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(ROUGH) RIDE IDAHO



Cyclists visit county

Above: A group of Ride Idaho cyclists pedal down the hill into Marsing's Island Park at the end of Day 5 of their seven-day tour on Thursday. The journey that began in Boise on July 20 ended on Saturday after a trek of nearly 350 miles. **Below:** Cyclists who were able to spend a little bit more time used a porter service that carried their gear and set up their tents, like these last Wednesday at Riverside Park in Homedale. For more, see **Page 6A**



Bus driver shortage may mean fewer Bruneau-GV routes

School district struggles to fill full-time positions

by Mandi Boren

For The Owyhee Avalanche

It is crunch time for the Bruneau-Grand View School District, which is considering large-scale changes to student transportation just weeks before the school year begins.

The driver shortage is not a surprise after the retirement of two bus drivers and no success finding replacements.

The district has had vacant

positions open since November. Unsuccessful attempts to find drivers have included print and online advertisements, community mailers and evaluating driver compensation to ensure competitive pay.

District superintendent Ryan Cantrell said the driver shortage is a widespread problem. In the past year, he has contacted surrounding school districts and contract companies, which are all facing the same problem.

A district-wide mailer sent out last week said the district

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Owyhee County rodeo entries open next week

ICA professional, local events on tap again

Entries for the 2019 Owyhee County Rodeo will be taken next week.

The books for the Idaho Cowboy Association-sanctioned professional rodeo will be open from 11 a.m., to 6 p.m., on Tuesday.

See icarodeo.com, call (208) 366-2326 or fax (208) 366-7967.

Cowboys and cowgirls can visit Enterup.biz anytime until 5 p.m. MDT on Friday, too.

Call back will occur between 5 p.m., and 6 p.m., next Wednesday.

The draw will be posted at icarodeo.com and Enterup.biz.

Entries for local rodeo events will be taken from 9 a.m., to 1 p.m., next Wednesday only.

Call the rodeo office at (208) 337-3666. Jacky King is the rodeo secretary.

There are new entry fees for the local events:

- Mutton busting (for ages 5-7 weighing up to 55 pounds) — \$20
- Steer riding (ages 8-13 as of Jan. 1) — \$40
- Wild cow milking — \$28 per man
- Wild horse race — \$33 per man
- Local team roping — \$50 per man

One roper from each team must reside in Owyhee County or a school district serving Owyhee County, Jordan Valley or Adrian.

There is now a jackpot payout for the local team roping. Ropers must have an American Cowboy Team Roping Association number, and the team handicap must be

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NEW COMMUNITY CENTER READY FOR FAIR



Owyhee County Dist. 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi (left) chats with new county Prosecuting Attorney Jeffery Phillips and his wife Tina during the community center's grand opening on July 15.



Board of County Commissioners members Kelly Aberasturi (left) and Jerry Hoagland cut the ribbon signifying the opening of the community center at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds on July 15. Aberasturi is the Dist. 2 commissioner from Homedale, and Hoagland is the board chair and Dist. 1 commissioner from Wilson.



Owyhee County Fair manager Ginger Loucks (right) and County Clerk Angie Barkell (second from right) serve up some hot dogs, chips, water, and cake after the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Time's running out to nominate fair parade grand marshal

Parade set for Aug. 3; fair starts Aug. 5

As the Owyhee County community gears up for its fair and rodeo, today is the last day to nominate someone to serve as grand marshal of the annual parade.

As with last year, the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Parade will kick off the festivities on Saturday, Aug. 3.

Parade coordinator Jolyn Green has been accepting grand marshal nominations, and a nomination form is available in the fair book.

Fair books can be found in Homedale at The Owyhee Avalanche, City Hall, and the City Library; and in Marsing at the University of Idaho

Owyhee County Extension Office, Logan's Market, and NAPA Owyhee Auto Supply.

Fair books also will be available during Thursday's 4-H interviews at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center.

Grand marshal nominations can be mailed to Owyhee County Fair Parade, P.O. Box 695, Homedale, ID 83628.

Parade registration takes place at 9 a.m., on Saturday, Aug. 3. Judging will be held at 9:30 a.m., and the parade starts a half-hour later.

Entries will judged on how well they pull off this year's fair theme "Fun for the Whole Herd."

Pre-registration isn't necessary. Parade staging takes place at the Homedale High School parking lot and the

Deward Bell Stadium parking lot near Riverside Park.

For more information on the parade or the grand marshal nomination process, call the fair office at (208) 337-3888.

The fair will run from Monday, Aug. 5 to Saturday, Aug. 10 at the fairgrounds at 420 W. Nevada Ave., in Homedale.

This year's fair marks the debut of the brand-new Owyhee County Community Center, which will serve as an exhibition hall during fair week.

New grandstands are in place in the rodeo arena, which will be home to the Owyhee County 4-H Horse Show on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 5-6, as well as the four-night Owyhee County Rodeo from Wednesday, Aug. 7 to Saturday, Aug. 10.

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Owyhee County highway wrecks send drivers to hospital

A Washington man remained in the hospital Monday morning after being injured in roll-over accident on U.S. Highway 95 on Thursday.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said that Yuxin Peng, 23, of Auburn, Wash., was traveling southbound on U.S. 95 at approximately 6 a.m. when he presumably overcorrected and rolled his 2011 Volkswagen Tiguan.

Peng was ejected from the vehicle during the accident near milepost 8 south of Marsing. Peng was unconscious when he was finally spotted at 8:42 a.m., Bowman said. The vehicle was obscured by tall weeds on the side of the road and was not immediately visible.

Peng reportedly suffered a severe head laceration among other injuries.

Air St. Luke's transported the driver to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Wilder man rolls car after avoiding deer

Jacob Deal, 21, of Wilder was travelling eastbound early Monday morning on Idaho highway 78 when he rolled his vehicle after avoiding a deer that had crossed the road in front of him.

According to Bowman, Deal was approximately two miles west of Grand View when he swerved to avoid the deer and lost control of his 2003 GMC Sierra pickup. The vehicle slid off the road and rolled multiple times before coming to rest on its tires.

Besides sheriff's deputies, Grand View Ambulance also responded to the accident. First-responders found Deal walking around outside, but he was still transported to the hospital.

Deal's injuries were unknown. Details on the wreck were still unfolding later Monday morning.

— TK

Nampa man cited for alleged pot possession

A traffic stop turned into drug charges for a Nampa man Thursday.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Joel Ruiz, 25, was pulled over by a deputy for speeding on U.S. Highway 95.

The deputy clocked Ruiz driving his Jeep Patriot 73 mph in a 65 mph zone.

The deputy reported that the smell of marijuana emanated from the vehicle. Bowman

said Ruiz admitted to having the drug in his car.

Ruiz was charged with misdemeanor possession of a controlled substance after a search turned up edible marijuana, an additional 1.9 grams of the drug, and a joint that weighed 0.9 grams.

He received a warning for the speed violation and was cited and released.

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Front: Trinity Neeser (left) and Audrie Miller.
Back: Kinley Shanley (left) and Emeline Hipwell.
Submitted photo

County 4-H horse judges place high in state competition

The year might not yet be over for the Owyhee County 4-H horse judging team.

Emeline Hipwell of Murphy won an individual state championship on July 2 at the state competition in Rigby.

Teammate Kinley Shanley was individual runner-up. Both were competing in the Junior Division.

The team placed second in the Junior Division (ages 8-13).

Audrie Miller was fifth in the Senior Division individual judging.

Trinity Neeser completed the team roster.

Team spokesperson Janet Miller said a decision on whether to enter the national competition this fall won't be finalized until after next month's county fair.

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Weekly weather recap unavailable

Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 90 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 319

cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 261 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 641,432 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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

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✓ Shortage: Significant ride time increase

will consolidate four routes to two in August if no drivers are found by the end of July.

Although he did not have specifics yet, Cantrell said route consolidation would eliminate many stops, and ride times “would be increased significantly.”

The district pays drivers an hourly rate of \$13.61 with raises up to \$15.82. Additionally, the district is offering paid commercial driver’s license (CDL) training and a \$500 signing bonus.

Depending on the route, drivers drive for approximately four hours per day, four days a week. Drivers also have the opportunity to pick up extra hours with athletic and extra-curricular activities.

According to Cantrell, the district will also provide health insurance benefits for drivers who log at least 20 hours a week.

The district serves approximately 150 students daily between Bruneau, Grand View and Oreana covering approximately 430 miles each day.

School starts on Aug. 19.

Interested candidates are encouraged to contact JayDene Aquiso at JAquiso@sd365.us or (208) 834-2260.

— 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

✓ Rodeo: Jackpot spices up local roping

capped at 3½.

The Owyhee County Rodeo will be held from Wednesday, Aug. 7 to Saturday, Aug. 10.

The ICA slack performance begins at 8 p.m., on Wednesday,

Aug. 7. Admission is free.

Nightly performances will be held from Thursday, Aug. 8 to Saturday, Aug. 10. Gates will open at 7 p.m.

Ticket prices are:

- Thursday, Aug. 8 — \$10 general admission, and \$7 for senior citizens and youth.
- Friday, Aug. 9, and Saturday, Aug. 10 — \$12 general admission, and \$7 youth.

The wild horse race will be Friday, and the wild cow milking takes place Saturday.

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Wade Hess, 6, of Wilder, takes some time for sidewalk art after the stories were read Friday at the Homedale City Library. Children experimented with dry and wet chalk application for the activity. Wade is the son of Joe and Denise Hess.

Library children dive into STEM at Homedale pool

A Homedale City Library summer program is making another trip to the city pool Friday.

At 3 p.m., Summer STEM From Your Library program participants will visit the swimming pool at Riverside Park where children will study aspects of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics.

Boys and girls will make rubber band helicopters and discuss potential energy and kinetic energy.

Story Time convenes at 10 a.m., on Friday at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Preschoolers will hear readings of “Otis” by Loren Long and “20 Big Trucks” by Mark Lee.

Children 6 and older will sit for a reading of “John Deere That’s Who” by Tracy Nelson Maurer.

Both groups will play a game after Story Time, and then make a Popsicle stick tractor together.

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

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Homedale man avoids felony sex charges with plea agreement

A Homedale man originally charged with felony lewd conduct with a minor has been sentenced on a misdemeanor after a plea agreement.

Mark K. Powers entered a guilty plea to misdemeanor sexual battery during a June 14 court appearance before Third District Judge George D. Carey. Powers’ plea came just weeks before a jury trial was scheduled to start.

He avoided further jail time, but must serve two years unsupervised probation and also undergo two sessions of counseling each month.

During a July 12 sentencing hearing, Third District Judge Thomas W. Whitney also ordered that Powers must be under the supervision of

someone with knowledge of his criminal charges any time he has contact with a female under the age of 18.

Whitney gave Powers credit for 76 days he served in jail before posting a \$500,000 bond, and the judge suspended 219 days of a one-year jail sentence. Powers also must pay \$409.76 in court costs.

Powers was originally charged with misdemeanor sexual battery and two counts of felony lewd conduct with a child under 16 in November. He was released on a \$500,000 bond sometime after his arrest.

In December, then-Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery dropped the two felony counts of lewd conduct.

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- June 25: Lil smokies
- July 29: Sub sandwich
- July 30: Chicken sandwich
- July 31: Rib-B-Q sandwich

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Milk available each day

- July 24: Stir fry chicken, rice, Calif. blend veggies, roll
- July 25: Roast pork, mashed potatoes w/gravy, country trio veggies, roll
- July 30: Salisbury steak w/onions & mushrooms, mashed potatoes w/gravy, broccoli, roll
- July 31: Chicken patty on a bun, lettuce & tomato, potato salad

Rimrock Senior Center

All meals are served with milk & fruit juice

- July 25: Sloppy Joes or hotdog w/sauerkraut, whole grain bun, French fries, fresh veggies, fresh fruit or melon, ice cream, cook’s choice soup
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Owyhee stops help Ride Idaho create new bonds

Organizers and participants said the Ride Idaho 2019 cycling tour, which culminated Saturday in Boise, was a great way to enjoy Idaho’s beauty and history, get some great exercise, and help local communities.

But for many of the cyclists, it proved to be a great way to make friends.

The tour, which made overnight stops at Riverside Park in Homedale last Wednesday and Island Park in Marsing on Thursday, proved to be a great way for cycling enthusiasts to bond with people they didn’t know a week before.

Lucie Archer, of Tahoe City, Calif., said that Ride Idaho was the second cycling tour she had undertaken, but said that this one was the best.

“This one may be my favorite,” Archer said.

Three new friends, Archer, Charlie Buitron, and Dale Reite, all agreed that they were impressed by the tour and Idaho’s wonders.

They were especially pleased and surprised by the motorists they encountered along the way.

“You have very courteous drivers,” Buitron said. “They’ll slow for you. Let you pass.”

Reite was a little surprised by the conditions, however.

“It’s been great, but your sun is so intense out here,” he said, slathered up in sunscreen.

This was just the second cycling tour (and first one in Idaho) for Seattle residents Buitron and Reite, but they said they will definitely be doing more.

“In Washington, we did four days of 80 miles and one of about 100,” Reite said. “Here, we’ve been averaging



Above: Ride Idaho participants (from left) Charlie Buitron, Lucie Archer, and Dale Reite, relax at their campsite at Island Park in Marsing after their trip from Homedale on Thursday.

Left: Members of Marsing High School's cheer team serve lunch to the cyclists at Ste. Chapelle Winery during Thursday's ride through the Sunny Slope wine area. Submitted photo

about 60 miles a day. “It really was just that first day that was tough. Those endless switchbacks.”

The first leg of the Ride Idaho tour took the cyclists from Boise to Lowman, a trip of about 62 miles.

Ride Idaho organizer Bret Tinker, who has been part of the tour since its inception 16 years ago, said last week

that this year’s event had gone off without a hitch.

“Everything’s gone smooth,” he said.

One of the key points to Ride Idaho is to enjoy the local communities and cultures along the tour route.

As part of their activities, cyclists enjoyed a traditional Basque dinner at Txoko Ona Basque Center on

Wednesday evening in Homedale. They enjoyed paella, solomos, salad, and rice pudding.

“It was a great dinner, and it was important to us to experience the Basque culture while we were here,” Tinker said.

Local high school cheer squads showed off their community spirit Thursday.

Homedale cheerleaders served breakfast in the HHS cafeteria before the riders embarked on their Thursday trek through Sunny Slope, and Marsing cheerleaders served lunch Thursday at Ste. Chapelle Winery.

Tinker said that the tour can run with as many as 350 riders supported by up to 50 volunteers. He said the numbers this year were a little down because the dates for the ride were changed. Still, nearly 300 riders took part, at a cost of \$1,099 each.

The entry fee includes all meals, along with drinks, snacks, and tickets to the various entertainment activities along the way. For instance, the cyclists enjoyed a play when they stayed the night in Emmett and rafted down the Middle Fork of the Payette River on Day 3 between Garden Valley and Emmett.

Cyclists could also pay extra for porter service, getting help with luggage and gear, and have their tents erected prior to their arrival.

For many of the cyclists, the tour was about friendships made, however.

“I’ve made fabulous new friends, Charlie and Dale, who have made this trip wonderful,” Archer said.

“I came on this trip by myself and kind of adopted them.”

— TK

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Fungus among us: good, bad, and weird

Cool, rainy weather followed by intense heat (just what we have been experiencing this summer) creates the ideal conditions for a host of mushrooms, molds and other fungi. Some are edible or beneficial in the environment, others are disease-causing organisms that infect our garden plants, and still more are some of nature's most compelling oddities!



Ariel Agenbroad

The good

Mushrooms that pop up in your lawn or planting beds are an indication that somewhere, below the soil surface, lies buried wood, dead tree roots or other organic matter that must be broken down. As these mushrooms do their work, nutrients are released from the decaying matter, which feeds the living plants in that area. If you are worried about children or pets eating the mushrooms, by all means remove them, as some may be poisonous, but they do not cause harm to the landscape.

Another beneficial kind of fungi is the threadlike mycorrhizae, which form a mutually beneficial partnership with the roots of many plants, helping to gather additional water and nutrients from the soil environment for plant growth. The fungus receives some of the plant's sugars in return.

The bad

Different species of harmful fungi cause powdery mildew infections, root rots, blights, and many common lawn diseases. While we can't always prevent fungal spores from being carried into our gardens by wind, water or plant material, we can try to manage the environment to prevent infection or lessen the impact.

Preventative sulfur or fungi-

cide treatments on grapevines, for example, are much more effective at keeping powdery mildew at bay than treating after you see a problem develop.

Improving soil drainage and converting to deep, infrequent watering of lawns, trees, and berries can reduce the incidence and spread of almost all root rots and lawn diseases. And vigilant scouting and prompt removal of blight-infected leaves or whole plants can sometimes help reduce these kinds of fungal infections in tomatoes and potatoes.

The weird

Now is the time when you might encounter slime molds growing on the soil, in wood-mulched flowerbeds or grass blades. These harmless but fascinating organisms (once thought to be fungi, but now considered to be protists) can appear suddenly, and have highly descriptive names like "Dog Vomit," and "Stink-horn."

The slime mold we commonly encounter on lawns occurs in small patches and resembles tiny beads of black oil on the blades. Slime molds can be washed away with a sharp stream of water, but most disappear on their own, and can be fun to watch as they grow and change over a few days or weeks.

— Ariel Agenbroad serves southwest Idaho as an Area Extension Educator in Community Food Systems, and Small Farms for University of Idaho Extension. Her areas of specialization include home and market vegetable production, direct marketing of small farm products, organics and gardening with youth. She can be reached at ariel@uidaho.edu.

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OCD summer tour

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Fit and Fall exercise

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

Summer STEM in the Park

11 a.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. Grades 1 to 12. (208) 834-2785

Pinochle games

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

Farmers Market

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

Summer reading program

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

Cultivate children's program

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

Mennonite Youth Choir

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

Friday

Idaho Foodbank drop-off

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

Story Time

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

Saturday

OCA summer meeting

9 a.m., Silver City Schoolhouse

Catholic Mass

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

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

OCA summer meeting social hour

5 p.m., Silver City Schoolhouse

OCA summer meeting dinner

6 p.m., \$12 adults, \$10 children, Silver City Schoolhouse

OCA summer meeting dance

5 p.m., \$7 per person, \$12 per couple, Silver City Schoolhouse

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting

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

Tuesday

Ribbon cutting

10 a.m., WICAP Early Head Start Center Base, 120 3rd Ave. W., Marsing.

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

Game night

6 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. Youth 12 and older, 2nd Friday of each month. (208) 896-4690

Thursday, Aug. 1

HES registration

9 a.m. to 7 p.m., returning first- through fourth-graders, Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4033

Fit and Fall exercise

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

Summer STEM in the Park

11 a.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. Grades 1 to 12. (208) 834-2785

Bingo

12:30 p.m., free, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922

Pinochle games

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

Rimrock Sr. Center board meeting

1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922

Farmers Market

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

Summer reading program

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Honor rolls

Homedale graduate earns honors at George Fox U.

Homedale High School graduate Connor Carter has landed on his college’s dean’s list.

The 2016 HHS graduate earned recognition at George Fox University in Newberg, Ore.

Carter, who also plays baseball at George Fox, was cited for his undergraduate performance. He was among George Fox students who earned a 3.5 grade-point average or better while completing 12 or more hours of graded work.

The son of Denise and Chad Carter is a senior majoring in management.

Carlie Sawyer named honor student at Spokane Falls CC

A Homedale High School graduate has been named an honor student at Spokane Falls Community College.

Carlie Sawyer, a 2017 HHS graduate, earned a spot on the spring 2019 honor roll at the Washington state college.

Sawyer competes in track and field at Spokane Falls.

Homedale clinic offers physicals for local student-athletes

Rimrock athletes have options, too

Homedale’s RehabAuthority clinic is offering sports physicals for area student-athletes ahead of the school year.

Physicals will be performed between 5 p.m., and 7 p.m., on Tuesday at the RehabAuthority, 134 E. Idaho Ave.

Examinations cost \$20, and all proceeds will be donated to the athletic departments of the athletes’ respective schools.

Call (208) 337-3254 for more information.

According to Homedale High School athletic director Casey Grove, incoming freshmen and incoming juniors must obtain physicals before being cleared to play in the 2019-20 school year.

Student-athletes hoping to compete for Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School must also have a physical on file at the school.

Sixth- through ninth-graders, and 11th-graders are required to get new physicals.

Desert Sage Health Centers is offering free physicals through Sept. 23, according to a Bruneau-Grand View School District handout.

Appointments are necessary and can be booked by calling the Grand View clinic at (208) 834-2929, the Mountain Home clinic at (208) 587-3988, or the Glenns Ferry clinic at (208) 366-7416.

Incoming sophomores and seniors must have a parental consent form on file with the district.

HHS band season starts with car wash

The Homedale High School Marching Band is getting ready for the upcoming season with band camp and a car wash.

The car wash will be held from 9 a.m., to 3 p.m., on

Saturday in the school parking lot. Donations are asked.

Band camp begins Monday inside the school band room on East Owyhee Avenue.

Camp will run from 9 a.m.

to 3 p.m., daily until Friday, Aug. 2.

The camp will conclude with a marching band family potluck at 6:30 p.m., on Friday, Aug. 2 at Bette Uda City Park.

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July 15

Ryan Jackson Bunnell, Kuna – Misdemeanor motor carrier violation, exceed allowable gross loads (4,001 pounds and over): \$470.50 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs

July 12

Mark K. Powers, Homedale – Misdemeanor sexual battery (amended from felony rape on plea agreement): 1 year in jail (76 days served, 219 days suspended), 2 years unsupervised probation, \$409.76 in court costs. **Dismissed by prosecuting attorney:** Felony lewd conduct with child under 16 (2x)

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense Cowboy wedding

When one of my cowboy friends tells me he’s getting married, my first question is “Does she have a job?” This particular wedding took place in the pines of Arizona. I thought that I would never again see such a group of ill-prepared misfits as these groomsmen, then came the 2020 lineup running for president. But whatever magic took place, it must have worked; they’re still married, and she’s still got a job.

There’s two things a cowboy’s afraid of: Bein’ stranded afoot and a decent woman. I went to a cowboy wedding recently where the bridegroom had found him a decent woman. This was not yer normal “walk down the aisle, kiss the bride” kind of wedding. This was the merger of two Arizona ranching families complete with rings made outta barb wire, a fiddle playin’ “Here Comes the Bride”, and mosquitoes.

The families had worked for weeks gettin’ everything ready. Three days before the main event, they set a big tent up in the meadow for the reception and dance. Up came a big storm and blew down the tent. They said when it blew down it looked like a fat lady settin’ on a roll-away bed.

The bridesmaids all looked beautiful in their long dresses. The groomsmen, however, presented a different picture. Putting a suit coat on some of those cowboys was like puttin’ croutons on a cow pie. The sisters had made them all gray suit coats and bandanas. Weddings seem to make cowboys uncomfortable. These fellers looked like they were still hanging in the closet — paralyzed!

Part of their condition could be attributed to the 48-hour bachelor party that preceded the knot tyin’! The groom was maneuvered around on the wedding day like a NASA moonwalker. Sleep had not been allowed and, with the bride’s permission, his blood alcohol level was just below Extremely Flammable.

The appointed hour arrived. The priest got up and explained that this was not a normal Catholic wedding (he was wearing a sport shirt and jogging shoes), but it would be legal just the same. Everybody, and there was a bunch of them, got seated in this pretty little cove complete with a lagoon in the background. It was like God had made this spot just for the wedding.

It rained a little, but no one cared. The bride was lovely. She stood out like a penguin in an asphalt parking lot. The priest asked Dad who gives this woman in matrimony. He replied, “Her mother and I and the Valley Bank.” When it came time to kiss and seal the vows, the bride and groom spit out their chew and laid to it.

At the bride’s request, we played “Walkin’ the Dog” as the wedding party marched out. It was fitting, I guess, ’cause Billy’s ol’ dog Bronc caught the bouquet.

— Visit Baxter’s Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black books, CDs and DVDs.

Letter to the editor

Why you should support your local farmers market

When you support the Homedale Farmers Market, you are supporting the entire Homedale community.

We provide youth education through our children’s nutrition program “Cultivate.” Youth from first through sixth grade can learn to choose, clean, prepare and eat local, healthy fruits and vegetables. We have a wonderful community that volunteers their time to facilitate these classes each week for a 12-week session in the summer.

We have a Youth Vendor Program, specifically tailored for a youth’s success. Youth ages 8-18 are encouraged to participate in our program. There is no vendor fee for these youth; they are just responsible for 5 percent of their sales at the end of each market.

We give back to the Homedale School District arts programs through teacher grants. We provide volunteer/community service opportunities for our youth and adults.

Our farmers provide Homedale with the freshest produce, sometimes picked the same day as the market. Our baked goods are also fresh and local, ranging from breads, cookies, jams, drinks and more. We craft and other vendors: We have a variety of vendors that have handmade items, oils, candles and more. Again, all local.

When you support Homedale Farmers Market vendors, you are supporting multiple local farmers and vendors in your community. Studies show money spent at your local farmers market, goes back into your local economy.

We can process EBT/food stamps at our market information table. We support our community.

Support your local farmers market.

For more information on the market www.homedalefarmersmarket.com

Denise Dixon
Homedale Farmers Market president
Caldwell

From Washington

Empowering women business owners crucial to Idaho’s economic success

Women entrepreneurs are key to Idaho’s economic success, driving much of the extraordinary economic growth Idaho has experienced over the past decade. In the past two years, 621 new women-owned businesses have opened their doors in the state of Idaho, fueling our economy and making our communities more vibrant. Women now own nearly 5,000 businesses and employ more than 36,000 Idahoans, paying out more than \$1 billion in salaries and wages to Idahoans.

To fully capitalize on America’s current economic climate, it is vital that Idaho’s women entrepreneurs are fully equipped to compete in and contribute to the nation’s economy. In recent years, Idaho has been without a women’s business center (WBC). WBCs provide tools and resources to female entrepreneurs to help them create thriving businesses, and as I dealt with the WBC program, it occurred to me that perhaps there was a disconnect between the program and rural states like ours. That’s why as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, I made a promise to re-establish the Idaho Women’s Business Center to serve female entrepreneurs in every corner of the state.

To carry out my promise, I met with multiple community stakeholders and successfully urged then-Small Business Administration (SBA) Administrator Linda McMahon to reopen the application process. Through conversations with Idahoans and the SBA, I realized that a more collaborative, state-wide approach for a WBC would better serve Idaho’s women business owners. We needed a model that would deliver assistance to women entrepreneurs throughout the state, not just to those living in a single county or large city. With this in mind, I worked with the SBA over the next few years to tailor the program to succeed in Idaho. I made this a top priority because I believe when women succeed in business, our labor force is made stronger and our communities are made healthier. Today, I am proud to announce that we delivered on the promise to bring a WBC back to Idaho.

I have full confidence that the Idaho Women’s Business Center will equip female business leaders in the Gem State with the tools they need to start

U.S. Sen. Jim Risch
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and grow their businesses. Thanks to the partnership between the University of Idaho and the Idaho Hispanic Foundation, the Idaho WBC will not only serve Idaho’s urban centers, but will also provide services tailored to our rural communities. Resources such as one-on-one counseling and access to training and seminars will help female entrepreneurs across Idaho capitalize on ideas, start businesses, and create jobs.

I congratulate the Idaho Hispanic Foundation and the University of Idaho for their commitment to host the Center at this critical time for Idaho, and I look forward to working with the WBC to advance new ideas and help more women-owned businesses flourish in our state.

— Jim Risch is in his second six-year term as Idaho’s junior U.S. senator. Prior to his election to the Senate, Risch was Idaho’s 31st governor, and he also served as lieutenant governor under both Gov. C. L. “Butch” Otter and Gov. Dirk Kempthorne. He served in the Idaho Legislature from 1974 to 2002.

Commentary

Financial management

Encourage, celebrate young children’s good money habits

Dear Dave,
We’ve followed your advice and put our kids on commissions instead of allowances. The problem is our 8-year-old. He never buys anything, and he seems to be very frugal by nature. Do you have any advice for teaching him it is OK to spend money sometimes?

— Stephen

Dear Stephen,
You’re absolutely right for wanting to teach him wise spending habits. Each of us has the personality of being either a saver or a spender. As parents, we should help our kids grow in areas where they have weaknesses, *and* find ways to enhance their strengths.
Give him praise for being such a good saver, but gently

encourage him to spend a little, too. Spending is one of the rewards of work and disciplined saving. You might urge him to pick out something he really wants, and help him make a plan to save enough money to buy that item. Once he has enough money for the purchase, turn it into a celebration of reaching that goal.
There are three things you can do with money — spend it, save it, and give it to others. Focusing too much, or too little, on any of these is not financially *or* spiritually healthy.

Dear Dave,
My wife is so charged up after reading your books, and now she is determined to get us



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out of debt. I know this is good idea, but I just don’t have the passion for it she does. There are also some things I really don’t want to give up. Do you have some suggestions for getting motivated?

— Ken

Dear Ken,
Goals and dreams always have a better chance of coming true if you have a written game plan. Sit down with your wife at the beginning of each month, and help her do a written budget. Give every dollar a name on paper before you spend anything.
Contrary to popular belief, doing a budget is not torture. It’s also not just a math exercise. It’s an opportunity for you both to have input on what you want to accomplish in life and how to make it happen. After two people are married they become “as one.” And that’s how decisions should be made in a marriage — facing all the problems, dreams, and fears together.
Once you sit down and do a budget, I think you’ll see where

you can cut back and make things happen that you thought were impossible before. You may have to give up a few things for a *little while*, but when you see how quickly you can get ahead by making your money behave, I’ve got a feeling you’ll get excited about the possibilities!

— 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.*

Idaho’s wildfire season

Do your part to prevent range fires this summer

by Gretchen Hyde

In the summer of 2019, it appears that we may have a chance to have a smaller wildfire season. My, that sure would be good news for our forests and rangelands.

But are you ready to do your part?
In most parts of Idaho, we had above-normal snowpack and a very wet, cool spring. You might have noticed how green our rangelands look right now, even at lower elevations, and how tall and lush the vegetation has grown.

But when temperatures heat up in July, things will dry out, and our rangelands, which comprise more than half of the land surface area of Idaho, will be vulnerable to wildfires. Cheatgrass becomes a highly flammable fuel this time of year.

We want to remind Idahoans of one important fact— in any given year, typically 80-90 percent of the fires in our state are human-caused. That means we have a lot of careless accidents that can lead to huge fires that cause significant damage to our rangelands and the people who depend on them for their livelihood.

Last year, a Bellevue man was target shooting at an explodable target and ignited the 65,000-



acre Sharps Fire, which became one of the largest fires in Idaho. It cost \$9 million to control and more than \$1.1 million in rehabilitation costs.
As a matter of fact, about 60 percent of all the wildfires on Bureau of Land Management land last year were ignited by people shooting at exploding targets or steel targets. We would remind shooters that it’s illegal to use exploding targets, tracer ammunition or fireworks on BLM land in Idaho through mid-October. Definitely a no-no during the hot summer months.
Fires also can get ignited by vehicles next to highways, sparks from ATVs, UTVs or chainsaws, people failing to extinguish campfires, landowners burning brush, and other accidental means.
It seems that decades of Smokey-the-Bear campaigns have made most people aware of the need to prevent forest fires, but we don’t see the same level of respect for our rangelands.
What are rangelands? Idaho’s rangelands are the open lands with miles upon miles of sagebrush and grasslands in the lower country, and open forests and mountain meadows in the high country. Rangelands often are referred to as the *sagebrush sea*.

Rangelands are incredibly valuable to the ecological and economic health of Idaho. They’re important for fish and wildlife— nearly 85 percent of the mammals and 74 percent of the birds in Idaho live and depend on Idaho’s Rangelands.
Ranchers have managed rangelands with livestock grazing for well over 150 years. Range-

lands also are popular for all kinds of recreation, fishing and hunting. They’re a source of clean water and clean air. They even have spiritual and cultural values. Rural communities rely on these renewable natural resources to sustain their economies.
Many people have heard and read about multiple efforts to preserve sage-grouse in Idaho and the Intermountain West. Sage-grouse are an indicator species in the Great Basin. When we have big wildfires that destroy rangeland habitat, it has a long-term adverse impact on sage-grouse and other wildlife resources. Wildfires and the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds that follow are the No. 1 threat to sage-grouse.
From 2000 to 2018, wildfires destroyed about 15 million acres of sagebrush in Idaho, Nevada and Wyoming. From 2014 to 2018, wildfires burned about 9 million acres of prime sage-grouse habitat.
Although federal agencies work hard on rehabbing and restoring public lands after big burns, it’s a very expensive and time-consuming process.
We need to do everything we can to preserve the best of what’s left on Idaho’s rangelands and the Great Basin as a whole. The good news is that if we humans take more care in doing our part to prevent range fires, that can go a long way toward saving quality rangeland habitat for everyone.

— Gretchen Hyde is the executive director of the Idaho Rangeland Resources Commission.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

July 27, 1994

Fires burn remote portions of county

Hot, dry winds and lightning proved a deadly combination in Owyhee County last weekend, as a number of fires burned upwards of 4,000 acres in the Boise District of BLM.

The largest of the blazes began as a controlled burn by the BLM near the Triangle area southwest of Grand View. The fire was set on Wednesday, but Friday afternoon it was sent over fire lines by the winds of an unanticipated storm and then raged out of control overnight.

According to Boise District BLM spokesman Randy Eardley, most of the damage was restricted to the original 3,000-acre perimeter of the prescribed burn area. However, as this paper went to press the figure for the total acreage burned outside the area was still being calculated.

The fires were set with the intention of clearing the area of juniper, Eardley said, which is so difficult to incinerate that the agency had to wait for the hot and dry conditions currently prevalent on the range before it could begin to burn.

Memorial softball tourney set in Marsing

Marsing will be the site of some of the fiercest coed softball action around this weekend.

But as veteran competitors know, it’s all in good fun and for a good cause.

Twenty-eight teams are signed up to compete Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the annual Tim Percifield Memorial Softball Tournament.

Now in its 11th year, the event is the Marsing summer recreation program’s biggest financial booster. Last year’s slugfest netted \$4,200 for youth Babe Ruth, T-ball and softball teams.

Organizers have plans to buy aluminum bleachers for Marsing’s ballfields with the 1994 proceeds.

This year is also the curtain call for tournament director Mike Percifield. After nine years of running the show, “it’s time for somebody else to take a whack at it,” Percifield said.

The tournament is named after Mike’s brother Tim Percifield, a Marsing resident who died tragically in 1983.

Local resident Tim Miller has been named director for 1995.

Murphy girl wins state horse judging

For Laurie Nettleton, the third time is definitely a charm. Not only is this the third year she’s participated in horse judging through the Owyhee Outlaws 4-H Club, at her third competition this summer she took the state title, making her eligible for the Nationals in Denver, Colo., this coming January.

Nettleton won the state junior individual title July 12 in Caldwell, where she was competing with team members Shana Painter, Jeff Davis, and Seth VanWassenhove. Overall the team finished fourth in the state, as Painter came in fifth in the intermediate individuals.

Neither Nettleton’s nor the team’s success could have been expected based on their finishes earlier in the year. Nettleton took fourth at the county level, then didn’t place at all at district. The team finished ninth.

Most of Nettleton’s successes this year actually came from competitions in which she showed horses, rather than judged them. She’s won ribbons left and right, and all are first, second or third place.

50 years ago

July 24, 1969

Lt. Gov. Murphy will address cattlemen

Lt. Gov. Jack Murphy will address the 91st annual Owyhee County Cattlemen’s Convention (OCA) at Silver City Saturday, discussing “The Cattle Industry in Idaho and How it Affects Our Economy.”

Sharing the afternoon program at the Silver City schoolhouse with Murphy will be Dr. Robert Raleigh, assistant professor of animal nutrition, Squaw Butte Experiment Station, Burns, Ore.

Raleigh will speak on “Range Nutrition.” Range consultant Al Steininger will discuss range management, and Clair Whitlock, district manager of the Bureau of Land Management, will talk about “What’s Ahead in the Boise District.”

The speakers will appear at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, OCA Secretary Jess Wilson said.

Gene Davis, Bruneau rancher, will report on the House and Senate hearings on grazing fees. Davis attended the hearings in Washington, D.C., this spring.

He will appear on the morning program that begins at 10 a.m. with a business meeting and includes election of officers. John Tyson is president of the OCA.

Other members of the board are Dick Bass, Reynolds Creek; Ben Panzeri, Marsing; Asa Black Bruneau; Bill Tindall, Grasmere; Ernie Bahem, Murphy; Rob McKenzie, Jordan Valley, and Frank Jayo, Oreana.

A special feature of the meeting will be the old-timer’s award to two lifelong stockmen of the county. Last year’s awards went to Ralph Stanford, Cow Creek, and Norman McKenzie, South Mountain.

Pool fund drive is ‘Go’, entering final week

With only a week to go, the big push is on to complete the swimming pool drive for funds by Aug. 1 and assure Homedale of a swimming pool next year for youth and adults of the area.

The Idaho First National Bank is taking memberships at its office.

Others helping with the drive are Gordon Cahill, schools; Clarence Ferguson, grange; Howard Bergeson, LDS; Les Carter, sororities; Faye Jones, Fargo and Wilder; Ray Tolsma, NFO and Adrian; George Murray, Kiwanis.

Seeking to spur the drive, Homedale businessmen this week called on everyone to join in the community effort, and help the swimming pool committee and volunteer solicitors to complete the drive by coming forward with their membership signup, and demonstrating their support of the project.

An ad by the merchants on page 3 voices wholehearted support for this needed community improvement.

This is not a project that a few can put over. It calls for the united effort of everyone in the community, Homer Anderson, president of the swimming pool committee, declared.

Homedale has worked in the past to secure a pool, but attempts have failed because there was no united effort. This time, with the goal almost in sight, a little extra push on the part of all of us will put it across.

A loan of \$60,000 has been approved by the FHA to build the pool if Homedale can raise \$6,000 toward the project. Memberships at \$20 each are now being sold and donations to the swimming pool fund in any amounts are also being accepted. Memberships will be renewable for \$5.

145 years ago

July 25, 1874

News Summary

In the House of Lords on the 17th inst. the Secretary for the Colonial Department stated that her Majesty’s Government was ready to accept the cession of the Fiji Islands, if said cession was unconditional, but the conditions proposed were not acceptable. This view of the case would be submitted to the King and inhabitants of those islands.

The Madrid journals state that the Carlists have seized about 1,600 men, women and children, and hold them as hostages to be shot in case of an attack by the Republicans.

A dispatch from Washington says a serious quarrel has arisen between Treasurer Spinner and Acting Secretary of the Treasury Conant in regard to civil service rules. Secretary Bristow decides in favor of Conant. The matter has been referred to the President.

At Chicago, July 17th, D.E. O’Leary successfully accomplished the feat of walking 100 miles in 24 consecutive hours.

More commodious quarters have been provided for Wm. M. Tweed on recommendation of penitentiary physicians.

The Army Surgeon, Warren Webster, has been relieved from duty in the Department of California, and ordered to report in person to the Surgeon General of the Army in Washington.

In a recent fight at Lost Valley, in Texas, the Indians were routed by the whites under Major Jones.

Members of the Beecher Investigation Committee say that he acted in perfect good faith in asking an investigation. The Brooklyn Argus says Tilton is in a tight pinch.

The fire at Oshkosh was the most terrible in her history. It is reported that 400 buildings were burned and families rendered homeless. Loss estimated at \$600,000.

Progress of the Telegraph

The latest news from the telegraph corps is that last night the wire crew were camped at Rattlesnake Station, 85 miles from Silver City, and the hole-digging and post-setting crew were in camp at the Owyhee River. The wire crew complete metallic connection with Winnemucca as they advance, and, in order to insure a perfect electric current behind them, have in their outfit a complete telegraph office and operator. The operator connects his instrument every ten miles, and in case he finds any interruption of the electric current, it is his duty to go back inspecting the line carefully to his last testing point, ascertaining and removing the cause of interruption. An interesting feature of this line is, that, in order to make connection between Silver and Winnemucca on the 15th of August, about 65 miles of the wire is left upon the ground, it being found impossible to have and distribute the poles to the central portion of the line in so short a time. In any other country, this would be deemed an impossibility, perfect insulation from the ground being one of the necessities of the ordinary telegraph; but, across the dry alkali plains, there is so little moisture in the ground, at this season of the year, that the line is found to work nearly as well as on the poles and insulators. This, however, is only temporary expedient, and the wire raised from the ground as soon as the poles can be hauled. Upon the completion of the line to Silver, we ought to have some sort of jollification in honor of the occasion.

Public notices

HOMEDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Request for qualifications for CONSTRUCTION MANAGER/GENERAL CONTRACTOR SERVICES. Homedale School District is seeking Statements of Qualification from qualified and licensed Construction Management firms to provide comprehensive Construction Manager/General Contractor Services for a variety of projects within the District. To be considered, proposals must be received by 4:00 PM on August 15, 2019 at the Homedale School District Office. Request For Qualification’ packets will be available on July 17, 2019 from the School District Office: Homedale School District 116 E. Owyhee Avenue Homedale, Idaho 83628 208.337.4611. All questions concerning this RFQ should be directed in writing to: Rob Sauer, Superintendent Homedale School District rsauer@homedaleschools.org 07/17,24/2019

PUBLIC NOTICE BUDGET HEARING

Pursuant to Idaho Code section 27-126. Notice is hereby given that the Owyhee Pioneer Cemetery District will be holding the 2019-2020 FY budget hearing on Wednesday, 7 August 2019 at 4 p.m. The meeting will be held at Owyhee County Courthouse, Court Room 2, 20381 State Highway #78, Murphy, ID. A copy of proposed budget will be posted at the Owyhee County Court House, Murphy Idaho.

Owyhee Pioneer Expenses:
ADVERTISING \$ 200.00
COMPENSATION \$1300.00
OTHER EXPENSE \$1265.00
TOTAL EXPENSES:\$2765.00

Revenue:
TAX LEVY \$2586.00
PROPERTY TAX
REPLACEMENT \$179.00
TOTAL REVENUE:\$2765.00

Nina Bachman – Secretary/
Treasurer Owyhee Pioneer Cemetery District. 07/19/2019
07/24/2019

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The board of commissioners for the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District have tentatively adopted a budget for the 2020 fiscal year, for the cemetery district, as set forth below. A public hearing will be held for the enactment, of said budget, at the office of the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery, located at 4410 Cemetery Road, Marsing, ID, at 2:00 p.m. on August 7th, 2019. The budget is available for public inspection between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at the cemetery office.

PROPOSED BUDGET DATED JULY 3rd, 2019
BUDGET TERM: OCTOBER 1st, 2019 TO SEPTEMBER 30th, 2020

CARRY OVER FUNDS	\$ 31,400.00
ANTICIPATED REVENUE:	
TAX LEVY	\$82,672.00
FARM RENT	\$ 7,500.00
OPENING & CLOSING	\$ 10,000.00
BURIAL LOTS	\$ 12,000.00
GENERAL	\$ 37,650.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$149,822.00
TOTAL BUDGET	\$181,222.00
ANTICIPATED DISBURSEMENT:	
SALARIES:	
SEXTON	\$30,000.00
ASST. SEXTON	\$18,000.00
PARTIME LABOR	\$ 5,000.00
FARM OVERSIGHT	\$ 8,400.00
WEEKEND/HOLIDAY FUNERALS	\$ 1,200.00
SPECIAL MEETINGS	\$ 0.00
TOTAL :	\$62,600.00
EXPENSES:	
TRAVEL & MEALS	\$ 800.00
GAS & OIL	\$4,500.00
PAYROLL TAXES	\$5,000.00
IDAHO POWER	\$3,000.00
IRRIGATION	\$3,500.00
TELEPHONE	\$1,500.00
SANITATION	\$ 3,500.00
PROPERTY INSURANCE	\$2,700.00
LEGAL NOTICES	\$ 500.00
BOND INSURANCE	\$ 250.00
PROPERTY TAX	\$ 120.00
REPAIR GROUNDS	\$5,000.00
REPAIR EQUIPMENT	\$3,300.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 800.00
STATE INS. FUND	\$3,600.00
CHEMICAL & FERTILIZER	\$3,200.00
PERSI	\$8,000.00
DEEDS	\$ 600.00
CONTIGENCY	\$68,752.00
TOTAL	\$118,622.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENT	\$181,222.00
TOTAL BUDGET	\$181,222.00

Bruce Benson, Sec./Treas., Clerk, and Sexton
Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District
07/24,31/2019

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of qualified voters of the Lizard Butte Library District will be held on the 3rd of August, 2017 from 5:30 to 6:30pm at the Lizard Butte Library in the said library district, Marsing, Idaho, at which time there will be a public hearing on the maintenance and operation budget for the forthcoming year.

This special budget hearing is called pursuant to section 33-2725 of the Idaho Code as amended.

General Fund
Lizard Butte Library District
October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020

Revenue	2018-2019	2019-2020
Property Tax	\$71,633.00	\$80,148.00
State Replacement Funds	\$ 3,419.00	\$ 3,419.00
Sales Tax & other	\$ 6,194.43	\$ 8,551.08
Grants & Matching	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Carry Over	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Forgone	\$ 2,831.00	\$ 2,000.00
Total	\$99,077.43	\$109,118.08
Expenditures		
Plant Operations	\$20,000.00	\$22,100.00
Library Supplies	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,200.00
Book Purchase	\$20,656.43	\$22,918.08
Insurance	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,700.00
Election/Legal	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Summer Reading/		
Story Time	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 3,800.00
Salaries	\$27,300.00	\$28,600.00
FICA	\$ 6,321.00	\$ 6,500.00
Literacy	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Contingency	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Computers		\$ 4,000.00
Total	\$109,118.08	\$99,077.43

Bond Repayment
October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020

Revenue	2018-2019	2019-2020
Property Tax	\$62,000.00	\$62,000.00
Expenditures		
Bond Repayment:		
Principal	\$40,076.56	\$41,729.71
Interest	\$17,583.44	\$15,930.29
Audit		\$ 4,000.00
Contingency	\$ 340.00	\$ 4,340.00

07/31/2019

Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jaime Shaffer 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 the Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED: this 10th day of July, 2019.

s:/Michael E. Duggan
Attorney for Personal Representative
07/17,24,31/2019

CASE NO. CV37-19-00042

In the Matter of the Estate of: MARION L. VANCE, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned 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 (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 20th day of February 2019.

Barbara L. Vance
Address: c/o Ahrens DeAngeli Law Group LLP, P.O. Box 9500, Boise, Idaho 83707-9500
Telephone: (208) 639-7799
s:/Barbara L. Vance
Personal Representative
07/24,31,8/7/2019

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (I.C. 15-3-801) IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

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associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by STEPHEN C. PERRAPATO, a Married Man, as his sole and separate property, Grantor, to Ryan M. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., recorded August 5, 2014, as Instrument No. 284508, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to the IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on May 8, 2019, as Instrument No. 299722, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT HE IS, OR IS NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated August 4, 2014, in the amount of \$732.00

each, for the months of October, 2017 through May, 2019, inclusive. All delinquent payments are now due, plus accumulated late charges, plus all escrow advances, plus any costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure. The accrued interest is at the rate of 3.75% per annum from September 1, 2017, and the Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$106,434.35, plus accrued interest at the rate of 3.75% per annum from September 1, 2017.

DATED this 9th day of July, 2019.

RYAN M. FAWCETT, a Member of
The Idaho State Bar,
SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE
07/17,24,31,08/07/2019

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (I.C. 15-3-801) IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
CASE NO. CV37-19-00235

In the Matter of the Estate of: RAYMOND P. SHAFFER,

Public notices

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE
CASE NO. CV-2017-1394
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF OWYHEE**

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, Plaintiff vs. BOYDR. EOFF (Deceased) and the Unknown Heirs, Assigns and Devisees of BOYD R. EOFF; BETTY R. EOFF (Deceased) and the Unknown Heirs, Assigns and Devisees of BETTY R. EOFF; JOANN FAYE EOFF; KELLY GENE EOFF; TAMRA SUE EOFF; CORAM DEO, LLC DBA CLEANUP AND TOTAL RESTORATION; ROBERT W. PAASCH; STATE OF IDAHO; DOES I THROUGH XX, AS INDIVIDUALS WITH AN INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY legally described as:

LOTS 11 AND 12 OF BLOCK 53 OF THE AMENDED TOWNSITE PLAT OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF FILED AUGUST 9, 1911 AS NO. 7284 ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.

Which may commonly be known as: 124 West Washington Avenue, Homedale, Idaho 83628.

Defendants.

Under and by virtue of a Second Order for Sale of Foreclosure executed on April 17, 2019 and entered with the Court on March 14, 2019 and Writ of Execution issued on July 1, 2019, out of and under the seal of the above-entitled Court on a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure recovered in said Court in the above-entitled action on March 16, 2018, in favor of the above-named Plaintiff, I am commanded and required to proceed to notice for sale to sell at public auction the real property described in said Order of Sale of Foreclosure and Writ of Execution and to apply the proceed of such sale to the satisfaction of said Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure with interest thereon and my fees and costs.

The property directed to be sold is situate in Owyhee County, State of Idaho, and is described as follows to wit:

LOTS 11 AND 12 OF BLOCK 53 OF THE AMENDED TOWNSITE PLAT OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING

TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF FILED AUGUST 9, 1911 AS NO. 7284 ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

The above-described property is commonly known as 124 West Washington Avenue, Homedale, ID 83628.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 22nd day of August, 2019, at the hour of 10:00 o’clock a.m. of said day, at Owyhee County Courthouse front entrance, 20381 State Highway 78 Murphy, ID 83650, County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, I will attend, offer and sell at public auction all or so much of the above-described property thus directed to be sold as may be necessary to raise sufficient funds to pay and satisfy the Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure as set out in said Order for Sale of Foreclosure to the highest bidder, for case or certified funds in lawful money. The time period for redemption of the above property is six (6) months from the date of sale herein.

The Sheriff, by a Certificate of Sale, will transfer right, title and interest of the judgment debtor in and to the property. The Sheriff will also give possession but does not guarantee clear title nor continue possessory right to the purchaser.

DATED this 18th day of June, 2019.

DEPUTY SHERIFF OF OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO
By: Luisa Basabe
7/24, 31, 8/7/2019

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE
Case No. CV37-18-00038
SHERIFF CASE NO.
NOTICE OF SALE**

Sale: July 25, Date of 2019 Time of Sale: 10:00 am. Place of Sale: Owyhee County Courthouse front entrance, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650

Under and by virtue of a Writ of Execution on Judgment of Foreclosure issued on May 20, 2019, and an Order of Sale of Foreclosure issued on May 16, 2019, out of the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the County of Owyhee in the case of: WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE OF STANWICH

MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST A, Plaintiff, v. RYSKAFARMS, LLC; LEROY V. RYSKA; BONNIER. RYSKA; ANTHONY P. RYSKA aka TONY RYSKA; IDAHO STATE TAX COMMISSION; AND DOES I THROUGH 20, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on the 25th day of July, 2019, at 10:00 o’clock am of said day, at Owyhee County Courthouse front entrance, 20381 State Highway 78 Murphy, ID 83650, I am commanded and required to proceed to notice for sale to sell at public auction the real property described in said Order for Sale of Foreclosure and Writ of Execution and to apply the proceeds of such sale to the satisfaction of said Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure with interest thereon and my fees and costs, all payable at time of sale to the highest bidder, for the following described property, situated in Owyhee County, Idaho: **9468 Jaca Lane, Givens Hot Springs, ID 83641** and legally described as follows:

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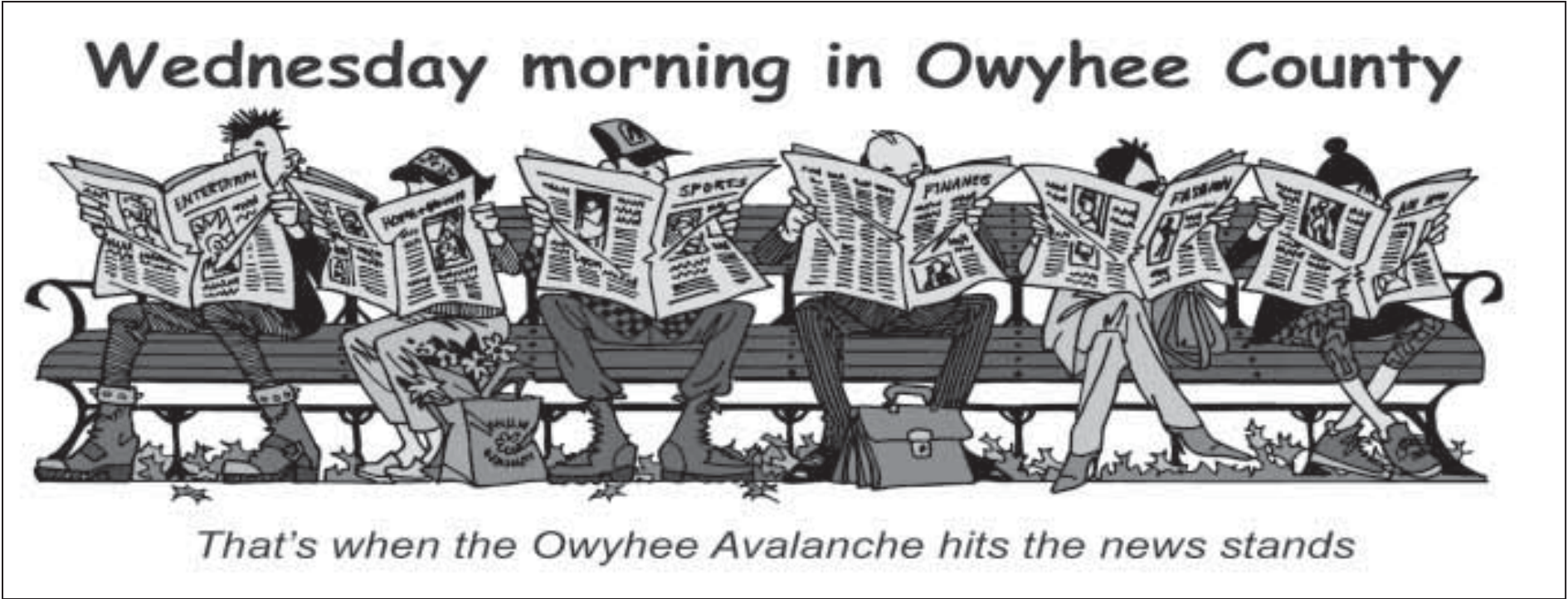
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An Alta Construction crew smooths the parking lot behind Marsing Elementary School on Monday, in preparation for paving set to begin today. Taylor's Corner outdoor classroom can be seen in the background.



Parking shifts for Percifield softball tourney in Marsing

Marsing's annual coed tourney celebrating brothers starts Friday

Matchups for the 39th annual Percifield Memorial Coed Softball Tournament will be announced today. The tournament will take place Friday through Sunday on fields at Marsing High School. The tournament is named for brothers Tim and Mike Percifield, who were known for their athletic ability and their love for the Marsing community. Five sets of games will be played Friday beginning at 6:30 p.m., and starting every 60 minutes. Action typically resumes at 8 a.m., on Saturday and Sunday with tournament

championships and other awards handed out Sunday afternoon. The championship games usually begin around 2 p.m., on Sunday. Brackets will be posted on the tournament's Facebook page, organizers said. Ongoing construction at the Marsing School District complex has created a change in the parking situation for players and spectators, organizers announced on the tournament's Facebook page. There will be no on-site parking this weekend because asphalt work is being carried out this week in the usual parking spots on school grounds. Tournament chair JW Chadez

said on the tournament's Facebook page that parking will be available in the parking lot at the Main Street gymnasium. There will be a drop-off area so teams can unload equipment before driving to the old gym parking lot. Uranga's Gang (a.k.a. Bear's Bombers) won its record sixth Upper Division championship last season. Weekend Warriors were the Middle Division champs, and Bell Key won the Family Division title. Each year, tournament organizers also recognize the tournament's top player with the Kim Panzeri Award, a stalwart volunteer with the Chris Salove Community Supporter Award, and another tournament booster with the JR Kent Tournament Supporter Award.



Chris Landa (third from left), the father of the tournament's namesake, congratulates Ryan Garrett (right), who earned the Conner Landa Award after playing for the Homedale Wolf Pack, which finished third in the D Division. Submitted photo



C Division women's MVP Mel Valenzuela (left) and a teammate pick up awards for AMF, which was divisional runner-up. Submitted photo



Tournament director Chris Hoshaw (foreground) congratulates GTS' Dan Romero on his team's A Division championship. Submitted photo

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Conner Landa Award — Ryan Garrett

A Division — 1. GTS; 2. All Around Sports; 3. Village Coffee
MVPs — Tony Salas, GTS; Allie Moschetti, All Around Sports
All-Tournament — Ashley Yamamoto, Taryn Weaver, and Christen Haisty, GTS; Jillian Howe and Tim Pemberton, All Around Sports; and Jim Bivens, Village Coffee



B Division — 1. FTP
MVP — Samantha Whitley, FTP
All-Tournament — Alex Huntington, and Eddie Rios, FTP

C Division — 1. K&T; 2. A.M.F; 3 Ballers
MVPs — Ashley Reno, K&T; and Mel Valenzuela, A.M.F.
All-Tournament — Kalani Hawaii, Michael Dyer, and Danyelle Garrison, K&T; Nella Redmond, and J.R. Castro, A.M.F.; and Sydney Gomez, Ballers

D Division — 1. SRC; 2. Brett Shanley; 3. Homedale Wolf Pack
MVPs — Dave Drake, SRC; and Sophie Nash, Brett Shanley
All-Tournament — Audrey D-Orazio, Lori Badiola, and Shirley Drake, SRC; Jake Deal, and Trevor Krzesnik, Brett Shanley; and Ryan Garrett, Homedale Wolf Pack



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9:30 a.m. — Business meeting

Pledge

Membership bit drawing

Introductions

Brian Sheldon, Mtn. States Legal Foundation

Assisting public lands permittees
to maintain grazing rights

Break

Deck o' cards raffle

Cade Brackett, Marsing FFA

State championship speech

Wade Prescott

Rock Creek Ranch manager

OCA Beef Heifer Replacement Program

Noon — Potluck lunch

Cody Burlile

State brand inspector

Reports and updates

John Ruhs, BLM state director

Marty Gill, Idaho Cattle Association president

Lorna Steiner, OCA president

Josh Uriarte, Sage-grouse RMP update

Break

Deck o' cards raffle

Political updates

Dirk Mendive for Congressman Russ Fulcher

Megan Blanksma, Dist. 23B state representative

Honorary Life Member

Eric Davis, Bruneau

Resolutions

New Business

Election of Directors

Passing of the gavel to new OCA president Paul Nettleton

5 p.m. — Social hour

6 p.m. — Dinner by Cross Country Catering

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

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141ST SUMMER MEETING

BLM state director to address ranchers



John Ruhs (left) has already visited Owyhee County to learn about local range issues.

Public lands issues likely will take center stage Saturday during the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association annual summer meeting.

Ranchers will hear how to get legal assistance in maintaining their grazing rights through Bureau of Land Management public lands permits in one of the first presentations Saturday inside the historic Silver City Schoolhouse.

The 141st annual meeting starts at 9 a.m. with registration, followed by the opening of the business meeting a half-hour later.

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INCOMING PRESIDENT



Thirty years after first serving on the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association board of directors, fifth-generation rancher Paul Nettleton has risen through the ranks and will become the new board president near the end of Saturday's meeting in Silver City. Submitted photo

Nettleton ready for monumental summer

Two-term board member finally ascends to podium

Paul Nettleton has never been known to back down from a fight, and he's always up for a challenge.

But, in the span of three weeks, the 69-year-old fourth-generation Owyhee County rancher will have bitten off quite a bit.

First, he's about to step into the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association presidency during Saturday's summer meeting in Silver City.

Then, on Aug. 18 back at the

historic mining town, Nettleton is going to get hitched, marrying fiancée Tracy after a courtship of more than a year and a half.

While casual observers may think taking on both tasks around retirement age is a bit insane, Nettleton's background puts him in the perfect position to juggle the titles of president and newlywed.

Even if he tongue-in-cheek blames the woman he's marrying for getting him in the predicament of the presidency in the first place.

"She swears up and down she didn't talk me into it," Nettleton said. "I kind of thought at the time, she said 'You can do that,' so I said

'OK. I'll go ahead.'"

Nettleton was on the cusp of the presidency more than 30 years ago during his first stint as a director between 1984 and 1987.

But, saying "I'm swamped now. I got four little kids. I'm into too dang many things," he asked to be considered for the top post later.

"It was either me or Frank Bachman in those days," he said. "I said, 'Frank you take it, and I'd appreciate it if you guys would give me about 10 years, and I'd be glad to go back on and go on as president.'

"Well here it is almost 40 years."

— See *Nettleton*, Page 18B

OUTGOING PRESIDENT

Steiner foresees improved relations with feds

Relations between the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association and the Bureau of Land Management have been at the forefront of the minds and conversations of OCA members for a long time.

Outgoing OCA president Lorna Steiner feels those relations may be on the upswing as she prepares to hand the gavel to Paul Nettleton on Saturday.

The Oreana rancher has had the opportunity to meet recently appointed BLM state director John Ruhs on a few occasions and feels confident in his willingness and desire to better the situation.

"He was very straight-forward about things taking time to happen," Steiner said. "We feel he's reasonable and that when we're talking, he's listening."

She said he seems to be the right man for the job.

"He seems to want to do things for the betterment of everyone," she said. "When you look back at his history, he's been involved with a lot of different things, and he has a lot of knowledge."

"When you get down to the core of the man, I think he is also kind of



Lorna Steiner wraps up her year at the helm on Saturday. She is the first woman to serve as Owyhee Cattlemen's Association board president.

a cowboy at heart."

Steiner said that she thinks ranchers' season-of-use issues are an important topic that will be addressed by the new director. As it stands, ranchers are forced to graze their cattle in lower elevations, earlier in the year, typically when it is dry and there is less grass.

During her tenure as president, the association chose to be involved in the Idaho Rangeland Conservation Partnership, coordinated by Reynolds Creek rancher Brenda Richards. People involved in this organization include ranchers, outdoorsmen, conservationists, state government agencies, the BLM, and more.

"It's a group of different individuals that want to maintain the range in good condition for everyone to enjoy," she said. "We felt like we

should have a seat at the table, for good or bad."

Steiner, the first woman to head up the OCA in its 140-year history, admits that the cattlemen's involvement, as a united association, is still a work in progress.

"Other than going to the two-day meeting in Boise, and meeting the people and bouncing ideas back and forth, it was just kind of an initial meeting, getting together and talking about what it means to all of us," she said.

Many of the ranchers had concerns about getting involved with the organization.

"They were afraid that it would mean that an agency could come in and tell us what to do with our

— See *Steiner*, Page 30B

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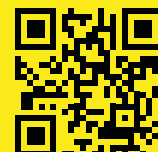
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Eric Davis, the son of Gene, who passed away in 2009, will see a lifetime of service to the community of Bruneau and Owyhee County culminate in a special recognition Saturday in Silver City.

Eric is this year's recipient of the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association Life Member Award, which he will receive during the OCA's summer meeting.

He served as the association's president in 1986 and has been involved with an assortment of other organizations vital to cattlemen. He served as the president of the Idaho Cattlemen's Association in 1988 and was National Cattlemen's Beef Association president in 2003.

He said that a hot topic during his time in leadership roles included the early stages of the Bureau of Land Management's Environmental Impact Statement process.

He also believes that the relations with the BLM were a lot better in those days.

"Things got a lot tougher," he said.

Eric has been a cattleman his entire life.

His father, who served as OCA president in 1957, and uncle formed a partnership — the Perle Davis Co. — in 1950. In 1959, the brothers merged their outfit with William I. Turner and Sons to form the Bruneau Cattle Co.

After Gene passed away in 2009, followed soon after by Don (OCA president in 1966), in 2010, the family decided to sell the company.



Known for his wit and his smile, Bruneau rancher Eric Davis will be honored for his leadership during Saturday's summer meeting.

The sale was final in 2011.

When Eric graduated from Bruneau High School in 1971, he moved to Moscow for four years to attend college. He earned a bachelor's degree in Animal Science.

He was married to Pam for 30 years and the two had a son, Jeremy Mink, and a daughter, Erica Davis. Jeremy is married to Kate and has two sons, Dray and Drew.

Eric said that he believes he became an OCA member in 1967 but has been around the association his whole life.

"My father was active in the OCA at that time," he said. "We never missed the Silver City meetings growing up, and I made a lot of

lifelong friends in the community and the county that I maybe wouldn't have made otherwise."

He said that he hasn't been to the summer meetings in several years, but he will visit Silver City to receive the Life Member Award.

"I try to make it to the winter meetings in Oreana," Eric said. "I try to keep my mouth shut, but I always have a hard time doing that."

"Sometimes it's better that I stay away. I had my turn."

He made it clear that although he's not actively involved with the OCA, he's available for support when the current leadership asks.

— See *Davis*, Page 16B

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OCA LEADERSHIP



The 2018-19 Owyhee Cattlemen's Association board of directors includes (from left) Jerry Wroten, Kenny Sevy, Steve Boren, Lynn Bachman, Paul Nettleton, Lorna Steiner, Josh Bruce, Scott Bunderson and Oscar Evans.

2018-19 board of directors

Lorna Steiner

Position: President

Age: 58

Occupation: Rancher

Family: Husband, Johnny (37 years), sons JR (31; wife, Sammie) and Jake (29; wife, Ashley)

Residence: Oreana

OCA membership: Seven years (Johnny was a member previously) Joined board in 2014

Background: The 39-year Owyhee County resident will become OCA's first female president at the end of Saturday's meeting. ... Second female director in OCA history. ... On why she joined the board: "I felt I should



Lorna Steiner

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

Paul Nettleton

Position: Vice-president

Age: 69

Occupation: Cattleman

Family: Engaged to Tracy. Four grown children (three daughters, one son)

Residence: Silver City (Murphy)

OCA membership: Lifelong

Joined board in 2015

Background: A lifelong OCA



Paul Nettleton

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

Lynn Bachman

Position: Past president

Age: 36

Occupation: Rancher

Family: Wife, Tiffany (14 years); Children: Elsie, 12, Jacob, 10, and Lillie, 5

Residence: Bruneau

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OCA LEADERSHIP

Cattlemen's board of directors

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OCA membership: Lifelong

Joined board in 2012

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



Lynn Bachman

Steve Boren

Position: Director

Age: 45

Occupation: Rancher

Family: Wife, Mandi (9 years); Children: Tyson, 16; Ella, 13; Loyd, 11; Eli, 8; Robert, 4; Zach, 2

Residence: Oreana



OCA membership: Steve Boren
Six years

Joined board in 2016

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

Josh Bruce

Position: Director

Age: 37

Occupation: Rancher

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

Residence: Jordan Valley

OCA membership: Six years

Joined board in 2016

Background: Lifelong Owyhee County resident.



Josh Bruce

Scott Bunderson

Position: Director

Age: 47

Occupation: Tax accountant, rancher

Family: Debbie Bennett (fiancée)

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

OCA membership: Scott Bunderson
15-plus years

Joined board in 2015

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



Kenny Sevy

Position: Director

Age: 58

Occupation: Dairyman, rancher

Family: Wife, Sarah (36 years); 6 sons, 5 daughters

Residence: Lifelong resident of Opaline area

OCA membership: 11 years

Joined board in 2016

Background: Sevy is the first member of his family to serve on the OCA board ... He decided to join the board because "I think it's a



Kenny Sevy

pretty good organization. I think it's a worthwhile cause."

Jerry Wroten

Position: Director

Age: 30

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

Family: Wife, Hanna (5 years)

Residence: Wilder, Jordan Valley

OCA membership: Eight years

Joined board in 2017

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



Oscar Evans

Position: Director

Age: 52

Occupation: Realtor and cow/calf producer

Family: Wife, Clara-Leigh (22 years), children Addie (18), Ainslee (16) and Garrett (14)

Residence: Homedale, 9 years

OCA membership: Eight years

Joined board in 2018

Background: Joined board to promote cattle industry and "help fight battles that are integral to our ranchers and local communities." ... Also sits on Owyhee County Farm Bureau board.



Oscar Evans

HISTORY OF LEADERSHIP



Murphy's Ernie Bahem (left) was elected Owyhee Cattlemen's Association president and Dick Bass of Reynolds Creek vice-president during the 91st summer meeting on July 26, 1969 in Silver City.

Past Presidents

Owyhee Cattle and Horse Growers Association

(no list available prior to 1935)	1973	Bob Collett	1997	Peter Jackson Jr.
	1974	Pete Jackson	1998	Chris Black
1935-41 Frank Gusman	1975	Bill Ross	1999	Richard Brandau
1942-47 Lynn Bachman	1976	Don McKay	2000	George Bennett
1948-50 Milford Vaught	1977	George Earll	2001	Martin Jaca
1951-52 Earl Bachman	1978	Ted Cossel	2002	Kenny Tindall
1953-54 Dick Gabica	1979	Ray Colyer	2003	Charlie Lyons
1955-56 Jim Nettleton	1980	Frank Davis	2004	Tony Richards
1957 Gene Davis	1981	Ted Gammett	2005	Brian Collett
1958 Frank Maher	1982	Gene Tindall	2006	Brad Huff
1959 Ed Riddle	1983	Elias Jaca	2007	Russ Turner
1960 Alvin Benson	1984	Rand Collins	2008	Dana Rutan
1961 Frank Baltzor	1985	Forest Fretwell	2009	Bodie Clapier
1962 Arsen Alzola	1986	Eric Davis	2010	Doug Rutan
1963 John Malmberg	1987	Craig Malmberg	2011	Mark Frisbie
1964 Walt Morgan	1988	Dave Tindall	2012	Matt Tindall
1965 Walt Yarbrough	1989	Frank Bachman	2013	Bill White
1966 Don Davis	1990	Vern Kershner	2014	Kenny Kershner
1967 Lee Stanford	1991	Tim Lowry	2015	Ken Bahem
1968 Bill Tindall	1992	Bill McBride	2016	Daniel Richards
1969 John Tyson	1993	Ted S. Blackstock	2017	Chad Nettleton
1970 Ernie Bahem	1994	Ted Hoffman	2018	Lynn Bachman
1971 Dick Bass	1995	Jerry Hoagland		
1972 Ben Panzeri	1996	Michael F. Hanley IV		

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OCA LEGACY

Old Timers Awards and Honorary Life Members

Prior to 1968

Emmett Fry
Ralph Sampson

1968 Ralph Stanford
Norman MacKenzie

1969 Henry Hatton
Albert Harley

1970 Jonas Bass
Kirby Forman
Earl Bachmann
Hugh Nettleton

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

1972 Ray Pershall
Al Mackey

1973 Walt Adams

1974 No one chosen

1975 Marion Wroten

1976 Elmer C. Johnston

1977 Perle Davis

1978 Marvin Jess
Joe Nettleton

Albert Black
Frank Baltzor
Adam Blackstock

1979 No one chosen

1980 Lee Stanford

Ed Muller

1981 Cliff Feltwell
Everett Townsend

1982 Joe Turner
Grant Strickland
Cliff McMahan

1983 Dick Gabica
Albert Harley
Paul Black
Bob Gluch

1984 Walt Yarbrough
Noy Brackett
Johnny Miller

Jim Alzoa

1985 Bill Maher
Art Bahem



Vern Kershner (left) presents a check from the Jordan Valley Rodeo Association to then-OCA president Mark Frisbee during the 2010 winter meeting in Oreana. Kershner and his wife, Bonnie, were named Honorary Life Members in 2015.

1985 Emeline Nettleton
Rollie Patrick
Dick Benham
George Johnstone
Henry Brandau

1986 Al Curtis
Jay Thompson
Clayton Turner
Bill Tindall

1987 Harold Markley
Curley Heath
Willie Panzeri
Bob Harris

1988 Frank Maher
Owen Barton

1988 Fostino Alzola

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

Bill Swan
Chuck and Frankie Dougal
Gertrude Anderson
Gusty Elordi*

1991 Chet Tindall
Bill Tindall
Ruby Staples

1992 Roy Hoagland

1993 Ted Cossel
John Malmberg

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OCA LEGACY

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

2013 Pete and Nancy Jackson
 2014 No one chosen
 2015 John Biar
 Vern and Bonnie Kershner
 Tim Nettleton
 John Richard
 2016 George and Donna Bennett
 Gary Penny
 Neil Rimbey
 2017 Mike Hanley
 2018 Terry and Rosemary Warn

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"I told them that I support them, and if they need my advice, I'll give it," he said, adding his trademark wit. "That advice is free of charge, and it might be overpriced."

He feels that being the OCA president was an important part of his life.

"I built relationships that have lasted all through my life," he said. "There's no price you can put on that."

It was past president Lynn Bachman who informed Eric that he was being acknowledged as a Life Member.

Always showing his sense of humor, Davis responded, "I told him I wasn't old enough."

"I greatly appreciate it. It's a great honor."

— TK



Eric Davis makes a point while addressing the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association membership meeting during his tenure as board president in 1986.



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INCOMING PRESIDENT

Nettleton: Family has a legacy of leadership

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Nettleton has been through a lot in the time since he was last on the board that would probably leave most men jaded.

"I'm pretty much the same guy and pretty much got the same fire in my belly for projects and fighting whatever we need to fight as an organization," Nettleton said.

"I'd like to think I mellowed a little bit, but if I see something that isn't right I still get fired up and I'm ready to tackle it. ... Including marriage."

But even as he and Tim Lowry beat the federal government in a monumental stock water rights case and then fought to get the court decision codified and still waits for what most state leaders agree is just reimbursement for legal fees, Nettleton kept his perspective and continued to guide Joyce Ranch.

Nettleton's great-grandfather Matthew Joyce, a charter member of the OCA in 1878, established the ranch in the 19th century.

Serving the OCA is in Nettleton's blood. His uncle Jim Nettleton was board president in 1955-56, his father Hugh served as treasurer in the 1930s, and his son Chad was OCA president in 2017.

"I'm probably the first and only guy that ever succeeded (his) son as president," Paul Nettleton said.

Great uncle Jim Joyce and uncle Joe Nettleton also served on the OCA board of directors.

Paul Nettleton has been attending OCA meetings for decades, and while he knows there are the same battles that face the industry now as when his ancestors were governing the association, he wants to reinstate one element of meetings that has dissipated over the years.

"Back in the '80s when I was on the last time when we got speakers for our convention we'd have a senator, a governor, or the Secretary of the Interior. We'd have some big shots," Nettleton said.

"We don't seem to have quite that

prestige anymore, and I'd like to bring it back to that if we could."

Nettleton does see the planned visit by new Idaho BLM state director John Ruhs as a step toward that goal.

"It's a step up definitely from in the past. I'm thinking it may usher in a new era of good will with BLM," Nettleton said.

"I've seen several things that makes me feel like things might get better there. I've felt that way before several times in my life and things got worse again. I'm cautiously optimistic."

—JPB



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HEIFER REPLACEMENT

Young ranchers continue to build herds

Four more heifers to be awarded Saturday

The Owyhee Cattlemen's Association plan to perpetuate the cattle industry is back on track.

As part of the OCA's heifer replacement program, three Owyhee County youth will give reports after their first year of raising heifers during Saturday's summer meeting in Silver City.

Four other youths will receive heifers to start their journey of raising an animal then showing at the Owyhee County Fair.

There are no cow-calf pairs in the OCA program right now, but Emma Eldridge, Mitchell Erwin and Fallon Wasson will present reports their yearling reports and talk about preparing to breed the heifer.

A Bruneau resident, Eldridge is raising a heifer donated by John and Lorna Steiner.

Eldridge is the daughter of Erin and Eric Eldridge.

Erwin's heifer was supplied by

Lynn and Tiffany Bachman. Erwin is the son of Bruneau residents Russell and Deidre Erwin.

Wasson's animal was provided by Matt and Lisa Tindall. Wasson's parents are Rebecca and Jeff Wasson of Marsing.

The four youths entering the first year of the program Saturday include Marsing's Tyler Thompson, and Josie and Gene Showalter. Homedale girl Jacqueline Montgomery also has been accepted into the program.

OCA secretary Scott Jensen said the four youths will find out who their rancher benefactors are shortly before the weekend's meeting.

Ranchers have been helping Owyhee County boys and girls start their fair projects – and hopefully commercial herds – since 2009.

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

In their reports, the participants

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

Eligible youth must be in fifth through 10th grade at the time of their application. They also must be members of a 4-H club or an FFA chapter in Owyhee County. Application deadlines are each June 1.

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

The participants in the program raise and care for their animals and show them at the Owyhee County Fair for two summers — first as a yearling and then as a cow/calf pair.

The OCA also encourages youth to raise stock by sponsoring competition at the fair each year. The Owyhee County beef show takes place at 8 a.m., on Thursday, Aug. 8.

Competitions include the top cow/calf pair and the top bred heifer.

The association also sponsors steers for a special contest. A belt buckle and trophy go to the youth who raises the top steer, and the sponsoring OCA member receives a plaque.

According to the 2019 fair book, this year's OCA-sponsored steers will be shown by Elsie Bachman (Lynn and Tiffany Bachman, sponsors), Elias Jaca (Susan Jaca), Matea Jaca (Martin Jaca), Makenzie Magers (Colyer Herefords), Colton and Jacqueline Montgomery (Blackstock Ranch), and Piper Colyer (Colyer Herefords).

— JPB



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History of heifer replacement program

2018-19 — Emma Eldridge, Bruneau (John and Lorna Steiner); Mitchell Erwin (Lynn and Tiffany Bachman); Fallon Wasson (Matt and Lisa Tindall)

2017-18 — No applications received

2016-17 — Mitchell Erwin, Bruneau (Joyce Livestock); Chloe Heitz, Marsing (Doug Rutan); Zane Helm, Melba (David Rutan); Lauren Jensen, Marsing (Dan Mori); Gabe Shaffer, Homedale (Ed Olson)

2015-16 — Baylee Davis, Jordan Valley (Mike and Jeanne Stanford); Brody Gaertner, Marsing (Kenny and Teresa Kershner); and Seth Gaertner, Marsing (Morgan Ranches)

2014-15 — Taylor Ann Fisher-Thomas, Marsing (Justin

Christensen); and Jaiden Vincent, Wilder (Bill and Bev White)

2013-14 — Michael Babcock, Homedale (Dan Mori); Cheyenne Davis, Jordan Valley (Ted and Mary Blackstock); TJ Davis, Jordan Valley (Chad Hensley); Devin Edmiston, Melba (Gene and Ruth Clapier); and Lauren Jensen, Marsing (Morgan Ranches)

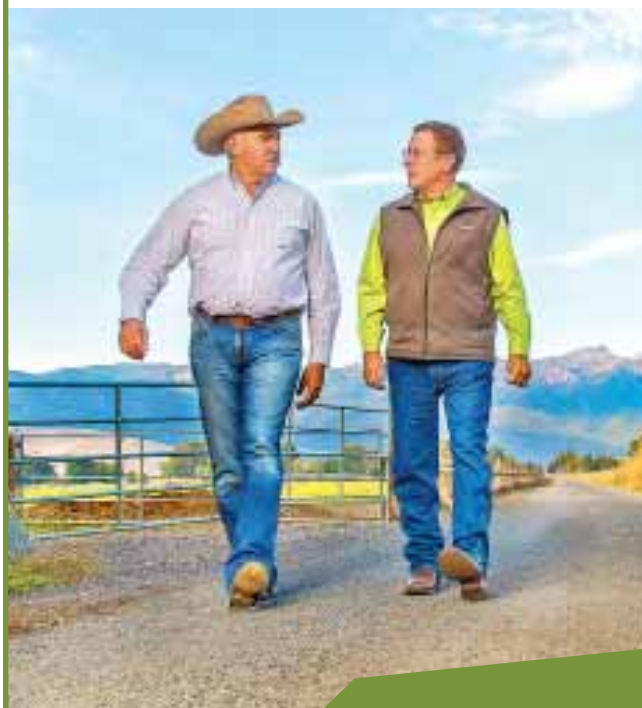
2012-13 — Cheyenne Davis, Jordan Valley (Wintercamp Ranch Trust, Don Barnhill); Jaycee Engle, Melba (Chad Hensley); Bo Pickett, Caldwell (C Lazy 2 Ranch, Ruth and Gene Clapier); Caleb Smith, Caldwell (Ted and Mary Blackstock); Taylor Ann Thomas-Fisher, Marsing (Justin Christensen); Jaiden Vincent, Wilder (Bill and Bev White); and Jordyn Vincent,

Wilder (Steve Yarbrough)

2011-12 — Cheyenne Davis, Jordan Valley (Tanna Gilbert); Lyndsey Salutregui, Homedale (Matt and Lisa Tindall); Suzi Stirm, Melba (Dan Mori)

2010-11 — Wesley Grim, Marsing (Joyce Livestock — Paul Nettleton); Lorenzo Lankow, Marsing (Brian and Chris Collett); Zachery Tindall, Bruneau (06 Livestock)

2009-10 — Tom Nelson, Jordan Valley (Bodie Clapier); Dalton Penrod, Marsing (David Rutan); Brittany Roberts, Melba (Doug Burgess); Adrianna Salutregui, Homedale (Dan Mori); Suzi Stirm, Melba (Vern Kershner); Evon Timmons, Marsing (Sierra del Rio, Craig Baker); Samantha Woods, Homedale (Doug Rutan)



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Dick Bass

November 16, 1933 to January 30, 2019

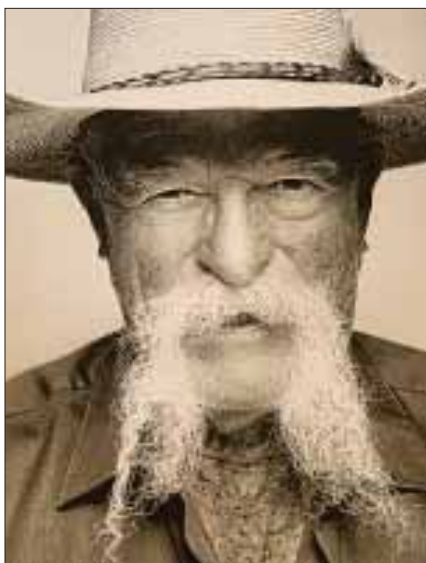
Longtime Owyhee County Commissioner and board chair Harry Richard "Dick" Bass, the 1971 Owyhee Cattlemen's Association president, died on Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2019. He was 85.

Dick was born on Nov. 16, 1933 in Caldwell to Jonas and Launa Bass. He had one sister, JoAnn, born after him. After graduating from Nampa High School, he was stationed in Germany with the U.S. Army.

Dick was a true patriot in every sense of the word and served his country with pride up until his last day. He instilled this in his family on a regular basis, one of which was by supplying "Old Glory" to them and properly retiring those he replaced.

On Oct. 15, 1965, he married Karen Owen and her three boys, Mike, Jim and Bob. They made their lives together ranching in Reynolds Creek on the ZX Ranch.

Dick was a true western cowboy and steward of the land who endlessly championed and fought



for the ranching industry and way of life.

"Good Ole Dick Bass" was one heck of a Cowboy, in every sense of the word. He was out riding "Girly" right up until two days before his passing. He wore many more hats during his life, including 18 years serving as Commissioner of Owyhee County, eight of those years

as Chairman. Dick and Karen were lifetime members of the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association.

He was a proud member of the Nampa Elks Lodge No. 1389. He could be found there almost on a daily basis lending support and a helping hand.

Dick had a passion for his community and showed that in many ways; one of those was picking up trash along the roadside and on horseback out on the trails. He appreciated the encouraging honking horns as people passed by.

After retiring from ranching, he and Karen moved to Homedale and then to Nampa.

He was an avid Owyhee County history buff. He and his horse, "Girly," spent many hours exploring the trails together and often with fellow riders. The last few years he was intrigued with the Oregon Trail, taking his horse on all day rides by himself; finding old graves and artifacts.

Mary Blackstock

January 21, 1961 to February 22, 2019

Mary Lynn Murkowski Blackstock of Givens Springs passed away unexpectedly February 22, 2019.

She was born to Tom and Fran Murkowski on Jan. 21, 1961 in Port Angeles, Wash.. Growing up in Quilcene, Wash., Mary was involved in 4-H and raising registered Angus Cattle. After high school, she worked showing cattle professionally all over the United States and Canada. She was clipping cattle for Foote Acres Angus when she met the love of her life Ted S Blackstock, and they were married June 14, 1986. They had two children Tyler and Katelyn and made their home on the Blackstock Ranch.

Besides her family, Mary's passion was her community. Mary was a firm believer in helping others and demonstrated it in so many ways.

Mary was a Wilson Butte 4-H leader for more than 34 years. She mentored many kids and parents to do their best and help others along the way. Kids' lives and futures were formed at the kitchen table, barn, and ranch of Mary Blackstock. Mary knew a secret about raising good kids and saw to it that the older kids helped the younger ones. Mary's mission was to teach and grow kids into productive, community-minded,

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IN MEMORIAM

Mary Blackstock

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patriotic Americans — who do not make excuses — they make things happen. Mary received the Owyhee County 4-H Distinguished Service Award in 2010.

Mary was a member of the Owyhee Cattleman's Association, Owyhee County Farm Bureau Women's Chair, Owyhee Rangeland Firefighter, Owyhee County Fair Board, and

Beef Superintendent. Mary was also a coach for Marsing basketball teams and always reminded her players to, "Remember — make wise choices, wear your seat belt and act like a lady." (yes, even the boys).

She was passionate about ranching and loved to take pictures to promote and document the western lifestyle. Her photographs can be found in local restaurants, magazines, and the pencil drawings of Dick Jenkins. Mary loved to cook and worked at

the Job Corps and Marsing School Cafeteria for many years. She carried her love of cooking, planning, and entertaining, organizing the best BBQs, brandings, camping trips, trail rides, barn parties and family picnics. And after all that, she would still be up for a game of pool.

Mary loved Owyhee County and the Blackstock Ranch. In recent years she realized two dreams: making the ranch a wedding venue and putting up the Blackstock Ranch entrance sign.

Bonnie Colyer

February 19, 1926 to February 1, 2019

Bonnie Catherine (Black) Colyer, 92, of Bruneau, passed away peacefully from natural causes on Feb. 1, 2019. She was at home and surrounded by her loving family.

Bonnie Black was born on Feb. 19, 1926 in Mountain Home, to Errol & Anna Black. Bonnie was the great-granddaughter of early Bruneau pioneers, who settled in the valley in 1876. She grew up on the family ranch in Bruneau with her brothers, John & Jim Black. She graduated in 1944 from Bruneau High School. After graduation, she worked at the Jones Store in Bruneau and soon after, a handsome young cowboy from Three Creek named Ray Colyer stole her heart. Much to her father's chagrin, she eloped with Ray to Elko, Nev., as they desperately wanted to get married before Ray was shipped to Japan during World War II. Bonnie and Ray were married on June 25, 1945.

After the war ended, Ray returned home at the end of 1946. During that time, they lived at House Creek, near Three Creek, while Ray was working for the Hawes family. In September 1947, their daughter, Catherine Rae was born. In 1949, they moved back



to Bruneau and began ranching with Bonnie's family. They added a son, James Guy, in 1950. Through years of hard work and dedication, Colyer Cattle Co., was created and became the foundation of the ranch that grew and evolved into what it is today. She looked forward each year to visiting with everyone at their annual bull & heifer sales. Bonnie remained on the ranch in Bruneau for her entire life.

Bonnie was a member of the

Rebekah Lodge, a lifetime member of the Bruneau American Legion Auxiliary, serving as secretary for many years. She was chairman of the Bruneau-Grand View School District Board during the time the elementary schools were built. She also served as secretary of the Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch Co., for many years. In 2013, Bonnie was honored to be the grand marshal of the Bruneau Rodeo.

In her spare time, she enjoyed sewing satin pillowcases and cowboy scarves for family and friends. She was a talented seamstress and had made everything from prom dresses to leather chaps. One of Bonnie's favorite pastimes was gambling, and she was always up for a trip to Jackpot, Elko, or Reno. Most often, she returned home "a winner."

One of Bonnie's greatest accomplishments was writing her autobiography titled "Shoo-Fly & Alkali," which was published in 2013. She had kept a journal for over 70 years, so she had plenty of information to draw from. Over the last five years, Bonnie enjoyed doing book signings, and had personally signed over a thousand books.

IN MEMORIAM

Ray Colyer

September 15, 1924 to June 10, 2019

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. 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 Jan. 27, 1945 and was sent to Camp Roberts, Calif., 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. 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. In 1952, 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. 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 No. 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 OCA-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 grand marshal of the Bruneau Rodeo.

George Earll

October 5, 1932 to June 13, 2018

George Earll, the OCA president in 1977, lost a battle with leukemia on Thursday, June 13, 2018. He died with his wife of 61 years, Pat, by his side.

George was born in Provo, Utah, to Hawley and Melva Earll. He was the third of three children.

When he was 9, the family moved to Suisun, Calif., and he graduated high school in Fairfield, Calif.

After being drafted into the Army and training at Fort Ord, Calif., George served in Korea.

In 1956, he married Pat Cerida in Reno, Nev. They would raise two children — William and Tamara.

George was a school board trustee until 1968 when he moved to Idaho to ranch. He raised Angus cattle and was named Grassman of the Year in 1974.

He also served on the Owyhee

Conservation District board and was an OCA board member prior to becoming president.

He was 35-year member of the Elks Lodge.

George moved to Nampa when he retired in 1991.

Retirement included enjoying his jet boat on the Payette and Snake rivers. He fished in Canada for several years, too.

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IN MEMORIAM

Wendell Hyer

December 24, 1925 to May 20, 2019

Wendell L Hyer of Homedale, ID passed away May 20, 2019, peacefully at home. In his last years, Wendell was lovingly surrounded by his family members. Wendell was born on Dec. 24, 1925 at Lewiston, Utah to his parents Ira and Valeria Hyer. He grew up with brothers and sisters, Lydia, Rosalie, Ira Lu, Larry, Pug (Andrew) and Annette. They spent their childhood on a farm in Lewiston, surrounded by a multitude of cousins, aunts and uncles.

Wendell graduated from North Cache High School where he excelled in both football and wrestling. It is also where he met the love of his life and eternal companion (Constance C. Christoffersen). Shortly after graduation, his plans for college where



changed when he was drafted into the infantry. Wendell served in the Combat Infantry 148 Division in the Philippines. Wendell received four Bronze Stars and was awarded the Purple Heart but declined it.

Wendell was released on Aug. 12, 1946 and married Constance on Aug. 28, 1946 in the Salt Lake City Temple. He farmed with his father in Lewiston, Utah where their family was blessed

with the birth of Wendy (Chertudi) and Cindy (Morgan). In 1949 his father and him took a trip north looking for a farm, and they settled on a place in Homedale.

The family was gifted with three more children, Michael, Stanley George, and Stephenie. Wendell worked hard on his farm and started a dairy where he milked cows until he was 72 years old.

Wendell was a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and his faith was strong. He was always community-minded and loved people and working with them. He served on the F.H.A board, Soil Conservation Board, Fire and Ambulance Board (33 years) and Owyhee County Rodeo Board (48 years).



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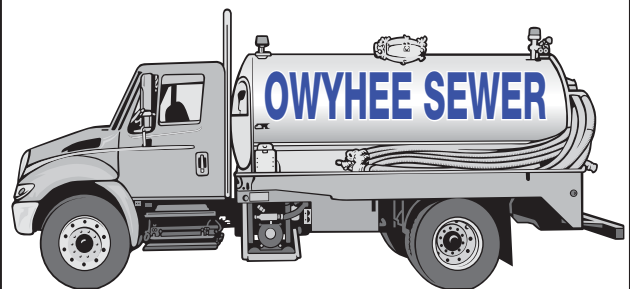


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Raymond Jayo

1956 to February 26, 2019

Raymond Neal Jayo entered into rest Tuesday, February 26, 2019, in Grand View.

Raymond went by many names,

Papa Raymond, Ramón, but the name most known by all was friend. He was known and loved by all who encountered him.

His whole life was spent in the saddle as a buckaroo across the Great Basin. His skills as a buckaroo and horseman were unmatched. Raymond's immediate family for most of his life were his horses and dogs. He had a great gift of teaching. Raymond loved to help young cowboys and turn them into well-known hands. He was well known to show up in the middle of a wreck and it just smoothed out by him being there. Raymond was a true artist with a rope, and many enjoyed watching his skills. Raymond was always the first one to help anyone in need, his heart was so big and full of life and love for all he crossed paths with. If he had money, everybody had money, Raymond would go without to give to a friend in need.



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IN MEMORIAM

Ken Tindall

February 18, 1953 to December 13, 2018

Kenneth ("KT") Erwin Tindall, age 65, passed away on Dec. 13, 2018 at the family ranch in Grasmere. Ken was born on Feb. 18, 1953 in Boise. He was the fourth child of William I and Margaret Tindall. Ken attended schools in Bruneau and Owyhee, Nev., but always maintained that the ranch in Grasmere was "home". He also attended the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

On March 17, 1982 he married Donna Brown in Mountain City, Nev. Ken and Donna enjoyed their years on the ranch working, riding, trapping, and hunting. Ken and Donna later di-

vorced but remained friends. Their daughter Kathrine "Katie" Jane was born in 1982. She was joined by her sister Eliza LeeAnn in 1987.

Ken was involved in many Owyhee County organizations. He was a member of the Owyhee County



Posse beginning in the early 1990s. He was a member of the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association, serving as president in 2002. He was also a member of the Owyhee County Fair Board for many years and was vice-chairman at the time of his death. The week at the Fair in August was always the highlight of his summer. Ken was also involved in the Head Start Program for several years.

Ken was a "happy-go-lucky" friendly kind of guy. He always had a smile on his face, time to visit with a friend, or share a story about his life experiences with a group of strangers.

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IN MEMORIAM

Lawrence Kent

December 14, 1933 to April 8, 2019

Born in Nampa, Lawrence Guheen Kent was the only child of Tina and Ira (I.G.) Kent. As a kid, Lawrence worked on the family farm in Meridian, went fishing, rode horses and bikes, and ice-skated. He loved showing steers in 4-H. In high school, he was a boxer, a member of the Honor Society, an Eagle Scout.

He married Ellen Marks on Dec. 26, 1952, at the Meridian LDS church. In 1953, they both graduated (Ellen from Meridian High, and Lawrence from Boise Junior College), and they moved to Homedale, where they lived out nearly all of their 65 years together.

They leased Sage Creek Ranch, south of Homedale where they farmed



and raised cattle. Three daughters were born during their years on Sage Creek. Lawrence held positions in the LDS church, and became the leader of the Sage Creek 4-H Club. He was active on the boards of several seed grower associations and was an Owyhee Cattlemen's Association

member. There were years when more than a third of the steers at the Owyhee County Fair were from the Kents' herd, including several grand champions. Lawrence was chosen Homedale-area "Farmer of the Year" in 1963.

In 1968, the Kents moved to, and eventually bought, their farm on Highway 19, west of Homedale, and continued to raise increasing numbers of Angus. A son and another daughter joined the family. Lawrence became well-known as an employer of Homedale kids and was humbled by the help from neighbors.

After Ellen retired, they spent several happy years on their small plot of land.

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141ST SUMMER MEETING

☞ Ranchers: Protecting grazing rights on agenda

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Later in the day, new BLM Idaho state director John Ruhs will deliver the agency update. Ruhs' second visit to Owyhee County in the past couple months marks a rare opportunity for local ranchers to come face-to-face with the federal agency's state director.

Typically, the highest level of leadership Owyhee County ranchers have seen is the BLM Boise District director, and even then Lara Douglass and other high-ranking BLM officials have occasionally skipped the meeting amid particularly contentious and litigious times.

Ruhs will appear after lunch, but the first person set to speak is Mountain States Legal Foundation staff attorney Brian Sheldon. Sheldon specializes in public lands litigation, natural resource law and property rights for the Lakewood, Colo.-based non-profit organization that formed 42 years ago.

According to the OCA summer meeting agenda, Sheldon will tackle the topic of public lands ranchers getting assistance to maintain their grazing rights.

The talk may be particularly pertinent given the ongoing Owyhee 68 permittee litigation and the recent release of new proposed grazing permit guidelines on some allotments in the BLM's Bruneau Field Office.

While the cattlemen listen for ways to maintain their way of life in the present, they'll also hear from a voice that may shape the future.

Marsing FFA state champion public speaker Cade Brackett will deliver the talk that qualified him for October's FFA national convention in Indianapolis. Brackett is from a ranching family that has its roots in

the Three Creek area.

Former Idaho Cattle Association executive vice-president Wyatt Prescott will take the podium after Brackett. Prescott now manages the Rock Creek Ranch in Blaine County. The ranch is a research partnership between the University of Idaho, the Nature Conservancy and the Wood River Trust.

The OCA's Heifer Replacement Program will be spotlighted next. Member ranchers donate animals to area youth in an effort to perpetuate the industry into the next generation. The youth recipients are required to raise the calf, show it at the Owyhee County Fair, breed the heifer and then show at the fair again in two years show as a cow-calf pair.

After Idaho state brand inspector Cody Burlile takes to the podium to start the afternoon session, agency and industry updates and reports will be presented, including:

- Ruhs with the BLM update
- ICA president Marty Gill with the state association's update
- Lorna Steiner, who is wrapping up her term as the OCA's first female

president, will recap her year at the helm.

• Josh Uriarte of the Governor's Office for Species Conservation will present an update on the Greater sage-grouse resource management plan

Updates from political offices will be held after OCA secretary Scott Jensen conducts the day's second deck o'cards raffle.

Dirk Mendive, an aide for Rep. Russ Fulcher (R-Idaho), is scheduled to speak.

Megan Blanksma, the Dist. 23, Seat B office-holder in the Idaho state House of Representatives, also is slated to take to the podium.

The afternoon winds down with the installation of Bruneau's Eric Davis as the latest honorary OCA Lifetime Member.

Under new business, new directors will be elected, and Steiner will relinquish the gavel to new board president Paul Nettleton. The 69-year-old will finish out a year as vice-president on Saturday. He previously served as an OCA director in the mid-1980s.

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OUTGOING PRESIDENT

Steiner: Willing to continue service to association

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private property," she said. "I think that after things were explained, we realized that, no, they don't really have any power.

"It's just getting the groups to work together."

As Steiner moves into the position of OCA past president, she feels blessed that other members have been very open and kind with her, and they have been comfortable coming to her with any issues they may have. Members have expressed their gratitude for what the board does.

"I feel like we've had a good rapport with membership," she said.

The oft-discussed topic of longer terms of office for OCA presidents has not eased up.

"It takes so long for you to know the agencies you get involved with and for them to know you," she said. "(Former OCA president) Lynn (Bachman) was always so good at getting me involved, since I was at so many of the meetings. We've still been discussing making it a two-year term."

She said that the president and board of directors put in a lot of time and effort into their duties.

"When you get down to the summer meeting, you put a lot of work into it, and it's a little hard to let go after you've done it for so long," she said. "But then, on the other side, you're thinking, 'Oh my gosh, I'll be glad when somebody else takes over.'"

Like Bachman, Steiner is more

than happy to help out the incoming president when he needs it.

"If Paul wants someone to go to some of the meetings, I'd be more than happy to help him, just like Lynn has been great to me," she said.

Just because her OCA duties and responsibilities ease up a little, and she feels she can focus a little more on the Triangle Ranch she shares with her husband Johnny and her son JR and his family, it doesn't mean her active involvement with the association will be done.

"I'll stay until they're sick of me," she said. "I just won't have the responsibility.

"I can say no if I want to."

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LOOKING BACK



Then-Owyhee Cattlemen's Association president Doug Rutan (left) presents Letha Black of Bruneau with the membership silver bit during the 2010 winter meeting in Oreana. Rutan wrote an essay published in The Owyhee Avalanche 25 years ago when he was a 12-year-old in Oreana. The essay discussed the importance of the ranching lifestyle to his family.

Essays detail life on the family ranch

From Aug. 3, 1994 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche

The following works were submitted to the "My family is important to me because ..." essay contest, which was sponsored by the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association.

For their efforts, the contestants got their pick of the door prizes handed out at the association's annual meeting held July 30, and they read their essays aloud to the gathered ranchers.

Douglas M. Rutan, age 12, Oreana

My family's ranch is important because I get a chance to see things done in different ways and I have a chance to work with my family. If I had to move to the city and all I could do was watch TV all day that wouldn't be fun at all. Where our family is right now is lots of fun. For example in the Rodeer my dad lets all of us do some of the sorting so that when we grow up and want to be a rancher then we'll already know ways to do things and that's important to me.

Dana Rutan, age 15, Oreana

My family's ranch is important because it's a way of life and it's the thing my family is good at. It gives me all the opportunities, like working with my family, there's always something to do. It also gives me the opportunity to brand calves every spring, team rope, know where I'm at when I'm riding, to see calves go from newborn to the market, and what I love to do, ride horses. Our ranch is not only horses and cows, it also has a farming branch on it. By being around the farming and the ranching I have learned what it takes to make a ranch run year-round. I feel that since my family's ranch gives me all these opportunities that I will be ready for what is to come in my life. That is why my family's ranch is important to me.

Dennis Rutan, 11th grade, Oreana

You've got to stand for something or you'll fall for anything, are the words that come to mind when I

ask myself: "My family's ranch is important to me because."

The reason my family or anybody else needs to stand up for why their ranch is important is because if we don't our rangelands could be turned into one big riparian area. One other reason why my family's ranch is important to me is that if we do not stand up for what we have or what we believe, someone will come and take our ranches and rangelands away from us.

Ranching is a dying breed. It has been in my family for generations. If the new and upcoming generation doesn't keep the ranching industry going, there will soon be no more ranching.

The Rutan boys have a long history with the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association. Their father, David, served as a director, and Dana and Doug completed terms on the board by leading the organization as president in 2008 and 2010, respectively.

— Ed.

LOOKING BACK



U.S. senator, congresswoman visit Silver City summer meeting

Owyhee Cattlemen's Association secretary Chad Gibson (left) and outgoing president Ted Hoffman welcome Sen. Larry Craig and congressional candidate Helen Chenoweth to the 116th annual convention on Saturday, July 30, 1994. CBN news from Washington, D.C., recorded the event for part of a program that aired analyzing important congressional races from 25 years ago.



Out on the trail

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