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The red wheelchair next to Rimrock High School senior Heidi Pearson is one of the chairs purchased to donate through Chair The Hope. Photo by Sariah Pearson

Rimrock senior's project turns tragedy into triumph

Paraplegic to bring speaker to school; wheelchairs to Third World

by Mandi Boren

For The Owyhee Avalanche

It started as a typical summer evening for Grand View teen Heidi Pearson, who spent the night dancing and socializing with family and friends at the annual Grand View Days celebration on

the tragic night of June 23.

After the dance, Pearson and a caravan of friends decided to head out to the desert near Grand View for a bonfire. The events that transpired next would change the whole trajectory of her life.

Tragedy struck when Pear-

son missed a sharp gravel curve, overcorrected and launched her passenger-loaded sedan into the air over a steep embankment. The vehicle rolled as it hit the ground, coming to a rest on its top.

Miraculously three passengers managed to maneuver out of the overturned vehicle, but Pearson was

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Grand jury indicts kidnap victim, husband on child abuse charges

Allegations: Couple chained their children; mother choked elder boy

area barn for a week in late 2018 has pled not guilty to felony child abuse charges.

Melissa Lee Transue and her husband, Duncan Arthur Ross Transue, former Homedale residents, had preliminary hearings continued

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A woman who was held captive in a Homedale-

59th Marsing Disaster Auction

Committee seeks younger volunteers; Hungates do their part

Brothers have been involved in event for years

The Marsing Disaster Auction is more than an annual drive to raise funds for community members in need.

For many people in Marsing and the surrounding area, the auction is an event, one that is marked on calendars all over

the valley.

The auction has been organized by a core group of volunteers for years.

They can always be depended on to ensure the auction, raffle, and sale go off without a hitch.

The fact that there is a small group of dedicated organizers may be an obstacle for the planning committee as it

— See *Hungates*, page 2A



Strong winds blew the post office's U.S. flag over the pole.

Homedale Post Office to reopen Monday

After more than three months of sometimes daily shuttling to Wilder to get mail, Homedale postal customers will get their post office back.

The U.S. Postal Service

announced Friday afternoon that the building on North Main Street in Homedale will be open for business on Monday.

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Marsing Disaster Auction to make 59th appearance

Final preparations are underway for Saturday's 59th annual Marsing Disaster Auction and Sale.

The event will start at the traditional time of 10:13 a.m., at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center.

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

Donated auction items include:

- Traeger Tailgater grill (Marsing Hardware and Pump)
- Cordova cooler package (Idaho Central Credit Union)
- A girls' and boys' .22 rifle

(Mattessons in Homedale and Wilder)

- Two one-year subscriptions to The Owyhee Avalanche
- A romantic getaway (Ellis Agency & Associates)
- One ton of 2020 season small-bale hay and a Hungate Custom Hay coat and hat
- A 24-gun Rhino safe (Showalter Construction)
- A Traeger grill (Campbell Tractor)
- A 6 foot-by-8 foot garden shed (the Shed Center)
- A monthly bouquet of flowers for a year from Caldwell Floral
- Two tickets to the Marsing Fire Department crab feed.
- Leather reins from Marsing's Gfeller Casemakers
- A season pass for all Mars-

ing school athletic events from Marsing Booster Club

- Quilt assembled and donated by Annette Stalp
 - Smoker/barbecue and trampoline from Valley Construction
 - Cooker built and donated by Jason Montgomery
- Additional items have been donated, including baked goods, coats, gift baskets, original 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. Prizes include:
- Front-load washer and dryer set (Parma Furniture)
 - 55-inch flat-screen, high-

definition LCD television (Usabel family)

- Gun/security safe (White Automotive and Rhino Metals)
 - Savage Trophy Hunter 6.5mm Creedmoor with Nikon scope (Wayne Hungate and Dave Cereghino, Owyhee County Farm Bureau Insurance agents)
- Marsing third- through fifth-graders are selling \$1 raffle tickets. Prizes include:
- A \$250 Marsing shopping spree (American Legion Post 128)
 - A Boise getaway (Liquid Laughs, Solid Grill & Bar, and Hampton Inn)
 - \$250 cash (Sheila and Bobo Carter, Russ Lindemann and Audrey Lindemann)
 - A Kitchen Aid mixer (Kel-

ly and Betty Ackerman) Concessions will be sold, 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

From page 1A

✓ Hungates: Cole Hungate hopes more from his generation step forward

looks past Saturday's auction, which starts precisely at 10:13 a.m., at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center, and gazes into the future.

Auction committee members, Sheila and Bobo Carter, James and Jess Ferdinand, Jason and Kelly Ineck, Tim Dines, Audrey Lindemann, and Cindy Floyd would like to see more involvement and dedication from the younger generation.

One such party of youth is the Hungate boys.

The brothers, Drake, 25, Cole, 23, and Chad, 22, have been going to the auction virtually their entire lives.

Cole said he was about 5 years old when he first became involved in the auction, selling eggs from hens he and his brothers raised. They began with 20 hens, and had nearly 250 before they moved on to their next business venture.

"We got to the point where we didn't want to do chickens anymore, so we sold them and moved into cattle," Cole said.

"We bought three cows each, and every year we donated a package of rib-eye steaks that came from some of the steer that we butchered."

The Hungates raised cattle all through high school. In 2015, when Cole graduated from Homedale High School,

the brothers again transitioned their business.

That year, Hungate Custom Hay was born. Local growers who don't have their own equipment hire the brothers to process their crops.

"We cut it, rake it, bale it, and stack it," Cole said. "It's been a great business for us. We do about 3,500 acres of hay."

"We love it. We really, really enjoy it."

The middle Hungate brother definitely understands the concern about a lack of youth involved with the disaster auction.

"I've been doing this deal for close to 20 years, and you



The Hungate family, longtime supporters of the Marsing Disaster Auction. **Bottom row, from left:** Chad (with Declan), Drake (with Cody), and Cole; **top row, from left:** Chad's wife Savannah, Drake's wife Whitnee, mom Teri, dad Wayne, and Cole's wife Bre.

do see the same faces every year and you don't see very many new ones," he said.

"You start missing some of the faces, and then realize that they're not around anymore."

He said that he has never been approached about being part of the planning committee or serving on the board of directors. But he would seriously consider it, if he were asked.

"I would definitely be honored to help with it, and so would my brothers, if the opportunity came around," he said. "If I can help put something together for a good cause, I would definitely like to be involved."

Cole said that this time of year is great for him to be involved, as it is a slow time

for work. Typically, he and his brothers are in the shop, working on equipment in the winter.

Cole likely has a little more free time than his brothers, who have young children.

Even as the disaster auction committee looks to bring in young blood to its ranks, the Hungate brothers continue to do their part. The three have donated one ton of small-bale hay (2020 season), and a Hungate Custom Hay coat and hat for auction.

Cole understands the need for community members to support each other in undertakings like this and feels more people should embrace it.

"It's good to be involved."
— TK

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County clerk offers Owyhee voice to Defense Commission

Owyhee County now has a voice in decisions involving indigent public defense services for the state.

The state Senate confirmed County Clerk Angie Barkell as a member of the Idaho State Public Defense Commission.

Gov. Brad Little appointed Barkell to the panel in May, but the 2019 Legislature had adjourned, pushing her confirmation to this winter.

“I hope to bring the perspective of the County Clerk to the commission when it comes to budgetary and county business practices and how the rules promulgated by the commission can affect those aspects,” Barkell said.

Barkell said serving on the commission won’t be a big time commitment on her part. She estimates it will require one day per month.

Members serve overlap-



Angie Barkell

ping, staggered terms of two or three years. Barkell is not yet sure how long her term will be.

As outlined on its website, the Idaho Public Defense Commission strives to:

- Maintain standards to ensure that defending attorneys are providing representation within the safeguards of the Sixth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and Article I, Sect. 13 of the Idaho Constitution (guaranteeing due process);
- Serve as a clearinghouse of information for relevant stakeholders;
- Provide funding to counties, as appropriated by the Legislature to ensure compliance with standards;
- Provide training to defense attorneys; and
- Keep the Legislature apprised of any issues that affect the indigent defense system of Idaho.

According to Idaho statute, the Public Defense Commission is comprised of two representatives from the state Legislature (one from the Senate and one from the House of

Representatives) and one representative appointed by the Idaho Supreme Court chief justice.

Additionally, there are two representatives from the Idaho Association of Counties, two representatives who have experience as defense attorneys, one from the office of the state appellate public defender, and one from the Idaho Juvenile Justice Commission.

The commission includes:

- Chair Darrell Bolz — Juvenile Justice Commission
- Vice-chair Eric Frederickson — Idaho State Appellate Public Defense
- Angie Barkell — Idaho Association of Counties
- Dan Dinning — Idaho Association of Counties
- Jonathan Loschi — Ada County Public Defender’s Office
- Paige Nolte — Nez Perce defense attorney
- Justice Linda Copple Trout — Idaho court system
- Sen. Chuck Winder (R-Boise)
- Rep. Melissa Wintrow (D-Boise)

— TK

Woman allegedly strikes husband with hammer

A Marsing woman faces multiple charges after a domestic incident with her husband on Friday afternoon on 1st Street South in Marsing.

Owyhee County Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said that Audrey Davies, 41, apparently used a hammer to hit her husband and a vehicle during a dispute at the couple’s home.

Davies has been charged with felony domestic battery, misdemeanor resisting arrest, and misdemeanor malicious injury to property.

Davies allegedly struck her husband on the left side of his chest and his left forearm with the hammer. She then threw the hammer at him but

missed.

She also struck the vehicle’s gas cap, Bowman said.

Davies’ husband went to a nearby business to call law enforcement. He had minor injuries, and no emergency services were called, according to Bowman.

Davies was arrested and later released from jail in Murphy after posting a \$5,000 bond.

She appeared before Magistrate Judge Shane Darrington on Monday morning in Murphy.

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Grand View Lions Club moves forward on new park structure

Start time for long-running February auction to change this year

by Mandi Boren
For The Owyhee Avalanche
A familiar structure in Grand View was retired Dec. 18 when the Lions Park Hall was demolished in preparation for a new structure.
Lions Club member Doug Thurman said the hall that had been in the Grand View park since the 1950s was finally starting to show its age.

“The roof rafters were collapsing ...” Thurman said. “It was a matter of safety.”
After the cost of repairs was determined to be too high, the club elected to demolish the old building and replace it with a 24-by-40 foot gazebo area complete with picnic tables and an enclosed breezeway serving area.
Robison Excavation volunteered hours to demolish the building, and US Ecology Idaho disposed of the building free of charge.
To complete the remainder of the project, Thurman said the Lions Club will use funds from private donations and

their annual auction, which is set for Saturday, Feb. 8 at the Grand View Elementary School.
This year, the auction preview will begin at 11 a.m., with auction and lunch starting at noon.
Historically the park has been used for family picnics and community events as well as the Lions Club’s annual Grand View Days breakfast. Thurman said the new location will be used for the same reasons, and reservations will be available free of charge.
The Lions Club is receiving bids on the new gazebo and cement pad for the next month. Interested bidders can contact Thurman at (208) 834-2442.

— 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

Correction

The hours for the Division of Motor Vehicles branch inside Grand View City Hall were reported incorrectly in the Jan. 22 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche. The DMV office is open from 8:30 a.m., to 1:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

Marsing man back in county lockup

A Marsing resident was arrested on an agent’s warrant after violating his probation last Wednesday.
The Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office received a call that Matthew Alexander Renz, 22, was allegedly drunk and destroying property in the shed in which he lived on Gem Street in Marsing.
According to sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman, OCSO contacted Renz’s probation

officer, who issued a warrant because Renz did not report as part of his judge-mandated probation.
When the OCSO deputy arrived, Bowman said, Renz was found holding a marijuana pipe in his hand in plain sight.
Renz has been charged with a felony probation violation and misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession and is currently in the Owyhee County Jail in Murphy. — TK

MRW accepting chili cook-off entries

Organizers are looking for contestants for the 10th annual Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire & EMS Chili Cookoff.
Wilson-based Young’s River Ranch again sponsors the cook-off on Saturday, March 28. It’s held in conjunction with the Owyhee County Historical Society spring bazaar.
Both events will be held at the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy.
It costs \$20 to enter one recipe into the chili cook-off, and each

additional entry is \$10.
Chili tasting will be held, too, as part of the People’s Choice judging. Suggested donations for chili tasting is \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens, and children younger than 12 can taste for free.
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An employee of Caldwell-based Bob Howard Building Maintenance mops the new floor inside the Homedale Post Office on Jan. 21. The post office opens Monday after a 113-day closure.

✓ Post Office: Mailbox pickup will return to 4 p.m.; P.O. box keys must be returned

Retail hours at the Homedale Post Office will remain the same — 8:30 a.m., to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Customers can return keys used with temporary Wilder post office boxes to the Homedale Post Office. The Homedale P.O. boxes, operated by original keys, will be back in service Monday. Pick-up time for the blue mailbox on the sidewalk in front of the post office will return to 4 p.m., once the building opens again. Right now, the mail is picked up at 2 p.m., daily.

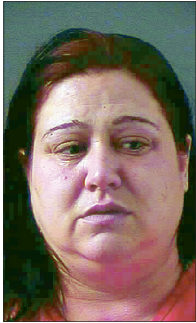
“We look forward to serving our customers again from the Homedale Post Office,” Post Office Operations Manager Brandon Roundy said. “We appreciate our customers’ patience while the electrical work was completed.” The post office has been closed since Oct. 12 as contractors performed upgrades to the electrical system. USPS officials said the repair work was necessary to improve employee safety. The flooring also was replaced. Operations were temporarily moved to the Wilder Post Office, sending post office box owners on an eight-mile round trip to get their mail. Business owners had employees make the trip sometimes twice a day Monday through Friday. Rumors had swirled that the post office would open this week, but Homedale Postmaster Kevin Rhead confirmed that there was still work to be done. Workers from a local windows and flooring contractor were seen mopping the lobby floors last week.

— JPB

✓ Indicts: No pleas yet

Friday. They’ll enter pleas at 9 a.m., on Friday, Feb. 14 before Third District Judge Andrea Courtney. Now listed as Parma residents, the couple is accused of chaining their two children — ages 10 and 12 at the time — in a trailer without electricity or sufficient water or food, according to the indictments. The incidents allegedly happened between June 2018 and December 2018. The mother is also accused of choking the 12-year-old and causing him to pass out and hit his head. She also allegedly kidnapped, both felonies. A third defendant in the kidnapping case, Mikal James Christensen, entered a guilty plea to misdemeanor assault and felony controlled substance possession. He originally was also charged with more felonies — second-degree kidnapping and burglary, and felon in possession of a firearm. Christensen is scheduled for sentencing before Third District Judge Thomas W. Whitney at 10:30 a.m., on Feb. 28 in Murphy. Payette County Prosecuting Attorney Ross D. Pittman has been appointed to handle the Transue cases. Duncan Transue has retained Ryan Henson as a defense attorney, but no defense attorney was listed for Melissa Transue on the state’s online court case repository. An Owyhee County Grand Jury indicted the Transues on four counts each of felony injury to child after a Jan. 7 proceeding in which the Transues’ children and a detective gave testimony. They were arraigned before Courtney on Jan. 10 in Murphy. Both remain in custody in Owyhee County Jail, and both have been ordered to have no contact with their children.

— JPB



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Obituaries

Don Mavey

On January 23, 2020, a beautiful day for a late season elk hunt in Hammett, ID, Don Mavey passed away from an apparent heart attack; his long-range rifle on its bipods, binoculars beside him and a herd of elk nearby, he was prepared for a shot.

Don was the third of four children born to Oran and Lillian Mavey on 6/4/1949. He grew up in Eureka, CA where his love for hunting and fishing began at an early age on the banks of the Meyer's Flat and the Mad River flowing through his grandmother's dairy farm in Arcata, CA.

As a young man, he worked as a choker setter in the timber industry near home, then moved on to working in the sheet metal union. He relocated to Redding, CA where he started his own

sheet metal business, American Seamless Gutters.

His passion for big game hunting brought him to Colorado and Idaho during fall hunting seasons. After a few years, he sold his business and bought "the gravel pit" in Middleton, ID.

Before starting work in Idaho, he decided to spend the summer fishing in Alaska. The fishing was so good, he spent the next several years guiding sport fishermen from a drift boat on the Kenai and Kasilof Rivers.

In 1990, through mutual friends, he met Cindy Aberasturi. They married in 1992 and shortly after, they bought a small farm in Ridgeview, OR. The following year they welcomed their daughter, Laurien, followed by their son Mike, in 1995. With two small children



at home, he quit his summer job guiding in Alaska and took to farming their newly acquired farm and dug several ponds, stocking the main one with several kinds of fish.

He shared his love of hunting and fishing with his kids from the time they were born and strong enough to hold a gun on their own. He put on many miles with an ear-muffled little one buckled into a backpack. To this day, Laurien and

Mike still share the same love of the outdoors. Growing up, they spent countless hours learning to hunt big game and birds, using dogs Don raised and trained. He had a way with dogs, and they fed off each other's desire for hunting.

In later years, his interest was long-range shooting. Along with his good friend Norbert, he built a hunting rifle capable of accuracy at a mile. He loaded his own ammunition with skill and expertise to be envied, and was sought out by many to work out problems with their rifles. Throughout his life he was a phenomenal shot, and after building his long-range rifle, it was joked about how he could hunt without leaving home, but that would not be hunting to him. He enjoyed walking

deep into the wilderness to get away from roads and other hunters, and knew this is where the old, smart trophy animals would be.

Don and Cindy divorced in 2017, but remained friends. He is survived by Cindy, daughter Laurien, son Mike, older sisters Joan Kesner of Pocatello, ID, Linda Damm and younger sister Mary Mavey of Eureka, CA, nieces, a nephew and cousins.

Our family finds comfort that he left this world doing what he loved — chasing and stalking big game. And as we say our goodbyes and deal with loss, we know the local varmint population is breathing a huge sigh of relief.

There will be a celebration of life and dinner at the Homedale Basque Center, February 8th from 1:00-4:00 pm.

Darrel George "Nick" Pascoe

Darrel George "Nick" Pascoe was born May 25, 1934 to Vera and Darrel Pascoe in Nampa, Idaho. He passed in peace at the age of 85 on January 22, 2020 surrounded by his family and loved ones after he fought one heck of a fight with lymphoma cancer. Nick is survived by his wife, Ramona, and four siblings: Jeanine Yost, Juanita Robb, Dennis Pascoe, and Vonda Pascoe. He will rejoin his brother Richard "Richie" Pascoe and his parents Darrel and Vera Pascoe in heaven.

In 1954, Nick met Ramona Jaca. On September 7, 1956 he married the love of his life. Ramona and Nick shared 63 years of marriage and hardly spent a day away from one another for those happy years.

Nick worked in a variety of jobs over the years: construction, mining, truck driving — and the true love of his life — being a cattleman. Nick and Ramona owned a ranch in Arock until 1963. They then moved to Jordan Valley where they had an interest in and managed the Jaca Brothers ranch. They managed their own and Ramona's father's interest from the time of his death in 1982 until the ranch sold in 2001.

Nick was the proud father of three children, Jeannie (Mike) Stanford, Jacque (Jes) Naegle and Jimmy (Tricia) Pascoe. While he was always proud of his children, his grandchildren and great-grandchildren were the apples of his eye. Nick and



Ramona have five grandchildren: Shane (Laci) Stanford, Brandi (Jess) Lisle, Nickie (Dallas) LaFrance, McKayla (Shane)

Wood, and Kyle Young, and seven great-grandchildren: Josie and Ruby Lisle, Jhett and Lazaro Stanford, and Jace, Zoey and Clayton Wood. Grandpa never missed a ball game for any of his kids and grandkids, loved a good story, and had a heart of gold. He was the most patient man we ever met. There wasn't a thing 'Gramps' couldn't build or fix. Grandpa was an avid football fan, fisher, hunter and outdoorsman and a big fan of naps ... usually with one eye open. We're pretty sure he was always keeping an eye on Grandma.

Grandpa, among so many other things, was an amazing coach at both sports and life. He left his "team" with some great lessons. Always be a person of your word. Say what you mean and mean what you say. Finish what you set out to do. You can catch more flies with honey. Patience

catches more fish than rushing from hole to hole. And most importantly, keep your mouth shut in the alley when you're working cattle in the mud.

Gramps, we won't forget you, and we hope we live up to all the lessons you've taught us and are the people you believed we were.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be given in Nick's name to the St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Jordan Valley, Oregon or the charity of your choice.

A Rosary Recital will be held on Friday, January 31, 2020 at 6:00 pm at Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Caldwell, and Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, February 1, 2020 at 11:00 am at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Jordan Valley, Oregon. Interment will follow at Jordan Valley Cemetery. Condolences can be given at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com

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Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar available with each meal:

Lettuce, tomato, boiled eggs, peaches, apricots, salad dressing

Milk available each day

Roll available each day except Jan. 29

Jan. 29: Beef nachos supreme (ground beef, cheese sauce, refried beans, sour cream, & salsa on tortilla chips), Rice

Jan. 30: Pork chops, *au gratin* hash browns, broccoli, applesauce

Rimrock Senior Center

All meals are served with milk & fruit juice

Jan. 30: Hamburgers & fries, whole grain buns, sandwich veggies, green salad, yogurt, fruit, cook's choice soup

Obituary

Joseph S. Richards

Joseph S. Richards, 82, of Givens Hot Springs, Melba, ID, passed away on January 3, 2020 at the VA hospital in Boise, ID.

A funeral mass was celebrated at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Melba, ID, 83641 on January 17, 2020 at 11am. Interment will take place in the near future at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery in Boise, Idaho.

Joseph was born in Good Hart, MI to the late Lawrence and Anna (Skoczylas) Rogalski on February 9, 1937. He entered the Air Force on February 1, 1955, which fostered his lifelong passion for flying. Joseph was a pilot and flight instructor for most of his life, and found joy in traveling the world.

He was known for being able to fix anything mechanical, for his incredible work ethic, and for his willingness to help a friend in need. His wonderful sense of humor and gen-



erosity made him a friend to many.

Joseph was a long-time member of the St. Joseph's Catholic Church community and AOPA (Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association).

Joseph was preceded in death by son Jack D. Rogalski and siblings Chester Rogalski and Genevieve Salisz.

Joseph is survived by Maria Richards,

his beloved spouse of 20 years, daughters Jolene Richards-Scott (Dan Scott) and Jessica Richards (David Nguyen), son Lawrence J. Rounds, stepchildren Heather Garcia (children Anthony and Nathan) and Sean Delaney and 5 grandchildren (Joshua, Joseph, and Jason Scott, Valerie Hedgpeth and Madeline Nguyen).

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Joseph's Catholic Church in care of St. Paul Catholic Church, 1515 8th St S., Nampa, ID 83686 or any local Veterans Charity of your choosing.

Anniversary



Wanda and Paul Jensenko, 1955



Wanda and Paul Jensenko, today

Former Homedale farmers Jesenkos to celebrate 65 years

Paul and Wanda Jensenko, who were involved in agriculture in the Homedale area, will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary in Nampa on Saturday, Feb. 1, 2020.

The Jesenkos were married at St. Paul's Church in Nampa on Jan. 31, 1955.

The anniversary celebration will take place from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., on Saturday, Feb. 1, 2020 at St. Paul's Marist Hall, 510 W. Roosevelt, in Nampa. Please no gifts; cards are welcome.

The Jesenkos worked with their daughters in the farming, ranching, and dairy industries for more than 55 years in the Homedale, Melba and Kuna areas.

They retired to Nampa and are still

holding hands and dancing together after years of strenuous work.

They have seven daughters: Vicky (Kelly) Kramer of Melba, Diana (Gerry) Nutt of Nampa, Theresa (Jeff) Keeney of North Dakota, Yvonne Hulet of Nampa, Christina (Mike) Huttash of Nampa, Susan (Jay) VanSchoiack of Nampa, and Paulette (Bob) Bozeman of Melba.

The Jesenkos have been members of St. Hubert's (Homedale), St. Joseph's (Melba), and St. Paul's Church.

In retirement, the enjoy attending family celebrations and gatherings.

Paul enjoys morning coffee hour at Dan's Ferry Service, card playing, and golf.

Wanda likes to read and visit and lunch with close friends and family.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Veggie bar, fruit bar, and choice of milk and juice

- Jan. 28: **Breakfast:** Breakfast slider **Lunch:** Chicken taco, corn
Jan. 29: **Breakfast:** Apple cinnamon Texas toast **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice, broccoli, fortune cookie
Jan. 30: **Breakfast:** Breakfast bites **Lunch:** PB&J sandwich, potato chips, baby carrots, cookie
Feb. 3: **Breakfast:** Cereal choice **Lunch:** Corn dog, tator tots
Feb. 4: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza **Lunch:** Chicken patty sandwich, coleslaw
Feb. 5: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon pull apart **Lunch:** Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes w/gravy

Homedale Middle

Fruit & salad bar, choice of milk or juice; cereal option each day

- 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
Jan. 30: **Breakfast:** Donut, string cheese **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza ripper or PB&J sandwich, string cheese goldfish crackers, rice krispie treat
Feb. 3: **Breakfast:** Breakfast slider **Lunch:** Mini corn dogs or PB&J sandwich, string cheese, goldfish crackers, mixed veggies
Feb. 4: **Breakfast:** Choc. Chip muffin, yogurt **Lunch:** Beef taco or chicken taco, corn
Feb. 5: **Breakfast:** Apple cinn. Texas toast **Lunch:** Chicken tenders or pork chop, mashed potatoes w/gravy, hot roll

Homedale High

Salad bar, fruit choice and choice of milk and juice

Cereal option, grab 'n' go items each day

- 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
Jan. 30: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza or pop tart **Lunch:** Beef taco or chicken taco, corn
Feb. 3: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick or Frudel **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza ripper or corn dog
Feb. 4: **Breakfast:** Croissant sandwich or bagel w/cream cheese **Lunch:** Orange chicken or pizza hot pocket, rice, egg roll, fortune cookie
Feb. 5: **Breakfast:** Breakfast slider or filled cereal bar **Lunch:** Spicy chicken sandwich or hamburger, french fries, cookie

Marsing

All main 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. 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
Jan. 30: **Breakfast:** Egg & cheese slider, yogurt **Lunch sides or alternatives: Classic Line:** Cheeseburger, potato wedges **Hot Grab-n-go:** Chicken sandwich, potato wedges
Feb. 3: **Breakfast:** Breakfast Bar **Lunch sides or alternatives: Classic Line:** Chicken sandwich, potato wedges **Hot Grab-n-go:** Chicken sandwich, pizza, potato wedges
Feb. 4: **Breakfast:** Apple Texas toast **Lunch sides or alternatives: Classic Line:** Super nachos, refried beans **Hot Grab-n-go side:** Chicken sandwich, pizza, fries
Feb. 5: **Breakfast:** Tornado **Lunch sides or alternatives: Classic Line:** Mini calzones, mixed vegetable **Hot Grab-n-go:** Walking taco, chicken sandwich, tator tots

Bruneau/Grand View

All meals: Milk and fruit offered daily

Jr.-Sr. high school: Salad bar, pizza offered daily

- 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
Jan. 30: **Breakfast:** Breakfast wrap **Lunch:** Beef & bean burrito, tossed romaine salad, broccoli, chocolate chip cookie
Feb. 3: **Breakfast:** Apple frudel **Lunch:** Pizza, tossed romaine salad, corn
Feb. 4: **Breakfast:** Biscuits & gravy **Lunch:** Chicken & noodles, tossed romaine salad, steamed carrots
Feb. 5: **Breakfast:** Waffle & hashbrowns **Lunch:** Nachos w/whole wheat chips, refried beans/salsa, broccoli

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

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

Marsing School Board special meeting
7 p.m., future of high school football, the HUB, 301 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 649-5411

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

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

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

Friday

Food giveaway
9 a.m. to 10 a.m., Homedale Assembly of God Church, 15 W. Montana Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4458

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

Saturday

Marsing Disaster Auction
10:13 a.m., Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing.

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.

‘Let’s Talk About It’ book series
12:30 p.m., lunch, 1 p.m., discussion, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Tuesday

Widow’s breakfast
8 a.m., The Bowling Alley, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale.

Foot clinic
8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., \$20, walk-ins welcome, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2922

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

Wednesday

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

All veterans coffee
9 a.m., Phipps-Watson American Legion Hall and Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.

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

JVCWMA winter weed seminar
10 a.m., Jordan Valley Lions Hall, 902 Bassett St. (U.S. Hwy. 95), Jordan Valley. (541) 586-3000 jvcwma@qwestoffice.net

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

Grand View Fire commissioners meeting
5 p.m., Grand View Fire Station, 721 Roosevelt Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2511 (call ahead to ensure the meeting will be held)

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

Thursday, Feb. 6

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

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

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

HUB ribbon-cutting ceremony
2 p.m., the HUB, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 649-5411

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

Star resident faces drug charges after Marsing traffic stop

A Star man found himself in jail and facing multiple charges — including felony drug possession — after a traffic stop on Saturday on Patton Street in Marsing.

Owyhee County Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Jackie Lynn Woodward, 56, was pulled over after failing to use a turn signal and failing to stop at a stop sign.



Jackie Woodward

The deputy reported smelling alcohol emanating from Woodward, who had admitted to drinking, Bowman said. He subsequently failed a field sobriety test.

A Homedale Police officer was summoned to perform a blood alcohol test, but no evidence of alcohol was reported.

During a pat-down, the deputy apparently found methamphetamine in Woodward’s pocket. He admitted to smoking the drug earlier in the day, Bowman said.

Woodward also confessed to having marijuana in his vehicle.

In all, 6.2 grams of meth were found during the search, as well as 0.4 grams of marijuana.

Woodward faces two charges of possession of a controlled substance, one felony and one misdemeanor, and misdemeanor driving under the influence.

He remains in Owyhee County Jail in Murphy. He appeared before Magistrate Judge Shane Darrington on Monday.

— TK

Man who swerved toward police traffic stop sentenced for DUI

A man who apparently rushed at law enforcement personnel during a traffic stop has been sentenced for driving under the influence.

Martin Martinez Ojeda of Homedale was placed on two years supervised probation during a Jan. 15 hearing before Magistrate Judge Shane Darrington.

Ojeda was arrested for misdemeanor drunk driving on May 12 after he swerved across the double yellow line and toward a high-risk traffic stop being performed by Homedale Police and Owyhee County Sheriff’s personnel on East Idaho Avenue near Homedale High School.

According to the police report, Ojeda exited his vehicle

and began walking aggressively toward the scene. He was subdued and handcuffed before an officer removed the handcuffs to perform field sobriety tests when HPD Sgt. Mike McFetridge reported smelling alcohol on Ojeda’s breath.

Ojeda’s blood-alcohol concentration measured .145 percent.

Ojeda spent two days in Owyhee County Jail after his arrest. Darrington gave him credit for that and ordered 10 days behind bars while also suspending the balance of a six-month sentence.

Ojeda’s driver’s license was suspended for 180 days, and he must pay \$797.50 in fines and \$352.50 in court costs.

— JPB

Courthouse report

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

Jan. 21

Haile Abay Woldenigus, Dallas, Texas — Misdemeanor IDAPA no logbook and motor carrier lamps violation: \$307.10 in fines, \$338 in court costs

Jan. 15

Martin Martinez Ojeda, Homedale — Misdemeanor driving under the influence: 180 days in jail (2 days served, 10 days to serve, 168 days suspended), 180-day driver’s license suspension, 24 months supervised probation, \$797.50 in fines, \$352.50 in court costs

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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Brackett proposes expanding wolf hunts to year-round

Senate resources committee to consider wolf-free zones

by Riley Haun
UI McClure Center intern

Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson, Dist.23) introduced a bill creating zones where wolves could be hunted year-round in the Senate Resources and Environment committee on Jan. 22.

The bill would designate 11 big game hunting units, primarily located south of the Snake River, as “wolf-free zones,” allowing hunters and trappers to take wolves any time of the year. Chronic depredation zones, where Idaho Fish and Game or USDA has identified four depredations in the past five years, would also be allowed year-round hunting.

All management units in Owyhee County — Units 40-42 and 46-47 — would be wolf-free zones.

Currently, Idaho only allows wolf hunts a few months out of the year, typically between late summer and spring of the next year, though wolves attacking livestock or pets can be killed at any time without a tag. Under Brackett’s proposal, hunting licenses and wolf tags would still be required year-round to hunt or trap wolves, and hunters would still have to report wolf kills to Fish and Game within seven days.

Brackett, a Three Creek rancher whose district includes Owyhee and Elmore counties and the western portion of rural Twin Falls County, said the bill aims to “get a handle” on the long-running

Dist. 23 state Sen. Bert Brackett
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problem of wolf depredations on livestock. While incremental efforts have been made through hunting, trapping and Fish and Game’s Wolf Management Plan, Brackett said wolf numbers have continued to increase along with depredation events.

“I don’t want to diminish the efforts [by Fish and Game] already being made,” Brackett said. “We have a good management plan — we just need to follow it. But ranchers’ livelihoods are being threatened.”

The Capital Press reported in December that U.S. Department of Agriculture Wildlife Services confirmed 75 wolf-caused depredations between July 1 and Nov. 15, down 48 percent compared to the same period in 2018. But total wolf depredations over the fiscal year ending June 30 hit a record high of 175, up 25 percent from the previous year.

The bill includes a “trigger” of 20 wolf packs or

200 wolves total. If Idaho wolf populations dropped below that level, Fish and Game would be authorized to review the policy and “take appropriate action” to restore numbers. The current Wolf Management Plan has a threshold of 15 packs before review or restorative action is needed.

At a Fish and Game Commission public meeting on Thursday, the agency said it estimated there were 1,541 wolves in Idaho as of summer. That number, representing the yearly peak population shortly after pups are born, was the first estimate since 2015 when Idaho wolves totaled 786. The commission noted that 2015’s count was taken in late winter, typically the lowest point for wolf populations because of mortalities throughout the fall.

The Senate committee voted 7-2 to send Brackett’s bill to print, ensuring a committee hearing at a later date. Sens. Michelle Stennett (D-Ketchum, Dist. 26) and Maryanne Jordan (D-Boise, Dist. 17) voted against the proposal. Jordan said she was “uncomfortable” with the broad scope of the bill at present, but was keeping an open mind for further discussion on the proposal’s parameters.

— *Homedale native Riley Haun is one of three interns working for The Owyhee Avalanche and other newspapers around the state through the University of Idaho’s James A. and Louise McClure Center for Public Policy Research. She’s majoring in Journalism with a minor in Political Science. Follow her on Twitter @RHaunID.*

Blanksma stands alone in Dist. 23 as Ag All Star

For the first time in recent memory, only one Dist. 23 state legislator has been named an Ag All Star by the Food Producers of Idaho.

Dist. 23B Rep. Megan Blanksma (R-Hammett) was placed on the annual all-star list based on voting records on issues supported or opposed by FPI in the previous session of the Idaho Legislature.

A total of 39 legislators were honored by FPI, which has been doling out the award — a large Idaho Ag license plate that reads “AL STR” for a first-time nomination and then smaller plates with the year of award engraved — for the past 20 legislative sessions.

Blanksma has received the award every year she has been in the Idaho House of Representatives, dating to the 2017 session. Other Dist. 23 delegates — state Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson) and Dist. 23A Rep. Christy Zito — were not on this year’s list.

This is the first time since the 2007 session that Brackett has not received the award.

Zito had received the award for her voting record in the 2017 and 2018 sessions.

Dist. 23B Rep. Megan Blanksma
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Keeping family farms in the family

by Riley Haun
UI McClure Center intern

The Idaho Department of Agriculture has proposed a new program to help Idaho farmers keep their farms in the family.

Celia Gould, ISDA director, told the Joint Financial Appropriations Committee during a Jan. 15 budget hearing that the Farm Forward program will work to assist emerging farmers and support existing farmers with the goal of making it easier to stay on the farm.

With more and more young people choosing to leave family farms instead of staying on to take over from aging parents, Gould said the future of these farms is a rising concern throughout Idaho agriculture. The industry is aging — the average Idaho farmer is almost 57 years old, Gould said, and there’s no guarantee of young farmers to replace them.

“A well-known Idaho farmer told me a story about passing on his farm to the next generation,” Gould, an Owyhee County native, told the committee. “He asked his son if he wanted to take over the family farm. His son said no — farming is too hard. And then he went on to become a U.S. Marine instead.”

Gould requested funding for a full-time program manager who, once hired, will serve as a liaison between farmers, industry and government to connect farmers with information and funding they need to stay in the business.

Chanel Tewalt, ISDA chief communications officer, said the department hopes to provide farmers with walk-in services through the program to make access to resources quick and simple. Eventually, they aim to facilitate an annual conference for educators, farmers and industry members.

The program manager will operate out of ISDA’s Twin Falls office, but Tewalt said program services will be accessible from anywhere in the state.

Tewalt also said the Farm Forward program will focus on disabled farmers and farmers with military service. Idaho farmers who served in the military are a full decade older on average than their non-veteran counterparts, so encouraging young farmers to take their places is an even more pressing matter.

People from rural America account for 45 percent of all armed service members and often grew up on family farms, Tewalt said, citing a U.S. Department of Agriculture statistic from 2010.

“So they come home, and they have this huge amount of experience, but I don’t know if we’re doing the best job of helping them get back to these rural areas and start working again,” she said.

Once established, the program will help farmers take advantage of federal funds aimed at getting returning veterans into the agricultural industry. Multiple

grant opportunities already exist to help returning veterans get into farming, but Tewalt said Idaho currently has no one able to assist farmers in getting those funds.

The program has been in development for a long time, Tewalt said, and the department expects to hit the ground running once the Legislature approves its funding request. Currently, she said they are working on first steps such as building a website with resources for farmers in the interim.

State Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson, Dist. 23), one of the program’s key legislative supporters according to Tewalt, said he’s optimistic about Farm Forward’s ability to help family farms with the logistics of passing an operation to the next generation.

The fourth-generation rancher said he understands the complexities of family dynamics and financial worries when deciding a farm’s future. Transitioning with concerns like debt in mind can be hard on a family, he said, but the appeal of passing a farm to the next generation remains in rural, remote areas like Owyhee County.

Brackett said he hopes Farm Forward will be able to provide a form of “counseling,” offering outside guidance to families planning their next steps.

“The worst thing that can happen to a family ... is putting off tough decisions like these until it’s too late,” Brackett said.

New safety system screens visitors at Marsing schools

Marsing school officials have taken steps to enhance building safety with a new visitor screening program.

During their Jan. 15 meeting, the board of trustees discussed implementation of the Raptor visitor program, which will enhance safety protocol for the school district. The system is used by both West Ada and Boise school districts, as well as in Coeur d’Alene, and others.

With the new system, when parents and other visitors come to the schools, their legal identification (driver’s license, for example) is scanned, which allows for a search of the sex offender databases for all 50 states.

If the ID scan does not produce any negative results, a visitor’s badge is issued, and the person is allowed to enter the building. The person won’t be allowed into the building if the scan turns up a red flag.

In the case of a visitor not having an official ID, the building’s principal would have to make the case-by-case decision to allow the person into the building.

“It’s a new policy for the safety of our students,” district superintendent Norm Stewart said.

MSD may offer award for exceptional teachers

Marsing schools will reward individual teachers with state-funded Leadership Premium

Awards, Stewart said.

Each school within every district will receive \$900 to give to teachers who go above and beyond in their duties, in particular those who engage in activities with their students that are more than what is required by their individual contracts.

Stewart said that the plan is in place and revisions have been made and a decision will be made during the next board meeting at 7 p.m., on Feb. 12.

Holzhey joins board

With the departure of vice-chair Michelle Jacobi, who chose to not seek a new term, there have been a few changes to school board’s alignment.

Deb Holzhey took the oath of office to succeed Jacobi as the Zone 4 trustee.

Zone 5 trustee Brad McIntyre remains the board chair, while Jason Sevy (Zone 1) is now vice-chair. Sevy and Holzhey were appointed to negotiate annually with Marsing Teachers Association representatives on contracts.

Additionally, Linda Troyer remains the district bills manager, treasurer, and board clerk, Lorraine Simonson is deputy clerk, and the deputy treasurers are the district’s three principals: Tim Little at the high school, Nick Ketterling at the middle school, and Jana Goodwin at the elementary school.

— TK

Owyhee Judo student strives for black belt

Dual champion leads club’s medalists at Ore-Ida meet

While two dozen Owyhee County Judo members competed in Ontario, Ore., on Saturday, another was advancing her experience in the discipline.

After completing a Friday night referee clinic, Belisia Larzelier officiated matches at the 69th Ore-Ida Tournament inside Treasure Valley Community College’s John Easley Gymnasium.

It’s the latest step for Larzelier, who has practiced judo for 10 years and has achieved the rank of *ikkyu*, a junior purple belt or the equivalent of a third-degree senior brown belt.

She continues to learn new judo techniques at the club’s West Idaho Avenue studio in Homedale in a quest to earn her

black belt before graduating from Homedale High School.

Refereeing is part of the black belt process. She also helps Owyhee County Judo *senseis* Ryan Nash and Doug Larzelier teach judoka to younger classes.

Belisia’s officiating was just part of Owyhee County Judo’s participation in the 69th annual tournament. More than a third of the club’s 65 students entered competition, which is the latest stop along the way to the club’s annual tournament, co-hosted with Boise Valley Judo, on Saturday, Feb. 29 inside the Homedale High School gymnasium.

Tyler Woodward won two weight division championships in the 15- to 16-year-old boys’ tournament, getting gold

medals in middle weight and heavy weight.

Other Owyhee County medalists from Saturday:

- **Champions** — Matea Ketterling, 5- to 6-year-old girls’ middle weight; Josie Black, 7-8 girls’ middle-light weight; Maddyn Holtry, 7-8 girls’ heavy weight; Mateo Black, 9-10 boys’ light weight; Taylor Williamson, 9-10 year old girls’ heavy weight; and Jeffrey Layne, 13-14 boys
- **Runners-up** — Cylas Black, 5-6 boys’ light weight; Oakley MacKenzie, 5-6 girls’ middle weight; Paisley Libengood, 5-6 girls’ light weight; Jordan Williamson, 7-8 girls’ heavy weight; and Gus Jakovac, 7-8 boys’ middle weight
- **Third place** — Kassidy Rand, 7-8 girls’ middle-heavy weight; Annie Woodward, 9-10 girls’ heavy weight; and MacKenzie Libengood, 11-12 girls’ heavy weight

Friends of E. Owyhee library launches another quilt raffle

Group discusses need for new reader board

The Eastern Owyhee County Library’s Friends of the Library group discussed purchase of a new reader board at its last meeting.

The meeting was held on Jan. 21 at the library in Grand View.

The Friends landed on the idea of a portable electronic reader board as its next project

to help the library.

The current board has seen better days, having been repaired numerous times after being struck by vehicles.

The Friends agreed to research the cost of purchasing and installing a new reader board. Members also will reach out to the library’s board of directors for advice on the best way to obtain the signage.

A new quilt raffle is under way. The queen-sized quilt is on display at the library, 520 Main St., in Grand View. Tickets for the Friends of the

Library fundraiser cost \$1 each or \$5 for six, and they are available at the library or through any Friends member.

Tickets will be sold until the drawing at the May 19 Friends of the Library meeting.

Proceeds will help fund library projects.

The Friends group meets at 7 p.m., on the third Tuesday of the month at the library.

Next month, the second reading of revised bylaws will be read in preparation for another reading and final vote in March.

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Range, livestock experts share innovation in Marsing

There was a good crowd on hand in Marsing for the 2020 Idaho Range Livestock Symposium earlier this month.

Following is a recap of speakers and messages:

• **Kit Pharo of Pharo Cattle Co.**, in eastern Colorado was the keynote speaker. Kit is an “out of the box” thinker and is constantly looking at how to make the ranching business more profitable. He



Scott Jensen spoke about the importance of focusing on profit per acre rather than weaning weights or profit per cow. Kit used the analogy of growing corn similar to how we tend to think about raising cattle. To maximize corn production per plant, farmers would space plants far apart and make their genetic selection focus on the number of ears per plant and the number of kernels per ear. In cattle production, Kit advocates for using smaller-framed cattle that are more efficient and being able to run more animals per acre. He shared data that showed that smaller cows on average wean a higher percentage of their body-

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weight in calves as compared to large-framed cows.

Kit is also a proponent of breeding cows to calve more in synch with Mother Nature. In our area, this puts the beginning of calving about the first part of May. He shared information demonstrating that while younger calves may have lighter weaning weights, often there are more total pounds of calf weaned because of reduced death loss and fewer problems with sickness.

• **Brooke Jacobson, Idaho State Department of Agriculture Range Program manager**, gave an update on the agency’s cooperative range monitoring program. ISDA continues to work with the Bureau of Land Management on cooperative monitoring and is working on expanding to include riparian area monitoring. Brooke also introduced ranchers to new technology such as LandPKS (Potential Knowledge System) that can assist in monitoring efforts.

• **Dr. Jim Sprinkle, University of Idaho beef cattle specialist**, shared information regarding his research work on cow efficiency. Using a Grow Safe system at the UI



Eastern Colorado cattle rancher Kit Pharo presents his keynote address during the Idaho Range Livestock Symposium earlier this month in Marsing. Photo by Scott Jensen / University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension

Research Center in Salmon, university researchers identified heifers that were most efficient and grouped them together. They are now following those animals as cows along with the less-efficient animals to see how they utilize rangeland. Initial data shows that the efficient group spends less time in the riparian areas and better utilizes the upland areas. Dr. Sprinkle is hopeful that over time they can identify a gene marker for the more efficient animals.

• **Dr. April Hulet, University of Idaho Extension range specialist**, spoke about the benefits of grazing in fuels management on rangelands. Dr. Hulet highlighted

research that is currently occurring outside of Rockville, Ore., where cattle are being used during late fall and early winter to reduce annual invasive grasses. The first year of treatment has shown significant reduction of Medusahead thatch over control plots. The hope as this project continues over the next four years is that fine fuels will be reduced and perennial grasses will have opportunity to better establish on the landscape.

• **Dr. Jason Ahola from Colorado State University (CSU)** spoke about research recently conducted to determine if there were any premiums associated with Beef Quality Assurance cer-

tification. The research team looked at video auction data from 2000 to 2017. Results of the data analysis identified a \$16-per-head premium that mentioned BQA certification in the lot description. It appears that BQA certification does pay when mentioned in a video lot description.

— *Scott Jensen is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension educator. He welcomes questions on livestock care. The U of I Owyhee County Extension office is located at 238 8th Ave. W., in Marsing and can be reached at (208) 896-4104. Contact at scottj@uidaho.edu.*

HHS senior wins \$1K from Zions

A Homedale High School senior has won a statewide drawing for getting good grades.

Matthew Randall was surprised during the Trojans’ Jan. 18 boys’ basketball game against Ontario, Ore., when Zions Bank Wilder branch manager Dave Moore presented him with an oversized \$1,000 check.

“Working hard to earn good grades in school pays off in life,” Moore said. “I’m always impressed with the students we see coming into the bank with their report cards, and it was a pleasure to recognize Matthew with this award.”

The son of Machele and Eric Randall was randomly selected among 953 eligible entries in the bank’s Pays for A’s scholarship program.

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For each “A” on their report cards, students are entered into a drawing for a chance to win a regional prize worth \$500 and the grand prize, which Randall received.

For more information, visit www.zionsbank.com/pays4as.



Matthew Randall (center) received his check from Zions Bank Wilder branch manager Dave Moore (right) while his parents, Eric and Machele Randall, looked on. Zions Bank photo

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Rimrock High School senior Heidi Pearson has kept her sense of humor and remained part of the volleyball team in the fall, just months after her accident.

✓ Project: School officials inspired by Pearson’s spirit and optimism

stuck. First-responders arrived on the scene quickly, but it took almost two hours to secure the vehicle and cut Pearson free.

Pearson recalls talking and joking with her friends while she was waiting in the car, but acknowledged becoming scared as it became hard to breathe and she felt her legs go “tingly and warm.”

“I didn’t think it was real,” she said. “I thought it was a dream, but I never woke up ...”

Pearson was airlifted to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise that night where it was determined she had sustained an incomplete spinal cord injury at her T11 and T12 vertebrae.

Pearson, a standout volleyball, basketball and track athlete, now had a new challenge of limited mobility as a paraplegic.

Heidi spent a month of the summer in Salt Lake City at the University of Utah Hospital learning how to use a wheelchair.

A friend introduced her to the quadriplegic owner of a

Boise area non-profit organization, “Chair The Hope”.

Chair The Hope raises money to buy and deliver wheelchairs to Third World countries.

Heidi said she was impressed by owner Nathan Ogden, a quadriplegic injured in a skiing accident, and his organization. She wanted to become involved for her senior project.

“Before I got my wheelchair, I felt stuck. Even if I wanted to go somewhere, I couldn’t,” Heidi said.

Heidi’s mother, Sariah Pearson, experienced the feeling of helplessness, too.

“It was the worst feeling as a parent,” Sariah said. “I couldn’t even take her outside if I wanted to.”

Heidi remembers being so excited when she got her first wheelchair. She said it made her feel independent, and her desire to help others grew.

“I look at other countries without the resources we have, and I want to help their family members, too,” Heidi said.

Heidi has been raising funds with concessions at Rimrock basketball games. Sariah said



Occupational therapy has been part of Heidi Pearson’s recovery. Photos by Sariah Pearson

100 percent of all profits and donations go directly to Chair the Hope.

As part of Heidi’s project, Ogden, a nationwide motivational speaker, will address students and visitors at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School at 2:30 p.m., on Thursday, Feb. 6.

Make donations for wheelchairs at www.chairthehope.com.

Sariah and Heidi have also decided to use personal funds to accompany the organization to Meridia, Mexico this spring to deliver wheelchairs.

While Heidi will spend the

majority of her senior year in therapy, she can also be found on the Rimrock courtside bench with a beaming smile at home and away games supporting her volleyball and basketball teams.

Heidi’s upbeat positive attitude and smile is infectious everywhere she goes.

“Heidi’s dedication through recovery has been an example to all our athletes,” Rimrock athletic director Ashley Merrick said. “She is always positive and has pushed herself ...”

“She is very resilient.”

Rimrock principal Dale Burk also has felt the influence of Heidi’s outlook.

“Heidi’s resilience is both impressive and inspiring,” Burk said. “I have learned from her the power of positive mindset and determination have on healing and overcoming hardship.”

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

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Principal's list (4.0 grade-point average) — Anderson, Oliver; Andrus, Hailey; Ankeny, Braden; Bowers, Jared; Brackett, Chantry; Diosdado Correa, Marcela; Little, Elliot; Owens, Kylan; Sevy, Kally; and Trevett, Zachary	— Christiansen, Alexander; Clair, Julianna; Conger, Mason; Cuevas Contreras, Yesenia; Goostrey, Kylie; Ingersoll, Ariel; Morgan, Jayden; and Thoene, Lillian	— Bowers, Brody, 3.85; Chadez, Adyson, 3.85; Hoffman, John, 3.85; Jenkins, Brookly, 3.85; Roadenbaugh, Brooklyn, 3.85; Sevy, Colin, 3.85; Villa Lagunas, Itzel, 3.85; Whitted, Terrence, 3.85; Carver, Haidyn, 3.71; Cassity, Morgan, 3.71; Gheen, Tracy, 3.71; Majors, Shayla, 3.71; Ramirez, Rosa, 3.71; Floyd, Breeze, 3.57; Gebauer, Brogan, 3.57; Oliveros-Valdez, Minerva, 3.57; Quebrado, Ana, 3.57; Thompson, Tyler, 3.57; White, Marcus, 3.57; and Clover, Jace, 3.5
High honor roll (3.99 to 3.5 GPA) — Eells, Kayle, 3.85; Freeman, Alliya, 3.85; Gheen, Tiffany, 3.85; and Ramirez Monter, Jesus, 3.85	High honor roll (3.99 to 3.5 GPA) — Black, Trinity, 3.85; Boyd, Faye, 3.85; Floyd, Sophia, 3.85; Milburn, Sam, 3.85; and Wood, Dresden, 3.85	Honor roll (3.49 to 3.0 GPA) — Castellon, Isaac, 3.4; Eells, Morgan, 3.42; Espinoza, Yulisa, 3.42; Lisby, Jacob, 3.42; Morgan, Daisy, 3.42; Savage, Jayden, 3.42; Booth, Brandon, 3.28; Cuevas, Nicolas, 3.28; Lopez-Solano, Cesar, 3.28; Stelzer, Charles, 3.28; Alvarez, Mayra, 3.16; Mendoza, Eliseo, 3.16; Carrillo-Moore, Asia, 3.14; Frazier, Jessy, 3.14; Shofner, Canaan, 3.14; Cornia, Wesely, 3.0; Floyd, Jack, 3.0; Gibson, Kiera, 3.0; Gonzales, Ayleen, 3.0; Izzard, Tristan, 3.0; Lewis, Levi, 3.0; Montes, Moises, 3.0; Prescott, Joey, 3.0; Venegas-Vega, Daniel, 3.0; Villa, Diego, 3.0; and Villa-Diaz, Briseida, 3.0
Honor roll (3.49 to 3.0 GPA) — Rowell, Caleb, 3.42; Christiansen, James, 3.33; Eells, Elaine, 3.33; Leon, Jonathan, 3.33; McBride, Codie, 3.33; Lopez, Dulce, 3.28; Margarito Jr, Ignacio, 3.28; Martinez, Kaydence, 3.16; Bridges-Allton, Sofia, 3.2; Chase, Emily, 3.25; Edwards, Leelah, 3.25; Dreyer, Jeromy, 3.14; Engle, Dustin, 3.14; Geesey, Bailey, 3.14; Montoya-Guillen, Jose, 3.14; ; Griffin, Nathan, 3.12; Alcala Gallegos, Hector Uriel, 3.0; Margarito, Diego, 3.0; Nielsen, Austin, 3.0; and Stimmel, Trinity, 3.0	Honor roll (3.49 to 3.0 GPA) — Sevy, Katelyn, 3.42; Hurtado, Gaspar, 3.33; Pitcock, Samantha, 3.33; Rodriguez, Jeremiah, 3.33; Smith, Kaitlyn, 3.33; White, Caleb, 3.33; Zerapio, Ruth, 3.33; Fray, Cassidy, 3.28; Montes, Jessica, 3.16; Ramirez Baltierrez, Elvi, 3.16; Wood, Randy, 3.16; Griggs, Kooper, 3.14; Vanosdall, Raylynn, 3.14; Rowland, Kamren, 3.13; Eells, Gracie, 3; Molina, Juan, 3.0; Ramirez, Matthew, 3.0; Villegas, Diego, 3.0; and Zerapio, Ester, 3.0	
	Sixth grade	
	Principal's list (4.0 GPA)	
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Owyheean on TVCC honor roll

Two local residents appear on Treasure Valley Community College's honors list for the fall quarter.

grade-point average) — Joseph Virgil Ineck, Marsing College's honors list for the fall quarter.

Honor roll (3.74 to 3.5 GPA) — Darrell Scott Cereghino, Homedale

Dean's List (3.99 to 3.75

Winter weed seminar back in Jordan Valley

Weeds and how to handle them are the focus of a Winter Weed Seminar set for Jordan Valley next Wednesday.

The annual Jordan Valley Cooperative Weed Management Area event starts at 10 a.m., at the town's Lions Hall, 902 Bassett St. (U.S. Hwy. 95).

Seminar organizers have applied for the ability to award pesticide credits in Idaho, Oregon, and Nevada at the seminar.

The agenda includes:

- **10 a.m.** — "Vegetation Management Strategies to Improve Wildfire Suppression Efforts Across the Owyhees," presented by Bureau of Land Management Boise District assistant fire management officer Lance Okeson.
- **11 a.m.** — "Transfer of Pesticides," by Oregon State University Malheur County Extension Field Crops educator Christy Tanner.
- **11:45 a.m.** — Tanner talks about repair and maintenance of backpack sprayers.

- **1 p.m.** — After a half-hour lunch, Bonnie Rasmussen from the Oregon Department of Agriculture will talk about identifying and controlling rush skeletonweed.
- **1:30 p.m.** — Mark Porter, also from ODA, makes a "New Invaders" presentation about new species of invasive weeds.
- **2 p.m.** — Gary Page from the Malheur County Weed Department will discuss applying pesticides with drones.
- **2:30 p.m.** — A series of five- to 10-minute CWMA partner and industry updates will take place.

For more information on the weed seminar, contact JVCWMA coordinator Eric Morrison at jvcwma@qwestoffice.net or (541) 586-3000.

The CWMA office is located at 508 Swisher Ave., in Jordan Valley, but Morrison asks folks to call ahead before dropping by in case he's out in the field.

NW Owyhee CWMA sets board meeting

The Northwest Owyhee County Weed Management Association will wrap up its 2019 business in a meeting next week.

The board meeting is scheduled for 2 p.m., next Wednesday at the Owyhee County Community Center at the fairgrounds in Homedale.

The NOCWMA board consists of chair Kent Curtis, co-chair Tim Volk and treasurer Elmon Thompson.

The board will look toward elections, which will probably happen at the March meeting, and also the pending arrival of new administrative assistant Jodie Dickerson.

Dickerson, who is also the administrator for the Eastern Owyhee CWMA in the Grand View-Bruneau area, is replacing Tammie Hedges.

Hedges said she has stepped away because of the long commute required for meetings. She lives in Garden Valley.

Hedges said she will remain available for anyone who has questions about herbicides and application for noxious weeds. She can be reached at (208) 462-6153.

"I'm taking away from these last four years knowing that I have worked for a board full of wonderful people, and an organization that is helping numerous people throughout the communities, not the mention the environment," Hedges said.

She said she'll also stay active with the NOCWMA's annual spray day, which should come back around in April.

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Annual blood drive kicks off busy Homedale FFA week



Homedale FFA chapter Creed speaking Greenhand champion Bailey Purdom (right) accepts her award from Brooke Pfost. Submitted photo

by Madison Miller
Chapter reporter

Spring semester seems to be the busiest time of the year for Homedale FFA. The chapter just completed a very active week.

The week started off with the chapter’s annual blood drive. Numerous community members, students, and staff generously donated their blood during the Jan. 21 event inside the high school’s old gymnasium.

The donation was a success, resulting in 45 lives being potentially saved.

Junior and senior FFA members also took the State Degree Assessment. The members must pass this test to have the opportunity to receive their state degrees in April at the State Leadership Conference at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. We will know what members receive this honor by next month.

The Greenhand night was just as successful, with Bailey Purdom winning creed at the chapter level, and now headed



Community member Tarah Uranga was one of nearly 50 people to give blood during the Homedale FFA chapter’s Jan. 21 blood drive inside the old Homedale High School gymnasium. Submitted photo

to the Treasure Valley District competition next Wednesday where she will have the chance to compete at the state level.

A group of eighth-graders did a demonstration on

Conduct of Chapter Meetings. They will later compete, along with students from the Intro to Ag class that participated, in a parliamentary procedure demonstration during the evening.

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Family movie night set Thursday in Homedale

The Homedale Assembly of God Church’s inaugural Kids & Family Movie Night takes place Thursday.

“How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World” will be shown from 6 p.m., to 8 p.m., at The Refuge youth center, 119 N. Main St., in Homedale.

The movie is free, and

popcorn will be provided. Hot dogs, drinks and other concessions will be sold.

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



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Melba girls zero in on district No. 1 seed

Avalanche Sports

JV football ends as Adrian loses appeal

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Public input sought on future of Marsing football

Coach resigns; AD says sport isn't on chopping block

The Marsing High School football program is at a bit of a crossroads as the school district weighs its options.

The district's board of trustees will hold a special meeting at 7 tonight, at the HUB, 209 8th Ave. W., to discuss the future of the program. The public is asked to provide input

On Jan. 15, the school board accepted coach Dan Charters' resignation. Charters was the fourth coach to lead the Huskies in the past four seasons.

MHS principal and athletic director Tim Little said that he will wait for the outcome of the meeting before looking at applications and making a decision about a new football coach.

Schools superintendent Norm Stewart said that there has been some concern about a variety of aspects, including a decline in the number of partici-

pants, player safety, and the lack of experience for the students involved.

"(There is) a concern for lack of participants, particularly at the middle school level, which spills over to the high school, (making it) difficult to continue with the football program," Stewart said.

— See *Marsing*, page 3B



Rimrock's Sintia Varela drives against Notus' McKenzie Woodland on Friday.

Rimrock takes big step toward district top seed

Varela, Raiders rout Notus girls

Great teams walk through doors of opportunity when they're left open.

Coach Kyla Jewett's Rimrock High School girls' basketball team did just that Friday night against Notus.

A 65-33 rout of the Pirates coupled with Notus' 1A Western Idaho Conference stumble earlier in the week against Liberty Charter (56-38) gave Rimrock the inside track to the top seed in the upcoming 1A, Div. I District III Tournament.

Rimrock (16-1 overall, 7-0 in conference before

Tuesday's home game against Greenleaf Friends Academy) currently owns the tiebreaker against second-place Liberty Charter (12-7, 7-1 at week's end) by virtue of a 41-26 victory in Nampa on Jan. 2.

Cashing in on turnovers and all-conference junior

— See *Raiders*, page 6B

Conference-leading Huskies pull out OT win vs. Mustangs

It took an extra four minutes of play, but the Marsing High School boys' basketball team eked out a 36-35 overtime win over host Melba on Thursday.

The victory, the Huskies' eighth straight, put them alone atop the 2A Western Idaho Conference standings after the game, one game up on both Nampa Christian and New Plymouth.

The Huskies (12-3 overall, 5-1 in 2A WIC) struggled through much of the game,

trailing by seven points to the start the fourth quarter.

But they pulled it together when it mattered most.

"Defense travels, luckily," coach Tim Little said. "We had a ton of issues with turnovers and getting decent looks against Melba's match-up zone and half-court trap."

Early in the fourth quarter with his team down 30-23, Marsing junior post Jacob

— See *Huskies*, page 3B

Grizzlies take control in testy conference game vs. Trojans boys

HHS freshman Dines has another big game

Fruitland High School controlled the stretch drive Saturday to stave off Homedale's boys' basketball upset bid.

Opening the final period with a one-point edge, the visiting Grizzlies pulled off a 54-44 victory in 3A Snake River



Homedale's Daniel Uranga powers to the rim Saturday.

— See *Trojans*, page 6B

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Sports

Huskies take down foes in WIC duals on home mat

Host squad Marsing High School won two of five matches at Thursday’s Western Idaho Conference Duals.

Other wrestlers hailed from Melba, Garden Valley, Nampa Christian, McCall-Donnelly, and New Plymouth.

Marsing 60, Garden Valley 0 — Troy Miller (126) pinned Cole Winslow at the one-minute mark, and Justin Ineck (138) pinned Nate Winman in 38 seconds.

All other points scored were by forfeit.

Marsing 42, Nampa Christian 30 — Justin Ineck (138) pinned Daniel Thompson (56 seconds), and Jedidiah Fuentes (220) pinned Zach West (1:38).

All other points scored from forfeits.

Melba 41, Marsing 18 — For the Huskies, Troy Miller (126) won by pinfall over McKoy Richardson (2:18). Isai Arriaga (170)



The Huskies’ 126-pounder Troy Miller fights for leverage during his match with New Plymouth’s Grant Ethington during Thursday’s WIC Duals in Marsing.

continued his streak of solid performances with a pin of Ben Evans (3:10).

Jedidiah Fuentes (220) made short work of Charles Arrington, pinning him in 46 seconds.

For the Mustangs:
• Grant Svedin (120) recorded a 20-3 technical fall of Matthew Goins (4:39), and

Logan Dunn (132) eked out a narrow 8-7 decision over Jonathan Ineck.

• Jordon Monoz (138) bested Jaristian Fuentes by pinfall (5:27), and Zane Helm (145) pinned Ineck (3:01).

• William Hansen (182) pinned Harlee Liles (46 seconds), and Fine Vasi (195) topped Jacob Goins, 9-7.

•Cody Dickens(285) pinned James Lafleur (31 seconds).

McCall-Donnelly 55, Marsing 21 — Justin Ineck beat Woody Pyle in a 9-2 decision and Arriaga pinned Thomas Vlaanderen (5:23).

Marsing scored the rest of its points on forfeits.

New Plymouth 60, Marsing 22 — The Huskies enjoyed

four wins in this dual. Miller beat Grant Ethington, 9-5.

Arriaga scored a 12-4 major decision over Josiah Campbell.

Jacob Goins (195) topped Brock Winward by pinfall (1:45), and Fuentes won a narrow decision over Caiden Cutburth (2-1). — TK

Raiders’ fast start thwarts offensive-minded Marsing

Rimrock High School scored 25 of the game’s first 27 points, and leading scorer Sintia Varela poured in 25 points to beat Marsing in non-conference girls’ basketball.

Alana Larrusea led with 14 points Jan. 21 as the Huskies reached the 40-point plateau for only the seventh time this season in a 62-40 loss in Bruneau.

Varela took over at the start of each

half. She scored seven points, and junior Maddie Macmillan added six as the Raiders opened the game on a 25-2 run.

After halftime, Varela fired in three of her four three-point goals as part of an 11-point third quarter. The Raiders kept pace as the Huskies tried to climb back into the ballgame with 14 points in the second half’s first eight minutes.

Larrusea scored eight points in the

third quarter, backing up Autumn Bennett’s seven-point outburst in the second period. Bennett finished with 13 points, five rebounds and two assists.

Larrusea also had seven rebounds.

Macmillan, senior Laura Gasper and junior Sami Jewett — the younger sister of Raiders’ coach Kyla Jewett — scored eight points apiece for Rimrock.

Marsing’s Mazzi Roper showed her

toughness with five points and nine assists.

“Mazzi had an amazing game,” Huskies assistant coach Brandie Campbell said. “She took a shot to the nose, came out (to) take care of the blood, and went back in like nothing happened.”

The Huskies got six rebounds from Jessica Sevy and five from Hailey Christiansen.

MARSING HUSKIES

ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT



Boys’ basketball
Dom Enrico, so., G
Valuable time off the bench



Girls’ basketball
Hailey Christiansen, sr., G
Five rebounds at Rimrock



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Saturday, Feb. 8, home for Marsing POD Tournament, 10 a.m.

Boys’ basketball
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Junior varsity A
Friday, Jan. 31 vs. Vision Charter, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 1 at McCall-Donnelly, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity B
Friday, Jan. 31 vs. Vision Charter, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 1 at McCall-Donnelly, 4:30 p.m.

Sports

OSAA denial solidifies Jordan Valley football's demise

by John Braese
EasternOregonSports.com

Two football teams comprised of four schools had their appeals denied during the Oregon School Activities Association's football ad-hoc committee meeting Friday in Wilsonville, Ore.

Both Adrian and Pilot Rock school boards had previously voted to disband their co-ops if the appeals were not upheld.

The ruling forced the two co-ops to either move to the 2A level or disband to remain at the 1A level. Speaking on the decision, OSAA assistant executive director Brad Garrett stated the schools' appeals "didn't hold muster. I mean, they're good. That's a tough sell to make an exception for that. We're sticking with what our criteria says," according to an article published on the OSAA website.

Prior to the denial, Jordan Valley

superintendent Rusty Bengoa told EasternOregonSports.com that the Mustangs will not have the athletes necessary to field even a six-man team next season. That situation could continue until 2023 when today's sixth-graders enter high school. As with any high school, an influx of students could change that time frame.

Adrian will field a team next season, playing at the 1A level. This past season's 1A state champions included only four

members from Jordan Valley, including two seniors who will graduate in May. Because of Jordan Valley's location, a co-op with another Oregon school appears to be out of the realm of reality. The closest school available for a possible co-op, Crane, is 109 miles away.

Pilot Rock will be able to field a team, but the future of football at Nixyaawii is unclear. Like Jordan Valley, Nixyaawii is now cleared to explore other schools for co-op possibilities.

Huskies heading to girls' district play-in

The Marsing High School girls' basketball team entered the final week of the regular season with a slim chance to avoid the 2A District III Tournament play-in game.

The Huskies (2-16 overall, 2-8 in conference) most likely will finish as the No. 6 seed out of the 2A Western Idaho Conference and play host to No. 7 Vision Charter in the district play-in game.

But before Tuesday's Senior Night game against Cole Valley Christian, Marsing was just one game behind McCall-Donnelly for the fifth seed, which is the final automatic berth into the double-

elimination tournament.

Friday: Nampa Christian 59, Marsing 27 — The Trojans (12-6, 7-3), ranked third in the conference at week's end, made quick work of the visiting Huskies.

Autumn Bennett had another solid game, finishing with 11 points and three assists. The senior also had five steals and a pair of rebounds.

Alana Larrusea chipped in six points and pulled down five boards.

The Huskies got four points each from Jade Wainman and Mazzi Roper. Roper was tough on the boards, finishing with eight rebounds.

Homedale girls bat .500 in Jaybird Memorial medal quest in Nampa

Homedale High School's Turner sisters won medals Saturday at the third annual Jaybird Memorial girls' wrestling tournament.

Kaydince Turner fought her way to the 130-pound championship match in Nampa, but Caldwell's Marissa Jimenez took gold with a pin in 2 minutes, 23 seconds.

Savannah Turner edged Timberline's Aleks Del Fierro for third place at 123 pounds.

A junior, Kaydince rolled past Minico's Le Sandra Ruiz in 24 seconds to reach the quarterfinals where she pinned hometown wrestler Hallie Campbell of Columbia in 2:23.

Kaydince reached the championship match with perhaps her gutsiest win of the season, battling Baker, Ore.'s Kaci Anderson through three periods before ending the match with 18 seconds left.

Savannah's road to bronze started with a 15-0 technical fall against Mountain View's Erica Lyon.

She reached the semifinals after pinning Nyssa, Ore.'s Van-



Kaydince Turner



Savannah Turner

essa Ruiz in 2:12.

Alyssa Randles from Couer d'Alene sent Savannah into the consolation bracket with a 16-1 technical fall in the semifinal.

A junior, Savannah pinned Orofino's Ruby Kessinger (1:45) to reach the third-place match.

Gracie Rotter (101 pounds) and Elizabeth Hergesheimer (116) also represented Homedale.

✓ Marsing: Lack of developmental program raises safety concerns

From Page 1B

Stewart said in an attempt to re-energize the sport in town, Marsing could continue as a junior varsity-only program for the next couple years until enough players get enough experience to maintain the program.

"The concern is if we continue down the path we currently are, we may not be able to field a football program for the next couple years," he said.

Little is concerned about the low number of athletes turning out for football, too.

"Without a middle school football program recently, we anticipate less than eight underclassmen, and an estimated 22 total players next year, if numbers stay the same as this year," he said.

Stewart said that there have been concerns about the safety of the athletes, and the experience of those who do get involved. The thought is that if there are young players on the team, such as freshmen and sophomores, who have little or no experience, there may be risks to their health and safety.

"If they did not play at the middle school level because we've had a cancelled season or two, then it becomes difficult in terms of safety for the players," Stewart said. "You're playing younger kids against older, more experienced players."

"There are safety risks that go along with that."

Little agrees.

"Athletes are asked and needed to play on both sides of the ball, which increases the chance of injury," he said. "Also, as injuries occur, younger athletes are pushed

into roles within the team that put player safety at greater risk."

Little said that options were discussed during the Western Idaho Conference athletic directors meeting on Jan. 8.

Going with a JV-only schedule for the next couple years may increase participation numbers, he said, and save football in Marsing.

"(It may) prevent extinction of the program in the future, improve the safety of our students, work to build a more competitive program, and allow other league teams to

schedule varsity games with more competitive teams so they can prepare for postseason play," Little said.

He said that rumors swirling around about pushing to cancel football are not factual.

"The main goal of the meeting is to get community input in order to determine what is best for the program, players, parents, and community," Little said.

"The long-term goal is to build a positive experience for all involved through the football program."

— TK

✓ Huskies: Merrick, Sevy come through in overtime, lift Marsing to win

From Page 1B

Ankeny showed off his outside shot, hitting a deep three-pointer. Then senior Merrick Hall hit a trey.

This season's patented Huskies defense showed up in a big way in the final, pivotal 12 minutes of play. The team allowed the Mustangs (9-5, 2-4) just five points during the fourth quarter and overtime

combined.

"Merrick scored the only basket in overtime, and Cash Sevy added a free throw to go up one with about 24 seconds to play," Little said.

Marsing stopped Melba from converting after an out-of-bounds under the basket. The Mustangs then called a timeout with 16 seconds left.

In the ensuing play, Melba's

Caleb Fong put up a contested shot. The Mustangs grabbed the rebound, and kicked it back out to Fong, who put up a 25-foot heave at the buzzer, which hit the rim short.

"Great game," Little said. "I am proud of our players to gut this one out and get a win to finish up the first round of league."

The Huskies had just four

players record a bucket in the game.

Ankeny scored 13, en route to his fourth straight double-double. He pulled down 16 boards and had a season-high seven blocked shots.

Hall matched Ankeny's point total, while adding five rebounds of his own. Both players had two steals.

Sevy, a senior, scored seven,

had five rebounds, and tied junior Rogelio Valadez for the team lead with four assists.

Valadez also scored three points.

Fong scored a game-high 14 points for the Mustangs.

Easton Bunnell added four points and nine boards, while Joe Reiber was good for three points and nine rebounds.

— TK

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

Feb. 1, 1995

MMS wins contest

Environmental do-gooders at Marsing Middle School (MMS) helped save 2,300 trees and three-and-a-half barrels of oil recently, just by recycling phone books.

In the process the school also won first place in the US West Phone Book Recycling Contest, among schools of comparable size in the Treasure Valley.

Representatives of each of the winning schools met with Governor Phil Batt last Wednesday, and were awarded certificates and a “traveling trophy.” Larry Gall, a student at MMS, also won a fast-food gift certificate for bringing in more phone books than anyone else in his school.

In addition to the 2,300 trees and three-and-a-half barrels of oil they kept from being consumed, Batt said the local schools also prevented 800 pounds of air pollutants from entering the atmosphere.

Grand View preparing for growth, future

Grand View is planting the seeds of the future; literally, and on a grand scale.

Three fifteen-foot pine trees were planted first. Or rather, transplanted. The trees were donated by Simplot Livestock in Grand View and were transplanted to their new home at the Centennial Park in Grand View by Brad Haderly, who ran a backhoe donated for the project by Mark Frost. Jack Thompson also donated his time and a flatbed truck to haul the trees, and Leon Nielson, Robert Goforth, and Rick Rector pitched in.

Grand View Mayor Rick Rector said they could have got more trees from Simplot, but they didn’t want to get ahead of themselves at the park. Much groundwork still needs to be done first, he said. But the addition of the good-sized trees “made it look pretty nice,” said Rector.

The City is planting some seeds that will lead to community growth, as well. Rector said the city’s sewer and water lines will be developed along Highway 78 east of town to reach Simplot Seed Company and the five or six houses that are currently in between. Rector said extension of the water and sewer lines would “really help [those residents] out” and provide an area for future growth.

Homedale wrestlers joust, best BK Knights

Homedale’s wrestling team took advantage of an underpowered Bishop Kelly squad last Thursday to forge a 45-24 victory, despite giving up 12 points with forfeits at 103 and 189 pounds.

“Actually, we only lost two matches there,” Homedale coach Bob Stancliff says. “So I felt pretty good about that. The kids came through pretty strongly.”

The match highlighted the wrestlers Homedale has come to depend on.

“Nathan Volk is having an outstanding year,” Stancliff says of the Trojans’ starting 140 pounder.

After placing first at the New Plymouth Invitational and second at the Caldwell Invitational, Volk has amassed an overall record of 11-1, the best on the team.

JR Castro, however, is so far 10-2 overall at 119 pounds, and he also took first at the New Plymouth Invitational and second at the Caldwell Invitational. Other Trojans lauded by Stancliff include Ben Jeppe (10-4) and Steve Christiansen (7-5).

50 years ago

Jan. 29, 1970



ROY EIGUREN hands over the student body president’s gavel to Vernon Henson, vice president, who will serve as acting president during Eiguren’s absence at Homedale high School. Eiguren left last week to act as a page in the Senate at the 40th Idaho Legislature. He will be there for the next two months

Trojans find hoop to down Huskies 74-52

Three Homedale cagers paced the scoring Tuesday night at Marsing as the Trojans beat the Huskies 74-52 in a non-conference game. Gary Vance, Stan Zatica and Paul Pearson showed good ability at finding the hoop.

Vance and Zatica each had 17 and Pearson 16 as Homedale picked up its 11th win in 13 games.

Dan Percifield and Pat Tilman led the Huskies as they fell to their sixth loss against seven victories with 15 and 13 points respectively.

Legislators to introduce bill opening way for pool

A proposed bill soon will be introduced before the 40th Idaho Legislature on behalf of Homedale seeking to provide means by which a swimming pool can be operated here.

The bill would allow creation of a recreation district — operating like a fire or cemetery district — with authority to levy a tax of up to 3 mills on the district’s assessed valuation.

Two legislators of the area, Sen. Phil Batt of District 11, and Rep. Ernest Allen of District 13, have expressed their backing of the proposal and their willingness to sponsor the legislation.

The Homedale Community Swimming Pool already has conducted a drive for memberships and raised money as its share of the construction cost.

The FHA has earmarked funds for building the pool here. Purpose of a recreation district would be to provide a guarantee that FHA funds would be repaid if receipts from the swimming pool operation were not sufficient to repay the loan after operating expenses were deducted.

Homedale Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Clagg (Glenda Dennis) moved last month to Homedale.

Tuesday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Linnie Phillips were Mrs. Thelma Keister of Homedale and Mrs. Juanita Hume.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Buck, Oreana, were recent overnight visitors of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schlegel. They were en route home from a trip to California.

145 years ago

Jan. 30, 1875

(From Monday’s Daily.)

Dr. Colmache left last Friday night on a professional visit to South Mountain and had not returned at four o’clock this afternoon.

Mrs. W. H. Angell, A.V. Bradley, and Charley Leonard left for South Mountain yesterday afternoon.

There has been no break yet in the ice at the crossing of Snake River between here and Boise City.

Dr. Noel Smith went to South Mountain yesterday.

Mrs. Dr. Belknap arrived from Boise City by Saturday evening’s stage.

There is some talk of getting a few more of the members of the Legislature together in Silver City and having a short extra session on the side.

(From Thursday’s Daily.)

CALLED.-We had a pleasant call to-day from Judge Beatty and Colonel Shoup, of Lemhi County. They went on the Mountain to look at some of our mines this afternoon, and will leave for Winnemucca by to-morrow morning’s stage. They both subscribed for the AVALANCHE in order to keep posted on matters and things pertaining to our Territory in general, and this portion of it in particular.

THE SNOW ON SINKER.-Mr. Crocheron, of Sinker Creek, informs us that the snow fell to a depth of 18 inches in that locality, but has been cut down to about eight inches by a Chinook wind. Old cattle in poor condition are beginning to die off out there, but young thrifty stock are doing very well, as yet.

FOR SOUTH MOUNTAIN.-Gus. Simondi started for South Mountain this morning. He intended to go on horseback, but left town leading the animal on account of its playful antics, when he endeavored to mount.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN LETTER.

EDITOR AVALANCHE: The “Bonanza” of South Mountain seems to be the only theme upon which a person can converse at present with the good people of this place.

Personally, I do not wish to be so selfish as to keep other people in ignorance of the prosperity of this camp. I wish everybody to rejoice with us over our prospects, if nothing else.

The S.M.C.M. Co. have been the means of making this camp, and the laboring class as well as the business men of this place, should consider them their benefactors, for it is to them they owe their prosperity. They have been the means of bringing money here, as well as furnishing labor for hundreds of men that were utterly destitute and out of work.

The Company have heretofore paid their men in checks upon the Bank at Silver City, but to benefit the camp in general, they now propose “that all persons who are doing business with the merchants in Silver City, and wish to send money there,” bring their money to the Company’s office and get a Bank check, payable at Silver, and leave the money in this place. By this means every one would be benefited, and one would then not be obliged to send to Silver City to get a five dollar bank check cashed.

This camp is destined to become the “Bonanza” of Idaho. The immense amount of ore that the mines are turning out, the close proximity to timber from which charcoal is manufactured, and the inexhaustible iron mines from which fluxes are obtained, all tend to reduce expenses.

Sports

Trojans locked into district play-in

Payette secures conference's No. 4 seed

Homedale High School will have to play an extra game for a chance to get into the 3A District III girls' basketball tournament.

The Trojans lost their sixth consecutive 3A Snake River Valley conference game, 54-28, at home against Payette on Jan. 21.

The Pirates wrapped up at least the No. 4 seed in the district tournament and most likely will play host to Homedale on Thursday, Feb. 6 for the right to join the district semifinals at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore. There is an outside chance that Payette could leapfrog Weiser into the No. 3 spot, in which case the Trojans would travel to the Wolverines' home court for the play-in game. Tipoff is 7 p.m.

Homedale (1-17 overall, 0-6 in conference at week's end) took a nine-game losing streak into Tuesday's second-to-last regular-season contest in Fruitland.

Playing Payette (8-10, 2-3) on their home floor, the Trojans missed 55 of 63 field goals, and the offense didn't wake up until the fourth quarter.



Homedale senior Ashley Moore (20) fights for the rebound with Payette's Alecia Whinery late in the game on Jan. 21.

The Pirates led 34-13 when the two teams combined for 35 points in the final eight minutes.

Savana Buckley led the Trojans with eight points and nine rebounds. She went 4-for-4 from the foul line.

Ashley Moore grabbed eight boards.

Amaia Aberasturi was next in scoring with five points. She scored on a three-point goal and two free throws, but was 1-for-16 from the field.

Aberasturi led the team with three steals.

Junior Bella Smith and senior Gracie Dines scored four points apiece.

Time's running out to buy crab feed tickets

Athletes provide theme baskets for auction

Tickets are available through Homedale student-athletes.

Some of the live auction items, provided by sports teams, include:

- **Golf** — Whitewater rafting trip for 12
- **Wrestling** — Hunting basket
- **Cheer** — Yard Party basket
- **Softball** — Margaritaville basket
- **Track and field** — Spring Break basket
- **Cross country** — Camping basket

Friday is the final day folks can buy tickets for the eighth annual Homedale Boosters Crab and Steak Feed.

High school athletic director Casey Grove said Friday about 250 tickets have been sold.

The athletics fundraiser takes place on Friday, Feb. 7. The doors open at 6:30 p.m., dinner is served at 7 p.m., and a live auction begins at 8 p.m.

There will be a raffle, and Grove said several silent auction items have been secured.

The event takes place at the Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., Homedale.

Tickets cost \$45 each, or a private table to eight people is available for \$400.

Contact Homedale High School athletic director Casey Grove at (208) 340-4611 or cgrove@homedaleschools.org with questions or to order tickets.

You may also leave a message on the Homedale Boosters Facebook page to secure tickets.

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Homedale Trojans

Athlete Spotlight

Boys' basketball
Ricardo Hernandez, sr., G
3 rebounds, 3 steals vs. Fruitland

Girls' basketball
Bella Smith, jr., G-W
4 points vs. Payette

Wrestling
Keagen Christensen, jr., 170 pounds
Fifth place at RD Invitational in New Plymouth

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Girls' basketball
Varsity
Friday, Jan. 31, home vs. Parma (Senior Night), 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity
Friday, Jan. 31, home vs. Parma, 6 p.m.
Freshman
Friday, Jan. 31, home vs. Parma, 4:30 p.m.

Wrestling
Friday, Jan. 31 at Red Halverson Invitational, Minico
Saturday, Feb. 1 at Red Halverson Invitational, Minico
Wednesday, Feb. 5 at Payette, 5:30 p.m.

Boys' basketball
Varsity
Thursday, Jan. 30 at Parma, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 1 at Weiser, 3 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 4, home vs. Payette, 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity
Thursday, Jan. 30 at Parma, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 1 at Weiser, 1:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 4, home vs. Payette, 6 p.m.
Freshman
Thursday, Jan. 30 at Parma, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 1 at Weiser, noon
Tuesday, Feb. 4, home vs. Payette, 4:30 p.m.

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Sports

Huskies’ defense stifles Pirates

Marsing High School’s run of dominating defense continued with a 55-22 drubbing of non-conference foe Payette on Jan. 22.

Marsing was up 24-12 at halftime and came out in the second half on a mission, outscoring the visiting Pirates 31-10.

“Great second half,” Marsing boys’ basketball coach Tim Little said. “Cash Sevy gave us a huge spark off the bench, as Dominic (Enrico) had a spectacular night distributing the ball.”

Sevy hit six shots in the game, scoring 13 points, and pulled down four boards. The senior also led the team with four steals.

Enrico made the most of his time on the floor, dishing out four assists and collecting a pair of rebounds.

Jacob Ankeny led the team with his 18 points and 12 rebounds. It was the junior’s third straight double-double. He also had two assists and blocked a pair of shots.

Merrick Hall accounted for eight points and nine boards.

Joaquin Oliveros tied with Enrico with four assists, while scoring six points.

— TK



Marsing senior post Cash Sevy converts on a layup over the Pirates’ Jaydin Morin-Bishop (left) and Cace Lewis (right) during the Huskies’ Jan. 21 home game.

✓Trojans: Winning streak comes to an end

From Page 1B

Valley conference matinee action.

Homedale (6-10 overall, 1-2 in conference) saw a two-game winning streak end and lost for the sixth time in nine games to slip into third place in the 3A SRV.

But for much of the first half, the Trojans seemed determined to make life hard for the once-beaten and conference-leading Grizzlies (15-1, 3-0).

In a see-saw competition, the Trojans had an answer for everything Fruitland tried. Jaxon Dines drained the first of six three-point goals to put HHS in front for the first time, 7-5.

Fellow freshman Mason Strong put in a floater earlier

in the quarter to tie the game and send the message that Homedale was up to the challenge.

But the Grizzlies battled through frustration with early calls going against them and capitalized on Homedale’s ball-handling miscues.

Pri Weatherall hit a jump shot to kick off his team-best 16-point performance after Homedale’s Nelson Lomeli was whistled for failing to get the ball over the time line within 10 seconds as the Grizzlies applied a trap defense.

But that play only tied the game, 7-7.

Strong and Lomeli hit back-to-back three-point goals to give Homedale a 15-11 lead as the Trojans connected on five of their first eight shots.

Neither scored in the final 2½ minutes of the first quarter as defense, charges and turnovers dominated the flow.

Homedale moved out to a 19-13 lead less than three minutes into the second quarter when Strong hit a trey and senior Daniel Uranga dropped a free throw for his only scoring of

the day.

But Fruitland scored 10 consecutive points, taking the lead of a free throw from Joe Henggeler with 1 minute, 27 seconds left in the first half.

Dines, who led all scorers with 23 points, hit another three-pointer with a minute left to give Homedale a 25-23 advantage.

But Nolan Bower’s lay-in sparked Fruitland’s 9-3 run to the intermission as Homedale missed five of six field-goal attempts down the stretch.

After starting the game on a 40 percent clip (9-for-22) in the first half, Homedale shot just 21 percent in the game’s final 16 minutes (6-for-28).

Fruitland, meanwhile, connected on 60 percent of its shots in the first half (9-for-15).

Lomeli scored 11 points, but — save for another big game from Dines — the rest of the Trojans scored just 10 points. Strong had seven.

Uranga led Homedale with six rebounds, but Fruitland owned a 24-6 edge on the Trojans’ glass and scored 13 points off turnovers.

All Homedale games now available online

Cameras installed in gym, Deward Bell Stadium

Homedale High School sports fans now have an opportunity to watch home competitions on their computer or smartphone.

Athletic director Casey Grove announced last week that a Pixellot camera system has been installed in the school’s gymnasium.

“This means you can now watch any and all athletic events that take place in our gym from your home/ phone,” Grove wrote in an email announcing the innovation.

Cameras will be set up at the football field when games start in the fall, too.

Grove said viewers can watch varsity and subvarsity

games and matches through the NFHS website.

Grove said there is a fee to watch games, but viewers have the option to pay per game or purchase a season pass. According to the NFHS website, an annual pass can be purchased for \$69.99, or a monthly pass is available for \$10.99.

The pass gives viewers full access to regular-season and postseason events on the network as well as any On Demand events. Subscribers also have the opportunity to designate a portion of their subscription fee to support their favorite school.

You must also create an account on the website.

The link for HHS’ upcoming live events is <https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/schools/homedale-high-school-homedale-id>.

Other scores Boys’ basketball

Adrian (8-8, 2-1)
Saturday — Long Creek/Ukiah 67, Antelopes 50
Friday — Antelopes 61, Huntington 12
This week
Friday — vs. Jordan Valley, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday — at Dayville/Monument, 4:30 p.m. MST

Girls’ basketball

Adrian (6-11, 3-0)
Saturday — Antelopes 63, Long Creek/Ukiah 21
Friday — Antelopes 70, Huntington 20
This week
Thursday — vs. Council, 7:30 p.m.
Friday — vs. Jordan Valley, 6 p.m.
Saturday — at Dayville/Monument, 3 p.m. MST

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

✓Raiders: Seniors ignite Rimrock’s pull-away

From Page 1B

Sintia Varela, the Raiders pulled away from third-place Notus (10-6, 6-2) on Friday with a 10-3 spurt in the first half and locked up the victory with a 24-5 second-half run.

Senior Riata Rutan kicked off seven unanswered points at the start of the second quarter when she stole the ball and fed Varela for a layup. Varela completed a three-point play with a free throw, and the Raiders were off and running.

Seven of Raiders’ nine points in the 10-3 run came

off turnovers.

Using baseline moves, a drop-step spin in the key and a three-pointer, Varela scored 15 of her game-high 20 points in the final three quarters. She also helped Rimrock’s stingy defense with key rebounds.

Senior Hannah Field added 10 points, and junior Maddie Macmillan scored six of her eight points in the first quarter.

Sophomore Cierra Peugh led the Pirates with 11 points, and teammate Annika Bethel added seven points.

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Sports

Melba girls all but assured of No. 1 seed

Mustangs knock off top threats to 2A WIC throne

Melba High School took huge strides toward securing the No. 1 seed in the 2A District III girls' basketball tournament.

The Mustangs beat the closest two competitors in the 2A Western Idaho Conference last week to gain a two-game lead in the standings with two days left in the season.

Kortney Trappett poured in 26 points Friday night in the Mustangs' 56-48 win over Cole Valley Christian.

After defeating the Chargers on Friday and edging Nampa Christian, 43-40, on Jan. 21, Melba (16-2 overall, 9-1 in conference) need only hold serve in its final two games to secure the top seed and an opening-round bye in the district tournament.

The tournament starts Tuesday with a play-in game in Marsing then first-round games at home sites on Thursday, Feb. 6. If Melba hangs on to the top seed, coach David Lenz's club will open the tournament at 6 p.m., on Saturday, Feb. 8 in the semifinals at Vallivue High School.

Friday's victory gave Melba the edge for the top seed over the Chargers (14-4, 7-2), who have three games left in the conference season. Nampa Christian (11-6, 6-3) is one game behind Cole Valley for the No. 2 seed and the other first-round bye with a season-

ending showdown planned Thursday in Meridian.

Kate Clark added 18 points Friday against the Chargers as Melba stretched its winning streak to six games. Melba played Vision Charter after deadline on Tuesday and closes the regular season on its home floor against Marsing on Thursday. The Mustangs beat the conference's two play-in teams by a combined score of 166-23 in the first go-round.

Trappett turned in a solid all-around game against Cole Valley, adding six rebounds, three steals and three assists to her game-high point total.

Anna Veeck led Cole Valley with 15 points.

Jan. 21: Melba 43, Nampa Christian 40 — Owyhee County resident Jordan Dayley scored seven points and grabbed seven steals in the Mustangs' conference win in Nampa.

Kate Clark led all scorers with 19 points as Melba held on to first place with a close victory.

Ella Dejong scored 15 points, and Trojans teammate Olivia Cervantes had 13 points.

The Mustangs' Kortney Trappett scored 11 points and snagged seven rebounds.

Melba coach David Lenz said Marsing resident Jessie Wood, who is back with Nampa Christian after losing two seasons to knee injuries, was out of the Trojans' lineup with an injury.

Nampa Christian is coached by Marsing resident Jaime Wood, who used to coach the Huskies in his hometown.

Bunnell leads Melba with double-double

Easton Bunnell posted a double-double Saturday as Melba High School tried to creep higher in the 2A Western Idaho Conference boys' basketball standings.

The Mustangs beat visiting New Plymouth, 48-41, behind Bunnell's 14 points and 12 rebounds.

Melba (10-5 overall, 3-4 in

conference) ended the week a game behind the third-place Pilgrims (10-6, 4-3).

Melba put two other scorers in double figures — Caleb Fong and Joe Reiber — with 10 points apiece.

Tony Ray led New Plymouth with 12 points, while Derek Hampton added eight points for the Pilgrims.



New Plymouth's Josiah Campbell (left) tries to break free from the hold of Marsing 170-pounder Isai Arriaga during the Western Idaho Conference Duals on the Huskies' mat Thursday.

Marsing junior gets season's third gold at RD Brown Invite

Three Huskies wrestle to fourth

Isai Arriaga capped Marsing High School's wrestling team's busy week with another gold medal.

The Huskies wrestled three times in four days, including at Saturday's RD Brown Invitational in New Plymouth where Arriaga won the 170-pound championship.

Arriaga recorded four pins to win his third title of the season.

The junior knocked off hometown wrestler Josiah Campbell in 71 seconds in the championship final.

Arriaga pinned Charlie Evans of Enterprise, Ore., in 4 minutes, 43 seconds of their semifinal match. In the quarter-

finals, he pinned Homedale's Keagen Christensen in 3:42, and he started the tournament with a 55-second pin of Meridian's Daniel Roecker.

Other Huskies medalists included:

- **Troy Miller (126), fourth place** — Lost a 10-7 decision to Nyssa, Ore.'s Raul Ruiz in the third-place match. His wins included a 5-1 decision over the host's Grant Ethington and a pin of Weiser's Justin Williamson.
- **Justin Ineck (138), fourth** — Suffered a 5-1 loss to Meridian's Ethan Woodhead in the third-place match. Pinned Capital's Hunter Freeman (3:07) and Fruitland's KJ Dullanty (5:43).
- **Jacob Goins (195), fourth** — Meridian's Roc Dixon pinned Goins at 1:48 of their

bronze-medal match. Recorded pins against Capital's Bryson Baden (4:16) and Mountain View's Terik Dzanic (3:29).

Other Huskies results:

- **Evan Miller (126)** — Pinned Capital's Kenny Drennon (1:30)
- **Matthew Goins (120B)** — Three wins: by fall over Vale's Silas Phillips (4:49) and Fruitland's Kaden Annis (1:12), and by decision over Emmett's Kyle Tooley (4-1)
- **Jaristian Fuentes (132B)** — Lost in consolation semifinal to Emmett's Lukas Snow, 8-2.
- **Harlee Liles (170B)** — One win over Mountain View's Max DeDara-Ferrari by fall (1:26).

Jonathan Ineck (132) and James Lafleur (285) also competed for Marsing.

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense
He Wondered How He'd Tell Her



The rancher told his foreman, “Looks like things are gettin’ tough
“The price of calves is deadly, heck, there may not be enough

“To pay the note this winter, I’m already overdue
“What with buyin’ that new tractor, shoot, it wuddn’t even new

“ ‘Course I’d bought the neighbor’s cow herd back when things were lookin’ good
“Then we had that bout with Anaplaz, which I never understood.

“We buckled down and rode it out, but luck weren’t on our side.
“You’ve worked for me for 20 years, you know how hard I’ve tried.

“I’m not worried for my own self, it’s Mother and the kids
“I don’t know how they’ll take it if they put us up for bids.

“The last two kids were born here in that house where you live now
“We’ve raised ’em right and taught ’em all there is about a cow

“And now they’re off to college to explore a new career
“But deep inside they’re plannin’ to come back and live right here.

“But that’s never gonna happen. The writing’s on the wall.
“It’s what I’ve always dreaded, and today I got the call.

“Bankruptcy’s hangin’ over me. The lawyer says I’m through
“I’ve lost it all. A lifetime’s work. I don’t know what I’ll do.”

The cattle foreman nodded. But his mind was faraway
On doctor bills and braces, pickup payments left to pay

He glanced up to his little house, his kids and wife and truck,
And wondered how he’d tell her. But he said,
“Boss, I wish you luck.”

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From the Statehouse
Telehealth is Idaho’s chance to expand healthcare access

Idaho faces serious healthcare provider shortages, particularly in our rural communities. In seeking to address this problem, telehealth has emerged as an important innovation that makes our healthcare system more efficient, more affordable, and more accessible to Idaho patients. By connecting with patients remotely, providers increase their capacity to care for more patients, and patients are able to use less-costly and more convenient alternatives to urgent care clinics, emergency rooms, and office visits.
That is why I have introduced House Bill 342, a bill that will encourage and enable innovation in healthcare technology by using telehealth to treat patients. This legislation would enable Idaho-licensed healthcare professionals to employ more telehealth delivery methods, notably removing the video-only connection requirement for the first visit. It is critical that we give our healthcare professionals the full suite of tools available so that all Idahoans can receive the care that they need.
HB 342 expands access to healthcare for Idaho patients by allowing more types of technology to be used in telehealth visits. An Idaho patient should not be denied access to care through telehealth simply because he or she lives in a community that lacks

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sufficient broadband capability to maintain a video connection, they cannot afford the technology to communicate over a video platform, or, as in the case with some senior citizens, are not comfortable using a computer. Studies have found that 40 percent of patients would forego care in lieu of travelling had it not been for telehealth. So, for those of us in rural areas with reduced connectivity, limiting telehealth

— See *Telehealth*, Page 9B

From Washington
Backing research, improved treatment for Alzheimer’s disease

More than 5 million Americans are currently living with Alzheimer’s disease and, absent a medical breakthrough, that number could rise to nearly 14 million by 2050, according to the Alzheimer’s Association. This disease is tragic and life-altering—wherever, whenever and whomever it strikes. Medical researchers pursue improved treatment for this progressive, degenerative disorder that attacks the brain’s nerve cells and is the most common cause of dementia, or loss of intellectual function, as efforts continue to ensure public policy best supports quality care for those with Alzheimer’s disease.
In October, I joined Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-Mich.) in sending a letter to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Administrator Seema Verma requesting the agency use its existing authority to implement an education and outreach campaign to inform providers about the new Medicare planning code for patients with cognitive impairment. In the letter, we expressed support for CMS’s decision in 2017 to implement our bipartisan HOPE for Alzheimer’s Act by creating the new Medicare benefit code that provides for assessment and care planning for people living with cognitive impairment, including those living with Alzheimer’s and related dementias. We also shared concern with reports of low rates of eligible seniors receiving the benefit in its first year of implementation. Greater outreach about the benefit can further increase usage of comprehensive care planning services.
This was one recent action in the ongoing work toward improved research and resources to combat this

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condition. On March 26, Sen. Stabenow introduced S. 880, the Improving HOPE for Alzheimer’s Act, with my support. Similar to the request in the October letter to the CMS administrator, the bill would direct CMS to conduct outreach to health care practitioners about comprehensive Alzheimer’s disease care planning services and materials on appropriate diagnostic evaluations and the requirements for eligibility. S. 880 would require CMS to report to Congress on its outreach efforts, as well as on the number of beneficiaries receiving such services and any barriers

— See *Alzheimer’s*, Page 9B

Commentary

Financial management

Budget small amount of spending money while KO'ing debt

Dear Dave,
I'm trying very hard to get out of debt. I have my beginner emergency fund in place, and I'm living on a monthly budget. Is it OK to include a little wallet cash in my budget at this point, just in case?
— Andrew

Dear Andrew,
It's probably not going to throw you off too much in terms of getting out of debt if you budget \$20 or so, just to have some cash in your wallet. I wouldn't recommend much more than that, though. The idea of having \$50, \$100, or \$200 in walking-around money is pretty self-defeating when you're supposedly sav-

ing, budgeting, and working hard to get out of debt.
What really matters is the amount of pocket money you allow yourself to have.
Think of it as a safety valve. Sometimes things come up in the course of day-to-day life that are just necessary, unexpected expenses — but not emergencies. Just designate a small amount of cash for it as part of your regular, monthly budget, and stick to that amount!
— Dave

Dear Dave,
Do you think I should stop making contributions to my 401(k) for a year, so I can save up an emergency fund? I'm 28, and debt-free, but I don't have any-



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thing saved for emergencies.
— Bryan

Dear Bryan,
If you're debt-free and mak-

ing decent money at your job, it shouldn't take a whole year to set aside an emergency fund. Just make it a priority in your monthly budget. And yes, my advice to you is temporarily stop making contributions to your 401(k) until you have a fully funded emergency fund of three to six months of expenses.
I recommend people stop investing, or wait to start investing, until they are debt-free except for their home and have a fully funded emergency fund in place. In some cases, depending on how much debt they have, it can take two or three years to do all this. I know that seems like a long time, but in the grand scheme of things it's really not.

If you don't have an emergency fund, but you're contributing to a 401(k), there's a good chance you'll end up cashing out your 401(k) if a large, unexpected expense comes along. Then, when you cash out a 401(k) early, you get hit with a penalty plus your tax rate. That's not a wise plan!
— Dave
— Dave Ramsey 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. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.



Letter to the editor

Homedale youth actors reflect bright future

Thursday night was an extraordinary experience. My wife and I picked up our 8-year-old grandson to take to the Homedale drama play ("The Clumsy Custard").
I'm taking the time to write down and share how I was truly touched by the hard work our youth put into this entertainment.
The main actors and all the supporting troupe made me both laugh and clap.

I was also surprised with all the interaction with the audience.
When we left to head home, the best part was that my 8-year-old grandson loved the villains. A memory created.
For me, I was proud of our youth and their dedication.
The future is bright.
Bud Ambeau

✓ Telehealth: House bill will eliminate restrictive video-first requirement

From Page 8B
means patients are forced to spend more time and money on long trips to the closest (or not so close) healthcare provider.
Idaho patients should be given the broadest ability to choose the technology over which they want to interact with Idaho-licensed health care providers. Telehealth has no waiting rooms or long commutes. Patients simply request an appointment, and the

healthcare provider contacts them — all at the patient's convenience — and quality of care is never sacrificed.
Idaho was once a leader in implementing telehealth, but we are now one of only four states with this restrictive video-first requirement. Our narrowly written policy is holding us back from keeping pace with innovation. It's time to stop limiting patient choice and access via telehealth and to maximize the

technologies our providers can use. This will save Idahoans time, money, and headaches — figuratively and literally. I hope that you will join me in supporting House Bill 342.
— Megan Blanksma (R-Hammett), hold Seat A for District 23 in the Idaho House of Representatives. She represents Owyhee and Elmore counties and the western portion of rural Twin Falls County.

✓ Alzheimer's: Fight for resources against the disease continues in D.C.

From Page 8B
to access. The legislation has broad bipartisan support with 47 Senate co-sponsors.
In 2014, I also sponsored the Alzheimer's Accountability Act, which was signed into law on Dec. 16, 2014. The law requires researchers at the National Institutes of Health to submit an annual budget proposal directly to the president and Congress. This "professional judgment budget" specifies the resources and funding necessary to prevent and treat Alzheimer's by 2025. The information gathered assists lawmakers when determining funding levels while also providing scientists with a coordinated, defined research plan.

In a recent Presidential Message on National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness, President Donald J. Trump conveyed, "As we solemnly remember the family and friends we have lost to this deadly disease, we vow never to relent in our determination to find a cure. ... As a Nation, we must — and we will — do more to give patients and their families hope when it comes to an Alzheimer's diagnosis. ... Together, we will continue to pursue new research in search of a breakthrough that will alleviate the suffering of the millions of Americans diagnosed with Alzheimer's."
We must continue to strive to improve research and resources to combat this destructive condition that

reaches into millions of American families. Thank you to all those working to eliminate Alzheimer's and the caregivers supporting those living with the disease. I will continue to work with my colleagues in Congress, the administration, the medical community and advocacy groups in pursuit of advancements in dementia-specific care and suppression.
— 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.

Public notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

On February 19, 2020, the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear testimony in the Annex Building of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 17069 Basey St., Murphy, Idaho on the following matters at the times listed below.

Beginning at 9:30 am, the Commission will hear application Z20-10 a request for a conditional use permit filed by **Angela Stears** seeking approval to establish a 16.28kW ground mounted solar array for residential use located on an approximately 8-acre parcel. The subject parcel, RP01S02W290061, is located near mile marker 21.5, at 16390 State Highway 78, Melba, Idaho. The subject parcel is located in an agricultural zone situated in a portion of the NE¼ of the NE¼ of Section 29, Township 1 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Beginning at 10:30 am, the Commission will hear application Z20-11 a request for a conditional use permit filed by **Jens Schkade** seeking approval to establish three 16.28kW ground mounted solar arrays located on an approximately 2-acre parcel. The subject parcel, RP05S03E218508, is located at 25688 Boundary Lane, Grand View, Idaho. The subject parcel is located in an agricultural zone situated in a portion of the SW¼ of the SE¼ of Section 21, Township 5 South, Range 3 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Beginning at 1:00 pm, the Commission will hear application Z20-06 a request for a conditional use permit filed by **Dale VanEs** seeking a conditional use permit to expand his current Dairy - Confined Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) operation. The request seeks to expand the permitted number of animals from 7,500 to 12,500 and add additional corrals, freestall barns, an additional rotary milk parlor, and other related infrastructure. The subject properties are all surrounding the main facility located at 8224 Desert Drive, Marsing, Idaho. The parcels included in this application are RP02N04W290030, RP02N04W290020, RP02N04W282411, RP02N04W280611, RP02N04W282420, RP02N04W280621, situated in portions of sections 28 and 29 of Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Copies of the proposed projects are available for review in the Planning and Zoning office. For additional information please call 208-495-2095 ext. 2.
01/29/2020

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ESTABLISHING IRRIGATION PERMIT FEES CITY OF MARSING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Tuesday, the 11th day of February, 2020, at the hour of 7:00 o'clock p.m., at 425 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho, the City of Marsing will hold a public hearing for the purpose of hearing public comments regarding the proposed fee schedule changes to establish irrigation permit fees and as the time and place when and where the City Council will consider and hear all comments thereto which

may also be made in writing and filed with the City Clerk on or before said time.
01/29,02/05/2020

LIEN SALE

Unit J-30 Lisette Garza, 26701 Homedale Rd, Wilder Idaho 83676. Unit containing living room set with coffee table.

Unit J-18 Jesus Martinez, 613 C Ave, Wilder Idaho, 836976. Unit containing couches, chairs TV.

Unit F-11 Jesus Martinez, 613 C Ave Wilder Idaho 83676. Unit containing refrigerator, projection TV, and misc. household items.

Sealed bid auction will be held at 3685 Hwy 95 Homedale on 02-12-2020 and will end at 3:30 pm. Sealed bid will be accepted from the first posting until the auction day. All payments will be cash and units will be emptied and swept out on the action day.
01/29,02/5/2020

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
01/22,29,02/5/2020

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

CITY OF MARSING Quarterly Expenditure & Revenue Report 1st FISCAL QUARTER, FY 2019/2020

FUND	BUDGET AMOUNT	Expended to Date	% of Budget	
			Expended	Revenue to Date
01 General	\$ 830,718.00	\$ 56,257.20	6.77%	\$ 67,073.78
Law Enforcement	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 8,766.35	25.05%	
02 Roads & Streets	\$ 344,593.00	\$ 19,796.89	5.75%	\$ 25,985.98
03 Parks	\$ 277,871.00	\$ 25,083.45	9.03%	\$ 5,072.37
05 Planning & Zoning	\$ 58,000.00	\$ 17,924.61	30.90%	\$ 14,440.65
Sub-Total	\$ 1,546,182.00	\$ 127,828.50	8.27%	\$ 112,572.78
25 Water	\$ 1,391,501.00	\$ 146,763.70	10.55%	\$ 81,641.06
29 Irrigation	\$ 68,108.00	\$ 11,350.02	16.66%	\$ 7,938.22
30 Sanitation	\$ 92,870.00	\$ 25,013.58	26.93%	\$ 17,771.92
35 Sewer	\$ 1,041,252.00	\$ 41,685.00	4.00%	\$ 51,576.75
Sub-Total	\$ 2,593,731.00	\$ 224,812.30	8.67%	\$ 158,927.95
TOTAL (all funds)	\$4,139,913.00	\$ 352,640.80	8.52%	\$ 271,500.73

The General Public is invited to inspect all supporting documents for the above Financial Statement at City Hall during regular business hour: Financial figures may include fund transfers, service charges, refunds, reimbursements and other accountig procedures

Dec. 31, 2019

Jolyn E. Green
City Clerk-Treasurer
01/29,02/5/2020

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

**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
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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
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Sports

JV boys split league games

Jordan Valley High School couldn't rebound from an early deficit in Saturday's boys' basketball loss to league foe Prairie City.

The Mustangs fell, 51-40, to the Panthers in a 1A High Desert League road game.

Prairie City held a 13-6 lead after eight minutes and

maintained the advantage.

Jordan Valley (10-6 overall, 2-2 in league) converted just 31.9 percent of its field goals (15-for-47) and only 40 percent of its foul shots (6-for-15).

Meanwhile, the Panthers out-rebounded the Mustangs, 19-7, on Jordan Valley's glass.

Blaise Warn led the Mustangs

with 14 points and seven rebounds. He also connected on half of his eight free throws. Warn led the defense with five steals.

Jace Grenke put in 12 points on four three-point goals.

Statistics weren't provided for Friday's 71-40 home-court win against Harper.



Jace Grenke puts up a shot during Jordan Valley's fast start to its blowout win Friday at home against Harper Charter. Photo by Tara Echave

Trojans quartet wrestles for fifth in New Plymouth

HHS struggles vs. Weiser with state champ out

Keagen Christensen dominated when he won, leading four Homedale High School wrestlers who reached fifth-place matches at the RD Brown Invitational.

The junior 170-pounder needed just 21 seconds to pin Meridian's Marshall Buie to take fifth place Saturday in New Plymouth.

Christensen was the only Trojan to win his fifth-place match:

- Senior Julian Ramos lost a close 9-6 decision to Emmett's Jesse Wade at 138 pounds.
- Freshman Chase Cooper lost at 160 pounds when Capital's Jacob Jones pulled off a pin in 49 seconds.
- Junior Owen Houser nearly made it out of the first round against fellow 3A Snake River Valley conference wrestler Elijah Carter. The Weiser junior got a pin with nine seconds left in the first period of the pair's 220-pound fifth-place match.

Christensen fell into the consolation bracket when Marsing's once-beaten Isai Arriaga pinned him at the 3-minute, 42-second mark of their quarterfinal match.

Christensen posted consolation pins against Capital's Jaydon Davis (3:33) and Weiser's Stetson Beesley (2:22).

Cooper won three straight matches after falling out of the championship bracket. He pinned Fruitland's Carter Stowe (1:40) then beat Weiser's Clayton Beesley (12-4, major decision) before reaching the fifth-place match with a 7-0 decision against Mountain View's Lucas Livingstone.

Houser got a pair of consolation pins to reach his fifth-place match: vs. Vale, Ore's Cameron Whitaker (47 seconds) and vs. Capital's Robert Miller (3:49).

Ramos got three wins. He pinned New Plymouth Luis Martinez in 52 seconds to reach the quarterfinals, and continued his winning ways in the consolation bracket with a 51-second takedown of Mountain View's Tyson Baker.

Ramos' most impressive win of the day came in the consolation semifinals when he edged Weiser's Braden Edwards, 8-7, to reach the medal round.

In the 152B bracket, foreign exchange student Gus Bromanter opened his tournament with a pin in 5:03 against New Plymouth's Kiernan Caldwell.

Last Wednesday: Weiser 82, Homedale 0 — Seven forfeits fueled the Wolverines' 3A Snake River Valley conference dual meet whitewash against the visiting Trojans.

Homedale 2019 state champion Joseph Egusquiza is sidelined with a leg injury.

Two Trojans wrestled tight matches against their foes.

Ramos pulled off a pair of reversals in the third period, but couldn't close the gap in an 8-6 loss to Maddox Stevens at 145 pounds.

Trailing 4-1 after two rounds, Homedale 170-pound Rhyalee Nix also mounted a third-period rally in his 6-4 loss to Malachi Hoobery. Nix got within two points, 4-2, with an escape, but Hoobery maintained control with a takedown.

At 106 pounds, Gabriel Hurtado held a 3-0 lead after a second-period escape, but Weiser's Arron Despain turned the tide and pulled off a pinfall at 3:42.

Rimrock boys lose 5th straight game

Notus High School was warmer than Rimrock on an all-around chilly shooting night Friday in 1A Western Idaho Conference boys' basketball action.

Despite spotty foul shooting, the Pirates rallied from a halftime deficit for a 39-35 home decision over the Raiders for their first conference victory.

Rimrock (2-10 overall, 1-5 in conference) tied the game, 1-1, on sophomore Alex Martinez's free throw, but both teams experienced a sluggish start.

By halftime, the Raiders held an 18-16 lead after sophomore Gus Black scored nine of his team's 11 points in the second quarter.

Black led Rimrock with 15 points. Senior Ian Burbank scored all eight of his points in the third quarter as the Raiders lost the lead under the strain of Notus' 16-10 advantage.

The teams had combined for just two field goals in the game's first two minutes, and the Raiders were hampered by turnovers on interior passes.

Sophomore Pedro Varela stole the ball at mid-court and drove in for a layup to get Rimrock to within a point, 6-5, midway through the first quarter. But he missed a would-be game-tying free throw on the three-point play.

Offensive rebounding helped Notus get control in the latter stages of the first quarter. Seniors Jonathan Rueda and Clay Shimondle both had offensive putbacks to cap the Pirates' 3-for-10 field-goal shooting in the first quarter.

Shimondle led all scorers with 16 points. He was 6-for-9 from the foul line.

Rimrock went 3-for-12 from the floor in the first eight minutes. Junior Justin Lindquist hit



Rimrock's Ian Burbank (5) takes a floating jump shot during the first quarter on Friday.

the team's final field goal of the first quarter with 1 minute, 42 seconds left, and sophomore Gus Black nailed the team's first field goal 2½ into the game.

Statistics were provided by Notus coach Jon Conner.

Rimrock fell to Glenns Ferry, 55-27, in a non-conference game last Wednesday. Statistics weren't provided.

The Raiders take on North Star Charter at home on Thursday for Senior Night.

Big three scorers steer JV girls

The Jordan Valley High School girls' basketball team continued its roll during the weekend.

The Mustangs routed two 1A High Desert League opponents to run their winning streak to five games before Monday's non-league game against visiting Rimrock.

Jordan Valley (12-4 overall, 2-1 in league) had won seven of its past eight games by the end of the week.

"Our overall chemistry is coming together. We are learning how to push the ball up the floor," Kiana Quintero said.

"In both games this weekend, every player scored or had multiple opportunities. We are building team cohesiveness on

offense and defense."

Saturday: Jordan Valley 61, Prairie City 42 — Kiana Quintero connected on seven of eight field goals and all five of her free throws to lead three Mustangs scorers in double figures.

Quintero scored 19 points in the league victory. Teammate Cassity Gluch was 7-for-12 from the field as Jordan Valley converted 68.4 percent of its shots (26-for-38).

Tayler Eiguren was 5-for-6 from the floor and posted a double-double of 10 points and 15 rebounds. Eleven of her boards came on the Panthers' end of the court.

Friday: Jordan Valley 63, Harper Charter 21 — The

Mustangs scored 50 points in the first half and routed the visiting Hornets in another league game.

Eiguren posted another double-double with 14 points and 12 rebounds. She had eight offensive rebounds as Jordan Valley out-boarded Harper Charter, 21-10, on the Mustangs' backboard.

Quintero led the defense with five steals and led the team with 16 points.

Cassity Gluch scored 12 points and grabbed eight rebounds.

Jordan Valley, which is coached by Marcia Eiguren, started the game on a 24-7 run and outscored Harper Charter, 26-5, in the second quarter.