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County to crack down on illegal housing

BOCC takes action after complaints about RV residences

Numerous complaints from citizens regarding zoning regulations

violations has prompted the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners to more explicitly define and explain to violators.

In a letter penned by Owyhee County Emergency Manager Jim Desmond, dated Jan. 13, and signed by the commissioners, the county addressed

enforcement of zoning regulations prohibiting the use of travel trailers and recreational vehicles as permanent residences. The letter can be found on The Owyhee Avalanche Commentary page this week (Page 14A).

After receiving complaints, the county commissioners decided to

make a “priority effort” to enforce established zoning regulations that specifically prohibit or regulate living in travel trailers and RVs for extended periods.

Commission chair Jerry Hoagland

— See *Housing*, page 9A



Above: Homedale Future City team members present details of their creation, Maru, to sixth-graders in the middle school library Thursday. **From left:** Chloe Meyers, Lexie Heck, Katie Device, Brock Johnson, and Cali Smith. **Below:** Seventh-grader Tayler Trout (left) points out Maru’s various water-purifying systems as engineer Don VanderBoegh screws a building together.

HMS students design clean water systems for competition

Future City regional set Saturday in Boise

Months of hard work will come to fruition Saturday when Homedale Middle School’s Future City team takes part in the Idaho Regional Finals at Boise State University.

This year’s theme, “Tap into

— See *Competition*, page 8A



Homedale has been without a post office for:
101 days

Grand View DMV transition begins

City council refuses to waive hook-up fees for new location

by Mandi Boren

For The Owyhee Avalanche
Owyhee County commissioners have chosen a location for a new Division of Motor Vehicles building in Grand View, but the town’s elected officials won’t waive water hook-up fees.

After discussing the reasons for the county deciding to remove its DMV branch from City Hall, councilmen — including newly sworn-in member Tom Payne — voted unanimously to not waive an estimated \$2,000 in hook-up fees during last Wednesday’s meeting.

During the discussion, new Mayor Danny Martinez said he had not been told why the DMV services were being relocated and that he had asked the commissioners to stay.

Newly elected council president Jon Pennington also made his feelings known before the vote.

“If they are not going to be our friends, then we make them pay,” he said.

In preparation for the move, county commissioners recently approved the purchase of a small building to house the region’s new DMV office, sealing an earlier decision to eventually leave City Hall for an independent location.

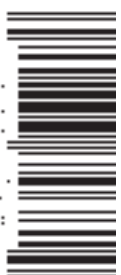
The Grand View DMV branch within City Hall will remain open from 7:30 a.m., to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday until the new location is complete.

The county previously shared an employee and

— See *Grand View*, page 8A

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— Jon Pennington
Grand View City Council president



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Several Marsing High School alumni dug through their closets to come up with their school colors, including, from left: Debbie Percifield, Tiffany Wright, Jodette Lemos, Lois Floyd, JW Chadez, Amy Loucks, Les Loucks, Brandie Campbell, Sharon VanWassenhove (a Homedale grad wearing her husband, David's, lettermen's jacket), Megan Astorquia, Amy Sperrow, and Sue Showalter.

Marsing alumni, staffers recognized on Throwback Thursday

It was truly Throwback Thursday at the Marsing High School girls' basketball game last week.

Several Marsing alumni donned letterman jackets — either their own or those of their spouses — to catch the Huskies' 2A Western Idaho Conference game against New Plymouth.

Huskies head coach Gloria Nagel and varsity assistant Ginger Loucks also wore old Marsing basketball jerseys as part of the throwback fun.

Additionally, Marsing assistant basketball coach Brandie Campbell announced the names of school staff and community members (some of whom are alumni) who were singled out by the basketball players for having an influence on their young lives.

Each person was asked to stand up as Campbell read the player's personal note to that adult.

Those honored included Lois Floyd, Jake Sevy, John Cossell, Daryl Lemos, Lennie Freeman, Mike Swanson, JW Chadez, Ginger Loucks, Jodette Lemos, Kirsten Vanosdal, Deidre Little, and Alicia Ponce.

— JPB

Homedale playground surface cost could come in under \$35K

Recreation Today representatives got a first-hand look at the new Riverside Park playground last Wednesday.

After the walkthrough, City of Homedale public works supervisor Bret Smith told The Owyhee Avalanche that the safety surface will be installed sometime in March.

The price tag could be less than \$35,000, too, because the rubberized safety surface will be placed on a square footage smaller than the entire footprint of the playground area in the southeast corner of the park.

“(The project) should come in under the number that the council approved,” Smith said.

The original estimate given during the Jan. 8 city council meeting was based on the entire area.

Smith said the city maintenance crew will complete the prep work for the project by the end of February.

Smith added that the Recreation Today officials had compliments about the quality of the playground equipment's installation.

He also corrected The Owyhee Avalanche's report on ongoing maintenance costs for the rubberized safety surface.

The bonding agent, which costs \$1,000 per application, will have to mopped onto the surface only one every seven to 10 years. The Avalanche reported that would be an annual expense.

— JPB

When should fair parade happen?

Owyhee County Fair secretary and manager Ginger Loucks has launched a poll to determine the public's parade preference.

The public has been asked to visit the fair's Facebook page and vote on whether the parade should be held on the Saturday before the fair (Aug. 1), as it was last year, or on Saturday, Aug. 8, the final day of the fair.

Last year, the parade through downtown Homedale was moved to the Saturday before the fair.

This year's fair runs from Monday, Aug. 3 to Saturday, Aug. 8.

By late last week, 58 votes had been cast with 37 voters preferring the Saturday before.

Twenty-one wanted to return to the old schedule of the final day of the fair.

A third option, which had no votes according to the Facebook post, is “Let's decorate our campers and roll in with a Sunday Camper Parade!”

A fourth option gives the community a chance to make a suggestion.

Woman who claimed online scam sentenced for embezzlement

A former Albertsons employee who said she was scammed by an online acquaintance will avoid prison time after her sentencing on embezzlement charges.

Tammie Lyn Bowen, 52, must stay out of trouble for the next decade after Third District Judge Thomas W. Whitney imposed sentencing on a felony grand theft and computer crimes conviction during a Jan. 13 hearing inside a Murphy courtroom.

In addition to the 10-year felony probation, Bowen must pay \$13,110.33 in court costs, including restitution to Albertsons, and \$500 in fines.

Whitney suspended a sentence that would have sent Bowen to state prison for up to 13 years.

As part of the plea deal, prosecutors dismissed four additional counts each of grand theft and using a computer for fraudulent purposes.

According to court documents stemming from a Homedale Police Department investigation, Bowen used refunds, gift card activations and wire transfers to embezzle more than \$12,000 from the Albertsons Homedale location between March and August 2017.

According to Bowen's statement to police, she sent the gift cards and wired cash to a person reportedly living in Germany whom she had met through social media. Bowen said she believed she was scammed by the individual.

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Marsing's annual auction 10 days away

Preparation for the 59th annual Marsing Disaster Auction and Sale is in its waning moments.

The auction will begin at 10:13 a.m., on Saturday, Feb. 1, in a raucous Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center.

Proceeds from the auction and raffle ticket sales are used to help citizens who have been displaced by fire, or need assistance with medical bills or funeral expenses.

Items available at auction include:

- A Traeger Tailgater grill donated by Marsing Hardware and Pump.
- A Cordova cooler package donated by Idaho Central Credit Union.
- A girls' and boys' .22 rifle donated by Mattesons in Homedale and Wilder.
- Two one-year subscriptions to The Owyhee Avalanche
- A romantic getaway donated by Ellis Agency & Associates.
- One ton of small-bale hay from the 2020 season and a sponsor coat and hat donated by Hungate Custom Hay
- A 24-gun Rhino safe donated by Showalter Construction.
- A Traeger grill donated by Campbell Tractor.
- A 6 foot-by-8 foot garden shed donated by Homedale-based the Shed Center.
- A monthly bouquet of flowers for a year from Caldwell Floral
- Two tickets to the Marsing Fire Department crab feed.

Other items available for auction include handmade quilts, baked goods, coats, gift baskets, art, tools, and gift certificates to local businesses.

The \$10 raffle tickets can be purchased from Disaster Auction committee members, Marsing fifth-graders, and at local businesses, including Logan's Market.

The \$10 raffle prizes, which are on display at Logan's, include:

- Front-load washer and

dryer set donated by Parma Furniture

- 55-inch flat-screen, high-definition LCD television, which has become the staple donation from the Usabel family, the patriarch of which — Roman Usabel — is one of the auction's founders and previously served as the event chair.
- Gun/security safe donated by White Automotive and Rhino Metals.
- Savage Trophy Hunter 6.5mm Creedmoor with Nikon scope donated by Wayne Hungate and Dave Cereghino, Owyhee County Farm Bureau Insurance agents.

The \$1 raffle tickets are sold by Marsing third- through fifth-graders. Prizes include:

- A \$250 Marsing shopping spree sponsored by American Legion Post 128.
- A Boise getaway donated by Liquid Laughs, Solid Grill & Bar, and Hampton Inn.
- \$250 cash donated by the Sheila and Bobo Carter, Russ Lindemann and Audrey Lindemann.
- A Kitchen Aid mixer donated by Kelly and Betty Ackerman.

During the event, there will be concession food booths that raise funds for the disaster fund, too.

For more information, visit www.marsingdisasterauction.org, or contact a committee member:

- Sheila Carter, (208) 337-2100
- Bobo Carter, (208) 880-8770
- James Ferdinand, (208) 794-7270
- Jess Ferdinand, (208) 401-4964
- Jason and Kelly Ineck, (208) 249-4476
- Tim Dines, (208) 573-3321
- Audrey Lindemann, (208) 573-6591
- Cindy Floyd, (208) 830-5560

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New salon open in Marsing

Roots Revival owner Ruthie Katzenberger (right) applies some color to the hair of Caldwell resident Amanda Besso last Wednesday. Roots Revival, which opened in October, at 429 W. Main St., in Marsing, offers full color services, eyelash extensions, manicures and pedicures. Katzenberger accepts walk-ins, but she said customers should call her at (208) 936-5490 to ensure her availability. She is typically in the salon, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday to Friday, and alternating Saturdays.

“Clumsy Custard” hits HHS stage

by Catherine Decker

The Homedale High School Drama Club presents a fun play for families of all ages: The Clumsy Custard!

The Clumsy Custard will show at 7 p.m., on Thursday and Friday on the stage in the school's old gymnasium, 203 E. Idaho Ave.

Tickets are \$3 for students, \$5 for adults, and \$20 for families. They will be available at the door. There will be an intermission, with refreshments provided.

This play features an interactive audience similar to the Rocky Horror Picture Show. While there is no throwing of objects toward the stage, there are a lot of sounds going on that the audience helps with.

Set in the Land of Zob, a princess is preparing for her wedding, and many men wish to have her hand. Among these men is the brave Swashbuck Valpariso. However, an evil man wishes to have the princess instead and conspires against the kingdom of Zob Proper. Aided by his clones, he finds the princess and almost gets away.

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trickery, kidnaps, and of course, the horrible Clumsy Custard!

Drama club adviser DeAnn Thatcher directs the play, with assistance from stage manager and HHS teacher Stacy Holton.

The cast for the show includes:

- Arnis — Kody Guzman
- Swashbuck — William Hollywood
- Worfle — Rylan Love
- Princess — Mackenzie Rountree
- King — Jayden D. (JD) Waltman
- Dacron — Wyatt James
- Alphasia — Abi Nelson
- Malforce — Kolby Fisher
- Polly — Hannah Rotter
- Ester — Corilynn Huskey
- Head — Téa Uranga
- Sir Prize — Josilyn Given
- Sir Vival — Athena Agnew
- Sir Cumference — Cindy Castellon
- Clumsy Custard — Given, Agnew, Castellon
- Usher #1 — Catherine Decker
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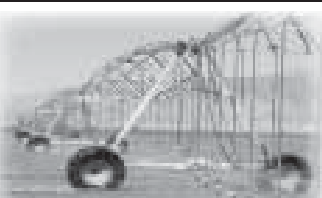
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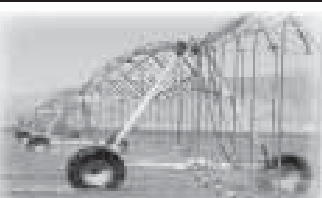
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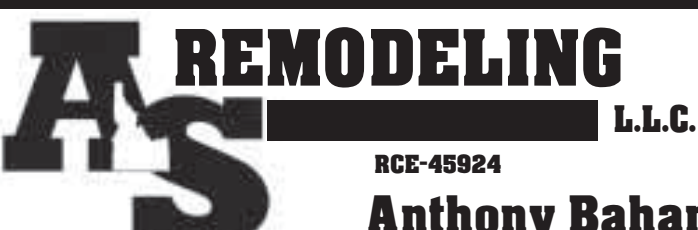
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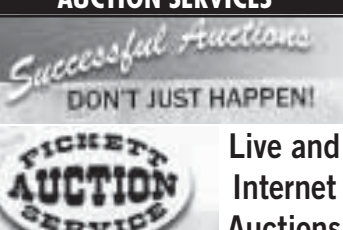
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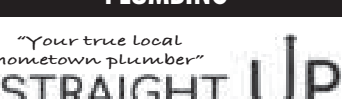
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Roger Pern Graham

Roger Pern Graham passed into the arms of the Lord on January 11, 2020 at his home in Meridian, Idaho from complications of diabetes. Roger was born in Boise on January 17, 1941 and was 78 years old. He was the oldest son of Earl and Fern Graham, a brother to Ramona and Leon; loving father to Wray, Carmen, Heidi and Vanessa, grandfather to 8 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren, and a dear friend to so many.

Roger spent his youth in Bruneau and was an outdoor enthusiast. On his happiest days throughout his life, you could find him fishing, hiking or hunting, or in his own words ‘riding my horse in Owyhee Country with a rifle in one hand and a fishing pole in the other, reared back singing to my horse’. He attended Bruneau schools and graduated in 1959 as valedictorian, Eagle Scout and American Legion Citizen of the Year. He attended the University of Idaho, where he was a baccalaureate graduate from the Department of Art and Architecture in 1964.

In 1964 he married Kristin (Cobbly) Logan in McCall and they moved to Prosser, Washington where he completed his year of engineering apprenticeship and then moved to Salem, Oregon to complete his architectural apprenticeship. They then moved to Aurora and Troutdale,



Oregon where he worked as an architect. In 1970, they moved with their family to Meridian, Idaho where they would raise their children and call home. Although Roger and Kristin divorced in 1985, the family has enjoyed blended and multi-generational family holidays and events since that time. Roger thoroughly enjoyed his career as a successful architect, working in his field designing and constructing primarily commercial shopping centers across the United States. He worked for Morrison Knudsen and Albertsons where in 2001, he retired after 27 years.

When his children were young and later with his grandchildren, Roger spent many weekends watching Monday Night Football with them, attending their school and community events, vacationing in the Owyhee Valley to camp, fish, hike and hunt. Roger loved to share stories about his work

experiences across the United States, and his life growing up in Idaho and traveling. These tales were filled with outdoor adventures about hunting, fishing, camping, white-water-rafting, international travel and time spent with family and friends. He had a respect and love for wildlife and animals, sharing this love with his children who over their lives had many horses, cows, goats, dogs, cats, geese, chickens, parakeets, hamsters, rabbits and a rat as part of the family. If you were family or friend to Roger, you were connected throughout his life, he claimed he ‘invented fun’, and he kept family and friends connected regardless of distance or time.

Roger was Potawatomi Indian, and his Native American given name was Nawget (In the Center) and he loved to be in the center of his family and friends throughout his life. He loved to attend Indian festivals and celebrations, family reunions and would always take his children or grandchildren with him.

Roger is preceded in death by his father Earl Graham and sister Ramona Church. To remember Roger, the family asks for donations to be made in his memory to the American Diabetes Association. The family will also plan a celebration of his life in the warmer months in Bruneau, Idaho.

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Community service beneficial for those who give and receive

Community service is important for so many reasons. The 4-H program utilizes the “learn by doing” approach as we work to develop the potential of each 4-H member. There are many things that can be learned by doing community service.



Janelle Thompson

Community service is required of all 4-H members, although we hope they see it as much more than just a requirement. Developing a sense of compassion towards others and a willingness to participate in activities that benefit others is what service learning is all about.

Here are just a few of the reasons to be active in community service projects:

- **You get a chance to give back.** People like to support community resources that they use themselves or that benefit people they care about.
- **It promotes personal growth and self-esteem.** Understanding community needs helps foster empathy and self-efficacy.
- **Volunteering encourages civic responsibility.** Community service and volunteerism are an investment in our community and the people who live in it.
- **You make a difference.** Every person counts!

• **It brings people together.** As a volunteer, you are helping unite people from diverse backgrounds to work toward a common goal.

• **Volunteering strengthens your community.** When you volunteer, you will help support families, improve schools, support youth and beautify our communities.

• **It’s good for you.** Volunteering provides physical and mental rewards. It can help reduce stress by allowing you to focus on someone else. It interrupts usual tension-producing patterns. It can also make you healthier. You can strengthen your immune system by feeling more optimistic and joyful. We often feel these emotions after we have helped others.

The reasons to get out there and get involved in your community are plentiful. I hope that 4-H is just a starting point for our youth in serving the community. Our clubs have done some great things throughout Owyhee County and beyond! Keep up the good work.

“The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.” — Mahatma Gandhi

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

Death notices

BILL NIELSEN, 74, a Nyssa, Ore., resident who graduated from Adrian High School, died on Friday, Jan. 10, 2020 at home. A memorial service was held on Thursday, Jan. 16, 2020, at Owyhee Community Church, 871 Owyhee Ave., Nyssa, Ore.

JOE WADE, 80, of Wilder, died on Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2020. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapels, Caldwell.

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Local gets another academy nod

For the second time in as many weeks, a Wilder resident has been named as a nominee to a U.S. military academy. Zachary Sakata earned nomination to the U.S. Air Force Academy from U.S. Rep. Russ Fulcher (R-Idaho), according to a press release.

The academy is located in Colorado Springs, Colo. Earlier, Sakata received nomination to the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, N.Y., from Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho). The academies make final decisions on admittance.

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Calendar

Today

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

Marsing community pantry
9 a.m. to 11 a.m., the HUB, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing. Call school district to arrange different time, (208) 649-5411

Owyhee County P&Z hearing
10 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse Annex, 17069 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2095, ext. 2

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

Christian Life Club
4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., after-school program for kindergarten through sixth grade, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024, (208) 337-3464

Bible study
7 p.m., various age groups, Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151

Thursday

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

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

Food bank drop off
1 p.m., to 3 p.m., (weather permitting; holidays could change date), Jordan Valley Lions Hall, 902 Bassett St. (U.S. Hwy. 95), Jordan Valley. (541) 889-9206 or (541) 586-2562

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

Teens & Tweens
5 p.m. to 6 p.m., Homedale Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

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

Friday

Idaho Foodbank drop-off
9 a.m. to 11 a.m., First Presbyterian Church of Homedale, 320 N. 6th St. W, Homedale. (208) 473-9331

Saturday

Catholic mass
10 a.m., Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Oreana Loop Road, Oreana. (208) 466-7031

Sunday

Refuge Youth Group
7 p.m., seventh- through 12th-graders, Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151

Monday

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

Story Time

10:15 a.m., Homedale Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

Tuesday

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

Medicare seminar
11:30 a.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922

Homedale Chamber luncheon
Noon, The Bowling Alley, 18 N. 1st St. W.

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5 p.m. to 6 p.m., Homedale Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Kids and family movie night
6 p.m., to 8 p.m., The Refuge Building, 119 N. Main St., Homedale. (208) 337-4458

Friday, Jan. 31

Game night
6 p.m., youth 12 and older, Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing.

Sunday, Feb. 2

Refuge Youth Group
7 p.m., seventh- through 12th-graders, Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151

Monday, Feb. 3

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

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Veggie bar, fruit bar, and choice of milk and juice
Jan. 22: **Breakfast:** Mini pancakes **Lunch:** Pork chop, mashed potatoes w/gravy, hot roll
Jan. 23: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon ultimate breakfast roll, yogurt **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken, mixed vegetables
Jan. 27: **Breakfast:** Filled cereal bar **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza ripper, tossed salad
Jan. 28: **Breakfast:** Breakfast slider **Lunch:** Chicken taco, corn
Jan. 29: **Breakfast:** Apple cinnamon Texas toast **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice, broccoli, fortune cookie

Homedale Middle

Fruit & salad bar, choice of milk or juice
Cereal option each day
Jan. 22: **Breakfast:** Tornado **Lunch:** Taquitos or burrito, corn
Jan. 23: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon UBR, string cheese **Lunch:** Nachos or PB&J sandwich, string cheese, goldfish crackers, fruit roll up
Jan. 27: **Breakfast:** Pop tart **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets or PB&J sandwich, string cheese, goldfish crackers, steamed carrots
Jan. 28: **Breakfast:** French toast sticks **Lunch:** Cheeseburger or sloppy joe, french fries
Jan. 29: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon pull apart **Lunch:** Orange chicken or ham & cheese hot pocket, steamed rice, broccoli, fortune cookie

Homedale High

Salad bar, fruit choice and choice of milk and juice
Cereal option, grab 'n' go items each day
Jan. 22: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick or mini waffles **Lunch:** Chicken patty sandwich or burrito, coleslaw, rice krispie treat
Jan. 23: **Breakfast:** Little smokies & muffin or apple breakfast bites **Lunch:** Nachos or baked potato w/toppings, breadstick
Jan. 27: **Breakfast:** Tornado or donuts **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken or Pepperoni calzone, steamed carrots, garlic toast
Jan. 28: **Breakfast:** Croissant sandwich or cinnamon roll **Lunch:** Chicken filet or mini corn dogs, twice baked potato, dinner roll
Jan. 29: **Breakfast:** Sausage plate or mini pancakes **Lunch:** Hamburger or cheeseburger, tater tots, cookie

Marsing

All entrees include choice of milk, fruit juice & fruit/veggie bar
Middle/High School each day: Classic Grab-n-go line:
PB&J Hot Grab-n-go line: Hamburger, pizza
Cold Grab-n-go line: Wrap, sub sandwich, salad
Jan. 22: **Breakfast:** Mini donuts **Lunch sides or alternatives:** **Classic Line:** Burrito w/rice, baked sweet potato's **Hot Grab-n-go:** Chicken sandwich, tator tots
Jan. 23: **Breakfast:** Chicken waffle, yogurt **Lunch sides or alternatives:** **Classic Line:** Pizza, pineapple **Hot Grab-n-go:** Chicken sandwich, potato wedges
Jan. 27: **Breakfast:** Whole grain pop tart, cheese stick **Lunch sides or alternatives:** **Classic Line:** Chicken nuggets, steamed carrots **Hot Grab-n-go:** Chicken sandwich, potato wedges
Jan. 28: **Breakfast:** Apple breakfast bites **Lunch sides or alternatives:** **Classic Line:** Taco w/Spanish rice, refried bean **Hot Grab-n-go:** Chicken sandwich, fries
Jan. 29: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick **Lunch sides or alternatives:** **Classic Line:** Mac & cheese w/roll, green beans **Hot Grab-n-go:** Walking taco, tator tots

Bruneau/Grand View

All meals: Milk and fruit offered daily
Jr.-Sr. high school: Salad bar, pizza offered daily
Jan. 22: **Breakfast:** PB&J **Lunch:** Chicken taco, tossed romaine salad, broccoli
Jan. 23: **Breakfast:** Cereal **Lunch:** Corn dog, potato wedges, baby carrots
Jan. 27: **Breakfast:** Muffins **Lunch:** Orange chicken, oriental rice, stir-fry veggies
Jan. 28: **Breakfast:** Biscuits & gravy **Lunch:** Spaghetti, garden spinach salad, corn, breadstick
Jan. 29: **Breakfast:** Pancakes & egg patty **Lunch:** Chicken patty on a bun, mashed potatoes & gravy, steamed carrots

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 press releases at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale, mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, fax them to (208) 337-4867 or e-mail them to jon@owyheeavalanche.com (an e-mail link also is available on our Web site). For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681.

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✓ Grand View: Martinez assumes mayor's chair, Payne begins tenure

rented space inside Grand View City Hall. But according to Dist. 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi, turmoil within the city government left the commissioners feeling like an independent location and position would be in the county's best interest.

Previous DMV and Grand View City Clerk Jodi Jewett resigned in October with a letter to both the city and the county claiming a hostile work environment. After her resignation, commissioners began immediate discussions to find a new clerk and DMV location.

"Our previous employee left because of turmoil, and the work environment just wasn't a professional place ... so we decided it would be best to go back to our own place," Aberasturi said.

According to Grand View area (Dist. 3) Commissioner Joe Merrick, the property the county selected for the new location is immediately across the street from City Hall. Merrick said the small strip of land was originally given to the county by the ditch company more than 60 years ago and previously housed a small satellite office for the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office before the building was demolished.

Merrick confirmed that commissioners approved a



At left: Outgoing Grand View Mayor Sandy Skinner (left) administers the oath of office to her successor, Danny Martinez, during last Wednesday's Grand View City Council meeting. At right: Martinez swears in new city councilman Tom Payne. Payne began his first term on the board, and incumbent Jon Pennington began another term and was elected council president. Photos by Mandi Boren



\$14,000 expenditure to buy an existing 24-by-36-foot stick-built structure from the Boise Independent School District and move it to the Grand View property.

"I feel for the people of Grand View," Aberasturi said after the council's vote to deny the fee waiver.

He went on to say that Pennington's comment was "pretty immature" and that while it is common courtesy in government-to-government transactions he acknowledged that the city "does not have to"

waive the fees.

Aberasturi attempted to smooth things over by noting that the city might be in a tough spot because they do not have building inspectors, instead they contract jobs to Elmore County. However, that aspect was never part of the council's discussion.

"We want to work with Grand View in every way, shape and form ...," Aberasturi said. "We have been working to get boat ramps upgraded, providing a school resource officer and funding for the ambulance and

fire departments.

"I guess if that's not doing anything for the city then I would disagree. We've been doing quite a bit for the citizens of Grand View."

Merrick said the decision to leave Grand View City Hall was what he felt was best because it allowed the commissioners more control over decisions being made.

"We just didn't know what city council would do now or later down the road."

A timeline could not be given on when the new DMV

location might be operational. Merrick said there is still a lot of work to be done before the county can occupy the space.

Associated Pacific Movers will transport the building to Grand View. The county continues research into the cost of a concrete foundation.

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

✓ Competition: District superintendent takes notice of students' work

the Future," gives the participating students the opportunity to design multiple means to deal with a cyanobacteria (blue-green algae) threat to their city, "Maru."

This year's squad, under the guidance of HMS science teacher Kim Portwood, will attempt to match the success of the 2017-18 team, which had created the aging-friendly city "Vetus Bona" and earned a trip to Washington, D.C., for the national competition.

That team received awards for Best Project Plan, Best Project Management, and Best Model.

This year's group has been receiving recognition for the hard work that they have been putting into the project. District superintendent Rob Sauer took notice after the presentation team pitched their city concept at the Jan. 13 school board meeting.

"It's fantastic how impressive those students are that do that," Sauer said. "For them to stand up and have their parts memorized and speak for seven minutes before the board, and community members, and parents."

Homedale engineer Don VanderBoegh is again lending a hand to help the students build their city.

Sauer had praise for VanderBoegh, too.

"He has been a real difference-maker for many years with Future City," Sauer said.

The goal for this year's team is a very topical one, considering the outbreak of cyanobac-

teria in July at Brownlee Reservoir and in August at Lake Lowell outside of Caldwell.

"We had to develop several types of filtration to kill off the algae so that the water is protected," seventh-grader Tayler Trout said.

There is a river in "Maru," which runs through the city's three zones: industrial, commercial, and residential. The river begins at a lake outside the city, which, for the purposes of the project, has cyanobacteria present.

At the lake, the algae can be bombarded with sound waves of various frequencies, which can kill the algae. The process bursts the vacuoles within the algae's cell structure if the correct frequency is used.

As the river flows, the water passes through a volcano, which will kill off a significant amount of the algae. The heat from the volcano will turn the water into vapor through

the carbon nanotubes used to carry it.

The tubes would be lined with ultraviolet lights, which stops the algae from reproducing.

The water then cools, turns back into a liquid, and goes through the filtration center, where it passes into the clustered regularly interspaced short palindromic repeats lab (CRISPR).

The CRISPR is where the DNA modification occurs. It also ensures good bacteria stays in the water.

Algae collected during this process can be used as a bio-fuel and used in medicine.

The Maru model has multiple structures across its landscape, including a shopping center, indoor park, and the University of Maru, in addition to the filtration center and more.

The students have already developed their Sim City digi-

tal model and have completed the essay for competition. A physical model of the city is also constructed.

A finalized project plan was completed on Saturday, seven days before Portwood takes the team to Boise to present and defend their city concept in front of judges at the regional competition.

"Kim does such a great job with the program," Sauer said.

The student presenters will be eighth-graders Lexie Heck, Katie DeVice, and Brock Johnson.

The 2019-20 team includes: **Eighth grade** — Eli Belknap, Bobby Christiansen, Cooper Christiansen, DeVice, Kinlee Garrett, Heck, Johnson, Isana Larzelier, Chloe Mayers-Bondi, Keegan McKay, and Cali Smith.

Seventh grade — Carson Bingham, Todd Thatcher, and Trout. — TK

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Homedale church plans free family movie night

Pastor continues efforts to bring community together

The Homedale Assembly of God Church is taking another step to building community in town.

Pastor Ivar Moore gave details of a planned Kids & Family Movie Night.

The movie night is scheduled to run from 6 p.m., to 8 p.m., on Thursday, Jan. 30 at The Refuge building, 119 W. Main St., in Homedale.

The Refuge is the youth center that Moore and other church members have been steadily creating for years. It's located in an old church around the corner from the Assembly of God.

Next week's movie, "How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World," is part of the inaugural event for a program that Moore hopes will become a regular community event.

"We would like to make it a regular event," Moore said. "Right now, we are feeling out the community to see what's wanted (or) needed."

The movie is free, and popcorn will be provided. Hot dogs, drinks and other concessions will be available for purchase.

"We are hoping to offer more fun, free family events. We are hoping to do a game night soon and other events at The Refuge building," Moore said. "We want to love the community to life! No strings attached!"

The movie night is just the latest community-oriented event the church has launched.

- There has been a car and bike show fundraiser in Bette Uda City Park for the past four Septembers. Proceeds have helped develop The Refuge.
- The church coordinated a boys' and girls' bike giveaway at Easter.
- Now, the church hosts a food giveaway from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., each Friday. Food items are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis at the church, 15 W. Montana Ave.

Church services are held at 10:45 a.m., on Sunday, and 7 p.m., on Wednesday.

There is also a youth ministry that meets at 9:15 a.m., on Sunday and 7 p.m., on Wednesday inside The Refuge.

For more information on the church or its programs, call (208) 337-4458 or visit the Homedale Assembly of God Facebook page or its website at www.homedaleagchurch.com.

— JPB



The main field of the new Homedale High School softball complex at the middle school is seen from down the right-field line.

Homedale softball fields nearly ready

Planned elementary classrooms delayed until 2021

With softball season about a month and a half away, Homedale High School's new softball fields are getting closer to completion.

But another school district capital project is on hold for a year.

School district superintendent Rob Sauer said that the high-demand construction market has driven costs higher, making the idea of building four elementary school classrooms a prohibitive idea this summer.

"We had really hoped to have them open by August, but like everything in that market, the cost is higher than we anticipated," Sauer said.

"The estimate we received from the construction manager was close to \$1.4 million as a high estimate," he added.

Sauer said the four classrooms, which are proposed for the northeast quadrant of the campus, should be built in time for the 2021-22 school year.

And the expansion will arrive not a moment too soon.

"We really need to have it by then," Sauer said. "If we are going to transition to all-day kindergarten, at a minimum we need two rooms just for that."

The two-field softball complex being built on the middle school campus is nearly complete. Plant facility levy revenue is being used to finance the project.

According to transportation and maintenance director Danny Aberasturi's report to the board, tile work in the complex's restrooms is the latest part of the project that was tackled.

Sauer said the finishing touches on the concession stand are needed, and the scoreboards have to be installed to complete the project.

The fields should be ready to go in time for the softball program's home opener on Saturday, March 14. Both the varsity and junior varsity squads are scheduled to play host to Filer in a doubleheader starting at noon.

No board changes

The school board reorganized at its first meeting of the new year, but there really weren't any changes.

Longtime Zone 1 Trustee Kurt Shanley will continue as school board chair, and veteran Zone 5 Trustee Shane Muir remains vice-chair.

Muir is also the district's Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency board representative, and Zone 3 Trustee Dwayne Fisher remains the district's legislative representative.

Shanley continues as the City of Homedale liaison.

Other trustees include Leslie Parker (Zone 2) and Shelley Shenk (Zone 4).

The terms of service for Fisher, Parker and Shenk end in 2021, while the current terms for Muir and Shanley end in 2023.

The board will continue to meet at 7 p.m., on the second Monday of each month at the school district office, 116 E. Owyhee Ave.

As the board's legislative representative, Fisher will participate in the Idaho School Board Association's Day on the Hill at the Statehouse in Boise on Feb. 17-18.

HMS gets new counselor

Kimberly Morin, the wife of Homedale Friends Community Church pastor Scott Morin, is the middle school's new counselor.

Trustees approved Morin's move from elementary school paraprofessional to the counseling job to replace Tracie Saunders.

Sauer said Saunders resigned midway through her first year with the district to take another job.

"We're sad to see her go, and we appreciate the time that she gave us," Sauer said.

A Homedale resident, Saunders had earlier spent 13 years in the Nampa School District.

— JPB

From page 1A

✓ Housing: Commissioners explain process, reasoning

(Dist. 1) said that most people want to comply and make efforts to do so, taking the letter to heart.

Hoagland said similar action was taken last year.

If the letter is not met with appropriate response, the county will then send a formal letter of warning. If no action is taken then, a sheriff's deputy will deliver a citation.

Violation of Title 9, which governs zoning regulations, constitutes a misdemeanor punishable with a \$100 fine, according to chapter 17 of the code. Each day of the violation constitutes a separate offense.

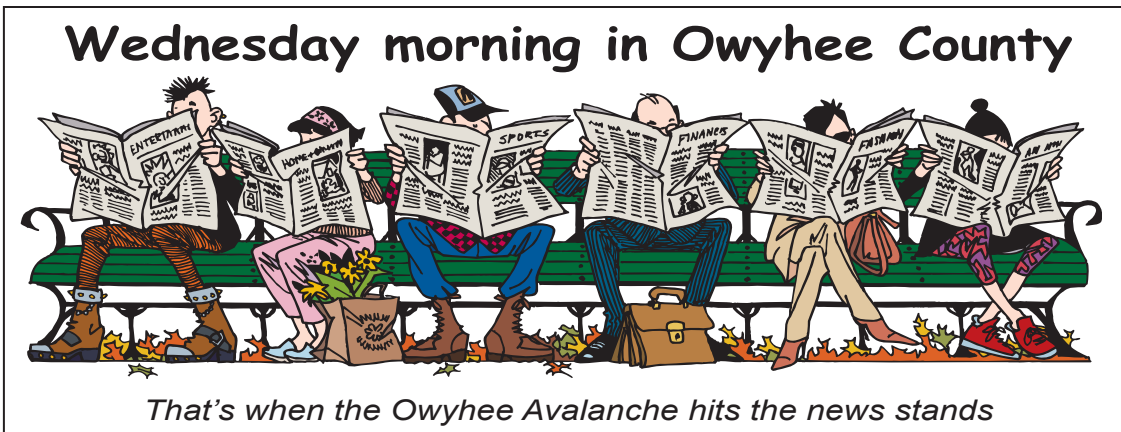
"So far it's been successful," Hoagland said.

One of the purposes of Title 9 is to "protect and enhance private property rights and property values consistent with the county's responsibility to protect public health, safety and welfare."

Complaints that the county has received include those from citizens who see negative impacts to their property caused by zoning regulation violations.

Title 9, chapter 5, which can be accessed from the county's website, www.owyheecounty.net, describes what is allowed in each identified zone of the county according to zoning regulations.

— TK





Marsing High School Academic Decathlon team members are, **from left:** Constance Bowers, Laela Archer, Natalie Van Hout, Audrie Miller, Hailey Christiansen, Benjamin Edwards, Emily Thoene, Cheyenne McCloud, Bailey Battaglia, Amaya Mendoza, and Amelia Green. **Not pictured:** Lauren Jensen, Madison Amaya, and Annie Miller. Submitted photo

Marsing High to host Academic Decathlon regional competition

by Natalie Van Hout
Team member

Marsing’s Academic Decathlon team (Acadeca) will be able to enjoy the comforts of home as it plays host to the regional competition from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Saturday, at the high school, 301 8th Ave. W.

The students will be judged on how they perform in each of four different areas: testing, interview, essay, and speech, all based around a common theme.

Decathlon website, each meet starts with the writing of essays, followed six subject area exams.

During the exams, students are randomly called to leave the room to give speeches or be interviewed.

Qualifiers from the regional competition will take their skills to the Idaho State Tournament on March 13-14, at University of Idaho in Moscow.

This year’s theme is “In Sickness and in Health: An Exploration of Illness and Wellness.”

According to the Academic

— Natalie Van Hout is a senior at Marsing High School and wrote this article as part of her senior project, in addition to job-shadowing at The Owyhee Avalanche.

Early success helps HMS to 3rd at home Academic Bowl

Key answers helped Homedale Middle School finish third in its home Academic Bowl meet last Wednesday.

“What I like most about coaching this team is the overall positive attitude,” first-year HMS advisor Michelle Parr said. “Each person encourages their team members, and they are always there with an ‘It’s OK. We all miss one,’ when someone answers incorrectly.”

Parma dominated the 3A Snake River Valley conference meet with 150 points. Vale, Ore., arrived slightly late for the meet, but finished second at 110. The Trojans scored 60 of their 70 points in the opening round of team written answers and tied Weiser for third place.

“The team did great, answering six of the 10 of the written questions in Round 1,” Parr said.

She said sixth-grader Carlos Hurtado had “no problem” helping the team formulate the answer to “a challenging math computation question” for the highlight of the first round.

After tying with Vale at 70 points in the first round, Parma was able to get some distance from the field by closing the five-question oral round with five consecutive correct responses. Homedale struggled with questions asked by HMS English teacher Starla Bender.

“Round 2 proved to be challenging, and Homedale was able to answer 1 question correctly,” Parr said.

The Trojans couldn’t make up any ground in the final phase of competition, the

buzzer round.

“Round 3 ... definitely had its ups and downs, but the team never gave up,” Parr said.

Highlights from the lightning round:

- “Seventh-grader Jayden Lyman wowed us all when he was able to sort out a very long, and technical question about the six types of forces. Jayden identified ‘friction’ as the force that ‘can be helpful or destructive, and opposes any relative motion between the two solid bodies in contact,’” Parr said.
- Eighth-graders Grant Waltman and Sadie Rayne drew upon knowledge gained in Bender’s class to answer “Ray Bradbury” to the question “Name the beloved author, who with Isaac Asimov and Arthur C. Clarke, completes the ‘ABC’ triad of science fiction writers. His works include Fahrenheit 451.”
- Rayne’s correct answer wrapped up Round 3 when she spelled “originality” correctly after buzzing in on “Mrs. Banks praised my essay for its originality,” what is the spelling of the word “originality”?

“At the conclusion of the meet, the team hashed over the questions and then pitched in to help clean up,” Parr said. “They make me proud.”

Trojans personnel included:

- **Round 1** — Eighth-graders Trinity Nesar, Sadie Rayne and Grant Waltman; seventh-graders Carson Bingham and Jack Decker; and sixth-grader Carlos Hurtado.
- **Rounds 2 and 3** — Rayne, Waltman, Bingham, Decker,



Above: Homedale Academic Bowl team members confer during the first round of last Wednesday’s contest. **Clockwise from left:** Trinity Neeser, Sadie Rayne (obscured), Jack Decker, Carlos Hurtado, Grant Waltman (obscured), and Carson Bingham. **Below:** First-year Homedale advisor Michelle Parr accepts an answer from the Vale squad.

Lyman, and Hurtado.

Other teams involved in last week’s meet included Ontario, Ore., and Payette, who tied for fourth with 60 points each.

HMS staff that helped govern the competition along with Bender included timekeeper Karen Liebschwager, judge Beth Demshar, and scorers Margaret Lejardi, Kim Portwood, and Machele Randall.

The meet’s scheduled date was changed, causing Fruitland to miss the competition.

The Grizzlies will be back in action with the rest of the schools when the next conference meet is contested in Fruitland on Feb. 5, Parr said.

— JPB



Woman gets prison for meth possession

A Meridian woman will spend three years in the Idaho penal system for methamphetamine possession.

Third District Judge Thomas W. Whitney sentenced Carissa Lynn Fox-McDaniel on Jan. 10 in a Murphy courtroom.

She also must pay \$732.50 in court costs.

Fox-McDaniel, 26, was arrested on Idaho highway 51 on July 6 when an Idaho State Police trooper, with assistance from an Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy, performed a felony traffic stop on U.S. Highway 95 on July 6.

Fox-McDaniel was arrested after the 2003 GMC Yukon was stopped when the state trooper noticed the vehicle's California license plate tags were expired. The trooper found a small baggie of methamphetamine upon searching Fox-McDaniel. The drugs were hidden in her bra.

At the time of her arrest, according to the trooper's probable-cause affidavit, Fox-McDaniel was wanted on a felony and misdemeanor warrants out of Ada County.

— JPB

Homedale library youth to build fantasy footwear

Teens & Tweens youth will get crafty when they gather on Thursday at Homedale City Library.

The boys and girls, ages 10-17, will make sock gnomes during their weekly session from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

At Story Time at 10:15 a.m., on Monday, library youth services coordinator Carol McMichael will read two books to the preschoolers gathered.

"Because God Loves Me," by Juliet Groom, and illustrated by Laura Ellen Anderson, is the story of a girl rejoicing in the love of God.

"No More Cuddles," by Jane Chapman, is a tale of a cuddly, wannabe loner.

The library is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Wednesday, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., on Thursday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Friday, and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Saturday. It is closed Sundays.

Call (208) 337-4228 for more information on the library and its programs.

Courthouse report

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

- Jan. 13**
- Danielle Linette Duval, Marsing** — Misdemeanor driving under the influence, second offense (plea deal): 1 year in jail (28 days to serve, 2 days served, 335 days suspended, 20 days discretionary), 18 months supervised probation, 1 year driver's license suspension, \$1,250 in fines, \$242.50 in court costs. **Dismissed by prosecuting attorney:** Misdemeanor injury to child
- Ronald Justin Lee, Kuna** — Misdemeanor motor carrier violation, operating vehicle without 120-hour permit to increase gross weight; misdemeanor violation of special permit limitations and conditions: \$243 in fines, \$315 in court costs
- Mildred A. Wesphal, Grand View** — Misdemeanor dispensing alcohol to a minor: \$500 in fines, \$189.50 in court costs

- Jan. 10**
- Tammie Lyn Bowen, Boise** — Felony grand theft, computer use for fraudulent purposes (plea deal): 2 to 13 years in state prison (suspended), 10 years felony probation, \$500 in fines, \$13,110.33 in court costs. **Dismissed by prosecuting attorney:** Felony grand theft 4x, computer use for fraudulent purposes 4x
- Carissa Lynn Fox McDaniel, Meridian** — Felony controlled substance possession (plea deal): 3 years in state prison, \$732.50 in court costs
- Paul Stanley Harris, Marsing** — Felony DUI, second or subsequent offense (plea deal): 2 to 5 years in state prison (suspended), 5 years felony probation, 3 years driver's license suspension, \$640.50 in court costs. **Dismissed by prosecuting attorney:** Misdemeanor injury to child, misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession



Dist. 23A Rep. Christy Zito (R-Hammett) (left) visits with Ray Mansisidor (middle) and his wife Mary Louise during the meet-and-greet prior to the Owyhee Conservation District annual banquet on Thursday. State Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson) and former Owyhee County Treasurer Brenda Richards — Zito's opponent in May's Republican primary to earn the chance to succeed Brackett — also attended the event in Marsing.

Conservation district renames award for longtime supervisor, farmer

Hanleys receive first Mansisidor conservationist honor

The Owyhee Conservation District made a special acknowledgement during its annual banquet Thursday at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center.

The OCD recognized Homedale resident Ray Mansisidor by renaming the organization's Conservationist of the Year in his honor.

Jordan Valley ranchers Mike and Linda Hanley became the first producer to receive the rebranded award.

Mansisidor has been a part of the district board for 60 years, serving as a supervisor, secretary/treasurer, vice-chair, and chairman.

He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II after graduating from Homedale High. He started his farm in 1950, growing multiple crops and raising 50 to 100 steer on 240 acres.

Mansisidor and his wife, Mary Louise, married since 1967, have four children, 11 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

The Hanleys have been in the ranching business since his parents purchased property from Mike's uncle Walter McEwen in 1948. Mike has worked the land all his life, and with Linda since 1986.

"Over the years, the Hanleys have worked to restore the banks of Jordan Creek using various methods, including rock rip rap and planting willows," former Conservationist of the Year and OCD supervisor Brad McIntyre

said while presenting Hanley with the award. "(Hanley is) always keeping in mind his grandfather's words, 'Leave the land better than you found it.'"

The Hanleys most recent project was cutting more than 600 acres of junipers at a reservoir that used to dry up early every year because of the trees' moisture demands. Now, the reservoir overflows.

They also installed 5,566 feet of stockwater pipeline tied to a solar-powered well to supply three 750-gallon water troughs.

The Hanleys have been a part of soil conservation groups in both Oregon and Idaho, and Mike is past president of the cattlemen's associations in both Owyhee and Malheur County.

Mike recently retired and leases his land to Rand and Jane Collins, and their son Chris.

"I've looked at our neighbors over in Ada and Canyon County, and what's happening to their farmland, and it makes me sick," Mike Hanley said last week. "We've been discovered, whether we like it or not.

"We need to communicate with each other about what we are leaving for the next generation."

Rangeland ecology professor Karen Launchbaugh, University of Idaho Rangeland Center director, spoke of the "five key principles to collaborative conservation" during her keynote address at the



Mike Hanley shared some of his experiences working the land, including a recent fall that led to his retirement.

- banquet:
- Set the stage with science
 - There are many ways of knowing (using other people's tools)
 - Put all the tools in the toolbox (bring everyone's skills, time, and money)
 - Communication
 - Do what people care about
- OCD vice-chair Chuck Kiester delivered his report about the OCD's 2019 accomplishments, including:
- Awarded two \$500 Ag scholarships to high school seniors who will study agriculture-related subjects in college
 - Northwest Owyhee Co-operative Weed Management Area spray day, held in April, had 211 participants and 1,188 acres treated
 - Supported Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale by purchasing \$1,161.80 in livestock
 - Entered the world of social media with the launch of a Facebook page
- TK

Marsing residents sentenced for DUI

A Marsing man has been placed on lengthy felony probation after reaching a plea agreement on a felony drunk driving charge.

Paul Stanley Harris was sentenced on Jan. 10 in Third District Judge Thomas W. Whitney’s Murphy courtroom.

Whitney ordered five years felony probation and a three-year driver’s license suspension but suspended a state prison sentence of up to seven years.

Harris was convicted of felony DUI, second of subsequent offense and must also pay \$640.50 in court costs.

Misdemeanor charges of drug paraphernalia possession and injury to child charges were dropped by the prosecuting attorney. At the time of his arrest, Harris’ car was occupied by an 11-year-old girl and two adults.

An Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputy pulled over Harris’ vehicle after witnessing an erratic driving pattern shortly after 11

p.m., on June 22. According to a probable cause affidavit, Harris was driving eastbound on Idaho highway 55 toward Marsing when his vehicle crossed over the fog line.

Once in town, the deputy reported, Harris came “within inches” of striking several construction barrels. The traffic stop was made at the intersection of Main Street and 2nd Avenue.

A subsequent breath sample registered Harris’ blood-alcohol concentration at .222, nearly three times the legal limit.

• Another Marsing resident, Danielle Linette Duval, was ordered to 28 days in jail after Magistrate Judge Shane Darrington pronounced sentencing a misdemeanor DUI charge on Jan. 13 in a Homedale courtroom.

Darrington suspended the balance of a one-year jail sentence and gave Duval credit for the two days she served in jail before posting at \$20,000 bond.

Convicted of second-offense DUI, the woman must serve 18 months supervised probation and can’t drive for one year. Darrington also levied \$1,250 in fines and ordered \$242.50 in court costs.

The prosecutor dismissed a misdemeanor injury to child count.

Duval was arrested after 7 p.m., on Oct. 7 after a sheriff’s deputy responded to a report of a drunk driver who nearly struck the Logan’s Market building with a 2003 GMC Sierra. The reporting party claimed Duval nearly fell out of her vehicle while trying to pump gas and that there was a child in the pickup. The child was later identified as a 13-year-old.

Duval’s BAC was measured at .288.

The woman was convicted for DUI in 2016 in Coeur d’Alene and injury to child in 2011, according to the OCSO probable cause statement.

— JPB



Getting in the game for foster care

Above: Marsing High School senior Emily Loucks (right) coordinated a foster care awareness night during Friday’s Marsing boys’ basketball game as her leadership project. Loucks and other volunteers collected donations for foster parents and children and made a presentation at halftime. **Below:** Office Moms and Dads volunteer coordinator Cindy Floyd (far left), a Marsing resident who helped Loucks with her project, chatted with folks interested in foster care outside the gym.



Honor roll Homedale Middle School

First semester Eighth-graders

4.0 grade-point average

—Asumendi, Olivia B.; Barrett, Mylisa L.; Belnap, Elijah B.; Chase, Hannah G.; Christensen, Bobby W.; Christiansen, Cooper J.; DeVice, Kaitlyn L.; Hall, Abagale K.; Heck, Lexie A.; Heng, Heidi E.; Johnson, Brock G.; Koon, Liam F.; Larzelier, Isana B.; Marston, Andrew W.; Mayers-Bondi, Chloe L.; Montes, Jeremiah J.; Neeser, Trinity C.; Peirsol, David J.; Perry, Rena A.; Quezada, Arlett; Rayne, Sadie M.; Reynolds, Heather C.; Roseborough, Jocelynn S.; Sanchez, Crystal A.; Smith, Cali M.; Tibbett, AnnMarie; White, Brodie C.; Whitehead, Melani R.; and Zaragoza, Alizeya I.

3.99 to 3.5 GPA —

Alonso, Edith M., 3.833; Rich, Raquel N., 3.833; Romriell, Corey T., 3.833; Thomas, Lita A., 3.833; Waltman, Grant M., 3.833; Garrett, Kinlee D., 3.8; Riha, Matthew J., 3.8; Goettling, Bella L., 3.75; Duarte, Martin, 3.667; Lomeli, Jose D., 3.667; Solano-Albor, Anahi, 3.667; Friel, Mckya R., 3.6; Zavala, Jacquelinne A., 3.6; Almaraz, Araceli, 3.5; Cuevas Orozco, Melany, 3.5; Ortiz-Ponce, Izmael J., 3.5; Sanchez-Dominguez, Andrew R., 3.5; Tines, Elias D., 3.5; Truesdell, Conner D., 3.5;

Vega Aguilera, Anthony, 3.5; Villa Galvez, Omar, 3.5; and Zamudio, Alexander A., 3.5

Seventh-graders

4.0 GPA —

Albor, Miguel; Balkovetz, Kinley R.; Bingham, Carson T.; Breshears, Kayci J.; Buckley, Kenzie L.; Cussins, Addison G.; Dawson, Charlotte G.; Erickson, Tyler J.; Frank, Breken M.; Gonzalez Villarreal, Melissa; Henry, Lukas G.; Leach, Rivkah L.; Miller, Ellie M.; Parker, Gweneth S.; Pawlak, Rachel E.; Reyes, Daniela; Reynolds, Brandon Q.; Smith, Carsten A.; Sorenson, Keaton D.; Swallow, Brady M.; Taylor, Emily K.; Trout, Tayler J.; and Walker, Brock V.

3.99 to 3.5 GPA —

Bell, Allie K., 3.857; Koon, Evelyn, 3.857; Koon, Myra Jean, 3.857; Layne, Caden J., 3.857; Miramontes, Nelson, 3.857; Nolasco-Contreras, Angel, 3.857; Ramirez Gaytan, Neidy D., 3.857; Rogers, Kali M., 3.857; Sauer, Lily K., 3.857; Almaraz, Avere A., 3.833; Gaspar, Joseph S., 3.833; Rizo, Georgina A., 3.833; Thatcher, Todd A., 3.833; Jerome, Carmen D., 3.8; Neri Rodriguez, Daisy, 3.8; Crofutt, Alexia L., 3.714; Hibbs, Aliya T., 3.714; Mark, Kahlilia R., 3.714; Olivera, Skylynn J., 3.714; Santiago Martinez, Mirella, 3.714; Solano-Albor,

Yarislizet, 3.714; Valero, Brisa, 3.714; Van Vliet, Paige A., 3.714; Bullard, Isaac C., 3.6; Corder, Azlynn N., 3.6; Canterbury, Zachary M., 3.571; Hawkes, Alexis K., 3.571; Kiser, Raelynn C., 3.571; Maxwell, Patrick J., 3.571; Stewart, Wyatt J., 3.571; Koepnick, Nakita F., 3.5; and Mercado, Natalie, 3.5

Sixth-graders

4.0 GPA —

Fleming, Alana C.; Flores, Bertha-Grace E.; Flores, Bryanna N.; Galaviz Pellegaud, Madelein; Gonzalez, Abraham; Gonzalez Villarreal, Isaac; Hall, Kade R.; Hall, Lukas A.; Heck, Stella S.; Hernandez, Juanita; Layne, Ryker S.; Marston, Nathan C.; McKerrow, Cora R.; Roseborough, Kierstley M.; Schwabauer, Lily M.; Sorenson, Tiana D.; Thornton, Hannah E.; Truesdell, Addison L.; and Woodward, Pastelle J.

3.99 to 3.5 GPA —

Brown, Gage L., 3.8; Loertscher, Jerin D., 3.8; Milburn, Jerry Q., 3.8; Ortiz-Ponce, Imari J., 3.8; Shippy, Jonah D., 3.8; Asumendi, Belen M., 3.75; Badiola, Mia P., 3.75; Carver, Tanner H., 3.75; Cornejo, Abraham, 3.75; Cortes, Claudia, 3.75; Ford, Breydyn H., 3.75; Hurtado, Anahi, 3.75; Hurtado Vega, Carlos, 3.75; Ingram, Wyatt M., 3.75; Larzelier, Sebastian D., 3.75; Leffler, Karlee A.,

3.75; Martinez, Jacqueline, 3.75; Montes, Nikkita M., 3.75; Parkins, Dawson L., 3.75; Rogers, Ty L., 3.75; Uranga, Xavier A., 3.75; Vega Ayala, Andrea M., 3.75; Rojas Garcia, Paola G., 3.667; Vega Albor, Sandra, 3.667; Durrant, Brenden M., 3.6; Manley, Kira E., 3.6; Hurtado, Jazmin N., 3.5; Jerome, Drake E., 3.5; Johnstone, Kaitlin A., 3.5; Lukes, Nina L., 3.5; Pulido, Rubi, 3.5; Ramirez Sanchez, Kymberli, 3.5; Rountree, Mikevin E., 3.5; Vargas, Gerardo M., 3.5; and Wilson, Ava A., 3.5

Fifth-graders

4.0 GPA —

Alonso, Jessica J.; Bernard, Noah R.; Bingham, Callin H.; Bixby, Alexis K.; Boslau-Gammel, JaNae R.; Campos, Aleczander J.; Castro, Helena R.; Chavez, Marcus; DeVice, Alyson S.; Fisher, Tyce D.; Fulmer, Hailey S.; Garrett, Boston L.; Gibson, Heidi J.; Goettling, Lorelai L.; Hibbs, Brielle M.; Johnson, Brody D.; Koon, Adelaide; Kublic, Mia R.; Larsen, Evalynn J.; Lee, Ema C.; Lomeli, Maritsa; Love, Brooke M.; Malacara, Abby M.; McKerrow, Maverick W.; McLaughlin, Marley K.; Merkel, Luke M.; Miller, Balbina Lynn D.; Montes, Dominick A.; Pate, Charity F.; Patterson, Brookelynn A.; Ramirez, Anthony; Rios Bautista,

Lindsay K.; Rodriguez, Kaylee N.; Rodriguez, Omar; Rubio, Yahaira D.; Salutregui, Claire M.; Silverio Juan, Maria D.; Simmons, JuliAnn J.; Smith, Kenzie L.; Sweet, Thomas C.; Taylor, Teague L.; Vargas, Jonathan F.; Vega Aguilera, Ismael; Waltman, Emarie L.; Williams, Payton C.; Woodward, Weston; and Zyadeh, Adil Y.

3.99 to 3.5 GPA —

Cunningham, Emma R., 3.8; Daniel, Joseph C., 3.8; Macias Flores, Brandon, 3.8; Mercado, Devon M., 3.8; Ormsby, Blake T., 3.8; Sanchez Gomez, Alex Y., 3.8; Waters, Baylee M., 3.8; Cayford, Alexis S., 3.75; Cooper, Ty C., 3.75; Fernandez, Jazmyne A., 3.75; Kushlan, Piper L., 3.75; Mendoza-Escutia, Diana N., 3.75; Olmos, Brianna I., 3.75; Stebly, Tyler J., 3.75; Walker, Bradley C., 3.75; Wilson, Logan J., 3.75; Agnew, Alexander L., 3.667; Rodriguez, Anthony, 3.667; Rodriguez, Victor S., 3.667; Barrett, Logan E., 3.6; Brown, Elizabeth K., 3.6; Canterbury, Vanessa-Ann S., 3.6; North, Sophronia M., 3.6; Olivera, Thomas J., 3.6; Scarbrough, Sara J., 3.6; Shippy, Tuff R., 3.6; Stewart, Wayne G., 3.6; Volk, Shayde T., 3.6; Cardenas, Aliah C., 3.5; Coons, Rylie L., 3.5; Cornejo-Lopez, Alexander, 3.5; Fossette, Cole B., 3.5; Kelly, Jade S., 3.5; and Love, Joanna E., 3.5

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

Jan. 25, 1995

UI study to define state, federal land use

Seven individuals from the Homedale community have been asked by the University of Idaho to participate in a study called the Eastside Ecosystem Management Plan to “describe the characters and conditions of small rural communities.” The study “will be used by federal and state land managers ... to guide future uses of ... natural resources.”

Ecosystem management plans are a relatively new concept, yet Idaho land managers have been pursuing management by ecosystems far ahead of the rest of the nation.

Idaho was the first nation to divide its federal lands into ecosystems. The ‘ecosystems’ do not follow political boundaries, but drainage boundaries. The plan, said former Idaho BLM state director Delmar Vail, is for more efficient land management through collaboration between departments, districts, states and agencies.

The other side of the issue that private property owners and public land users are worried about is a lessening of state sovereignty and centralization of federal land management power.

Currently, Idaho congresswoman Helen Chenoweth is opposing the study and the creation of ecosystems, and is trying to find out where the money and manpower for the study is coming from.

First grader’s artwork wins cash award

Lacey VanderBoegh has a little less room in her pockets these days. The Homedale first grader recently received \$35 after winning a statewide poster contest.

The contest, held in recognition of National Career Development Month during November, allowed students grades K-12 to enter poetry, posters and videos reflecting the theme “Careers in the global economy: Golden Gate to the Future.”

VanderBoegh’s poster featured a representation of the Earth surrounded by many overlapping hands of different colors.

Hall highlights OCHS ‘show-and-tell’ Friday

Bruneau rancher Tom Hall was a highlight of the Owyhee County Historical Society’s Friday meeting. Hall created a small museum at his Bruneau ranch to display some of the family’s collection of artifacts and antiques, and he brought many of them to the meeting for a show-and-tell.

Among the objects shown by Hall and other Historical Society members was a bung-hole drill for tapping old wooden whiskey barrels, a double-sided razor blade sharpener from the 1920s, a pair of hand-beaded leather gauntlets, two gold ingot molds, a hand-painted old ice saw blade, an 1890s vintage 80 -pound cast-iron sausage stuffer, and a pair of spurs made from a Model T Ford’s driveshaft.

Hall said Burt Montgomery of Wickahoney made the spurs. Montgomery was a blacksmith and spurmaker, and made the ornate, large-roweled spurs with three simple tools: A file, a hacksaw, and a forge, Hall said.

HHS runs by Marsing

Homedale buried what was essentially the Marsing junior varsity team 95-32 Saturday, thanks to rules violations by four of Marsing’s starters that left them suspended for two games.

The Trojans found the makeshift Marsing team easy pickings. With their superior passing game and height they ripped the Husky squad for 51 points in the first half and allowed only 16

50 years ago

Jan. 22, 1970

James Duncan, accountant, buys Homedale firm

James R. Duncan announced this week that he has purchased the Homedale office of the accounting firm of Rife, Wilson and Przybylski and now is sole owner. He was previously a part owner and has managed the office for the past 12 years.

Duncan plans to operate under the firm name of James R. Duncan, public accountant. He will maintain offices at the same location and with the same employees, Mrs. Tomi Bidwell and Mrs. Melba Yost.

Duncan was born and raised at Grand View and graduated from Grand View High School in 1947.

He obtained a BS degree in business from Idaho State University, Pocatello, in 1956. He has been enrolled to practice before the Internal Revenue Service since 1962.

He came to Homedale in 1957 and has been a partner in the firm since 1959. The firm was opened here in 1957 by Leonard Wilson.

He is clerk of the Homedale school board, a position he has held for 10 years. He is a past president of the Homedale Chamber of Commerce and Homedale Kiwanis Club.

Duncan and his wife, Lydia, have a 16-year-old son, Monte, a sophomore at Homedale High School.

School board offers contracts, hires teacher

Contracts were offered to High School Principal Darrel Reisch and Elementary Principal Herbert Fritzley at the regular school board meeting last Monday night, according to Jim Duncan, clerk.

The board hired Arlene Stewart to teach second grade to replace Mrs. Loren Graham who has moved away.

Nolan Taggart reported to the school board on matters to be discussed at the next meeting, including sick leave, health insurance and absences while giving blood at Bloodmobile visits.

Orville Soper was spokesman for the bus drivers who asked a wage raise from \$90 to \$125 monthly.

The board also authorized calling of bids for a new school bus. Bids will be opened at the March 9 meeting.

Bills amounting to \$4,530.39 were paid.

Purchase of six autoharps with cases, in which the state department of education shares the cost, was approved.

The school calendar for 1970-71 was approved. School will start on Aug. 31 next fall.

Boyd Jemmett gave a report on the automotive training class begun here Monday in the Owyhee Tractor building. Halfday classes will be held each school-day morning. Three Homedale students are included in the 25 enrolled. Mr. Green is instructor.

Mrs. Blackman named city clerk at council meet

Mrs. Joyce Blackman was named to become Homedale City Clerk, treasurer and police judge at a special meeting of the Homedale City Council Friday noon, according to Mayor Les Carter.

The council considered nine applications, all women, for the position to be vacated at the end of February by Kenneth Downing.

Mrs. Blackman who has been serving as secretary in the Owyhee County Agent’s office at Marsing for the past 26 months, will be replaced in that job by Mrs. Marcella Cooper, it was understood, and will begin work here shortly.

145 years ago

Jan. 23, 1875

(From Monday’s Daily.)

SLEIGHING.-

The Stage Company is running sleighs the entire distance between here and Boise City, the snow being from one to two feet deep all the way. On the Winnemucca route sleighs are now run as far as the Sheep Ranch, 52 miles from Silver City, and could be run all the way to Winnemucca, if the Stage Company had sleighs. From the Sheep Ranch to Summit Springs the snow is 6 to 8 inches deep, and from the latter point to Winnemucca it is 4 inches deep. It is about ten years since the snow was so deep all over the country.

Notes and Observation on the Struggle to Extend the Telegraph.-

In our last issue we informed our readers that the Telegraph Bill had passed both Houses of the Legislature, and been submitted to the Governor for his approval or disapproval. Since then the news has come to hand that His Excellency vetoed the bill, which, of course, ends the matter, and, after to-day, it is not likely we shall have anything more to say about it.

On what grounds the veto was based we do not know, as we have not seen the Governor’s message on the subject.

The chief hue and cry against the bill was that it was unconstitutional and illegal, but the logical inference of the bitter fight of the opposition against it naturally leads us to the conclusion that they acknowledged the constitutionality and legality of the measure-else, why fight against it?

Commissioners’ Proceedings

The Board of Commissioners met for the transaction of business to-day. Present, John Catalow and Joseph Brown. They fixed the tax levy for 1875 the same as it was last year, except raising the School Fund tax from 10 to 20 cents on each \$100 worth of taxable property. Consequently the levy for this year is as follows For Territorial purposes, 80 cents on each \$100; Expense Fund, 50 cents; Hospital Fund, 40 cents; General Fund, 80 cents; School Fund, 20 cents; Redemption Fund, 60 cents. — Total \$3.30 on each \$100.

The Board to-day also appointed Henry Hyman County Treasurer to fill the place which they consider was made vacant by the death of Dr. Beckett. This action of the Board is of doubtful legality, as the law expressly declares “the County Treasurer shall hold his office for the term of two years, and until his successor is elected and qualified.” As we understand it, Dr. Beckett had neither filed his bond, nor qualified; hence Mr. Gardner must hold over till “his successor is elected and qualified.” We do not venture this opinion from any hostile feeling toward Mr. Hyman; on the contrary, we think he is well qualified for the position and would make a good Treasurer. We presume, however, that it will be a question for the courts to determine.

The Board adjourned till next Monday.

(From Thursday’s Daily.)

Beautiful moon light nights.

Labor in vein-Working a quartz mine.

The attendance at the Club Dance was not large last night, but they had a pleasant time, and speak in high terms of the music. The Hall will be crowded next night.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense
Big Macs and Whoppers

No doubt most of you in the livestock business have a certain “family affection” for the fast food chains. Particularly those restaurants whose main attraction is the often disguised but still All American hamburger. It also is true that each of us has his own particular favorite.

Organizations like the National Restaurant Association have attempted surveys to compare the merits of each burger. Readers, you will be pleased to know that the Coyote Cowboy Co. (me) has conducted its own survey. This survey was taken with an international consultant on had to advise: A Canadian Chianina breeder.

The burgers compared were the Double Whopper (hereinafter referred to as the WHOP), the Big Mac (the MAC) and Wendy’s Double Burger (the BURG). Each was ordered on a rainy night with iced tea.

The highlights of the survey are as follows:

Patty Evaluation

- 1. TRANSPARENCY – The BURG was the only patty you could see through.
- 2. YIELD PERCENTAGE (Meat/offal ratio) – The BURG again had the highest yield percentage.
- 3. PATTY PULL TEST (for tensile strength) – The WHOP showed the resistance to tearing.
- 4. CIRCUMFERENTIAL PERFECTION – The MAC displayed the roundest patty.
- 5. SEAWORTHINESS – Both the WHOP and the BURG sank in the iced tea while the MAC floated.

Condiments

- 1. COLOR COORDINATION – The BURG showed a certain flair with mustard, tomato and lettuce although style points were given to the MAC for the special sauce.

Bun Evaluation

- 1. SWILL ASSIMILATION TEST – Measured in BAU (bun absorption units)...the BURG scored well against the others in the second round. With ketchup it rated 8 BAU.
- 2. SESAME SEED COUNT – The WHOP won hands down with 42 seeds per bun.
- 3. LIGHT REFRACTION – None reflected light well enough to transmit Morse code messages over long distances.
- 4. AERODYNAMICS – The WHOP recorded the longest flight distance but was penalized for slicing to the right.

CONCLUSION

In our survey found each hamburger to have its own peculiar advantages. The BURG rated high in BAUs and color coordination but would be less suitable than the MAC if dropped in water. Neither would be as good as the WHOP if there was ever an ALL-BEEF Frisbee throw in the Summer Olympics.

I hope the information presented here will in some small way contribute to the mounds of scientific data now available on the fast food hamburger. I’m forwarding the results to Consumer Reports.

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

Letters to the editor

County commissioners explain housing code enforcement

This letter is to inform your readers that, after receiving numerous complaints over the past year, we intend to make a priority effort on enforcing our established Zoning Regulations that prohibit or regulate living in travel trailers/recreational vehicles for more than temporary housing.

We are taking this action, as we noted, in response to numerous complaints that have been lodged with us by neighboring property owners who see the negative impacts to their property caused by violations of our Zoning Regulations.

Our Zoning Regulations control the use of these temporary living spaces in the various Zones within the County. We will enforce the regulations by issuing citations in those cases where a County letter noting the violation and seeking voluntary compliance has

not resolved the issue.

The Zoning Regulations can be found in Title 9, Chapter 5 of the Owyhee County Code. Within that chapter, readers will find the uses allowed and permitted in each identified zone of the County. The Owyhee County Code can be found on the Owyhee County web page. To find the code, go to <https://owyheecountv.net/> then scroll to the bottom of the welcome page to “Owyhee County Code.”

Click the “click to view” option, which opens the code document, in the menu in the left column. Click on “Title 9” and then on “Chapter 5.”

Board of Owyhee County Commissioners
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Respect the U.S. flag, service members, and each other

The American flag should always be respected. It is a symbol of love and country. Brave men and women have given their lives and limbs to keep us all safe before, during and future.

The American flag may not be able to talk, but when you see it hanging or flying, it’s saying, God bless us all and pray together, stay strong together, help each other and thank each other.

Give no respect to our flag, you should get none.

Caring and thinking of only yourself is not God’s way.

Being selfish and showing no respect for our flag, our country, our military, law enforcement, firefighters, first-responders, means you don’t belong in America.

God bless our American flag, our country, and the American people everywhere.

Marlene Ridley
Grand View

From Washington
Congress working across aisle to lower prescription drug costs

On Dec. 19, Senate colleagues and I introduced S. 3129, the Lower Costs, More Cures Act, to lower prescription drug prices and encourage the development of new therapies and cures. This bill contains provisions that already have broad, bipartisan support in both the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. Focusing on achievable areas of agreement can make progress in truly making prescription drugs more affordable.

America is the leader in biopharmaceutical innovation, bringing life-saving therapies to patients and discovering cures. However, these drugs are only effective if patients can afford them. Alarming, a recent study suggested that in 2017, 37 percent of Idaho residents stopped taking medication as prescribed because of cost. President Trump made a commitment to prioritize lowering drug costs, and this legislation will accomplish that.

Fellow Sens. Jim Risch (R-Idaho), Mike Enzi (R-Wyo.), Richard Burr (R-N.C.), Thom Tillis (R-N.C.) and John Barrasso (R-Wyo.) joined me in introducing S. 3129 to lower prescription drug prices, bring greater transparency to the prescription drug industry and encourage American ingenuity in the development of new treatments and cures. The Lower Costs, More Cures Act builds on the market-based principles of Medicare Part D to leverage competition, flexibility and transparency to bring affordable drugs to patients.

Through this legislation, for the first time, Part D patients would have a maximum out-of-pocket cap to protect them from high costs. Providers would have access to information to recommend lower-cost alternatives, and Medicare Part B would appropriately pay providers for prescribing the best drug for their patient. The legislation includes numerous reforms

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Chief deputy whip



intended to:

- Modernize payments for drugs delivered in the doctor’s office under Medicare Part B;
- Incentivize lower-cost alternatives, or biosimilars;
- Establish an annual out-of-pocket cap of \$3,100 for Medicare Part D enrollees and allow certain patients to pay in monthly installments;
- Place an out-of-pocket cap of \$50 on insulin and insulin medical supplies;
- Decrease beneficiary cost-sharing from 25 percent to 15 percent of costs before the out-of-pocket cap is reached;
- Allow prescription drug plan sponsors to offer, at

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Commentary

Financial management

Fiscal retraining, not debt consolidation, is way to debt-free

Dear Dave,
My wife and I made a resolution this year to pay off \$20,000 in credit card debt we've accumulated. I want us to follow your plan, and live on a really tight budget. She wants us to use a debt consolidation company, like some of her friends have done. I'm really against her idea, but how can I change her mind?

— Blake

Dear Blake,
I'm glad you two have made the decision to get out of debt and gain control of your finances. When it comes to this sort of thing, it's wise to remember there's no magic pill. No debt

consolidation company is going to get you out of debt and help you *stay* out of debt. The answer is learning how to control yourself and your behavior with money.
Using a debt consolidation company seems appealing, because there's usually a lower monthly payment or lower interest rate attached. The problem in most cases, however, is the lower payment or interest rate exists only because the term is extended. You might pay a little less each month, but you end up staying in debt longer.
There are other problems involved in using debt consolidation companies, too. For one thing, it can trash your credit



for a long time when it comes to buying a car or a house. For these reasons, I sometimes refer to it as a CON-solidation, because the whole thing is

basically a con. They make you think you're really doing something about your debt problem, but the debt — and all the bad habits that caused it — are still there.
My guess is your wife's friends think using a debt consolidation company is an easy, harmless way to get out of a financial mess. But sometimes you've got to be an adult, admit the mistakes you've made, and do what it takes to straighten things out. This kind of thing isn't a math issue. It's a behavior issue. Making the decision to get out of debt and never go back there again, by living on a really tight budget and making sacrifices, is the best way to fix

this mess *and* learn a lesson in the process.
Live like no one else, so that later, you can live — and give — like no one else. Stay away from debt consolidation companies, Blake. Doing this the right way is worth it!
— Dave

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

✓ Prescription: Idaho delegation working together toward a solution

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minimum, up to four Part D plans per region, spurring competition and innovation;
• Prevent the upcoming spike in costs for Medicare Part D beneficiaries who reach their annual maximum payment amount;
• Provide greater flexibility for individuals to use Health Savings Accounts to purchase over-the-counter drugs;
• Make permanent the 7.5 percent adjusted gross income for the purposes of the medical expense deduction in the tax-filing season;
• Create a trade negotiator solely dedicated to putting American patients first in government trade negotiations related to medicines in order to prevent

foreign free-loading off America's investment; and
• Require drug manufacturers to provide pricing information on all direct-to-consumer advertising.
A two-page summary of the legislation is accessible on my official website at www.crapo.senate.gov.
Introduction of this legislation is part of my commitment to ensure greater access to affordable medications for patients, while adhering to market-driven principles.
As a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, I also voted in favor of four bills to prevent patent gaming by pharmaceutical companies, which would enable more affordable generic drugs to come to market sooner.
Rep. Greg Walden (R-Ore.) introduced legislation

similar to S. 3129 in the House of Representatives. Reps. Mike Simpson (R-Idaho) and Russ Fulcher (R-Idaho) co-sponsored the House bill that received bipartisan support when considered by the House. The Trump Administration has called it "a far better approach to lowering drug prices and discovering life-saving cures" than the House-passed legislation. Congress should act now to pass the Lower Costs, More Cures Act into law.

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

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Meetings — 6 p.m., on second Wednesday

Jordan Valley could be without football until 2023

Adrian school board moves to dissolve football co-op

by John Braese

EasternOregonSports.com

Faced with the options of jumping to 2A football or ending the cooperative team with Jordan Valley, the Adrian School Board voted to end the combined

team of Adrian/Jordan Valley on Jan. 15 during the regular school board meeting.

The unanimous 3-0 vote came after a long discussion over travel distances, ability to play at the 2A level and the impact on student-athletes attending Jordan Valley.

"This is a difficult decision for us, but ultimately, we need to do what is best for the students at Adrian High School," Adrian School Board Trustee

Ryan Martin said.

Jordan Valley superintendent Rusty Bengoa said that the community wouldn't have enough boys to field a standalone team until at least 2023 when enough freshmen are expected to enter high school.

Prior to the vote, Adrian superintendent Kevin Purnell explained the reasoning behind the Oregon School Activities

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"This is a difficult decision for us, but ultimately, we need to do what is best for the students at Adrian High School."

— Ryan Martin

Adrian School Board trustee

Huskies boys grab share of 2A WIC lead

Big win over NC crucial in Marsing's surge

Junior Jacob Ankeny posted a double-double Friday as Marsing High School ran past Cole Valley Christian for its sixth consecutive boys' basketball victory.

The Huskies beat 2A Western Idaho Conference foe Cole Valley Christian, 45-34, behind Ankeny's 17 points and 11 rebounds

Senior wing Merrick Hall's fourth-quarter surge helped seal the win. He led the Huskies with 19 points.

"Merrick came through in the fourth, scoring 11 points and going 7-for-10 from the free-throw line," Huskies coach Tim Little said.

The win put the Huskies (10-3 overall, 4-1 in conference) into a tie atop the conference with Nampa Christian.

"Great way to cap off a tough week of games against the private schools in our league," Little said.

Ankeny, who posted his second consecutive double-double, also blocked five shots against the Chargers (5-7, 2-2 at week's end).

Hall was second behind Ankeny with four rebounds.

The Huskies have relied on its defense to carry them in spots.

"Holding them to 13 points after two (quarters), we felt good about our defensive effort and executing the keys we practiced the last two days," Little said.

Junior Rogelio Valadez led the team with his three assists

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Marsing junior Jacob Ankeny throws down a dunk ahead of Cole Valley Christian's trailing defender.

Palacios leads HHS' haul

Wrestlers get medals in team's Clearwater debut

Obed Palacios' dramatic weekend highlighted three championships for Homedale High School wrestlers.

The sophomore heavyweight beat Trojans teammate Juan Aceves, a freshman, with a

— See *HHS*, page 4B

Homedale volleyball coach steps down after one season

The majority of personnel changes approved by the Homedale school board on Jan. 13 affects athletic programs.

As previously reported, first-year Amber Fouts high school girls' basketball coach Clay Hatfield resigned.

But school trustees also accepted the resignation of high

— See *Coach*, page 3B



Sports

Homedale boys blast Payette for first SRV win of year

Freshman Jaxon Dines pulled off another top scoring effort as Homedale High School picked up an easy first 3A Snake River Valley conference boys' basketball win.

Dines lit it up from the outside, posting his latest career high with 25 points in the Trojans' 66-28 destruction of host Payette on Thursday.

Homedale (6-9 overall, 1-1 in 3A SRV through the weekend) blew the game open with a 22-4 run in the second quarter after trailing, 11-10, after eight minutes.

Dines fired in seven of the Trojans' 10 three-point goals. Nelson Lomeli knocked down a pair of treys for the bulk of his 10 points and had four assists.

Homedale limited its turnovers to nine while pressuring the Pirates into 19 turnovers and 17 fouls. The Trojans' Ricardo Hernandez swiped six steals.

The Trojans took nearly three times as many foul shots as Payette (1-12, 0-1), and held the Pirates 0-for-7 from deep.

Payette's Miguel Ceballos had 10 points and five rebounds.

Dominic Quijano had eight points and shared the Trojans' team rebounding lead with Hayden Kincheloe (five boards apiece). Kincheloe and Arnulfo Llamas scored



Homedale High School's Hayden Kincheloe tries to drive between two Weiser defenders during last Wednesday's home game.

six points each. Kincheloe also had five steals.

Saturday: Homedale 71, Ontario, Ore., 39 — Four scorers reached double figures as the Trojans blew out the visiting Tigers in a non-conference matinee.

Mason Strong led the way with a career-high 15 points on 7-for-9 showing field-goal shooting. He also had a co-team high four rebounds.

Homedale took control of the game with a 44-25 run through the second and third

quarters. Homedale converted 57 percent of its shots in the second half.

The team put down 10 three-point goals with Milo Mertz leading the way with three as part of a season-high 11 points.

Nelson Lomeli scored 12 points and dished four assists, while Dines had a pair of three-pointers, three assist and three rebounds to go with 10 points.

Bradley Nielson and Chaney Larson shared the scoring lead

for Ontario with 11 points apiece.

Jan. 14: Weiser 47, Homedale 46 — The host Trojans rallied from a cold third quarter but couldn't get the win in 3A SRV opener for both teams.

Holding a 10-point halftime lead, Homedale fell victim to the hot-shooting Wolverines.

Weiser connected on 55 percent of its second-half field-goal attempts (11-for-20) and five of seven foul shots.

The Wolverines clawed back

into the game with a 13-4 run through the third quarter and trailed, 31-30, heading into the game's final eight minutes.

Led by Nelson Lomeli (4-for-5) and Garrett Elordi and Mason Strong (2-for-2 each), Homedale tried to keep pace at the free-throw line even as the Trojans' three-point shooting and overall shooting from the field waned.

The Trojans connected of six of seven free throws in the second half, but dropped only one of eight three-point attempts and went 6-for-18 (33.3 percent) from the floor.

Ande Jensen collected all five of his rebounds on the defensive glass as the Wolverines limited Homedale's second chances with a 15-7 edge on the Trojans' end of the floor.

Lomeli had four assists and six defensive rebounds to punctuate a game-high 14 points.

Dines scored 10 points but missed 10 of his 14 shot attempts.

Daniel Uranga was 4-for-6 from the floor and finished with nine points and four rebounds. Spencer Fisher and Arnulfo Llamas also collected four boards each.

Sophomore Brett Spencer paced Weiser with 12 points, and Tim Reed chipped in 11 points.

Homedale Trojans

Athlete Spotlight

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Boys' basketball
Dominic Quijano, sr., C
4.5 points, 4.0 rebounds average in two wins



Girls' basketball
Sarai Villarreal, sr., G/F
Averaged 4 points, 3 rebounds in two games



Wrestling
Obed Palacios, so., 285
Won Clearwater Classic title in Lewiston

Girls' basketball
Varsity
Tuesday, Jan. 28 at Fruitland, 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity
Tuesday, Jan. 28 at Fruitland, 6 p.m.
Freshman
Tuesday, Jan. 28 at Fruitland, 4:30 p.m.

Boys' basketball
Varsity
Saturday, Jan. 25, home vs. Fruitland, 3 p.m.
Junior varsity
Saturday, Jan. 25, home vs. Fruitland, 1:30 p.m.
Freshman
Saturday, Jan. 25, home vs. Fruitland, noon

Wrestling
Coed
Wednesday, Jan. 22 at Weiser, 5:30 p.m.
Boys
Saturday, Jan. 25 at R.D. Brown Invitational, New Plymouth Tournament, 10 a.m.
Girls
Saturday, Jan. 25 at Jaybird Tournament, Columbia H.S., Nampa, 7 a.m.

Go Trojans!

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Sports

Larrusea's explosion ends Huskies' skid

Alana Larrusea's breakout performance led Marsing High School to a blowout victory against Vision Charter on Saturday.

The junior was all over the stat sheet in the Huskies' 61-19 2A Western Idaho Conference victory over the Golden Eagles at Vallivue Middle School in Caldwell.

The win snapped Marsing's five-game losing streak and gave the team (2-14 overall, 2-7 in conference) a regular-season sweep of Vision Charter (0-13, 0-9 before Tuesday's game at New Plymouth).

Larrusea led Marsing (2-14, 2-7 before Tuesday's game at once-beaten Rimrock) with 20 points and nine rebounds.

Senior Autumn Bennett scored 11 and pulled down a pair of boards.

Junior Mazzi Roper led the team with five assists and added four points and three boards.

Jade Wainman put up eight points, pulled down three boards and totaled four assists and steals.

Senior Jessica Sevy notched four points and six rebounds.

Leticia Garcia scored six, Rylee Loucks added four, Emily Vanosdall five.

Thursday: New Plymouth 62, Marsing 22 — Once the Pilgrims shook early-game shooting woes, there was no



Marsing High School junior Mazzi Roper puts up a shot in the key during the Huskies' home-court loss to New Plymouth on Thursday.

stopping them. Using a harassing full-court press, New Plymouth finally started cashing in on turnovers to beat the host Huskies in a conference game. Marsing scored its fourth-lowest point total of the

season.

Wainman turned in an all-around game for Marsing with six points and five rebounds.

Bennett led the home team with 10 points. She also blocked two shots.

Larrusea led the rebounding effort with 11 boards. She scored three points.

Wainman connected on a pair of free throws 47 seconds into the game to give Marsing its only lead of the night, 2-0.

The Pilgrims rattled Marsing's ball-handlers with their defensive pressure, but couldn't capitalize on subsequent turnovers.

Both teams were cold from the floor in the opening minutes. Nicole Binggeli's layup with 6 minutes, 40 seconds left in the first half gave New Plymouth the lead for good, 4-2. It was the only field goal for either team until Denise Pelayo converted turnover into a fastbreak layup for an 11-2 New Plymouth lead with 3:49 left.

Wainman fired in a corner three-pointer with 2:05 left in the first quarter for Marsing's first field goal. The team went 1-for-7 from the floor in the first eight minutes and committed seven turnovers.

New Plymouth, meanwhile, missed seven of its first eight shots before three in a row in a one-minute span.

✓ Coach: Other moves

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school volleyball coach Amber Fouts.

District superintendent Rob Sauer said Fouts stepped down because her family is moving out of the area.

Fouts coached the Trojans for one season, leading them to a third-place finish in the 3A Snake River Valley conference and fourth place in the 3A District III Tournament.

With Hatfield's resignation in the midst of the season, the board formally promoted Kortney Ford to interim varsity girls' basketball. Raymond Smith has been tabbed as the junior varsity coach for the rest of the season to take Ford's spot.

Three high school volunteer coaches were approved, including Cole Baker for boys' basketball, Malorie Turner for wrestling, and Kylee Silliman for softball.

Turner is the mother of HHS wrestlers Savannah and Kaydince Turner.

Silliman is a first-year math teacher at the high school.

Sauer has been reassigned from a middle school boys' basketball volunteer to the head coach for the eighth-grade A team. He takes over for Riley Qualls, who had to resign as head coach because of a job conflict.

— JPB

MARSING HUSKIES

ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT

Boys' basketball
Jacob Ankeny, jr., P
Averaged 16.5 points and 14 rebounds in two games

Girls' basketball
Alana Larrusea, jr., P.
20 points, 9 rebounds vs. Vision Charter

Wrestling
Harlee Liles, 182 pounds
Recorded pin at Magic Valley Classic

Girls' basketball
Varsity
Friday, Jan. 24 at Nampa Christian, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 28, home vs. Cole Valley Christian, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Friday, Jan. 24 at Nampa Christian, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 28, home vs. Cole Valley Christian, 6 p.m.

Wrestling
Wednesday, Jan. 22 home for tri-meet vs. Parma and Nampa Christian, 6 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 23 home for 2A Western Idaho Conference Duals, 5 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 25 at R.D. Brown Invitational, New Plymouth, 10 a.m.

Boys' basketball
Varsity
Thursday, Jan. 23 at Melba, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 28 at New Plymouth, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity A
Thursday, Jan. 23 at Melba, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 28 at New Plymouth, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B
Thursday, Jan. 23 at Melba, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 28 at New Plymouth, 4:30 p.m.

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Go Huskies!

Sports

✓ Football: Jordan Valley schools boss doesn't see viable cooperative partner

From Page 1B

Association directive to the district. Using a calculation of number of students in both schools, minus the number of students receiving free lunches and winning percentage of the football team, the OSAA directed the schools to disband the cooperative team or plan on playing at the 2A level next season. The combined schools are 14 students over the 1A cap, according to Purnell.

The decision will impact two Jordan Valley players next season.

This season, four players from Jordan Valley joined the 1A state champion Antelopes in becoming the first cooperative team to win a football state title. Two of the four graduate this year with no incoming boys at Jordan Valley looking to play football.

The decision to stay at the 1A level without Jordan Valley may be short-lived, Purnell

warned the board. Because of an increasing middle school student population, Adrian may be forced to enter the 2A fray in the next few years.

If the board voted to remain with Jordan Valley, the Antelopes would enter the 2A Special District 6 with the closest league opponent being the Riverside Pirates, a distance of 96 miles to play a league matchup. Other teams in the Special District 6 are more than 200 miles from Adrian.

"We have written letters to the OSAA pleading our case," Bengoa said. "The decision basically ends football in Jordan Valley until a class comes through with enough boys. Right now, that looks like the current fifth grade."

Bengoa said because of Jordan Valley's location, a cooperative with another team, such as Crane or Harper, makes no sense currently.



Homedale's Keagen Christensen works to pin Fruitland's Haiden Carroll in the 182-pound match of the school's 3A Snake River Valley conference dual last Wednesday inside the Trojans' gymnasium.

Forfeits cost Trojans vs. Grizzlies

Egusquiza, Christensen go 2-0 in tri-meet

Two forfeits in the lower weights doomed Homedale High School's conference-opening wrestling dual last Wednesday.

Fruitland used the forfeits and a steady string of victories in the lower weights to storm back from a big deficit in a 48-39 3A Snake River Valley conference victory on the Trojans' mat.

Sophomore Joseph Egusquiza's 4-0 decision against Fruitland 145-pounder Brandon Stowe highlighted Homedale's quick start to the match.

The Trojans won six of the first seven matches to build a 33-6 advantage.

Egusquiza's tough victory with a two-point takedown in the third round to give Homedale a 15-0 lead.

At 152, Jose Flores battled until the Grizzlies' Ethan Skelly pulled off a pin with 48 seconds left in their bout for Fruitland's first points.

A fierce Keagen Christensen manhandled Fruitland's Haiden Carroll with a 2-minute, 29-second pin at 182 to stake Homedale to a 27-point lead in the match.

When coach Jake Levinski asked, "What position can you win from?", Christensen chose the down position to start the second round. He pulled off a stunning escape, gained control and pinned Carroll in 29 seconds of the second period.

But Fruitland collected 18 points on forfeits in three of the next six matches and the Grizzlies began scoring points on the mat, too.

After Homedale 220-pounder Owen Houser pinned Brody Holaday just six seconds before the end of their first round, Fruitland scored 36 consecutive points with a combination of forfeits and pins.

Kolton Farrow pinned Homedale 120-pounder Elizabeth Hergesheimer in 59 seconds to push Fruitland ahead, 42-39.

Homedale still had a chance in the final bout of the meet when freshman Brayden Rosa faced off with Fruitland's Arik Haro at 126.

Haro clung to 2-0 lead through most of the second round before pulling off a reversal with 40 seconds left. Twelve seconds later, the Fruitland wrestler ended the meet with a pinfall.

Joining Egusquiza in Homedale's fast start to the dual were:



Junior Kaydince Turner looks for instruction as she holds Kaeden Galloway's head to the mat in Homedale's dual against Fruitland.

• **Kaydince Turner, 132** — The junior led off the meet in strong fashion, lifting Fruitland's Kaedon Galloway off the mat twice during the bout. She ended things with a pin 27 seconds before the final horn.

• **Julian Ramos, 138** — One of four seniors on the Trojans' squad, Ramos pinned KJ Dullanty in 81 seconds.

• **Chase Cooper, 160** — The freshman dominated Carter Stowe, building a 7-1 lead at the end of the opening round when only the buzzer saved Stowe from a pinfall. Wrestling with a bloodied nose, Cooper ended the match with 27 seconds left in the second period.

• **Rhyalee Nix, 170** — The sophomore started hot against Mike Warner, piling up points in the first round with a takedown and two near-falls. He pinned Warner 2:34 into the match.

New Plymouth 63, Homedale 15

The Trojans capped the home tri-meet with a tough non-conference loss to the Pilgrims.

At 145, Egusquiza edged Joel Campbell, 7-6, in the second bout of the dual, but Homedale never led.

Christensen also capped a perfect night on the mat with a 65-second pin of Brock Winward at 195 pounds.

Homedale's other points came on a forfeit at 220.

The Trojans forfeited three matches between the 98- and 120-pound divisions.

All other Pilgrims' victories, except Josiah Campbell's 7-0 decision against Nix at 170 — came by pinfall.

✓ HHS: Turner sisters claim two more tournament titles

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sudden victory to kick off a triumphant run in the Clearwater Classic round robin tournament.

Homedale finished 11th in the Lewiston event, which marked a departure from competing in Parma's Padilla Invitational.

Palacios beat Aceves, 14-12, in one of the highest-scoring matches of the weekend. He kept winning when he caught Clarkston, Wash.'s Jared Bradon for pin three seconds before the end of the opening period of their second-round bout.

Palacios locked up the B pod title in the 285-pound class when Robbie Bublitz of Kellogg was disqualified.

Other HHS champions included Kaydince Turner (126B) and Savannah Turner (120B).

Kaydince (25-6) cut through the competition for three pins against Orofino's Ruby Kessinger (57 seconds), Alex

Rivard of Newport, Ore. (4 minutes, 19 seconds), and Potlatch's Taylor McPherson (3:07).

Fellow junior Savannah, Kaydince's sister, improved to 23-5 with pins against Clarkston's Caila Rice (3:41) and Blake Pratt of Newport (1:31) in the 120B group.

Two Trojans were runners-up in their respective pods.

Junior Joseph Egusquiza (27-7) lost the 145-pound championship when Gabe Prather of Potlatch came away with a 17-4 major decision.

Sophomore Rhyalee Nix (13-8) fell to Damon Shaw from Lewiston, 9-2, in the 170-pound title bout.

Bronze medals went to sophomore Elizabeth Hergesheimer (116B), freshman Gabriel Hurtado (106B), Gracie Rotter (106C), Levi Jamisen (132C) and Anahi Cortez (145C).

Hergesheimer pinned Laynie Southern of Garfield-Palouse (Wash.) in 88 seconds for her first victory of the season in a third-place match.

Senior Jose Flores finished fourth in the 152B pod, while exchange student Gus Bromanter had the same result at 152C.

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Sports

Marsing's Arriaga reaches title match in Wendell

The Marsing High School wrestling team received top-flight performances from two of their top athletes at the Magic Valley Classic on Friday and Saturday in Wendell.

Junior Isai Arriaga made it through to the 160-pound championship match before falling to Declo's Derek Matthews by a 15-0 technical fall.

Arriaga got to the tournament final with a pin of Oakley's Sam Seamons at 30 seconds, a technical fall over Grace's Will Cutler, and a 10-4 decision over New Plymouth's Hunter Beus.

Senior Jedidiah Fuentes (220) finished third, besting Ririe's Joe Orchard in the his final match, 5-0.

After tournament-opening byes, Fuentes lost in the quarterfinals when Bear Lake's Joe Williams posted a pin in 2 minutes, 6 seconds.

Fuentes then scored three pins in the consolation bracket to reach the bronze-medal match.

Troy Miller made it through to the championship quarterfinals before a pinfall loss to Grace's Bray Skinner (1:41).

In the consolation bracket,

Miller pinned Soda Springs' Drey Stoor (59 seconds) then lost by fall to Salmon's Dakota McIntosh (2:40).

Other Huskies participants:

Matthew Goins (120) — Lost by fall to New Plymouth's Kyle Rice and major decision to Wendell's Matt Dahl

Jonathan Ineck (132) — Beat Wendell's Brayan Sanchez, 6-2.

Justin Ineck (138) — Pinned West Jefferson's Andres Montalvan (1:37) and beat Oakley's Dace Jones, 10-7.

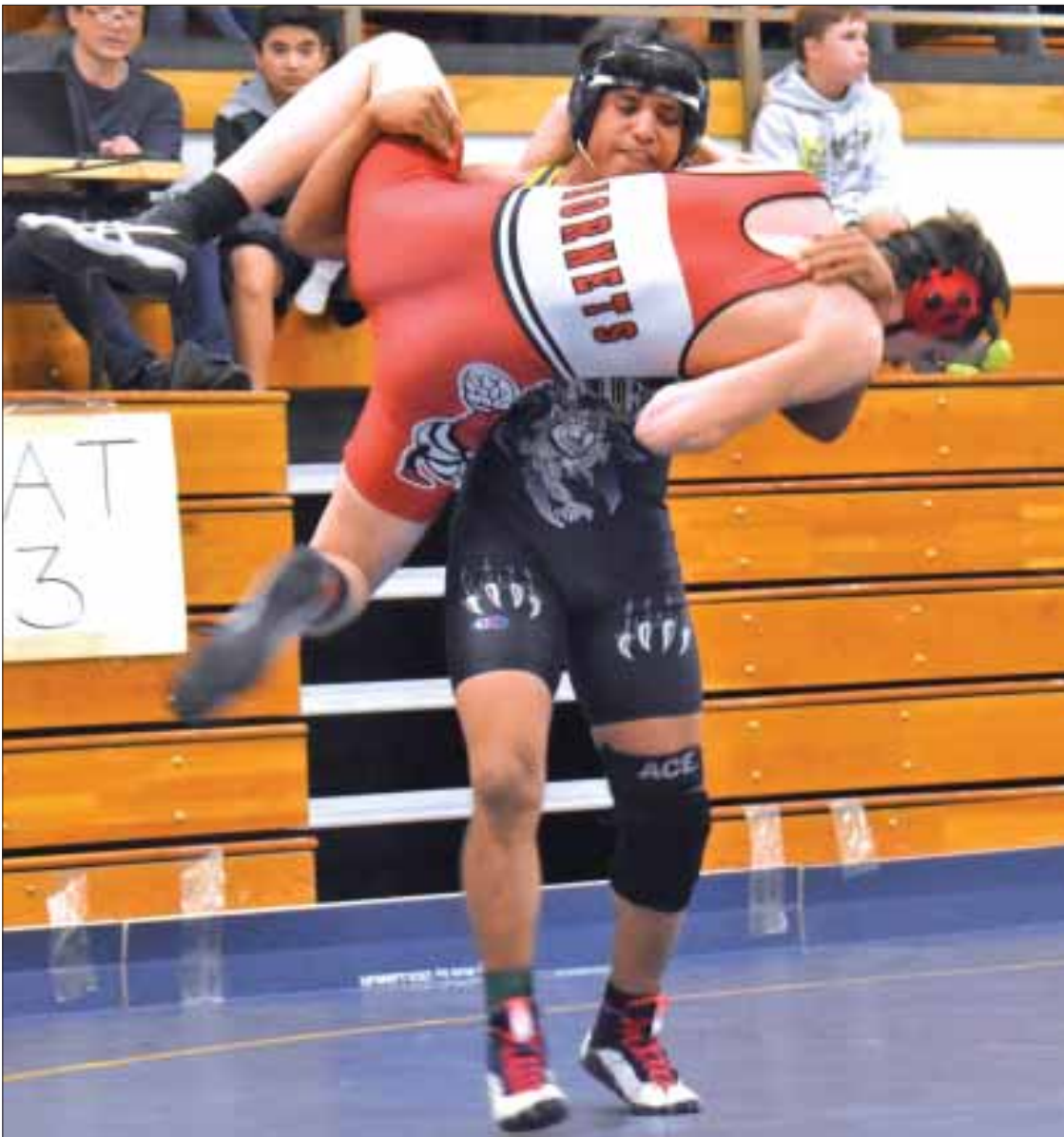
Jaristian Fuentes — Lost by fall to New Plymouth's Trent Myers and Grace's Kade Anderson

Domminick Dreyer (160) — Lost by fall North Gem's Cole Rindlisbaker and Bear Lake's Ryan Hunt

Harlee Liles (182) — Pinned Soda Spring's Adrion Gilbert (2:27)

Jacob Goins (195) — Pinned Declo's Miguel Juarez (1:34)

James Lafleur (285) — Lost by fall to Oakley's Ben Seamons (1:55) and Nampa Christian's Gabe Bowlin (2:29).



Marsing junior Isai Arriaga lifts Oakley's Sam Seamons at the beginning of the pair's preliminary 160-pound match at the Magic Valley Classic. Photo by Kelly Ineck



Marsing's Harley Liles (right) ducks under Remington Winmill from the host Wendell squad during a 182-pound match at the Magic Valley Classic. Winmill rallied to pin Liles in the first period. Photo by Kelly Ineck

✓ Huskies: Hall, Ankeny 1-2 punch, bench help Marsing in conference

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to go with his three points.

Jan. 14: Marsing 41, Nampa Christian 34 — The Huskies rode another strong defensive effort and a late offensive spurt to a key home-floor win that opened the door to the top of the conference.

Marsing trailed, 28-25, heading into the final eight minutes before mounting a 16-6 charge to get the

comeback win. Marsing dominated on the boards, particularly with the play of Ankeny and Hall.

"Merrick Hall and Jacob Ankeny controlled the glass all night and combined for 30 of our 40 points," Little said.

Ankeny hit 70 percent of his shots (7-for-10) and finished with 16 points. He also grabbed a season-high 17 rebounds.

Hall was also dominant on both ends of the court with 14 points, 12 boards, and three steals.

The Huskies held the Trojans (11-2, 3-1) 24 points below their season average. The team's only other loss this season was a 51-50 game to 3A Snake River Valley opponent Parma on Jan. 3.

Cash Sevy did his part, putting up six points, while

dishing out a pair of assists and recording three steals.

"Cash came off the bench and provided a huge spark for us on both ends of the court, especially being short-handed, with Noel (Quebrado) out four to six weeks and another senior gone this week," Little said.

Quebrado fractured his clavicle early in the Jan. 9 game against Vision Charter. True

Shippy was also unavailable against the Trojans.

Joaquin Oliveros led the team with his four steals.

Marsing had a season-high 19 turnovers and shot just 37 percent for the game, but that proved to be enough.

The Huskies struggled through much of the game, trailing by three heading into the fourth quarter.

— TK

Public notices

**SYNOPSIS OF OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES
December 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2019
December 2**

Paid all outstanding bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$21,266; Road & Bridge \$2,326; District Court \$372; Fair, Grounds & Buildings \$163; Probation \$138; Health District \$4,604; Historical Society & Museum \$91; Indigent & Charity \$41,863; Jr. College Tuition \$1,000; Revaluation \$315; Solid Waste \$7,881; 911 \$1,782; Taxing District Elections \$287; Auditors Trust \$3,821; County Vessel \$50

Approved the Capital Crimes bills for Indigent and Charity.

Approved Resolution 2019-24: To close Bachman Grade Road and Silver City Road for automobile travel effective immediately due to icy, snow and weather conditions until further action by the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners.

Placed a lien on Indigent and Charity cases 19-60 and 19-61.

Approved Indigent and Charity case 19-60.

Denied Indigent and Charity case 19-58.

Approved a letter to John Ruhs, BLM State Director, regarding the BLM Boise District management issues.

Indigent and Charity hearing for case 19-49 was held. Re-affirmed the decision of September 30, 2019 and deny case 19-49.

Indigent and Charity case 19-48 was held. This case was approved on November 25, 2019 and hearing was vacated.

December 9

Approved a Treasurers tax cancellation for parcel MH05S03E166010, \$104.28 in taxes and \$59.00 in solid waste fees.

Approved Indigent and Charity case 19-55.

Vacated the Indigent and Charity hearing scheduled for 11:00 a.m.

December 16

Approved and paid all outstanding bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$41,704.56; Road & Bridge \$89,988.69; District Court \$6,872.05; Probation \$1,032.01; Historical Society & Museum \$233.12; Indigent & Charity \$28,590.95; Jr. College Tuition \$500.00; Revaluation \$763.15; Solid Waste \$10,958.83; 911 \$52,193.00; County Vessel \$1,318.72; Off Highway Vehicles \$145.81; Taxing District Elections \$323.54

Set a public hearing for February 11th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Courthouse in Murphy to proceed with the rezoning from Marsing to Sinker Creek Area.

Approved Indigent and Charity case 19-55.

Approved an Alarm Monitoring Agreement with Delta Fire Systems, Inc dba AEI Systems Group to monitor the Owyhee County Community Center for fire.

Approved a maintenance agreement with DataWorks Plus for the fingerprint machine from 1/15/2020 to 1/14/2021.

Approved a Memorandum of Understanding between Owyhee County, Canyon County Weed and Pest Control, University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension, South Board of Control, Gem Irrigation, Idaho Department of Lands, Bureau of Land Management – Boise District Office, Idaho Department of Fish and Game – Southwest Region, Reynolds Irrigation District and Opaline

Irrigation District to coordinate effective actions to undertake weeds on lands under its control in the Northwest Owyhee Cooperative Weed Management Area (CWMA).

Approved the election ballot for District 3 Cat Board position in favor of Rick Visser, Ada County Commissioner.

Denied Indigent & Charity case number 19-46, Owyhee County is not the last resource.

December 23

Approved a \$535 quote from Delta Fire Systems for the fire alarm antenna for the Owyhee County Community Center.

Approved the Idaho Weed Awareness Campaign contribution in the amount of \$500.

Approved a Treasurers solid waste tax cancellation for parcel MH06S05E262400 in the amount of \$59.00.

Approved the 2019 Annual Road and Street Financial Report.

Approved a Joint Representation Agreement between Owyhee County, Gem Highway District and Three Creek Highway District.

The complete minutes can be viewed online at www.owyheecounty.net or in the Clerk's office.
01/22/2020

OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO BOARD OF OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, BOARD OF DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS FOR GEM HIGHWAY DISTRICT, and BOARD OF DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS FOR THREE CREEK GOOD ROAD DISTRICT. JOINT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE VALIDATION OF PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Idaho Code 40-203A, the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners, the Board of District Commissioners for Gem Highway District, and the Board of District Commissioners for the Three Creek Good Road District have approved resolutions requesting the respective Commissions to validate several public rights-of-way, including as an R.S. 2477, as they exist across the public lands owned by the United States of America, currently managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management. Any validation will not occur to the extent the rights-of-way may cross private land or Idaho State land.

A report was prepared to support these resolutions as part Owyhee County Resolution No. 2017-21 dated July 3, 2017. The report is inclusive of maps and documentation which are available for review beginning on January 22, 2020, during regular business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday in the Planning and Zoning office located in the annex building of the Owyhee County Courthouse at 17069 Basey Street in Murphy, Idaho. All referenced maps are also available for review on the Owyhee County web site at www.owyheecounty.net. The several public rights-of-way sought to be validated are described on the referenced maps.

A joint hearing has been scheduled on said resolutions before the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners, the Board of District Commissioners for

Gem Highway District, and the Board of District Commissioners for the Three Creek Good Road District on Tuesday, February 25, 2020, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in Courtroom 2 of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, at which time anyone may appear in support of or in opposition to the proposed validation as described hereinabove, as provided for by Idaho Code 40-203A(2)(e). The Owyhee County Commissioners and the Gem Highway District Commissioners will be present at the address listed above. The Three Creek Good Roads Highway District Commissioners will attend the meeting via teleconference but will be physically present at 56562 Blossom Road in Rogerson Idaho.

At the conclusion of the hearing or at such other time to is necessary to review the evidence from the hearing, the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners, the Board of District Commissioners for Gem Highway District, and the Board of District Commissioners for the Three Creek Good Road District will jointly determine whether validation of any of the several rights-of-way will be validated as public rights-of-way, including as under R.S. 2477, and whether such validation would be in the public interest in accordance with Idaho Code 40-203A(3), and based thereon, issue a joint order validating or not any or all of the several rights-of-way as public rights-of-way, including as under R.S. 2477, in accordance with Idaho Code 40-203A(3) and Idaho Code 40-203A(5).

The hearing will be held in a facility that is accessible to persons with disabilities. Special accommodations will be available, upon request, five (5) days prior to the hearing in a format that is usable to persons with disabilities. For more information, contact the Planning and Zoning Department at 208-495-2095 ext. 2, or Owyhee County Annex Building, P.O. Box 128, Murphy, Idaho 83650.
01/22,02/12/2020

SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE CASE NO. CV37-19-00347

BONNEVILLE BILLING & COLLECTIONS, INC., A Utah Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. AARON JAMES, Defendant.

TO DEFENDANT: AARON JAMES

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED PLAINTIFF, BONNEVILLE BILLING & COLLECTIONS, INC. IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, CASE NO. CV37-19-00347

THE NATURE OF THE CLAIM AGAINST YOU IS FOR COLLECTION OF A DEBT.

THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 21 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.

Any time after 21 days following the last publication of this summons, the court may

enter a judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the Case No. CV37-19-00347, and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at the address of 20381 State Hwy 78 Murphy, ID 83650 and telephone number of 208-495-2806, and served a copy of your response on the Plaintiff's attorney at Angela C. Sasser, Sasser & Jacobson, PLLC., 16070 Idaho Center Blvd., Suite 104, Nampa, ID 83687, 208-465-8897.

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

DATED: 01/02/2020
Angela Barkell OWYHEE COUNTY DISTRICT COURT
s:/Lena Johnson Deputy Clerk
01/08,15,22,29/2020

NOTICE OF PETITION AND HEARING (I.C. 15-1-401) IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE CASE NO. CV37-19-00419

In the Matter of the Estate of: ANSELMO "SAM" ZAMUDIO, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of November, 2019, Jeremy C. Younggren, Deputy Attorney General, filed a petition for formal adjudication of intestacy and formal appointment of personal representative.

A copy of the petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court and may be reviewed upon request.

DATED this 14th day of January, 2020.
s : / J E R E M Y C . YOUNGGREN
Deputy Attorney General
1/22,29,2/5/2020

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. NO. 088414-ID PARCEL NO.: RP008200030020

On 5/14/2020 at 9:00 AM (recognized local time), IN THE LOBBY OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 20381 HIGHWAY 78, MURPHY, ID 83650, in the County of Owyhee, SYDNEY K. LEAVITT, ESQ., a member of the State Bar of Idaho, of ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP as 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 2, BLOCK 3, IN SHARI HILL ESTATES PHASE I SUBDIVISION, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED AS INSTRUMENT NO. 211614, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY RECORDER, 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 Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 6315 SHARI HILL WAY, MARSING, IDAHO 83639, is commonly associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances

to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by JEANIE L CHRISTIAN AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, as Grantor(s), to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE A DIVISION OF NATIONAL CITY BANK OF INDIANA, as Beneficiary, dated 5/25/2006, recorded 6/2/2006, as Instrument No. 256637, in Book , Page , , official records of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please note: The above named Grantors are named to comply with Idaho Code Section 45-1506(4)(a); no representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for the obligation. The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to make monthly payments when due from 8/1/2019 and all subsequent monthly payments thereafter, including installments of principal, interest, impounds, advances, plus any charges lawfully due under the note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust, Deed of Trust and as allowed under Idaho Law. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust as of 12/31/2019 is \$61,781.76 including interest, costs, fees, including trustee and/or attorney fees and costs, and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation thereunder or in this sale and to protect the security associated with the Deed of Trust, as authorized in the Note, Deed of Trust or as allowed under Idaho Law. Because interest, late charges, fees, costs and expenses continue to accrue, the total amount due varies from day to day. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after receipt of funds to satisfy the debt. For further information, write the Trustee at 4375 Jutland Drive, Ste. 200, San Diego, CA 92117, or call (866) 931-0036 DATED: 12/31/2019 SYDNEY K. LEAVITT, ESQ., a member of the State Bar of Idaho, of ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP
01/8,15,22,29/2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (I.C. 15-3-801) IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE CASE NO. CV37-19-00449

In the Matter of the Estate of: RODNEY D. ST. CLAIR, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the Estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

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

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Sports

Other scores

Boys' basketball

Rimrock (1-8, 1-4)

Friday — Riverstone International 58, Raiders 44

This week

Today — vs. Glenns Ferry, 7:30 p.m.

Friday — at Notus, 7:30 p.m.

Monday — at Jordan Valley, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday — vs. Greenleaf Friends Academy, 7:30 p.m.

Adrian (7-7, 1-0)

Thursday — Antelopes 56, Four Rivers 44

Note — 1A High Desert League opener

Saturday — Antelopes 69, Cove 34

This week

Friday — vs. Huntington, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday — at Long Creek/Ukiah, 4:30 p.m. MST

Jordan Valley (9-5, 1-1)

Thursday — Mustangs 49, Notus 43

Saturday — Mustangs 71, Huntington 40

This week

Friday — Harper Charter, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday — at Prairie City, 4:30 p.m. MST

Monday — vs. Rimrock, 6:30 p.m.

Girls' basketball

Rimrock (14-1, 6-0)

Friday — Raiders 63, Riverstone International 38

Tuesday — vs. Marsing, (n)

This week

Friday — at Notus, 6 p.m.

Monday — at Jordan Valley, 5 p.m.

Tuesday — vs. Greenleaf Friends Academy, 6 p.m.

Adrian (4-11, 1-0)

Tuesday — Greenleaf Friends Academy 55, Antelopes 32

Thursday — Antelopes 63, Four Rivers 28

Note — 1A High Desert League opener

Saturday — Cove 35, Antelopes 24

This week

Friday — vs. Huntington, 6 p.m.

Saturday — at Long Creek/Ukiah, 3 p.m. MST

Jordan Valley (10-4, 0-1)

Thursday — Mustangs 70, Notus 32

Saturday — Mustangs 63, Huntington 16

This week

Friday — Harper Charter, 6 p.m.

Saturday — at Prairie City, 3 p.m. MST

Monday — vs. Rimrock, 5 p.m.

— Coaches can email results and comments to jon@owyheeavalanche.com. Call (208) 337-4681, ext. 102 for more information.

Melba girls keep up winning pace against conference foes

Kate Clark poured in 23 points Thursday as Melba High School continued to roll in 2A Western Idaho Conference girls' basketball.

Clark's scoring led the Mustangs to a 50-24 conference victory over visiting McCall-Donnelly.

Melba (14-2 overall, 7-2 in conference at week's end) surged to one game ahead of Cole Valley Christian, which had played two fewer 2A WIC games by Thursday night.

Owyhee County resident Jordan Dayley added 13 points for the Mustangs, and she also had four steals.

Clark backed up her 23 points with six rebounds and five steals.

The Vandals (9-7, 3-4) got 11 points from junior center Jaeda Moyer.

Melba won its fourth consecutive game and tasted victory for the 11th time in the past 12 games.

Melba boys romp past Vision Charter

Melba High School ended a two-game boys' basketball losing streak with a blowout Friday.

Joe Reiber led all scorers with 19 points in the Mustangs' 79-27 win over Vision Charter at Vallivue Middle School in Caldwell.

Henry Clark added 16 points and four rebounds as Melba snapped a two-game

2A Western Idaho Conference losing streak.

The Mustangs (9-4 overall, 2-3 in conference) handed the Golden Eagles (1-12, 0-6) their 11th consecutive setback.

The host squad received 15 points from senior Xzavier Perry.

Tuesday: Cole Valley Christian 64, Melba 55 — Haydon Harmon scored 21

points on his home court as the Chargers pushed the Mustangs two games off the conference lead.

Reiber led Melba with 18 points, while Caleb Fong and Clark scored eight points apiece.

Garrett Smith added 13 points for Cole Valley, which trails third-place New Plymouth by a game.

Trojans girls lose eighth straight

Team started week with slim chance to avoid play-in game

Homedale High School girls' basketball players have a tough row to hoe for a chance to avoid the district play-in game.

The Trojans carried an eight-game losing streak into Tuesday's home 3A Snake River Valley conference game against Payette. Results weren't available at press time, but a victory against the Pirates would have been the first step in trying to finish third in the conference standings and skip the requirement to qualify for the 3A District III Tournament's double-elimination phase.

Weiser beat coach Kortney Ford's squad, 61-23, on

Saturday in Washington County to force Homedale (1-16 overall, 0-5 in 3A SRV) into its current predicament — beating Payette and Parma and Fruitland next week — for a shot at the No. 3 seed.

Saturday: Weiser 61, Homedale 23 — Already in control the host Wolverines blew open the conference game with a 25-3 run to open the second half.

Gracie Dines led the Trojans with six points on 3-for-6 shooting. The team went 9-for-32 (28.1 percent) from the floor in the game. Two of the successful field goals were three-pointers from Mayci Cline and Amaia Aberasturi.

The Trojans committed 35 turnovers and were limited to just six chances from the free-throw line. Savana Buckley 3-for-6 from the charity stripe for all her points.

Ashley Moore led the team

with four rebounds.

Jan. 14: Parma 66, Homedale 15 — The Trojans' week on the road began with a blowout loss to the conference leaders.

The Panthers (14-2, 5-0 at week's end) started off on a 23-2 first quarter on the way to their 11th consecutive victory. They took a shot Tuesday after deadline to lock up the No. 1 seed against Fruitland (10-8, 3-2).

Adyson Harris converted seven of 11 field goal attempts and single-handedly outscored Homedale with 16 points. Teammate Grace Jackson chipped in 11 points on 4-for-4 shooting.

Homedale's Sarai Villarreal led the way with six points and six rebounds. Gracie Dines added four points.

The Trojans converted just seven of 38 shots in 32 minutes (18.4 percent).



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