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GV recall absentee voting deadline nears

Councilman's fate to be decided by special election

Deadlines are approaching for voters who want to participate in the May 21 Grand View City Council recall election.

A recall question against Councilman John Morrison is the only issue on the ballot for Election Day.

Eligible voters in the Grand View precinct can request an absentee ballot from the Owyhee County Clerk's Office. The deadline to submit a request is Friday.

Only voters living inside the Grand View city limits are eligible to vote in this election, which was brought about after a citizen filed a petition with enough signatures to get a measure on the ballot.

— See **Recall**, page 4A



A day of history, a day of fun

Jordan Valley-area schoolchildren have fun on the slide at the Pleasant Valley School playground during a break from ION History Day at the grade school near the Idaho-Oregon border. Children came from several elementary schools and joined community members to learn about regional history. Submitted photo

*For more on the event, see **Page 11A***

Homedale RV park fee could change tonight

City trash contractor to seek rate increase

The Homedale City Council will hold a public hearing tonight to follow through on a commitment to adjust lodging rates at the Riverside Park RV campground.

City councilmen already agreed verbally to establish a monthly fee of \$450 for long-term campers, but a public hearing is needed to change the fee schedule by resolution.

The city council meeting begins at 6 p.m. today inside the magistrate courtroom across the lobby from City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

The council also discussed allowing tent campers at the RV park, but that information wasn't included in the public

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Jordan Valley High's 10 seniors ready to graduate

Jordan Valley High School's Class of 2019 will kick off the graduation season at 4 p.m., on Saturday.

The ceremony will take place at the school's gymnasium, 501 Bassett St.

Emilee Burch and Taylor Warn are co-valedictorians. Salutatorian is Ezekiel (Zeke) Quintero.

The other seven graduates include Skyler Forsythe, Sam Green, Stephanie Martin, Wade Raine, Regann Skinner, Michaela Stoddart, and Nicole Terry.



Emilee Burch



Taylor Warn



Ezekiel Quintero

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Jordan Valley three-sport standout Zeke Quintero to play football at C of I

High school graduation time

Jordan Valley — 4 p.m., Saturday, high school gymnasium, 501 Bassett St., Jordan Valley

COSSA Academy — 5 p.m., Thursday, May 23, Mercer Hall, Wilder

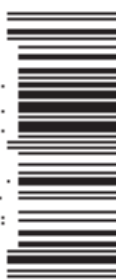
Homedale — 7 p.m., Thursday, May 23, high school gymnasium, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale

Melba — 7 p.m., Friday, May 24, Potter Gymnasium, 6870 Stokes Ave., Melba

Marsing — 6:30 p.m., Thursday, May 30, new high school gymnasium, Marsing

Rimrock — 2 p.m., Saturday, June 1, high school gymnasium, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau

Adrian — 6 p.m., Sunday, May 26, Adrian High School, 305 Owyhee St., Adrian



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Lizard Butte Library gets new flag

Chad Parr rode in the bucket when Dennis Huhtala of American Legion Post 128 in Marsing decided to replace the flag in front of Lizard Butte Library last month. No flag had been on the pole for two years, and Huhtala approached the city, which donated the new flag. Huhtala and Parr received help with equipment from Adam Wright of Challenger Construction. Submitted photo

Marsing Fire looks to collect impact fees in Canyon County

Public hearing planned; substation still in the works

Marsing Rural Fire District’s board of commissioners will hold a public hearing next Wednesday to consider the adoption of a Capital Improvements Plan for the collection of impact fees for systems improvements.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m., at the fire station, 303 Main St., Marsing,

The commissioners will take input on a plan to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Canyon County to collect and spend development impact fees for the fire district’s systems improvements as identified in the Capital Improvements Plan.

“As we are seeing, and expect, continued growth in our area, especially Canyon County, the collection of impact fees will be critical in allowing to maintain expected levels of service,” fire Commissioner Jake Astorquia said.

“We think of this in our expected response time, needed apparatus, vehicles assets, etc.”

According to a legal notice advertising the hearing, the proposed Canyon County fire protection district development impact fee for a residential unit is \$1,238. The non-residential development fee would be 62 cents per square foot.

The development fee would apply only to the areas of the Marsing Rural Fire District that

are within Canyon County.

Astorquia said that taxpayers have voiced to him that they do not want the burden of funding future growth, and that impact fees ensure that the new growth will fund the increasing capital and asset expenses created by a growing service area.

“This is an approved program in the state of Idaho that is already utilized in many areas,” he said. “We have retained a consultant from Galena Consulting to assist with implementation.”

Astorquia said that the consultant will attend the meeting, joining the Owyhee County Commissioners and Fire Chief Brion Showalter.

The public is invited to the meeting to have questions answered and receive more detailed information.

The fire district has made proposed land use assumptions and a copy of the proposed Capital Improvements Plan available to the public upon request.

In May of 2017, voters approved a permanent levy override to build a fire station in the Canyon County portion of the district.

Astorquia said the plan is still in the works.

“It has become a bit more tricky as the costs of materials and labor have increased significantly from when the levy was voted on and processed until it was time to bid the job,” he said.

“We have discussed making some revisions to the plans in an appropriately functional facility and get the best value for the money spent.”

— TK

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Marsing City Council to hold two public hearings

The Marsing City Council meeting tonight figures to be a busy one.

City council members will hear public hearings in addition to construction updates and reports by the city’s attorney, code enforcement officer, law enforcement, maintenance supervisor, and Mayor James Ferdinand.

Martin and Hannah Maisel are seeking a rezone to commercial and a conditional use permit for property located at 1206 W. Main St.

Originally scheduled for the March 13 meeting, the Nampa couple’s public hearing has been continued twice.

The Maisels are seeking the rezoning and CUP as part of their plan to open a resort RV park in Marsing.

The second public hearing is being held for the TV Group LLC, doing business as Bear Construction, which is seeking a special use permit to reconfigure two residential lots.

According to company representative Victor Thompson, Bear Construction wants to reconfigure the property so a lot split can be made and two homes built. The property, currently a single, abandoned lot, faces Franklin Street. If the split is approved, the property would face Edwards Street.

The two proposed lots will measure 68 feet by 100 feet each.

According to Thompson, two-bedroom, two-bath homes will be built on each lot, with one being a single-level and the other a two-level structure.

Kirby Cook of Civil Dynamics, the city’s engineer, will update the council on the various construction projects around town, such as the Idaho Transportation Department project on Idaho highway 55 and the Snake River Bridge rebuild.

Cook is also expected to provide an update on the wastewater plant dechlorination project and the conclusion of the Island Park boat dock project.

City attorney Stephanie J. Bonney, code enforcement officer Harvey Gist, Owyhee County Sheriff’s Cpl. Atanacio Montes, maintenance supervisor Philip Gibson, and Ferdinand will present monthly reports, as necessary.

There will also be some conversation concerning the city’s plans for the annual Third of July celebration.

Consideration will be made for new business licenses for electrical contractor Barry Kendall and Triangle T Boutique.

— TK

County leads wildfire preparedness workshop Tuesday

Owyhee County will hold a fire preparedness planning meeting for the public on Tuesday in Murphy.

The workshop will take place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., inside McKeeth Hall at the Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St.

The workshop is open to anyone interested in learning more about how to better prepare for wildfire to reduce the economic impacts to the community and to protect homes, businesses, other developments and working lands.

Organizers say that the interested public can provide input to better prepare Owyhee County’s communities for the upcoming fire season and for the future of fire preparedness across the county.

Organizers welcome interested parties to invite others, but RSVPs are necessary by Thursday because lunch will be provided.

RSVP via email to county Planning and Zoning administrator Mary Huff at MHuff@co.owyhee.id.us, and registration is available at <https://owyhee.eventbrite.com>.

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✓ Recall: Vote in-person in Murphy until May 17

In-person absentee voting is available at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy through Friday, May 17.

On Election Day, the polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., in Grand View.

Early registration has closed, but folks can still register on Election Day at the polls.

For questions on mail-in absentee or in-person absentee voting, call the county clerk's office at (208) 495-2421.

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✓ Tonight: Violating code could become misdemeanor

hearing notice. It's unclear if elected officials will establish a policy for tents.

In a second public hearing scheduled today, city resident Suzanna Brockett will seek a license to establish a non-commercial dog kennel on property located at 11 Kansas Ave.

Other agenda items include:

- Bill Pastoor, owner of Homedale-based Westowns Disposal Inc., is scheduled to approach the council about a rate increase. Pastoor also could discuss the fact that his company is no longer accepting plastic as part of its recycling program.
- Homedale couple DJ and Cassandra Crisp will seek permission to establish a regular family movie night for the community at Bette Uda City Park.
- The city's RV park also will be subject of discussions about electrical upgrades as well as



The Riverside Park RV campground has stayed relatively busy in just about every season during the past year.

purchasing a storage shed for use by the RV park host. Those discussions will come during public works supervisor Bret Smith's report to the board.

- During Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller's departmental report, the council could discuss converting city ordinance violations to misdemeanors.
- Mayor Gheen Christoffersen could bring to the council the idea of developing a

technology usage policy for city employees.

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— JPB

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Calendar

Today

Senior bus to Mountain Home
9:30 a.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922

Make-it class
4 p.m., open to school-aged children, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Owyhee Watershed Council meeting
4 p.m., board meets in either Marsing or Adrian, call for location each month. (541) 372-5782

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

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

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

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

Homedale Highway District meeting
7 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale

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

Thursday

FFA Ag expo
8:30 a.m. to noon, Marsing High School Ag shop, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 649-5411

Drinking water testing
9 a.m. to 2 p.m., free, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 761-4118

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

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

Owyhee Conservation Dist. board meeting
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

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

Senior center board meeting
1 p.m., 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., at Alejandra’s, 208 Main St., Marsing. Check Facebook for updates. (208) 859-2087 or marsingchamber@gmail.com

Friday

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

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

Saturday

Prayer breakfast
8 a.m., non-denominational, guest speaker each month, Marsing Church of the Nazarene, 12 S. 2nd St., Marsing.

Farmers’ Market spring plant sale
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, 204 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

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

Jordan Valley High School graduation
4 p.m., Jordan Valley High School gymnasium, 501 Bassett St., Jordan Valley.

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., first come, first served, \$15, 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

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

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

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

American Legion Post 128 meeting
7 p.m., Phipps-Watson American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing

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

Wednesday

Make-it class
4 p.m., open to school-aged children, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Grand View Chamber meeting
5:30 p.m., Grand View Fire Station, 721 Roosevelt St., Grand View.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Veggie bar, fruit bar, and choice of milk and juice each day
May 8: **Breakfast:** Mini pancakes, applesauce **Lunch:** Chicken taco, corn
May 9: **Breakfast:** Large breakfast round, mixed fruit, string cheese **Lunch:** Crispito, refried beans, goldfish crackers
May 13: **Breakfast:** Cherry frudel, peaches **Lunch:** Chicken fries, potato smiles
May 14: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon pull-apart, pears **Lunch:** Grilled ham & cheese, tater tots
May 15: **Breakfast:** Rolled taco, applesauce **Lunch:** Pork chop, mashed potatoes w/gravy, hot roll

Homedale Middle

Fruit & salad bar, choice of milk and juice each day
May 8: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick or cereal, applesauce **Lunch:** Ham & cheese sandwich, hot dog, potato chips
May 9: **Breakfast:** Donut or cereal, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Nachos or PB&J sandwich
May 13: **Breakfast:** Pancake bites or cereal, peaches **Lunch:** Mini calzones or mini corn dogs, corn
May 14: **Breakfast:** French toast sticks or cereal, pears **Lunch:** Orange chicken or pizza hot pocket, steamed rice, broccoli, fortune cookie
May 15: **Breakfast:** Mini-cinnamon bagel or cereal, applesauce **Lunch:** Cheeseburger or sloppy joe, French fries

Homedale High

Salad bar, fruit choice and choice of milk and juice each day
May 8: **Breakfast:** Breakfast plate or maple breakfast sandwich or cereal **Lunch:** pork chop or Malibu chicken, mashed potatoes w/gravy, dinner roll
May 9: **Breakfast:** Donut holes or BeneFIT bar or cereal **Lunch:** Crisпитos with refried beans or Grab ‘n’ Go deli sandwich
May 13: **Breakfast:** Tornado or twin berry bites or cereal **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza ripper or PB&J sandwich
May 14: **Breakfast:** Croissant sandwich or cinnamon roll or cereal **Lunch:** Spicy chicken sandwich or cheesy chicken sub, French fries, cookie
May 15: **Breakfast:** Biscuits & gravy or mini waffles or cereal **Lunch:** Beef taco or chicken taco, corn

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May 9: **Breakfast and lunch:** Cook’s choice
May 13: **Breakfast and lunch:** Cook’s choice
May 14: **Breakfast:** Biscuits & gravy **Lunch:** Chicken patty, mashed potatoes & gravy, steamed broccoli, whole wheat roll
May 15: **Breakfast and lunch:** Cook’s choice



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Death notice

MARIA REFUGIO MORALES, 76, of Homedale, died on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene. Viewing will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. prior to services at the church. Interment will be in the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery in Marsing. Full obituary will be online at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar available with each meal:
Lettuce, tomato, boiled eggs, peaches, apricots, salad dressing
Milk available each day
May 8: Ham & beans, cornbread, carrots
May 9: Chicken & noodles, California blend veggies, roll
May 14: Country-fried steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, peas & carrots, roll
May 15: Sausage & biscuit, country gravy, mashed potatoes, Brussel sprouts

Rimrock Senior Center

All meals are served with milk & fruit juice
May 9: Chicken salad sandwich on whole-grain bun, macaroni salad, sliced tomatoes and cucumbers, watermelon, pudding
May 14: Pork stir fry, fried rice, chow mien noodles, Oriental veggies, Mandarin oranges, cottage cheese, fortune cookie
May 16: Shepherd's pie (hamburger, veggies and mashed potatoes), steamed veggies, fresh melon, cottage cheese, spice cake

Melba student earns college fellow award

Melba resident Mikayla Frost has received a prestigious award from her college. Frost earned the College Fellow award during the University of Jamestown's annual Honors Convocation in Jamestown, N.D. The College Fellow is awarded to a limited number of outstanding junior or senior students who are selected each

year by the faculty. Criteria to be eligible includes exemplary character, an overall cumulative grade-point average of 3.3 or better and a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better in the student's major. A Fellow may tutor or teach under the direction of the department chair, and holds rank just below that of the college instructor.

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Obituary

Peggy Marie Wirth

Peggy Marie Wirth, 75, passed away on the evening of April 20, 2019. She died at St. Al's in Boise, Idaho. Her death was a result of complications from by her cancer treatment in 1993.

Peggy is survived by her husband Terry Wirth; daughters Tisha Baskett (Ken) and Tami Pfost (Andy); sisters Dene Greer (Ted) and Bev Rayne; sister-in-law Althea Haberman (Ron); her five grandchildren: Dirk, Casey, Kaden, Ty and Gracie; numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

Peggy was born to Clyde and Marie Eells, in Homedale, Idaho in 1943. She attended and graduated from Homedale High School where she met her husband Terry. The couple married in 1961 and enjoyed 57 years together. She worked at the local bank. In 1967, the couple had their first daughter, Tisha. That same year the couple purchased a local drive-in restaurant, The Frosty Palace. It was there that she did the schedule, balanced the books, and invented the popular Burger Baron. In 1971, their second daughter, Tami, was born. It was in 1978 that Peggy and Terry built their new home designed by Peggy. She loved her family and was close to her folks and her two sisters. She considered herself blessed to have such a rich family life, one that she never took for granted. Her life was



not without its challenges; in 1993 Peggy was diagnosed with stomach cancer. Doctors gave her a small chance of survival, but of course, Peggy would have nothing to do with statistics and battled her way through to become a survivor. Peggy and Terry sold the Frosty after 29 years and began their retirement years. Peggy became a grandma to her five grandkids and happily spent her days attending the grandkids' events. She was a proud grandma, and she was always the best cheerleader. She also loved spending time in her yard and cruising around in their convertible Camaro. Peggy and Terry went on many car cruises in their '56 Chevy. The Heap Herder car cruises were a memory-maker for Peggy. She would come back with stories of small quaint towns, antique stores, dinner conversations, and joy filling

her heart from time spent with her dear friends. It's difficult to sum Peggy up in a collection of sentences. It seems harsh and, frankly, silly. She was so much more than just words in a black-and-white paragraph. She was truly an extraordinary person living an ordinary life. She laid the foundation for her kids and grandkids to know that there's a God and faith is real and will help you stand tall in every situation. She always felt that life wasn't about the destination but the journey and finding joy along the way. So as you go out and live your life, remember Peggy in the small things because life isn't about the big things, it's all about the places in between. In lieu of a formal service there will be a celebration of life for Peggy on June 8th. Details will be sent out at a later date.

Marsing student on EOU Dean's List

A Marsing High School graduate is part of the 570 students on the Eastern Oregon University dean's list for the 2019 winter term. Mariah Kinney earned a spot on the Dean's List as a student who achieved and maintained

a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher while completing a minimum of 12 hours of graded coursework. Eastern Oregon University is located in La Grande, Ore.

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Gratitude shown in thank-you notes is bedrock of politeness

Studies show the art of being grateful makes people happy. Once youth tune into gratitude, they can use it in all areas of life to boost happiness. Recipients feel recognized and appreciated when they receive a thank-you note. It is seen as a courteous and thoughtful gesture and can impact the future of a relationship. Think back to the last thank-you note, specifically a handwritten one, that you received. How did it make you feel?



Janelle Thompson

Thank-you notes are an important way to show appreciation, acknowledge a gift or service, or provide recognition, and youth can benefit greatly from expressing their gratitude by writing thank-you notes. If we do not express gratitude, our relationship might change because we show we don't care about the other person.

Every year there is an abundance of folks who generously donate to the 4-H youth in our communities. Please be sure to let them know how thankful you are.

Etiquette is a useful social tool that makes people stand out from the crowd: It helps them build friendships, connect with others from both a person-

al and professional standpoint, and makes a terrific impression. The habit of being polite gained from writing thank-you notes will give them the edge as they mature and will teach them life lessons you won't want them to miss. Handwritten thank-you notes are an important part of both our personal and professional lives and, despite changes in technology, still have a large impact on society and are a great way we can show appreciation.

If you are unsure whether or not to write a thank-you note, write one! A great thank-you note will have a positive impact on the recipient. Gratitude goes a long way. It is a great feeling when you receive a handwritten thank-you note, and it is an even better knowing that you are passing that feeling along to someone else.

As we quickly approach the 2019 Owyhee County Fair, this is something useful for our 4-H & FFA members to keep in mind when they are writing their thank-you notes this year.

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

Free well water tests slated in Grand View

Private well owners can get their water tested for free in Grand View on Thursday.

Free nitrate testing will be offered from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St.

The Idaho Rural Water Association, the City of Grand View and Southwest District Health are collaborating.

Residents should bring well water in a clean 8- to 12-ounce container.

Nitrate results will be instantaneous, IRWA program manager Adrianna Hummer said.

If folks want further testing, which will come at a cost, orga-

nizers will have sample bottles available and ready to be sent to the lab. Additional testing looks for contaminants such as bacteria, arsenic and lead.

There will be information on safe drinking water, and experts on hand to answer questions.

Grand View residents on the municipal water system (non-well water) can also have their water tested, but Hummer said the event primarily is geared for well water users because the City of Grand View already must follow strict regulations to keep nitrates and other contaminants out of its water.

For more information, call the IRWA at (208) 761-4118.



Homedale library dropbox gets a pick-me-up painting

Homedale High School senior Reana Hardman painted the exterior drop box of the public library on Saturday as part of her senior project. Reana shared the stage with the Friends of the Homedale Library, which hosted its bi-annual book sale at the same time.

Homedale Class of 2019 seeks prize donations for grad party

The Homedale High School Class of 2019 seniors are in the final week of collecting prize donations for their Safe and Sober Graduation Party.

Senior class president Olivia Cardenas made the rounds last week to kick off the final push to get donations for the party, which will be held inside the

main gymnasium after the May 23 graduation ceremony.

The party will include "food, lots of fun and games," according to a letter Cardenas has distributed.

Cardenas is looking for prize donations to create a small gift for each of the 96 graduates in the Class of 2019.

Cardenas is offering to pick up any donations, or they can be dropped off at the high school, 203 E. Idaho Ave. She's hoping to collect all donations by Thursday, May 16.

Call Cardenas at (208) 249-2494 or message her at (208) 340-1608 if interested in helping out.

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Homedale FFA kicks off May Fridays full of flowers (and veggies)
Homedale’s Bob Ensley (left) peruses the merchandise in the Homedale High School greenhouse during the first Friday of the FFA chapter’s monthlong sale as chapter co-advisor Logan Kotar provides advice and insight. The sale runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Friday in May.

Two chances to buy Homedale FFA plants this weekend

The Homedale FFA chapter’s annual greenhouse sale continues each Friday this month. Plants are available between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the greenhouse located behind the high school ag shop near the intersection of East Owyhee Avenue and North 2nd Street East. Plants available include flower baskets (\$25), beefsteak tomatoes, super chilis, various flowers, and herbs. The FFA members also will sell at the second Homedale Farmers Market spring plant sale Saturday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., at Bette Uda City Park. Sale proceeds helps buy more plants for the upcoming year and finances greenhouse improvements.

Homedale senior coordinates ag safety day for 5th-graders

Project part of Campbell’s passion to help others

It doesn’t take long for Gunner Campbell to figure out what appeals to him.

The 18-year-old son of Zak and Stevi Campbell is passionate about helping people, and that has fueled his senior project at Homedale High School.

Gunner has been coordinating the Homedale FFA’s second annual Ag Farm Safety seminar for fifth-graders at the town’s middle school.

“The torch was kind of passed down from last year,” Gunner said. Meryssa Oakley coordinated the first Ag Farm Safety lessons as her senior project a year ago.

Gunner and his younger brother, Bowen, raise pigs for the Owyhee County Fair every year, so he’s familiar with what it takes to care for livestock as well as staying safe in agricultural settings.

Living in a rural area like Homedale has exposed Gunner to plenty of the dangers inherent to working the land, working with machinery, and working with live animals.

“I’ve seen a lot of safety issues in ag situations,” Gunner said. “An example is faulty fencing letting animals get loose and get hurt or hurt others.”

Gunner has spent time helping his fellow HHS Ag Leadership classmates get ready for each of the 10 stations they’ll man Thursday as the middle school’s four classes fifth-grades mill through. Two classes will attend between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., and the other two sets of students will take I their lessons from 10 a.m. to noon.

Groups of two or three FFA’ers will man each

station. Gunner also will be grading the presentations.

“I’ve been preparing them all month to make sure the projects are going to be fun for the kids,” he said.

During the grading process, Gunner will examine the demonstrations for length, quality and content.

Last year, Gunner was in charge of the grain bin safety station, and he said that opened his eyes to the dangers of grain bins when children are playing near them.

“I learned a lot doing that presentation,” he said. “When kids fall into a grain bin, they are sucked down. They can get suffocated.”

Other stations Thursday will address animal safety, fire safety, and “anything that can happen on a farm or in a rural area.”

Gunner said animal safety includes how to treat livestock. He said he and his brother have learned plenty raising pigs as fair projects first for 4-H and now for FFA projects.

“On a normal day, you walk the pig in the field and make sure he has feed and water,” Gunner said. “In the summer, my brother and I dig out a mud hole to make sure the pig has a cool spot because pigs can’t sweat.”

Gunner said preparation is key when dealing with livestock. If you use the wrong equipment to wash a pig for a show, the animal’s skin can get scratched and not look right for the judges, he said.

A football player and golfer as well as FFA chapter sentinel this year, Gunner plans to attend Boise State University and study Psychology.

“I’ve always wanted to help people and didn’t know how,” he said.

“Psychology called my name. I love to help people. It’s just my passion.”

— JPB



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Medicare assistance at Homedale Sr. Center

Homedale Senior Center will play host to Medicare informational talks Thursday.

Appointments are being taken for the event, which

runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the senior center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Call (208) 337-4020 to make an appointment.

Homedale FFA closes year with awards, new officers

by Madison Miller
chapter reporter

The Homedale FFA chapter held its annual Award and Appreciation Banquet on Thursday.

Chapter members, family, friends, and community members gathered to recognize the accomplishments of FFA members who diligently worked through the school year towards achieving their goals.

About 100 members and guests attended the banquet, which featured many awards, plaques, and shout-outs.

The Discovery Degree for middle school members who have attended chapter meetings and participated in multiple activities — Sage Badiola, Rylan Binford, Cameron Breshears, Catherine Decker, Trenton Fisher, Rylan Love, Olivia Miller, D'Orr Packer, Bailey Purdom, Kambell Garrett, and Ashley Stebly.

The Greenhand Degree for first-year high school members who have mastered the FFA creed, retained FFA history and knowledge, and developed sufficient plans for their Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) — Amaia Aberasturi, Josh Brown, Wyatt Cooper, Bryce Cornwall, Emma Criffield, Willy Haun, Eli Heck, Ryker Johnson, John Lejardi, Belisia Larzelier, Daryl Ramirez-Sanchez, KeArra Rodemack, Robert Salazar, Delanie Swallow, and Brandon Van Es.

The Star Greenhand is an award presented to a student who went above and beyond this past year as a first-year high school FFA member, including demonstrating leadership throughout the year and maintaining a strong SAE project. The award was presented to John Lejardi, who works countless hours preparing his pigs to take to the Owyhee County Fair in August. John won the Treasure Valley District Creed Speaking championships earned the bronze award at the State Leadership Conference in April.

The Chapter Degree obtained by members who have been active in the chapter for two years of high school membership. These members earned at least \$150 or worked 45 hours towards their SAE: Sophomores Skylr Badiola, Bowen Campbell, Keagen Christensen, Brayden Christofferson, Makenna DeWitt, Ainslee Evans, Jace Love, Kenna McKay, Mackenzie Miller, Madison Miller, Kaitlyn Missamore, Caitlyn Pate, Brooke Pfof, and junior Amaya Beckman.



The 2019-20 Homedale FFA chapter officers, **from left:** Makenna DeWitt, Madison Miller, Ainslee Evans, Caitlyn Pate, Weston Dorsey, Roberto Salazar, Spencer Fisher, and Brooke Pfof

Ainslee Evans won the Chapter Star Farmer award for a member who has an outstanding SAE in production agriculture and demonstrates the most involvement in all phases of the chapter's activities. Her SAE consists of raising a market lamb for the Owyhee County Fair and running a purebred Hereford breeding and production program. She has traveled to Indianapolis to compete in the National Creed Speaking LDE, has competed in Parliamentary Procedure at the state level, and competed in Prepared Public Speaking at the district level. She has remained involved in FFA and was elected as the first Jr. Advisor for the Homedale FFA chapter.

Two individuals — Keagen Christensen and Brooke Pfof — qualified for the Chapter Star in Agricultural Placement Award. The award similar to the Chapter Star Farmer except that the member's SAE program involves placement in production agriculture, agribusiness or directed laboratory that is not agriscience-based. This placement can be a paid or unpaid experience, although the member must have enough earnings and investments from their SAE to qualify for the Chapter FFA Degree.

Keagen is employed by Dave Christensen and helps farm mint across Western Idaho. He also worked for Neilson Farms managing onion health and production. Keagen puts countless hours during the summer and works hard to achieve his goals.

Pfof works at the golf course where she spends many hours during the summer working on the grounds and maintaining the golf carts. She spends some of her time doing landscape work. Brooke plants flowers

and cleans flowerbeds for community members. Brooke has set her goals, and doing this work helps her to get that much closer to being in the floral business.

Spencer Fisher and DeLaynie Dorsey earned the State FFA Degree. Every year, the Idaho FFA Association recognizes students who have met requirements such as leadership standards and invested \$1,000 in their SAE Program.

Leadership pins were presented to sophomores Makenna DeWitt, Madison Miller, and Brooke Pfof and junior KeArra Rodemack.

The pins are awarded to students who go above and beyond a regular FFA standard. It is more than just chairing a committee; it is those who compete in leadership events, are willing to step in when needed, and are always willing to assist the advisors when the need arises.

The Doing to Learn award was presented to sophomore Roberto Salazar. He has a "can-do" attitude and is willing to try anything, even if he has no idea how to do it. Roberto is willing to tackle anything life throws at him and manages to do it all

with a smile on his face. Part of FFA motto states "Learning to Do, Doing to Learn." There is no one better fit for this award than Roberto.

The Homedale FFA chapter strongly encourages members to do their best in and out of the classroom. The Scholarship award recognizes members who maintain the highest grade-point average among FFA members in their class. This year's recipients are Jenna Rupp and Jaeger Rose, juniors Amaya Beckman and DeLaynie Dorsey, sophomores Brooke Pfof, Ainslee Evans, Madison Miller, and freshmen Amaia Aberasturi, Willy Haun, Belisia Larzelier, and John Lejardi.

Tell Morse earned the Top-shop Student Award given to the member who has excelled in the shop during the school year and has helped co-advisor Logan Kotar keep the shop running safely and efficiently. Tell has worked on multiple metal fabrication projects, while continuing to maintain a good standing as an FFA member. He helped finish a new metal sign for the Idaho FFA Association.

Proficiency Awards for those

who excel in the SAE programs encourage members to develop specialized skills that will apply toward a future career. Many Homedale chapter members received these awards at the state level, including Isabella Tamura, Goat Production; Ben Holt, Diversified Livestock Production Entrepreneurship and Gold in Beef Production; Spencer Fisher, Diversified Livestock; and Weston Dorsey, Field Crop Production Proficiency.

The FFA chapter also extended thanks to Brett Seward, who was the top buyer in the fall's Harvest Auction fundraiser.

Honorary Degree recipients this year included Belinda Breshears and Tiffany Tamura. The Honorary Degree is given to farmers, schools superintendents, principals, members of boards of education, chapter advisors, teachers, staff members in agriculture education, business people and others who are helping to advance agricultural education and FFA and those who have rendered outstanding service.

Seniors completing their journey with Homedale FFA include: Megan Bauer, Riley Talatoa, Jenna Rupp, Gunner Campbell, Ben Holt, Isabella Tamura, Tell Morse, Matt Mikancic, Jordan Cole, Kaden Binford, Kari Woods, Jaeger Rose, Izaiah Lopez, and Regan Rupp.

The chapter thanked them for their service and wished them luck in post-high school endeavors. They will always hold onto the experiences, friendships, and lifelong memories they have made while wearing the corduroy jacket.

New officers were elected and inducted for the 2019-20 year, including president Brooke Pfof, vice-president Spencer Fisher, secretary Makenna DeWitt, Jr. Advisor Ainslee Evans, treasurer Roberto Salazar, reporter Madison Miller, historian Caitlyn Pate, and sentinel Weston Dorsey.

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Marsing NAPA opens shop, grand opening planned this summer

Above: The new NAPA Owyhee Auto Parts store on Main Street in Marsing is open for business with a moden facade. *Below:* Employee Andrew Arnold stands behind the counter and in front of a massive inventory of parts. The store opened a couple weeks ago, but the grand opening is tentatively set for July 1.



Grand View girl honored in IPTV writing contest

Grand View resident Lydia Owens will be honored Saturday in Boise for the second-place imaginative story she submitted to the Idaho Public Television Kids Writers Contest.

Lydia is a home-schooled kindergarten student and the daughter of Mark and Andrea Owens of Grand View.

Lydia submitted a story titled “The White Kitten,” which she wrote and illustrated.

The awards ceremony will be held at 1:30 p.m., on Saturday at the Boise Public Library on Cole and Ustick roads. Winning stories will be uploaded in full color onto the IdahoPTV website by June 1.

According to an IdahoPTV press release, this is the 25th year the local public broadcasting outlet has hosted the annual PBS Kids Writers Contest, which encourages children in kindergarten through third grades to use their creativity to write and illustrate an imaginative story.

IdahoPTV received 410 contest entries. Volunteers judged entries based on creativity, originality, language skills and illustrations.

First-, second- and third-place award winners were chosen from each IdahoPTV broadcast region in the state for a total of 35 honorees.

“The PBS KIDS writers contest is a great way for children to engage in an activity that helps them develop better language skills and creativity-abilities that are vital in today’s world,” Cindy Lunte, IdahoPTV education specialist, said.

Support for this year’s contest was provided by the F. M., Anne G. & Beverly B. Bistline Foundation in the Idaho Community Foundations, Walmart and Ideal- Idaho College Savings Program.

Courthouse report

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

- April 29**
- Luis F. Altamirano, Anderson, Calif.** — Misdemeanor false logbook: \$43.50 in fines and \$157.50 in court costs
 - Jorge A. Vergara Contreras, Hammett** — Misdemeanor commercial driver’s license violation: \$68.50 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs
- April 26**
- Jacob Arthur Crandall, Boise** — Felony grand theft by unauthorized control or transfer of property: 9 days in jail (served), 3 years felony probation, \$595.50 in court costs. **Withheld judgment:** Defendant can petition to have record expunged after successfully completing sentence.
 - Paul L. Jenkins, Marsing** — Misdemeanor driving under the influence (second offense), misdemeanor marijuana possession, misdemeanor driving without privileges: 60 days in jail, 1 year driver’s license suspension, \$352.50 in court costs
 - Jennifer Kathleen McVey, Yuba City, Calif.** — Felony controlled substance possession: 2 days in jail (served), 2 years felony probation, \$387.50 in court costs. **Withheld judgment:** Defendant can petition to have record expunged after successfully completing sentence.
 - Mathew Brady Sullivan, Grand View** — Felony burglary: 36 days in jail (served), 3 years felony probation, \$595.50 in court costs. **Dismissed by prosecuting attorney:** Felony grand theft

- April 24**
- Brandon J. Harris, Marsing** — Misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession: \$50 in fines, \$199.50 in court costs
 - Bailey R. Lindquist, Grand View** — Misdemeanor alcoholic beverage under 21 unlawful purchase, consumption or possession (second offense): \$270 in fines, \$189.50 in court costs
 - Rhonda R. Wyatt, Molalla, Ore.** — Misdemeanor marijuana possession, misdemeanor failure to appear: 7 days in jail (served), \$197.50 in court costs

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ION history comes to life in Pleasant Valley

Pleasant Valley Elementary played host to an ION History Day on Thursday.

Students, teachers and community members visited the school to learn more about local history and local topics of interest.

About 45 students from Pleasant Valley Elementary, Arock Elementary, Jordan Valley Elementary, and Rockville Elementary participated, along with many community members who stopped by.

Stations included:

- Basque culture and history with Elias Eiguren
- Big game with Randy Pollard
- Flint knapping with Glenn Fretwell
- Atlatl throwing with Vicki Fretwell
- Historic artifacts with items from the Jordan Valley ION Heritage Museum and Mike Stanford
- Idaho rocks and gems with Brent Stewart
- History with Mike Hanley
- Local law enforcement with Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Larry Kendrick.

The Pleasant Valley Museum was open to all visitors, and the Jordan Valley High School Drama Club brought its wax museum with local historic figures like Claude Dallas, Basque immigrants, miners, mustangers, Mrs. Broadhurst, John Baxter, and Galo Mendieta.

The Caldwell Exchange donated hot dogs and chorizos for lunch, and many community members contributed salads and desserts.

Marsing man passes bad \$100 bill at market

A Marsing man attempted to pass a counterfeit \$100 bill last Wednesday at Logan's Market, according to Owyhee County sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman.

Bowman said Matthew Renz, 22, succeeded in completing the transaction, including receiving change, when he purchased alcohol with the counterfeit bill.

Renz was charged with felony forgery. Additionally, prosecutors are pursuing burglary charges, Bowman said.

Bowman said that Chinese characters were on the bill, and it was smaller than normal but the cashier didn't notice until later.

On Thursday, deputies went to Renz's home and arrested him. He is not currently in custody.

— TK



Matthew Renz

Out-of-state driver found with coke, pot placed on probation

A California woman can get a felony drug conviction wiped off her record if she successfully completes her sentence.

Jennifer Kathleen McVey of Yuba City, Calif., was sentenced April 26 for cocaine possession.

Third District Judge Thomas W. Whitney placed McVey on two years felony probation and ordered her to pay \$387.50 in court costs. He also issued a withheld judgment.

The 46-year-old woman also received credit for two days she spent in Owyhee County Jail after an Idaho State Police trooper arrested her during an Oct. 18 traffic stop two miles inside the Idaho state line on U.S. Highway 95.

McVey initially was stopped for driving 9 mph over the 65 mph speed limit, according to court records.

Records also indicate that an Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy assisted on the stop.

Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery dropped misdemeanor charges for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

Outpost Days auctions return

Weekend volunteers, live auction donations sought

Next month's Owyhee County Historical Society Outpost Days Jubilee will include locally raised beef for a chuck wagon dinner.

The 50th anniversary event runs June 1-2 at the Owyhee County Historical Museum complex, 17085 Basey St., in Murphy.

The chuck wagon dinner, with natural-grown beef from sponsoring company Collett Ranch, will be held at 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 1.

A meal, not including a beverage, costs \$10 for adults or \$5 for children younger than 10.

Tickets are available at the museum or through the museum's website at www.owyhee-museum.org.

A Buckaroo Breakfast will be served at 8 both mornings.

The 10-kilometer and 3-kilometer fun run and walk will push off at 8 a.m., on Saturday, June 1.

Another new twist this year is an online auction to raise money for the OCHS. The online auction replaces the long-running silent auction that was held each year at the museum.

The online auction opens at 8 a.m., on May 20 and closes at 6 p.m., on June 9.

You can register and bid at <http://outpostdays.afrogs.org>. A link to the auction site is also available at the museum's website.

The Sunday live auction will still be held, beginning at 2 p.m. on June 2. Some of the early lots include a Hells Canyon adventure and a falcon hunting trip.

Anyone who wants to donate an item for the auction can drop it off at the museum, or call by next Wednesday for pick-up. Call Kathy at (208) 870-5717 or LeeAnn at (419) 371-1471 to arrange pick-up.

Volunteers are needed to help operate all aspects of Outpost Days. Anyone who wants to help out can call or text Debra at (208) 880-7929. Help is need with the fun run, parking, the pie shop, garbage set-up and tear-down, the information booth or any of the meals.

Organizers also are on the lookout for the area's best pies for the pie shop. Call Diana at (208) 989-7001 for more in-

formation on donating a pie or helping out in the shop. Cash donations are welcome, too.

Donated pies should be homemade, 9- to 10-inch pies, and donors should mark their dishes if they want them returned.

Owyhee Outpost No. 50, which is the Golden Jubilee issue, is available at the museum bookstore for \$14. The publication outlines 50 years of the OCHS' efforts to provide an anthology of local history. It features articles from several authors — some familiar and some new.

An Author's Table is scheduled from noon to 1 p.m., on June 2 during Outpost Days, and local authors and Outpost contributors will be available to sign their work.

For more information on Outpost Days or any of its events, call (208) 495-2319.

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BLM, county reach out to recreationalists for safety’s sake

In an effort to cut down on emergency calls, the Bureau of Land Management and Owyhee County Search and Rescue is asking recreationalists to be safe and responsible in the backcountry.

The two governmental entities put out a press release, which is aimed primarily at visitors to Owyhee County.

“There are year-round recreational opportunities on BLM-managed public land in Owyhee County,” Bruneau Field Manager Tanya Thrift. “Much of it is remote, and we want visitors to take precautions to avoid hazardous situations and come prepared in case of an emergency.”

The press release states that there have been a high number of responses recently by the county’s emergency medical services organizations and county search and rescue.

Officials say those incidents could have been prevented with preparation and following basic safety principles.

- Always let someone know where you are going and what time you will return.
- Cellphone service is very limited, especially outside of highway corridors.
- Be prepared for emergencies by taking along extra water, food and clothing.
- Stay on designated roads and trails; it is unlawful to cross-country travel with motorized vehicles in Owyhee County.
- Carry a spare tire and know how to replace a flat tire.
- Unpaved roads should be avoided during inclement weather. Most of those roads require high-clearance, 4-wheel-drive vehicles even in dry conditions.
- Adhere to closure times for recreation sites such as Jump Creek.

The recreation area is closed from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. each day through Oct. 1. From Oct. 2 to March 30, the rec area is closed between 6 p.m. and 8 a.m. Violators will receive citations.

- Respect other users of public lands because there are multiple uses, including grazing, mining, logging and a variety of recreation.
- Knowing the geography of the area in which you’re traveling is crucial.

“Always know where you are going. The biggest problem we have is when somebody in distress calls the sheriff’s office, but has no idea where they are at,” OCSO Sgt. Kenny Hoagland said. “If lost, stuck, disabled or in an emergency, don’t call a friend to relay the information to us, call 911. That way we can get a GPS location from your phone call.”

Checking the weather is important, too.

“Most rain storms turn our dirt roads muddy, slick and impassable even with four-wheel drive,” Hoagland said. “Please stay on the roads. Not only can you get stuck, you tear up the land that takes years to repair, if ever.”

Distress calls require volunteer first-responders and SAR personnel to take time away from their families and jobs to provide emergency services after dark, on weekends, and in extreme weather conditions. Often, these personnel experience the same hazards that contributed to the emergency. Response times, especially in remote areas, can take several hours.

“We welcome visitors to come down and enjoy the public lands in Owyhee County,” Hoagland said. “Just please be safe and considerate of others sharing the land with you.”

OWYHEE WEED WATCH



Poison Hemlock as captured by Clint Shock

Name: Poison Hemlock (*Conium maculatum*)

Description: An herbaceous erect biennial, occasionally a winter annual.

During the first year of growth, poison hemlock forms a large rosette and usually remains in the vegetative stage.

It can easily grow to 7 feet on a rigid central stem that branches towards the top. Its stem is hollow except at the nodes, the points at which the leaf attaches. Leaves are clasping on a stout stalk and are deeply divided.

Plants progress from a shiny deep green to a dull light green as they mature. Mature stems will exhibit red to purple splotches especially from ground to the mid-point. Close clusters of white flowers at the branch ends near the top form an umbrella shape.

All plant parts are extremely toxic **use caution when handling**. A number of people are poisoned each year in North America, some fatally.

Habitat: Usually found in areas that remain moist, developing very dense stands. Field edges, ditch banks, roadsides, floodplains and all watercourses are common habitat.

Origin: Possibly brought to North American from its native Central and Eastern Europe as an ornamental during the mid-1800s.

Control: Can be somewhat difficult to manage usually because of a large seed bank in the soil. Hand removal is possible, but persistence is required.

Poison hemlock remains toxic for several years after being pulled, especially the roots.

Biocontrol agents are present and active. Poison hemlock is sensitive to most common herbicides; however, the key to good control is early treatment, usually by early- to mid-April.

Planting and maintaining hardy perennial grasses usually prevent further encroachment.

Remember, when using herbicides always read and follow label directions on any chemical. It’s the law!

Farmers market, FFA plant sales ongoing

Green thumbs have a few more chances to pick up plants for their gardens and homes.

The second day of the Homedale Farmers Market spring plant sale runs between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., on Saturday at Bette Uda City Park.

Garden plants, flowers, hanging baskets and other varieties will be available.

The Homedale FFA greenhouse is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., each Friday in May.

The FFA’ers also will sell at the farmers market plant sale.

The chapter is selling a variety of plants, including flower baskets, beef steak tomatoes, super chilis, various flowers, and herbs.

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Adryan, John Barenberg's Marsing Elementary third-grade class



Natalie Smith, a fifth-grader home-schooled in Melba by Monica Smith

Young artists win in Idaho Power contest
Two local students were among the winners in Idaho Power's annual youth art contest, which invited boys and girls to create a message on ways to save energy or environmental stewardship. Each category winner received \$50 as did their teacher. Both local winners entered in the Grade 3-5 Ways to Save category.
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Some items that will be available for auction during the Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School woodworking show Tuesday. Submitted photo

Rimrock students to show off talent in music, woodworking

by Mandi Boren
For The Owyhee Avalanche
Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School will host its annual woodworking show followed by the music department's annual Pops Concert Tuesday evening in Bruneau.

The wood show will showcase work from the school's cabinetry and millwork students.

"The show is a forum for students to show what they have built with a little competition for the best made pieces," Rimrock woodworking instructor Greg Coccozza said.

According to Coccozza, during the year students choose to purchase materials for their projects or are assigned materials.

Assigned and donated projects will be auctioned off at the show, and all proceeds will go back into the school wood shop program.

Items to be auctioned off include a set of four cedar

Adirondack chairs, end tables, coffee tables and cutting boards.

Coccozza has run a successful program at the school, and this year he received a classroom grant from Program Quality Initiative (PQI) given out by Idaho Career and Technical Education to help support participation in the SkillsUSA Organization.

According to the SkillsUSA website, the organization "is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce."

As a result of the grant, six Rimrock junior and high school woodworking students will receive tool starter packages valued at \$300 each for their participation in the SkillsUSA and cabinetry-millwork program.

After the wood show, instructor Cathryn Volk and her music students will treat guests to the fourth annual

pops concert.

The concert, themed "At the Movies," will feature student performances with highlights from "Mary Poppins," "Superman" and "The Greatest Showman."

The concert will include performances from all three of the school bands as well as a number performed by all three bands together. To conclude the evening, seniors Ray Draper and Phoenix Wright will also be recognized.

The wood show will begin at 4:30 p.m. in the school hallway and the concert will immediately follow at at 7:30 p.m. in the Rimrock auditorium. Everyone is welcome and admission is free for both events.

— 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

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Deputies arrest two men on suspicion of DUI

A Homedale man was arrested early Saturday morning on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol. Eduardo Villanueva, 29, was pulled over in his 2005 Saturn on North Main Street in Homedale after he was spotted driving erratically. Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said that Villanueva failed a field sobriety test and tested at .124 percent blood alcohol content from a Breathalyzer test. He was charged with misdemeanor DUI and is out of custody. Villanueva's next court date was not available.

• Juan Mirandaflores, 31, of Santa Ana, Calif., was charged with misdemeanor DUI after a traffic stop near Idaho highway 55 and Buntrock Road west of Marsing. Deputies spotted Mirandaflores swerving in his 2006 Chevy Suburban and pulled him over, Bowman said. According to Bowman, the smell of alcohol was coming from the vehicle.

The suspect failed a field sobriety test and tested at .123 percent BAC. He was charged with a misdemeanor DUI. He was brought to Murphy, where he later bonded out of custody. His next court date was not available.

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Pair picked up on felony warrants

A California man was arrested in his home state on a felony \$15,000 Owyhee County warrant on Thursday. Rodolfo Sanchez, 52, who resides in Contra Costa, Calif., was charged in July 2018 with felony possession of a controlled substance and misdemeanor paraphernalia possession. The original incident occurred after Sanchez was stopped for speeding and law enforcement officials discovered 15 grams of marijuana and 6.7 grams of methamphetamine, according to Owyhee County sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman. Sanchez is still in custody in California awaiting extradition.

• Lyndsey Jo Redburn, 30, of Adrian, was arrested on Friday by Malheur County Sheriff's deputies on a \$15,000 felony warrant that stemmed from failing to appear in court in January to face drug charges in Owyhee County. Redburn was charged on Jan. 22 for felony possession of a controlled substance, along with misdemeanor charges of possession paraphernalia (two counts) and resisting arrest, Bowman said. Court date information for Redburn was not available.

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Mustangs reach state tourney in baseball

Melba meets NC for district title today

Dillion Bodily pitched a two-hit shutout Saturday to send Melba High School into the 2A baseball state

tournament.

The top-seeded Mustangs beat No. 5 McCall-Donnelly, 10-0, in a 2A District III semifinal in New Plymouth.

Now, first-year coach Jason Phillips' team (19-4 overall) takes on two-time reigning 2A state champion Nampa

Christian for the district championship. That game will be played at 5 p.m., today in New Plymouth. As finalists, both teams have qualified for State.

In the semifinal, Henry Clark knocked in three runs to lead the offense, and Bodily struck out four McCall-

Donnelly batters and walked none.

Owyhee County products Tim Reinertson and Trace Stimpson did their part from the plate. Reinertson was 3-for-3 with three runs scored, and Stimpson went 3-for-4 with a double

— See *Mustangs*, page 3B

Jordan Valley star to extend football career at C of I

Quintero picks Caldwell school over Oregon institutions

Zeke Quintero made a name for himself running routes for the Adrian-Jordan Valley high school football cooperative.

Now, the Jordan Valley High School senior has lined out his plans after Saturday's

graduation ceremony when he receives his diploma as part of the Class of 2019.

Earlier this month, the wide receiver signed a letter of intent to attend The College of Idaho in Caldwell.

Quintero made his decision to play for coach Mike Moroski's Coyotes because he wanted to stay close to home and he likes the liberal arts college's PEAK program.

— See *Football*, page 3B



Marsing senior Landon Villa chips in at the par-3 sixth hole last Wednesday at TimberStone Golf Course in Caldwell.

Marsing's top golfer triumphs at SpurWing, slips at TimberStone

Villa tries to amp-up game for run into State tourney

Marsing High School golfers had some solid rounds at the 18-hole 2A Western Idaho Conference meet last Wednesday at TimberStone Golf Course in Caldwell.

Landon Villa (93) finished in a four-way tie for 11th,

16 strokes behind McCall-Donnelly's Dathan Ova.

"If they want to make it to State as a team, they have to play slightly better than they did Wednesday, and Landon will have to shoot in the 70s (for the team) to grab that fourth spot," Huskies coach

Scott Larsen said.

The boys played some of their best golf behind Villa, who had won a nine-hole conference meet a day earlier in Meridian.

"Justin (Ineck, 109), Dwight (Sevy, 110), and Logan (Stansell, 111) played their best rounds yet," Larsen said. "Landon went off the rails."

— See *Marsing*, page 5B



Zeke Quintero (seated, left) signs his letter of intent in the presence of his family at Jordan Valley High School. Submitted photo

Uranga's sizzling start forges Baker Invite medal

Girls take second behind Weiser in 3A SRV meet

Daniel Uranga shot one of the lowest front nines of his high school career and won the Baker Invitational last week.

The Homedale junior was 3-under-par in the first nine holes at Quail Ridge Golf

Course in Baker City, Ore., and he captured the medalist title by a withering five strokes over Fruitland rival Jake O'Neil.

Uranga finished at 3-under 69, and the Trojans was runner-



Daniel Uranga

up behind Fruitland.

The Grizzlies' top two golfers — O'Neil and Jonas Bicknese — shot 74 and 75, respectively, to lead the team's 315.

Homedale compiled a 340 in the nine-team tournament, which also included Payette (third place at 350).

Spencer Fisher rallied on the back nine with a 39 to finish at 88 for Homedale.

Other Homedale golfers in-

cluded Eli Heck, at 90, Jonas Farivar at 93, and Garrett Elordi at 101.

Homedale girls second in 3A SRV nine-hole meet

Led by freshman Téa Uranga and sophomore Emma Parker shooting in the 40s, the Homedale girls were runners-up in last Wednesday's 3A Snake River Valley conference meet at Rolling Hills Golf

Course in Weiser.

"The girls played (well)," HHS coach Casey Grove said. "Téa and Emma shot their best rounds of the season."

"It is good to see them peaking at the right time."

The girls posted a 201 team score, 20 strokes behind winner Weiser (181), which also claimed the medalist in Sara

— See *Medal*, page 3B

Sports

Zamora's walk-off sends HHS' Sundance era into sunset

Trojans edge Vale in bottom of seventh

Homedale High School's softball team plans to move into a new home come next spring, and the Trojans sent Sundance Park out in dramatic fashion last Wednesday. Dazsha Zamora smashed a walk-off, two-run home run in the bottom of the seventh inning as the Trojans ended the regular season with a 7-5 non-conference victory over Vale, Ore.

It was the second time in as many outings that the Trojans had to score late to win a ballgame. On April 26,

Homedale scored six times in the fifth inning to take the lead and then added seven in the sixth for a 14-2 win over Fruitland via the 10-run rule. Zamora won the game against Vale with her fourth home run of the season and third in the final four games of the regular season. After the Vikings had snagged a 5-4 lead in the top of the fifth inning, the Trojans knotted the score, 5-5, in the bottom half. Alex Grant led off with a double, and she scored on Sophie Nash's base hit. Grant walked to start the seventh ahead of Zamora's blast to center field. Olivia Cardenas gave up

her third home run in two days but survived to get the complete-game victory. She struck out seven, walked one and scattered six hits. The game began in back-and-forth fashion with Vale taking the lead in both the first and second innings before tying the score, 4-4, in the third. Zamora finished the final home game of her high school career 2-for-3 with four RBI and two runs scored. DeLaynie Dorsey's two-run single gave Homedale the lead in the bottom of the first. In all likelihood, the Trojans' new two-field softball complex at Homedale Middle School will be ready for action come next spring.



Playing her final high school home game, Josey Hall rips into a pitch against Vale, Ore., last Wednesday.

Mustangs clobber Pilgrims to cap perfect conference run

Melba High School closed out a perfect 2A Western Idaho Conference softball season with a rout. The Mustangs scored seven times in the top of the first inning and cruised to a 13-2 win over host New Plymouth

on April 30. Melba (18-1 at week's end) was perfect in a dozen conference outings and carried a 15-game winning streak and the No. 1 seed into its 2A District III Tournament opener at home Tuesday after deadline.

This is the second consecutive year that coach Don Jamison's team has finished at the top of its conference. In its 2A WIC finale against New Plymouth, Melba took advantage of seven errors as the offense backed up another great outing from Owyhee County resident Cindy Read. Read struck out 10 and walked only one batter. She scattered six hits and allowed single runs in the first and

seventh innings. She also helped her cause with a double, an RBI and two runs scored. Another Owyheean, Kennedy Mickelson, was 2-for-5 with three RBI. Andrina Webster and Esther Riley knocked in two runs each, and Kylee Aldrich was 2-for-4 with two runs scored. Last Wednesday: Melba 11, Glenns Ferry 1 (5) — Aldrich and Camille Bangerter each ripped doubles as the Mustangs

ended their regular season with a blowout victory against a non-conference visitor. Aldrich was 2-for-3 with two RBI and two runs scored. Bangerter also had two hits and knocked in two runs. Kelsie Montierth went 2-for-3 with a run scored and an RBI. Read struck out nine and tossed a one-hitter. The Pilots' run in the fourth was unearned, and Glenns Ferry trailed, 9-1, by that time.

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Sports

Huskies end regular season with high-scoring softball outings

Marsing High School played a tough three-game stretch last week in preparation for its 2A District III softball tournament play-in game against Vision Charter.

The Huskies, who ended the season with three consecutive 2A Western Idaho Conference losses, played the Golden Eagles on Tuesday after deadline in New Plymouth. The winner stayed alive in the district tournament, while the losing side saw its season end.

Marsing (3-16 overall, 0-12 in 2A WIC) dropped a conference game to Vision Charter (2-9) early last week.

Last Wednesday: New Plymouth 16, Marsing 6 (6) — The Huskies dropped their final regular-season game at home against the Pilgrims (15-7, 9-3).

Marsing was led by senior Hailee Bennett, who had two hits and three RBI.

Spanish exchange student Ana Mantilla also had two hits.

From the pitcher’s circle, Bennett pitched four innings and had five strikeouts.

April 30: McCall-Donnelly 28, Marsing 7 (5) — The Huskies found themselves in an early hole in McCall.

The Vandals (13-7, 8-4) jumped out to an 8-0 lead after the first inning. Marsing struck back with three runs in the top of the second, but McCall-Donnelly responded with five more in its half of the second and 10 more in the third.

After three innings, the Huskies were in an insurmountable 23-3 hole.

Marsing put up four more in the fourth but again the Vandals had an answer, crossing the plate five more times.

Bennett had two of Marsing’s three hits. Mantilla was responsible for the third.

Marsing’s Karla Sanchez was on base three times as a result of walks. Exchange student Agnes Pelch was walked twice.

Bennett and Rike Schernikau knocked in two runs each, while Sanchez and Destiny Wood were credited with one RBI each.

Starter Bennett failed to record an out in the second inning, giving up 12 runs on just three hits, while giving out nine free passes. She struck out one.

The Vandals were led at the plate by cleanup hitter Natalia Hutcheson. She recorded a double and two triples. She scored twice and knocked in three runs.

Naddy Sofaly, starting pitcher Carli Dauphinais, and Hutcheson knocked in three runs apiece.

McCall-Donnelly hit five triples in the game.

Dauphinais pitched two full innings, allowing just one hit and three unearned runs. She walked four and struck out five.

April 29: Vision Charter 26, Marsing 23 — The Huskies appeared comfortable with their 18-6 lead after their half of the fourth in Caldwell.

But the Golden Eagles plated 12 runs in the bottom of the inning to tie the score and perpetuate the high-scoring conference game.

Marsing scored two more in the top of the fifth, and the Golden Eagles added one more.

In the last half of the sixth, Vision Charter scored seven runs to take a 26-20 lead heading into the final inning.

The Huskies scored three times in their final at-bat, but came up short.

Bennett knocked in five runs, and Mantilla had three RBI for Marsing.

Ashley Loucks pitched 5 2/3 innings for the Huskies, striking out seven.

Marsing boys triumph in Mile High 4x400 relay

Handful of runner-up finishes in district tune-up

The Marsing High School track and field team had some strong performances on Thursday at the Mile High Invite.

The Huskies won the boys’ 4x400-meter relay at the Sabala Athletic Complex in McCall.

The quartet of Austin Pool, Chris Baham, Adonis Stelzried, and anchor Isaac Lee was clocked at 3 minutes, 58.84 seconds, nearly 12 seconds better than runner-up McCall-Donnelly (4:10.56).

Lee ran a season-fast 24.81 to finish sixth in the 200 to go along with his second-place finish in the 400 (56.41).

Trayton Jacobi finished second in the shot put, with a throw of 36 feet, 9.5 inches.

On the girls’ side, MarDee Hall finished fifth in the shot put (24-5.5) and discus (67-1).

Next up for the Huskies is the 2A District III championship meet Friday and Saturday at New Plymouth High School.

Other finishes for the boys’ team in McCall included:

100 — Stelzried (12.06, fifth), Pool (12.42, 10th), Joe Kester (PR 12.88, 12th), and Isaac Prado (13.25, 13th).

400 — Pool (59.51, seventh)

800 — Reynaldo Aguirre (2:23.34, fifth) and Joaquin Oliveros (2:26.94, seventh).

1,600 — Oliveros (5:31.81, sixth).

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Long jump — Stelzried (18-5, second)

Finishes for the girls’ team:

100 — Mazzi Roper (15.02, 12th).

200 — Roper (33.04, 12th).

400 — Roper (1:17.46, seventh).

Shot put — Caitlin Embry (PR 21-9.5, eighth).

Discus — Embry (53-2, 11th).

✓ Mustangs: Owyhee County athletes show Melba the way to 2A State

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and two RBI.

Bodily went 2-for-3 with a double and an RBI.

Another Owyheean, Zayne Dayley, scored twice.

April 30: Melba 16, New Plymouth 5 (5) — Reinertson hit the first of two home runs in the week in Melba’s easy victory in its 2A Western Idaho Conference finale.

The Mustangs solidified the top seed in the district tournament, winning nine of 10 conference games.

Stimpson went 3-for-3 in a game called after five innings because of the 10-run rule.

Stimpson had a double and three RBI.

Clark was 3-for-3 with a triple, three runs and two RBI as Melba amassed 15 hits.

Reinertson hit his fourth home run of the season in the four-run fourth inning to highlight his 3-for-4 day that included four RBI and two doubles.

Melba broke open a 2-1 game with four runs in the third inning. The Mustangs scored six times in fifth to set up the 10-run rule.

Mark Stradley struck out eight over four innings to get the win.

Last Wednesday: Melba 6, Glenns Ferry 4 — Reinertson hit his fifth home run of the season and pitched a shutout over the first three innings in a non-conference victory over the visiting Pilots.

John Reiber also tallied his third homer of the year.

Reinertson struck out two. Reliever Michael Huntsman fanned seven over four innings.

✓ Medal: Boys falter in last nine-hole conference meet

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Lundberg. Lundberg shot a 40.

Uranga was tied for second with Weiser’s Stella Beams. Both carded 44s.

Parker was fourth at 48.

The rest of the Trojans’ scores included Ashlyn Miller at 53, and Shanlee Swallow at 56. Brooke Pfof was the fifth scorer with a 59.

Only the top four scorers for each school contributed to the team score.

The boys had an off-day, leading to the Trojans’ third-place finish.

Fisher had the team’s lowest score at 44.

Homedale squeaked past Payette by one stroke for third place, the Trojans’ lowest 3A SRV finish of the season..

The Trojans finished at 183 based on a consistency of scoring.

Uranga shot a 45 (his worst round of the season, according to Grove), and Elordi came in at 46, while Heck finished the nine holes with a 48.

✓ Football: All-State player decides to stay close to home and play for Mike Moroski

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That program gets the student ready for post-college life with a well-rounded education and knowledge touching on professional, athletic, and ethical areas.

Quintero plans to study marketing, engineering and psychology.

He said he chose to play football at C of I because he likes the atmosphere, he thought the coach was encouraging, and he felt like it was an overall good fit for him.

He will join the football team next month, but is already preparing by lifting weights every day and participating on the Mustangs’ track and field team.

Quintero is a National Honor Society member. He also serves as the school’s FFA chapter president.

On the athletic field, Quintero is a three-sport standout, and he was tabbed as second-team All-State in both football and basketball.

He played receiver and defensive back.

Quintero chose C of I over Oregon schools George Fox University in Newberg and Pacific University in Forest Grove.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

May 11, 1994

Two challenge incumbent for Homedale trustee

Homedale School District voters in Zone 2 have a decision to make next Tuesday. They will pick one of three candidates to serve on the School Board for the next three years.

Bruce Sibert is the incumbent, Alan Bahem and Daniel C. Odum are the challengers.

Interviewed last week, each candidate said they were motivated to seek office by the idea of public service, rather than any particular issue. Candidates were asked for their positions on over-crowding, out-of-district students, what constitutes a quality education, and how they felt about the upcoming bond issue.

All, to varying degrees, said they support the district’s June 9 bond election.

Jerry Kramer to visit K.C. Roundtree Tire

NFL great Jerry Kramer will be in Homedale Saturday, signing free autographs at K.C. Roundtree Les Schwab Tire Center.

As offensive lineman for the Green Bay Packers, Kramer played with Hall-of-Famer Bart Starr and was coached by Vince Lombardi. The team won the first two Super Bowls in 1967 and 1968.

Kramer currently makes his home in Parma and has starred in a number of Intermountain Gas commercials.

Nightingale takes third in the state

A lot of writing and a lot of research finally paid off for Marsing seventh-grader Amy Nightingale last month. She placed third in a statewide history paper competition held in Boise April 22.

To qualify, participants had to place first or second in regional competitions held in March.

Nightingale’s paper, which is on mining and its effects on Idaho, finished second.

Based on the advice of the regional judges, Nightingale made a number of revisions before she went to the state competition. Since March, she’s added 12 pages to the original 6, and the paper now lists 24 resources, compared to 6 just 2 months ago.

Nightingale has also had to prepare to defend her paper verbally, as part of the state judging.

Had Nightingale’s paper finished just one place higher, she would have been eligible to enter a national competition in Washington DC. Amy is the daughter of Gary and Janet Nightingale of Marsing.

Marsing FFA installs officers, honorary members

The Marsing chapter of Future Farmers of America (FFA) held its annual awards banquet Wednesday, May 4, at which it did much more than hand out awards. The club also installed new officers, presented a slide show, served guests a dinner of barbecued hamburgers and dozens of desserts, heard an inspirational speech, and named honorary members into the club.

The opening ceremonies were followed by dinner. Afterward, Melba senior Amy Burrie, the 1993-94 FFA State Treasurer, gave a speech on success.

Then the awards started flowing. All members received pins commemorating their years of service in the organization, then chapter officers awarded honorary memberships to Bill and LaDonna Gibbens, Junior and Phyllis Malmberg, and Ron and Carol Kiester for the work they’ve done for FFA over the years.

Special chapter awards went to Matthew Ineck and Jason Sevy, who won Star Farmer and Star Greenhand, respectively.

50 years ago

May 8, 1969



Proudly Displaying their new set of marching drums are Joni Uda, Jon Jackson, Richard Wharton and Paul Reimer all playing the field drums; Kent Yorgenson playing field bass drum; Cynthia Troxel, Leora Zanks, Lynda Turner and Virgil Henson all playing the tenor drums. Drum instructor is Hank House of Boise. The set of drums cost approximately \$600, with the Homedale Kiwanis club donating \$100; the Junior High band members donating \$150 from the proceeds made from a benefit movie; and the remaining money presented by the Parent-Teachers Association from the “International Smorgasbord” proceeds.

Homedale trackmen sweep to district title

The Homedale Trojan thinclads Saturday swept to the team title at Weiser as District Three A-3 school participated in qualifying entries for this coming Saturday’s Region II meet at Twin Falls.

A total of 17, out of 19 schools entered, qualified athletes into the regional event.

Homedale, which rolled up 59 points for the victory, sends seven individual and three relay teams to Twin Falls.

Homedale gained only three first places, but the Read and White jerseys predominated in the under points. The Trojans won the 440 relay, the 880 run with Steve Ross and Jeff Haylett’s pole vault standard at 12 feet, 3 inches.

Wind halted any possibility at records in sprints and hurdles, but several old SRV-B marks went past the boards. The question is though, will they stand or will the records be changed to read A-3 District marks?

Included in those marks was the 3:51.3 timed by the Grizzly medley relay team and Haylett’s 12-3 vault, which bested the old standard by three inches.

Homedale’s forces now face the District Four Field for the right to continue into the state meet.

Paul Pearson failed to qualify in the shot put, finishing fourth, but did win the discus to gain the ride to Twin Falls.

Petitions filed by school patrons for two trustees

Petitions for two nominees as trustees have been filed for the coming school election in Zone 3, the area in Canyon County within the Homedale school district.

Only one nominee has filed in zone 4, the area within the Homedale city limits south of Montana Avenue.

In Zone 3, Everett Van Slyke, the incumbent, and present board chairman, will be opposed by Boyd E. Jemmett.

In Zone 4 the incumbent, Dr. Merwin Funk, declined renomination. L. E. Auken has been nominated for the vacancy.

The election will be from 1 to 8 p.m., on Monday, May 19, with polling places the Garrett Orchard Warehouse for Zone 3 and the Homedale High School Gymnasium for Zone 4.

145 years ago

May 9, 1874

The Timber Muddle

John S. Gray, Esq., Deputy U.S. Marshal for Idaho Territory, arrived from Boise city last Tuesday under instructions from the Register and Receiver of the Land Office to seize all timber cut or removed from the public lands within the land district, in whosoever possession it may be found, and sell the same, to the best advantage for the United States. Parties, however, in whose possession said timber shall be found, are permitted to compromise and retain it by paying to Mr. Gray, for the use and benefit of the United States, the sum of one dollar per thousand feet for timber or lumber, and twenty-five cents per cord for wood so seized by him, together with costs. In the event of no compromise being made, the Deputy Marshal is instructed to report the names of all trespassers, together with the names of witnesses whereby such trespass can be proved, to J.W. Huston, Esq., United States Attorney for Idaho Territory, at Boise City, I.T., for prosecution.

The law allows miners to take and use timber for the necessary development and working of their mines, but whether that includes the right to wood for running quartz mills, or not, we are unable to say. The building of shops, stores, boarding houses, and, in fact, every branch of business carried on here may in a certain sense be said to be necessary to the development of our mines, but a judicial decision will undoubtedly be required to set the matter at rest.

Acting under his instructions, the Deputy Marshal will most likely seize all the wood at the quartz mills as well as what he finds cut on public domain, and we advise those, who are more immediately interested, to consult their attorneys before doing anything that would render themselves liable to prosecution by the Government.

In the present instance, the matter can be compromised by paying for the wood and timber as above stated; but we do not know what course the Register and Receiver will pursue in relation to future trespasses. It is to be hoped that arrangements can be made allowing timber to be cut, otherwise mining operations would be retarded, and the prosperity of the Territory greatly injured thereby.

As we understand it, no compromise or bargain can be made for future trespasses. This will do away with timber claims held under our local laws.

THE PRESIDENT’S VETO

We regard the veto of the inflation bill as the bravest and grandest act of the President’s civil life, and nothing has occurred since the fall of Richmond to give the nation, as a whole, such profound satisfaction. It has removed a cloud from the popular mind, and restored confidence in legitimate business circles. The insecurity and “certain fearful looking for” monetary disaster no longer exists. The long agony is over, and the country is saved from the evils which would inevitably attend the inauguration of a new era of irredeemable paper money. The veto means a stoppage of the shinplaster factory; it means the adoption of a financial policy that will look to the redemption of our national pledges, a gradual return to real money as the populist medium of exchange, a restoration of confidence, at home and abroad, in our Government’s promises to pay, and with it the appreciation of our national credit and bonds. In other words, it means that the high-flyers in Congress will not be permitted to flood the country with a redundancy of irredeemable paper currency, or to set the nation adrift on a financial sea without pilot or compass.

Sports

✓ Marsing: Landon Villa fires even-par at SpurWing to win WIC medal

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Carter Clay finished with a 132.

The boys' team finished seventh in the field of 10 schools. The Huskies scored a cumulative 423, 76 shots back of first-place McCall-Donnelly.

On the girls' side, Landon's sister Aubrey Villa carded a 113 and tied for 10th with Victory Charter's Haddasa Gurn.

Following Aubrey were Regan Stansell (126), Emily Loucks (134), Chloe Heitz (144), and Annie Miller (146).

The girls' squad has lost its best player, which adversely affects the team's WIC points.

"Grace Jensen, our No. 1, just moved to Montana, so we're all bummed about that," Jensen said.

"All the remaining girls are new to golf this year."

Larsen has suggestions for what the girls need to improve.

"As they have progressed and started developing some consistency with their swings, they are all realizing that when it comes to scoring lower, there is nothing more important than practice on and around the greens," he said.

"If you are on or by the green in two or three on a par-4 (hole) and end up with



Marsing freshman Regan Stansell drops in a putt on the third hole of the 2A Western Idaho Conference meet last Wednesday at TimberStone Golf Course in Caldwell.

an eight, you know where at least 70 percent of your practice should be dedicated to."

The 2A District III Tournament was played Tuesday at RedHawk Golf Course in Nampa after

deadline.

Elder Villa leads the pack at SpurWing

Landon Villa continued to show he is one of the best golfers in conference play on April 30 at The Club

at SpurWing Golf Club in Meridian.

Villa finished on top of the nine-hole meet with an even-par 36, two strokes up on Ova and Michael Corkish of Liberty Charter.

The Huskies senior has been

consistently at or near the top of the leader board all season long.

Villa was Marsing's sole representative at last year's 2A state golf championship at Circling Raven Golf Course in Worley. He carded a 19-over-par 163, tied for 14th place.

Behind the Huskies' No. 1, the rest of the team struggled some on the course. Villa's closest teammate was Stansell (61), who finished 25 strokes out. Following Stansell was Justin Ineck (62), Sevy (63), and Clay (63).

As a team, Marsing carded a combined 222, a sum of the team's top four finishers, good for an eighth-place tie with Victory Charter. The Huskies were 51 strokes back of winner North Star Charter (171).

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MARSING HUSKIES



Softball
Hailee Bennett, sr., 3B/P
10 RBI in three games last week



Track and field
Isaac Lee, jr.
Anchor of 4x400 first-place relay team
at Mile High Invite



Golf
Aubrey Villa, jr.
Team's low scorer (113) at TimberStone GC

Softball
2A District III Tournament
(At Nampa Christian H.S.)
If won three games Tuesday: Thursday, May 9, semifinal vs. TBA, 6 p.m.
If lost first-round game Tuesday: Thursday, May 9, elimination game vs. TBA, 3:30 p.m.
If lost play-in Tuesday: Season complete
Championship and elimination games scheduled Friday

Track and field
Friday-Saturday, May 10-11 at 2A District III championship meet, New Plymouth, times TBA

Golf
Boys and girls
Monday-Tuesday, May 13-14 at 2A state tournament (if qualifiers), River's Edge GC, Burley, 10 a.m.



Go Huskies!



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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense
Inheriting the family farm

The latest statistics show that less than 2 percent of the population is directly involved in production agriculture. It is a function of an increasing overall population and a limited amount of farm ground. Technology is able to keep up, so that fewer bodies are required to produce an ever-increasing cornucopia of food and fiber.

But on a personal level the story isn't quite so simple.

Tom was raised on a dairy farm in the Great Lakes region — 300 cows, 900 acres. His grandfather established the farm and passed it down to Tom's father.

Tom's childhood memories are of work. By the time his mother came in to wake him and his two brothers for school, she and dad had already finished the morning milking. By 9 years of age, he was already part of the family farm. Until he was old enough to milk, he pushed cows to the barn, fed calves, forked silage and did whatever kids do, which was plenty.

High school activities like dances, meetings, sports and girls all hinged around milking time and chores. He didn't need to work at McDonald's during summer vacation. If he wanted work, there was plenty at home.

He went to college. His two brothers left to work elsewhere. Now Tom is 33, married with kids and has a good job at the local Co-op. Dad has been using hired labor since the boys left, but Dad is getting older.

Tom makes his daily rounds, does his job and is active in the community. But hovering over everything he does is that nagging feeling that maybe he should go back to the farm.

After all, it is a showplace. The results of uncountable man hours and love and sweat poured into it by two generations preceding him. It made him the good man that he is. And he could run it well if he chose to. Guilt rides him like the winter fog off Lake Michigan.

In my opinion, Tom need not feel guilty. Nor should his parents place that onus upon the shoulders of their inheritors. Each person has their own calling.

But I would suggest that there are many with no inheritance who would leap at the chance to own a farm. Immigrants, hired men, college grads, feed salesmen and pencil-pushin' farm boys whose dream is to work their own place.

It would be ideal if both the parents and their kids could cooperate to actively seek out those potential pardners and integrate them into the operation. With the idea they could eventually buy it out. It would be to everyone's relief and good for the continuing productivity of the farm. In other words, take'm into the family.

To farm you must love the land. That's the only reason I can think of that explains why farming is an occupation where labor is never counted as a business expense.

From Washington
Congress works to curb unjust, damaging IRS' asset seizure policy

The federal government should meet a high threshold of proving illegal activity when seizing personal property in a criminal investigation. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) should not be given *cart blanche* to take an American's hard-earned — and legally earned — money and then require the accused to prove the IRS should not have taken it in order to get it back.

Unfortunately, there have been reports over the years of the IRS seizing the bank accounts of small businesses making cash deposits of money earned legally and then only returning portions of the accounts after an exhaustive, drawn-out and nebulous investigation. I have pressed for an end to this abuse. Thankfully, progress is being made in making reasonable changes to federal law putting better restraints on the IRS, requiring it to prove criminal intent to seize property.

The Bank Secrecy Act of 1970 was intended to prevent money laundering. It requires financial institutions to report daily cash transactions that exceed \$10,000. The problem is some small businesses with legal earnings have been accused of "structuring" cash deposits to fall below the reporting threshold. Small business owners have been caught up in costly, drawn-out, bureaucratic nightmares to try to get their money returned for deposits of legally

I became active in politics in the late 1950s, got elected to Congress in 1964, and have remained engaged in one way or another every year since then. I've had a ringside seat for a long time. So I suppose I should not be surprised that I get asked a lot these days how American politics have changed over the past six decades.

A few things stand out. When I first arrived in Congress, Americans had faith in the institutions of government. President Lyndon Johnson had actually run on a platform that we could successfully wage a war on poverty — and been elected. It seems inconceivable today that a politician of prominence would be so bold and so naïve as to propose such a thing, let alone believe that we could do it.

Today, Americans have little confidence in government's ability to deliver. And with reason: Congress can't even pass a budget on time, and even the most routine matters get bottled up. A war successfully waged on anything domestic seems beyond its grasp.

We can argue about when this shift began — was it catalyzed or merely summarized by President Ronald Reagan when he famously said that government is the problem, not the solution? Regardless, the days of LBJ-style confidence are long gone.

The second big difference is the extreme political intensity we see all around us. Almost every facet of politics is more complicated and pursued more vigorously, with a harder edge to it, than when I began.

Voters are more demanding and want instant results. Consultants are everywhere you turn. Lobbyists have

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earned money. As I have looked into this issue and questioned the IRS about it, I have found that while property owners have the opportunity to challenge the government's evidence in court, this opportunity unjustly comes after the account has already been seized.

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Center on Representative Govt.
Less political compromise erodes public's confidence in elected officials

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multiplied and become immeasurably sophisticated and effective at finding ways to get what they want. Interest groups have exploded in number and competency. The media has become more aggressive. And money, of course, has become an avalanche.

Politics has shifted from low-intensity conflict to big business — and very serious business, at that.

With all this, of course, the sharp polarization that marks our politics today has flourished. We've always had partisanship, but today it penetrates everything: the electorate, the political parties, legislatures, Congress, and the White House.

All this has led to one of the greater ironies of this era. On the one hand, the political world is flooded with information — it used to be that one of the chief

— See *Compromise*, Page 7B

Commentary

Financial management

Go beyond pre-approved for loan, find Realtor you trust

Dear Dave,
My husband and I are debt-free, and we have an emergency fund of six months of expenses saved. We'd like to buy a home in the \$250,000 to \$275,000 price range in the near future, and we plan on saving \$60,000 for a down payment. It should take a little less than two years to save that much money. When should we begin the search for a good real estate agent and start the underwriting process?

— Sarah

Dear Sarah,
I'm really proud of you two. You're being very intentional and goal-oriented about getting control of your finances *and* the home buying process. I'd advise starting a conversation with a quality mortgage company when you're about five or six months away from your savings goal

date. There's "pre-approval," but there's also something called "certified." That's a step beyond pre-approved, and it basically puts you in a position to make an offer when you're ready for the purchase. So, getting certified as a buyer is very helpful. After that, sit down and talk with a few agents. Interview them, and decide on someone you like and trust. Find an experienced agent you're comfortable with to guide you through the real estate world, and then start outlining your search and buying strategy.

What I would *not* do is jump from agent to agent. There's a tremendous benefit in finding someone you trust and feel good about. I'm talking about a buyer's agent who's going to fight for *you*. This means someone who will show you several different properties, keep your wants and needs



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foremost in their mind, *and* help you get the best possible buy on your new home!

— Dave

Dear Dave,
My husband and I were listening to your radio show the other day. In it, you were speaking to a lady about buying a home. When you talk about mortgage payments being 25

percent or less of your take-home pay, does this figure include taxes and insurance or just principal and interest?

— Ann

Dear Ann,
That figure includes taxes and insurance, too. The whole idea is to make sure your house payment is manageable. You don't want to have so much money going toward your mortgage every month, what I call being "house poor," that you can't take care of your other financial responsibilities or enjoy life.

It's simple. You have more money when you don't have debt. If you want to build wealth, you have to get out of the payment business. When one-third to one-half of everything you bring home is going to creditors, you have less money for other stuff — other *important* stuff.

Trust me, I get it. A home is a huge expense that very few people, especially those just starting out, can afford to pay for in cash. That's why I don't beat people up for getting a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage. But that's the only kind of mortgage I recommend.

And yes, make sure the monthly payments are just 25 percent, or less, of your take-home pay!

— Dave

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✓ **Compromise:** Several factors have helped alter the art of the politics

From Page 6B
tasks of a politician and policy-maker was to gather information; today your problem is sorting through it. On the other hand, in this atmosphere deliberations are often based less on facts, experts and evidence than on partisan beliefs.
In a sea of information, we're drowning in misinformation.
Finally, the audience for politics has changed. When you spoke to the Rotary Club in southern Indiana in the 1960s, you were speaking to Rotary members in southern Indiana. Today, you could very well be speaking to the world. Whatever you say can become available everywhere in a matter of hours, if not minutes. Newsworthy events and statements that once took days to stoke a reaction today get an instantaneous — and often hot-blooded — response.
This has all made the work of politics and governing much more difficult. Organizations intensively scrutinize every tiny step, and can gin

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the May 21 Grand View City Council recall election until noon on Friday, May 10.

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up a massive response at a moment's notice. The basic building blocks of politics — gathering facts,

deliberating on next steps, finding common ground — have become charged in their own right, subject to partisan attack. Bridging our divisions over health care, taxation, immigration, the debt and deficits, and U.S. intervention abroad seems ever more elusive. Plain and simple, it's become harder to make the country work.
When I began in politics, elected officials felt a responsibility to find their way through difficult problems together. They believed that compromise and negotiation were core political values, intrinsic to our democracy and crucial to making it work for everyone. There are still plenty of politicians who believe this — but also plenty who do not, who have shown they can thrive in a political environment that stacks the deck against the shared work of finding common ground.
We've come a long way as a country over the past six decades. But when it comes to politics as a democratic endeavor to address the nation's challenges? We've lost ground.

✓ **Seizure:** Reforms would protect small business from wrongful takings

From Page 6B
For example, at congressional hearings to look into this abuse of small businesses, a Maryland dairy farmer detailed his family farm's awful experience with the IRS. The agency seized more than \$60,000 from his family's bank account and filed criminal charges after his family made cash deposits from dairy sales. He testified about the difficult and lengthy process to try to get the money returned while trying to keep the farm afloat. Another producer, who grows corn and raises chickens, was investigated by the IRS for cash deposits from sales of produce at farm stands. The farm was left with a zero balance in its bank account when the IRS seized all of the roughly \$90,000 in the account. The producer testified that IRS agents told them that after being investigated they

may get part of their money back, but they should not expect that to happen quickly. He explained how overwhelming this was during a challenging year, stating the seizure left them without money for family living expenses, for their daughter's wedding, or to pay the many farm vendors.
This is backward and beyond outrageous. The federal agency should have to prove illegal activity before seizing property. The property owners should not have to prove their innocence to get their property back.
Bipartisan legislation, known as the Taxpayer First Act of 2019, is making its way through Congress. This legislation includes important reforms aimed at curbing wrongful seizures that leave American small businesses in limbo. Among its provisions, the

legislation would restrain the IRS from seizing bank accounts of taxpayers for "structuring" deposits to fall under the \$10,000 threshold to avoid reporting requirements unless the funds are from an illegal source or connected to criminal activity. The House of Representatives passed this legislation unanimously by voice vote before sending the legislation to the Senate for consideration. I look forward to enactment of these much-needed restraints on shameful, federal bureaucracy run amok.
— *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.*

Sports



Homedale No. 1 boys' singles player Joseph Zamudio slides to make a backhand return during his final high school home match at the Bette Uda City Park courts on Thursday.

Fruitland tennis blanks Homedale in seniors' final homestand

The full complement of Homedale High School tennis players stepped on the court Thursday for the final meet of the season at the Bette Uda City Park courts.

Fruitland won every set and lost just 11 of 59 games played in an 8-0 3A Snake River Valley conference victory.

Up next for the Trojans and the rest of their conference rivals is the 3A District III Tournament, which will be played Thursday through Saturday. Fruitland is listed as the host school, but the tournament is typically played at several locations.

In Thursday's regular-season finale against Fruitland, Homedale No. 1 girls' doubles team of Makayla Kelly and Mikayla Smith lost their second match of the season, 6-0, 6-3, to Betsie Barlow and Lily Richins.

Kelly and Smith were among five seniors playing the final home matches of their high school careers.

The rest of the Trojans on the court Thursday were freshmen.

Joseph Zamudio wrapped up his home-court career with a 6-1, 6-2 loss to Austin Smith at No. 1 boys' singles.

Austin Conant's final high school home match was a 6-1, 6-3 loss at No. 2 boys' singles against Kade Farmer.

Connor Slater ended his home career with a 6-0, 6-0 loss to Jake Livingston at No. 3 singles.

Freshman Cheyenne Kelly played a pair of matches. One was an exhibition, and she fell, 6-0, 6-0 at No. 2 girls' singles to Fruitland's Lizzy Starr.

No. 1 singles player Abby Henry, another ninth-grader, lost, 6-0, 6-0, to Chanlar O'Neil, and No. 3 girls' singles player Whitney Ross lost, 6-0, 6-1 to Addie Clevenger.

Homedale No. 2 girls' doubles team (freshmen Laney Swallow and Elizabeth Whitehead) lost in straight sets, 6-0, 6-0, to Grace Huff and Aubrey Saba.

Trojans split final regular-season baseball games at Jackson Field

A quick start pushed Fruitland past Homedale in the teams' conference high school baseball finale.

With memories of a loss less than a week earlier, the Grizzlies shot out of the gate at John Jackson Field and held on for a 4-2 victory in the final 3A Snake River Valley conference game for both squads.

The Trojans (14-9 overall, 7-1 3A SRV at week's end) clawed back with two runs in the bottom of the third inning, but couldn't get any closer despite Fruitland's five errors.

Kade Kurara and Nick Nuñez combined on a three-hitter for the Grizzlies. Nuñez gave up one hit and two walks while striking out four batters over the final four innings.

Homedale scored two runs with two outs in the third inning to cut Fruitland's lead in half.

Tommy Muir walked and Drew Deal singled before scoring an error.

Jason Puri singled in the inning, and Homedale's only other hit was Garrett Bettleyon's infield single with two outs in the sixth inning.

Clayton Wolfe took the loss on the mound, giving up four runs and seven hits over five innings.

Muir pitched one-hit ball over the final two innings.

Last Wednesday: Homedale 15, Vale, Ore., 1 (5) — The Trojans dedicated the city's indoor practice facility then put on a clinic against the Vikings



Senior Clayton Wolfe delivers the first pitch of his last home game against Vale last Wednesday.



Rob Roberts threw out the ceremonial first pitch of Homedale's blowout victory over Vale last Wednesday. Roberts' company, R&M Steel, donated the metal frame for the new indoor practice facility adjacent to John Jackson Field in Homedale.

Jackson Field.

Senior Drew Deal struck out six and allowed only two hits and an unearned run to get the victory.

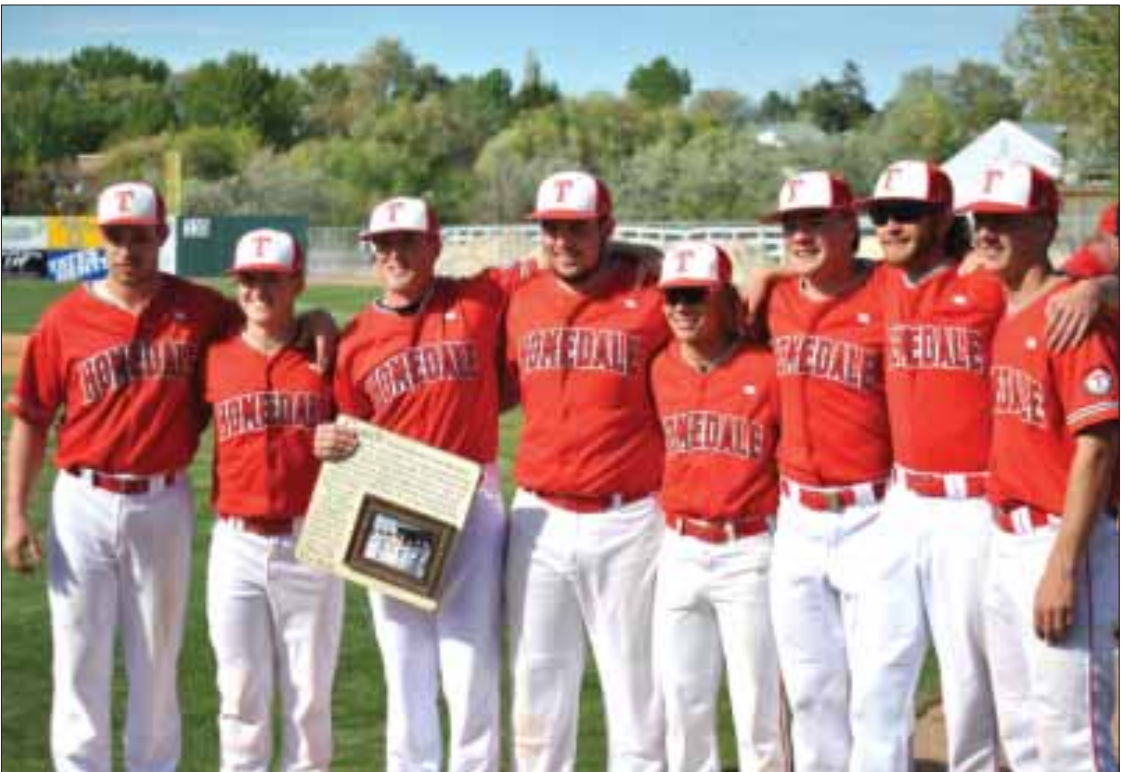
He helped his own cause with a grand slam in the third inning as Homedale broke open a 3-1 game with the first of back-to-back six-run rallies.

The Trojans set up the 10-run rule with six runs in the fourth, too. Eleven batters came to the plate as Vale pitchers hit one HHS player and walked six more. Puri and Bettleyon had the only singles in the inning.

Bettleyon went 3-for-3 and drove in four runs. He blasted a two-run homer in the first inning and tripled to spark the third-inning rally.

Deal wound up with five RBI after his bases-loaded walk in the fourth.

Bettleyon, Deal, Ismael Garcia and Dominic Quijano scored two runs apiece.



Homedale seniors presented a plaque to coach Burke Deal in a short ceremony prior to the start of last Wednesday's game with Vale. **From left:** Garrett Bettleyon, Drew Deal, coach Burke Deal, Clayton Wolfe, Ismael Garcia, Mason Kincheloe, Jason Puri, and Carson Brown.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
OF MAY 21, 2019
CITY OF GRAND VIEW
SPECIAL RECALL
ELECTION**
Owyhee County Special Recall Election to be held on Tuesday May 21, 2019, per a petition signed by certain City of Grand View citizens for the recall of Councilman John Morrison. Polls will be open Tuesday May 21, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following location:
Precinct 09 Grand View – Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View
This recall election is only for citizens within the city limits of Grand View. For Absentee and In-Person voting questions call the Owyhee County Clerks Office at 208-495-2421.
05/08/2019

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Please be advised that a public hearing will be held before the Homedale City Council on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 6:00 pm at Homedale City Hall, 31 West Wyoming Ave, Homedale, Idaho. The subject matter of this hearing is the proposal to change the monthly rates at the City of Homedale RV Park from \$750.00 to \$450.00.
The public is invited to attend and offer input.
Alice E. Pegram
City Clerk
City of Homedale
05/01,08/2019

**REQUEST FOR BID
2019 Northwest Owyhee
CWMA Chemical Purchase
Requirements**
Alligare *Glyosphate 4 Plus* EPA #81972-9
Alligare *Chlorsulfuron 75* EPA #81927-43 (8oz)
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Monterey *Remuda* EPA #228-366-54705
Wilbur-Ellis *Base Camp Amine 4* EPA #71368-1-2935 (2.5)
Wilbur-Ellis *Bronc Max* (2.5)
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Wilbur-Ellis *R-11* (qt)
Wilbur-Ellis *Super Marking Dye*
Wilbur-Ellis *Syl Tac* (qt)
Note: Absolutely no purchases will be in bulk
Please submit bids no later than May 25, 2019 to Tammie Hedges support@newenvironment.us
5/8,15/2019

**ADVERTISEMENT
FOR BIDS**
Sealed proposals will be received by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, 600 South Walnut Street, P.O. Box 25, Boise, Idaho 83707, until 2:00 p.m., prevailing local time, on May 23, 2019 for DFG Project No. 2018-156. The project consists of constructing a 2,226 SF wood frame residence with attached garage. The construction will also include a new on-site septic system, new water lines to an existing well, grade work and miscellaneous other work to create a complete and ready to move into residence. The bid consists of a base bid only. Project is located at the CJ Strike Wildlife Management Area just south of Bruneau, ID in Owyhee County. A pre-bid tour of the project (highly recommended) will be held on May 16, 2019 at

11:00 a.m. Contact the Bureau of Engineering, (208) 334-3730 by May 15, 2019 to make arrangements to attend this tour. Proposals will be opened and publicly read at the above hour and date. Specifications, proposal forms and other information are on file for examination at the following locations: Department of Fish and Game 600 South Walnut, PO Box 25 Boise, ID 83707 Construct Connect content@constructconnect.com Dodge Data & Analytics 413-424-3291 construction.com Abadan Reprographics 603 E 2nd Ave Spokane, WA 99202 509-747-2964 planroom@abadanplancenter.com abadanplanroom.com Associated General Contractors 1649 West Shoreline Drive, Suite 100 Boise, ID 83702 planroom@idahoagc.org Spokane Regional Plan Center PO Box 2968 209 N Havana St Spokane, WA 99202 projectinfo@plancenter.net Twin Falls Plan Room 124 Blue Lakes Blvd, Suite 6 Twin Falls, ID 83301 208-734-7526 twinfallspanroom@yahoo.com
A bid bond in the amount of 5% of the bid is required.
Documents may be obtained for bidding purposes from the Department of Fish and Game, Bureau of Engineering, 600 South Walnut (P.O. Box 25), Boise, Idaho, Attn: Matt Bryan, Phone (208) 3343730. No deposit is required. However, documents shall be returned to the above address.
A Public Works Contractors License for the State of Idaho is required of the successful bidder prior to the award of a contract. If a bidder does not currently have a Public Works Contractors License for the State of Idaho, he must verify the capability of obtaining a license prior to submitting a proposal.
Michael S. Maffey
Chief, Bureau of Engineering
Idaho Department of Fish and Game
05/01,08/2019

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
TS No: ID-19-857161-BF
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on 9/10/2019, at the hour of 11:00 AM of said day, Owyhee County Courthouse Lobby 20381 Highway 78 Murphy ID 83650, said Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit: Lot 1 of Block 1 of Big Sky Estates No.1, to the City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho. The current trustee is Robert W. McDonald, Esq, whose address is 108 1st Ave. South, Suite 202, Seattle, Washington 98104 and who can be reached by telephone at (866) 925-0241. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-described real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of 608 E SELWAY DR, HOMEDALE, ID 83628 may sometimes be associated with said real property. Said sale will be made, without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances,

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
PURSUANT TO IDAHO CODE §§ 67-8206 (3) and 63-1311A
BY: COMMISSIONERS MARSING RURAL FIRE DISTRICT**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the Commissioners of the Marsing Rural Fire District will conduct a public hearing: **PURPOSE OF THE HEARINGS:** To consider the adoption of a Capital Improvements Plan for the purpose of entering into an intergovernmental agreement with Canyon County for the collection and expending of development impact fees for the Fire District’s systems improvements as identified in the Capital Improvements Plan. Intent to make a decision to impose the below described new Canyon County Participating Fire Protection District Development Impact Fees.

Canyon County Participating Fire Protection District Proposed New Development Impact Fees as imposed within the boundaries of the Fire District within Canyon County:	Impact Fee Per Residential Unit	Impact Fee for Non-Residential per Square Foot
Marsing Rural Fire District	\$1,238	\$0.62

MATERIALS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION: The Fire District has made available to the public, upon request, the following: proposed land use assumptions, a copy of the proposed Capital Improvements Plan and the proposed Canyon County Ordinance. Any member of the public, affected by the Capital Improvements Plan or the imposition of the new Impact Fees, has the right to appear at the public hearing and present evidence regarding the proposed Capital Improvements Plan and/or the new Impact Fees. The Fire District will send notice of this noticed intent to hold a public hearing by mail to any person who has requested in writing notification of the hearing date at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing date. **DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC HEARING:** The public hearing will be conducted at **Marsing Rural Fire District Station, 303 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho** on May 15, 2019, commencing at: 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as this hearing is convened by the Board.
MARSING RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
Stella Bush, District Secretary
05/01,08/2019

**LEGAL NOTICE
SOUTHWEST DISTRICT HEALTH
PURSUANT TO IDAHO CODE §39-423**
Southwest District Health Board of Health will hold their annual Budget Committee meeting and public hearing upon the proposed Fiscal Year 2020 budget of the district at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at Southwest District Health, 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell, Idaho. The proposed budget offered by the District Board of Health may be examined at any of the Southwest District Health offices located at: 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell; 1008 East Locust, Emmett; 1155 Third Avenue North, Payette; 46 West Court, Weiser; or 132 E Idaho, Homedale.

	FY 2020 Proposed Budget	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2018 Budget	FY 2017 Budget
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 6,900,085	\$ 6,825,128	\$ 7,222,197	\$ 6,802,150
Other expenses	<u>3,576,353</u>	<u>2,086,602</u>	<u>2,120,038</u>	<u>1,876,842</u>
5/8/2019 Total	\$10,476,438	\$ 8,911,730	\$9,342,235	\$ 8,678,992

to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust made and entered into on 5/7/2018, by and among ROGER ALLAN, AN UNMARRIED MAN, as Grantor, and PIONEER TITLE COMPANY, as Trustee, and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC., AS NOMINEE FOR WILLAMETTE VALLEY BANK, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust having been filed of record on 5/7/2018, as Instrument No. 295973 Official Records of OWYHEE County, Idaho. The naming of the above Grantor(s) is done to comply with Idaho Code Sections 45-1506(4)(a); no representation is made as to the responsibility of Grantor(s) for this obligation. The default for which this sale is to be made is: The monthly installment of \$652.06, which may include principal, interest and escrow, due on 12/1/2018, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest through the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee’s fees, and any attorney fees and court costs arising from or associated with the beneficiaries efforts to protect and preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement, including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or pay-off. Nothing in this notice shall be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust pursuant to the terms of the loan documents. The balance due and owing as of the date hereof on the obligation secured by said

REQUEST FOR BID
The Eastern Owyhee Cooperative Weed Management Area Steering Committee is requesting bids for chemicals to be used in noxious weed control.
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Glyphosate (Roundup) & Generic
LV6
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Milestone
Milestone
In addition to cost the ability to respond to information and delivery requests will be included in the award decision. The lowest acceptable bid per unit price will be awarded the contract. Total appropriation is \$25,000, bid not to exceed, \$25,000.00. Product will be ordered as needed.
Bids must be sent by email to: Rayola_1@msn.com Bids will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., May 15th, 2019.
The bid review and award will take place May 21st at 6:00 p.m., at the Snake River Diner, 230 Main Street, Grand View, Idaho. Notice of winning bid will be provided by May 24th to applicants.
For questions or information contact: Rayola Jacobsen, email Rayola_1@msn.com; by phone: (208) 338-0019 or cell: (208) 249-0234. By mail, 248 E Bayview Ct., Boise, Idaho 83706.
05/01,08/2019

Deed of Trust is the amount of \$124,207.41 in principal; plus accrued interest at the rate of 4.7500 percent per annum from 12/1/2018 adjusting, if at all, pursuant to the terms of the note; plus service charges, late charges, and any other costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure as provided by the Deed of Trust or Deed of Trust Note, or by Idaho law. Dated this 22nd day of April, 2019. Robert W. McDonald, Esq, Trustee By: TS No: ID-19-857161-BF IDSPub #0152415 05/01,08,15,22/2019
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THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION HAS BEEN FILED TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

51-13131 MATTHEW OLIVAS, TRINA OLIVAS 315 E AVE H JEROME, ID 83338 (2) Points of Diversion SWNWNW S24 T16S R09E OWYHEE County Source MURPHY HOT SPRINGS Tributary EAST FORK JARBIDGE RIVER Use: COMMERCIAL 01/01 to 12/31 0.02 CFS Total Diversion: 0.02 CFS Date Filed: 7/27/2018 Place Of Use: COMMERCIAL T16S R09E S24 NWNW. This application proposes the diversion and use of water from a tributary of the Jarbidge Wild & Scenic River. The decreed minimum stream flow rights for the federal Wild & Scenic Rivers are subordinate to certain categories of water use and to specific amounts of water use established after the minimum stream flow. The water use proposed in this application will benefit from the subordination provision because the diversion rate will be applied to the subordination amounts specified in the decree for the Wild & Scenic River listed above.

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208) 334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s), please see www.idwr.idaho.gov. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of the application(s) must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 5/20/2019. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Director
05/01,08/2019

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
CASE NO. CV37-19-00130
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Sandra Hinton, Deceased Person. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed

Co-Personal Representatives of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be both filed with the Court and presented to the Co-Personal Representatives of the estate at the law office of DAVID E. KERRICK, 1001 Blaine Street, (Post Office Box 44) Caldwell, Idaho.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2019
s:/Gary Wayne Bradford Jr.
s:/Justen Bradford
Co-Personal Representatives
5/8,15,22/2019

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Thursday, August 22, 2019 at the hour of 11:00AM, of said day, on the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashiers check, certified check or tellers check, (from a bank which has a branch in the community at the site of the sale), money order, State of Idaho check or local government check, or cash equivalent in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the same time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit: This parcel is a portion of Government Lot 3 of Section 10 and of Government Lot 1 of Section 15, Township 3 North, Range 5 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and is more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Government Lot 3; thence South 89°59'54" East along the South boundary of said Government Lot 3 a distance of 418.31 feet to a point on the Northeasterly boundary of the Oregon Short Line Railroad right-of-way, which point is the True Point of Beginning; thence North 52°56'42" West along said right-of-way a distance of 238.02 feet; thence North 43°03'17" East a distance of 478.76 feet; thence South 6°43'44" East a distance of 425.46 feet; thence South 5°49'30" West a distance of 169.45 feet; thence North 52°56'42" West a distance of 162.38 feet to a point on the South

boundary of said Government Lot 3; thence North 89°59'54" West a distance of 39.96 feet to the True Point of Beginning.

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH IDAHO CODE, SECTION 60-113, THE TRUSTEE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE STREET ADDRESS OF: 4220 Pioneer Road, Homedale, ID 83628, MAY SOMETIMES BE ASSOCIATED WITH SAID REAL PROPERTY.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by Intrinsic Properties, LLC, a dissolved Wyoming Limited Liability Company, as Grantor to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Quaker Hill Conference Inc. as Beneficiary, recorded March 12, 2018 as Instrument No. 295342, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. 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 this sale is to be made is failure to: Pay, when due and before delinquency, the entire principal balance as set forth on said Deed of Trust and Promissory Note. The original loan amount was \$378,000.00 as evidenced in a Promissory Note dated March 5, 2018. The loan matured on May 14, 2018 and is now in default. The amount due as of March 19, 2019 is \$378,000.00 together with any advances, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this foreclosure. The balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$378,000.00, excluding costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder or in this sale, as trustee's fees and/or reasonable attorney's fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust.

Dated: April 18, 2019
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Bobbi Oldfield, Trust Officer
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Sports

Melba athletes stand tall vs. larger schools in Nampa

Girls win Strong meet; Leavitt takes 3,200

The small-school team prevailed Friday in the girls' meet at the Canyon County Moke Strong Championships. Emma Clark soared to three victories, and fellow Melba High School senior Kylahn Heritage won the 3,200-meter run at Ridgevue High School in Nampa. Heritage ran her fastest two miles of the season. She finished the race in 11 minutes, 51.69 seconds and beat Mustangs teammate Marissa Cole

to the line by nearly a minute. Cole had her best time of the year, too, at 12:50.02. Clark won the pole vault (11 feet, 6 inches), the long jump (17-6), and the triple jump (37-1). Clark was also a runner-up in the 100 meters (12.8) while Owyhee County resident Jordan Dayley finished third in a personal-record time of 13.2. Sophomore Kate Clark led four Mustangs with PRs in the 200, finishing eighth in 27.72. Kortney Trapper, Telissa Christensen, and Lynae Richardson also turned in the best times of their careers. Heritage was runner-up in the 800 (2:27.16) and 1,600 (5:31.66). Cole was seventh in the 1,600 with a personal-best 5:51.62, while freshman Lacey Leavitt PR'd for 12th place at 6:01.14. Dayley was runner-up in both hurdles (100, 16.27; 300, 47.15), while Richardson was sixth in both (17.4 in the 100 and a PR of 51.51 in the 300). Kate Clark, Trappett, Christensen, and Dayley teamed up to finish second in the 4x200 relay (1:50.22). Christensen, Leavitt, Cole and Heritage finished third in the 4x400 (4:23.2).

Senior Emily Oldham was third in the discus (107-.5) and pulled off a PR of 35-1.5 for fourth in the shot put. Kate Clark's best triple jump of the season (33-1) gave her third place, while Christensen was fourth at 32-3.5. **Boys** Sophomore Joshua Leavitt roared to a career-best time to win the 3,200. Leavitt finished in 10:11.84. Fellow Melba 10th-grader Regan Manzer was seventh in 10:48.41. Leavitt pulled off a PR in the 800, too, finishing ninth in 2:07.9.

Trojans tune up for district meet with top marks

Symms, Smith lead boys at Fruitland meet

There may be no chance of catching Fruitland in this week's 3A District III track and field championships, but Homedale High School's boys have established themselves as one of the top squads in the Treasure Valley. Sophomore Thomas Symms returned to the throwing ring after a week off and didn't miss a beat. In fact, he routed the competition with a personal-record throw of 155 feet, 1 inch to win the Grizzly Invite discus championship. His closest competitor – Fruitland's Weston Jeffries – managed only 134-7. With the district meet looming this week in Parma, the Trojans faced off with two other teams that will be there – Fruitland and Payette. Speedster Caleb Smith continued his season-long duel with Fruitland's Marcus Barinaga and sent a message that next week's sprints will be interesting as well as Trojan-heavy. The junior beat Barinaga by .22 of a second in the Grizzly Invite 100 meters, and he led Homedale's top-three sweep in the 200 with a season-best time of 22.78. Sophomore Erik Hernandez was runner-up in the 200, posted a personal-record time of 23.89.



Homedale junior Maggie Johnson (right) legs out the girls' 100-meter dash. Photos by Machele Randall



Jake Collett (right) and Trojans teammate Erik Hernandez pull in after running a sprint at the Grizzly Invite.

Hernandez and Smith ran the final two legs as the Trojans won the 4x200 relay to cement a second-place team finish at the meet in Payette County. Jake Collett and Gage Purdom ran the opening portions of the relay, and Homedale clocked an 8-second victory over Fruitland in 1 minute, 33.69 seconds. Jose Ojeda joined Collett, Hernandez and Smith as runners-up to Nyssa, Ore., in the 4x100 relay. The Bulldogs broke 45 seconds, and Homedale pulled off a 45.18 -- .08 seconds faster than Fruitland. That could bode well for the Trojans' chances of making the state meet.

Ojeda, Osue Bernabe, Brandon VanEs and Milo Mertz teamed up for second place in the sprint medley relay at 4:23.5. Purdom was third in the 400 at 53.65. German exchange student Christian Schalk established a personal record with his seventh-place finish in the 800 (2:18.79), while fellow junior Matthew Randall was eighth



Homedale's John Breshears pushes himself in a 200-meter heat in Fruitland.

with his fastest 800 of the season (2:19.63). Schalk picked up a PR (5:26.16) and finished ninth in the 1,600. Randall was sixth in 5:19.78. Randall was eighth in the 3,200 (11:02.81), and sophomore Giovanni Aguilera notched a PR at 11:19.13. Two sophomores registered career-fast races in the 300 hurdles with Brayden Christoffersen fifth (47.88) and Francisco Jimenez ninth (55.19). Sophomore Milo Mertz was sixth in the triple jump (34-7), and Collett was the best-finishing HHS athlete

in the long jump (seventh at 17-1.5).

Girls Junior Maggie Johnson ran to a personal-record time to finish third in the 200 meters. She was clocked at 28.18 in that race, and she ran a fourth-place 14.11 in the 100. She also took bronze in the 400 at 1:03.69, her fastest time at that distance this season. Senior Kari Woods pulled off a pair of PRs in the throws. She was fourth in the shot put (29-0) and seventh in the discus (77-2.5). Freshman Isabel Jacobs continued a great first year in high school athletics with a runner-up distance of 93-3.5 in the discus. Another ninth-grader, Allison Whitehead, logged three personal-best marks in the jumps. She was third in the triple jump at 30-2.25, and took fourth in the long jump (15-11.5). She was ninth in the 200 at 30.77. Sophomore Emily Craft finished sixth in the high jump (4-2).

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