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Homedale library expansion goes vertical Above: Two Excelsior Construction workers fasten a girder on to the framework of the Homedale City Library's new building on June 11. Below: A crew works on raising girders, marking a milestone in the project expected to be completed by the end of September.



City of Marsing working to clear construction for Third of July

Main Street could get more sidewalk

of July celebration.

Canyon parents want included in Homedale **School District borders**

Public hearing set Thursday in Wilder

The most important step to date in expanding the Homedale School District Canyon County boundary comes Thursday.

A public hearing on the question of annexing part of the Wilder School District into the Homedale boundaries takes place Thursday.

The hearing will run from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., inside the Wilder High School gymnasium.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2019

"The public hearing is kind of the final step, if you will, to get approved from the State Board of Education so that it can go to the vote of all the patrons in the proposed area," annexation proponent Gavin Parker said.

— See Canyon, page 5

Owyhee ranchers to lead Grand View parade on Saturday

Annual community festival on tap

George and Donna Bennett are getting a lot of love lately.

The longtime Grand View community leaders will serve as grand marshals for Saturday morning's Grand View Days parade. The procession begins at 10 a.m.

The couple, who ranch on land in Owyhee and Elmore counties, recently were added to Owyhee County's Roster of Outstanding Citizens, too.

Grand View Days will be held all day Saturday, and the festivities wrap up Sunday with the Lions Club's annual

Grand View Days schedule of events **Saturday** 8:30 a.m. - 5-kilome-

ter fun run

10 a.m. — Parade After parade — Marketplace, free kid inflatables, face painting, National Wild Turkey Federation shooting trailer and food vendors in park

1 p.m. — Horseshoe and softball tourneys

6 p.m. to 8 p.m. -Firemen's barbecue

8 p.m. — Scavenger hunts and street dance **Dusk** — Fireworks

Sunday

8 a.m. — Lions Club

than first expected, too

carrying out bridge and roadwork upgrades in Marsing is ready to make room for the town's Third of July celebration.

The general contractor council meeting, Mayor James Ferdinand told the council and gallery that the Idaho Transportation Department was working on his request to have all paving in town

During last Wednesday's city completed prior to the Third

He also is working on a clear line of sight for the fireworks breakfast. show.

"One thing I thought of today was if they could move the boom (crane) down the temporary bridge so everyone is not looking at fireworks

— See Marsing, page 5

The breakfast starts at 8 a.m., at Lions Park, and the service club accepts donations from those attending.

The run-up to Grand View Days begins at 6 tonight with the annual citywide cleanup.

There are plenty of activities

breakfast

to keep folks busy Saturday:

• The Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School cross country program's benefit 5-kilometer fun run starts at 8:30 a.m., at

— See **Parade**, page 8



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Marsing taking city council applications

New pig ordinance will see changes

Marsing has begun its search to replace Jolyn Green on the city council.

It was announced during the council's May meeting that Council member Jolyn Green would step down to accept the city's deputy clerk position. She will assume the city clerk job when Janice Bicandi retires on July 19.

In a Thursday post on the city's Facebook page, Mayor James Ferdinand told interested citizens how they could apply for the city council seat, which was vacant during last Wednesday's monthly meeting.

"If you live in the city limits, love this amazing community, and are interested in making a difference as a member of the City Council, please contact me," Ferdinand's post reads.

Those interested can call City Hall at (208) 896-4122 or drop by the municipal office at 425 W. Main St.

Pig permit approved

The city council has granted a conditional use permit so Jess Ferdinand can keep swine on a property at 319 Bruneau Hwy.

Ferdinand is the wife of the town's mayor.

The permit was approved pending an ordinance amendment that would make clear that the new city code allows pigs for 4-H or FFA projects

only.

Councilman Chris Even brought up the issue after he noticed that the recently passed ordinance didn't limit the type of pigs that could be raised inside the city limits.

"If we put that in there that it's for the kids, for 4-H — then I'm good to go," Even said. "I don't want somebody else (holding pigs in the city) two weeks later ... just wanting to raise pigs until fair's over and then go slaughter them."

No hearing on the amendment has been set.

• The city council also approved a residential lot setback variance after a second public hearing.

Ethan Thompson of Bear Construction received permission to adjust the setbacks

from 20 feet to 10 feet on an Edwards Street lot where his company will build two residences.

RV park conditions OK'd

City attorney Stephanie J. Bonney presented the final conditions the city council will put into the special use permit clearing the way for the proposed Maisel RV Park adjacent to Main Street.

The council approved the conditions:

• The RV park must comply with all zoning ordinances.

• All construction plans and changes to plans must be submitted to the city.

• The permit will be reviewed two years after occupancy.

• The park must be maintained properly with an irriga-

tion system.

• No RV dump may be constructed at the site.

• RVs cannot maintain occupancy for more than six consecutive months, and must leave the park for at least 30 consecutive days before a new six-month occupancy can begin.

• Park rules and regulations must be submitted to the city for review.

New business licenses

Council members approved two new business licenses:

• Sevy Auto Repair and Towing, 202 Main St., at the old NAPA location.

• JM Trucking – Jenna Brown Creations, 429 Main St., Owyhee Plaza space 101 – TK

Fast-acting aunt saves girl who fell into pool

Quick action by a family member helped save the life of a toddler who fell into a swimming pool Thursday.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said the 3-year-old girl seems to be fully recovered

after a near-drowning at an Audrey Drive residence.

"I just left her house," Eidemiller said Monday. "She's 100 percent. There are no lasting effects at all." The girl had turned blue by

the time her aunt had found her, according to emergency dispatch reports. The aunt immediately started CPR after getting the girl out of the above-ground pool, Eidemiller said.

Eidemiller took over airway management when he arrived. The girl was breathing again by the time Homedale Ambulance transported her to the town's municipal airport to rendezvous with an Air St. Luke's helicopter.

Eidemiller said there are two

takeaways from the incident:

· Everyone should be trained in CPR and know when to start the procedure.

• It only takes a minute for tragedy to strike around swimming pools, so adults should always be vigilant with children around pools.-- JPB

Sunday's Txoko Ona picnic celebrates Basque culture

its doors and culture to the public with Sunday's annual picnic.

Lunch will be sold and entertainment provided during the celebration, which takes place at the Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., in Homedale.

The day starts with lunch served from noon to 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children younger than 12. The menu includes salad, beans,

The Txoko Ona Basque Club opens French fries, solomo with pimientos, bread and rice pudding.

After lunch entertainment includes: • 1:30 p.m. — Herribatza

Dantzariak, a group of local youth performing Basque folk dances under the direction of Homedale resident Gloria Lejardi

• 2:15 p.m. — The Oinkari Basque Dancers, a men's and women's dance troupe based in Boise that occasionally features local dancers

• 3 p.m. — Children's races will be held, and the Txingak weight-carrying contest will begin

• 3:30 p.m. — An 8-king mus tournament begins

• 3:45 p.m. — A junior mus tournament starts

• 4 p.m. — A horseshoe competition begins

Staff from the Basque Museum and Cultural Center in Boise will also have a booth set up, including merchandise.

Txoko Ona members who can help with event set-up, script sales or cleanup are asked to call board member Marc Asumendi at (208) 412-9700.

The rest of the Txoko Ona board of directors includes president John Lejardi, vice-president Lori Aguirre, and board members Clay Haylett, Matt Landa, Jim Ryska and Danny Uranga, who is also treasurer. Board alternate is Lisa Cowger, while the board secretary is LeAnda Uranga.





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ITD starts massive chip-sealing project in NW Owyhee

Work will affect traffic on U.S. 95 and west of Homedale

A miles-long sealcoat project has begun on the major highway running through northwest Owyhee County.

Knife River Construction began the Idaho Department of Transportation roadwork Tuesday on U.S. Highway 95 at the Oregon state line. The work was delayed a day because of equipment repair needs, according to an ITD email to the City of Homedale and other stakeholders.

There is no specific timeline of when the work will be carried out on what stretch of highway.

But during the project, construction zone speeds with be 35 mph, and that speed reduction may be in place until permanent lane lines are painted. Flaggers and pilot cars will control traffic in the work areas, and motorists should expect delays of up to 15 minutes.

The work includes chip-sealing and sweeping excess gravel chips then applying a fog coat and replacing pavement markings.

The work will cover U.S. 95 to the Idaho highway 55 junction west of Marsing.

95 from the junction through Homedale to Wilder's south city limits.

Idaho 19 west of Homedale will also get chip seal with the project starting at the Oregon state line and moving east to West 4th Street.

The final piece of the project will be undertaken from the junction of U.S. 95 and Idaho 19 in Wilder along the state highway (also called Simplot Boulevard in places) through Greenleaf to Centennial Way in Caldwell.

County's \$1M road project to be built with ranch water

Part of Upper Reynolds to be re-graveled

Owyhee County will use a local rancher's water to gravel a section of Upper Reynolds Creek Road.

The Board of County Commissioners have entered a property use lease agreement with the Romero family of Murphy to use water from their well.

county crew will А reconstruct a 4.2-mile section of the road from the summit (the high point of the road between the Snake River and Reynolds Creek Valley) and the Reynolds Creek Cemetery, according to Dist. 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland, the board chair and supervisor for Road and Bridge District 1.

"We plan on doing a little over two miles this year and then two miles next year," Hoagland said. "The plan was to get that paved in the fall of 2020. It depends on our funding."

He said that the estimated cost of the entire project is

money for that," Hoagland said.

He said the two-part project — carried out over portions of the next two fiscal years — should begin this week.

To help carry out the project, the county has secured access to a well owned by John and Catherine Romero on ZX Ranch Road. The project requires approximately 64,000 gallons of water per day during the project for base material compaction and dust suppression.

The county will pay \$3,000 for use of the Romeros' pump and \$10 for each truckload of water. According to the agreement, it is estimated that it will take 16 truckloads to haul the 64,000 gallons of water each day.

According to the agreement, the county also will reimburse the Romeros for the cost of power to run the well during the road construction.

The county's responsibilities include:

• Provide and install all materials for electrical and water connections from the well to a county-provided ground storage tank.

• Minimize the dust caused by the use of the road and vard area.



\$1.114 million. by

According to County Clerk yard area. Angie Barkell, the initial • Upo funding for the project will come from the county's road and bridge budget. layer of g

The project will entail hauling rock to build a 16- to 18-inch base. After the base is established, crews will put down a six-inch layer of ³/₄-inch road mix.

"The paving part, we'll times. have to see if we have enough

• Upon the project's completion, the county will provide and level a 4-inch layer of gravel no more than ³/₄-inch diameter on the ranch yard.

• Maintain all access roads and turnarounds during operations.

• Keep the site clean at all mes. — TK

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Senior center's new coordinator slips in for a preview

Jennifer Stevenson, new Homedale Senior Center coordinator, stands before raffle items for the annual Buckaroo Breakfast fundraiser. Stevenson was scheduled to begin her new job this week. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for six, and the drawing will be Aug. 10.





HHS grad retires as self-made bank CEO

Building career from ground up, Brian Vance started as a teller

Brian Vance never graduated college, but the Homedale High School graduate is finishing his banking career as a respected executive.

It's a path that may not be replicated in American business again.

Vance went to work for what was then WestOne Bank soon after getting his high school diploma in 1972. A career that started as a teller in Parma wraps up with Olympia, Wash., resident closing out 10 years leading Heritage Financial Corp., and Heritage Bank.

The son of Marion and Barbara Vance will have a retirement dinner next Wednesday in Olympia.

But it's not a complete retirement. The 65-year-old Vance will become the Heritage Financial Corp., board chair.

He's credited with growing the company exponentially. The bank is the 11th-largest in the

state and has 65 branches and 800 employees in Washington and Oregon.

Vance has seen some unique highlights in nearly 50 years in the financial industry. His mother said he has rung the bell to open trading on the NASDAQ market in New York twice.

After managing bank branches in Nampa and Idaho Falls, Vance's career took off when he transferred to Tacoma to oversee the operation of nearly 24 WestOne branches. After US Bank acquired WestOne, he moved on to Heritage Bank in 1996 as a chief credit officer. Seven years later, he was bank CEO and in 2006 he took over as CEO of Heritage Financial, too.

Vance also has served on the Northwest Nazarene University board of trustees and he was on the board of governors overseeing operation of the old Mercy Hospital in Nampa.



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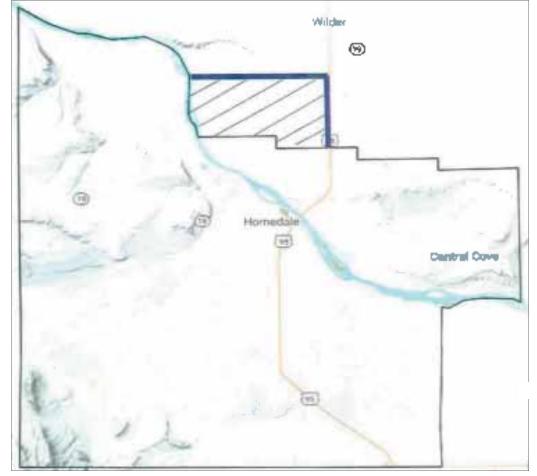
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The highlighted area north of the Homedale School District's existing Canyon County boundary is the portion of the Wilder district that is the subject of Thursday's hearing.

Canyon: Most kids already attend HSD

Hearing officer John Stellmon, an Eagle attorney, will take the findings from Thursday's hearing and make a recommendation to the Board of Education.

If state trustees agree that annexation is viable, the issue could show up on the Canyon County ballot in November. Only the people in the area proposed for excision from the Wilder district would be able to vote.

"We're coming out in force, so lots of people will speak up," Parker said of the mood for Thursday's public hearing.

About 50 children residing in the portion of the Wilder School District in question attend school in Owyhee County under Homedale's open enrollment policy.

Boundaries for the proposed

sary if his house — and those of board passed a resolution rechis neighbors — was annexed into the Homedale district.

Open enrollment is never a guarantee, he said.

"It's about having continuity and not having to re-apply every year," he said. "There are grade levels that are closed (to out-ofdistrict enrollment) because the classrooms are at capacity."

Parker and his wife, Annie, have children that they hope will attend Homedale schools again in the fall for second grade, seventh grade and as a freshman and junior.

Seeking stability in being able to see their students continue to attend Homedale schools through graduation, the Parkers and other parents began a campaign about a year ago for excision out of the Wilder district.

Petitions were circulated in the affected area to gain support for the proposal. More than 80 people living in the area, including some from prominent Homedale families,

is Dairy Month

ommending annexation.

Parker said making the area a permanent part of the Homedale district would make sense because the children are connected to Homedale even before their first day of school. Families bring their children across the river for Homedale Youth Sports competition and other extra-curricular activities.

In fact, the petition states that the Homedale School District offers "more diverse extracurricular opportunities" than the Wilder district.

"More than 80 percent of the kids in the proposed area already go to Homedale schools," Parker said. "It's definitely a matter of our tax dollars following our kids. It's a matter of having representation on the school board (as district patrons, the voters will be able to participate in Homedale school board elections). "It's a matter of we're Homedale families, and we identify as Homedale families." — JPB

$\sqrt{\text{Marsing:}}$ Traffic control will be prevalent on July 3

through a crane," Ferdinand said. "That thing's about 150 feet in the air."

City engineer Kirby Cook said a Wadsworth Brothers Construction foreman told him that the crew would try to accommodate any requests to move equipment prior to the fireworks show.

Wadsworth Brothers will also have crewmembers onsite to keep people away from the construction area and equipment. There will be no pedestrian traffic on the bridge after 5 p.m.

"It's the only way we can be safe," the mayor said.

Ferdinand said that during the celebration, there will be flaggers to help with traffic, from Island Park to 4th Avenue. Owyhee County Sheriff's Posse members will provide traffic control as they usually do.

Construction updates

Cook said that the sidewalk project on the north side of Main Street has been put out to bid.

The Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC) had been pushing for the city to get the process going, Cook said.

The project would run along Main Street between 14th Avenue and Idaho highway

And, the city could get more bang for the grant bucks it has received, Cook said.

78 (8th Avenue West).

"The best part of this TAP (Transportation Alternatives Program) project is it has \$300,000 in construction, and that project is not going to cost nearly (that amount)," he said.

If the project comes in below the awarded amount, the city will be able to submit a change order and build sidewalk anywhere else a path is desired along Idaho 55.

"It should come in quite a bit under, so we could put in sidewalk from the Whitehouse (Drive Inn) to (Logan's Market) on the south side," Cook said. — TK





annexation area include:

• North — Lower Pleasant Ridge Road

• East — U.S. Highway 95

• South — West along Boehner Road to Fargo Road then north to an unnamed field road

• West — Fish Road and the Snake River

Perhaps the most important reason for seeking inclusion in the Homedale district is stability, Parker said.

Parker said he just finished paperwork to ask Homedale trustees to allow his children to attend school south of the Snake River. It's an annual ritual that wouldn't be necessigned the petition. In April, the Homedale school



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Birthday Frankie Garrett to mark 95th birthday

Longtime Homedale resident Frankie Garrett will celebrate his 95th birthday at a familiar hangout.

Friends and family are invited to stop by The Bowling Alley, 18 N. 1st St. W., in Homedale to help him celebrate from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., on Sunday, June 30, 2019.

The family asks that

folks drop by to enjoy some snacks and visit with Frankie, who regularly visited The Bowling Alley (previously known as Owyhee Lanes Restaurant) for coffee and lunch over the years.

Originally from Walla Walla, Wash., Garrett and his wife Dot moved to Homedale and established Garrett Ranches fruit farm.

He served in World War II in the Amphibious forces that island-hopped across the Pacific.

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Randolph, Kaitlyn; Salazar, Robert;

Showalter, Colton; and Vanosdall,

High honors — Montes,

Anahli; Montes, Luis; Moore,

Atira; Robles, Romeo; Sevy,

Andrew; Tuttle, Amanda; and

Honors — Acosta, James;

Babcock, Morgyn; Delgadillo,

Xavier; Eells, Korbyn; Gaston,

Karlie; Gluch, Anna; Goins,

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Honors — Berends, Toby; Eells, Gracie; Estrada, Fernando; Floyd, Sophia; Fray, Cassidy; Griggs, Kooper; Jenkins, Chance; Kish, Paige; Martinez, Veronica; McGuire, William; Moreno, Jacquelin; Padilla, Landy; Rodriguez, Manuel; Rosales Juarez, Delayla; Santos-Garcia, Melody; Sevy, Katelyn; Vanosdall, Raylynn; Villasenor, Amber; and

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Rimrock grad given Governor's Cup scholarship

by Mandi Boren

For The Owyhee Avalanche Rimrock salutatorian Todd Marvin was awarded the prestigious 2019 Idaho Governor's Cup scholarship at a reception hosted by Gov. Brad Little and First Lady Teresa Little on June 5 at the Statehouse in Boise.

According to a press release issued Thursday, there were more than 1,000 applicants for the coveted scholarship. Marvin was one of 11 students from across the state chosen to receive the Career Technical Education scholarship.

The CTE scholarship is designed for students who plan to attend a two- or three-year technical program and covers \$3,000 per year during the recipient's college program.

Marvin will attend Idaho State University in the fall, and he'll study diesel technology for two years.



Todd Marvin Selection

criteria included commitment to public service, academic achievement, leadership and community involvement.

Marvin said the application process also involved letters of recommendation from his school counselor, a teacher and a community member who could verify his leadership and community involvement.

"I'm just excited for the opportunity to pursue a career that I enjoy and am interested in that highlights my life," Marvin said.

Marvin found his passion for

engines at a young age when he received (and had to work on) his first pick-up truck. Marvin followed that interest and took an engines class his sophomore year at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High school. Todd said his eyes were

opened to the possibility of a career in diesel technology when he was 16 years old and began working for Simplot Land and Livestock as a mechanic.

"We are so proud of the recipients of the 2019 Governor's Cup scholarships," Gov. Little said.

"They are part of the next generation of Idaho leaders, and their commitment to their neighbors, communities and the state will be a part of them throughout their lives."

The scholarships are funded annually by generous sponsors and donors committed to Idaho students attending Idaho colleges and universities.

Scholarships are awarded to students attending an Idaho college or university two- or three-year technical program or a four-year academic program.

The 44th Governor's Cup fundraising drive helped pay for 37 new scholarships last year.

"Thank you to the generous sponsors and donors whose contributions to this important scholarship program help Idaho students in their educational pursuits," Little said.

The 45th annual Idaho Governor's Cup fundraiser is scheduled for Sept. 5-7 in Sun Valley.

— 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

Summer

menu

Marsing Summer Feeding program

Free children's meals at City park Fresh fruit & vegetables and choice of milk each day June 19: Rib-B-Q sandwich June 20: Pizza stuffwich June 24: PB&J sandwich, cheese stick June 25: Corn dog June 26: Beef & bean burrito

June 27: Popcorn chicken

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Rimrock Sr. Center ready to shine for Grand View Days

Ice cream social, yard sale among activities planned

Rimrock Senior Center is ready for an influx of visitors Saturday for Grand View Days.

"Grand View Days has traditionally been one of our biggest fundraisers, and we encourage and look forward to providing the opportunity for folks to stop in, have a seat, take a few minutes to rest and enjoy some ice cream and good company of neighbors, friends and family," senior center coordinator Ellie Gillett said.

The annual ice cream social and a yard sale are planned.

The yard sale will be held between 9 a.m., and 3 p.m.

Donations are sought,

including clean and working appliances, yard tools, and household items.

"We ask that miscellaneous items not in good condition or repair please be sorted out, and we have a dumpster available for folks to discard rubbish in," Gillett said.

The ice cream social will run from 11 a.m., to 3 p.m.

Treats for sale will include milkshakes, root beer floats, sundaes, cones, and banana splits.

During the yard sale, a silent auction will be conducted, too.

"Items will be displayed for folks to examine and appreciate," Gillett said.

Items that have been donated so far include:

- Automobile batteries
- Oil change service
- 50-pound bags of

fertilizer

- Round-Up and other herbicides
- A haircut
- An antique table setting for eight
- Gift baskets

• A crocheted afghan and baby blanket

• Lace table runners.

"Local businesses and artisans are very generous," Gillett said.

The senior center's Quilter's Corner group has been hard at work creating "comfort blankets," which are being donated to Grand View Ambulance. Gillett said whether more agencies could benefit will be determined as the project unfolds.

"They have completed 11 blankets so far with many more in the works," Gillett said.

A queen size blanket has

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been created for the next senior center raffle, too. It's on display at the Simplot Livestock main office, Gillett said.

Raffle tickets cost \$1 each or \$5 for six.

Saturday's visitors also will get a chance to check out the senior center's improvements, a ceiling project with fresh, and kitchen fans will be installed soon.

The center also displays paintings from local artists such as Elaine Kenworthy, Betty Good, and Jean Steiner.

Gillett said the senior center has become a gathering place for senior citizens from around the region who have stopped in for lunch. Folks have traveled from senior centers from Mountain Home, Melba and Kuna.

Additionally, the Rimrock

 $\sqrt{Parade:}$ Registration still available for

Saturday's horseshoe and softball tourneys

Jr.-Sr. High Schools Sources of Strength students grilled hamburgers and hot dogs for the center's lunch on May 28.

"It was a great time had by all," Gillett said. "The students visited with the seniors, helped prepare the meal as well as clean up after.

"The interaction between the students and seniors was awesome towards building relationships."

Another fundraiser for the senior center is its Trinkets & Treasures thrift store.

The center also plays host to free bingo on the first Thursday of every month.

The Rimrock Senior Center is located at 525 Main St., and is usually open on Tuesday and Thursday. Call (208) 834-2922 for more information.

— JPB

BLM ponders rec site off Mud Flat Road

Comment sought on proposed improvements south of Grand View

Public comment opens today on a plan to build a new Bureau of Land Management recreation site in Owyhee County.

The federal agency will accept input until July 18 on a proposed rec site near Perjue Canyon, about 22 miles south of Grand View on Mud Flat Road.

Comments will help the agency build an environmental analysis of the proposal. Comments are most helpful if they provide specific actions, resources, or issues to be considered and analyzed.

The BLM wants to explore development of an area with safe access that will enhance recreational opportunities in the Little Jacks Creek Wilderness, which is also situated dressing parking, vehicle access, interpretation and camping.

Detailed information on the issues and proposed alternatives can be fund online at https://go.usa.gov/xyq57.

"We've been working with our partners for a while now on the need to improve access at Perjue Canyon, including the Resource Advisory Council, Owyhee County Commissioners and members of the Owyhee Initiative," BLM Bruneau Field Manager Tanya Thrift said. "We have several alternatives we're looking at and now invite the public to comment on these and any other issues they feel should be included in the analysis."

Comments can be submitted

the American Legion Post 134 hall on Roosevelt Street.

Folks can pick up registration forms at any Bruneau-Grand View School District school office or City Hall. Entry is \$15 for individuals and \$40 for families. Only those who register before race day are guaranteed an event T-shirt. The T-shirts will be available on a first-come basis Saturday.

Call coach Melissa Raymond at (208) 834-2150 for more information or to register.

• After the parade, people can visit city park for the annual marketplace that features area vendors selling arts and crafts and other wares.

There will be inflatables for children, face painting, the National Wild Turkey Federation shooting trailer and



along Mud Flat Road.

In a press release, BLM said the existing parking area at the canyon doesn't provide adequate access for people with disabilities. There is only enough room for two vehicles, and the parking lot poses a safety risk because of limited visibility when exiting or entering Mud Flat Road.

The BLM is considering a range of alternatives for ad-

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• Mail to BLM Bruneau Field Office, 3948 Development Ave, Boise, ID 83705 The BLM advises potential commenters that their entire comment – including personal identifying information such as address, email, and phone number -- may be made publicly available at any time. The BLM cannot guarantee it will be able to honor requests to

be able to honor requests to withhold that information. For more information, contact the BLM Bruneau Field Office at (208) 384-3300. food vendors.

• A horseshoe tournament will be staged at 1 p.m. Entry is \$10, and pre-registration isn't required.

• Teams can play in the softball tournament for \$50 each. Call Trevor Lawson at (208) 921-6096 to sign up. Games start at 1 p.m.

• The annual Grand View Firemen's pit barbecue dinner will be held at 6 p.m., at the Lions Park.

The meal costs \$10 for adults, \$7 for senior 55 and older, and \$5 for children ages 5-12.

Children 4 and younger eat for free as do active duty and

George Bennett (left) and his wife Donna will serve as Gand View Days grand marshals Saturday. They recently received plaques and joined the Owyhee County Roster of Outstanding Citizens. Submitted photo

retired military personnel and first-responders if they present their service or department ID.

• Scavenger hunts for children and adults will start at 8 p.m.

• A street dance with live

music will begin at 8 p.m.,Fireworks will hit the sky

at dusk Saturday.

For more information on Grand View Days, including becoming a marketplace vendor, call Erica Mulberry at (208) 834-2100.

Homedale FFA captures state livestock CDE title

Chapter returns from state competition in Moscow

Submitted by Maddie Miller *chapter reporter*

The Homedale FFA chapter made the scenic drive to Moscow last week to compete in state career development events (CDE).

Success followed them home as the Livestock Evaluation team came back with a firstplace plaque, scholarship money, and a free ride to nationals that takes place in Indianapolis later this fall.

The Livestock team did well individually, too. Bennett Holt placed third, and Willy Haun placed sixth overall. Other members included Spencer and Trenton Fisher.

The livestock Evaluation CDE consists of judging sheep, goats, swine, and cattle both logically and accurately. After judging, the participants are required to give two sets of oral reasons from the classes that were previously viewed.

Homedale's environmental and natural resources (ENR) team placed sixth. The CDE involves participants gaining knowledge in areas such as air, soil, and water. They put this knowledge to the test by interpreting data and using devices to solve real-life scenarios involving environmental threats. The participants are required to have written statements and an oral presentation as well as being able to identify plants.

Brooke Pfost led the Homedale team, finishing sixth. Other team members were Makenna Dewitt and Jenna Rupp.

A food science team was made up of Catherine Decker, D'orr Packer, Keagen Christiansen, and Ashley Stebly.

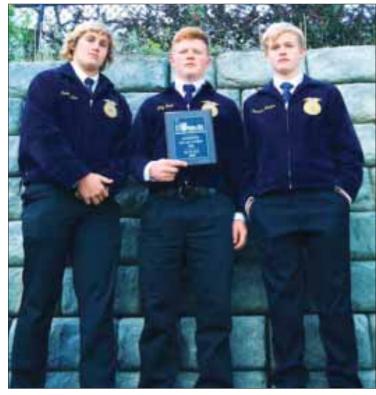
The CDE has both individual and team activities. As a team, they analyze a product development scenario

and describe the demand of a redesign product. In an effort to do this, the team designs a new product. A written test is required as well as the use of the participants' sensory skills to identify aromas.

Homedale also sent an ag mechanics team to the University of Idaho. Participants evaluated and solved a multisystem agricultural problem scenario. The team of Robert Salazar, Kaden Binford, and Tell Morse also completed a written exam on agricultural technology and mechanics.

Belisia Larzelier, Keagen Christiansen, Emma Criffield, and Kenna McKay competed in Dairy Cattle Evaluation. After observing and evaluating the cattle's physical characteristics, the team analyzed records and gave two sets of oral reasons. The also completed a general knowledge exam.

The milk quality team was made up of Bailey Purdom, Gage Purdom, Brayden Christofferson, and Bryce Cornwall. These members demonstrated



Homedale FFA's championship livestock evaluation team is, from left, Spencer Fisher, Willy Haun, and Trenton Fisher. Submitted photo

their knowledge of all milk products by using their sensory skills.

All in all our chapter's members were successful in competing against members from schools of all sizes throughout the state. Without the support of our community and the hard work of our members and Ag teachers, this trip would not have been possible.



South Mountain Livestock 4-H'ers gathered June 10 for a meeting. From left: Mesa Mackenzie, Shailee Rutan, Colby Starbuck, Cassity Gluch, Cooper Mackenzie, Kelsey Gluch, Kendra Williams, and Stetson Mackenzie. Not pictured: Jayden Skinner and Ryann Skinner. Photo by Lacey Mackenzie

South Mountain Livestock 4-H members look to fair

The South Mountain Livestock 4-H club is well on its way to fair.

Club members discussed Swine Field Day and their upcoming community service project during a June 10 meeting.

The youth also gave updates on the their county fair animal projects. There are fewer two months until fair time is here.

Thus far, club members have participated in Beef Field Day and performed county demonstrations.

Youngsters were on hand during the Jordan Valley Big Loop Rodeo, which was held May 17-19, to sell programs and continue their annual fundraiser.

South Mountain Livestock consists of members from Pleasant Valley/Jordan Valley and surrounding communities.

— Cooper and Mesa Mackenzie provided this report.

International firms interested in Owyhee mines

Jarbidge project

company based out of Australia will No minerals have been mined from the in a temporary camp because Newcrest hold a community meeting regarding site in the Humboldt-Toiyabe National doesn't want to impact the local lodging

meeting set; South Mtn. mine could change hands

Mining companies with projects in Owyhee country are making news.

Thunder Mountain Gold, which has been operating the historic South Mountain Mine, has sold interest in the southwest Owyhee County zinc-silver project to a Canadian firm.

Meanwhile, an international mining

its plans for a project just south of Forest in Nevada. Owyhee County in Nevada.

Officials Newcrest Mining Ltd., which has mining explorations stretching from North America to South America, will be on hand to update their Jarbidge project during a public gathering at Three Creek School, 49909 Three Creek Road, in Rogerson.

The meeting will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Saturday.

According to a fact sheet provided by the Australian company, the Jarbidge gold project is in the exploratory stages.

The project includes drilling, road maintenance and drill pad installation, soil sampling, geological sampling, and ground geophysics surveys.

Exploration began last year and is commencing again from June to November.

Newcrest said exploration can last several years with annual decisions on whether to continue the project.

For now, no more than 30 employees are on site, and the company has tried to hire locally. The workers are housed

market for tourists.

According to news releases, Vancouver, British Columbia-based BeMetals Inc., has entered into an option to buy Thunder Mountain Gold Inc.'s interest in the South Mountain mines.

The deal was announced on June 11, and BeMetals president and CEO John Wilton said in a release that the company will start an underground drilling operation as soon as possible.

According to a BeMetals press release, the Canadian company has two years to exercise its option.

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Obituaries

Raymond Leroy Colyer

Raymond Leroy Colyer, 94, of Bruneau passed away peacefully from natural causes on Monday, June 10, 2019 at a Boise care facility.

Ray was born September 15, 1924 to Troy Guy and Lois Emery Colyer in Castleford, Idaho. He was raised with four brothers and two sisters and attended school in Three Creek. After graduating from 8th grade, he went to work full time for his neighbors, the Hawes family. It was during his time in their employment while taking cattle to Bruneau for the winter that he met the love of his life. Bonnie Black.

Ray was drafted into the Army on January 27, 1945 and was sent to Camp Roberts, CA for basic training. While home on furlough, Ray and Bonnie eloped to Elko, NV on June 25, 1945 to be married.

With World War II raging on, Ray was soon sent to Japan. He was scheduled to be one of the first troops to land on the coast of Japan, but while in route, the atomic bomb was dropped so he was part of the occupational forces. He spent his 21st and 22nd birthdays in Japan, a period of 14 months.

After his discharge from the Army, he and Bonnie returned to Three Creek and worked for the Hawes family at House Creek. Their daughter, Catherine Rae, was born in 1947. They survived the winter of 1948-49, one of the coldest on record, feeding cattle with a sleigh and team of horses. In August of 1949, they made a life-changing decision to move to Bruneau to work for Bonnie's family on the ranch. They bought a small house in the town of Bruneau. Their Grand Marshal of the Bruneau



son, James Guy, was born in 1950, and two years later they moved to the ranch where they resided the rest of their lives.

He loved riding horses, herding cattle and staying at their "little red cabin" on Battle Creek. Through years of hard work and dedication, Colyer Cattle Company was created and became the foundation of the ranch that grew and evolved into what it is today. Ray's greatest pleasure was when he was braiding rawhide and he made sets of reins for his kids. grandkids and many others. A set of his reins was given away at the annual Colyer Bull Sale for many years.

Ray was a member of the Bruneau American Legion Post #83 for 76 years and past commander, was a member and served as president of the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association, member of the Owyhee County Fair Board and a proud sponsor of many cattlemen's-sponsored steers at the Owyhee County Fair. He also belonged to the Idaho Cattle Association and Owyhee County Historical Society. He was inducted into the Idaho Cattlemen's Hall of Fame in 1988 and was honored to be the

Rodeo.

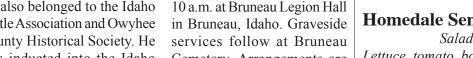
The family would like to thank the staff of The Cottages of Mountain Home, Shaw Mountain of Cascadia and Horizon Hospice Care, especially Cara and Corinne for their loving care.

Ray is survived by his daughter, Catherine (Chet) Sellman, son, Guy (Sherry) Colyer, grandchildren, Carla Sellman-Carley, Crista Sellman-Jones (Destry), Chad Sellman (Kelly), Kyle Colyer (Bobby-Jean) and Katie Colver and eight great-grandchildren, Emma Carley, Grayson Carley, Piper Colver, Cruz Colver, Dashen Jones, Addison Sellman, Lola Jones, Wyatt Sellman. Also, his sister, Cindy Plott of Eugene, OR, sister-inlaws, Leah Colyer of Spring Creek, NV, and Pauline Colver of Grand View and nieces and nephews.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Bonnie Black Colyer, brothers, Troy, Cliff, Walt and Marvin Colyer, sister Lola Blossom and grandson Robert John Sellman.

Memorials in his name may be made to Bruneau Legion Post #83 c/o Bill McBride, P.O. Box 582, Bruneau, Idaho 83604, Bruneau Quick Response Unit, P.O. Box 294, Bruneau, Idaho 83604, Bruneau Boosters, P.O. Box 604, Bruneau, Idaho 83604.

A funeral service is scheduled for Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 10 a.m. at Bruneau Legion Hall Cemetery. Arrangements are under the care of Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel, in Mtn Home.



Senior menus Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar available with each meal: Lettuce, tomato, boiled eggs, peaches, apricots, salad dressing Milk available each day

Roll served every day except June 19 and June 26

June 19: Chicken patty on a bun, potato salad, carrot salad

June 20: Salisbury steak w/onions & mushrooms, mashed potatoes w/gravy, peas & carrots

June 25: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes w/country gravy, brussel sprouts

Ramona E. Lindemann

Ramona E. Lindemann, 86, passed away on June 8, 2019 at Family Life Memory Care in Nampa, ID.

A memorial service to celebrate her life will be held Saturday, June 22, 2019 at 1:00 pm at her home in Caldwell. She was the daughter of the late Marvin and Eleanor Lundberg.

Mona was born on November 12, 1932, at a logging camp near Jump River, West of Ogema, WI. She attended Pinewood and Ogema grade schools and Prentice High School.

On February 24, 1951, Mona married Donald F. Lindemann. They had three children. Donna, Gary and Russell. The family moved from Franklin, WI to the Marsing/Caldwell area in October 1969.

Mona worked at Briggs and Stratton in Milwaukee, WI and JR Simplot Co. in Caldwell, Idaho.

Shortly after moving to Idaho at the age of 38. Mona was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes, a battle she fought for 49 years. It was at that time, she started taking painting lessons. She was an exceptional wildlife and landscape artist in oil, acrylics and watercolor mediums. She donated paintings annually to the Marsing Disaster Auction. She helped raise thousands



of dollars for the auction throughout the years.

She is survived by her husband of 68 years, Donald Lindemann; daughter, Donna (Larry) Conner; sons, Gary (Arminta) Lindemann, Russell (Audrey) Lindemann; 11 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren; sister, Sandra (Gilbert) Schnabl; brother-in-law, James (Carol) Lindemann; and sister-in-law, Rita Lindemann; and nieces and nephews.

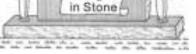
She was preceded in death by her parents, Marvin and Eleanor Lundberg; brother, Robert Lundberg; and a stillborn baby girl.

The family requests that memorial donations be directed to the Marsing Disaster Auction or the American Diabetes Association. Friends can share a memory of Mona at www. flahifffuneralchapel.com



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Rimrock Senior Center

All meals are served with milk & fruit juice June 20: Lemon glazed chicken wings, pasta salad w/veggies, jello w/fruit, cottage cheese, beets, bar cookies, cook's choice soup

June 25: Reuben sandwiches, coleslaw, fresh melon, deviled eggs, dill pickle spear, pudding, whole grain hoagie bun, cook's choice soup

June 27: Beef enchilada casserole, Spanish rice, salsa, bean salad, sour cream, apricots, yogurt, whole grain tortilla chips, cook's choice soup

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A peach of a mistake reaps generosity

One September morning, my jogging partner, Griselda, told me her mother wanted her to ask me if I'd like to come pick peaches. She had a tree with more peaches than she could use. I told Griselda nothing would make me happier, and I made arrangements to go that Friday evening.

When I got to her house, Mrs. Morales didn't look exactly as I remembered, but it had been some time since I'd seen her so I didn't think much of it. When I explained I'd come for peaches, she seemed a bit confused. She doesn't speak English, and I couldn't remember the word for peaches (*duraznos*) so I just pointed to her peach tree and mimicked picking. She nodded and said "*si*" and called her two sons from the house to help me. I was sure the boys had just gotten home from work in the fields or orchards. They were sweaty and dusty and looked really tired.

Mrs. Morales directed them in Spanish to go to the backyard and get the ladder and bring it around front where the peach tree is. One boy climbed the ladder and picked while the other stayed on the ground and steadied the ladder and pointed out peaches for his brother to pick. I didn't have to do a thing but stand and watch.

The boys picked a huge sack of peaches for me. I thanked them profusely and drove home.

The next morning Griselda phoned to say her mother wanted me to know she would be home all day if I wanted to come for peaches because I hadn't made it over the night before.

What? I told Griselda that couldn't be, that indeed I had gone to her mother's house, the yellow one on California Street, and come home with a bushel.

"That's wonderful," Griselda said, "but my mother lives in the yellow house on Arizona Street."

Oh, Lordy. I'd gone to the wrong house. What would you think if a stranger rang your doorbell and asked if he could have your peaches? Immediately I drove back to the peach lady's house to explain my mistake and to apologize. I was afraid when she saw me coming up her walk she'd order her sons to hide and be quick about it because *that woman* was back for more peaches.

But Mrs. Albor (not Mrs. Morales) was very magnanimous.

Healthy eating while having fun

Summer is a great time to get out and about while enjoying nice weather. With increased activity, it is important to increase your liquid intake as

well. While sometimes individuals reach for the cold beverages they should be drinking on a limited basis, there are



much better *Suriñe Greenway* options available. The next time you are reaching for a drink for your parched lips, consider instead reaching for that great big glass of water. Water may not be packed with nutrients, but the role it plays in assisting your body in maintaining its regular processes go without comparison!

Making sure you increase your liquid intake needs will assist in preventing dehydration, but we sometimes forget we also need to give our bodies proper nutrients for

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our increased energy needs. When consuming additional foods, look towards those that will pack the most nutritional punch that will help keep your mind and body going. Great go-to food options are fresh produce, such as fruits or vegetables.

Whether you are cooking a snack or a meal, you should attempt to incorporate vegetables and fruits into the meal as often as possible. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), you should try to make half your plate fruits and vegetables at each meal. This can be done quite easily, it just might take a little bit of meal planning and preparation while making sure to use safe food handling practices in the kitchen or wherever you are preparing this meal, such as outside.

If you are looking for ways to purchase these fresh fruits or vegetables, there are several

local options available, like the Homedale Farmers Market. With a variety of vendors and products, it is worth a family outing that is in a shaded area, to check out what local produce options are available for you and your family! This market, located at Bette Uda City Park in Homedale, is already in session. The market is open from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., every Thursday until the end of September. You can check out the website www.homedalefarmersmarket.com for more information and updates and see how they can help incorporate more nutrients into your daily meals.

— Suriñe Greenway is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences educator. For more information, you can reach Greenway at the U of I Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 or owyhee@uidaho.edu. The office is located at 238 W. 8th Ave. W., in Marsing.

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She told me "no problema" and furthermore invited me to come back later "*cuando las manzanas estan listas*" (when the apples are ripe) and I could have them, too!

—Longtime Homedale resident Janet McCornack serves on the Homedale Public Library board of directors and volunteers as a mentor at the town's elementary school as part of the West Canyon Mentoring program. She worked for years as a receptionist at Owyhee Family Dental Center, and continues to teach English as a Second Language at Boise State University and the College of Western Idaho. She also has hosted about a dozen exchange students. Submit your Owyhee country memories of 500 words or less to The Owyhee Avalanche. Email jon@owyheeavalanche. com or call (208) 337-4681 for more information.

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Homedale Highway District seeks self-sufficiency

When a highway district hasn't received a levy increase since it was formed more than a century ago, its board of governors has to get creative.

Looking at the cost of contracting chip-sealing work each year, the Homedale Highway District commissioners have decided to invest in their own chip spreader.

After seeking bids for two weeks, the district received one quote from Pocatello-based Geff Manufacturing Inc.

The highway board voted unanimously, 3-0, to purchase a chip spread for \$126,250. The cost includes delivery, new director of highways Dan Herman said.

Highway commissioners took action during last Wednesday's monthly meeting.

Herman said the district will save about \$7,000 per mile on chip seal projects with its own spreader.

With its own equipment, the district maintenance crew can carry out chip seal work with help from nearby highway districts — or on its own — rather than contracting with a private company.

Owning a chip spreader will allow the district to carry out projects on its own timetable rather than having to conform to the availability of outside firms, which charge for the labor and traffic control and mobilization.



Marsing High School graduate Dan Herman has settled into his role as Homedale Highway District director of highways.

"The money we save in the crewmember. first year will pay for the machine," Herman said during a recent board meeting.

The district already pays for the oil and rock chips required for the projects.

Herman said the crew will travel to Pocatello in late July to train on the exact machine that the district is buying. Geff Manufacturing will deliver the chip spreader to Homedale in the first week of August.

Herman said he plans to use the machine immediately, tackling an eight-mile seal-coating project on Aug. 17. Barron Poage is the other maintenance

District board chair Larry Prow, the subdistrict 1 commissioner, said the idea is to save money from continuous chip-seal contracts to build a reserve for larger road repair projects. He said the plan would extricate the district from its cycle of "band-aid" road repairs.

Ideally the district would start a rotation of chip-seal and repairs on alternating years.

Subdistrict 2 Commissioner John Demshar concurred, saying that money saved on chipsealing contracts could be used to carry pavement overlays

Board modifies West Market speed limit

The speed limit on a stretch of road near West Market Road and Pioneer Road southwest of Homedale is changing.

The Homedale Highway District board of commissioners decided to put a caution sign recommending 35 mph near the intersection of West Market Road and Pioneer Road west of Walker Lane.

The location has a blind hill, and area resident Paul Shippy visited last Wednesday's board meeting to argue for measures that would improve motorist safety and safety for residents in the neighborhood.

The speed limit on West Market Road and Pioneer Road is 50 mph in that area.

rather than patch projects that don't last as long.

The concept of buying a chip sealer is a money-saving move similar to the Durapatcher that the district purchased a few years ago to carry small-scale repairs of potholes and other



road blemishes.

Herman said a chip spreader would continue the district down a road he supports.

"I would like to see us be way more self-sufficient and get away from the middle man, so to speak," he said.

Herman plans to apply for Local Highway Technical Assistance Council grants to drum up funding for road repairs. He said the district didn't score high enough on the last LHTAC grant that now-retired director of highways Stewart Constantine sought last cycle. The new application window opens this fall.

Herman's probationary period as director of highways ended in February. He was selected to succeed Constantine back in November.

A 2001 Marsing High School graduate who attended Treasure Valley Community College, Herman has worked for the Homedale Highway District since 2012.

The 36-year-old father of two said one of the hardest things to get used to was the paperwork involved with contracts and the like.

But having Constantine around prior to getting into the saddle was helpful, the former rodeo cowboy said.

"Stew made that transition way easier than it would have been if he had not helped," Herman said. — JPB

Youths have a stellar time at the library

Trinity Johnson-Poage (left), helps younger sister Camryn Poage, 5, build a Solar System model at the Homedale City Library. *Camryn is the daughter* of Bailey and Baron Poage, of Homedale.





The Rock of Homedale inches closer to realization

Above: About 25 people, including Homedale Elementary teacher Jan Silva (left), gathered for The Rock Homedale's groundbreaking of ceremony on Thursday evening. Below: The ceremony began with organizer Kathy Deal offering information about fundraising and a history of the drive to get the youth center built, and ended with multiple people leading in prayer.



Summer reading continues in phases

Homedale City Library will continue with its "Universe of Stories" theme for summer reading at 1 p.m., on Thursday at 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Youth services coordinator Carol McMichael will read "Stanley the Sock Monster Goes to the Moon," by Jedda Robaard, and "Gravity," by Jason Chin.

Amy Truska from the Whittenberger Planetarium at The College of Idaho in Caldwell will be at the library to talk to children about the moon.

The children will make squeeze bottle rockets, a STEM activity with film canisters and effervescent tablets. and moon phases activity.

At 10:15 a.m., on Friday at Story Time, McMichael will read "Eloise's Summer Vacation," by Lisa McClatchy and "Simply Delicious," by Margaret Mahy.

The children will also learn how to make ice cream in a bag.

Call (208) 337-4228 for more information on programs.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2019

City to pay for sewer to Homedale property mayor is selling

Sale can't go through without work; engineer says city is obligated

More residential sewer main on North 4th Street development could be coming to Homedale once the city installs a sewer line on East Owyhee Avenue.

Town resident Chad Packer is in the process of buying lots in the 300 block of East Owyhee from Mayor Gheen Christoffersen. In order for the sale to close, however, sewer service must be routed to the property near John Jackson Field.

The city council voted, 3-0, to seek a contractor to build a sewer line, running it 360 feet to the east to tie into a

East. Councilman Steve Atkins missed the meeting because of a work obligation.

Christoffersen disclosed that he owned the property in question and offered a recusal only after the council had discussed the sewer work and voted to move forward with the project. No cost was discussed, and the project hasn't been bid yet.

"I have to recuse myself on anything to do with this because I own the lots," Christoffersen said 10 minutes into the conversation. "He's (Packer) just wanting to purchase (the lots) to build some homes in town.

"He approached me on the lots. I was going to do something with them. He approached me wanting to buy them. I said, 'If we can work out a deal. I'll sell them.' And he said. 'Sure.'"

The mayor's participation in the deliberation was minimal. He introduced the agenda item and called for a motion to approve the project. He also provided information on the nature of the lots (they county views them as separate parcels) and asked if another lot across the street where The Rock of Homedale is planned had sewer service.

Kimmel and public works supervisor Bret Smith said that the city was obligated to build the sewer line because the property is an existing lot that has never been developed.

The developer would be responsible for building a connection from the new line in the city right-of-way to the proposed hookup.

Kimmel said the city has to submit design plans to the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality for approval before the project could start. He said he could get plans to DEQ by Tuesday.

The city doesn't have to put the project out to bid because the work is expected to cost

City engineer Andrew less than \$50,000, Kimmel said.

> Kimmel said the project should take four days, including manhole installation, excavation and pipe.

> Councilman Mike Aebischer questioned whether the city crew could pull off the project, and Kimmel said the depth of excavation presented enough challenge that a specialized company should be hired.

> "I'm just trying to save the taxpayers money," Aebischer said.

> Packer plans to build two homes on the property, Christoffesen said. A lot split application is pending.

> > — JPB

Homeowner complaint could lead to Homedale council changing fence ordinance

Mayor ready to deal with island owner on access

The City of Homedale's fence ordinance could be changing after a resident brought a complaint to the city council.

Danny Simmons, who owns property in the 500 block of West Nevada Avenue, came to last Wednesday's council meeting after he received a violation notice from the town's code enforcement officer stating that the height of his front-yard fence violated city code 15.24 that states a fence in the line of sight of city right-of-way can be no taller than three feet.

Simmons built his fence to four feet and argued that other fences around town were out of compliance and hadn't been tagged. Simmons' fence project has been ongoing for years, and he received a citation after resuming work earlier this year. Although he said he had a fence permit dating to the time Larry Bauer served as public works supervisor, city clerk and treasurer Alice Pegram said her research turned up no record that a \$25 fence permit was ever

When a homeowner builds a new fence or performs upgrade work on an old fence, the city requires a maximum 36-inch height of any structure stretching from the face of the house to the right-of-way.

Councilman Aaron Tines suggested that the ordinance should be changed to allow a maximum 48-inch height (four feet) and that the measurement should be carried out from the city right-of-way back to the house to ensure uniformity.

The ordinance is in place for neighborhood safety. Solid fences stretching from the face of a house to the street must be no more than 36 inches high so that a person backing a vehicle out of their property will have clear vision of any possible pedestrians or bicyclists coming down the street.

"I'd hate to change an ordinance and make it unsafe," Mayor Gheen Christoffersen said. "I think safety trumps a lot of other things."

The issue was tabled, a presumably Simmons' notice letter stayed, until Eidemiller has a chance to examine the property.

City proposes island agreement

In a 3-0 vote, the council authorized Christoffersen to discuss what Fitzer characterized as a "license agreement" that would allow the owner of Helton's Island access across the Snake River from the foot of North 1st Street West. Christoffersen said the proposed agreement he will present to Archie Escujuri would allow the man to move equipment from the street across the river and onto his island. No overnight parking would be allowed.



City maintenance worker Oswaldo Gonzalez did his best surfer impersonation recently while trying to clean out a clogged irrigation pipe on North 3rd Street West.

Homedale city crew trying to keep up with infrastructure repairs

Numerous water, irrigation issues encountered lately

City of Homedale public works crews have been busy with infrastructure repairs in recent weeks.

The first report of any problems came on May 31, and Smith said service was restored by June 5.

The incident spotlighted the city's aging infrastructure and the citizens' responsibility to report problems as they happen.

Smith urged folks to call City Hall if they notice they have no irrigation

purchased.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said Simmons had given a notice ordering him to mitigate the violation within 10 days. City attorney Paul J. Fitzer said he had discretion whether to enforce the code violation while the city and Simmons try to compromise.

Although any new ordinance would require a public hearing process, and council members wouldn't have been able to do anything about the problem last week, the topic dragged on for 40 minutes as elected officials, Eidemiller, Fitzer and Simmons huddled to figure out the best route forward.

"I'm willing to work with everybody here," Simmons said. "It's just a matter of I see something that not's very userfriendly as a homeowner."

The city plans to put a gate across the end of the street, and Escujuri would receive a key.

The proposed agreement grows out of Escuiuri's visit to a council meeting earlier this year to object to the prohibition of overnight parking in that area near the proposed Peterson property city open space. – JPB

Public works supervisor Bret Smith told the city council last Wednesday about various emergency projects that have been carried out.

He also reminded residents to contact City Hall at (208) 337-4641 at the first sign of problems with irrigation service.

Smith and public works maintenance worker Oswaldo Gonzalez spent part of the day on June 4 repairing a broken irrigation pipe near the northeast corner of North 3rd Street West and West Washington Avenue.

Smith estimated that between 30 and 40 residents were without irrigation water since at least May 31 because tree roots and mud had clogged the 8-inch concrete line.

water for a couple days.

There have been other instances of infrastructure failure recently:

• A portion of the first block of West Idaho Avenue was closed to parking for a few days earlier this month when a water line broke in front of the old Farmer's Inn, which is now a private motorcycle clubhouse.

Smith told the council that there have been four broken lines in four weeks, and he said that the public works crew will begin a program of "exercising" valves during water meter reading to prevent further breaks.

He explained that simply opening and closing valves at the connection site would keep the system in shape and cut back on the line breaks.

JPB

Today

Free children's breakfast

7:30 a.m., to 9 a.m., Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale.

Free children's lunch

11 a.m., to noon, ages 1-18, Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale.

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

Thursday

Free children's breakfast

7:30 a.m., to 9 a.m., ages 1-18, Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale.

Fit and Fall exercise

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

Free children's lunch

11 a.m., to noon, ages 1-18, Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale.

Owvhee Conservation District board

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

Story Time

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

Pinochle games

After lunch, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922

Farmers Market

3 p.m., to 7 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, 204 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 840-0440

Cultivate children's program

5:30 p.m., to 6:30 p.m., Bette Uda City Park picnic area, 204 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 840-0440

Friday

Hope House barn sale

8 a.m., to 5 p.m., 7696 Old Bruneau Hwy, Marsing. www.ahome2come2.com

Story Time

10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W.

Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228, afternoons Monday through Saturday

Calendar

Saturday

Hope House barn sale

8 a.m., to 5 p.m., 7696 Old Bruneau Hwy, Marsing. www.ahome2come2.com

Grand View Days 5K

8:30 a.m., starts at the American Legion Post 134 Hall, Roosevelt Street, Grand View. (208) 834-2150 Fundraiser yard sale

9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922

Catholic Mass

10 a.m., Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church and Oreana Community Hall, Oreana. (208) 466-7031

Ice cream social

11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922

Mining project community meeting

11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Three Creek School, 49909 Three Creek Road, Rogerson. (720) 907-8118 or quinn. smith@newcrest.com.au

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

Grand View Fire pit barbecue 6 p.m., City Park, Grand View

Sunday

Txoko Ona picnic

Noon to 1:30 p.m., lunch \$10 adults, \$5 children younger than 12, 1:30 p.m., entertainment begins, Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., Homedale

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting

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

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

Make-it class

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

Thursday, June 27

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Cultivate children's program

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Mennonite Youth Choir

7 p.m., refreshments served, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View.

Friday, June 28

HHS volleyball yard sale

7 a.m. to 3 p.m., donations welcome, Homedale High School old gym, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 284-1253 or afouts@homedaleschools.org Idaho Foodbank drop-off

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

Story Time

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

Saturday, June 29 HHS volleyball yard sale

7 a.m., to 3 p.m., donations welcome, Homedale High School old gym, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

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Dean's List

U of I spring semester

became part of the University of Idaho's 2019 spring dean's list.

Students qualified for the list by maintaining at least a 3.5 grade-point average while carrying a minimum of 12 graded credits during the semester, which ended May 10.

Local students included Homedale and Marsing high school graduates as well as others from nearby communities.

Homedale

Adrianna C. Salutregui, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Animal & Veterinary Science major

Andrew Martinez, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Family and Consumer Sciences major

Jacky King, College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Psychology/Communication Studies major

Jennifer Bautista Ramirez, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, U of I/Washington State University Bistate School of Food Sciences

Kendall N. Nash, College of Business & Economics, **Business** major

Michael J. Lejardi, College of Engineering, Electrical & Computer Engineering major

Nallely Gonzalez, College of Business & Economics, **Business** major

Nash J. Johnson, College of Education, Health &

Several local students Human Sciences, Education Curriculum & Instruction major

Orion S. Cardenas-Ritzert, College of Natural Resources, Natural Resources major

Orrin C. Gardner, College of Letters Arts & Social Sciences, Sociology & Anthropology major

Marsing

Josie R. Grim, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Family and Consumer Sciences major

Ana P. Marcial, College of Art & Architecture, Art and Architecture major

Murphy

Jessica A. Riley, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Animal & Veterinary Science major

Wilder

Ashley B. Burks, College of Science, undeclared major

Ashly A. Anderson, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Animal & Veterinary Science major

Daria T. Paxton, College of Natural Resources, Forest, Rangeland & Fire Science major

Lawsen J. Matteson, College of Business & Economics, Accounting and Business double major

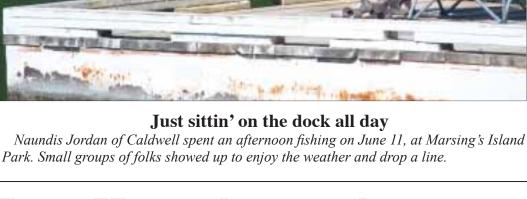
Riley Haun, College of Letters Arts & Social Sciences, Journalism & Mass Media major

Courthouse report

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

June 10

Israel Barajas, Homedale — Misdemeanor inattentive or careless driving: \$142.50 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs



Hope House barn sale returns

Hope House is planning another barn sale fundraiser on Friday and Saturday.

Buildings on the Hope House campus, 7696 Old Bruneau Hwy., in Marsing, will be packed with items that have been donated by community members, and 100 percent of the sale proceeds will help operate the children's home.

The sale will take place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, and from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., on Saturday. Shoppers must bring their own bags and be prepared to pay with cash only.

Many items will marked down 50 percent after 11 a.m., on Saturday.

Some of the items for sale pillows, and towels

include:

• Clothes, shoes and boots for all ages in a variety of sizes

• A well-used aluminum radios boat

• Musical instruments

• Power tools and hand tools

• Stemware, cookware, wine accessories, kitchen items and large and small appliances

• Crystal, vintage glassware, pottery, porcelain

• Collectors' plates and other collectibles and antiques

• Jewelry

• Beds and mattresses, both new and like-new

• Exercise equipment

• Lamps, linens, throw

· Books, framed prints and pictures, and wall art

Seasonal décor

• Flat-screen TVs, and

• Flat-screen computer monitors and printers

• Garden items

• Baby clothes and furnishings

• Chairs and stools

• Home furnishings, including a dining room set, entertainment centers, sofas, loveseats, dressers and rockers, an armoire and hide-a-beds

• Stuffed animals, toys, puzzles, games, and antique dolls

For more information about Hope House, visit www. ahome2come2.com.

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Marvin Tincher, Caldwell — Misdemeanor disturbing the peace (amended from felony aggravated assault after plea agreement): 30 days in jail (2 days served, 28 days suspended), 1 year unsupervised probation

Meredith A. Watson, Walla Walla, Wash. — Misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession: 6 months unsupervised probation, \$300 in fines, \$200.50 in court costs. Dismissed by prosecuting attorney: Misdemeanor marijuana possession. Withheld judgment: Defendant can petition to have record expunged after successful completion of sentence.

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Avalanche Sports

Grand View bull rider overcomes injuries to earn college scholarship

Rimrock graduate set to rodeo for Texas college

by Mandi Boren For The Owyhee Avalanche

Recent Rimrock High School

graduate and high school bull riding champion Anthony Herrera will head to Big Spring, Texas in a couple months on



a full-ride Anthony Herrera scholarship to Howard College.

Herrera said he heard about Howard College from two friends he competed with who attend the school. They encouraged him to contact the coach to discuss scholarship options.

Big Spring is in the southern portion of the Texas Panhandle, lying south of Lubbock and northwest of San Antonio.

According to the offer letter, Herrera's scholarship covers tuition, books, boarding, meals and all rodeo fees.

Anthony said living in Texas will be "A different environment with some adapting, but I think it will turn out well."

Herrera, an 18-year-old cowboy from Grand View, is no stranger to the rodeo arena. He began riding bulls when he was just 12.

"I always loved the sport, and as a kid I wanted to try it out," Herrera said.

With his father, uncle and



Anthony Herrera competes in bull riding at last month's Jordan Valley Big Loop Rodeo. His brother Jayden, an aspiring rodeo cowboy himself, is wearing a striped shirt and sitting on the gate behind Chute 3. Photo by Shayanne Stillwell Photography

and Northwest Miniature Bull Riding champion.

Herrera went on to compete with the Idaho High School Rodeo Association throughout his high school career. He capped his junior year with the coveted bull riding state championship, but nagging injuries kept him from qualifying for the state competition in Pocatello this year.

Herrera considers himself lucky even though he has seen his share of injuries in a physically demanding and dangerous sport.

He said his worst injury was in February when he dislocated his shoulder at the Ogden Intermountain Ice Breaker High School Rodeo. The shoulder

times doctor's orders, Herrera's grit keeps him riding. With a short three-month rest and a lingering shoulder injury, he hit the arena again at the Jordan Valley Big Loop Rodeo last month.

Herrera just finished two months of physical therapy on his shoulder and said he is going to rodeo "just a little and not as hard this summer."

"Always follow your dreams, let nothing stand in the way, and show people what you are truly made of." Herrera said.

Herrera will have his next eight-second shot at fame during the Mackay rodeo Saturday and Sunday in Custer County.

- Mandi Boren, an Oreana injury came five months after resident, covers the Grand on an RBI from Willy Haun. grandfather as his coaches, View-Bruneau-Oreana area for Herrera saw quick success. he sustained a severe concus-D'Orr Packer scored to give At 14 he won his first titles The Owyhee Avalanche. Send Owyhee an 1-0 lead. sion from a ride at the Bruneau Tyler Woodward went 3-for as Chief Joseph Days PRCA Round-Up. news tips to her at mandia miniature bull riding champion Despite injuries and some- owyheeavalanche.com with a double to do most of the



The Owyhee Rivercats' John Lejardi tries to pitch his way out of a jam in Friday's Junior American Legion tournament game against Fruitland.

Jr. Rivercats reach own tourney final

Ada team scores late to take crown

The Mountain View Toros scored three times in their final two at-bats to spoil the Owyhee Rivercats' shot at the championship in their own tournament.

The Junior American Legion baseball squad went 2-1 in pool play to reach Sunday's title game at John Jackson Field, but lost 3-1 to the Ada County squad.

The Rivercats (7-3-1) broke through in the fourth inning

damage for the Rivercats.

Packer and Andrew Marston also had singles in Owyhee's five-hit attack.

The Toros took the lead with a two-run uprising against Tommy Muir in the bottom of the fifth.

Muir struck out eight batters in 5 1/3 innings.

Saturday: Rivercats 6, Payette 4 (5) — Relief pitcher Xavier Delgadillo dodged a bullet during the Packers' final at-bat as Owyhee held on finish 2-1 in pool play and reach the championship game.

Payette started its comeback with three runs in the bottom of the second inning after the Rivercats had built a 5-0

— See *Rivercats*, page 18

Homedale volleyball sets yard sale, youth camps

The Homedale High School volleyball program has a busy summer planned.

The team is asking the community to donate items to be sold at a fundraising yard sale planned for Friday and Saturday, June 28-29.

The sale will be held from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the high school's auxiliary gym.

Folks can drop-off donated items at the gym on:

- Monday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Tuesday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

For more information or to set up a different drop-off time, contact assistant coach Brady Swallow at (208) 420-9880

Yard sale proceeds will help the team pay for its Utah State University camp trip.

• Two camps are planned for Homedale between Tuesday, July 9 and Thursday, July 11.

The high school camp costs \$75 and will be held from 8:30 a.m. to noon each day.

A middle school camp for sixththrough eighth-graders will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., each day. The cost is \$65.

The camp is open to athletes from around the area, not just Homedale players, Fouts said.

Contact head coach Amber Fouts at afouts@homedaleschools.org or (208) 284-1253 to get registration forms or more information.

• Another program fundraiser is the annual Coed Grass Volleyball

Tournament.

The tournament will take place from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, July 10-11. The entry fee is \$100 per team, and registration is open until July 5.

The tournament will be held at Deward Bell Stadium.

The double-elimination tournament will feature four-person coed teams. Players must be at 16 years old.

There are prizes for the top three teams.

Homedale schools get new budget

Trustees make concessions for increases in COSSA, insurance

The Homedale School COSSA budget will rise District board of trustees passed an \$11.65 million budget last week that has increases in specific areas to address the rising cost of education.

More than \$7 million of the budget is devoted to personnel costs such as salary and benefits.

Superintendent Rob Sauer said that the district had to dip into its general fund to supplement the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency levy that patrons already pay.

Sauer said the needs for special education, which is coordinated by COSSA but funded by consortium school districts, now out-strip the portion of levy money dedicated to that aspect.

"The five-year average (of special education students) has increased," Sauer said. "Ours definitely has increased over the last five years.

"In all honesty, special education is very expensive, so I believe all COSSA districts are seeing increases."

Homedale has expanded its special day school at the elementary, and that has led ---in part — to the need to build four additional classrooms at the 420 W. Washington Ave., campus.

Sauer said the increased special education demands means the district's overall

about \$88,000 for the 2019-20 school year. That increase encompasses all aspects of the COSSA program, including special education and career technical education.

Sauer said the increased budgetary demands prevented trustees from restoring any of the remaining staff furlough days missing from the school calendar for the past decade.

Trustees also had to budget for a 6.5 percent increase in employee health insurance. Sauer said the district will pay for the entire increase, saving employees any more out-ofpocket expenses.

Because the district had to pick up the tab for higher insurance rates, no action was possible on restoring furlough days, Sauer said. The compromise means that staffers will have to wait to see any more of the forced days off put back into the calendar. They were initially removed as part of a larger furlough program in 2009 after the economic downturn.

"We have to balance furlough days with the increase in COSSA expenses and insurance," Sauer said.

One constant in the district budget year after year has been the revenue from unused property near the middle school. The current windfall is on the 75 acres of farm ground

is \$16.875.

Trustees renewed the farm lease with Takasugi Seeds Farms for the 75 acres at an annual rate of \$225 per acre. The money is placed in the general fund.

Last week's vote extends the lease another year beginning in the fourth week of July.

July meeting rescheduled

Trustees have rescheduled the July board meeting to 7 p.m., on Tuesday, July 16.

Sauer said the meeting was moved back to provide more preparation time in light of the district office closure for the Fourth of July holiday.

Board declares surplus

Trustees declared several educational items and classroom fixtures as surplus property and placed a value on each in preparation of disposing of the property by sale:

• Imagine It curriculum, \$350

• Language curriculum (reading replacement/ intervention materials for grades 4-12), \$50

• 10, 6-foot particle board tables, \$5 each

• Two, 8-foot particle board and laminate tables, \$8 each

• 15 double student desks from fourth-grade classrooms. The table-style desks were valued at \$5 each.

• 85 Idaho History books and teachers' manuals, \$100

— JPB

Longtime HES teacher, tennis coach retire

Middle school counselor hired

Homedale trustees have filled vacancies including middle school counselor and two positions at the elementary school.

One of the vacancies was somewhat unexpected as longtime elementary school teacher Tammy Glaser announced she would retire from her first-grade classroom.

The 2016 Homedale School District teacher of the year, Glaser is leaving after 17 years to take care of family.

"That's a big loss for us," district superintendent Rob Sauer said. "Tammy is just an outstanding educator and a great staff member.

"We understand and appreciate all that she's done for us. We're most definitely said to see her go."

Sauer said Glaser's departure leave the district with one teaching position to fill before school resumes in August.

"Our goal is by the end of May to have everything filled, so we're not far off that and this retirement was not totally unexpected," Sauer said. "We're going to make the best of that.

"We do feel good about getting these filled so much earlier than it used be."

Sauer said the economic recovery played a role in the school board finding candidates sooner than at times in the past decade.

But there's a bigger reason that the school district is getting more candidates.

"As I hear from other people around the state, be it parents or educators, that people are saying good things about Homedale. We are becoming more of a destination point that be attributed to leadership in the buildings. I think we have leaders in the buildings that people want to work for and be a part of what they do, and I think that's helped."

Other resignations accepted at the June 10 meeting included:

• Scott Michaelson, who retired as high school tennis coach

• Marcy Hibbs, part-time kindergarten teacher. She was hired just a month earlier.

• Chris Vines, high school migrant case manager. He had resigned earlier this year as the boys' basketball coach.

• Alicia Serrano, full-time middle school food service

• Patricia Capparelli, parttime high school food service Personnel additions include:

• Tracie Saunders is the new middle school counselor, replacing Brianne Topmiller, who decided to go into private practice as a psychologist.

• Longtime Homedale resident and private music instructor Janine Schroeder has been hired as a parttime music teacher. She will handle the elementary school programs after the departure of Robbianne Busse.

Schroeder has a master's degree in music education and has previously taught music in the Eugene (Ore.) and Caldwell school districts. She also has led string orchestras, Sauer said.

• Lacey Jakovac, a town resident with an educator certification, was hired to fill the part-time kindergarten teacher spot vacated by Hibbs.

"We're pretty excited about it, and I think we're going to get great local individuals to be a part of the school district," Sauer said of the homegrown talent. "We're very excited about that, and both come very highly recommended. · Mindi Gebauer was hired as a full-time food service worker at the middle school. – JPB

Ministry to raise funds for young cancer patient, plan Bible school

A youth ranch ministry in Marsing will play host to a pair of events in the coming weeks.

Rising Light Farm Ministry, working with Vision Community Church, is holding a barbecue fundraiser next week to assist the family of 16-yearold Jorge Antonio Ibanez Ruiz with medical expenses.



volunteers to help with grill-

ing, set-up, and break-down. For more information or to

volunteer, call Iliana Bialy at (201) 682-1815.

Rising Light will host Farm Fresh Faith vacation Bible school from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each day between Monday and June 24. According to the event's Facebook page, "Kids will see how Joseph's story puts God's faithfulness on display and how God (is) just as faithful today as he was in Bible times." Children from preschool to eighth grade are welcome. Call Bialy for more infor-

Jorge is battling osteosarcoma, the most common type of bone cancer. He was diagnosed with cancer on June 28, 2017.

Rising Light's "Hope for Jorge" fun day barbecue will take place from 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., on Saturday, June 19, at 5189 Old Bruneau Jorge Antonio Ibanez Ruiz

Hwy., in Marsing.

The charge for the barbecue is \$5 for children 3-12 years old, 13 and older is \$10, while children younger than 3 eat for free.

The ministry is looking for mation. maybe Homedale used to be a number of years ago, and we believe we are becoming that again," Sauer said. "And I think part of that can



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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense The Cow Committee

Once upon a time at the start of all creation

Angels sat upon a cloud. An odd conglomeration Of buckaroos from near and far but not there from the city.

Their job; to build a brand new beast. They were the Cow Committee.

"Now me, I'd like some floppy ears," suggested Texas Jake.

"Floppy ears would freeze plum off on the Powder or the Snake!"

"Up north we need some curly hair," Said Colorado Bill,

"Hide that's tight and hair that's thick to ward against the chill."

"Hold yer horses, one and all," Said Omaha Eugene,

"Nebraska needs a fleshy cow; a real corn machine!" "She'd waste away!" cried Tucson Bob, "What we need's a hump.

"One who'll live on tumbleweeds and run from clump to clump."

"How 'bout horns?" said Oakdale Pete. "Don't need 'em in Des Moines."

"We'll make some with and some without and some with tenderloins."

"Some with sheaths that drag the grass and some so dadgum tall

"To hear her calf down on the ground she'd have to place a call!"

"I'd like'm roan," said Shorthorn Mike. "No, black," said Angus Tink.

"White or red," said Hereford Hank, "I'd even take'm pink!"

"Whatever suits you tickles me," said Juan from Mexico.

"I second that," said Crossbred Jack, "Just make'm so they grow."

They made some white. They made some blue. They

Letter to the editor County prosecuting attorney knew what job entailed

RE: Douglas D. Emery's resignation as Owyhee crimes that he has let plead to a misdemeanor. County prosecuting attorney:

He ran for the office. He knew what the job pays. I think he should be required to complete his term

Now I think he is lazy. Look at all the felony

Albertsons gay pride support not aligned with local values

bad guys.

Marsing

P.T. Rathbone

I was disappointed to see that Albertsons is helping to sponsor the Boise Pride Festival. I do not appreciate having part of my grocery-shopping dollars diverted to support this controversial event. I imagine that in a conservative community like Homedale, I am not alone. Albertsons general management needs to recognize that not all of their customers come from Boise's liberal North End.

I appreciate corporate sponsorship of worthwhile efforts to help needy people, but do not support

Albertsons efforts to promote the LGBTQ lifestyle. I think the corporation would be wise to limit their support to generic community causes and stay away from controversial causes like gay pride.

We need a young, smart, ambitious prosecutor

who will put the bit in his mouth and go after the

I, for one, will be voting with my pocketbook and shopping elsewhere. The stores that get my business provide just goods and services, not a political agenda.

Mark Browning Homedale

From Washington Endowment would give permanent support to forested counties

"<u>Ninety-seven percent</u> of land in Custer County is state and federally owned and exempt from taxation. Counties and schools like ours can't operate without federal forest payments."

Wayne Butts

Custer County Commissioner and Idaho Association of Counties Public Lands Committee chair

This is the crux of why addressing the expiration of the Secure Rural Schools (SRS) program is important. The SRS program has become vital in budgeting for essential services in Idaho's forested counties with large tracts of tax-exempt federal lands. It is time to meet the federal obligation to these counties and create a permanent, lasting program for Idaho counties and schools surrounded by tax-exempt federal lands. A long-term endowment assisted by forest products receipts would ensure certainty for parents, students and those traveling Idaho's roads and bridges.

Fellow U.S. Sens. Ron Wyden (D-Ore.), James E. Risch (R-Idaho), Jeff Merkley (D-Ore.) and I recently reintroduced the bipartisan S. 1643, the Forest Management for Rural Stability Act, that would establish a growing endowment to provide funding needed for schools, road maintenance, law enforcement and other essential services. The legislation would end the need for short-term or retroactive reauthorizations of the Secure Rural Schools program, which expired at the end of Fiscal Year 2018. Congress would provide seed funding for the endowment, and the legislation would enable commercial receipts generated on Forest Service and National Wildlife Refuge Revenue Sharing lands to be deposited annually into the fund. Interest from the endowment's investments will finance county payments using the SRS formula. Property taxes fund county governments, allowing them to provide public safety services and infrastructure maintenance for local communities. However, lands managed by the federal government cannot be taxed by local or state governments. The federal government is responsible for the impact

U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo

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of federal land ownership on local communities, and laws have been enacted to help offset losses to local governments from the presence of nontaxable lands. Critical services in federal forested counties have historically been funded in part with a 25 percent share of timber receipts from federal U.S. Forest Service Land. As those revenues fell because of reduced timber harvest, the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act was enacted in 2000 to provide SRS payments to help bridge the gap to keep rural schools open, provide road maintenance, support search and rescue efforts and other essential county services. In the nearly 20 years since the establishment of the Secure Rural Schools program, Congress has reauthorized the program multiple times and made adjustments to it. But, too often the program has lapsed and left counties in limbo as fellow senators and I have pressed our congressional colleagues to fund the program in a fiscally responsible manner to meet the federal government's responsibility to the rural communities housing our federal lands. Lapses and short-term reauthorizations have

made some orange and spotted.

They never made a green one, but they made'm tall and squatted.

In every shape and every size, but no one had decided How to make the perfect cow; on that they were undivided.

This went on for days and days, in fact, it never ended. Each time they reached some middle ground the project was amended.

They still meet from time to time and argue with their leaders.

The Cow Committee carries on ... they're now the purebred breeders.

- Visit Baxter's Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black books, CDs and DVDs. His newest book is "A Commotion in Rhyme." When you order the new book, be sure to tell them you learned about it in The Owyhee Avalanche.

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Commentary

Financial management It's called an emergency fund for a reason

Dear Dave,

I was recently offered an opportunity to participate in a hands-on stock trading class. The problem is we don't have the \$6,500 registration fee just lying around. My husband and I are on Baby Step 4 of your plan, so what would you think about us borrowing that amount from our emergency fund? We would still have three months of expenses set aside after paying for the class.

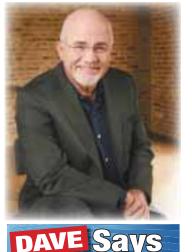
— Camille

Dear Camille,

I don't know the exact course you're talking about, but I do know something about the concept of buying and selling stocks, or day trading, if you want to call it that. I can tell you all the research shows 78 to 84 percent of day traders *lose* money. And 100 percent think *they* won't be the ones losing out. That includes people who take courses like the one you mentioned.

I have found no data points that show, on a consistent level across a broad population, that people who take a course like that become wealthy as a result. Buying and selling single stocks is an ultra-highrisk proposition. That's why I don't buy any single stocks. Now, I know some people who buy and sell single stocks as a very small percentage of their financial world. It's almost like a hobby for them. A couple might actually make a little money from time to time, but it's not the main focus of their investment strategy. To hear them, it's like listening to fishing stories. They're always talking about the one that got away.

I wouldn't waste my money on the course, Camille especially my emergency



fund money. Your emergency fund is for, say it with me, *emergencies only*!

— Dave

Dear Dave,

I've got a couple of friends who were advised by their financial planners not to open college savings accounts for their kids. Their planners told them this would count against their children's ability to receive financial aid and assistance when it's time for college.

Apparently, these planners told them to put the money into their own retirement accounts. It's my understanding, however, that both the child's and the parent's financial situations are looked into when determining financial aid.

Can you please shed some light on this?

— Jeanette

Dear Jeanette,

So, if a financial planner told you not to get a job because then you can apply for welfare, are you going to listen to that person? What kind of moron gives financial advice like this? You don't tell people not to save money for something, just so they can pretend they're poor! Save whatever money you can, and send your kid to school. Why is that such a difficult concept to grasp? People need to stop looking for tricks and shortcuts, because there aren't any that will be beneficial in the long run. I'm not going to pose as broke — fraudulently — to get financial aid for my kid. That's ridiculous!

I hope I wasn't unclear.

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 16 million listeners each week on 600 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.

\checkmark **Counties:** Property tax loss makes SRS crucial

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created massive uncertainty for counties as they budget for basic county services.

To address the problem, I worked with Sens. Wyden, Risch and Merkley to first introduce the bipartisan Forest Management for Rural Stability Act last year to make the SRS program permanent by creating the endowment fund to provide stable, increasing and reliable funding for county services. We have since gathered the input of stakeholders, our Senate colleagues and others to refine the proposal. This effort has culminated in the reintroduction of this legislation. The Secure Rural Schools program is important to many states with forested counties with large tracts of tax-exempt federal lands, and this legislation should receive strong, bipartisan support. I look forward to its enactment that will help meet the federal government's responsibility to rural counties housing federal lands.

— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U. S. Senate. He is in his fourth six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.

Letters to the editor

All letters to the editor submitted to The Owyhee Avalanche must be no longer than 300 words, signed and include the writer's address and daytime phone number.

The deadline for submitting letters is noon on Friday. Letters can be submitted in these ways:

- E-mailed to jon@owyheeavalanche.com
- Faxed to (208) 337-4867

• Mailed to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628

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

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

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425 Boise Ave. (208) 834-2700 Open noon to 4:30 p.m., Mon.-Thurs. **Mayor** — Sandy Skinner **City council** — Danny Martinez, Donald W. "Bill" Mead, John Morrison, and Jon Pennington

Congress Sen. Jim Risch (R-Idaho) Local office 350 N. 9th St., Ste. 302, Boise, ID 83702

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

June 22, 1994

Chamber golf scramble attracts 64

Pavette's Scotch Pines Golf Course was the site of the annual Homedale Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament on June 14.

Blazing the greens for a score of 66 and first place was the team of Hal Tolmie, Monte Fields, Kris Hopkins and Steve Zatica. Second place went to the foursome of Tom Pegram, Jason Haylett, Bill Jeppe and Kevin Barlow with a score of 67. Rounding out the field in third place was Darren Krzesnik, Richard Zamora, Tyler Haylett and Larry Corta, who played the 18 holes in 68.

Building boom completes Big Sky Estates

A flurry of construction activity in Homedale is quickly using up the few remaining building lots within the city limits.

And setting record construction numbers in the process.

Five building permits issued by Homedale City Hall in June alone were worth about \$255,000 in new construction. Four of those permits were for single-family homes in the Big Sky Subdivision on the north end of town.

Add to that five more houses Big Sky Estates developer Cherry Lane Construction plans to start shortly, and the total value of construction in Homedale could top \$500,000 for the months of June and July.

The median construction value placed on the new homes at Big Sky Estates, which average about 1,100 square feet in size, is around \$47,000

Homedale interested in fairground land for park

Homedale officials have asked the county to sell, lease or give the city 4.6 acres of land behind the Owyhee County Fairgrounds for use as a park.

And in a move away from earlier discussions, the city has dropped plans, at least temporarily, to finance the proposed sports facility through a taxing district.

"I would say it looks real favorable," Homedale City Council member Tammy Payne said, following a meeting with County Commissioners Monday of last week.

If a deal is worked out between the city and county, four baseball diamonds, a soccer field and perimeter greenbelt or footpath would be located at the site. Parking would be at the entrance.

Hatch retires after 19 years in district

50 years ago

June 19, 1969

Adrian school officials scale down budget

The Adrian School District Board along with members of the budget board met on June 10 and reduced the budget levy to be voted upon in an election set for June 27. The total amount to be voted upon will be \$251,506.32, down from \$269,813.50. The following reductions and/or additions were made. Reductions to the levy were made by:

1. Dropping the Drivers Education...... \$ 910.00

- 2. Reducing the salary accounts......9,200.00
- 3. Receipt of more State Basic...... 7,597.18

4. Dropping a part of school payment...... 2,600.00

Additions to the budget were:

1. Well and roof expense...... 1,000.00

2. Hot lunch fund......1,000.00

Supt. Glenn Ward said Adrian Schools are still in need of four teachers to fill out the staff:

First grade teacher to replace Mrs. Becky Zueger who resigned to go to Ontario.

Fourth grade teacher to replace Mrs. Katherine Crego, who resigned to accept a position in Parma. High school Biology and Science teacher to replace Roger Watts, who resigned to accept a position with the Ontario schools. This also creates a position for a head baseball coach.

Health service center eyed for Owyhee patrons

A proposal to develop a health service center staffed mostly by "paramedical" personnel in Owyhee County was presented Friday to the executive committee of the Comprehensive Health Planning Service in Boise, at a meeting held in the conference room of the Idaho Elks Rehabilitative Center.

The committee endorsed the project, which calls for a \$143,575 federal grant the first year, a total federal grant the first year, and a total federal allocation of \$596,352 over a five-year period.

Dr. Warren Ross, executive vice president of the Idaho Foundation for Medicine and Biology, Inc., informed members at a committee meeting Friday that a federal review of the project application has begun.

The committee agreed the project is in conformance with the objectives of comprehensive health planning in Idaho, but suggested a few amendments it felt were worth adding to the proposal.

Ross said there presently are only two medical doctors serving the 400-mile stretch between Boise and Reno, Nev. This has resulted, he said, in total lack of medical health care for many residents in predominately rural Owyhee County. "There is a gap in health care and paramedical people, primarily trained nurses, who are the potential for filling this gap," he said. Rossacknowledged the foundation has encountered powerful opposition in Southwestern Idaho, but said he did not feel this was an insurmountable barrier. He pointed out 14 medical doctors recently wired Robert Finch, head of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, supporting the project. He said the center would serve all of the 8,000 residents of Owyhee County, Southeastern Oregon and Northern Nevada, along with a migrant population of around 2,000. He emphasized the "preventive medicine" type services the center could deliver through screening, immunization, counseling, and home health care.

145 years ago

June 20, 1874

Something about Etiquette

Half the world appears boorish and uncouth to the other half simply because people are not taught manners. Parents, to whom alone children must look, often neglect manners entirely, leaving them to come up any end first.

We have carefully prepared a few general hints at etiquette, applicable to both children and adults, and if any one is benefitted by them, our labor will be amply repaid:

Never pass your plate for mashed potato more than six times, especially if there is company at the table.

Never reach across the table for butter. Wait until it is passed, and then take only a small bit, as butter at 50 cents per pound, and the banks charging two per cent on A 1 paper, are apt to discourage the head of the family.

Don't wipe the back of your neck with your napkin, no matter how hot the day is.

Never take more than ten good-sized biscuits, no matter if the plate is passed twenty times.

Don't use your finger to stir your coffee. The handle of your knife is more fashionable, and if you want to be real aristocratic, take a spoon.

Refrain from wiping your mouth on the table cloth, if possible. Some ancient writers favor the practice, and I believe a few kings persist in it, but your coat sleeve is much more handy. If there is watermelon on the table for dessert, and if you have eaten five or six pieces, and the plate is passed again, you should shake your head and say: "No, thank you. I never did care much about watermelon.

An evening call on a young lady should never be made in the forenoon.

The length of a call at the house of a young lady depends somewhat on circumstances. If the old man comes in with a shot-gun, the call shouldn't be prolonged over an hour.

The Business of Journalism

In commenting upon the failure of Mr. J. Y. Scammon, of Chicago, as a newspaper manager, McCullagh, of the St. Lois Globe, one of the most successful journalists of the West, tells a plain truth in the following words:

The business of journalism will continue to be an inviting field for experiment to those who have a large amount of money and a large amount of

Kunning a rural school district is a hands-on affair.

Ralph Hatch knows the routine after 14 years as superintendent of Bruneau-Grand View schools in Owyhee County.

Larger districts employ specialists in each area of the educational process. Not so for Hatch, who depending on the time of day, can call himself director of transportation, curriculum, food service and grounds and maintenance.

"As a rural superintendent, you're it," Hatch said in a phone interview last week.

After 19 years with the district, the first five as principal at Rimrock High School, Hatch is retiring effective July 1.

The Bruneau-Grand View School District has grown about 25 percent (excluding the border students) to a current enrollment of about 540 during his tenure.

egotism.

A man who, having edited a newspaper until he was forty, should suddenly announce himself a lawyer, would be regarded as a fool by the legal profession; and yet, we often hear of lawyers of forty making sudden pretensions to journalism. There is an idea that the business of editing requires no apprenticeship: that editors come forth from law offices and colleges fully armed for the profession, like Pallas from the brow of Jove. It is a mistake: there is not in America to-day a single journalist of national reputation who has not devoted more time and more hard work to his profession than, with equal fitness and application, would have made him a great lawyer or a good doctor. And yet ninety out of every hundred who cannot, according to his own judgment, edit any newspaper in the country better than it is edited, no matter in what manner or by whom.

Public notices

INVITATION TO BID

The City of Marsing, Idaho is accepting sealed bids at the Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St, Marsing, Idaho 83639, until 4:00 pm local time, July 5, 2019 for the following project:

SH 55, 14th To SH-78 Sidewalk, Marsing

At 4:05 pm on the same day, all proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The project consists of the construction of approximately 1800 feet of new 5' concrete sidewalk, adjacent and attached to curb constructed as part of ITD project KN13932. Bid forms, bidding

Bid forms, bidding instructions and conditions, contract documents, plans and specifications may be obtained at Civil Dynamics PC, 305 Cornell St, Middleton, Idaho 83644, phone (208) 453-2028, attn.: Kirby Cook. There is a non-refundable fee of \$25.00. Electronic file is available upon request.

General contractors must be plan holders and be on plan holders list.

Idaho Public Works Licenses are not required to bid but are required prior to contract award.

The Federal-aid project subject to certain non-discrimination, Buy American, and Davis Bacon Wage Act requirements.

Bidders and Contractors must comply with the requirements set forth in the project specifications. Please contact the City with questions or needed clarifications.

Any objections to the contents or terms of the Specifications shall be raised five (5) days prior to bid opening or it shall be deemed to have been waived.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 06/12,19/2019

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

CASE NO. CV37-19-00148 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAVID R. DOWNUM, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HANNAH M. DOWNUM

has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate 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 presented to

TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, TO-WIT: North Half of the Southeast Quarter Northwest Quarter Northeast Quarter, Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, Defendants.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE NAMED PLAINTIFF. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 21 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.

TO: THE UNKNOWN **HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF** THE ESTATE OF DAVID E. LAVATTA, DECEASED, AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, **TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE** FOLLOWING DESCRIBED **REAL PROPERTY, TO-WIT:** North Half of the Southeast Quarter Northwest Quarter Northeast Quarter, Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

You have been sued by JIM COOK and RITA COOK, husband and wife, in the District Court in and for Owyhee County, Idaho.

The nature of the claim against you is to quiet title in the Plaintiffs to the above described real property and to declare that the Defendants have no right, title or interest in said real property.

Any time after 21 days following the last publication of this Summons, the court may enter Judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the Case No., and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at 20381 Hwy. 78, Murphy, ID, (208) 495-2421, and served a copy of your response on the Plaintiffs' attorney at 1202 1st St. S., Nampa, ID, (208) 466-7809.

A copy of the Summons and Complaint can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the attorney for Plaintiffs. If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.

DATED: 05/31/2019

Angela Barkell, Clerk of this District Court

s:/ Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk 06/12,19,26,07/03/2019

THE FOLLOWING

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

The following agencies of the state of Idaho have published the complete text and all related, pertinent information concerning the re-authorization of state agency administrative rules, with modification as indicated, in this supplemental publication of the state Administrative Bulletin. The Fee(s) or charge(s) re-authorized in this bulletin are currently existing and have been previously promulgated by the agency and reviewed and approved by the Legislature. For full information, including the text of all rulemakings, see the Idaho Administrative Bulletin, **June 19, 2019, Volume 19-6S**, which can be viewed at

adminrules.idaho.gov.

The proposed rule public hearing request deadline is July 3, 2019. The proposed rule written comment submission deadline is July 10, 2019, unless otherwise posted. All rules being promulgated in this Bulletin are Temporary and Proposed Rules, unless otherwise indicated.

WMA = with minor amendment – indicates a chapter made corrections or allowed individual rule subparts to expire, as detailed further in the full bulletin. In some cases, rules were moved and streamlined. A full listing of changes was previously posted on DFM's webpage for public review and input. A detailed list of rules that will expire is available for public review at <u>dfm.idaho.gov</u>

F = designates a fee rule

IDAPA 01 – BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY -- PO BOX 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0002 The following chapter is being re-authorized: Title 01, Chapter 01F (wma)

IDAPA 02 - DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE -- PO BOX 7249, Boise, ID 83707

The following chapters are being re-authorized: Title 01, Chapters 02, 03 (wma), 04-05; Title 02, Chapters 02, 04-07, 09-15; Title 04, Chapters 03, 04 (wma), 05-06, 08, 09 (wma), 13 (wma), 19 (wma), 20-21, 22 (wma), 24 (wma), 25 (wma), 16 (wma), 27 (wma), 29; Title 05, Chapter 01; Title 06, Chapters 01-06, 07 (wma), 08 (wma), 09 (wma), 10, (wma), 11 (wma), 12, 13 (wma), 14, 15 (wma), 16 (wma), 17, 18 (wma), 20 (wma), 22 (wma), 24 (wma), 26 (wma), 27 (wma), 30 (wma), 32 (wma), 33 (wma), 34 (wma), 38, (wma), 39 (wma), 41, (wma), 41; Title 07, Chapter 01F; Title 08, Chapter 01F

IDAPA 04 – OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL -- PO BOX 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0010 The following chapters are being re-authorized: Title 02, Chapters 01, 02F; Titles 11, 12, 20, Chapter 01

IDAPA 05 – DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE CORRECTIONS – PO BOX 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0285 The following chapters are being re-authorized: Title 01, Chapters 02, 03 (wma), 04; Title 02, Chapters 01-03

IDAPA 06 – DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION – 1299 N. Orchard St, Ste. 110, Boise ID 83706 The following chapters are being re-authorized: Title 01, Chapters 01-02; Title 02, Chapters 01, 02 (wma)

IDAPA 07 - DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY - 1090 E. Watertower St, Ste. 150, Meridian, ID 83642

The following chapters are being re-authorized: Title 01, Chapters 01, 02F, 03F, 04-08, 10, 11F; Title 02, Chapters 02F, 03F, 04-06, 07F; Title 03, Chapters 01F (wma), 03F, 09, 11F, 12F, 13; Title 04, Chapters 01, 02F; Titles 05, Chapter 01F (wma); Title 06, Chapter 01; Title 07, Chapter 01F; Title 08, Chapter 01; Title 10, Chapter 01F

IDAPA 08 – STATE BOARD AND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -- PO BOX 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0037

The following chapters are being re-authorized: Title 01, Chapters 02, 10, 11F, 13; Title 02, Chapters 01, 02F, 03F (wma), 04-05; Titles 03, 04, 05, Chapter 01

IDAPA 09 – DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – 317 W. Main St, Boise, ID 83735

The following chapters are being re-authorized: Title 01, Chapters 01, 08, 30, 35, 60; Title 02, Chapter 01; Title 05, Chapter 03

IDAPA 10 – BOARD OF LICENSURE OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVERYORS 1510 E. Watertower St. Ste 110, Meridian, ID 83642

The following chapters are being re-authorized: Title 01, Chapters 01F, 02F, 03F, 04F

IDAPA 11 - IDAHO STATE POLICE - 700 S. Stratford Dr, Meridian, ID 83642

The following chapters are being re-authorized: Title 02, Chapters 01F, 02F; Title 03, Chapter 01; Title 04, Chapters 02F (wma), 03F, 04, 05F, 06, 07F, 08-10, 11F, 13-14, 15F; Title 05, Chapter 01F; Title 06, Chapter 01; Title 07, Chapters 01-03; Title 10, Chapters 01F, 02F, 03; Title 11, Chapters 01F (wma); Title 13, Chapter 01

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the undersigned at the address indicated and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

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Sports

Senior Rivercats' offense stalls in losses

The Owyhee Rivercats American Legion single-A baseball team took a couple losses during a light week.

The team finished the week with a 6-4 record.

June 11: Treasure Valley 16, Rivercats 3 (5) — The Stars held a 7-0 lead before Owyhee scored its only runs of the game in the bottom of the third inning at John Jackson Field.

Garrett Bettleyon was 2-for-2 with an RBI, and Drew Deal doubled and scored a run to highlight the Rivercats' fivehit attack.

Brady Trout also had an RBI.

Half of the Stars' first 12 runs were unearned, and three Owyhee pitchers walked 14 batters without getting a strikeout. The Rivercats also committed six errors.

June 10: Emmett 5, Rivercats 4 — The Blue Devils scored a run in the bottom of the sixth inning to snap a deadlock and overcome five errors.

Owyhee rallied to tie the game, 4-4, with the second of its two-run rallies in the fifth inning. The team got to within a run, 3-2, with a two-spot in the top of the third.

Owyhee's first two batters in the lineup — Drew Deal and Ben Lee — accounted for all four of their team's hits. Deal was 2-for-3 with a run and an RBI, and Lee had two singles and a run in four at-bats.

Slade Grant and Tyler Woodward scored runs.

Trout took the loss despite striking out six in six innings.

✓ Rivercats: Wins 3 of 4

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Packer and Beeg Hockenhull each had two RBI. Packer also scored twice and notched a double.

Landen Wilson scored two runs as Owyhee got results despite only four hits.

Hockenhull struck out eight and allowed one earned run on two hits over the game's first four innings.

Saturday: Rivercats 15, Nampa 1 (4) — Owyhee scored the game's first 10 runs and cruised behind Muir's one-hitter.

Muir fanned four and walked just one to get the win.

Wilson smacked a triple and scored a run, while the Rivercats got doubles from Andrew Marston, Packer and extended their lead to 10-6 in the third.

But Fruitland pounced for seven runs — only one of which was earned — on three walks and a hit in its final at-bat in the fourth to get the victory.

Packer was 2-for-2 with two runs scored and two RBI to lead the Rivercats' offense.

Campbell and Wilson were 2-for-2 as well. Wilson scored three runs.

Last Wednesday: Rivercats 9, Nampa 9 (4) — Owyhee owned a 9-2 lead when the host Warriors scored seven times in the bottom of the third inning to force the tie.

The game ended after the Rivercats batted in the top of the fourth.

Dillon Fine had two singles and knocked in three runs.

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Woodward.

Woodwad drove in four runs and scored twice. Muir crossed he plate three times.

Bowen Campbell went 2-for-3 with two RBI from the top of the batting order, and Marston also knocked in four runs.

Delgadillo scored twice, and Cy Aman went 2-for-3 with two RBI.

Friday: Fruitland 13, Rivercats 10 (4) — Owyhee couldn't hold on to the lead in the first game of pool play at its own tournament.

The Rivercats clawed back from a 6-1 deficit with six runs in the second inning then Leadoff hitter Josh Brown drove in a pair of runs, and Marston scored twice.

Payton Fine also had two RBI without the benefit of a hit.

June 10: Rivercats 7, Emmett 2 — Willy Haun and Packer had two hits apiece and knocked in runs as Owyhee downed the Blue Angels.

Wilson singled and drove home a pair of runs, and Cy Aman, Dillon Fine and Hayden Kincheloe had RBI.

Dillon Fine struck out five in the first five innings to get the victory. He and Kincheloe combined on a three-hitter and allowed just one earned run. The Ownlice Avolanche

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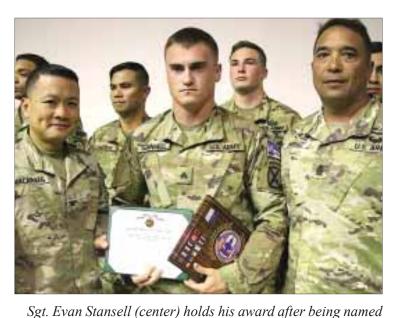
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Left: Avery Wright, 4-yearold daughter of Marsing resident Tracy Wright, works hard at slicing a banana with a safety knife. The banana was used in a smoothie.

Below: Cultivate! instructor Nikki Christiansen tops off her smoothie concoction with raspberries before moving over the Bette Uda City Park food preparation area to mix up the ingredients in a blender.



Cultivate! kids learn about smoothies

About 10 boys and girls showed up Thursday evening as Wilder resident Nikki Christiansen conducted a Cultivate! class at the Homedale Farmers Market.

Christiansen showed the children how to make smoothies with bananas, strawberries, raspberries, Greek yogurt and almond milk. She also made a smoothie with spinach to show that vegetables can be utilized in a healthy, tasty way.

Among the volunteers helping Christiansen were her mother, farmers market board member Alice Pegram, as well as teenage volunteer Elias Tines and adult volunteer Maricela Guzman.

Cultivate! classes are held at 5:30 p.m., each Thursday during the farmers market through the middle of August.

Christiansen said she'll be back in July to show children how to create a stir-fry meal.



Stansell emerges on top in Best Warrior contest in Europe

Grandson of Homedale man stationed in Kosovo

A soldier with Homedale ties has won a prestigious award while stationed with peacekeeping forces in Kosovo.

U.S. Army Sgt. Evan Stansell was named the Noncommissioned Officer of the Year after last month's Best Warrior Competition at Camp Bondsteel in Kosovo.

Stansell's father is Homedale High School graduate and Kennewick, Wash., resident Michael Stansell, and his grandfather is Homedale resident Keith Stansell. The soldier's stepmother is Carmen Stansell, and his mother and stepfather are Lori and Charles Allen.

Stansell enlisted in the Army after graduating from Meridian's Mountain View High School in 2015. He re-enlisted for another three years soon after the May 16-17 Best Warrior Competition, taking the oath in a Blackhawk helicopter in the skies above Kosovo, his grandfather said.

Stansell serves with the 89th Cavalry Regiment, Bravo Troop and is part of the Multi-National Battle Group-East in Kosovo.

According to an Army press release, the Best Warrior Competition tests soldiers' technical and tactical proficiencies and also challenges their mental and physical strength.

During the two-day competition, contestants had to complete tasks including individual movement techniques and grenade simulation, a medical care and evacuation lane, weapons familiarization lane, EOD under stress lane, body armor march, stress shoot lane, and an appearance board.



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Sgt. Evan Stansell (left) re-enlisted in the U.S. Army for another three-year hitch last month in a Blackhawk helicopter over Kosovo. U.S. Army photos by Sgt. Tinisha Mellein-Fortson and Sgt. Aven Santiago

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