be approved (in writing) by the appropriate filing office — in this case the city clerk.

Once the petition is approved, the petitioner has 75 days from the date of approval to personally collect the re-

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quired number of signatures, which for a city officeholder is “20 percent of the number of electors registered to vote at the last general city election.”

Mayor Skinner confirmed, Hipwell’s petition was first filed with the Owyhee County Clerk’s office and not the city clerk.

Grand View City Clerk Jodi Jewett said the misstep was corrected by the city.

Once corrected, the county clerk’s office reviewed the signatures and certified the 29 signatures. Only 20 were needed for initial approval.

Jewett said the city sent word of the approval to the petitioner Monday.

Hipwell now has until Jan. 22 to regather the 29 certified signatures plus eight more (for the total of 37, or 20 percent of the 2017 municipal election voting total) to get the initiative on the March 12 ballot.

If unsuccessful, Hipwell must wait 90 days before remounting a campaign ahead of the May election.

Skinner was appointed by unanimous council vote in April 2018 following the resignation of then-Mayor Edwin Collett, who had moved outside the city limits.

Skinner’s term ends on Dec. 31.

— Mandi Boren, an Oreana resident, covers the Grand View-Bruneau-Oreana area for The Owyhee Avalanche. Send news tips to her at mandi@owyheeavalanche.com

Courthouse report

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

- Dec. 28**
- Shawn David Baird, Anderson, Calif.** — Felony possession of controlled substance with intent to manufacture or deliver (amended from felony drug trafficking-marijuana): 4 years probation, \$5,000 in fines, \$485.50 in court costs. **Withheld judgment:** Defendant can petition to expunge record after completing sentence
- Jairo Barbosa, Homedale** — Felony controlled substance possession (amended from felony drug trafficking): 3 years probation, \$735.50 in court costs. **Withheld judgment:** Defendant can petition to expunge record after completing sentence
- Jamie Darlene Baxter, Caldwell** — Felony burglary, misdemeanor petit theft: 12 days in jail (1 day credit time served), 4 years felony probation, \$1,029 in court costs. **Dismissed by prosecuting attorney:** Felony burglary, misdemeanor petit theft. **Withheld judgment:** Defendant can petition to expunge record after completing sentence
- Ashlee R. Horton, Boise** — Felony attempted possession of methamphetamine: 102 days in jail (credit time served), 3 years probation, \$735.50 in court costs. **Withheld judgment:** Defendant can petition to expunge record after completing sentence
- Anthony W. Jacob, Sacramento, Calif.** — Misdemeanor possession of controlled substance and drug paraphernalia: \$600 in fines, \$545 in court costs. **Withheld judgment:** Defendant can petition to expunge record after completing sentence
- Cody Douglas Kent, Marsing** — Felony criminal possession of a financial transaction card (3x): 3 to 5 years in state prison (retained jurisdiction), \$1,086.50 in court costs

- Dec. 26**
- Brittany T. Melvin, Sacramento, Calif.** — Misdemeanor possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia: \$600 in fines, \$545 in court costs. **Withheld judgment:** Defendant can petition to expunge record after completing sentence

Free health and services fair planned

Several community organizations are joining forces to provide free medical and human services next week in Wilder.

Several screenings will be available from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., on Friday, Jan. 18 at the Wilder Rural Fire Department, 601 Patriot Way, in Wilder.

Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, Southwest District Health, Terry Reilly Health Services and Centro de Comunidad y Justicia are teaming up to provide the clinic. Refreshments will be provided.

Free services available will include flu shots, medical and dental exams, blood sugar testing, ear washing, and mammograms.

Catholic Charities and The Community Council of Idaho will have immigration information.

GED (General Educational Development) and job training opportunities will be available from the Labor Department.

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IDFG plans landowners meeting about hunt rules

Big game studies in Owyhee to be discussed

Private landowners who open their property to hunters are invited to a meeting Monday in Murphy.

Idaho Department of Fish and Game officials will be on hand to discuss possible changes to regulations governing big game hunting in Owyhee County.

The meeting will start at 6 p.m., inside McKeeth Hall at the Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., in Murphy.

Fish and Game regional biologist Rachel Curtis would like to hear from people planning to attend so she can round up enough refreshments. She stressed that it is not an RSVP.

Contact her at (208) 465-8465 or rachel.curtis@idfg.idaho.gov.

Because hunters hunt on private land, with permission, the state agency wants to get together with landowners to discuss possible updates to the state's big game seasons and

regulations.

Fish and Game updates its big game policy every two years. Any changes will go out for public comment after the agency holds outreach meetings, including meeting with landowners and sportsman groups.

The regional proposals must be submitted to Fish and Game headquarters by Jan. 18, Curtis said.

Curtis will present data from the first year of the state's deer and elk studies and will share the changes planned because of that information.

• Curtis said no changes are proposed for buck hunts this year.

Fish and Game researchers started collecting data on buck vulnerability this winter using GPS-tracking ear tags.

"It's new technology, so we wanted to make sure the tags worked before starting a large study based on them," Curtis said. "We were pretty happy with them, so we're starting full-scale this winter, and will have some data soon to see if it's time to make changes to the season."

Curtis said radio collars

could be harmful to bucks because the animals' necks swell during rut.

• Curtis said that Fish and Game officials would like to hear from landowners about what they've seen in terms of the deer population. She said there have been "mixed responses" about the species.

"In some pockets people say there's still decent numbers, but in other areas there are very few deer," she said. "I'm interested in hearing from more landowners about what they've seen over the long term in their area."

"I'd like to know what they're seeing with the bucks, and also if they're still seeing good numbers of does compared to what they saw in the past."

• Mountain lion predation of mule deer does and fawns was higher in the Owyhee County region than any other part of the state, the first year of Fish and Game's mule deer study showed.

"This was especially concerning because last winter was so mild, and we shouldn't have been losing very many adult does to predation."

With the predation numbers

up, Curtis said the agency is hoping to remove the female lion harvest quota in Unit 40.

"We don't usually make major changes off one year of data, but I've also talked to several ranchers who said they're commonly seeing mountain lions now," Curtis said.

"They're seeing more lions, and seeing them closer to houses and pastures."

Removing the quota also would lessen apprehension on the part of houndsmen, Curtis said.

"I've also talked to several houndsmen who said that they won't harvest a lion when we get close to reaching the quota because it can be challenging to identify males from females in the tree, and they don't want to be wrong," she said.

• Fish and Game also is in the first year of a cow elk study.

Curtis said elk populations in some parts of Owyhee County have grown to the point where the animals are getting into trouble and causing damage to private ranches.

"We started this project to find out more about how

much time elk are spending on private and public land, and where they are during the cow elk season," Curtis said.

She'll have maps at Monday's meeting to illustrate where elk that were radio-collared have been located in the first year of the study.

Curtis said that once cow elk season opened, the animals ran outside the hunt boundary, onto private ranches or onto public land behind private land.

Because of the elk's movement, the department is proposing an expansion of the hunt boundary.

"... but I'd also love to get ideas from landowners on what we can do moving forward to keep this population in check," Curtis said.

Among the officials who will be on hand for the Murphy meeting are IDFG regional wildlife manager Rick Ward, regional supervisor Brad Compton, local conservation officers Craig Mickelson and Brian Jack, and the newest Fish and Game commissioner, former Bureau of Land Management Idaho state director Tim Murphy.

— JPB

From page 1

✓HMS: Ready to compete

With its model "Vetus Bona" — an age-friendly city — the HMS team finished first and went to the nationals.

Homedale teams have reached the national finals three times.

The regional competition takes place from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., on Saturday in Boise. Preliminary judging will begin at 8:30 and continue until 11:30 a.m.

The winner will be announced at approximately

3:30 p.m.

The media alert states that Future City students get involved in the project because they see engineering as a direct influence on their lives and how math and science are relevant to their world.

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Vandals destroy stop sign, create traffic hazard

After latest incident, Homedale Highway District officials hope someone will speak up

Homedale Highway District officials are hoping a little public awareness will end the repeated destruction of stop signs at a specific intersection south of town.

Dan Herman, the district's new Director of Highways, says the maintenance crew has replaced the stop sign on southbound Johnstone Road at Graveyard Point Road at least four times since the middle of November.

In each instance, Herman says, the wooden signpost appears to have been cut in half by repeated shots from a 9mm or .45-caliber handgun. The fact that someone appears to be firing a gun at close range on several different occasions is worrisome to Herman because of nearby houses near the intersection.

The repeated vandalism creates a traffic safety hazard, Herman said.

"If they don't stop, someone's going to get killed," he

said.

There are only two stop signs at the intersection, controlling northbound and southbound traffic on Johnstone Road. If one sign is missing, then motorists in three directions may not stop at the intersection.

Homedale Highway District board chair Larry Prow and Herman are anxious to get the word out about the incidents, which have occurred at the same intersection to the same stop sign, in hopes that folks either in the area or traveling through the area might notice the next time the vandals strike.

"If you hear gunshots, take a look around," Herman said.

Physical evidence is hard to come by when the signs are vandalized, Herman said. There are no shell casings on the ground or slugs in the wooden post.

As far as an Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy responding to collect fingerprints, Herman said it's near-impossible to lift fingerprints off the signposts because they are wood.

Herman, who became director of highways after Stewart Constantine retired at the end of October, said people need to call him at (208) 724-6807 if they notice that the stop sign,



Above: The southbound stop sign at the Johnstone Road-Graveyard Point Road intersection has been replaced again. **Below:** Vandals have used a firearm to cut the wooden signpost in half several times.

or any traffic control sign in the district, is missing and creating a safety hazard.

Staying vigilant might save money, too, for taxpayers in a district that is already coping with a shoestring budget.

It costs about \$52 in materials when a sign is replaced, Herman said. The labor depends on what crew member is doing the work and whether the work is performed in an overtime situation or, as with the most recent instance, during a holiday.

Holiday pay is \$60 per hour, and Herman was called for about two hours on Christmas Day to replace the Johnstone Road-Graveyard Point Road stop sign.

— JPB



Academic Bowl set for HMS next week

Homedale Middle School will play host to the next Academic Bowl competition.

The third 3A Snake River Valley conference meet of the 2018-19 season takes place at 4:15 p.m., next Wednesday inside the school cafeteria, 3437 Johnstone Road, Homedale.

Homedale won the season opener in October and finished second in the November meet.

The Trojans are coached by Homedale fourth-grade teacher Jan Silva.

The team consists of:

Eighth-graders—Cameron Breshears, Catherine Decker, Kolby Fisher, Corilynn Huskey, Rylan Love, and Anna

Pawlak

Seventh-graders—Abagale Hall, Trinity Neeser, Sadie Rayne, Cali Smith, and Grant Waltman

Sixth-graders — Joshua Aguayo, Miguel Albor, Alexis Bernabe, Carson Bingham, Addison Cussins, Aliyah Hibbs, Jayden Lyman, Nelson Miramontes, Neidy Ramirez, Brandon Reynolds, Kali Rogers, Carsten Smith, and Tayler Trout

Other Academic Bowl contests will be held at 4:15 p.m., on the following Wednesdays:

- Feb. 6 at Fruitland
- March 13 at Payette
- April 10 at Ontario, Ore.

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Cowpoke Clyde’s story told at Homedale library



Participants made “thank you” cards with construction paper, stamps, and drawing supplies during Teens & Tweens on Friday afternoon at the Homedale Public Library. The youths made the cards to hand out to parents, teachers, or anyone they thought deserved to be recognized.

The next Homedale Public Library Story Time will have a decidedly western flavor. Attendees are invited to wear their cowboy boots and hats. Youth activities director Carol McMichael will read two stories for boys and girls when they gather at 10:15 a.m. on Friday. First, “Giddy-Up Buckaroos!” by Shanda Trent and illustrated by Tom Knight, tells the story of two young children sneaking past their mother and getting into mischief. Second, McMichael will read “Cowpoke Clyde and Dirty Dawg,” by Lori Mortensen and illustrated by Michael Allen Austin, tells the story of a freshly cleaned cowboy and his muddy dog. The children will also sing some cowboy songs, do a cowboy movement activity, and make a cowboy boot craft. During Teens & Tweens at 4 p.m., on Friday, the youths will do an activity called Escape Room at the Library. They will have to work together to solve puzzles in order to get to the successive clue that will help them “crack the case.” Teens & Tweens is open to boys and girls ages 10-17. The library is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Wednesday, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., on Thursday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Friday, and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Saturday. It is closed Sundays. Call (208) 337-4228 for more information on the library and its programs.


Former Marsing star athlete faces burglary charge

Owyhee County Sheriff’s dispatch received a call on Saturday afternoon from a resident on North Old Bruneau Highway in Marsing, advising them that there was an intruder in his house. The man chased Mackenzie Farrens, 18, of Boise, and former all-conference girls’ basketball player at Marsing High School, from his home. According to sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman, the resident was carrying a firearm. Deputies pulled over Farrens’ vehicle at the intersection of Old Bruneau Highway and Main Street. She had a second suspect with her, a 17-year-old female from Meridian. Farrens faces a felony burglary charge, Bowman said, and possible further charges are being pursued. She is still in custody in the Owyhee County Jail in Murphy. The juvenile was released to her parents but may be facing charges as well, Bowman said. The sheriff’s office is still investigating the incident.



Mackenzie Farrens

— TK



Putting the holiday season back in storage
Homedale city maintenance worker Oswaldo Gonzalez Martinez removes Christmas decorations from a lightpole on East Idaho Avenue. The city crew is in the process of removing all the decorations with the passing of the holidays.

Judge hands down probation for drug convictions

Three people have received probation after convictions for felony drug possession, and all three can get their records expunged if they successfully complete their sentences. All three sentences were handed down on Dec. 28 in the Third District courtroom of Judge Thomas W. Whitney in Murphy. • Homedale resident Jairo Barbosa was sentenced for heroin possession after the original charge of drug trafficking was amended. He’ll serve three years probation and also has been ordered to pay \$735.50 in court costs. According to court records, an Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputy arrested Barbosa on June 17 after a traffic stop near North 2nd Street West and West California Avenue in Homedale. At city police officer also assisted on the stop. Barbosa was the passenger in the vehicle, and the deputy reported finding plastic wrap containing heroin in the passenger seat. A second container with heroin was located when Barbosa was booked into county jail. The total weight for the heroin was one gram, according to court records. • Shawn David Baird of Anderson, Calif., has been placed on four years probation. He also must pay \$5,000 in fines and \$485.50 in court costs. He was sentenced on a felony count of controlled substance possession with intent to manufacture or deliver. The original charge was felony marijuana trafficking. Baird was arrested on April 13 after being stopped by an Idaho State Police trooper near milepost 8 while driving on U.S. Highway 95. A charge was filed in September. Baird’s arrest came during a saturation patrol. He was the passenger in a Nissan Pathfinder that was pulled over after troopers noticed a backpack had been thrown from the vehicle. During a vehicle search, authorities found more than 1,900 grams of marijuana (about 4.27 pounds) and 33 ounces of butane hash oil. • Ashlee R. Horton of Boise, who has already spent 102 days in jail, has been placed on three years probation after her conviction for felony attempted possession of methamphetamine. Horton also is responsible for \$735.50 in court costs. A Homedale Police officer arrested Horton on June 5 as the officer and probation officer searched a shed in the 500 block of West Arizona Avenue. Two grams of methamphetamine were found inside the shed, according to a probable cause affidavit.

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Clarks carry Melba girls' basketball into first place

Mustangs beat
NC team featuring
Marsing connection

A 12th consecutive girls' basketball win Saturday gave Melba High School sole possession of the conference lead. The Mustangs have a one-game lead in the 2A Western Idaho Conference

after beating Nampa Christian, 46-39. Emma Clark scored 20 points and snagged five steals for Melba (14-1 overall, 4-0 in conference at week's end).

Kate Clark poured in 12 points for Melba. The Trojans, who are coached by Marsing resident Jaime Wood, — See *Melba*, page 18

HHS girls fall to state-ranked Parma in battle for first place

The second-ranked Class 3A team in the state ended Homedale High School's four-game girls' basketball winning streak Saturday. Parma beat the Trojans, 46-30, in an early battle for first place the 3A Snake River Valley conference. The Panthers (15-1 overall, 3-0 in conference at week's end) posted their 14th consecutive win. Parma is ranked No. 2 statewide in both the coaches' and media polls.

Homedale (5-9, 2-1 before Tuesday's conference game against Weiser) holds the tiebreaker for second place by virtue of its narrow victory over Fruitland last Wednesday.

Last Wednesday: Homedale 33, Fruitland 30 — Alex Grant shone on offense and defense as the Trojans survived at home against their rivals. The win gave Homedale the early tiebreaker for the No. 2 seed into district play.

Homedale built a 14-8 lead in the first quarter behind Grant's ball-hawking and Jayci Swallow's outside shooting. Swallow scored five points in the final 32 seconds of the frame as the Trojans closed out an 7-0 run.

But Fruitland rallied through a sloppy second quarter to close the gap to one point by halftime with — See *HHS*, page 18



Homedale senior guard Jayci Swallow battles for a shot in the key Thursday night against visiting Fruitland.

Trojans write their own Rollie Lane history

Homedale
shines at first
girls' tourney

Two Homedale High School wrestlers pulled off medals in the inaugural Rollie Lane Invitational girls' tournament. Sophomore Kaydince Turner pinned Melba's Bethany White in 50 seconds to win the third-place match in the 126- to 132-pound division. Amber Allen finished sixth at the Ford Idaho Center in Nampa on Saturday. The senior missed her shot at third place at 98-106 when she suffered an injury in a

— See *Girls*, page 15

Boys: Rose
wraps up third
place at 145

Senior Jaegar Rose continued his strong season Saturday, notching a rare medal for Homedale High School in the history of the Rollie Lane Invitational. Rose edged 3A Snake River Valley conference rival Corey



Jaegar Rose

— See *Boys*, page 15

Homedale boys hit foul shots, edge NC

Uranga goes
7-for-7 in team's
third straight win

Homedale High School swept another boys' basketball season series Saturday night with balanced scoring. First-year coach Chris Vines' club flexed its defensive muscles again at home, beating Nampa Christian, 57-50, in a

non-conference game. Homedale (4-9 overall) takes a three-game winning streak into its 3A Snake River Valley conference season opener on



Mason Kincheloe

— See *Homedale*, page 17

Huskies can't overcome cold shooting in 2A WIC loss

The Marsing High School boys' basketball team got its first taste of what conference play may be like this season. The Huskies dropped their 2A Western Idaho Conference opener, 57-47, at Nampa Christian on Friday. Marsing (9-3 overall, 0-1 in

conference) appeared set to overcome a poor shooting night. The Huskies, who owned a two-point lead after the first quarter, sank just 33 percent of their field goals and 13 percent from three-point range. However, Nampa Christian (3-7, 1-0) created an eight-point swing

in the second quarter and put the Huskies down by six points going into halftime. "Tough road loss to open up league," Marsing coach Tim Little said. The Huskies got another strong performance from guard Enrique Quebrado. The senior put up 17 points,

while dishing out five assists and grabbing four rebounds. Quebrado was responsible for Marsing's only two successful three-point shots, and he led the defense with three steals. — See *Huskies*, page 16

Sports

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✓ Girls: Volk gets three pins during Lane second-chance tournament

consolation semifinal against Nicole Rue of Pocatello.

The injury kept Allen out of the fifth-place match against Central Valley (Wash.) wrestler Ashleigh Creeger.

The Rollie Lane girls' tournament attracted wrestlers from Idaho, Oregon and Washington state.

Turner's and Allen's success pushed Homedale to a fifth-place finish in the team standings. Ontario, Ore., won the 32-team tournament.

Savannah Turner had three pinfalls in the consolation rounds after losing her only match in the championship bracket when Timberline's Aleks Del Fierro came away with a pin in 52 seconds.

Turner dispatched Blackfoot's Marcelina Trejo (47 seconds), Hannah Dupay of Centennial (26 seconds) and Leilani Samoy of Idaho Falls (1 minute, 15 seconds).

Aberdeen's Kawehi Beck ended her tournament with an 11-4 decision.

Allen fell into the consolation tournament after La Grande, Ore.'s Bella Gulzow pulled off a pin at 2:42 of their quarterfinal.

Allen pinned Trinity Callaway of Thunder Ridge (3:33) to make the consolation semis.

Dulce Jaramillo (138-145) and Janae Volk (113-120) also competed for Homedale.

In the second-chance tournament, Volk was perfect with three pinfalls to win the 113-120 crown.

The senior beat Marcelina Trejo of Blackfoot (2:58), Erika Scott of Thunder Ridge (1:23) and Autumn Pruett of Pocatello (40 seconds).

✓ Boys: Gage Northrup strings together four pins in consolation bracket

Eckhart, a fellow senior, 8-5.

The victory gave Rose the third-place medal at 145 pounds to cap the prestigious two-day tournament at the Ford Idaho Center in Nampa.

Although he was one of six local wrestlers to get victories during the two-day tournament, Rose was the only Trojans boys' wrestler to place.

Homedale finished 28th in the 68-team tournament that attracted 68 schools from Idaho, Oregon, Washington state and Nevada. Fruitland was fifth.

Rose stormed through the first three rounds of the tournament, pinning Brock Armstrong of Blackfoot in 46 seconds and taking care of American Falls competitor Isac Avalos in 1 minute, 16 seconds.

But his most impressive win of the tournament was an 8-7 decision over Mathias Delarosa of Post Falls in the quarterfinals.

Rose dropped into the consolation bracket after a 14-5 loss to Kai Ward of McQueen (Reno, Nev.) in the semifinals.

He reached the third-place match with a 9-4 decision against Pocatello's Lorenzo Brower.

Sophomore 120-pounder Joseph Egusquiza won his first two matches Friday. He then rolled to three consolation bracket victories before bowing out with 9-6 loss to Eagle's Derek Madden.

Egusquiza's tournament started with a 16-8 major decision against Columbia's Dominic Hammerle. The Wildcats finished second in the team standings.

The Homedale wrestler pinned Nampa's Nolan Munns in 1:38 before exiting the championship bracket with a 16-0 technical fall against Kase Mauger of Twin Falls.

Egusquiza wrestled tough in the consolation bracket, edging Kuna's Matthew Allison, 5-4, and posting a 2-0 win over Luke Grisafi of Washington state's Central Valley.

In between those victories, Egusquiza pinned Burley's Deegan Hanks in 2:38.

Heavyweight wrestler Gage Northrup also had an impressive run in the consolation bracket.

Davion Pruitt from Pasco, Wash., edged Northrup, 4-3, in their championship bracket match.

But Northrup used the loss as motivation to get five straight pins before his tournament ended with a 2-0 decision against Central Valley's Braxton Mikesell.

Northrup pinned four opponents in the first round, and took down Walla Walla, Wash.'s Jerry Corona in 3:14.

His first-round pins came against Anthony Sanchez of Ridgevue (1:51), Levi Running Eagle of American Falls (1:44), Fruitland's Jayden Cooper (1:57), and Bailey Bringman of Columbia (1:14).

Freshman Willie White picked up team points with a pin in 2:37 against Ontario, Ore.'s Nathan Schnepf to start his tournament at 152 pounds.

Brady Trout (170) pinned Centennial's Lance Thrall six seconds before the end of the second period of their second-round match.

Robert Nix (182) pinned Minico's Nathan Long (1:45) in a consolation bracket match.

In the second-chance tournament, Jorge Vega won three straight matches before a narrow loss in the semifinals.

Vega beat Colville, Wash.'s Jordan Sheppard, 9-1, in the first round, Columbia's Coby Armstrong, 6-2, in the second round, and Kenny Phan of Rogers (Puyallup, Wash.), 9-3, in the quarterfinals.

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Jayci Swallow, sr., G
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Boys' basketball
Daniel Uranga, jr., G
7-for-7 free throws, 4-for-6 shooting for 16 points vs. Nampa Christian



Wrestling
Amber Allen, sr., 98-106 lbs.
Placed sixth at the Rollie Lane all-girls tournament

Girls' basketball

Varsity
Friday, Jan. 11, home vs. Payette, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Friday, Jan. 11, home vs. Payette, 6 p.m.

Boys' basketball

Varsity
Thursday, Jan. 10 at Payette, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 15, home vs. Fruitland, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Thursday, Jan. 10 at Payette, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 15, home vs. Fruitland, 6 p.m.

Frosh soph
Tuesday, Jan. 15, home vs. Fruitland, 4:30 p.m.

Wrestling

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Sports

Melba boys win to open 2A WIC

Everyone shared the load Friday in Melba High School's boys' basketball conference opener.

Dillon Bodily scored eight points in the Mustangs' 45-33 win over New Plymouth in a 2A Western Idaho Conference game played in Payette County.

Melba (7-3 overall, 1-0 in conference at week's end) also received seven points apiece from Abe Riley, Caleb Fong and Jace Logan. Fong also pulled down five rebounds.

New Plymouth (6-6, 0-1) got a game-high 11 points from Nick Woods, and Kaden Leslie chipped in 10 points.

The Mustangs played a non-conference game against Parma on Tuesday after deadline.



Marsing girls drop seventh straight game
Marsing High School lost another 2A Western Idaho Conference game Saturday, falling 44-22 to visiting New Plymouth. No statistics were provided. The Huskies (7-7 overall, 0-4 in conference before a road game against second-ranked Melba on Tuesday) have failed to top 36 points in any game during its seven-game losing streak. Photo by Dan Pease

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Marsing's Cash Sevy takes a shot over Nampa Christian defenders Zach Evenhouse (5) and Matt Hinkle during Friday's conference opener in Nampa. Photo by Dan Pease

✓ Huskies: Ankeny excels

Post Jacob Ankeny had another good game down low. The 6-foot, 6-inch sophomore went 3-for-5 from the floor and scored eight points. He also pulled down 11 boards and swatted away three shots.

Cash Sevy was active on the boards as well, pulling down six, to complement his four points.

The Trojans lost their first six games but have taken three of their past four.

Senior Dwight Sevy was good for eight points and eight rebounds.

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MARSING HUSKIES

Athlete Spotlight



Boys' basketball
Enrique Quebrado, sr., G
17 points, 4 rebounds, 5 assists,
3 steals vs. Nampa Christian

Girls' basketball

Varsity
Friday, Jan. 11, home vs. Cole Valley Christian, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Friday, Jan. 11, home vs. Cole Valley Christian, 6 p.m.

Wrestling

Friday, Jan. 11 at Magic Valley Classic, Wendell, 3 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 12, Magic Valley Classic, Wendell, TBA

Boys' basketball

Varsity
Thursday, Jan. 10, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 15, home vs. New Plymouth, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity A
Thursday, Jan. 10, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 15, home vs. New Plymouth, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B
Thursday, Jan. 10, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 15, home vs. New Plymouth, 4:30 p.m.



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Sports



Jordan Valley boys open league with wins
Jordan Valley High School's Trevor Fillmore takes a shot over Harper Charter's Ryan Talbot during the Mustangs' 71-36 home victory in their 1A High Desert League season opener. Jordan Valley (6-5 overall) also defeated Huntington, 55-39, on Saturday to open league play with a pair of wins. The Mustangs visit archrival Adrian for a 7:30 p.m. tipoff on Friday then play host to new 1A HDL member Four Rivers Prep from Ontario at 3:30 p.m., on Saturday. Photo by Diana Fillmore

Other scores

Girls' basketball
Rimrock
(11-1 overall, 4-1 1A WIC)
1A Western Idaho Conference
Friday — def. Ambrose, 53-26
1A Western Idaho Conference
Saturday — def. McDermitt, Nev., 41-40
This week
1A Western Idaho Conference
Tuesday — home vs. Notus (after press time)
Tuesday — at North Star Charter, Eagle, 6:30 p.m.
Non-conference
Friday — home vs. Owyhee, Nev., 6 p.m.

Jordan Valley
(9-2 overall, 2-0 1A HDL)
1A High Desert League
Friday — def. Harper Charter, 83-12
Saturday — def. Huntington, 102-8
This week
1A High Desert League
Friday — at Adrian, 6 p.m.
Saturday — home vs. Four Rivers Prep, 2 p.m.

Adrian
(4-7 overall, 2-0 1A HDL)
1A High Desert League
Thursday — def. Four Rivers Prep, 75-22
Friday — def. Huntington, 83-7
Non-league
Saturday — lost to Pine Eagle, 33-26
This week
Non-league
Thursday — home vs. Notus, 7:30 p.m.

1A High Desert League
Friday — home vs. Jordan Valley, 6 p.m.

Boys' basketball
Rimrock
(2-10 overall, 0-3 1A WIC)
1A Western Idaho Conference
Friday — lost to Ambrose, 79-10
This week
1A Western Idaho Conference
Today — home vs. Notus, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday — at North Star Charter, Eagle, 7:30 p.m.
Non-conference
Friday — home vs. Owyhee, Nev., 7:30 p.m.

Adrian
(3-7 overall, 2-0 1A HDL)
1A High Desert League
Thursday — def. Four Rivers Prep, 71-33
Friday — def. Huntington, 64-37
1A High Desert League
Saturday — lost to Pine Eagle, 54-26
This week
1A High Desert League
Friday — home vs. Jordan Valley, 7:30 p.m.
Non-league
Tuesday — home vs. Notus, 7:30 p.m.

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Adrian's Bond battles to third in Joseph

Two Adrian High School athletes wrestled for bronze medals at the Jo-Hi Cosgrove/Eschler Invitational.

Wade Bond captured third place at 138 pounds during the tournament, which was held Friday and Saturday at Joseph High School in Oregon.

Toby Clow collected fourth place after a 9-6 loss to Heppner/Ione wrestler Charles Cason at 182 pounds.

Bond dominated Eochai Fry of Neah-Kah-Nie, 19-4, for technical fall in their third-place match.

Fry had sent Bond into the consolation bracket with a tight 11-9 decision in the quarterfinals.

Bond beat hometown wrestler Jeb Ramsden, 5-2, to reach the third-place match. It was the third consecutive victory for Bond, who pinned Elgin

athletes Reece McConnell (1 minute, 35 seconds) and Austin Greenlee (2:36) to move through the consolation bracket.

Bond's tournament began Friday with a pinfall in 3:13 against Lincoln Deem of the Union/Cove cooperative.

Clow reached the semifinals in his weight class before Neah-Kah-Kie's Jett Johnston stopped him with a pinfall at 1:24.

Clow pinned Crane's Tanner Davis 69 seconds into the final period of their quarterfinal match. He wrestled for third place after pinning Imbler's Bryce Sullivan in 2:40 of a consolation semifinal.

Manuel Aguirre won his opening match at 160 pounds, pinning Eli Cummins of Santiam Christian in 22 seconds.

HHS sports fundraiser ticket sales begin

Tickets will be available later this week for the annual Homedale High School athletics fundraiser dinner.

Athletic director Casey Grove announced that student-athletes will receive tickets for the crab and steak feed Thursday, kicking off the sales drive.

The year's biggest fundraiser for high school sports programs takes place at the Txoko Ona Basque Center on Saturday, Feb. 9.

Tickets are \$40 each, or a table of eight can be purchased for \$400.

Contact a high school athlete to obtain a ticket.

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✓ Homedale: Trojans sweep another series

Thursday in Payette.

Homedale completed a home-and-home sweep of Nampa Christian (3-8), adding that feat to the sweep of New Plymouth (6-6).

Homedale exploded for 28 points to start the second half Saturday after trailing, 25-23, at the break. Nampa Christian and Homedale managed only 10 points total in the second quarter and 11 points total in the final period.

The difference in the game came at the foul line.

Daniel Uranga went 7-for-7 from the free-throw line, and teammate Arnulfo Llamas was 4-for-4 as Homedale converted 20 of 27 chances.

Nampa Christian made it to the line less than half as many times as its host, connecting on 10 or 13 shots.

Senior Mason Kincheloe went 5-for-8 from the line and led Homedale with a co-game-high 16 points. Uranga missed only twice from the field and scored 15 points.

Carson Brown started the game and scored 12 points, while Llamas put in 10 and led the team with seven rebounds.

Rusty Vandewoude, a 6-foot sophomore guard, led Nampa Christian with 16 points.

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Rangeland group with Owyhee ties schedules meeting in Boise

Outcome-based land management among topics

People with ties to Owyhee County’s rangelands will play prominent roles during a two-day conference in Boise next week.

The Idaho Rangeland Conservation Partnership annual meeting will take place Tuesday and next Wednesday inside the Northstar Room at the Riverside Hotel.

Reynolds Creek rancher Brenda Richards is the IRCP coordinator. She previously served as national president of the Public Lands Council and an Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association director.

Next week, she will provide the welcome to the IRCP meeting before moderating the first panel discussion of the gathering.

Retired Bureau of Land Management Idaho state director Tim Murphy will be among the people on a panel for “Future of Idaho’s Rangelands – Sustaining All the Values.”

That panel will convene at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 30 minutes after Richards opens the meeting with introductions.

At 3:15 p.m., on Tuesday, Bruneau rancher Chris Black will be among the panelists discussing outcome-based land management.

Black is past chairman of the Idaho Rangeland Resource Commission and is renowned for his innovative livestock grazing techniques.

Idaho State Department of Lands director Dustin Miller is another member of the panel for a discussion that Dr. Karen Launchbaugh of the University of Idaho Rangeland Center will moderate.

The first day of the meeting will conclude with a social event beginning at 5:15 p.m.

The final day of the meeting will begin with a continental breakfast at 8 a.m., next Wednesday.

Breakout sessions are planned after Idaho Wildlife Federation executive director Brian Brooks delivers a presentation titled “Drilling into the Study on BLM Lands and Recreation.”

Breakout sessions will cover outcome-based land management and “Informing and Forming the Idaho Rangeland Conservation Partnership with IRCP chair Don Kemner.

Wrap-up remarks from Richards will close the meeting beginning at 12:15 p.m.

Anyone who wants to attend the annual meeting can sign up at www.IdahoRCP.org by clicking on the “register here” link.

Sports

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Homedale’s Sophie Nash tries to put up a shot in a crowded key against Fruitland on Thursday.

✓ Homedale: Grant gets job done on both ends of floor

Homedale holding on to an 18-17 advantage.

The Grizzlies’ clawed back with a 7-0 spurt highlighted by Abby Smith’s bank-shot three-point goal with 4 minutes, 43 seconds left in the first half.

Neither team scored in the final two minutes of the second quarter.

Swallow led all scorers with 13 points. The senior knocked down half of her eight shots,

including two jumpers from just outside the key and a three-point goal. Swallow led the Trojans with five rebounds.

Two of Grant’s baskets were three-pointers, and she notched 10 points. The senior also had half of Homedale’s 10 steals.

Junior Abby Smith led Fruitland with 10 points. Teammates Sage McDaniel and Lilly Richins, also juniors, scored six points apiece.

✓ Melba: Mustangs roll on with state’s No. 2 ranking

received 19 points from Olivia Cervantez. Wood’s daughter, Jessie, plays guard for Nampa Christian and is recovering from an injury that ended her sophomore season in 2017-18. Jaime Wood began coaching Nampa Christian last season when Cam Long resigned during the season.

The Mustangs are ranked No. 2 in the Class 2A statewide media poll, and David Lenz’s coaching colleagues rate Melba third in the state.

Melba’s only loss this season is a 55-38 non-conference setback to Parma, which is the No. 2-ranked team statewide in both Class 3A polls.

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25 years ago

January 12, 1994

County to seek extension on Bruneau-GV landfill
County commissioners said late last week they will seek a 2-year extension on the closure of the Bruneau-Grand View landfill.

The landfill, which has two years left on its BLM permit, is one of three county landfills forced to close under EPA regulations.

“We are going back to look at the Bruneau-Grand View landfill to see if we can keep that open a while longer,” Vern Brewer, with Holladay Engineering, said.

“We’re asking BLM to give us some extension on our closure plans under that two-year window.”

If Owyhee County qualifies for a small-county exemption from the EPA, it can apply for the two-year extension. That would save the county — at least temporarily — the costs of preparing the landfill for closure.

No such extension is possible for the Homedale landfill. The BLM has already extended the lease on the Homedale landfill at least twice. The site will not accept solid waste after the end of February.

“The Homedale landfill doesn’t apply because our lease agreement is up. We do not have a landfill — period,” Brewer said.

Plans are still on schedule to have the landfill covered in compliance with EPA regulations by April, commissioners confirmed.

New council members to be sworn in

Harold Puri and Tammy Payne will be sworn in as members of the Homedale City Council tonight.

Both won election victories in November and take the seats of incumbents Dan Murphy and Frank Haylett.

They join Mayor Paul Fink, Roy Jackson and Dan Erbe on the council.

Gene Showalter, Carol Edwards and Harvey Grimme take the oath of office in Marsing Wednesday.

Students of the Month

Charity McMillan and Jac Landa were named students of the month for December at Homedale Junior High.

VanWassenhove wins contest

Marsing Middle High School student Nate VanWassenhove won a statewide essay contest last month sponsored by the Fleet Reserve Association.

Students were asked to write on the subject of “What the United States Flag Means to Me,” and VanWassenhove’s essay beat out all other seventh graders in the state. The contest was open to grades 7-12.

The win makes VanWassenhove eligible for Northwest and National competition, and he has already received a \$50 United States Savings Bond.

Marsing blitzed by Pilgrims

New Plymouth proved why they’re the team to beat in the WIC A-3 Saturday night, as they stunned Marsing 97-46 in a conference match-up.

The Pilgrims led in nearly every statistical category, but the most telling one may have been their shooting percentage. New Plymouth shot 45.5 percent from the field, including 14 of 23 shooting from beyond the 3-point line.

Robert Valadez led the team with 16 points and was followed by Eddie Abrego with 7. Keith Berends and Jesus Loera scored 6 each. Berends also had 6 boards to lead the team.

50 years ago

January 9, 1969

Citizens object proposed dump location

A delegation of North Side area residents met with the city council at its regular meeting Monday night and protested establishment of a new dumpsite in the community, according to Kenneth Downing, city clerk.

Moving of the city dump, from its long-established site on Succor Creek, just south of Highway 19 to a new location, is being considered by the council, and the group which appeared at the council meeting voiced its opposition to a proposed site along the hillside west of the sewer settling ponds.

The site would have been reached by proceeding off Highway 95, just past the Rolf Geertsen farm on Owyhee Heights, about one-half mile north and one-half mile east to the bluff, overlooking the valley.

A more acceptable site, farther from the city and farm habitations, will be investigated by the council, preferably BLM land with little value for other use.

The council viewed a proposed city park plan for the dedicated parkland owned by the city along the riverfront in North Homedale.

Routing of Highway 95 talk to be heard by C of C

William Sacht, Boise, district engineer for the state highway department, will meet with the Homedale Chamber of Commerce members at the regular semi-monthly meeting at the Owyhee Lanes Cafe.

Sacht will discuss a location study of Highway 95 from the Oregon line to Homedale, and the various alternate proposals for both the north section and the south section.

The proposal to improve the existing route with only minor changes apparently has the preponderance of support locally.

Many of the alternative plans seem to be preoccupied with re-routing Highway 95 to include Marsing on the route, or generally favoring the diversion of travelers off Highway 95.

Most of the suggested routes for the south section propose traversing the area between the Oregon state line near the Molley ranch to the vicinity of Elephant Butte, south of the Homedale-Marsing junction near the present highway rather than a more direct route north through the area of Sands Basin to a point south of Homedale, where a junction with Highway 55 could be effected without increasing the distance between the Gem District and Jordan Valley.

Succor Crik Sam Sez:

“I wisht them fellers who showed us the way to the moon would invent a gadget to help find the barn in a fog.”

Four double-figure scorers lead Homedale

Four players finished in double figures for Homedale here Saturday night as the Trojans overpowered the Vikings of Middleton 57-46 in an SRV A-2 basketball battle.

The win was Homedale’s ninth of the season in as many starts and kept the Trojans on top of the A-2 with a 2-0 league record. Middleton is 6-4 overall and has yet to win a league test after two outings.

Gary Garrett led Homedale with 13 points while the Pearson boys, Paul and Mike, and Dan Uranga each chipped in with a dozen points.

Homedale staved off a determined Parma attack Friday night to hang up its first SRV A-2 basketball win of the season, dumping the Panthers 53-45

Paul Pearson had 19 to lead Homedale.

140 years ago

January 10, 1874

TORPEDOES

It is possible that our government department officials and ambitious inventors may have torpedo “on the brain,” but it is quite certain, from repeated experiments, that our government is in possession of appliances to war vessels and harbor defences that, properly used, will make our harbors invulnerable and our fleets — or a single vessel — invincible. The torpedo has been an American favorite for the last half of the last century, when David Bushnell, of Connecticut, contrived fixed, and drifting torpedoes, intended for harbor defenses. Robert Fulton improved on Bushnell, and the only reason why his plans have not been adopted by the government is that the mechanism regulating the time and point of locations at the instant of explosion was unreliable. We have now, either under the direct control of the government or under direction of inventors, several of these terrible engines of war, and trials made have demonstrated the main fact that they are manageable as well as destructive. The Porter plan comprehends a regular vessel that being slightly exposed, carrying a heavy gun, having a crew, and depending on powerful engines for speed, shall sink in succession the vessels of a blockading fleet.

THE VIRGINIUS

The Virginius went to the bottom in eight fathoms of water, off Cape Fear, on the 26th alt. No lives were lost, all having been taken on board the Ossipee, which had the Virginius in tow. The loss, however unfortunate it may be in some respects, is not without its advantages. Spain will not now insist on the return of the vessel, nor will Patterson, who claimed to be the owner, demand its surrender. A vast amount of ink will be saved, and perhaps some ebullitions of ill-temper. Patterson will scarcely expect an indemnity from our Government and will surely get none from Spain. It is supposed that the vessel was in a leaky condition when she was captured by the *Tornado*, but she was not considered in danger of foundering at sea when she left Cuba. We may never know why she was lost; but she is gone, after having made more trouble than a hundred such vessels would compensate.

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Commentary

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On the edge of common sense

The emperor’s new clothes, California style



The television paralyzed watchers as the horrendous flames burned California to ashes. The governor in command puffed and pounded, claiming that he and his ENVIRO-DENY-ERS took NO BLAME, NO BLAME, NO BLAME!

Hans Christian Anderson couldn’t say it better. I was watching “The Emperor with No Clothes.”

That was last fall. But decades before, the first kindlings were being stirred in Washington, (sorry George), D.C. The invasion of the Endangered Species Act and the poisoning of the relationship with the ranchers, timbers and miners ... was blown into flames.

I remember standing in the door of a ranch house in Eagleville, Calif. I was workin’ cows and just happened to be there. A young woman knocked on the door. She introduced herself and adjusted her clipboard ... she was the new Bureau of Land Management agent assigned to make sure the rancher was obeying the new range regulations.

I asked her background; University of Wisconsin, majoring in environmental studies.

“Ever been here?” I asked, “Run cows? Dug a water tank? Run pipelines? Done any fence work or controlled burning? Fought any fires ... ?”

She just looked at me blankly.

I could see the future, and it all came true.

Decades went by, BLM animal units continued to be slashed, water access was deleted. The timber business was so savaged that roads, entire mills, tons of trucking, lumber, jobs, communities and lives were starved out.

Without clear cutting and access, cattle grazing was decreased. With no grazing, the forest floor filled with detritus trash, continually accumulating mountain ranges of incendiary scenery. River water, essential for farming and ranching, was zilched to “protect” endangered species like the spotted owl and the short-nosed sucker.

Countless able, experienced rangers left the service in frustration. But it was too late; the politico-enviros took over. They thundered out of Washington D.C. and took over the West! The Forest Service, the BLM, the Department of Interior and Enviro-deny-ers led us directly into the state of devastation in which our country now burns.

Have we learned anything about management of our range and forest in 50 years? Most of our increasing urban population continues to relate our beautiful West to their Sierra Club calendar. That includes those in office. Where does the blame fall? For more than 50 years, we have used worldwide famine, global cooling, greenhouse gasses, global warming and climate change as the Evil Dragon. But they dwarf our comprehension. Civilization can alter many natural conditions: smog, changing rivers, building roads, forest management ... a current example is the millions of acres of rangeland being ravaged by feral horses because the spineless politicians won’t let the BLM do its job.

But watching the governor of California deny blame for years of our forest mismanagement influenced by airheads instead of common sense is just blowin’ smoke.

Unfortunately, I doubt he will ever admit fault, but will continue to wear his Emperor’s robe, and none of his eunuchs will tell him his fly is down.

— 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 “A Commotion in Rhyme.” When you order the new book, be sure to tell them you learned about it in *The Owyhee Avalanche*.

From Washington

Nuclear energy research key to meeting America’s power needs

When Congress passed and President Trump signed into law S. 97, the Nuclear Energy Innovation Capabilities Act (NEICA) last year, it underscored the strong bipartisan agreement in Congress that nuclear energy is a reliable, safe, clean and efficient part of our national energy portfolio and a commitment to maintaining U.S. leadership in nuclear innovation.

I have been proud to lead this legislation with fellow Sens. Sheldon Whitehouse (D-Rhode Island) and James Risch (R-Idaho). The bill has been the result of years of bipartisan collaboration and work to remove barriers to the development of technologies that allow for advanced and more efficient use of nuclear energy. Sens. Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska), Cory Booker (D-N.J.), Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) and Dick Durbin (D-Ill.) also co-sponsored this legislation that directs the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to prioritize partnerships with private innovators to test and demonstrate advanced reactor concepts.

The measure authorizes the creation of a National Reactor Innovation Center that brings together the technical expertise of the National Labs and the DOE to enable

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the construction and testing of experimental reactors. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) would partner with the DOE in this effort, contributing its expertise on safety issues while also learning about the new technologies developed through the Center. This legislation strengthens the ability of national laboratories, like Idaho National Laboratory (INL), to partner with private industry to prove the principles behind their research. This bill provides the women and

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Americans for Limited Government

Democrats’ stance on wall hurts U.S. citizens, supports illegals

by Robert Romano

At the end of the month, food stamp benefits will run out for 38.6 million recipients on account of the partial government shutdown. Right now, the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program is being funded with previously appropriated dollars, but in February that will change as the Department of Agriculture remains unfunded for Fiscal Year 2019.

It could be resolved in five minutes. But it won’t be because House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.) are siding with illegal aliens to block funding for the southern border wall.

Would they keep the border wide open so that drugs can be smuggled and gangs and human trafficking can run rampant rather than help needy families keep their children’s bellies full? Really?

Much of the crime brought on by illegal immigration disproportionately winds up in the very poorer communities that depend on food stamps.

We’re talking about 19.4 million households including 38.6 million individual recipients who receive \$4.7 billion of SNAP benefits monthly.

There are also hundreds of thousands of federal workers who are going without pay

for the duration of the shutdown. They have bills to pay, too.

Are Pelosi and Schumer willing to sacrifice them all on the altar of stopping the wall? It’s a choice, and it is their choice to make.

President Trump has already stated he won’t sign a spending bill that doesn’t fund the wall. Plus, he just issued the first veto threat of his presidency. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) has rightly said he won’t be acting on legislation that won’t become law.

But even if McConnell did let it pass in the Senate, Congressional Republicans in the House and the Senate appeared poised to sustain any veto Trump might issue.

So, that’s it.

In 2013, Republicans learned they could not impose their will on the Democrat-controlled Senate and White House. Back then, a Republican-controlled House did not get to pass legislation that excluded funding for Obamacare and when the government shut down over the dispute, it was deemed the House’s fault.

Perhaps Pelosi and Schumer are gambling that President Donald Trump and Republicans will get the blame politically by the media, but really, it will be their fault for blocking

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Commentary

Financial management

Mom, 75, should pay off house, put retirement in mutual funds

Dear Dave,
My mom is 75, and I'm the executor of her estate. She has \$500,000 in retirement accounts, and the only debt she has is around \$70,000 on her mortgage. Most of her money is in the stock market, with only \$20,000 in a money market account, and this worries me. She lives well within her means, so am I wrong to be concerned? Also, do you think she should go ahead and pay off her mortgage?

— Keith

Dear Keith,
Yes, I would recommend she go ahead and pay off the mortgage. If she can do that at age 75, and still have \$430,000 left, that's the way to go. Now, being in the stock market at her age sounds like a shock to you. I don't think

it's a bad thing at all. It's not what the typical financial planner tells you to do. For the most part, they'll tell you to get super conservative with your money as you get older. But from what you've said, she's not going to use this money. She's going to use the income *from* this money. So, the money's going to be left alone. If she's in good mutual funds, and not single stocks, I'm not worried about her.

Let's pay off the mortgage, and then she can start taking her income off the remainder. With the house payment out of the way, she won't need as much in terms of income, because she won't be sending money to the bank to pay the note on the house anymore. I'm comfortable with that. I'm 58, and I'm 100 percent into stocks through mutual funds. I don't have anything else,



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and I really don't ever plan on changing that!

— Dave

Dear Dave,
What happens to my Roth 401(k) when I change jobs and go to a company that doesn't offer this type of investment savings account? How should

you proceed in this situation?
— Jamie

Dear Jamie,
Anytime you leave one company for another, you should always roll your 401(k) from your former employer into an IRA (Individual Retirement Account). If it's a traditional IRA, you roll it to a traditional IRA. If it's a Roth IRA, you roll it to a Roth IRA. You would choose your own mutual funds, and you would manage your own accounts, with the help of a financial advisor of your choosing.

When it comes to choosing a financial advisor, my advice is to find someone with the heart of a teacher. A good financial advisor will help you make informed decisions about your money, and they will explain all aspects of your investments until you fully understand

everything. In short, a quality advisor will *never* encourage you to invest in something you don't understand.

Also, look for someone with the ability to assess your *overall* retirement picture. You need someone who will help you map out a complete retirement plan, and your advisor should be able to explain the big picture *and* provide a comprehensive, easy-to-understand strategy for achieving your retirement goals.

— 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 600 radio stations and multiple digital platforms.

✓ Nuclear: Recent law, pending legislation helps advance the industry

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men at INL and our other national labs additional capabilities for critical testing and collaboration with the private sector to maintain U.S. eminence in the future of nuclear energy. NEICA also sends a clear message to investors and innovators to continue to pursue and invest in advanced nuclear technology in the U.S.
Passage of this legislation compliments bipartisan work on two other pieces of legislation that will bolster nuclear innovation. Earlier this Congress, I joined Chairman of the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works John Barrasso (R-Wyo.), Sen. Risch and others on both sides of the aisle to introduce S. 512, the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (NEIMA). I helped write this legislation to promote innovation in the nuclear sector by modernizing the NRC so that it has the ability to license advanced reactors in a safe,

timely and transparent manner.
The bill was presented to the president last Wednesday.
In September, I again joined Chairman of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Murkowski, Sen. Risch and many of the same senators in the bipartisan group I worked with to craft the other two bills in supporting S. 3422, the Nuclear Energy Leadership Act (NELA). NELA would help launch robust public-private partnerships between the federal government, research institutions and industry innovators and allow the federal government to be an early adopter of new, tested nuclear technologies. NELA will provide a long-term vision and strategy for advanced nuclear energy research, development and deployment in the U.S., continuing U.S. leadership in cutting-edge nuclear technology and clean, reliable energy.
The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

Subcommittee on Energy held hearings on NELA in late November.
Reliable, efficient and emission-free, nuclear energy is and will continue to be a critical component of our nation's baseload power needs. The research and advances in nuclear energy being achieved by the experts, particularly at Idaho National Lab, will be supported well into the future by this comprehensive and multifaceted legislative approach. I look forward to building upon the momentum from the enactment of NEICA to push these other bills and further reforms over the finish line. Work continues to lift barriers to American innovation and leadership in nuclear energy.
— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U. S. Senate. He is in his fourth six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.

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✓ Wall: Continuing government shutdown lies at the feet of the with House of Representatives

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the only legislation that can get signed.
Right now, Republicans control the Senate and the White House. Democrats cannot impose their will, either. This one lands at the feet of the House, too, going by the same standard set up in 2013. Elections have consequences.
Or they had better, or else we truly live in a bipolar world where one set of rules apply to Democrats and another to Republicans.
Right now, Democrats are hoping to split Republicans by voting to fund everything but the Department of Homeland Security. The White House has again issued a veto threat of any package of bills that excludes the wall. The president needs to stick to that — and address the nation in a primetime broadcast to explain the human costs and tragedies at the border and across the country involved with

not building the southern border wall.
Because, none of this is necessary. There's a very easy way for Pelosi and Schumer to get the government funded: Build the wall. And fully fund it now, so we don't have to have the same dilemma again in September. Put the country first.
There is already almost 700 miles of barriers, fences and walls along the southern border anyway. What's another 300 miles or so?
Every budget is a matter of priorities, after all.
Is enabling illegal immigration, drugs and human trafficking with open borders worth it to compel tens of millions of American citizens go without food and hundreds of thousands of federal workers to go without pay? That is for Pelosi and Schumer to decide. This one's on them.
— Robert Romano is the Vice President of Public Policy at Americans for Limited Government.

Public notices

CITY OF HOMEDALE, IDAHO
INVITATION TO BID
Sealed lump sum bids for the construction of the City of Homedale Public Library will be received until 2:00 p.m. on January 22, 2018 by Architecture Northwest located at 224 – 16th Avenue South in Nampa, Idaho 83651. Bids will then be taken to the City of Homedale to be publicly opened and read by the Homedale City Clerk at 2:00 p.m. on January 23, 2019 at the Homedale City Hall.

The project consists of the construction of a new 3600 sq. ft. single story Library building to be located at 125 West Owyhee Avenue on the east side of the existing Homedale Public Library. The scope of work also includes site improvements (asphalt parking, concrete curbs, gutters, sidewalks and underground public utilities). Note: The pre-engineered steel building (structure, siding & roofing) will be owner provided but the erection will be by the selected general contractor.

Digital copies of the Bidding Documents are available by contacting Randy Haverfield (Architect) at Architecture Northwest at 224 16th Avenue South, Nampa, Idaho 83651, phone (208) 467-3377 in accordance with Article 3.1.1 of Instructions to Bidders.

The City will host a pre-bid conference w Prebid Meeting: A Prebid meeting for all bidders will be held at 2:00 p.m., local time, on January 15, 2019 at the Homedale Library Site. Prospective prime bidders are requested to attend. The Architect will provide responses at Prebid conference to bidders' questions received up to two business days prior to conference.

Bid security shall be submitted with each bid in the amount of 5 percent of the bid amount. No bids may be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after opening of bids. Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities and irregularities. A Performance Bond, separate Labor and Material Payment Bond, and Insurance in a form acceptable to Owner will be required of the successful Bidder.

Successful bidder shall begin the Work on receipt of the Notice to Proceed and shall complete the Work within the Contract Time of 240 calendar days after notice to proceed is given. The Contractor and any of the Contractor's Subcontractors must comply with the requirements of Idaho's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Refer to the CDBG Supplemental General Conditions and Steps to Comply with Section 3 as well as the Federal Labor Standards

Provisions and Davis Bacon Wage Rate Requirements in the Bidding Documents.

This Advertisement for Bids document is issued by:
Architecture Northwest, P.A.
224 16th Avenue South Nampa, Idaho 83651.
Phone: (208) 467-3377. Fax: (208)467-4343. E m a i l : randy@arcnw.com
01/09,16/2019

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
BY VIRTUE of an Execution in my hands, issued out of the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the county of Owyhee in the lawsuit of *Good v. Harry's Dairy, LLC* duly attested the 7th day of December, 2018. I have levied upon the following described personal property of the debtor Harry's Dairy, LLC, situated in Owyhee County, Idaho, to-wit: All right, title and interest in that certain cause of action known a *Good v. Harry's Dairy, LLC*, in the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the County of Owyhee, Case No. CV2016-967 on appeal before the Idaho Supreme Court/Court of Appeals, Docket No. 46350-2018.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 28th day of January, 2019, at 10:30 o'clock a.m. of said day at 20381 State Hwy 78, (Owyhee County Courthouse Main Lobby), Murphy, Idaho 83650, in Owyhee County, Idaho, I will sell all the right, title and interest of the debtor Harry's Dairy, LLC, in and to the said described personal property, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in lawful money of the United States, to satisfy said execution and all costs.

Given under my hand this 31st day of December, 2018.
s:/Perry Grant, Sheriff
01/09,16,23/2019

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Trustee's Sale
No. ID-LTE-18002963
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on March 12, 2019, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, ON THE STEPS OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF HIGHWAY 78 AND HAILEY STREET, MURPHY, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the

"Property"), situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, to-wit: A parcel of land situate in the Southwest Quarter Northwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter Northwest Quarter; thence North along the West boundary of said Southwest Quarter Northwest Quarter, a distance of 348.48 feet; thence South 89°48'00" East, parallel with the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter Northwest Quarter, a distance of 625.00 feet; thence South parallel with the West boundary of said Southwest Quarter Northwest Quarter, a distance of 348.48 feet to a point on the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter Northwest Quarter; thence North 89°48'00" West along the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter Northwest Quarter, a distance of 625.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described parcel: A parcel of land situated in the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence North along the West boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter a distance of 45.00 feet; thence South 89°48'00" East parallel to the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter a distance of 625.00 feet; thence South parallel to the West boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter a distance of 45.00 feet to a point on the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence North 89°48'00" West along the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter a distance of 625.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 3886 JUMPCREEK, HOMEDALE, ID 83628, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by GARY MCCOSHUM, AN UNMARRIED MAN AND CASSANDRA HAMMAR, AN

UNMARRIED WOMAN, as Grantor, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF CANYON COUNTY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of ECHO L. HALL, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, as Beneficiary, dated 12/31/2013, recorded 1/9/2014, under Instrument No. 283027, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by ECHO L. HALL, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN.

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

The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 12/31/2013, FAILURE TO PAY THE INSTALLMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST WHICH BECAME DUE ON 6/3/2018; PLUS LATE CHARGES, AND ADVANCES FOR DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES AND HAZARD INSURANCE AS SET FORTH; AND ALL SUBSEQUENT INSTALLMENTS OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST, PLUS LATE CHARGES, DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES, DELINQUENT INSURANCE PREMIUMS AND ALL FORECLOSURE COSTS AND FEES.

All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$184,852.38, together with interest thereon at 6.625% per annum from 5/17/2018, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

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

DATED: 11/8/2018.
Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services
Deborah Duncan, Assistant Secretary
c/o Pioneer Lender Trustee Services
8151 W. Rifleman Street
Boise, ID 83704 Phone: 888-342-2510
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT
TRANSFER NO. 82779
CHAD HENSLEY and DANNELLE HENSLEY, PO

BOX 306, MARSING, ID 83639; has filed Application No. 82779 for changes to the following water rights within OWYHEE County(s): Right No(s). 55-1; The purpose of the transfer is to change a portion of the above rights as follows: add an additional point of diversion to the water right from Jackson Creek, in SENE of Sec 1, Township 4S, Range 6W, just upstream of the confluence of Jackson Creek and Cow Creek. For additional information concerning the property location, contact IDWR State office at (208) 287-4800; or for a full description of the transfer, please see <http://www.idwr.idaho.gov/water-rights/transfers/search.html>

Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code Sec. 42-222. Any protest against the proposed change must be filed with the Department of Water Resources, 322 E Front St, PO Box 83720, Boise ID 83720-0098 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 1/22/2019. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Director
01/02,09/2019

THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION HAS BEEN FILED TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO:
57-11994, A M V A C CHEMICAL CORPORATION, PO BOX 150, MARSING, ID 83639. Point of Diversion L7(SENW) S34 T03N R04W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER. Use: INDUSTRIAL 01/01 to 12/31 0.33 CFS. Total Diversion: 0.33 CFS Date Filed: 10/30/2018 Place Of Use: INDUSTRIAL. T03N R04W S34 SWNW L7(SENW) Commercial use is for the manufacturing of crop protection chemicals.

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208) 334-2190. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 W AIRPORT WAY, BOISE ID 83705-5082 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 1/14/2019. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Director
01/02,09/2019



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