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Owyhee Lanes closing its doors Tuesday

Chamber needs new meeting place

The frustrated owner of Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant will close the Homedale business Tuesday.

Vern Tunnell, who owns the restaurant with his wife Linda, confirmed last week that he'll turn the building's keys back to previous business operators Mike and Donna Marose, ending 3½ years of operation.

The closing date coincides with the Chamber of Commerce's monthly meeting and the May 17 primary election candidates forum jointly sponsored by the Chamber and The Owyhee Avalanche.

Chamber president Gavin Parker said the business organization now will have to find another venue for its meetings.

"It is unfortunate that they are closing," Parker said. "Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant has such a rich history and is such a vital part

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Explosive artwork

Joel Mulinex watches as a model of a volcano erupts during a Teens and Tweens activity Friday at the Homedale Public Library. Joel and other boys and girls in the program made the volcano over the course of three Fridays at the library. Joel, 10, is the son of Melissa Mulinex.

County adamant about Gateway West line route

BLM's Owyhee public meeting set Thursday

Owyhee County residents and officials are stepping to the plate against what they see as a curve

ball pertaining to the proposed Gateway West power line.

County commissioners and Owyhee County Task Force members alike are frustrated that the Bureau of Land Management apparently ignored months of work by a Boise District Resource

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The COSSA gold medal-winning team, from left, Jared Sams, Chad Hungate and Zachary Bates — all of Homedale — stand with welding instructor Mark Bauer. Submitted photo

COSSA welding team heads to nationals again

Funds needed to get to Louisville

For the second year in a row, Homedale students will help the Canyon-Owyhee School Service

Agency welding program at the national level.

Homedale High School seniors Zachary Bates, Chad Hungate and Jared Sams won the SkillsUSA state championship for welding

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Experienced councilmen drop out of Homedale vacancy running

Mayor says he's ready to make appointment

Mayor Gheen Christoffersen is apparently down to

one viable candidate for the vacant Homedale City Council position.

Christoffersen was poised to make an appointment to lead off last Wednesday's council meeting, but he

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HHS agriculture department starts annual plant sale Saturday

Homedale High School's agriculture department will open its annual plant sale Friday.

Hours will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday.

The sale will continue 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., on Friday, April 29 and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., on Saturday

April 30.

The 12-inch hanging baskets that will be available feature "Trixie" mixes, supertunias, bacopa, ornamental grasses and sweet potato vines.

In a press release, sale organizers said the baskets sold out quickly last year. They are priced at \$25 each this year.

The press release also said 4-inch basket stuffers will be available the opening weekend.

Green and purple sweet potato vines, supertunias, wave petunias, white bacopa and ivy

geranium are in full bloom and ready to plant. The basket stuffers are \$1.25 each.

Madness petunias, portulacas, gazanias, and verbena will sell for \$1.50 per pack.

A few tomatoes and peppers will be available the opening weekend, but more will be for sale next weekend.

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Polling places set

Voter registration ends Friday

The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners have designated the polling places for the May 17 primary elections.

Polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.:

- North Homedale — Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.
- South Homedale — Magistrate court building (City Hall), 31 W. Wyoming Ave.
- North Marsing — Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.
- South Marsing — University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 W. 8th Ave.
- Wilson — Wilson Fire House, 10427 Johnston Lane
- Murphy — Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78
- Oreana — Oreana Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Road
- Grand View — Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave.
- Bruneau — American Legion Post 83, 32536 Belle Ave.
- Absentee or mail ballot — Owyhee County Courthouse

The Democratic primary is an open election, in which any voter can cast a ballot. You must be a registered Constitution Party or Republican Party member to vote in either of those closed primaries.

Friday is the last day for voters

to pre-register. Party affiliations cannot be changed at the polls on Election Day. May 11 is the last day for mail-in ballot application, and May 13 is the last day for in-person absentee voting.

Call the County Clerk's office at (208) 495-2421 for information.

Incumbent Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery and his challenger, former county prosecutor Ed Yarbrough, will be on the Republican ballot.

County commissioners Kelly Aberasturi (District 2) and Joe Merrick (District 3) and Sheriff Perry Grant are unopposed.

No Democrats have filed to seek county office.

Candidates in contested District 23 legislative races include:

- House of Representatives Seat A incumbent Rich Wills (R-Glenns Ferry), Republican challenger Christy Zito of Hammett and Democrat Mary Ann Richards of Homedale
- Seat B incumbent Pete Nielsen (R-Mountain Home) and Republican challengers Megan Blanksma of Hammett and Justin Freeman of Marsing
- Independent Bill Chisholm of Buhl and Homedale Libertarian Christopher Jenkins will appear on the Nov. 8 District 23B ballot.

The respective county committees for the Republican and Democratic parties also will hold precinct elections in May.

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Marsing school bond meeting set

Marsing school patrons have another chance to give input on a proposed bond election.

Once school trustees receive feedback, they could vote to place a measure on the Aug. 30 ballot.

The second of three open houses to gauge public opinion will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday. The first meeting was held on March 31, and the final open house is scheduled for Thursday, May 5. All three gatherings are being held in the school district cafeteria on 8th Avenue West.

A telephone survey to gauge how community members feel about the bond proposal was delayed because not enough information on the proposal was available to formulate the questions that voters are being asked.

The survey to 200 people started Monday, and will run through April 29. District superintendent Norm Stewart said trustees will hear the results of the survey at the May 10 board meeting.

If a bond is sought and ultimately approved by a super majority (66 2/3 percent) of the voting patrons, money could be used to combine the high school and middle school populations into one facility and build a new gymnasium.

Stewart has said combining the two schools would allow administrators to use teachers more effectively.

The current middle school building might be used for expanded educational opportunities and office space, but nothing has been solidified, Stewart said previously.

Stewart said he has been hearing positive comments about the bond proposal.

"I'm still gathering input as far as what they'd like to see in the building, so a lot of the information that I still am receiving is, 'Could we see this?' Or, 'Could we see that?'" Stewart said. "I'm taking that as positive comments, but they're wanting to get information on other aspects they would like to see included in the bond."

Stewart further explained that he thinks most people are being inquisitive about the bond, and are not coming out against it.

"I am hearing positive aspects about the bond, and people are inquiring about aspects within the building and what opportunities that can make for the kids," Stewart said. "I think that we are having positive comments and no matter what, you're going to have people on both sides, and I understand that, that's when it comes down to the vote and we see where people fall."

Marsing resident Julia Burham is telling her friends and neighbors to vote in favor of the bond.

Burham describes herself as pro-education, and said she firmly believes that youth go-

ing to school today in Owyhee County schools are the future for the area.

"We're getting older, my husband and I. We can see things in a different perspective than some people younger," Burham said. "They just think their taxes are going to raise. We raised a bunch of kids between us, and I'm all in favor of education."

Burham has been married to her husband Darryl for 39 years. The couple has nine children, four daughters and five sons.

Stewart said he's heard that some people thought school officials were rushing into things for a May election. Other folks have asked what the need is for the building, and what it would look like.

Burham hopes there will be enough time between now and Aug. 30 to get a sufficient amount of community input.

"It all depends on how much the people get out and spread the word," Burham said.

The district's bonding capacity is \$13.5 million.

District debt from a bond approved in September 2002 will be paid off in August 2017. The nearly \$2 million bond paid for the addition of five new high school classrooms and a new kitchen facility and lunchroom.

With that bond obligation set to end in 17 months, officials are looking toward future growth in the district.

Marsing MS principal resigns after two years

School board must fill three positions

Jacob Skousen has resigned after two years as Marsing Middle School principal.

School trustees accepted resignations from Skousen and two other faculty members during their April 12 meeting.

Skousen is stepping down to accept a job at Northern Colorado University.

"He has been given an opportunity to become a college professor," school superintendent Norm Stewart said.

Skousen joined the Marsing district at the start of the 2013-14 school year as an instructional coach, Title I intervention staffer and English as a New Language (ENL) teacher. He began the next school year as middle school

principal after Allen "Skeeter" Duby resigned.

High school math teacher Holly Hall and kindergarten teacher Carissia Boice also stepped down.

"They just decided to resign. I'm not sure where they're going to end up going," Stewart said. He added that he does know that Hall is looking at career options that aren't in teaching.

All three staff members will stay on the job through the end of the school year.

Trustees are also still looking for a new cheerleading coach. No one has applied for the position formerly held by Shoni Jarvis whose resignation became official on March 8.

For more information on any of the four job openings, call the school district office at (208) 896-4111.

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All candidates forum scheduled Tuesday in Homedale

All candidates for county and District 23 elected office have been invited to a town hall-style forum set for Tuesday in Homedale.

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce and The Owyhee Avalanche will co-sponsor the forum, which will begin at 7 p.m., at the Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., in Homedale.

The Chamber of Commerce's

monthly meeting precedes the forum at 6:30 p.m.

Audience members will be allowed to submit questions that will be posed to the candidates.

To submit a question for the forum, identify for whom the question is intended and send it with your name and hometown to The Owyhee Avalanche.

Submit questions via:

• Email at jon@owyheeava

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• Postal mail at The Owyhee Avalanche, Attn.: Candidates forum, P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628

• Drop-off at the Avalanche office, 20 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale

• Fax to (208) 337-4867

Invited candidates include:

• Incumbent Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery

• Nampa resident Ed Yarbrough, a former Owyhee prosecutor who is challenging Emery

• House of Representatives Seat A incumbent Rich Wills (R-Glenns Ferry)

• Seat A Republican challenger Christy Zito of Hammett

• Democratic Seat A candidate Mary Ann Richards of Homedale

• Seat B incumbent Pete Niels-

en (R-Mountain Home)

• Seat B Republican challenger Megan Blanksma of Hammett

• Seat B Republican challenger Justin Freeman of Marsing

• Independent Bill Chisholm of Buhl, who has filed to seek the Seat B position in the Nov. 8 election

• Homedale Libertarian Christopher Jenkins, who also is seeking Seat B in November.

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County GOP holds forum tonight

The first of two Owyhee County Republican Central Committee candidate forums will be held tonight in Murphy.

The county GOP has invited candidates on the May 17 Republican primary ballot to speak at 7 p.m. inside Courtroom 1 at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy.

All Republican candidates appearing on the ballot are invited to attend, including:

• Incumbent Owyhee County

Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery and his challenger, former county prosecutor Ed Yarbrough

• Incumbents Sheriff Perry Grant, District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi and District 3 Commissioner Joe Merrick, whose re-election bids are unopposed.

• District 23 state House of Representatives Seat A incumbent Rich Wills (R-Glenns Ferry) and challenger Christy Zito of Hammett

• Seat B Rep. Pete Nielsen (R-Mountain Home) and challengers Megan Blanksma and Justin Freeman of Marsing

County GOP chair Shawn Dygert of Guffey said the precinct committee candidates also will have a chance to address the audience.

A second GOP primary candidate night is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 4 at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School in Bruneau.

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Clarification

Marsing Ambulance Service board chair Jim Briggs clarified his statement from an April 13 article regarding staffing and financial woes. Rather than saying secretary/treasurer Cindy Howarth didn't have time to review the financial records, Briggs said he intended to say, "Cindy and I talked and she said 'If you have the opportunity, to go ahead and do it.'" Briggs said he had an interest in looking at the books on his own.

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✓ Owyhee: Several factors led to business owner's decision to shut doors

of our community.

"I'm sure at this point the future of the restaurant is uncertain, but I hope there is someone out there who is interested in reopening it. If so, I would like to continue to hold our luncheons there. Otherwise I will have to start looking for an alternative location."

The restaurant's banquet room has been the meeting place for several community events over the years, including candidate forums, the Homedale Lions Club meetings, the Homedale Rod and Gun Club meeting and Shoofly 4-H club meeting. The Homedale Fire District commissioners used to meet there, but shifted to the Tango Saloon several months ago.

Tunnell pointed to the difficulties of running a local business in a small town as a reason for the decision to close the 57-year-old establishment.

"No one supports local businesses," he wrote in an email to The Owyhee Avalanche. "They all talk about going to town to go out then they complain our prices are too high after they spend 30 percent more on the meal, travel time and gas money to Boise for the same thing."

Tunnell said restaurant prices increase a total of "about 20 percent" in the three-plus years of ownership.



Samuel Page of Homedale walks into the Owyhee Lanes Restaurant on Friday morning. The business will close Tuesday.

"This is still below average, according to all our vendors," he said.

The cost of running the business beyond the restaurant expenses — including the Local Improvement District assessment the Homedale City Council imposed on Idaho Avenue corridor businesses in 2009 — also apparently played a role in the decision to shutter the restaurant and bowling lanes.

"Even if we owned the property outright, the fees (including the light post fee) and all the other costs to run the business ... It would never make enough to be profitable unless someone wants to be a slave to it," Tunnell said.

"Also with other restaurants opening and closing in and around town there is not enough 'pie' to divide. I guess the small-town lifestyle is dying."

Tunnell also pointed out that

it was difficult to retain good employees.

Tunnell and a group of business partners purchased the restaurant and bowling alley business in 2012 and began operating the establishment in October of that year.

The Maroses have owned the building for nearly 10 years, taking over the operation in September 2006. They decided to put the business on the market in

2011 in the first step of planning their retirement.

The building at 18 No. 1st St. W., first opened in November 1958 as Mar-Pat Lanes under the ownership of Marshall and Pat Packer. Six years later, Raymond and Virginia Tolsma took over the bowling alley.

The restaurant was added to the building in the early 1960s.

— JPB

✓ Gateway: County residents angered Boise RAC choice isn't preferred

Advisory Council subcommittee specifically formed to find an acceptable route that impacted as little private property as possible as Segments 8-9 wound their way through Owyhee County toward the Hemingway Butte substation in Wilson.

Residents and officials will get their chance Thursday to provide comment on the BLM's draft Supplemental Environment Impact Statement for Segments 8-9. A public meeting will be held from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. inside McKeeth Hall at the Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., in Murphy.

The meeting is the last of a series that was put together as part of the public comment period on the draft SEIS. The BLM will accept comments through June 9.

A community meeting aimed at educating the public and drumming up comments was held Tuesday after deadline in Grand View.

The draft SEIS includes eight alternatives for the Owyhee County portion of the 1,100-mile-long Idaho Power/Rocky Mountain Power project, but the route for the 500-kilovolt (kV) line preferred by both the utilities and Owyhee County interests — though listed as Alternative 1 — wasn't included as one of the

two "preferred" alternatives in the BLM document.

Alternative 1 was suggested by the Boise District RAC subcommittee.

"We're still supportive of the route that the RAC came up with, and we're still interested in trying to pursue that to whatever degree we can with the BLM," Idaho Power integrated resource and operations plan manager Mark Stokes said during an April 4 meeting with county commissioners.

The federal agency said that Alternatives 2 and 5, both of which impact sage-grouse habitat and have minimal impact on the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey Natural Conservation Area, would be the focus of the public comment period.

Owyhee Sage-Grouse Local Working Group member Art Talsma pointed out the BLM's analytical imbalance during a recent LWG meeting.

"They did not open their eyes to the big picture that the impact to the south on wildlife and ranching is greater than impact it would have on (the NCA to) the north," Talsma said.

Oreana resident Robyn Thompson, who attended the most recent sage-grouse LWG meeting and whose property could be impacted by the power

line under alternatives 2 or 5, urged citizens to comment on the socio-economic impact as well as how the power line would hurt ranching.

Murphy resident Karen Steenhof, a LWG member who also sits on the RAC, said the BLM advisory panel had planned to send a comment to Idaho BLM state director Tim Murphy expressing its disappointment.

"We're really concerned that this kind of ignored the consensus routes," she said.

County commissioners are rankled that the alternative apparently preferred by everyone except federal officials has been relegated in favor of a southern route that threatens sage-grouse habitat and would encroach on private property.

"The other issue with the southern route, that I want you guys to understand, is it's right on the edge of sage-grouse habitat," BOCC chair and District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi told utility officials during a meeting earlier this month.

"You're going to have an issue with the environmentalists."

District 3 Commissioner Joe Merrick was more blunt with his assessment.

"If they decide that it's going to go through the West-Wide Energy Corridor (WWEC), it'll never

happen in my lifetime, period," he said. "As long as I'm sitting at this desk, if it takes me to run until I'm dead, I'll do it."

Alternative 1 puts the 500kV line through the NCA, sharing a path along Baja Road with existing power lines, but — even though high-ranking BLM officials said the decision would be made locally — the agency has balked at the idea of another power line in the NCA. Federal officials have contended that putting the line in the NCA would be inconsistent with National Conservation Lands System policy.

"As we were developing the Birds of Prey (Resource Management Plan), the (energy) corridor went through there, which was consistent with the Energy Act of 2005," county

natural resources director Jim Desmond said.

"At the last minute, they yanked it out of there and said it's inconsistent with the NCA, and they moved it around it."

A final decision on the Owyhee County path is expected by the end of the year.

Besides Thursday's public meeting in Murphy, there is one other public meeting planned — from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. today at the BLM Twin Falls District Office, 2878 Addison Ave. E., in Twin Falls.

— JPB

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- April 25: Mini corn dogs, steamed carrots
- April 26: Chicken nuggets, mixed veggies, cookie
- April 27: Crispito, corn
- April 28: Pepperoni pizza ripper, tossed salad, fruit rollup

Homedale Middle

Fruit & salad bar and milk served daily

- April 20: Hamburger or chicken patty, potato wedges
- April 21: Pepperoni pizza ripper or PB&J, tossed salad
- April 25: Beef or chicken taco, corn
- April 26: Spicy chicken sandwich or hamburger, potato wedges
- April 27: Chicken nuggets or corn dog, broccoli, cheese cracker
- April 28: Crispito or hot dog, potato chips

Homedale High

Salad bar, fruit choice and milk served daily

- April 20: Lasagna or BBQ pulled pork, corn
- April 21: Nachos or PB&J sandwich w/cheese stick, churro
- April 25: Chicken taco or ham/cheese sandwich, corn
- April 26: Beef nuggets w/cheese stick & garlic mashed potatoes or pizza hot pocket
- April 27: Crispito or BBQ chicken & hot roll, steamed carrots

Marsing

- April 20: Cheeseburger or chicken nuggets, roll, sidewinders
- April 21: PB&J, sun chips or pepperoni ripper, tossed salad
- April 25: Orange chicken & rice or ham/cheese sandwich, sun chips, steamed carrots
- April 26: Hot dog, baked beans or egg roll & fried rice, mixed vegetables
- April 27: Spaghetti, breadstick or meat loaf, mashed potatoes, green beans
- April 28: Chicken fried steak or oven roasted chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, corn, roll

Bruneau-Grand View

Fruit and milk served daily

- April 20: Little smokies, scalloped potatoes, green beans, roll
- April 21: Beef & bean burrito, romaine & tomato, corn
- April 22: Ham/cheese on bun, potato wedges, fresh broccoli
- April 26: Stromboli, spinach salad, mixed veggies
- April 27: Cook's choice

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- April 20: Spaghetti, corn, salad, fruit, milk
- April 21: Grilled cheese, tomato soup, salad & carrots, fruit, milk
- April 25: Popcorn chicken, potatoes/ gravy, corn, fruit, milk
- April 26: Cheeseburger, potato wedges, salad, fruit, milk
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Obituaries

Howard E. Donaldson

Howard E. Donaldson, 73 of Grangeville, Idaho, died April 14, 2016, as the result of a vehicle accident. He was born Oct. 22, 1942 in Oakland, Calif., the youngest of three children to Herman and Ida Agnes Donaldson.

He spent his school years in Marsing, Winchester and Kansas City, Mo. He married Nona Carol Hall June 3, 1961, in Nampa. They had a daughter, Kay Marie, born in Nampa and a son, William Jay, born in Corvallis, Ore.

Howard worked at various jobs including the Credit Bureaus Inc., which took them through Washington and Oregon. He then worked for Boeing in Seattle making models in the test craft division. He started on Boeing's 737 and 747 and also worked on the SST models and sometimes accompanied them to the wind tunnel for testing. They moved back to Idaho in 1970 living in McCall where he was a volunteer fireman and got into law enforcement and moved to Grangeville in 1976 as an Idaho County Deputy under Sheriff Metcalf. He worked for the City of Grangeville, Ray Holes Saddle Co., and Militec where he sustained a back injury and retired. He enjoyed working with his hands, so he liked working with leather, making knives and had an archery shop in the basement of their home.

He coached Little League, was a 4-H Leader, was active in the McCall Jaycees, was in Camas Choristers serving a term as president and also served as president of Camas Prairie Bowmen. He had EMT training in McCall and attended POST Academy in Pocatello. He was a precinct committeeman for the Republican Party. He loved music and played guitar, bass guitar and mandolin. He wrote many Christian songs. He loved



hunting especially with his family and enjoyed the outdoors. He was very proud of his children and the loves of his life were his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Nona; daughter and son-in-law, Kay and Marcello Brouse of Clarkston, Wash.; son, William of Boise; grandchildren, Devan and Sophia Brouse; sisters, Grace Grigsby of Kansas, City, Mo., and Florence (Vernon Vance) of Nampa; nieces, Michele (Randy) Krall and Patti Willis, both of Nampa; brother-in-law, Jay Hall; nephew and niece, Jason and Carissa Hall.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother-in-law, Duane Grigsby; nephew, Stephen Vance; and sister-in-law, Pam Hall.

A visitation will be held Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at the Blackmer Funeral Home in Grangeville from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 2:00 pm at the Grangeville Christian Church with Harold Gott officiating. Burial will follow at the Pioneer Cemetery near Marsing, ID. Friday, April 22, 2016 at 2:00pm. Arrangements are under the direction of the Blackmer Funeral Home of Grangeville. Send condolences to the family to Blackmerfuneralhome.com.

John Essex

March 13, 1966 - April 8, 2016



John Essex of Homedale, Idaho joined his father, David Essex, and his step-father, Delbert Motz, in heaven on April 8, 2016. After a short illness, John rose up and headed out on the ultimate everlasting fishing trip.

John loved to spend his free time fishing, hunting, and relaxing with his family and bird, Joker. He is survived by his wife, Erma, his mother, Carol, his sisters Chris, Jennifer, Karen, and Denise, and many nieces, nephews and friends.

John never failed to make people smile and will live on in our hearts forever. Catch a big one for us, John.

Death notice

JAMES RAYMOND BARNES, 75, of Jordan Valley, died Monday, April 11, 2016. Cremation is under the direction of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. (208) 459-0833.

Pianist to play Mtn. View Nazarene

An internationally celebrated concert pianist, Jerry Nelson, returns to the area for the first time in four years next month.

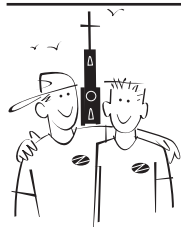
Jerry Nelson, who has performed all over the world and has accompanied artists such as Glen Campbell and Sandi Patti, will perform at the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene on Sunday, May 1.

There is no charge for the 10:30 a.m., concert, but a freewill offering will be taken. For more information, call the church at 337-3151, or to hear samples of Nelson's music visit www.JerryNelsonMusic.com.

Nelson last performed at the church at the corner of Batt Corner and Ustick roads in 2012.

Kid's Club

Every Wednesday 4:00-5:00
All school-age kids welcome



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EVERY WEDNESDAY
7:00 - 8:00 PM

Crossroads Assembly of God

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For more information, contact: Marla Burdine 208-789-3432

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Calendar

Today

Coffee club

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

Preschool Story Time

10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

El-Ada commodity distribution

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., corner of Main and 3rd streets, Marsing. (208) 337-4812

Bruneau Valley Library speaker series

Noon, free, RSVP by April 18, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2282

After-school program

3 p.m. to 6 p.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2639

Kid's Club

4 p.m. to 5 p.m., open to all school-aged children, Crossroads Church, Idaho highway 19 and U.S. Highway 95, Wilder. (208) 789-3432

Republican candidates forum

7 p.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy.

Thursday

Fit and fall exercise class

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Vision Church food distribution

2 p.m. to 4 p.m., donations welcome, Vision Community Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 779-7926

Marsing school bond public hearing

6:30 p.m., Marsing schools cafeteria, 211 8th Ave. W. (208) 896-4111

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meeting

6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208)

337-3867

Bruneau-GV school board meeting

7 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School boardroom, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau (unless otherwise listed at www.sd365.us). (208) 834-2260

AA meetings

7 p.m. to 8 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 U.S. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-3464

Friday

Homedale mobile food pantry

10 a.m. to noon, Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4033

Story Time

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

Spring into Wellness Fair

Noon to 3 p.m., Adrian school cafeteria, 305 Owyhee St., Adrian. (208) 739-1989

Teens and Tweens program

4 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228 afternoons Monday through Saturday

Saturday

Free lunches

Noon to 1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

Family movie night

6 p.m., movie, games, refreshments, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 350-7359 Tuesdays and Thursdays

Sunday

Bruneau church open house

10 a.m., service begins, meal follows,

Bruneau Community Church, 152 Hyde St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2770

Monday

County Commissioners meeting

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

Marsing Fire Department meeting

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

Tuesday

Blood pressure clinic

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

Fit and fall exercise class

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Senior center pinocle

1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 350-7359 Tuesdays and Thursdays

Owyhee County elections training

1:30 p.m., Wilson, Oreana, Murphy precincts, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421

After-school Story Time

4:15 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. Kindergarten through third-graders. (208) 896-4690

Homedale Chamber meeting

6:30 p.m., Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3271

Candidates forum

7 p.m., Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale.

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Spring into Wellness Fair

4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Jordan Valley Lions Hall, 209 Bassett St., Jordan Valley. (208) 739-1989

Homedale City Council meeting

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

TOPS meeting

6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

Faith Riders horse riding

6:30 p.m., spring and summer session, Lucky 3 Arena, Idaho highway 55, Marsing. (208) 249-1595

Time spent eating may affect weight

Eating three meals a day may not be typical for the average adult individual. Research by Dr. Satchidananda Panda of the Salk Institute for Biological Studies in La Jolla, Calif., found that it is quite different.

For three weeks, Dr. Panda had 150 subjects (adults between the ages of 21 and 55) continuously take photos of all the food, drinks, and nutritional supplements they consumed, using a digital application (app). This app tracked calories, time, and exact location of where the food was consumed. None of the subjects were asked to alter their eating habits, and none were on a diet.

The researchers found that their subjects had eating habits that were both erratic and continuous. They

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tended to eat all day long (i.e., whenever they were awake). The majority ate over a 15-hour period each day and fasted only when they slept. (Fasting by definition is abstaining from all types of food or drink.)

The individuals consumed the fewest amount of calories (less than 25 percent) before noon, and more than 35 percent of the day's calories were consumed after 6 p.m.

Could restricting the number of hours a person eats help them lose weight? This is what researchers wanted to find in a follow-up study.

Eight participants classified as obese were tracked. They regularly consumed food for periods stretching beyond 14 hours a day. The researchers asked them to restrict all food intake to a 10-hour block of time per day for 16 weeks. Results showed that even though subjects

were not instructed to change their food intake, their calorie intake decreased by 20 percent and they lost seven pounds after four months. Subjects that were tracked also reported sleeping better and having more energy throughout their day.

— *Surine Greenway is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences educator. For more information on this week's financial topics, you can reach Greenway at the U of I Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 or owyhee@uidaho.edu. The office is located at 238 W. 8th Ave. W., in Marsing. The source for this week's column is Martha Raidl's article in the January 2016 edition of The Communicator, which is produced by the U of I's School of Family & Consumer Sciences, College of Agricultural & Life Sciences ([http://www.cell.com/cellmetabolism/abstract/S1550-4131\(15\)004623](http://www.cell.com/cellmetabolism/abstract/S1550-4131(15)004623); Keyword: diet).*



Surine Greenway

Get your event included in the Avalanche calendar

You can find a comprehensive listing of local events online at www.theowyheeavalanche.com. Click on the "Calendar of Events" link on the left-hand side of the page.

Submit information on upcoming fundraisers, meetings, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays for inclusion in the calendar. Drop off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale, mail to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, fax to (208) 337-4867 or e-mail to jon@owyheeavalanche.com For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681.

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SEQUICENTENNIAL SAMPLINGS

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THE AINSWORTH MILL, on Sinker, is in rather a dilapidated condition. Mr. Leonard, Superintendent, is expected to return soon to overhaul and thoroughly repair the batteries, pans and propelling power. Its location at the junction of two main branches of Sinker, insures water power for ten stamps at least one-half the year. We understand that a new double turbine wheel is to replace the old arrangement, and the steam works will be fitted up, also. The Company are vigorously prosecuting work on the Surplus ground of Oro Fino, and have already considered the pay rock out of the mine, and to facilitate the work, have erected a whim for raising water and rock. All things considered, the Sinker mills have a season of prosperity not far ahead.

MEAT COMING—Mr. V. Blackinger informs us that four hundred sheep crossed Snake River on Tuesday for the Owyhee market. Also, that Shoemaker, of Grand Ronde Valley, is on his way with a like number of cattle, and is expected here in a week or two at furthest. Mr. B says it is difficult to do business with the present prices of cattle and condition of the currency.

THE ROAD from here to Reynolds' Creek is almost impassable, either for sleds or wagons. Excepting Wednesday night, the stages come in by 9 o'clock p.m. Travel is increasing and Beachey is increasing his means of transportation. He's bound to pull passengers, express and mails right through. Charley Barnes—a very popular driver and stage-man—is on the line now.

Homedale's Bautista named FFA state secretary

Floral team earns state title, trip to nationals

by Riley Haun
chapter reporter

The Homedale FFA chapter has just returned from an incredibly successful three days at the Idaho FFA State Leadership Conference (SLC), held at the College of Southern Idaho campus in Twin Falls. Thirty-six members from Homedale attended, coming home with a grand total of over \$5,000 in scholarships and award stipends.

The crowning achievement for Homedale during the conference was chapter vice-president Jenny Bautista being elected out of 19 candidates to serve as the 2016-17 Idaho FFA State Secretary. As a state officer, Jenny will be representing Idaho FFA across the state and the country along with the rest of the team, while attending the University of Idaho for the next year. This is a great accomplishment, and the chapter could not be more proud of her for all her hard work.

Bautista is the first Homedale FFA member to serve as a state officer since Erin Shenk filled the reporter position for Idaho FFA in 2013-14.

Another cause for celebration during the trip was the Floriculture team, including Madi Fisher, Justine Rose, Elizabeth Vargas, and Jenna Rupp, beating 27 teams for the state championship. Madi placed first individually out of a total 103 members, and Justine finished third. The team will travel to Indianapolis in the fall to compete at the national convention.

Riley Haun earned State Star Farmer for her beef entrepreneurship project of registered Red An-

gus cattle. This award takes into account record keeping, finances and achievements, as well as interviews, to award the Idaho FFA member with the best farm-related project. Riley competed against district Star Farmer winners from all nine districts.

The Homedale FFA livestock judging team of Ben Holt, Lauryn Fisher, Cobey Christofferson and Spencer Fisher took second place out of 25 teams. The team made up almost entirely of first-year competitors did exceptionally well, with Lauryn placing third individual and Ben taking ninth.

Five of the six Homedale FFA'ers competing for project proficiency awards

Six members competed for proficiency awards in their project areas, with five winning state titles to advance to the national level.

The winners were:

- Haun, beef
- Devin Fisher, sheep
- Trace Cline, ag service
- Derek Pfost, turf management
- Michael Lejardi, ag communications

Wylee Cooper also competed in the area of wildlife management.

Homedale FFA earned a gold ranking for its National Chapter Award application, which details activities the chapter has carried out in the last year and how they helped improve the chapter and community. Haun was the application committee chair, and the application will now move on to national evaluation.

Other highlights of the convention included:

- Ryan Criffield, Hanna Estes, Haun, Cline, and Cooper received their State Degrees, the highest degree an FFA member can be awarded at the state level.
- The chapter scrapbook com-



Above: Homedale FFA's state championship floral team includes, from left, Jenna Rupp, Elizabeth Vargas, Justine Rose and Madi Fisher. **Below:** Homedale's Jenny Bautista, far left, stands with her fellow Idaho FFA state officers. Submitted photos



piled by Tylee McKay and Lauryn Fisher placed third in Large Chapter division.

- Madi Fisher and Michael Lejardi received \$1,000 scholarships, and Bautista received \$1,500
- The Nursery/Landscape team of Jesse Packer, Kayden Turner, Tylee McKay, and Lindsey Burks

competed.

- The Horse Judging team of TJ Hopson, Hanna Estes, Andrea Greeley, Meryssa Oakley competed.
- The Farm Business team of Michael Lejardi, Cobey Christofferson, Jacob Christensen and Anthony Beckman placed ninth.
- Tanis Lentfer served as a

media intern, running social media accounts and writing news articles.

- Wyatt Dorsey and Lindsey McRae served as delegates for the chapter, voting on issues pertinent to Idaho FFA's future.
- Beckman performed a swing dance routine for a talent performance during a session.

Marsing FFA prepares for future contests during State

by Zoe Kish
chapter reporter

The Marsing FFA chapter took their Floriculture and Beginning Parliamentary Procedure teams to the state leadership conference April 6-9 in Twin Falls.

The Floriculture team competed the first night of the convention, placing 13th out of 31 teams. Zoe Kish was the team's high individual, placing 29th out of 120 competitors.

While they didn't win, the team greatly improved from last year, and they have even higher hopes for next year.

"I would love it if we placed in the top five next year, and I would love it even more if we placed first," Avery Villa said. "We are all so excited to get started for next year."

Team members would like to express their endless appreciation to Wendy Stansell, their new "FFA Mom."

The Beginning Parliamentary Procedure team didn't compete,

as they placed second in districts. The team came to State, however, to watch both the beginning and advanced Parliamentary Procedure competitions. The chapter took notes on what other teams did in the competition and plan to use what they learned in next year's competition.

The conference's theme was Break Away, and chapter members really "broke away" from their comfort zones during the convention's second day.

The chapter participated in the College of Southern Idaho's Challenge Course, which is designed to build good teamwork skills and develop confidence in its participants.

They completed an obstacle course, took a leap of faith at Pamper Pole, and took the Zip Line Challenge.

The chapter would like to thank FFA advisor Mike Martin and his wife Rosemarie Martin for the opportunity to take on the challenge course.



The Marsing FFA members who tackled the Challenge Course at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls included, from left, Thomas Sevy, Elijah Adamson, Spencer Fisher, Colton Hutching, Ezmer Robles, Zoe Kish and Avery Villa. Submitted photo

Marsing eighth-graders tap real world for science fair

Concussion research, solar power among projects

Dozens of young scientists will unveil their projects today at Marsing Middle School.

The fourth annual science fair, rebranded STEAM, will be held from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. inside the school's gymnasium on 8th Avenue West.

STEAM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math.

"People are realizing how much art plays a role in STEM, so that is the way things are heading," middle school science teacher Deidra Little said.

Seventy-seven eighth-graders have submitted projects, which will be judged by Boise State University STEM-based graduate students and professors. The BSU personnel also will interview the students.

"We are hoping to build a relationship with BSU and give



Anthony Sugai, left, and Brady Dines roll a bowling ball down an elevated picnic table to measure force impact on a Marsing High School football helmet. Submitted photo

students the opportunity to meet people from the university who are involved with STEM-based fields," Little said.

Students worked on their projects for about two months, Little said.

"Some kids know right away what they want to do, since they have been to previous Marsing Middle School science fairs," she said. "Others have to try out initial

ideas and then change them a few weeks into the project for various reasons."

Some of the students have reached into current events in their problem-solving quests.

Two projects involve football helmets.

One that looks at how older Marsing High School football helmets hold up to force impact tests in comparison to newer MHS

helmets. Anthony Sugai and Brady Dines have conducted research by measuring the acceleration of a bowling ball hitting the helmets.

Another concussion-related experiment uses frozen gallon jugs of water to test force impact differential between the use of a concussion band and not using a concussion band.

One student will simulate the effect of soda on human teeth by

testing different soft drinks on eggshells.

Another experiment examines the effects of different environments on the respiration of Dubia cockroaches through the measurement of carbon dioxide and oxygen levels.

Engineering projects include the design and construction of audio speakers using various diaphragms, an eyeglass lens cleaner, a dog-toy catapult, a homemade tattoo gun prototype and solar-powered battery chargers on baseball hats.

The run-up to the science fair gives students a glimpse at the scientific process of experimentation and studying results.

"A lot of work goes into these projects, both on their end and on mine. Designing and testing a somewhat reliable experiment takes a lot of revisions," Little said. "The scientific method and design practice really seems to hit home through interest-driven projects.

"I'm amazed at the effort these kids have put forth."

— JPB

BLM Boise RAC nominations sought

The Bureau of Land Management is seeking public nominations for open positions on the Boise District Resource Advisory Council (RAC), which advises on public land issues.

The BLM will consider nominations for 45 days, and the nomination ends May 2.

The Boise District BLM is seeking five nominees:

- One in Category 1, which is open to public land ranchers and representatives of organizations

associated with energy and mineral development, the timber industry, transportation or rights-of-way, off-highway vehicle use, and commercial recreation.

- Two in Category 2 for reps of recognized environmental organizations, archaeological and historical organizations, dispersed recreation activities, and wild horse and burro organizations.

- Two in Category 3 for reps of state, county, or local elected office; a state agency responsible for the

management of natural resources; Indian Tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the RAC is organized; academic institution reps who are involved in natural sciences; and the public-at-large.

Send nominations to Larry Ridenhour, RAC coordinator at Boise District BLM, Attn.: Larry Ridenhour, RAC coordinator, 3948 Development Ave., Boise, ID 83705, or email lridenhour@blm.gov, or call (208) 384-3393.



New daycare opening in Marsing

Roots and Wings Daycare Center director Alisha Tamura in front of the business that will open on Monday, May 2 at 212 Main St., Marsing. Tamura lives in Marsing and has a background in early childhood development.

The daycare will be open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. The center will serve children six weeks to 13 years old, and the rate is \$22 per day for each child.

The business is certified with the Idaho Child Care Program (ICCP), which provides a subsidy for parents who meet certain income requirements.








An open house for the daycare will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday.

Tamura can be reached at (208) 896-5238.



Soda Fire support for Owyhee ranchers continues

Kuna sixth-grader Madeline Lovelady, right, presents a check to Owyhee Cattlemen's Association president Daniel Richards during Thursday's board meeting in Murphy. Madeline came up with the idea to raise money to help the ranchers affected by last summer's Soda Fire and enlisted Reed Elementary School students to help. The students' efforts brought in \$410 for the Owyhee Cattlemen's Heritage Foundation's Soda Fire relief account. Submitted photo

Today  82° 46° Sunny	Thu  85° 51°	Fri  81° 53°	Sat  73° 46°	Sun  67° 39°	Mon  61° 34°	Tue  64° 35°
April 12 78° 42° .00	April 13 66° 42° .06	April 14 63° 43° .05	April 15 58° 39° .00	April 16 60° 35° .00	April 17 67° 33° .00	April 18 72° 34° .00

SNOTEL report, Owyhee County sensors

	Snow Equiv.	Snow Depth	Year-to-date Precip.	Previous day's temperature (measured in Fahrenheit)		
	(measured in inches)	(measured in inches)	(measured in inches)	Max	Min	Avg
Mud Flat						
04/12	0.0	0	11.9	57	39	47
04/13	0.0	0	11.9	51	37	44
04/14	0.0	0	12.0	44	31	38
04/15	0.0	0	11.9	45	30	37
04/16	0.0	0	12.0	57	29	43
04/17	0.0	0	12.3	61	33	48
04/18	0.0	0	12.3	n/a	n/a	n/a
Reynolds Creek						
04/12	0.0	n/a	14.4	55	40	48
04/13	0.0	n/a	14.5	50	36	42
04/14	0.1	n/a	14.6	43	30	35
04/15	0.1	n/a	14.8	44	28	35
04/16	0.1	n/a	14.7	53	32	43
04/17	0.1	n/a	14.8	59	39	50
04/18	0.1	n/a	14.8	n/a	n/a	n/a
South Mountain						
04/12	0.0	0	28.2	53	36	45
04/13	0.0	0	28.5	46	34	40
04/14	0.0	0	28.4	41	28	34
04/15	0.0	0	28.9	40	27	33
04/16	0.0	0	29.0	53	30	41
04/17	0.0	0	28.9	60	39	48
04/18	0.0	0	28.9	n/a	n/a	n/a

Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 60 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 1,465 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 151 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 429,857 acre-feet of water on Monday.

Note — SNOTEL statistics were gathered from the Natural Resources Conservation Service website at 3 p.m. Monday (Year-to-date precipitation is measured from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30.) Snow depth sensors at Reynolds Creek are inoperable.

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

Anniversary



Judy and Bill Purdom in 1966



Bill and Judy Purdom today

Homedale couple marks 50th wedding anniversary

A Homedale couple recently celebrated 50 years of marriage. A family barbecue in honor of Bill and Judy Purdom was held on April 9, 2016. The Purdoms married on April 9, 1966 at the Homedale Friends Church.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar and milk available with each meal. Salad bar is lettuce, tomato, boiled eggs, peaches, apricots, and dressing

- April 20: BBQ pork/bun, baked potato, beets
- April 21: Salisbury steak w/onions & mushrooms, mashed potatoes, carrots, roll
- April 26: Baked ham, sweet potato, string beans, roll
- April 27: Steak sandwich w/cheese & onion, California blend veggies
- April 28: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, spinach, roll

Marsing Senior Center

Vegetable served every day

- April 20: Stroganoff, biscuits
- April 21: Beef tacos, rice and beans
- April 25: Kielbasa, potato
- April 26: Meatballs, potato
- April 27: Baked chicken, potato
- April 28: Baked ham, sweet potato

Rimrock Senior Center

Milk and juice served every day

- April 21: Liver & onions (alternative – Pizza), fried potatoes, gravy, beets, roll, peach cobbler
- April 26: Pizza, salad bar, mandarin salad
- April 28: Lobster Newberg, broccoli rice melody, pineapple, chocolate chip cookies

Traffic stop leads to pot charge

A California man allegedly speeding on U.S. Highway 95 has been charged with marijuana possession, too.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said the Saturday citation of 37-year-old Zachary Gaw was another instance of an out-of-state resident apparently carrying marijuana and possessing a medical marijuana card from his home state.

The Rancho Cordova, Calif., man was given a misdemeanor citation for marijuana possession and also was cited for infractions of speeding and driving on a

suspended license. Bowman said Deputy Chris Even clocked Gaw driving 78 mph in the 65 mph zone on U.S. 95 near milepost 19 between Marsing and the Oregon border. The chief deputy also said Gaw admitted to having marijuana in the trunk, Bowman said less than an ounce was found.

Wanted subjects nabbed

A 50-year-old Boise man who didn't show up for a court hearing sat in Ada County Jail in Boise on Monday awaiting extradition to Owyhee County.

Gregory Smellage was arrested

earlier this year for driving under the influence and unlawful entry stemming from a series of bizarre events that occurred outside Marsing.

Smellage was arrested on a \$5,000 misdemeanor warrant on April 11.

Another man wanted on a probation violation after an original DUI conviction was arrested by Elmore County Sheriff's deputies.

Jason Benzie, 41, of Mountain Home was arrested on a \$2,500 warrant on Friday.

— JPB

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Marsing lands grant for Reich Street renovation

People living near Reich Street in Marsing will see some heavy road work next year.

During last Wednesday's city council meeting, city engineer Amy Woodruff announced the town has received a \$100,000 grant to renovate the street.

The state Local Rural Highway Investment Program (LRHIP) grant, which requires no matching funds from the city, will also fund the repaving of Christensen Street.

Woodruff told council members that the construction work will be conducted during the summer of 2017, but an exact timeline has not been determined.

"Conceptually it will be an overlay in some places, a full-depth add-on in other places, with pedestrian facilities," Woodruff said.

The "pedestrian facilities" she refers to is a sidewalk that will be built along one side of Reich Street. An Owyhee County satellite office housing a Division of Motor Vehicles office and a sheriff's office substation is located in the first block of Reich off Main Street.

Marsing city clerk Janice Bicandi stated that a lot of specifics about the renovation are still being hashed out. Those issues include:

- Which side of the road the sidewalk will be located
- If the sidewalk will extend from Main Street all the way to

Morning Dove Way

• If Reich Street and Christensen Street will be closed all at once or in portions

"How do we know about how the county DMV office will be impacted? We don't know," Bicandi said. "That will have to be worked out, too. Who knows how they're going to do it? This is just in the planning stage."

The \$100,000 is expected to cover the cost of the entire project, but Mayor James Ferdinand said the city does have some funds available to help if needed.

"We obviously want to use all of the grant money, and we're hoping that it doesn't go very far into our roads budget," Ferdinand said.

Woodruff assured the mayor that the project will involve salvaging as much of the existing pavement as possible.

"I think we're going to get it done. I think we're going to get a good project in there," Woodruff said.

During the meeting, city maintenance supervisor Phillip Gibson gave the council a report about recent projects that he's been working on, including filling potholes and putting down fertilizer on the grass at city parks.

He also discussed crosswalk signs, which cost \$330 each. There were eight crosswalk signs around town, but three of them have been destroyed by oncoming

traffic this year. The signs are located on the center line on Main Street to alert motorists about upcoming pedestrian crossings.

"We replace approximately four, five, or six a year, so that would be \$1,400 to \$1,900 a year," Gibson said. "Is that something the council would like to continue to purchase and get out in the streets?"

Council member Chris Even said the problem is that heavy equipment coming through town often hits the signs.

"It's better money spent to re-do the crosswalks with the crosswalk melt-down (a material that can adhere to pavement to create crosswalks) rather than spending another \$1,500 on crosswalk signs," Ferdinand said.

Gibson said he has never ordered melt-down thermoplastic for crosswalks, but he would look into exactly how much less expensive the material is compared to the signs.

The council also approved motions to donate \$500 each to the Marsing Lions Club Easter egg hunt and the LeRoy Breshears children's fishing derby, which is scheduled for June 4.

The Fiscal Year 2017 budget hearing was set for 7 p.m. on Aug. 16.

— SC



Husky PRIDE award

Eduardo Mendez, sophomore

Parents — Jose and Teyna Mendez

Health/Physical Education teacher Monique Smart's nomination — "He asks thought-provoking questions that contribute to class discussions, willingly helps others understand assignments and is a team player with a great attitude. His pleasant disposition encourages others to do their best."



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Fugitive who hid in Marsing sentenced on federal charges

The Boston mafia associate who lived on the lam in Marsing for 16 years was sentenced on federal charges stemming from his capture.

Enrico M. Ponzo, who lived in Marsing under the alias Jay Shaw, was sentenced to 46 months in prison during a Thursday hearing before Sr. U.S. District Judge Edward J. Lodge in a Boise federal courtroom.

Half of Ponzo's 46-month sentence will be served consecutively with a 28-year federal sentence that was imposed in late January in Massachusetts. Lodge also ordered Ponzo to serve three years of supervised release.

Ponzo agreed to plead guilty to unlawful possession of firearms. Authorities found 33 firearms and 34,000 rounds of ammunition when Ponzo was arrested in February 2011 at his Marsing ranch.

The U.S. Attorney argued that Ponzo's Idaho-based sentence be served consecutively partly because Ponzo received 90 disciplinary reports while he was housed in Ada County Jail. Five incidents involved the use of force.

Lodge also found that Ponzo

obstructed justice when he attempted to influence a witness in the case.

Ponzo fled to Marsing and used an assumed name after charges were filed in Boston.

FBI and the U.S. Marshals arrested Ponzo in Marsing in February 2011, and he was returned to Boston to face numerous charges.

After a seven-week jury trial, Ponzo was found guilty of several charges in November 2013 in Boston.

Among the charges were racketeering conspiracy, the 1989 attempted murder of Francis P. Salemme, Sr., and the 1994 attempted murder of Joseph Cirame, both of whom were shot and seriously injured. The jury also found Ponzo guilty of murder conspiracy in aid of racketeering, firearm possession in relation to murder conspiracy, conspiracy to distribute more than 500 grams of cocaine, conspiracy to distribute more than 1,000 kilograms of marijuana, conspiracy to use extortionate means to collect a debt, use of extortionate means to collect a debt, unlawful flight to avoid prosecution, money laundering conspiracy, money laundering, and attempted witness tampering.

Homedale spruces for spring

Riverside Park could gain expanded bench

Community members are invited to pitch in for the next two Saturdays to help cleanup Homedale.

The annual citywide cleanup is part of the town's preparation for the annual Angel Walk 5-kilometer fun run and classic car show.

Angel Walk will be held on Saturday, May 7.

From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the next two Saturdays, city employees will team up with volunteers to clean Idaho Avenue, Riverside Avenue and other parts of town.

City Hall is accepting nominations for people who are physically unable to clean up their properties. Mayor Gheen Christoffersen said crews will get to as many of the properties as possible during the cleanup days.

Nomination forms are available at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave. For more information, call 337-4641.

Homedale resident Donnie Harkins, the son of the late Wade and Vonnie Harkins, updated the City Council on his hopes to expand a memorial bench to include recognition of his mother.

Vonnie, who served as a councilperson for two years, died

of cancer earlier this year.

The boat dock where the Wade Harkins bench stands is special to the family.

"That's where Mom and Dad's ashes are scattered, and that's where Mom wanted the bench," Donnie Harkins said last Wednesday. "We talked about it before she passed."

Councilman Steve Atkins said Owyhee Sand and Gravel has agreed to provide the concrete for the pad on which the bench will stand. The city maintenance crew would do the labor of troweling the cement once it is poured.

"I want it in while the weather's good so people can enjoy it," Harkins said of the bench.

— JPB

Homedale community movie night takes step forward

The man who wants to bring the community together with a movie night visited the Homedale City Council last Wednesday.

Michael Aebischer said he came up with the idea of a community movie night after discussing with Mayor Gheen Christoffersen the need for more things the townspeople could do together.

"People want to see more unity in our community," Christoffersen said.

Aebischer came up with a few options to bring a movie to town and discovered that most are expensive to pull off whether it's an outdoor showing or an inside venue, such as the high school gymnasium.

The expense comes from licensing fees, Aebischer said, adding it could cost up to \$300 to show a movie to an audience of 100 people.

A cheaper option is to go with

movies that are in the public domain and are no longer subject to copyright royalties. Aebischer said a search of the Library of Congress turned up only a few titles that were "appropriate" for all audiences.

He mentioned the 1963 John Wayne film McLintock!, His Girl Friday from 1940, which starred Cary Grant and Rosalind Russell, and The Last Time I Saw Paris, which was a 1954 film starring Van Johnson, Elizabeth Taylor and Donna Reed.

"I think people out there would enjoy it because they wouldn't have to drive to Boise or Nampa," Councilman Aaron Tines said.

No firm details were set last week, but the discussion leaned toward an event in mid-May. Aebischer said he planned to approach school trustees about the use of the gymnasium.

But Christoffersen said such an event would help strengthen the

community ties.

"There's always a need for that," he said. "The community (that is) united stands up better in tough times."

City Hall, HPD office to get phone upgrade

The council voted, 3-0, to contract with CableOne for Internet and phone service at City Hall and at the police department.

City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram said the city would save nearly \$200 each month and the Internet service would improve.

The council approved the idea contingent on changing CableOne's termination notice language that city attorney Paul J. Fitzer violated the state Constitution by requiring the city to give notice before ending the deal.

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Art in the Park returning to Marsing

Chamber of Commerce seeks local artists

Plans are being made for the second annual Marsing Art in the Park.

This year's event will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., on Saturday May 7 at Island Park.

Marsing Chamber of Commerce president Luke Burbank said the official title of the community gathering will be "Wine and Art in the Park."

The event is sponsored, in part, by the Sunny Slope Wine Trail.

"This is actually kicking off their summer wine trail, which includes multiple events, and this will be the first one," Burbank said.

The Chamber and the Bureau of Land Management are co-sponsors of the event.

Last year's Marsing Art in the Park was held at city park, but Burbank said while that area has more shade, more traffic goes by Island Park and it might help increase attendance.

"It's a better location for the view from the highway," Burbank said.

Exactly which local artists will be featured is still being determined.

"We don't have our full list of artists solidified yet," Burbank said. "The goal is to get 10 or so artists there at least."

He added that Chamber members will operate one wine tasting booth.

"There will be, I think, five or six different wineries," Burbank said.

Any local artists interested in showing their crafts can contact Burbank at (208) 896-4114.

— SC

Wellness fair visits Adrian on Friday

Stop planned next week in JV

The second annual "Spring Into Wellness Fair" Tour is under way, and the Malheur Community Advisory Council plans events in the coming days for Adrian and Jordan Valley.

More than 20 community providers will attend the series of seven wellness fairs.

Wellness fairs are scheduled from noon to 3 p.m. inside the Adrian school cafeteria on Friday and from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Jordan Valley Lions Hall on Thursday, April 28.

There will be raffles and free health screenings at each wellness fair.

Local Spring Into Wellness Fairs have been designed to create easier access to services for our community members

by bringing local community service organizations and health care agencies together in one central location to inform everyone about services that impact health.

Other stops include Thursday, May 5 at Willowcreek Elementary School; Saturday, May 7 in Nyssa; and Thursday, June 9 in Vale.

For more information, follow the Wellness Fairs via the Malheur Community Advisory Council's Facebook page.

For more information or to get details on how to be a provider for one of the events, call Spring Into Wellness coordinator Lori Clark at (208) 739-1989 or via email to lori.clark@ocdc.net.

Find out
What's happening
Read Calendar each week
in the Avalanche

From page 1A

✓ Homedale: Process displeases Downing

was forced to postpone bringing a name for a vote when former councilmembers Tim Downing and Dave Downum pulled out of the running after a joint meeting with the mayor.

"This appointment has been a difficult process," the mayor said after the council meeting.

Christoffersen said he will make an appointment at the council's April 28 meeting, but he wouldn't divulge the name of the person he has picked to complete the final two years of Vonnie Harkins' term.

Christoffersen told The Owyhee Avalanche that the appointment candidate was not Michael Aebischer, whom the council rejected last month.

The mayor said neither Downing and Downum gave a reason for pulling their names

from consideration.

"After meeting with the mayor, I decided that it wouldn't be a good fit at this time," Downum told the Avalanche.

Noting that the council vote for either of he or Downum would be close, Downing said he suggested a coin flip to decide which of the men would be the final consideration.

Downing, who said he interviewed for the position and sent in a resume, was critical of Christoffersen's vetting process.

"I don't agree with the mayor's criteria at all," Downing said. I called him to verify yesterday, and he confirmed that he based at least 95 percent of his decision on phone calls that he had received. At least some anonymous.

"Essentially the interview and the resume and any other information

that he might have gathered at City Hall counted for five percent or less of his decision-making on who was going to fill the seat."

The only other candidate whose name has been made public is former mayoral candidate Samuel Page, a Homedale pastor.

Last week, Page said he was still interested in serving, but he would let the process "run its course." Page attended last Wednesday's meeting and he also had a conversation with Christoffersen last week.

Downing said he would like to see openness in Christoffersen's process.

"I hope he's not thinking about doing this vote without putting this person's name out there to get phone calls out there and make an educated guess," Downing said.

— JPB

✓ COSSA: Second straight title for fab team

fabrication, qualifying teacher Mark Bauer's program for the national convention for the second year in a row.

The trio won a gold medal during the April 7-8 state competition in Boise. A fourth welding student, Parma's Raúl Muniz, finished third in structural welding.

The fabrication team now will prepare for the SkillsUSA national competition, which takes place in June in Louisville, Ky.

This year's state contest included developing a full set of plans, complete with welding symbols and assembly drawings, for a bench.

The plans had to be submitted before the state contest.

Once the team was in Boise, the trio was presented with material from which they would build the bench. The boys were required to perform different welding processes from different positions.

Bauer said teams were encouraged to use all materials they were provided. Points were deducted if teams wasted material.

The COSSA welding team has begun fundraising for its trip to nationals. In a letter to community businesses, Bauer points out that no state education funds are used to finance the trip.

"In order for our students to take advantage of this opportunity and participate in the national SkillsUSA contest, we will need to raise \$6,000," Bauer wrote



The SkillsUSA state championship COSSA welding fabrication team proudly stands behind the bench the boys created for the competition in Boise. Submitted photo

in the letter.

For more information on how to help the team make the trip to nationals, call the COSSA Regional Technical and Education Center in Wilder at (208) 482-6074.

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HMS students get glimpses of what's after high school

Homedale Middle School students have been getting a glimpse of their post-secondary education and career choices.

On March 31, eighth-graders attended the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency Career and College Fair in Wilder.

Students were able to talk to college recruiters, Armed Forces recruiters, hair and beauty schools and other employers and educators.

The students also toured the COSSA Regional Technical Center and took part in activities to help them understand what the pro-tech education programs have to offer.

Last month, students in the HMS AVID program visited College of Western Idaho in Nampa and Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

Submitted photos



Homedale Middle School AVID students toured the College of Western Idaho in Nampa (above) and Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore. (below)



Spencer Fisher, left, Nelson Lomeli and another student took in the COSSA welding program.



From left: Anthony Lara, Brandon Chase, Wyatt James, Will Fleming and Brady Trout took part in a shovel race during the COSSA career expo to see who was most efficient using the contraption to pick up objects.



Lily Galvin watches light bulbs illuminate as she creates electricity by pedaling a stationary bike during the COSSA career expo.

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Trojans take another one from Emmett

Reigning state
champs stay
unbeaten in SRV

A quick start allowed Homedale High School to withstand Emmett's late rally in a 3A Snake River Valley conference softball game.

The Trojans scored five runs in

their first two at-bats at Sundance Park on Friday to set up a 9-5 win over the team they beat for the state championship in May.

Homedale (15-2 overall, 6-0 in conference) ended the week on a 10-game winning streak.

Gardenia Machuca went 3-for-4 with four RBI and one of Homedale's three doubles.

— See *Trojans*, page 3B



Megan Maxwell connects in Friday's 3A Snake River Valley conference game at Sundance Park.



Above: Homedale second baseman Matt Thatcher gets in position to receive Nash Johnson's throw Friday. Thatcher tagged out Emmett's Cayden Crume, who was attempting to steal. **Below:** Connor Carter throws a pitch during Friday's narrow loss at John Jackson Field.

HHS splits tight baseball games

The 3A Snake River Valley conference baseball pennant chase arrived last week.

Homedale High School found itself on opposite ends of a pair of pitchers' duels as Fruitland and Emmett made their moves to start the second half of the season.

The Trojans (11-3 overall, 4-2 in conference at week's end) had been involved in four shutouts in its past five



John Collett

games after Emmett posted a 1-0 win Friday at John Jackson Field.

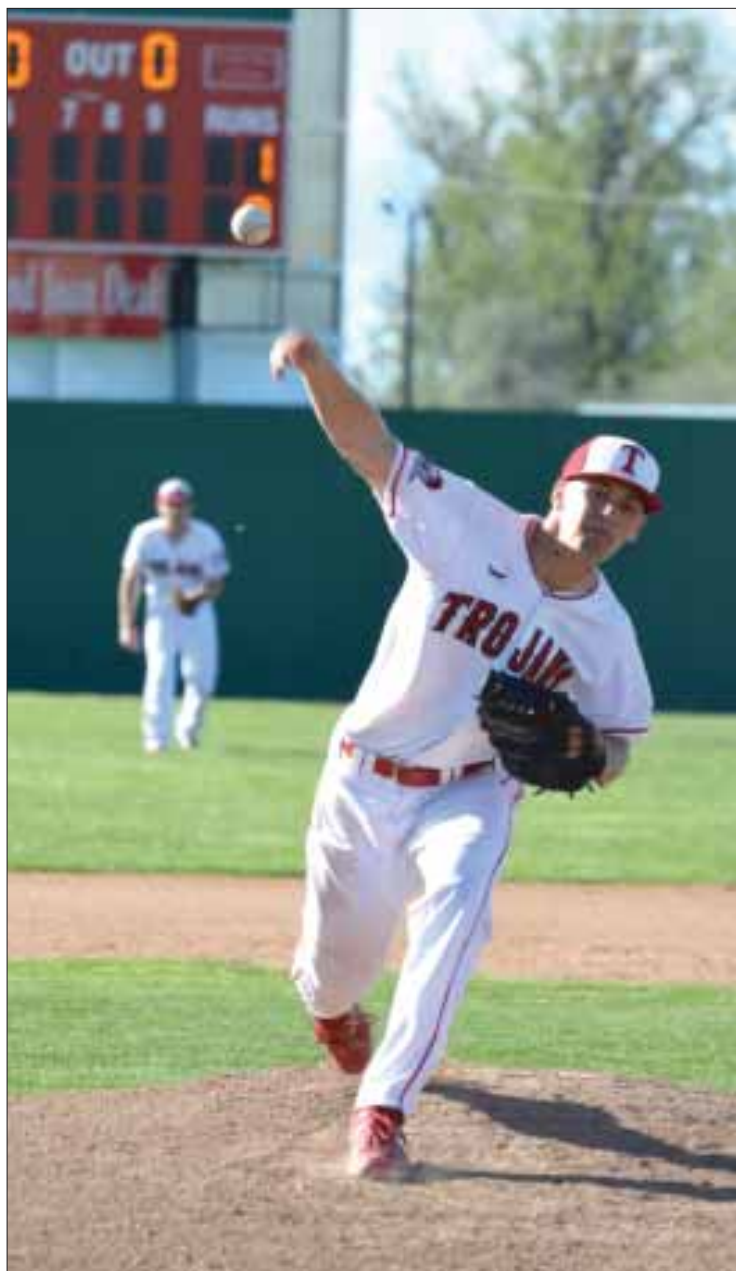
Senior right-hander John Collett pitched a 1-0 shutout for the second consecutive start to help Homedale beat Fruitland on the road April 12.

Friday: Emmett 1, Homedale 0 — The Huskies' Jacob Severance struck out nine and limited the Trojans to a pair of hits to make an unearned run in the third inning hold up.

Courtesy runner Cayden Crume scored the go-ahead run on an error in the top of the third.

Drew Taylor was Homedale's most successful baserunner. He

— See *Baseball*, page 2B



Trustees hire new MHS girls' basketball coach

Superintendent
cites Dugger's
experience

In a surprise move, trustees have named a new Marsing High School girls' basketball coach.

The school board removed the "interim" tag from Jake Dugger's title during its April 12 meeting.

District superintendent Norm Stewart had previously stated that he didn't expect the trustees to make a selection for the position until their May meeting.

Dugger assumed the coaching duties when trustees suspended Jaime Wood in mid-January.

The trustees decided not to renew Wood's coaching contract during their March 8 meeting.

"(MHS principal and athletic director) Tim (Little) held

interviews and then made a job offer to Jake, and he accepted and the board did approve," Stewart said.

Dugger was formerly varsity assistant coach and joined the program when Wood was hired as head coach three seasons ago.

Stewart said one other person also applied for the coaching position, but citing the issue as a personnel matter he refused to divulge the candidate's identity.

However, Stewart did say that Dugger's experience pushed him ahead of the other applicant.

Typically, the board decides whether to renew coaching contracts in a meeting shortly after the end of a given athletic season.

The school district has never released details on the events leading up to Wood's suspension.

— SC

Huskies' Villa clocks career-best in 1,600

Landry Villa's first sub-5-minute 1,600 meters helped Marsing High School to a 10th-place finish in Friday's Middleton Invitational.

The sophomore finished third in the boys' race, posting a 4-minute, 52.43-second time and picking up his third top-10 finish in the 1,600 this season.

Running on the surface that will play host to the 2A state meet next month, Villa shaved nearly a half-minute off his previous fastest 1,600.

Villa also finished eighth in the 3,200 in 12:03.14.

Senior Alexandre Heidt brought home fifth in the boys' 100 with

a time of 11.65, and he was sixth in the long jump with an 18-foot, 10-inch effort.

First-year coach Steven Morton's girls' team began making strides in Middleton, too.

Exchange student Tilde Vidman finished sixth in the 200, crossing the line in 28.6 seconds. Another exchange student, Giorgia Comin, was 14th in the 100 hurdles.



Tilde Vidman

Sports

Trojans salvage second amidst tough conditions

Cement-like greens sent golf scores soaring last Wednesday, but Homedale High School managed to salvage a second-place finish.

The Trojans lost the 3A Snake River Valley conference meet to Weiser by two strokes at Scotch Pines Golf Course in Payette.

“We played bad as a whole,” HHS coach Casey Grove said. “I guess everyone’s scores in the entire field were elevated a little. I think that had to do with Scotch Pines greens.

“The greens were really hard and fast, mostly due to not having irrigation water yet.”

Chase Martell reined in the course enough to finish with a 45 for Homedale’s low round. Fellow senior Lawsen Matteson carded a 46.

Homedale only had four boys’ varsity golfers last week with Scott Matlock missing the event. Noah

Freelove (48) and Kaden Henry (49) rounded out the Trojans’ card.

Emily Kent shot a 68 in her girls’ varsity debut.

The Trojans played another conference nine-hole meet Tuesday after deadline at River Birch Golf Course in Star.



Casey Grove

Top SRV tennis teams trip HHS

Homedale High School endured some of the top 3A Snake River Valley conference tennis talent last week.

On Thursday, Fruitland posted a 9-1 victory in a dual meet in Payette County that was cut short by rain.

Ben Holloway, who relinquished his No. 1 singles position to fellow junior Ryan Randall, picked up the only point for the Trojans in the boys’ ladder. Holloway out-played Noah Roberts in the second set of a 6-3, 7-5 victory.

Randall fell to Fruitland No. 1 Kooper Crow, 6-0, 6-0, as the Grizzlies won three of the four matches.

Warren DeMark’s No. 3 singles match against Josiah Whiting never got off the ground because of the rainfall, and the No. 1 doubles match was halted in the second set with Fruitland’s Braeden Phillips and Luke Tesnohlidek leading Homedale’s Miller DeMark and Austin Conant, 6-0, 3-0.

Fruitland swept the girls’ ladder and both mixed doubles matches. Homedale’s Vera Venhuizen (No. 3 singles) and the No. 1 girls’ doubles tandem of Mikayla Smith

and Gabby Martell won four games in their straight-losses.

Sarah Jones and Dylan Phariss won three games in a 6-1, 6-2 loss to Fruitland’s top mixed doubles team of Carleigh LaCrone and Parker Lloyd.

Friday: Homedale 6, Ontario, Ore., 6 — The Trojans stormed through the boys’ meet then the host Tigers returned the favor on the girls’ side.

Senior Orion Cardenas captured the top boys’ singles match when Ontario’s Sage Nakamura had to pull out of the contest with an injury heading into the third set. Cardenas had swept the second set to knot the match at one set apiece, 4-6, 6-0 before Nakamura retired.

Sophomore Jose Uriarte outlasted Marc Kiniskey, 4-6, 7-6, at No. 2 boys, and Warren DeMark grabbed a 6-3, 6-3 win over Zach Gilman at No. 3.

A fourth singles match was played in the boys’ ladder because Oregon schools do not field mixed doubles teams. Freshman Joseph Zamudio got the point for Homedale with a 6-3, 6-3 win over Alex Ruiz.

Homedale cruised in the boys’ doubles matches with Miller DeMark and Pharris beating Ontario No. 1s Caleb Wilson and Aidan Kimball, 6-2, 6-1. At No. 2 doubles, Austin Conant and German exchange student Niklas Hoegy beat the Tigers’ Carlos Garcia and Trevor Gammage, 6-1, 6-1.

April 12: Parma 9, Homedale 3 — Conant held on through the first set to prevail in the No. 2 boys’ singles match for the Trojans against one of the top teams in the conference.

Conant nipped Jonathon Phillips in the opening set and then closed out a 7-5, 6-2 victory, but Parma prevailed, 4-2, in the boys’ ladder.

Miller DeMark and Jose Uriarte continued their streak of success at No. 2 boys’ doubles, storming to a 6-3, 6-0 victory over Griffin Anderson and Seth Worthington.

The Panthers captured four girls’ matches and swept the mixed doubles matches.

Homedale No. 3 singles player Kirsten Egurrola beat Sierra Pesnell, 6-0, 6-1, for the Trojans’ only victory in the girls’ meet.



Drew Taylor dives head-first into second base after hustling on a ball he looped into right field against Emmett.

Baseball: Collett turns in another gem vs. Fruitland

From Page 1B
made it to second base after a single in the fourth inning.

Carter, who singled with two outs in the first inning for Homedale’s initial hit, scattered six hits and struck out a pair. Neither Carter nor Severance walked a batter.

April 12: Homedale 1, Fruitland 0 — Collett ensured his 10-strikeout, two-hit pitching

performance wasn’t wasted when he laid down a bunt to bring home courtesy runner Kendall Freelove with the winning run in the bottom of the sixth inning.

Johnson started the inning with an infield single, and Carter moved Freelove over with another infield single.

No Fruitland baserunner got past second base against Collett. Taylor was 2-for-3.

Homedale Trojans

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Baseball
Drew Taylor, jr.
Batted .500 (3-for-6) as Trojans split close games.



Softball
Makayla Aberasturi, sr.
Went 6-for-8 (.750) with three RBI and four runs scored in two SRV wins.



Tennis
Jose Uriarte, so.
Captured wins in doubles vs. Parma and singles vs. Ontario, Ore.



Track and field
Lainey Johnson, so.
Had three top-three results as girls finished second at Vale, Ore.



Golf
Chase Martell, sr.
Fired 45 on a tough course in Trojans’ second-place finish in Payette.

Baseball
Varsity
Friday, April 22 at Parma, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26, home vs. Payette, 5 p.m.
Junior varsity
Friday, April 22, home vs. Parma, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26 at Payette, 5 p.m.

Softball
Varsity
Friday, April 22 at Parma, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26, home vs. Payette, 5 p.m.
Junior varsity
Thursday, April 21 at Ontario, Ore., 5 p.m.
Friday, April 22, home vs. Parma, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26 at Payette, 5 p.m.

Track and field
Tuesday, April 26, home for Homedale Invitational, 4 p.m.

Tennis
Thursday, April 21, home vs. Emmett, 4 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26, home vs. Weiser, 4 p.m.

Golf
Varsity
Monday, April 25 at Baker (Ore.) Invitational. 18 holes, noon
Tuesday, April 26 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet (nine holes), Scotch Pines GC, Payette, 3 p.m.
Junior varsity
Tuesday, April 26 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet (nine holes), Scotch Pines GC, Payette, 3 p.m.

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Sports

Trojans take five titles at Viking Invitational

Girls finish second, boys third; Homedale hosts meet next week

Homedale High School's athletes tuned up for three track and field meets in a 10-day stretch by taking five titles at Friday's Viking Invitational.

Richard Symms swept the throws during the track and field meet in Vale, Ore.

The senior posted a 40-foot, 9½-inch distance in the shot put and captured the discus gold with a 130-4 effort.

In the girls' shot put, Elizabeth Vargas prevailed at 33-0.

Homedale was runner-up in the girls' meet, and the boys' finished third.

The boys' 4x100-meter relay team continued its fluidity, running to a 46.62-second win. Josh Tolmie, Max Mertz, Julian Hartmann and Jacob Furlott put together the winning effort.



Richard Symms



Elizabeth Vargas



Josh Tolmie



Julian Hartmann



Max Mertz



Jacob Furlott

Sophomore Lainey Johnson won the girls' 200 in 28.32.

Furlott was runner-up in both boys' sprints, posting a 11.3 in the 100 and a 23.33 in the 200.

Tolmie finished second in the 400 at 54.29, and joined forces with Mertz, Braden Miller and Jordan Van Es to place second in the 4x400 in 3 minutes, 52.51 seconds.

Junior Carlie Sawyer was runner-up in both girls' sprints, running a 13.24 in

the 100 and finished two-hundredths of a second behind Johnson in the 200. Sawyer also finished second in the long jump at 15-6.

Johnson was second in the 400 (1:04.47) and grabbed third in the 100 (13.39).

Sawyer and Johnson were part of the second-place 4x100 relay team. Ashley Burks and Lexie Doss ran the middle legs of the 54.01 effort.

Carli Swallow finished second in the shot put, 5½ inches short of Vargas' winning

distance. She was third in the discus.

Eva Symms was runner-up in the discus at 99-4. She finished third in the shot put (32-4) to cap the Trojans' sweep of the top three.

Homedale's athletes continue the season today in Fruitland at the 3A Snake River Valley conference before playing host to the Homedale Invitational at Deward Bell Stadium on Tuesday. The Heinz Invitational on Saturday, April 30 wraps up the Trojans' busy week ahead.

√ Trojans: Shanley rips two doubles

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Kendall Nash crushed a double and drove in two runs during a 3-for-3 showing, while Makayla Aberasturi was 3-for-4 with two runs scored.



Kendall Nash

Tristan Corta started in the circle, giving two earned runs through 4 2/3 innings.

She picked up the win with Dakota Kelly finishing the game.

Megan Maxwell was 2-for-3 Emmett closed the gap to 5-3 with a three-run fourth inning, but Homedale answered in the bottom of the frame with two more runs.

Homedale 11, Fruitland 0 (5) — Dakota Kelly pitched another gem in a conference game on the Grizzlies' field.

The sophomore struck out and walked none while allow just two singles in a game halted after five innings because of the 10-run rule.

Makayla Aberasturi led the Trojans' 13-hit attack, going 3-for-4 with a double and two RBI.

Sydnee Shanley had two doubles, while Tristan Corta was 2-for-4 with two runs scored and a double.

Machuca went 2-for-2 with two RBI.



Adrian High School sophomore Morgan Bayers concentrates on her next obstacle during a second-place performance in the girls' 100 hurdles Friday at the Viking Invitational in Vale, Ore. AHS Photo

Antelopes get six wins at Vale meet

Four event wins pushed the Adrian High School boys' track and field team to a second-place finish Friday in Vale, Ore.

The Antelopes topped the 4x400-meter relay field with a 3 minute, 42.67-second win at the Viking Invitational.

Wes White, Bryson Shira and Reagan Shira picked up individual wins.

On the girls' side, senior Kylee Skerjanec captured two events, clearing 5 feet in the high jump and running 55.33 seconds in the 300 hurdles.

White won the 400 in 53.14, and Reagan Shira came in fourth

at 54.99. Bryson Shira turned in the fastest 800 of the day at 2:02.63, while sophomore teammate Andy Walker was fourth.

Reagan Shira led Adrian's top-three sweep in the triple jump, soaring 41-90. Fellow senior Mike Griffin (38-6) was runner-up with sophomore Eduardo Muñoz placing third at 37-3.

The Antelopes piled up points with a slew of top-five finishes in the boys' meet.

Third place — Griffin in the 110 hurdles (17.18); junior Dennis Dick in the high jump (5-6); Reagan Shira in the long jump

(20-5); and Antelopes 4x100 relay team (49.49)

Fourth place — White in the 100 (11.68); senior Colton Nielsen in the shot put (36-10); and Bryson Shira in the long jump (19-1¾)

Fifth place — Freshman James Ellsworth in the 1,500 (5:00.57); and Nielsen in the discus (102-5)

Three AHS girls managed runner-up finishes in Vale, including sophomores Bailey Martinez in the 800 (2:57.5) and Morgan Bayers in the 100 hurdles (19.02), and junior Lauren Barraza in the 1,500 (5:48.12).

Adrian's 4x100 relay team finished third in 55.06, while individuals also captured bronze event medals. Bayers was third in the 200 (28.69), and freshman Shayla Griffin grabbed third in the 400 (1:07.94). Freshman Roby Young was third in the high jump (4-8), while Skerjanec finished third in the pole vault (8-6) and the triple jump (31-5).

Junior Selina Villarreal was fourth in the long jump at 14-11.

Picking up fifth-place finishes were Bayers in the 100 (13.71), freshman Sadey Speelmon in the 300 hurdles (59.37), and Young in the triple jump (30-11).

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

April 21, 1991

Local police officers recertified

Three Homedale Police Department officers, including one reservist, were recertified recently in Murphy in the use of Alcosensor or Breathalyzer equipment used in the detection of drunk drivers. The officers were Joe Whilden and Gary Olsen, as well as reserve officer Bill Garrison.

HPD Chief Mike Moysard said the certification in use of the equipment is required periodically. All other members of the local force are certified, he said.

“Trojan Pride” day is happening today

The fourth annual Homedale High School Trojan Pride Day is taking place today, with students from the Junior and Senior High School working to clean paint and improve school and city properties.

HHS Principal Nolan Taggart revived Trojan Pride Day, patterned on the similar cleanup day held here while he was in school.

In recent years, some of the more visible projects have included grading, raking and laying sod at the school, building fences, laying a sprinkler system, pouring concrete pads at the track, cleaning parks and preparing an area for grass along Highway 95.

Work projects scheduled today include: painting flag poles and goal posts, cleaning and waxing the scoreboard, painting garbage barrels, picking up trash along the highway and sprucing up the city parks with additional flowers.

Groups of students are also expected to wash school buses, fire trucks and the ambulance. They are performing general clean up work around both City Hall and Homedale Public Library as well as at all school grounds, including the football and baseball fields.

Linder receives P.O. award

Rayme Linder, a rural carrier for the Homedale Post Office, has been selected as the local Postal Volunteer of the Year. Postmaster Joyce Turner presented Linder with a certificate of appreciation signed by U.S. Postmaster General Anthony M. Frank during a brief ceremony at the post office on Monday.

The award and similar presentations made at post offices throughout the country are intended to honor the spirit of volunteerism during National Volunteer Week.

“Through her dedicated service, we feel Rayme Linder truly represents what volunteerism is all about,” Turner said. “On behalf of the Postmaster General and the community of Homedale, I salute Rayme Linder for contributing her time to our community.”

Six games to go: Trojans remain undefeated

Can Homedale’s baseball team, the mighty Joe DiMaggios-at-bat of the 1991 season, keep their string undefeated through the remaining six games of the regular season? It’s happily looking that way, considering four of the remaining games are rematches with teams already defeated.

They play Wilder, there tomorrow at 4:30 p.m., a team the Trojans solidly trounced 10-0 the first time around. But then they take on Melba in a double-header here next Tuesday, 3:30 p.m., one of only two teams coming up that they haven’t encountered to date. Head Baseball Coach Will Julian isn’t ready to look past Melba, pointing out that its team, is reported to be tied for 2nd place in the A-3/A-4 slugouts.

But Julian, the newcomer baseball coach, can’t help being optimistic, for all that. His team used its 2nd face-off against always feisty Fruitland to crunch the Grizzlies neatly 11-0 last Thursday. And that, Julian pointed out, tidily brought Homedale’s undefeated record to the same 11-0 mark prior to yesterday’s game against Marsing here.

Fruitland, Julian added, got zero hits the first time around and only one last week. The game was perhaps Kevin Alambra’s finest one of the season. He pitched the 1st four innings, striking out 7 and giving up a single hit. He was also 3-4 at the plate, whamming 2 doubles, scoring three times and contributing an RBI. Tony Uranga pitched the final inning, striking out 1, and allowing no hits or runs.

50 years ago

April 21, 1966

Can-Ida Secretaries Scholarship Award

Daphne George, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen C. George, Homedale R. 1, is a contestant for the Can-Ida Secretaries Scholarship Award. She is a senior at Homedale High School and is active in the State Line Grange, DeSales, Pep Club, FHA and 4-H. She is a member of St. Hubert’s Catholic Church. She plans to attend the Kinman Business University in Spokane. In high school she studies English, Shorthand, Office Typing, Office Practice and Clerical Procedures.

Chroniclings

When Police Officer Paul Whaley took his car to a local service station April 14 to be serviced, the attendant found a bird’s nest under the hood. The nest contained one egg, which was believed to be that of a wren. Since the car was in use daily, he isn’t sure where to relocate the nest so the prospective mother can continue with her nesting.

Succor Crik Sam Sez:

“Aint no ice in the crik. It’s all floatin’ down the irrigation ditches.”

Library fieldsman points way for local improvement

Representatives from organizations and clubs of Homedale and surrounding communities attended a meeting of the Homedale Improvement Club held Friday afternoon at the IOOF hall.

Dale Perkins, fieldsman for the Idaho State Library, showed films of Idaho libraries, including Homedale and the librarian, Hazel Aldrich.

Mr. Perkins spoke and answered questions on how a city, school district or county could organize to be eligible for a small mill levy for support.

The need for more room seems to be the greatest need at present and Improvement Club members are seeking some solution to this problem. Perkins said federal money may be obtained with the government furnishing 60 percent and the additional 40 percent needs to be raised from the local area, either by subscription or tax levy after a district is formed.

Mining exploration at Silver City gets boost

Historic Silver City in Owyhee County, now a ghost town, may once again become a boom town if an experiment announced recently, to be financed by federal funds, is a success.

Federal officials were not ready to admit that this may be anything near the ultimate conclusion of their efforts, but they were willing to predict that the experiment in new gold and silver production may be just the start if things pan out.

Announced April 11 by the Geological Survey of the Interior Department was a grant of nearly \$40,000 to a private company to explore the possibilities of once again mining gold and silver from an old mine near Silver City.

Marsing Huskies defeat Homedale Tuesday, 13-3

Marsing rocked Homedale’s pitchers for 13 hits Tuesday and just as many runs as the Huskies stopped the Trojans 13-3 in a Snake River Valley B League tussle.

The win keeps the Huskies near the top of the league list with a 4-1 record while Homedale is just a step behind with a 2-1 mark.

Marlin Tullis did much of the damage at the plate for Marsing. The 6-1 senior slammed a home run, a double and a single in three trips to the plate.

Homedale Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Howell and family went on a picnic to DeLamar Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Ball of Boise, Mr. and Mrs. William Moore of Nampa, Mrs. Hulda Schultz, and Mrs. Anna Heinzig, both of Caldwell, were Sunday dinner guests in the Willis Titmus home.

140 years ago

April 22, 1876

THE FIRST man killed in the late war was Daniel Howe. He belonged to the First United States Artillery, and had seen service in Mexico. He was killed by the premature discharge of a gun while saluting the national flag as our forces were marching out of Fort Sumter in April, 1861.

NOTES FROM REYNOLDS’ CREEK – Reynolds Creek, April 10th. There was a dance at G.D. Gardner’s on Monday evening. The good people of the Valley assembled to “trip the light fantastic.” Music was furnished by Professor Johnson and Coddle, who were assisted by A. Jones. Dancing commenced at 8 o’clock and was kept up till sunrise on the following morning. The ladies present were Mrs. Stanford, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Peters, Mrs. Babington, Mrs. Whittaker, Mrs. Gardner, Miss Annie Peters, Miss Stanford, Miss Johnson. Among the gentlemen present were Mr. Stanford, C. C. Johnson, Hon. Harry Pillsbrie, L. A. Ross, Sam Kittles, Tom Price, Pete Law, Theodore Nehring, Joe Babington, Scott McQueen, G. D. Gardner. The prompting was done by Messrs. Ross and Jones. Everything went on as merry as a marriage bell. At midnight a lunch was served by the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Gardner, who seemed to understand how to cater to the tastes of their guests. Nothing very serious happened during the evening, but we noticed a good deal of love making going on. If Harry P. has any friends in Silver they had better come after him for he is liable to have a duel on his hands.

I saw Professor Lackey and M. McGregor down here the other day. The Professor amused himself hunting crows in the foot-hills near Whisky Hill. There is a blooming young widow living near there. That was the crow he was hunting. The Professor stoutly denies it. C.O.

WAR EAGLE MOUNTAIN – Fairview, April 14, 1876 – The hall in which the dance was held on Monday evening was neatly decorated with flags, pictures and evergreens. A good supper was provided by John Lange in the building across the way. At the dance, most of the ladies were engaged hours in advance, and this practice gave great satisfaction, so much so that several gentlemen left the ball early in the evening. It would be well for the ladies to make a combined effort to remedy this trouble in the future.

The boys are quite jubilant over the prospect of the speedy redemption of work in several of the most prominent mines. They appear to be willing to settle at a heavy discount, providing that the mines in question start up as soon as the compromise is effected, and the creditors in camp knock off twenty-five cents on the dollar on their accounts against the miners. The merchants should stand a portion of the loss; the laboring man cannot stand the whole amount.

The Idlewild mine is looming up splendidly. The tunnel is now in 100 feet with a two-foot vein of \$100 ore. Stopping has commenced. A force of six men are now at work and ten more will soon be worked to good advantage. Their mill will start by the 10th of May. Among the new hands is Stephen Allen of Fairview, who is now a resident of Spring City. He is often heard singing “The Girl I Left Behind Me.”

Jim Monroe offers \$50 reward to any one who will bring E.A. Thompson back, dead or alive.

DOWN THE ROAD – A correspondent of the Avalanche writing from the Sheep Ranch under date of the 20th instant, says: “The weather has been quite pleasant for a few days past and one begins to think that spring has come in good earnest. The grass is now several inches high and as far as the eye can reach everything looks fresh and green. The Owyhee River seems to be on a splurge. The banks being full to overflowing in many places, making it very difficult to cross by team.

THERE WAS but little excitement on the streets this forenoon. The town seemed partly deserted. Many went to Fairview to attend the meeting there to consider the mining claims question.

Sports

Marsing's offense grinds to halt vs. Nampa Christian

Huskies score 10 runs in two games before Friday's no-hitter

Jaden Kinney scored Marsing High School's only run Friday in a 2A Western Idaho Conference blowout loss.

Three pitchers combined on a no-hitter in Nampa Christian's 22-1 five-inning victory on the Huskies' field.

Kinney drew a walk to lead off the fifth inning, stole second and scored on a passed ball with Jesse Hay-Smith at the plate.

Riley Bryant walked and stole second to start the third inning for the only other base runner for coach Wes Tankersley's squad (4-8 overall, 1-3 in conference).

Thirteen of the Trojans' first 14 runs were unearned as Marsing committed 14 errors. Brandon Mullin was 2-for-4 with a grand slam to highlight Nampa Christian's nine-run third inning.

The 22 runs were the most the Huskies have allowed this season. Last year at this point in the season, Marsing had a comparable record, but was in the midst of a stretch in which the team had given up 90 runs in five games.

Last Wednesday: Parma 12, Marsing 4 — The Huskies couldn't get over the hump in a non-conference home game as the Panthers broke open the contest

with a four-run sixth inning.

Parma led, 4-0, when Dwight Sevy singled and scored on Levi Nanney's ground ball in the bottom of the second.

Marsing chipped further into the lead when Nanney's two-out, run-scoring single pulled the Huskies to within a run, 4-3, in the third.

Parma rallied for two runs in the fourth inning and never looked back.

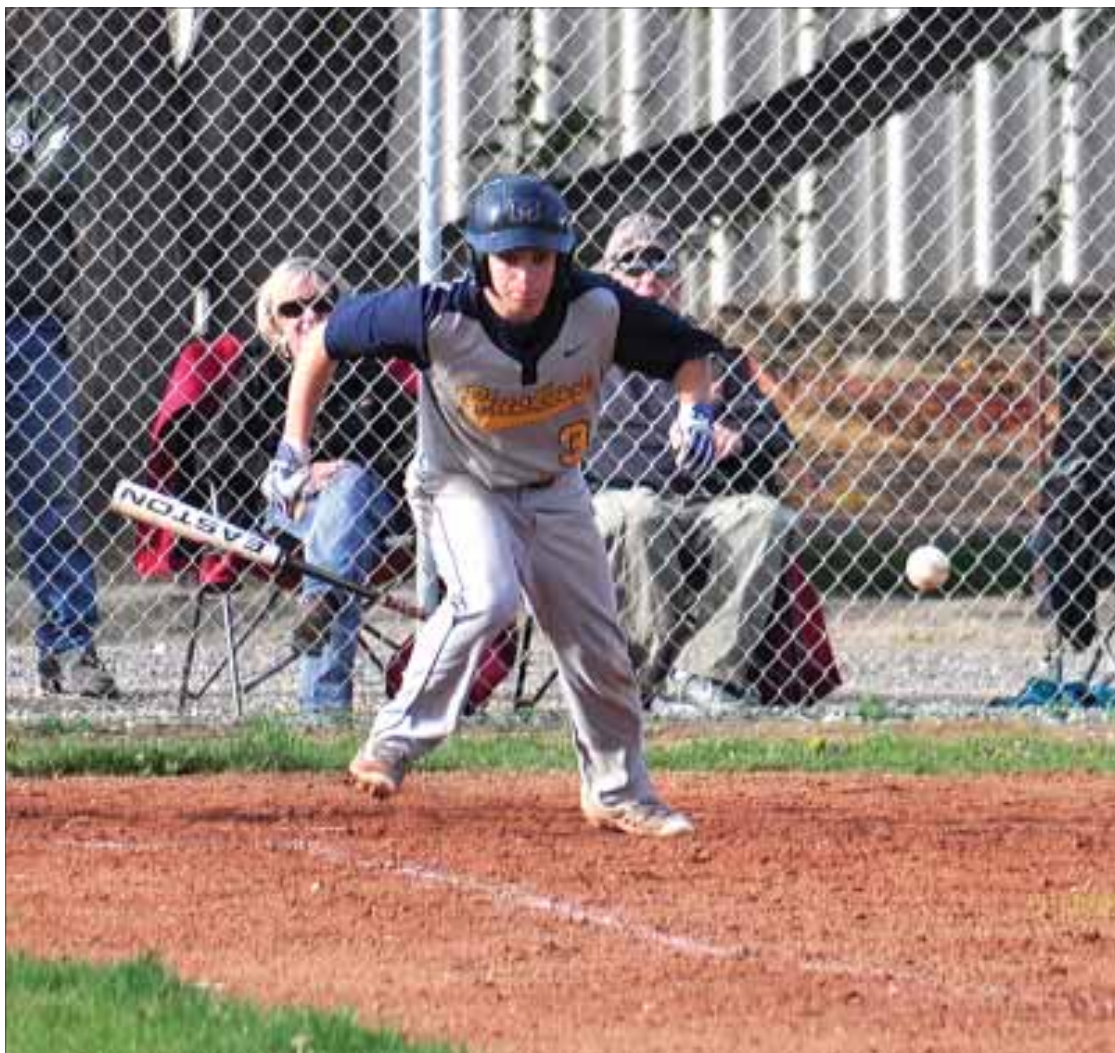
Dakota Hardy's RBI single brought home Riley Bryant with Marsing's final run in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Saul Gomez and Wyatt Baird knocked in two runs apiece for the Panthers. Skylar Maiden struck out five in a victorious complete-game effort.

April 12: Melba 13, Marsing 6 — The Huskies used another big inning to grab a short-lived lead, but the Mustangs were able to prevail at home in a conference game.

Trailing 5-0, Marsing scored six runs in the third inning, breaking through on Brian Purtell's two-run single.

Dwight Sevy also laced a run-scoring single, and Jaden Kinney scored on Melba shortstop Eli



Marsing's Dakota Hardy breaks out of the batter's box after laying down a bunt against Parma. Photo by Dan Pease

Bangerter's error.

Melba regained control with a five-run fourth inning against

Marsing starter Clay King.

Bangerter doubled, and Cody Svedin had two singles and scored

two runs during the big rally.

King and Sevy each had two singles for Marsing.

MARSING HUSKIES Athletes of the Week



Baseball
Jaden Kinney, so.

Scored two runs during a tough 2A WIC week.



Softball
Gaia Cascapera, sr.

Produced lead with two-run single vs. Nampa Christian



Track and field
Landry Villa, so.

Placed third in Middleton Invitational 1,600



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Marsing Baseball
Friday, April 22 at New Plymouth, 5 p.m.
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Track and field
Wednesday, April 20 at 2A Western Idaho Conference meet, Melba, 4 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26 at Homedale Invitational, 4 p.m.

Go Huskies!

Sell it, trade it, find it in the classifieds: 337-4681

Sports



Marsing second baseman Louisa Metcalf scrambles after a ground ball against Parma. Photo by Dan Pease

Marsing battles NC in softball loss

Marsing High School couldn't hold on to the lead Friday in a 2A Western Idaho Conference softball loss at home.

Nampa Christian tied the score in the fourth inning then took the lead in its next at-bat to build an 11-6 victory.

Alicia Barkell (3-for-3, three runs scored) and Alex Grant (4-for-4) both had doubles to lead the Huskies' 10-hit attack.

Gaia Cascapera's two-run single highlighted Marsing's three-run rally to take a 5-4 lead in the third inning.

Grant doubled in the first inning as Marsing (3-10 overall, 1-3 in conference) scored twice. Emma Heitz bunted home Barkell and then scored on an error. Grant also had a run-scoring single in the third inning.

Barkell doubled and scored on Kortnie Miller's ground ball in the seventh inning.

Nampa Christian scored in the top of the first inning for its first lead and then retook the lead with two runs in the second inning.

Last Wednesday: Parma 13, Marsing 5 — Angelina Noblett singled home a run, and Alicia Barkell doubled to give the Huskies' a short-lived 3-2 lead in the bottom of the second inning before the visiting Panthers broke open the non-conference game with four runs in the top of the third.

Barkell led Marsing's offense, going 3-for-4 with an RBI. Barkell scored Marsing's final run on Emma Heitz's seventh-inning grounder to shortstop.

Alex Grant's two-out double drove in Barkell with Marsing's first run in the opening frame. The freshman pitcher struck out nine in a losing effort.

Dakota Martinez paced Parma's 18-hit attack, going 4-for-4 with a double and three runs scored. Cherokee Leppert was 3-for-4, and Morgan Root was 2-for-4 with a triple.

April 12: Melba 10, Marsing 0 (5) — An error and two walks were the only damage the Huskies were able to inflict against the Mustangs as Jordan Warfield threw a 2A WIC no-hitter.

Melba scored all the runs it would need in a five-run first inning against Grant, who started in the pitching circle for Marsing.

The Mustangs collected half of their eight hits in the first inning.

Marsing didn't get a base runner until Adrianna Salutregui drew a two-out walk in the second inning. Barkell walked and stole second base with two outs in the third inning.

Salutregui and Barkell were the only Marsing players to reach base.

Warfield struck out 10 batters and went 2-for-2 with an RBI to help her cause from the plate.



Above: The Bruneau Community Church as it looked before the expansion project. **Below:** The church after the work to expand the sanctuary by 60 percent. Submitted photos



Bruneau pastor celebrates congregation, new sanctuary

Community open house planned Sunday

The Bruneau Community Church's new sanctuary is in use, and an open house is planned for Sunday.

The open house is actually a 10 a.m. service that features Ontario, Ore., gospel group the Joint Heirs.

Bruneau Community Church pastor Steve Landis will hold his annual meal to show appreciation for his congregation around noon after the service.

The church welcomes a congregation of about 30 people for its services.

"The appreciation dinner turned into an open house service and barbecue for the church and the community to share in our new sanctuary," Landis said.

The church is located at 152 Hyde St., in Bruneau. Call (208) 845-2770 for more information.

After construction, the church had a 2,400-square-foot sanctuary, a 60 percent size increase over the previous, century-old structure.

"With the larger size, we now have the ability to have functions that require more room, and we now have air conditioning," Landis said.

The church's first service in the new sanctuary was held on Palm Sunday, three days after the new construction passed final inspection.

"The new sanctuary has removed all the previous concerns and issues involved with the structure of the old sanctuary," Landis said.

Landis is an Owyhee County native. He was raised on a small farm in Indian Cove, and he attended the Indian Cove Mennonite Church.

He was asked to help lead the congregation while the previous pastor fought cancer. When his predecessor passed away, Landis was asked to take over.

"I knew some of the people

from Bruneau because they would come to some of the services and different functions at the church in the Cove," Landis said.

The 57-year-old has been pastor in Bruneau since 2002, and he is accustomed to taking on challenges for the betterment of his fellow man.

Shortly before becoming pastor in Bruneau, Landis and his wife, Anita, took in four children ranging in age from 10 months to 6 years.

"The church got more than a pastor," Landis said. "They got an instant family."

The Landises already had two grown daughters who were married.

Steve and Anita were married 35 years when she lost her battle with cancer 1½ years ago.

"The church was and continues to be so accepting and supporting of my family," Landis said. "... The church has walked with me and the family each step of this journey."

— JPB



Bruneau Community Church pastor Steve Landis (back row, left) gathers with part of his congregation during the first service inside the new sanctuary on Palm Sunday. Submitted photo

Got News?

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Cod Parmesan with Zucchini Noodles

SWAP Meat for Seafood

See how seafood transforms traditional dishes

FAMILY FEATURES

Now more than ever, food choices matter. People want healthy, environmentally friendly foods without sacrificing flavor. Substituting the traditional protein in your favorite dishes with seafood is one deliciously smart way to satisfy these demands.

Seafood offers numerous health benefits. In fact, because seafood is high in protein, omega-3 fatty acids and essential vitamins and minerals, but low in saturated fat and calories, several health organizations recommend two servings per week.

When it comes to the environment, seafood offers an advantage as well – it's the most environmentally friendly of all the animal proteins. In a comparison of environmental costs, wild-capture fisheries have a minuscule cost compared to foods such as beef, chicken, pork and dairy.

Changing up traditional meals to incorporate the goodness of seafood is easier than you may think. Just pick a non-seafood protein dish that you regularly enjoy, and replace the protein with one of Alaska's many species of seafood. For example, replace veal in veal parmesan with delicious Alaska cod or the chicken in chicken Marsala with flavorful Alaska salmon.

Find more easy, meatless recipes and inspiration at wildalaskaseafood.com.

Salmon Marsala

Serves: 4
Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 20 minutes

- 4 Alaska salmon fillets (4-6 ounces each)
- salt and pepper, to taste
- 2 cups flour
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1 cup Marsala wine
- 2 cups mushrooms, sliced
- 2 cups chicken stock
- 2 teaspoons fresh thyme
- 2 tablespoons cold butter
- 4 fresh thyme sprigs, for garnish

Season salmon fillets with salt and pepper, to taste. On plate, season flour with salt and pepper, to taste. Dredge both sides of each salmon fillet in seasoned flour, shaking off excess.

Heat large saute pan and add olive oil then place each piece of salmon in pan. Cook for 2-4 minutes, turn fillets over and cook until almost done. Remove fillets from pan; set aside.

Off heat, add wine to pan, scraping bits off the bottom. Return pan to heat and add mushrooms. Season with salt and pepper, to taste, and cook for 1 minute. Add stock and thyme, and let liquid reduce by half.

Return salmon fillets to pan. Cook, while basting fish, until fillets are heated through. Remove fillets to 4 serving plates.

Return pan to heat, add cold butter and swirl until incorporated and sauce slightly thickens. Remove from heat and divide sauce evenly over salmon fillets. Garnish each plate with 1 thyme sprig, if desired.



Smothered Cod or Pollock



Salmon Marsala

Cod Parmesan with Zucchini Noodles

Serves: 4
Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 20 minutes

- 2 medium zucchini (5-6 ounces each), thinly sliced
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- salt and pepper, to taste
- 1/4 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 1/2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1/8 teaspoon dried basil
- 1/8 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1/8 teaspoon onion powder
- 4 Alaska cod fillets (4-6 ounces each)
- 2 tablespoons shredded Parmesan cheese, divided

In nonstick skillet, saute zucchini slices in butter and oil just until soft. Add salt and pepper, to taste. Keep warm.

Heat oven to broil setting. Mix grated Parmesan cheese, mayonnaise, lemon juice, basil, oregano and onion powder together. Add salt and pepper, to taste. Divide and spread topping onto the top of each fillet.

Place fillets on foil-lined broiler pan. Broil 5-7 inches from broiler element for 3 minutes, or until top is browned and bubbly. Reduce heat to 300 F and cook 3-5 more minutes. Cook until fish is opaque throughout.

To serve, place 1/4 of zucchini on each plate. Top with cod fillet and garnish with 1/2 tablespoon shredded cheese.

Smothered Cod or Pollock

Serves: 4
Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 20 minutes

- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1/2 cup red onion
- 2 teaspoons garlic, chopped
- 1/2 cup red bell pepper, diced
- 1/2 cup green bell pepper, diced
- salt and pepper, to taste
- 4 tablespoons flour
- 2 cups chicken stock
- 1/2 cup tomato, seeded and chopped
- 2 teaspoons fresh thyme
- 4 wild Alaska cod or pollock fillets (4-6 ounces each)
- 2 cups mashed potatoes, warmed
- 4 fresh thyme sprigs, for garnish

In hot saute pan, cook olive oil, onion and garlic for 1 minute. Add both peppers and salt and pepper, and saute 2 minutes. Add flour and stir until flour turns light brown. Add chicken stock and stir until liquid smooths and starts to thicken. Add tomato and thyme.

Season fish with salt and pepper, to taste, and place into simmering sauce and cover. Cook 3-4 minutes, carefully turn, cover and continue to cook until done, 3-4 minutes.

To serve, place 1/2 cup of mashed potatoes on 4 serving plates. Carefully remove each piece of fish and place on top of mashed potatoes. Evenly divide sauce over each piece of fish. Garnish each plate with 1 sprig of fresh thyme, if desired.



Alaska pollock

What's in a name?

For many ingredients, substitutions are no problem. For example, pollock, which is a member of the cod family and shares many of its attributes, including a firm texture, mild flavor and snow-white fillets loaded with lean protein, works in any recipe calling for cod.

However, at the fish counter it pays to pay attention to names because the Food & Drug Administration regulates what foods sold in the United States are called. This allows consumers to know more about their origin and be confident in the safety and environmental standards used to raise or harvest the product.

Recently, the FDA made a change regarding pollock. Alaska pollock was previously a species name, which meant pollock from Russia or China could be sold as Alaska pollock. To clear up the confusion and help ensure consumers know the source of their food, now only pollock from Alaska can be called Alaska pollock.



Alaska cod

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense The Axis of Ideal Understanding

I have developed a way to evaluate when a person reaches the pinnacle of their profession, their prime, so to speak. I call it the "Peak of Practical Intelligence." It states there is a point in the lifetime of a profession where your dependence on your knowledge derived from Education (ED) equals your dependence on your knowledge gained from Experience (EX).

On the graph at the beginning (graduation), your reliance on ED knowledge is at its zenith and your reliance on EX knowledge is at its nadir. As time passes your knowledge from ED, in relation to your knowledge from EX, will decline as defined by percentile.

Thus the lines on the graph will eventually cross. ED will equal EX. That point is your personal Axis of Ideal Understanding. You have reached the Peak of your Practical Intelligence. Thereafter, you will rely more on EX than ED.

DISCLAIMER:

Although I graduated with a DVM, my first "D" grade was in Algebra as a junior in high school. In college while attempting to pass the "pre-vet" requirements, I received a "D" two semesters running in the four-hour Physics classes and an "F" in the required five-hour Calculus and Trigonometry course. The "F" was changed to a "D minus" by a sympathetic graduate student.

In veterinary school, I promptly earned an "F" in Physiological Chemistry in which I repeated the final exam and escaped with a "D".

As seniors in vet school, we were required to write a senior paper as part of our senior grade. I chose as my subject "The Anatomy of Five Non-Domestic Animals." The faculty members on the committee did not approve of my topic selection; "Stupid, juvenile, frivolous and useless" were the printable criticisms, I recall. "Do one on Collie Eye or Bog Spavin ..." they suggested. I resisted. They threatened if I didn't choose a more serious subject they would guarantee me a "D"!

My senior paper included the anatomy of the elephant, giraffe, hippopotamus, rhinoceros and the blue whale. I got a "D". But I know that a giraffe has cloven hooves and both the blue whale and elephant have internal testicles.

And though I have long passed my Peak of Practical Intelligence, I have used tidbits of anatomical knowledge more often than I have calculated the cosine of someone's polygon. Suffice it to say, if any of my scientific readers negatively evaluate my Axis theorem, fire away, you can't scare me with a "D!"

— Visit Baxter's Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black merchandise, including his newest release, "Cave Wall Graffiti from a Neanderthal Cowboy," other books and DVDs.

Letters to the editor

Public must support Gateway West Alternative 1

On Thursday, the Bureau of Land Management is hosting the supplemental environmental impact Statement meeting for the Gateway West transmission line project at the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The Board of County Commissioners and the Owyhee County Task Force only endorse Alternative 1. We earnestly urge every man, woman and child to give us whatever time you can so that we may impart to you how the other six alternatives will impact farmers and ranchers.

We know you are tired of this issue; so are we. If we don't show up en masse to this meeting, eastern Owyhee County will no longer exist as you know it.

Signing off passionately, your neighbors and task force members.

Ernie Breuer
Robyn Thompson
Oreana

District 23B: Blanksma knows rural challenges

Several months ago as I attended various government and civic meetings in the region, I realized we were in severe need of better, more effective leadership and representation in District 23B.

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington Administration's meddling jeopardizes Medicare recipients

As we continue to consider comprehensive reforms to our health care system, we should look to the highly successful Medicare Advantage (MA) program as a model of coordinated care that aligns payments with patient outcomes, rather than the number of procedures. Any proposed changes to the MA program should encourage innovation, increase competition and expand beneficiary access to these private Medicare plans. I recently led a bipartisan and growing group of 61 senators (eight more than signed a similar letter I led last year) in calling on the Administration to refrain from making additional harmful cuts to the successful, market-based MA program in 2017.

The MA program offers comprehensive, high-quality health care to more than 17 million seniors and individuals with disabilities nationwide. In Idaho, 1 in 3 Medicare beneficiaries have chosen a private health plan through Medicare Advantage. Plans offered through Medicare Advantage allow beneficiaries to choose a health plan that best suits their individual budget and health needs. These plans often offer more flexible services and additional benefits, including vision, dental and prescription drug coverage. Additionally, this program is a successful effort to push Medicare more toward market-based health care.

Unfortunately, the Administration's repeated attempts to use the MA program as a piggybank to offset inefficiencies in Obamacare and traditional Medicare undermines the future stability of the program. As part of the funding mechanism for Obamacare, the MA program faces nearly \$200 billion in cuts by 2022. Additional regulatory changes to the MA program in the 2017 notice come as companies are already attempting to implement policies established in 2014 through 2016. Continued need for congressional oversight and improved transparency at the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) have never been more important. While some changes to the program

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the May 17 primary election until noon on Friday, May 6.

The usual letters to the editor guidelines apply, including letters must be no more than 300 words and letters must include contact information, including a phone number, of the letter-writer. Submit by:

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We have a unique blend of challenges and circumstances in Southwest Idaho that include water and grazing rights, public land access, increased federal government regulation and business constriction, disproportion in our rural school funding and a host of others that continue to impact our lives, livelihood and future.

Taking full advantage of the vast array of resources and opportunities we enjoy requires knowledge and dedicated perseverance. I wanted to find someone who knows and understands our agriculture and related industries as well as our rural values and ethics.

I met Megan Blanksma, a farmer, mom, and community member already seeking solutions to these and many other issues. She has already taken on the tired, good ole boy

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are necessary, dramatic policy changes annually threaten stability and predictability for beneficiaries.

As home to a high percentage of seniors who utilize MA coverage, Idaho has been impacted by reductions to the program in recent years. The Administration's cuts to the program have resulted in MA plans no longer being offered in numerous Idaho counties.

In the letter to the CMS, my fellow senators, including Sen. Jim Risch (R-Idaho), and I wrote, "Annual payment and policy changes create disruption and confusion among beneficiaries, especially in low-income, rural and minority populations. Any cuts that may be proposed this year would have the potential to stifle innovation and impede beneficiary access to high-quality health care." We stressed the importance of this program in offering individuals affordable, patient-centered health care and asked that any proposed payment or policy changes promote stability and preserve plan options. As a senior member of the Senate Finance Committee, I also joined my Republican committee colleagues in sending a follow-up letter to the CMS calling for the Administration to halt its plans to implement policy changes that reduce funding for the MA program.

Limiting access to quality care by forcing seniors to enroll in traditional fee-for-service Medicare is a step backward. Like all health care consumers, MA beneficiaries should be free to select the health care plan that best fits their medical and financial situation. Payment and policy changes that result in increased out-of-pocket costs, fewer coverage options, reduced benefits and cancelled plans for seniors must be rejected.

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

Commentary

Financial management

Dad's shopping assumptions sabotage debt-free mission

Dear Dave,
My husband and I are just starting to get control of our finances, but we have a problem. My dad has a habit of expecting us to buy things for him. I know he has money, but anytime he knows we're going to the store, he gives us a list of things he wants. If he's with us, he just throws things in the cart and expects us to pay. He acts like we have an obligation to do all this for him. I love my dad, but this has become annoying. What can we do?

— Christina

Dear Christina,
I know you love your dad, but he sounds like the kind of guy who doesn't really respect boundaries. And these kinds of folks, as a rule, don't like it when they're suddenly confronted with them. Regardless, you need to have a firm but loving talk with

your dad. Let him know how much he means to both of you, but remind him that you and your husband are working hard to get into better financial shape. This means you can't spend more than is absolutely necessary. If he's hungry, have him over for dinner. If he just needs one or two small things, that's not such a big deal. But you're not obligated to pay his way just because he's your dad. Like I said, he may or may not like this conversation. He may fuss and throw a little fit, but at that point it becomes *his* problem, not yours. Chances are he'll come around in a week or so, and after he gets over the embarrassment of it all, everything will be all right again. You aren't an unloving or ungrateful daughter for not letting him run all over you. Talk to him

in a kind, respectful way. If you feel you can't stand up to him alone, ask your husband to lend support or put a voice to your wishes. It's important that you're both on the same page with this issue.



DAVE Says
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— Dave

Dear Dave,
I'm debt-free except for my house. I make about \$120,000 a year, and I have a truck that's worth around \$33,000 and a car that's worth \$28,000. I don't have an emergency fund, so I was wondering if I should sell the truck to establish my emergency savings.

— Eric

Dear Eric,
A good rule of thumb is to never have more than half of your annual income tied up in things that go down in value. You're not quite there, but you're close. And I love your idea of wanting to immediately establish an emergency fund. You never know what life is going to unexpectedly throw at you, and an emergency fund is great insurance against that sort of thing.

Here's how I look at it. Nothing you've told me indicates that this

truck represents anything being out of control. It's an expensive truck, but it's not like you make \$30,000 a year and have a \$33,000 truck. That kind of thing would be just plain stupid. But if you don't need or want the truck — and you're that passionate about having a big, instant emergency fund in place — then sell it!

— Dave

— *Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business, and CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored five New York Times best-selling books. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 11 million listeners each week on more than 550 radio stations and digital outlets. Dave's latest project, EveryDollar, provides a free online budget tool. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.*

Letters to the editor

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establishment in some elements of government and within the GOP itself, and now she is ready to take that fight to the State Capitol in Boise.

As a strong voice for rural school funding, challenges faced by farmers, ranchers and rural families, and against excess government encroachment into all aspects of our lives, I am convinced she will serve us well with a humility, diligence, and knowledge of our needs in the district.

Oscar Evans
Homedale

District 23A: Zito supports gun rights, Wills does not

For the voters in District 23:

Rep. Rich Wills voted against gun rights in the 2016 session and voted instead in favor of gun control. When questioned about the vote, he gave a rambling, unacceptable answer and claimed he supported the Second Amendment and gun rights. His voting record does not support his statements.

His opponent in the primary is Christy Zito. She returned the Idaho Second Amendment Alliance voters survey with 100 percent pro-Second Amendment answers.

Looks like it's time for a change in District 23.

Louis K. Monson
Wilson

Letters to the editor

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

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Public notices

LIEN SALE

Sale will be held April 23, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. at 100 N 4th St E, Homedale, ID 83628. 1979, Volk, van VIN#2292065493
4/13,20/16

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE CASE NO. CV2016-891-H IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 3RD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

IN RE: David Michael Cantrall

A Petition to change the name of David Michael Cantrall, now residing in the City of Homedale, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to David Michael Bowman. The reason for the change in name is: so my birth certificate will match my Idaho Class A CDL

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 10:30 o'clock a.m. on May 18, 2016 at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Homedale. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.

Date: March 21, 2016
Clerk of the District Court, Angela Barkell
By: Cindy Chaves, Deputy Clerk
3/30;4/6,13,20/16

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On July 26, 2016, at the hour of 9:00 o'clock AM of said day, in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, Idaho, Charles C. Just, Attorney at Law, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit:

LOT 5 OF BLOCK 1 OF VANCE ADDITION, PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 5 WEST, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of **305 South 5th Street West, Homedale, Idaho 83628,**

is sometimes associated with the said real property.

This Trustee's Sale is subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and the Beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Tomas Jimenez Neri, a married man, as his sole and separate property, as Grantor(s) with Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., acting solely as nominee for Ownit Mortgage Solutions, Inc. as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded April 4, 2006, as Instrument No. 255821, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Home Equity Asset Trust 2006-6 Home Equity Pass Through Certificates, Series 2006-6, recorded July 16, 2009, as Instrument No. 268693, in the records of said County.

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

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the amount due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows:

Monthly payments in the amount of \$629.57 for the months of June 2015 through and including to the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$78,486.08 as principal, plus service charges, attorney's fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 7.375% from May 1, 2015, together with delinquent taxes plus penalties and interest to the date of sale.

The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Dated this 25th day of March, 2016.

Taegan N. Curzon, Trust Officer for Just Law, Inc., P.O. Box

50271, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83405 (208) 523-9106 FAX (208) 523-9146 Toll Free 1-800-923-9106 3/30;4/6,13,20/16

THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN FILED TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO:

57-11873, KATHLEEN SMITH, RICK SMITH, 5133 ROBISON RD, MARSING, ID 83639

Point of Diversion NESW S7 T02N R04W OWYHEE County Source UNNAMED DRAIN Tributary JUMP CREEK

Use: STOCKWATER
10/01 to 04/15 0.05 CFS
Total Diversion: 0.05 CFS
Date Filed: 12/28/2015
Place of Use: STOCKWATER T02N R04W S7 NESW L3(NWSW)

Source locally known as I.O.N. drain.

57-11867, KENTON DIRKS, 33386 MUD FLAT RD, GRAND VIEW, ID 83624

Point of Diversion SENE S3 T06S R03E OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER

Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 to 12/31 0.09 CFS
Total Diversion: 0.09 CFS
Date Filed: 9/15/2015
Place of Use: STOCKWATER

T06S R03E S3 L2(NWNE) SWNE SENE L3(NENW) SENW

2-10515, GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT, PO BOX 67, HOMEDALE, ID 83628

Point of Diversion L5(NWSE) S32 T04N R05W OWYHEE County Source SNAKE RIVER Tributary COLUMBIA RIVER

Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to 11/15 26 CFS
Total Diversion: 26 CFS
Date Filed: 6/19/2015
Place of Use: Irrigation use is for applicant's service area.
Total Acres: 22,603

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208) 334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s), please see www.idwr.idaho.gov/WaterManagement/WaterRights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of the application(s) must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 5/9/2016. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

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Huge Hope House Barn Sale. Saturday, April 23 8am-2pm Marsing, 7696 Old Bruneau Hwy, 4 miles south of Family Dollar

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