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INDEPENDENCE DAY DELIGHTS



Left: An array of colors lights up the sky during the Homedale Lions Club Fourth of July fireworks finale Saturday at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds. Above: A smaller-than-usual crowd watched the Marsing Third of July celebration fireworks Friday.



*Homedale Lions Club Fourth of July Demolition Derby champion Mike Shenk (left) drives his Chrysler Imperial into runner-up Cory Bridges during Saturday's Owyhee County Farm Bureau main event at the fairgrounds. For more on the derby, see **Pages 10-11**. For more on the area's Fourth of July celebrations, see **Pages 10-13**.*

Volunteers ensure 25th anniversary GV Days

The silver anniversary Grand View Days takes place this weekend.

Community members stepped in to keep the traditional celebration — first held in July 1995 — on track after the Chamber of Commerce had announced its cancellation over COVID-19 concerns.

The Chamber's decision was announced on May 14, and within weeks volunteers had rallied to continue the event.

The three-day event — themed "Unity for the Community" — kicks off Friday with the opening night of the two-day softball tournament. Games start at 7 p.m., at Grand View Elementary School, and the tournament continues at 9 a.m., on Saturday. Team registration closed Monday.

Saturday is the centerpiece of the celebration at Centennial Park. The fun gets going at noon with food, bounce houses for the children and retail vendors.

Call Laura Zaragoza at (208) 590-9133 for vendor information.

Organizers are selling Grand View Days T-shirts, too. Small to extra-large cost \$12, while 2XL to 5XL shirts cost \$15. The shirts are available in three neon colors — pink, yellow and green. Call Zaragoza at (208) 590-9133, Katy Carothers at (208) 695-1633, or Melanie Bybee (208) 590-1516 to order.

Other activities set for Saturday include:

- A horseshoe tournament at 2 p.m., in the park. Two-person youth and adult horseshoe teams can register Saturday or call ahead to Calvin Carothers at (208) 880-3993. Entry fees are \$30 for adult teams and \$10 for youth teams.

- A rubber duck drop at the walking bridge across the canal will begin at 2 p.m., too. Rubber ducks are available for purchase for \$1 each or six for \$5 from Grand View Gas, Snake River Diner, AgriLines and Simplot.

— See **Grand View Days**, page 6

Courthouse staff's COVID tests negative

Owyhee, state numbers continue to rise

A trio of Owyhee County employees received welcome news after a COVID-19 scare last month at the county courthouse in Murphy.

Two county clerk staffers and one from the assessor's office tested negative for COVID-19 after being exposed to a pair of contract workers on June 23-24, one of whom was later confirmed positive with the virus.

County Clerk Angie Barkell informed The Owyhee Avalanche that the two

county employees received the good news last Wednesday. She also said that the second contract worker from Kimmell Corp., in Hayden, tested negative.

The two Kimmell employees were scanning documents in the courthouse vault to make digital copies. One

— See **Courthouse**, page 6



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Marsing dog pound fee increase proposed

Three public hearings will open the Marsing City Council meeting at 7 p.m., today at the new City Hall, 12 Sandbar Ave., and for the second time since COVID-19 restrictions were put in place, the meeting is open to the public.

The council is expected to confirm the appointment of Philip Gibson as public works superintendent, a position he held for more than four years. Gibson stepped down last summer to spend more time with family.

Gibson remained part of the city crew, but was thrust back into a leadership role when his replacement, Joe Heidt, left the position abruptly in June.

Scheduled public hearings include:

- The rezoning of the Marsing Housing Authority property on 8th Avenue West. The hearing has been continued three times as MHA executive director Luke Ankeny chose to subdivide the property so that just a portion would need to be rezoned commercial to allow construction of a new office.
- A proposed fee increase to house dogs captured while running at-large in the city limits.

According to city clerk and treasurer Jolyn Green, a new contract with the City of Wilder, which was ratified last

month, would raise the boarding fee from \$5.50 per day to \$40 per dog. Although the contract has been approved, a resolution must be passed — after a public hearing — because the fee increase is greater than five percent.

- A third hearing pertains to a proposed waiver for lot size requirements for a property on 14th Avenue West.

In other agenda items:

- Jared Zwygart, of Zwygart John & Associates CPAs, PLLC, will present the fiscal year 2019 city audit.
- City attorney Stephanie J. Bonney, engineer Kirby Cook, code enforcement officer Cory Callison, Owyhee County Sheriff's Cpl. Atanacio Montes, and Gibson will present reports.

Cook is expected to discuss the Sandbar Restaurant with a Cause/Marsing City Hall remodel, future plans for the sewer plant, and an update on proposed work on the elevated water tank on 8th Avenue West.

Gibson will likely discuss plans for chip-sealing work in town, as well as a request to surplus the city's 1988 GMC, quotes for a trailer for the sewer jetter, replacement or repair quotes for a backup generator at the wastewater treatment plant, and more.

— TK

Former HHS student headed to Harvard

Former Homedale High School student Matthew Farrell recently completed his doctorate in applied mathematics from the University of Washington, celebrating with a June 13 virtual graduation ceremony.

But the newly designated Dr. Farrell is not done with his education quite yet. He will pursue a post-doctorate degree at the John A. Paulson School of Engineering and Applied Sciences at Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass.

Farrell, 27, said that ultimately, he plans to spend his career at school.

"I'm shooting to be a professor at a research university, but we'll see how it goes," he said. "I have a vague notion of looking for a university in a neat place, maybe in a foreign country."

Although Farrell, who was

one of three students who received applied mathematics doctorates from Washington this spring, attended high school in Homedale through his junior year, he graduated from Victory High School in Nampa in 2010.

Prior to his time at the University of Washington, Farrell attended The College of Idaho and Cornell University.

Farrell said that his post-doctorate degree may take anywhere from three to six years to complete.

"It's pretty variable," he said. "Basically, once you've published enough papers to be a viable candidate for an academic position, you can finish your post-doc."

Matthew's parents are Tim and Jeanette Farrell, and he has two sisters, Elizabeth and Nicole, and a brother, Nathan.

— TK



Matthew Farrell



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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 72 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 481 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 196 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 516,150 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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

County receives PILT money

The federal government has compensated Owyhee County for another year, but commissioners still aren't taking the Payment in Lieu of Taxes program for granted.

County Clerk Angie Barkell confirmed a \$1.513 million check arrived in Murphy last Wednesday, adding that more than half of it was budgeted to cover Fiscal Year 2020 appropriations.

This payment is the largest the county has received.

"The board was really set on using as little of the PILT as we had to because this could be the last one we get," Barkell said. "We just don't know. It's never been fully funded on a permanent basis."

Approximately \$700,000 will go into the county's PILT trust, and \$50,000 will pay for extra off-highway vehicle enforcement patrols.

"The board really wanted to get away from using (PILT for general fund) just in case," Barkell said of the tenuous nature of the funding source.

Commissioners will use about \$227,000 out of the PILT trust to match an Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation grant that will help built the RV Park at the fairgrounds in Homedale. There also are related projects that haven't been launched yet, Barkell said.

Despite legislation backed by Idaho U.S. Sens. Mike Crapo and Jim Risch, no permanent solution has been found. Stop-gaps written as riders on other legislation has kept the program alive to pay Owyhee County and other governments that have large swaths of tax-exempt public lands within their boundaries.

Sen. Ron Wyden (D-Ore.) introduced a PILT reauthorization bill in September, but no committee hearing has been scheduled.

Owyhee County has more than 3.6 million acres of public land that the Bureau of Land Management oversees — second in the state only to Idaho County (4.5 million).

Barkell said commissioners are anxious to see if there will be a PILT payment for FY 2021 as they move into the budgeting process.

Other questions include the budgetary effects of Medicaid expansion, a possible dip in state revenue sharing, and possible property tax reform.

— JPB



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Reality of The Rock of Homedale solidifies

Construction hits home stretch; donations still welcome

The start of the new school year isn't the only thing Kathy Deal is looking forward to these days.

By August, Deal's passion project — The Rock of Homedale — will be open and serving the community's youth in a non-denominational Christian setting.

Or at least, that's the plan as finish work begins on the new building in the 300 block of East Owyhee Avenue east of Homedale High School.

"We will absolutely be up and running for school," Deal said.

Donations are still being sought, but Deal said the non-profit organization's board of directors picked up funding to get the construction through the home stretch and the building cleared for occupancy and activities in a little more than a month.

"We, as a board, have decided to take out a loan, so we're hoping we can drum up a few more donations to get those last things done," she said.

Donations to The Rock of Homedale, which can be executed through the website www.therockofhomedale.org, are tax-deductible. Credit cards and PayPal payments are accepted. The organization is a 501(c)3 non-profit.

But Deal said the organization welcomes more than just cash donations.

Bathroom and kitchen

fixtures need to be acquired and installed, and electrical outlets and lights need to be put in place before an occupancy permit can be issued and the doors opened.

Deal also said the building has no flooring or tables or chairs yet.

Weeds need to be cleared, too.

All services and items can be donated to help get the cause closer to the finish line.

"We need people to donate their time and help out," Deal said.

Thus far, the community has contributed more than \$300,000 in cash, and subcontractors handling electrical, concrete, roofing and framing have helped keep the cost down.

"Everybody has shaved off a little something (in building costs)," Deal said.

The Ken Olsen Memorial project — a bench and placard dedicated to the late HHS teacher and HHS graduate — has been purchased. Memorials in Olsen's name to The Rock topped \$1,600.

Deal said memorial bricks that will be placed in the courtyard with the Olsen bench also helped raise money.

All along, Deal has envisioned a community center with several programs as well as opportunities for education and fun for the town's youth.

Dances will be held after high school games, and Deal's



Stucco, siding and painting were accomplished in one of the biggest days of finish work at The Rock of Homedale late last month. Submitted photo

Christian Education course will shift to the space when school starts.

"I want people to develop relationships with kids so that we have a healthy, strong community," Deal said. "I want kids to know their value in our community, and this is a place to develop that."

— JPB

Locals named TVCC honor students

Treasure Valley Community College has announced its honor students for the spring 2020 quarter.

Local students on the list include:

Dean's List (3.75 to 3.99 grade-point average) — Danyel Marie Barnard, Homedale; Darrell Scott Cereghino, Homedale; and Drew Jackson Deal, Wilder (Homedale High School graduate)

Honor Roll (3.50 to 3.74 GPA) — Aunna Liza De La Fuente, Melba; and Patrick Jeffrey McCoy, Homedale

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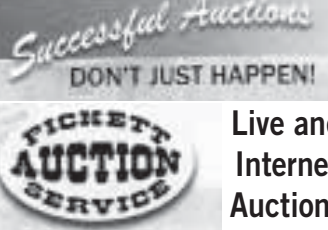
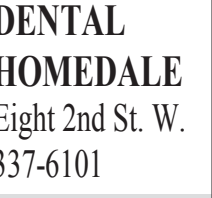
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Owyhee Watershed Council meeting
4 p.m., board meets in either Marsing or Adrian, call for location each month. (541) 372-5782

Melba school board meeting
5 p.m., district office, 511 Broadway, Melba. (208) 495-1141

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

Jordan Valley Ambulance meeting
6 p.m., ambulance hall, 706 Main St.

Grand View City Council meeting
6 p.m., City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2700, noon to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday

Marsing City Council meeting
7 p.m., City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122

Homedale Highway District meeting
7 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale

Marsing School Board meeting
7 p.m., school district office boardroom, 301 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 649-5411

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

Thursday

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

Summer reading program
1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228.

Homedale Farmers Market
3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, Homedale

Summer Reading Program
5 p.m. to 6 p.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228.

Cultivate children’s program
5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Bette Uda City Park

VFW meeting
7 p.m., Samuel Phillips III Post 11065, 208 3rd St., Wilder. (208) 250-7780

Friday

The Landing teen support group
6 p.m., Rising Light Farm Ministry, 5189 N. Old Bruneau Hwy, Marsing. (208) 807-0680

Grand View Days softball tournament
7 p.m., Grand View Elementary, 205 First St.

Saturday

Grand View Days softball tournament
9 a.m., Grand View Elementary, 205 First St.

Grand View Days
Noon, Centennial Park, Grand View. Fireworks at dusk

Grand View Days parade
8 p.m., downtown Grand View. Lineup at 7 p.m.

Sunday

Grand View Lions Club breakfast
8 a.m. to 11 a.m., Centennial Park, Grand View

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., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

Homedale school board meeting
7 p.m., school district boardroom, 116 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4611

Tuesday

Gem Highway District meeting
6 p.m., district office, 1016 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4581

American Legion Post 128 meeting
7 p.m., Phipps-Watson American Legion Hall and Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing

Thursday, July 16

Homedale Farmers Market
3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, Homedale

Cultivate children’s program
5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Bette Uda City Park

Friday, July 17

The Landing teen support group
6 p.m., Rising Light Farm Ministry, 5189 N. Old Bruneau Hwy, Marsing. (208) 807-0680

Owyhee County Historical Society meeting
7 p.m., Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St, Murphy. (208) 495-2319

Saturday, July 18

Snake River Country Market
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., The Spot pavilion, 12 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 989-2273

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✓ Grand View Days: Barbecue, fireworks, Lions breakfast will go on

First-, second- and third-place prizes will be awarded and will include gift baskets and multiple gift certificates to Tucanos Brazilian Grill in Boise.	View Day and future events.	dinner roll.	up at 9 p.m. with a fireworks show managed by the Grand View Fire Department and a free street dance provided by ZCI Audio Entertainment.	from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., on Sunday at Centennial Park. The traditional Lions Park location is currently under construction.
Proceeds from the duck race will help with costs of Grand	• Snake River Diner will host a community dinner in Centennial Park from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., on Saturday. Dinner costs \$10 per person and includes pulled pork, brisket, cubed potatoes, salad and a	• An evening parade with a red, white and blue theme will begin at 8 p.m., on Saturday. To enter the parade, contact Katy Carothers at (208) 695-1633.	The Grand View Lions Club will host its annual donation-only pancake feed	The Chamber of Commerce is accepting donation for prizes and to pay for the DJ.

✓ Courthouse: Face coverings, temperature checks still mandatory

of the two found out on June 24 that he had been exposed to a family member who had COVID-19. A positive test result was communicated to the county on June 27.

Barkell said that with the negative test results, it would be business as usual for the courthouse employees.

Nowadays, business as usual means that all visitors will be required to wear masks, and that sanitizer will be available at multiple locations. Barkell said that her staff is instructed to wear masks when they must be within six feet of visitors. Visitors’ temperatures will continue to be checked when entering the courthouse.

At the time of their visit, the Kimmell Corp., employees did not have fevers when they were checked while entering the courthouse.

Confirmed Owyhee County COVID-19 cases:

40

June 30 to July 6 statistics:
New confirmed cases, 18
Probable cases, 11 (New: 0)
Source: coronavirus.idaho.gov

Barkell also said that the vault, locked down after word of the worker’s positive test, would re-open upon negative results from her staff.

According to the Idaho Division of Public Health website, as of Monday there were 40 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Owyhee County with 11 probable cases.

Malheur COVID-19 cases:

140

New cases, June 30 to July 6: 67
Deaths: 1 (New: 0)
Negative tests: 1,558 (New: 361)
Source:
govstatus.egov.com/OR-OHA-COVID-19

Southwest District Health reported 1,701 cases on Monday in the six counties it represents: Owyhee, Canyon, Washington, Gem, Adams, and Payette, with nine confirmed deaths.

There have been 7,733 confirmed cases in Idaho.

— TK

Solving sibling rivalry the old-fashioned way
Showing the gathered youths their weapons, armor, and fighting skills, Mercer (left) and Kyla Hiser engage in a mock battle during the Summer Reading Program on Thursday outside the old library in Homedale. Kyla has participated in medieval fighting competitions throughout the United States and Europe.



Gypsy Jackson library plans animal-themed events

A favorite returns to entertain Homedale children
Idaho Reptile Zoo owner Tyler Messina drops Bounce, the ball python, on 4-year-old Cole Merkel's head, while Lilla McKerrrow laughs at his misfortune. The two children took part in the Summer Reading Program event on June 25, outside Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, in Homedale. Cole is the son of Heidi Merkel, and Lilla is the daughter of Justin and Jill McKerrrow. Messina's group — formerly known as Reptile Adventures — is back at the library for teenagers on Thursday.



Summer reading rolls on

Live presentations are part of summertime activities at the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library in Homedale. On Thursday, the Idaho Reptile Zoo crew returns for the Teen Summer Reading Program. The event begins at 5 p.m., and teens and tweens are encouraged to attend and enter a drawing. Teens can receive one ticket for every book they have read this summer, and the prize is a Roaring Springs day pass, beach towel and water bottle. Animals in Fairy Tales is the theme for the youth summer reading program, which starts at 1 p.m., on Thursday. Deer Flat National Wildlife

Refuge personnel will be on hand to talk to the children about animals, and the craft is the creation of paper plate animal masks. At Monday's Story Time, which begins at 10:15 a.m., library youth services coordinator Carol McMichael will read "Should I Share My Ice Cream?" and "I'm a Hungry Dinosaur." The library is located at 121 W. Owyhee Ave., but some of the outdoor activities have taken place on the front lawn at the old Homedale City Library at 125 W. Owyhee Ave. Call (208) 337-4228 for more information on the library's programs.



Folks get opportunity to gather and groove the day before the Fourth

The Howling Coyotes Band entertained visitors to The Dog Spa's "Food Truck Eats" event on Friday in Homedale. In addition to the musical entertainment, the Flaming Avocado supplied beer and wine, and the Rustic Oven and the Rusty Dog brought the food. The event was held on the property of the dog grooming business at the corner of North Main Street and West Owyhee Avenue.

County 4-H’ers show off speaking skills at presentations

The annual Owyhee County 4-H Oral Presentation Contest once again took place with a total of 87 presentations given by 4-H members, ages 5 to 18, in Cloverbuds, Ag, FCS & Miscellaneous, Horse, and TV Commercial categorizes.

Cloverbuds

This year, there were five youths in the Cloverbud age division, ages 5-7. Bryler Metcalf of Wilson Butte, Colt Hipwell of Keepen’ It Country, as well as Silas Kukla, Hope Steinmeyer and Bradyn Dolence all from Wilson Butte gave top-notch presentations.



Janelle Thompson

Agriculture Department

In the Junior division, Colby Carson of South Mountain Livestock earned Grand Champion with his presentation titled “*Trucking*,” and Reserve Champion went to Bailey Moos from the Wilson Butte club. Juniors earning blue ribbons were Bethany Steinmeyer, Liam Aquiso, Timothy Steinmeyer, Stetson Mackenzie, Brylee Folkman, Hayden Higgins, Colby Starbuck, Mackley Prow, Jacob Bachman, Kolton Jewett, Mesa Mackenzie, and Alex Williams. The rest of our hard-working Junior participants were Jordan Ineck, Ryann Skinner, Hunter Metcalf, Cruz Colyer, Tommy Cossel, Casen Aquiso, Ethan Kukla, and Rylee Burns.

Maialen Jaca of Wilson Butte took home Grand Champion in the Intermediate division with her presentation “*Where am I Going?*” Reserve Champion went to Cooper Mackenzie of South Mountain Livestock. Our well-deserving blue-ribbon participants were Alia Aquiso, Luke Steinmeyer, Josie Showalter, Shailee Rutan, Hesston Hedges,

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Kendra Williams, Tyler Thompson, Josie Showalter, Ainsley Erwin, Elias Jaca, Paisley Prow, Olivia Prow, Jayden Skinner, Rhett Brackett, Cade Eldridge, and Elsie Bachman. An honorable mention also goes to Landry Kukla of Wilson Butte and to Rocky Aquiso of Bruneau Canyon for a job well done.

In the Senior division, Grand Champion went to Gene Showalter of Owyhee Silver Spurs with his presentation “*The Crooked Side of Beauty*,” and Josune Jaca of Wilson Butte took home Reserve Champion. Following very closely in the Senior division were Llee Loucks, Matea Jaca, Emma Eldridge, Mitchell Erwin, Abby Eldridge and Michael Rose.

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In the Junior division, Levi Loucks of Owyhee Silver Spurs took Grand Champion for his presentation “*Tips to Have A Happy Garden*.” Reserve Champion went to Brylee Folkman for her presentation “*Herding Dogs*.”

In the Intermediate and Senior divisions, Ainsley Erwin of Bruneau Canyon and Hannah Moos of Wilson Butte both took home blue ribbons for their impressive presentations.

Horse

Taking first place in the Junior division was first-year 4-H’er Garrett Hubler of Pony Express with his presentation “*How to Groom a Horse*.” Emeline Hipwell of Keepen’ It Country took home second place followed by Kinley Shanley of Owyhee Silver Spurs in third and Kambrie McCoshum of Owyhee Sage Riders in fourth. Kylee Montenegro, also from Owyhee Sage Riders, claimed fifth place. Sixth place went to Brylee Folkman of Snake River Livestock and following very closely with only one-point difference



Owyhee Silver Spurs club member Gene Showalter conducts his Senior division grand championship presentation “*The Crooked Side of Beauty*.” Submitted photo

was Baylee Harris of Owyhee Silver Spurs.

In the Intermediate division, Jessica Hipwell of Keepen’ It Country claimed first place with her very informative presentation “*Plants to Die For*.” Second place went to Josie Showalter of Owyhee Silver Spurs, and third place went to Ainsley Erwin of Snake River Livestock. Karlee Leffler of Owyhee Silver Spurs placed fourth, Claire Salutregui of Owyhee Silver Spurs placed fifth, and Grace Clay with the Owyhee Ruff Riders placed sixth. Also, in the Intermediate division were Juliann Claire, TJ Gonzalez, Riley Gonzalez, Hailey Andrus and Kaydence Shank. They all did excellent.

Fallon Wasson took home first in the Senior division with her presentation titled “*A ‘Bit’ of Information*.” The second-place presentation went to Kate Hipwell of Keepen’ It Country, and third place was claimed by Gene Showalter of Owyhee Silver Spurs. Fourth place went to Trinity Neeser of the Owyhee Sage Riders. Annie Miller took fifth, and sixth place went to Miller’s Pony Express club mate Lauren Jensen. Allison Hubler, Treylan

Fisher and Carter Clay also gave great presentations.

TV commercials

Jaci, Mikayla and Colton Montgomery presented their very clever, red-ribbon commercial for “*Why 4-H*.”

The Extension Office would like to thank the volunteer judges for their time and expertise not only in judging the presentations, but in taking the time to comment and give ideas to help the presenters improve as public speakers each year.

Contest awards will be presented at the 4-H Awards Ceremony on Friday, Aug. 7 at the Owyhee County Fair.

Our Owyhee County youth put in hours of hard work on their Oral Presentations every year and it shows. Please join us as we acknowledge their achievements.

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



Country Kids 4-H officers ready for 2020

The Country Kids 4-H club moves toward the Owyhee County Fair with new officers for 2020. **From left:** Ellie Miller, treasurer; Allie Bell, vice-president; Tyler Stebly, secretary; Catherine Decker, president; and Kaicy Breshears, reporter. Submitted photo

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar: *Not Available due to the Coronavirus
Congregate meals now available
Curbside pickup only between noon and 1 p.m.
Phone ahead (208) 337-3020 to order
Dessert is included in curbside lunch
Milk available each day

Roll available each day except July 8th, 15th, and 22nd

July 8: Chicken patty on roll, pasta salad, Brussels sprouts
July 9: Baked fish, hash brown casserole, mixed veggies
July 14: Beef stroganoff, California blend veggies
July 15: Tuna salad on roll, baked potato, side salad

Rimrock Senior Center

All meals are served with milk & fruit juice
Curbside pickup from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or delivery only.
Call (208) 834-2922 as early as possible beginning at 7 a.m.
July 9: Chicken Alfredo, whole grain noodles, cheesy garlic bread, fruited jello, green salad, berry crisp
July 14: Taco salad: shredded beef, refried beans, salsa, sour cream, olives, onions, cheese, whole grain tortilla chips, green salad, fresh melon, vanilla yogurt
July 16: Hoagie sandwich: ham, turkey, cheese, cheesy French fries, fresh fruit & melon, lemon yogurt, whole grain bun

Obituaries

Marilyn Ruth (Schaafsma) De Witt

Marilyn Ruth (Schaafsma) De Witt was born on August 17, 1943 to Arnold Schaafsma and Nadra Ruth (Kuiper) Schaafsma in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Marilyn made her arrival earlier than planned and weighted just 2lbs 12ozs. She was a fighter from the very beginning and was always on the go; a trait that she carried throughout life. Many found it hard to keep up with her as she was always on the go. She was the fourth child of six.

Marilyn passed into the arms of Jesus on July 5, 2020 at her home, surrounded by her family; after a hard-fought battle of cancer. She expressed many times of her desire to be with our Lord and had an absolute faith in God and his word. Her faith and dedication in sharing that faith with her family and friends has provided a legacy of light and truth that provides us all with comfort now.

Marilyn married Robert Herman De Witt on December 28, 1963. They made their home and raised their three children in Redlands, California. They were members of the Redlands

Christian Reform Church, which later was renamed The River. They were both faithful supporters of the Redlands Christian School and MCCA. Marilyn was involved in many church ministries including outreach to the homeless and women's and children's ministries. One of her favorite experiences was helping to build loft houses for families in Mexico. Marilyn was always ready with a meal or support to her church family. She strongly believed in helping and supporting others with whatever she could do.

Marilyn remained in Redlands for many years after Bob passed away in 2001. She was fiercely independent, and one could often see her on her scooter out around town shopping. She had been declared legally blind in 2002, but this challenge never slowed her down. In 2015 she, and her little poodle, Cody, moved to Homedale, Idaho to be closer to her son, Chad, and his family. With the Lord's blessing, Marilyn quickly made dear friends and found a church



that she loved dearly. Her friends, Stanley and Diana Horn, Charles and Darlene Kelly, Kathy Hagler, Carol Cobb, Craig and Cecelia Martin, and many more have provided so much love, support and laughter. Please know our family will forever be so grateful. The memories of your get-togethers, Sunday Game Days and shopping adventures helped Marilyn have a rich, full life in Homedale.

Marilyn was preceded in death by her husband, Bob, daughter, Cynthia De Witt,

parents, Arnold and Ruth Schaafsma, parents-in-law Cornelius (Bob) and Francis De Witt, sisters-in-law, Joann (De Witt) Barents, Jean (De Witt) Freeman. How glorious these reunions must be!

Marilyn is survived by siblings, Shirley (Theodore) Bosch of MI, Robert (Beverly) Schaafsma of MI, James (Joanne) of MI, David (Tara) of IL, Nancy Welch (Ronda Grassi) of CO. In-laws, Judy (Larry) Van Grouw of CA, Richard (Elizabeth) De Witt of CA, Gerald (Edith) De Witt of CA, Gordan and MaryAnn Barents of CA, Eric Freeman of CA. Children, Roger De Witt of Minnesota, Chad and Aundra De Witt of Homedale, ID. Her grandchildren and the absolute joy of her life, Kaylee and Makenna De Witt (Chad) and Sean, Chad, Nathaniel, Darrien De Witt (Cynthia). Many cousins, nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

Our family would like to thank Signature Hospice for all of the love, support and care provided to Mom and all of us during this difficult time. From

the field staff, Jackie, Christina, Robert, Shirley, Chonita, to the office staff, Patti, Becky and On-call staff, Stephanie, Kelly and Sara, you focused on her quality of life that made her time that much more precious and enjoyable. With our whole hearts, thank you.

Thank you to Homedale Calvary Fellowship, Pastor Rich and Myrna Wright, and the HCF family. You have all surrounded us with God's love, and we will be forever grateful.

Services will be held at Homedale Calvary Fellowship Church, 711 W. Idaho, Homedale, ID on Saturday, July 11, 2020 at 3pm. Reception to follow. Marilyn has elected cremation and will be laid to rest with Bob and Cynthia in Redlands, CA at a later time.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Homedale Calvary Fellowship to aide in their wonderful ministry programs.

Rest in the loving arms of our Lord, Mom. We love you and will see you again.

Donald Fredrick Adolph Lindemann

Donald Fredrick Adolph Lindemann (93) passed away at this home, surrounded by his family, on June 28, 2020.

Don was born May 22, 1927 to Henry and Amanda Lindemann in New Berlin, Wisconsin. He attended Pinewood and Woodland grade schools in Ogema, Wisconsin. Shortly after starting the 8th grade, his father broke his leg, and Don had to quit school to take over his father's milk route to support the family. He never returned to continue his education.

Don had a variety of odd jobs before being drafted into the Army Air Corps in 1945. He was immediately deployed to Japan with the 5th Army Air Force on a Merchant Marine transport ship named the "Marine Falcon". During their time at sea, they survived 7 days in a typhoon where Don thought for sure he was going to die. By the time the Marine Falcon made it to Japan, Japanese forces had surrendered, and Don became part of the Allied Occupation of Japan; serving as a bulldozer operator in the reconstruction efforts. After being Honorably

Discharged, he returned to Wisconsin and worked at a mink farm. He remembered that before the Army he made \$1 a day, and after the Army he made \$1 an hour.

On January 12, 1948, Don was a 21-year-old logger in northern Wisconsin. It was 56 degrees below zero and he kept his car running all night so he could get to work the next morning. As he was working in the woods, he heard a cracking above his head. As he looked up, a frozen branch struck his face, leaving him permanently blind in his right eye.

On February 24, 1951, he married Ramona Lundberg. They were married 68 years. They had three children: Donna, Gary and Russell, as well as a stillborn daughter. After they married, they moved first to Milwaukee, and then Franklin, WI. In Franklin, Don had various jobs, including: laborer, stone and cement operator. An avid hunter, Don made annual hunting trips to Idaho, and in 1969 he moved his family to Marsing, ID just in time for elk season. He and



Mona bought 5 acres along the Snake River in the Sunny Slope area where he built their family home. He started his own small construction company, Don's Construction. Later his son,

Russ, joined the company and renamed the company Valley Construction.

He is survived by his children: Donna (Larry) Conner, Gary (Arminta) Lindemann, Russell (Audrey) Lindemann; brother James (Carol) Lindemann; sisters-in-law Rita Lindemann and Sandra (Gilbert) Schnabl; 11 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews, and his faithful dog, Sunny Day.

He was preceded in death by his wife Mona, his parents Henry and Amanda Lindemann, brother William "Billie" Lindemann,

sister Lucille Fields, and a stillborn baby girl.

The family would like to express their thanks and appreciation to the Boise VA Medical Center as well as Heart and Home Hospice. Memorial donations may be directed to the Marsing Disaster Auction or your local Humane Society.

Graveside services for Donald will be held on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 10:00 am in the Marsing/Homedale Cemetery, Marsing, Idaho with Military Honors. Friends may share a memory of Donald at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com.

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39TH ANNUAL HOMEDALE LIONS FOURTH OF JULY DEMOLITION DERBY

Rocking, rolling rookies make derby one to remember

First-year drivers win two titles;
Shenk takes big-car crown

Something old attracted some folks new, and something borrowed that was yellow made Homedale Lions Club Fourth of July Demolition Derby fans bellow.

Saturday’s 39th annual event at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds was a mash-up marriage made in heaven.

Kaden Binford, a second-generation driver competing two generations after his family’s tradition started, was among several rookies who pulled down trophies, championships and cash after several loud and deliciously violent engagements inside the rodeo arena.

The grandson of 1993 champion Mark Bauer drove a Cadillac Sedan DeVille — which, ironically, rolled off the assembly line the year his grandfather won the big show — to capture the title in the new chain-and-bang division for vehicles made in the 1980s or later.

On one fender of his car was painted “Goppa: 1872-2016,” a tribute partially lifted from a metal tombstone Bauer’s Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency welding students sent him home with when he retired.

On the rear quarter panels and trunk was a lime yellow hue extracted from a decades-old can of automotive paint Bauer had laying around after using it on one of his final derby cars about a quarter-century ago.

In the driver’s seat was a 19-

year-old rookie who followed through on a plan that he and best friend — and fellow rookie — Jace Love hatched a scant four weeks ago when they started building their machines and momentum for the derby they’ve grown up with.

Three years into his eligibility, Binford’s seemingly slow derby career start was rocket-fueled Saturday.

“I wanted to do it; I just never went out and got a car,” the 2019 Homedale High School graduate said.

But something changed after last year’s derby.

“... We went back to (Bauer’s) house and started looking at photographs,” Binford said. “And I said, ‘We’re going to build one.’”

Originally Binford was going to run in the compact heat with a Mini he had received for free. But he said “free,” was the starting price of a car with so many problems that it would have been too expensive to convert into a derby car.

But a month before the derby, Binford found the Cadillac, which apparently had been driven daily by the seller’s mother-in-law, for the right price. Before the derby, Bauer said the car ran “fantastic.”

“We drove it home from Payette with the AC on and everything,” Binford said.

Love, in a 1988 Buick, and Binford drove two of the last three vehicles running during Saturday’s mid-size championship heat. Another first-year



Kaden Binford (left) was inspired to enter the demolition derby after hearing stories from his grandfather Mark Bauer.

Homedale driver — 42-year-old Tom Stanbery of Marsing — also held on towards the end in his 1988 Chevrolet Caprice.

But in the end, it was Love and Binford — just as they had planned it.

“I think, compared to hitting a random person, hitting (Jace) will be more fun,” Binford said before the event.

Grandpa may have had a little bit to do with that mindset, too. Binford and Bauer once watched a videotape of a derby competition between Bauer and old friend Mike Conant.

“We hit head-on, and it was a blast,” Bauer said with a still fresh giddiness in his voice. “He still thinks I owe him some of the prize money.”

The Binford-Love head-on collision on one end of the arena was also part of the original scheme to give the fans what they want. Binford’s car survived the hit, and he took home the trophy and a

\$500 added bonus provided by Specialty Wood Products.

More importantly, the performance put forth by Binford, Love, Stanbery, and other chain-and-bang drivers may be the infusion of new enthusiasm demolition derby needs.

“I really hope this class catches on because the old cars are harder to find and expensive,” Bauer said.

It would appear the future of the sport lies in the economical — both in time and money — chain-and-bang cars and the four-cylinder compact class (more popularly known as Minis).

Derby rookie Jaylon Hilton outlasted veteran Justin Ensley and his 2002 Subaru Legacy wagon in Saturday’s hard-hitting championship heat. The Minis seemed to deliver the punch of the bigger cars with the agility of newer vehicles.

Hilton returned in the Mini consolation to cinch up the rookie of the year trophy.

Hilton had the run of the

night when he drove halfway across the arena to hit a competitor, made contact and then flipped his car onto its roof. The action was stopped, the car righted, and the HHS graduate went on to win the consolation trophy — and chase away the heavy equipment sent to haul him out when he fired up his car and sped out of the arena.

Mike Shenk, a Lions Club officer, won the Owyhee County Farm Bureau Main Event championship after a battle to the end with Cory Bridges that again proved the supremacy of the Chrysler Imperial.

Shenk beat out another rookie, Brady Trout, for crowd favorite best-looking car before the carnage began.

Driving a “Trump 2020”-themed red Imperial, derby veteran Jake Volk won the Lions Club’s best-looking car award.

Paisley Badiola brought home the Power Wheels children’s derby championship.

— JPB

Derby results

Owyhee County Farm Bureau Main Event — 1. Mike Shenk; 2. Cory Bridges; 3. Mike Miller

Chain-and-bang championship — 1. Kaden Binford; 2. Jace Love; 3. Tom Stanbery

Mini championship — 1. Jaylon Hilton; 2. Justin Ensley; 3. Kevin Vaughan

Consolation winners — **Full size (tie):** Mark Martens and Tom Russell; **Chain-and-bang:** Chris Folger; **Mini:** Hilton

Beach ball start winners — **Full size:** Jake Volk, main event; Miller, Heat 1; Mitchell Young, Heat 2; Martens, consolation; **Chain-and-bang:** Stanbery; **Mini championship:** Vaughan.

Chain-and-bang consolation: Folger

Hardest hit — Brady Trout, full size Heat 2; Binford, chain-and-bang final

Best-looking car, fan choice — Jake Volk

Best-looking car, Lions Club choice — Brady Trout

Rookie of the Year — Hilton



Homedale Lions Club Fourth of July Derby winners

First row, from left: Jake Volk, fans’ choice, best-looking car, and sons; Kevin Vaughan, mini third place; Mike Shenk, main event champion; Mike Miller, main event third place. **Second row, from left:** Jaylon Hilton, mini champion and rookie of the year; Tom Stanbery, chain-and-bang third place; Kaden Binford, chain-and-bang champion; Jace Love, chain-and-bang runner-up; Justin Ensley, mini runner-up; and Brady Trout, Lions Club choice, best-looking car. **Third row, from left:** Mark Martens and Tom Russell, full-size consolation winners (with unidentified pit member); and Cory Bridges, main event runner-up. **Not pictured:** Chain-and-bang consolation winner Chris Folger

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A(nother) Love for the game

High-schooler jumps in for rivalry run, finishes runner-up to friend

Jace Love hadn't planned on entering this year's Homedale Lions Club Fourth of July Demolition Derby.

Then he went to his buddy's place and helped build a car a month ago.

That night wrenching with best friend Kaden Binford convinced the 17-year-old incoming Homedale High School senior that he wanted to give it a go himself.

"I've been wanting to run the derby," he said. "I went over to help Kaden one night a few weeks ago.

"We went and picked this one up the next night."

"This one" is a 1988 Buick four-door that Jace drove to a second-place finish in the new mid-size 1980s or newer chain-and-bang class Saturday night.

"I just like how easy these are to build," Jace said, looking back on his three-week whirlwind construction project.

He's put about \$600 in the car, including a new starter — the old one went out as he drove back from buying it — and sparkplugs to make it run as well as a derby car can be expected.



Second-generation driver Jace Love was runner-up in the chain-and-bang division Saturday.

The decision to compete pitted Jace and Binford, who is 19, against one another in the mid-size heat.

The friendly rivalry was at the forefront of both their minds before the derby, and when they were among the final three drivers in the heat, their scheme fell into place.

"We've kind of planned that out," Jace said before the derby. "If we're the last two, we're going to do one big hit for the crowd. We don't care who wins."

And that they did, with Bin-

ford getting the top prize.

Just like Jace didn't plan to run the derby this year, he didn't plan on running mid-size either.

"I wanted to run Minis, and I found one in Emmett," he said.

But he didn't like how fragile the Minis, which feature a lot of plastic, look.

The mid-size cars have their drawbacks, too, such as on-board computers, a ton of fuses and complex electrical systems.

"I don't know what it will

do," he said. "These cars will run and run. Usually the one thing that takes them out is electrical."

Everything on the car is electric, including the fuel pump, so even though he only needs one fuse to keep the car running, Jace stocked the fuse panel with a bunch of backups.

He probably made the decision to go with a mid-size after some huddling with the cadre of derby veterans in his family, too.

"Everybody I've been around

has run," Jace said.

His father, Josh, has three top-three finishes from a generation ago. His uncles, Jerry and Joe, also ran derby cars.

"(Josh) just said when you're out there, you can't do much because your adrenaline is going," Jace said.

In fact, Jace ran his dad Josh's old derby number (No. 16) after ditching the idea to run the number he uses while racing dirt bikes — with Binford.

His uncle, Tyrel Aberasturi, is a former derby competitor, and one of Jace's primary sponsors through his Specialty Wood Products. Wilson's Point S Tire and Service in Wilder is another backer.

Jace also painted his car with other sponsors such as his girlfriend, Caitlyn Pate, his parents, Josh and Lindsey Love, Mark Bauer, Rylan Binford, and Randy Breshears.

His younger brother, Rylan, even made it on the car after some prodding.

Jace also paid tribute to two of his grandparents, the late Susan Love and "Papa Tom" Corbet.

— JPB



Above: Baby powder drifts into the air after Power Wheels Derby winner Paisley Badiola (right) bursts a balloon upon contact with one her competitors Saturday.

Left: During the Mini championship heat, Rookie of the Year recipient Jaylon Hilton (left) backed his way over the hood of Justin Ensley's Subaru.



Above: Mike Shenk apparently found his championship Chrysler in Washington state, if the expired license plate is to be believed. **Right:** Rookie Brady Trout shows pride at winning the Lions Club Best Looking car.



MARSING’S THIRD OF JULY



Athena Caldwell, 11, of Marsing runs up to trigger the dunk tank, sending incoming Marsing High School freshman Jackie Montgomery into the water at the Marsing High School cheer squad’s booth at the Third of July celebration in Island Park. Athena was told to hit the trigger when one of the balls she threw hit the target but didn’t dump Montgomery.



Addison Kent, the 4-year-old daughter of Cheyenne and Brian Kent of Marsing, patiently sits with a smile and paint on her face as Left-handed Art artist Madison Casteel puts the finishing touches on an elaborate unicorn design.



Marsing Lions Club members Herb Churruca (left) and Cindy Sprinkel dish out some of the barbecue fixings Friday at Island Park. The number of diners was down this year, but club officials said they were grateful for Agri-Beef, which donated the meat.

WEED WATCH



From Jordan Valley CWMA coordinator Eric Morrison
Name: Yellow starthistle (*Centaurea solstitialis* L.)

Description: Usually a summer annual, in protected areas rosettes can appear in the fall. Produces a single stem from the rosette that quickly branches. Rosette leaves are deeply lobed with the end lobe rounder and larger than the side lobes. Stem leaves attach directly to the stem by a wing that usually runs the stem length. Mature plants appear dusty or muted green. Bright yellow flowers begin to form at each stem terminus in early June. The bract tips around the urn-shaped seed head develop into stiff sharp spines that will be from 1 to 2 inches long. Variable in height from 6 inches to 3 feet depending on environmental conditions. Two types of seed are produced, one is immediately viable, the other more numerous must go through a vernalization period. Each seed head can produce 50 seeds with 95 percent viability. Toxic to horses, causing chewing disease, a chronic incurable and likely fatal condition.

Habitat: Highly adaptable to a wide variety of climates and soils. Will almost always first appear where soil disturbance happens or in the case of over-grazing.

Origin: Originated from the Mediterranean region of Europe into the Middle East. Present in the Pacific Northwest before 1900. In California before 1800.

Control: Reproduces only from seed, so stopping that source is the key to control. Don’t underestimate this plant, it can colonize an area very rapidly. It is not particularly competitive, and healthy range and pastures are rarely or at least slowly invaded. It is highly sensitive to all herbicides and can be sprayed out quite easily in the early stages of growth.

When using herbicides always read and follow label directions on any chemical. It’s the law!

Information modified from “*Selected Noxious Weeds of Eastern Oregon*,” by Gary Page, Malheur County Weed Inspector.

For more information on noxious weeds contact your local CWMA or County Weed Department

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HOMEDALE LIONS CLUB INDEPENDENCE PARADE



Calvary Christian Fellowship representatives accept the plaque for most patriotic float prior to Saturday's Independence Parade in downtown Homedale.



The CAREousel Equine Club, based outside Marsing, took home the plaque for best use of theme.



One of a handful of antique and classic cars that cruised in the parade.



American Legion Post 32 in Homedale received the best looking float award from parade judges.



Parade grand marshal Christy Zito, the Republican nominee for Dist. 23 state Senate, rode in Homedale residents Martin and Julie Cloud's 1967 Chevrolet Impala convertible.



Rodeo queens with local ties — Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen Annie Miller of Marsing (left) and Miss Caldwell Night Rodeo Samantha Woods of Homedale — ride in Saturday morning's parade in downtown Homedale.



The Homedale High School cheer squad also entered a float in Saturday's large parade.

Percifield generosity to continue even without tourney

The competition has been cancelled, but contributions the Percifield Memorial Tournament makes to the community will continue.

Organizers announced that the tournament, which was scheduled July 24-26 at Marsing High School, would be shelved in 2020 because of COVID-19 concerns.

“With the increase in COVID-19 cases, we are uncomfortable hosting a large event,” Amy Chadez wrote on the tournament’s Facebook page Tuesday morning.

“This was not an easy decision as the tournament has been proudly honoring my dad, Tim Percifield, and my uncle, Mike Percifield, for the past 34 years.”

Tournament proceeds help Marsing Youth Sports and Marsing Athletics each year, and that sentiment won’t go away even with the cancellation.

Organizers plan a raffle to help raise revenue that normally would come from team registration fees.

Details will be forthcoming as the raffle is put together, officials said.

“We appreciate your understanding and we look forward to seeing you next July,” Chadez wrote in the online post.

— JPB

Man gets probation, jail time for DUI, drugs

A 52-year-old Marsing man must serve seven days in jail and two years of supervised probation after his misdemeanor conviction for driving under the influence.

George Merle Curtis was sentenced after entering guilty pleas to misdemeanor DUI and misdemeanor legend drug possession before Magistrate Judge Shane Darrington.

The man’s sentencing hearing was held June 29 in Murphy.

In addition to his jail time and probation, Curtis must pay \$800 in fines and \$607 in court costs. Darrington also suspended the man’s driver’s license for six months.

Curtis’ probation officer will have 30 days of discretionary jail time to use in case of probation violations. Darrington gave the man credit for three days spent behind bars after an Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputy arrested him on Oct. 14 and suspended the balance of 360 days in jail.

According to court records,

Curtis was originally charged with felony drug possession after the deputy performed a traffic stop shortly before 6 p.m., on Oct. 14 near the intersection of South Bruneau Highway and 2nd Street in Marsing.

The deputy reported he stopped Curtis for failing to signal and speeding through a left-hand turn from Main Street on to South Bruneau Highway.

Curtis failed the field sobriety tests, and the deputy found hydrocodone pills in a bottle inside the GMC pickup the man was driving. The discovery of the pills led to the original felony charge that was later amended through a plea bargain.

At county jail, Curtis’s blood-alcohol concentration registered .16 — twice the legal limit — during a breath test.

Curtis’ passenger, Crystal Ottinger, was cited for marijuana possession and drug paraphernalia possession and released at the scene.

— JPB



Integra Resources geologist Robert Mullener lent a hand with the Curds + Kindness event at The Hub in Marsing, unloading and stocking cheese.

Courthouse report

A list of felony and misdemeanor dispositions recently completed at courtrooms in Murphy and Homedale:

June 29

George Merle Curtis, Marsing — Misdemeanor driving under the influence, misdemeanor possession or use of a legend drug or precursor without prescription (amended from felony controlled substance possession) (plea deal): 360 days in jail (3 days served, 7 days to serve, 317 days suspended; 30 days left to discretion of probation officer), 2 years supervised probation, 6 months driver’s license suspension, \$800 in fines, \$607 in court costs. **Charges not included in final disposition:** Misdemeanor reckless driving, driving without privileges and possession of an open alcoholic beverage container

Joshua Micah Ealy, Athens, La. — Misdemeanor motor carrier violation, fail to stop at checking station or submit to inspection, grading or weighting: \$118.50 in fines, \$160.50 in court costs

June 25

Ryan Daniel Keyzers, Reno, Nev. — Misdemeanor commercial freight regulations, frame violations: \$43.50 in fines, \$160.50 in court costs

Elbert Ethelbert Stebbins Jr., Post Falls — Misdemeanor commercial freight regulations, inoperative breakaway device: \$43.50 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs

June 24

Alberto Jose Cermeno, Clewiston, Fla. — Misdemeanor commercial freight regulations, no logbook (serious violation): \$263.50 in fines, \$160.50 in court costs

Mining firm helps distribute local dairy to those in need

Several Marsing-area families benefitted from an initiative started by Dairy West to donate excess dairy products to nearby food banks.

According to Bilbao & Co. strategic communications specialist Justin Corr, 50 Marsing families received about 150 blocks of cheese as part of the Curds + Kindness program during a June 24 distribution at the food pantry in the Marsing School District HUB.

Three mining and exploration companies with Idaho properties collaborated with Dairy West to help stop the disposal of raw milk and to support dairy farmers and producers in turning that milk into butter and cheese for local food banks.

Integra Resources, which has set up operations at the DeLamar Mine near Silver City, Midas Gold Idaho, from Donnelly, and Itafos Conda, in Soda Springs, joined Dairy West-affiliated producers to disperse the excess dairy products.

A phone call to Dairy West to determine what local dairies were involved wasn’t returned before deadline.

The Curds + Kindness program directs nearly 200,000 gallons of milk to dairy processing plants every week. The milk is then converted into dairy products and distributed to families at food banks in Idaho and Utah.

“This is a great initiative, for two local industries to be pulling together and helping Idahoans,” Integra project operations manager Tom Jordan said. “This is the Idaho way, and we are happy to be finding a quick solution that benefits not only the communities where our mines are located but all throughout the state.”

Corr was present at the disbursement at The Hub and said that everyone involved was pleased with the whole process.

“I know they were super-happy with how much they were able to help this time around,” Corr said.

There were distribution events on June 19 at food banks in Cascade, Donnelly, New Meadows, and Riggins, and last Wednesday in Soda Springs and Montpelier.

Corr said he is unsure what future plans there may be for the program.

— TK

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

July 12, 1995



Homedale getting hardware store

If Dirk Tolmie learned one lesson in the last eight months, it's how to hurry up and wait.

That's how long it's taken him — so far — to get everything ready for his new Ace hardware store in Homedale.

"I thought I could do it in about three months," he says. "And my father (Hal, who owns Tolmie's Appliance in Homedale) and the people at Ace just laughed. They were right. You're always waiting for somebody."

Armed now with what he considers the strongest franchise in the business, Ace, and his first major product shipment, Tolmie hopes to open up his store by the end of the month.

Inside, customers will find not just a complete selection of electrical, plumbing and paint supplies, tools, power tools and general hardware, but a home-grown boy with 10 years of experience in the business.

The store's official opening date, Tolmie says, depends only on how fast he can get in his remaining product orders and how fast he can put them on the shelf.

"Hopefully by the end of the month," he says eagerly, the force of eight months of anticipation behind his voice.

Grand View's big event this weekend

First "Homecoming Days" offers best in small-town entertainment.

The streets of Grand View will be home to some pretty unusual sights this weekend: horse-drawn wagons, fiddlers, dancers, Smokey the Bear... and that's not to mention guys pushing beds as fast as they can.

It's all part of the first annual Grand View Homecoming Days, a summer celebration coordinated by the Grand View Lions, Chamber of Commerce and American Legion.

Organizers hope to turn the event into Grand View's biggest summer celebration ever, so they've scheduled entertainment diverse as quilt shows, history exhibits, a parade, bands, kids games, softball tournament, bingo and even bed races.

"It sure sounds like a lot of fun," says Debbie Long, parade chairman and Chamber member.

50 years ago

July 9, 1970

23 members of the HHS '60 class attend 10-Year reunion here

Twenty-three members of a class of 36 graduates of Homedale High School in 1960 attended the 10-year reunion held June 25-26 in Homedale. It was the second gathering of the group, with the last reunion held five years ago.

Members of the class of 1960 attending were: John Uranga of Nampa; Vicki Chandler Anderson of Homedale; Vivian Marble Gottsch of Grand View; Marcia Friedrichsmeier Dunn of Butte, Montana; Mary Ellen Buck Milne of North Highlands, Calif.; Janet Ross Leavitt of Caldwell; Shyla Thompson Smith of Boise; Doug Leslie of Tempe, Ariz.; Russell Hibbs of Gooding; Gale Anderson Ratcliffe of New Meadows; Sharon Hinton Taggart of Homedale; Rosemary Jesenko Hibbs of Boise; Wanda Friel Waite of Newark, Calif.; Lucy Vanderhoff Thompson of Seattle, Wash; Janice Matteson Howell of Salem, Ore.; Dennis Brandon of Ione, Ore.; George Beck of Homedale; James Frank of Council; Larry Smith of Boise; Garry Spath of Caldwell; John Scherer of Caldwell; Jerry Pierce of Mountain View, Calif.; and Everett Conner of San Mateo, Calif.

A family picnic climaxed the two-day reunion on Sunday. It was held on the patio of the Washington grade school.

Darrell Brown serves with unit earning award

Sgt. Darrell W. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Brown of Marsing is a member of a unit that has earned the U.S. Air Force Outstanding Unit Awarded "V" device for valor.

The 366th Tactical Fighter Wing at Da Nang Air Base, Vietnam, was cited for exceptionally meritorious service from April 1, 1968, to July 31, 1969, for military operations against opposing Armed Forces in Southeast Asia. During this period, members of the 366th maintained a superior combat record while pioneering operational techniques that produced beneficial changes to the tactical air structure.

Sgt. Brown, a food service specialist in the 366th, will wear a distinctive service ribbon to mark his affiliation with the unit. He is a 1966 graduate of Marsing High School. His wife Connie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clovis C. Muston of Modesto, Calif.

Society plans 'Outpost Days' celebration July 19

MURPHY — Indian dancing, a sheriff's mounted posse and a barbecue dinner with locally grown corn-on-the-cob and beef will highlight the Owyhee County Historical Society's "Outpost Days" celebration July 19 at Murphy.

Paul B. Evans, a member of the society's governing board, said Tuesday the purpose of the day is to raise funds to purchase a larger museum building "to preserve the articles and information relative to Owyhee County, one of the largest counties in America."

The American Indian League — an organization of Indian inmates at the Idaho State penitentiary — will perform authentic Indian dances in full regalia at 2:30 and 4 p.m. July 19, Evans said.

He explained the Indian inmates meet weekly under supervision of Glen Jeffes, associate director for programs, and Counselor L. D. Smith. Purpose of the AIL is to arouse racial pride, create interest and to preserve Indian lore and traditions among Indians, Evans said.

145 years ago

July 10, 1875

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

FOURTH OF JULY.

The Fourth of July for 1875 has come and gone. At short notice the Silverites went to work and got up a celebration, which passed off to the satisfaction of all concerned and had the effect of attracting a large number of people from different parts of the surrounding country. On both Sunday and Monday, the town presented a holiday appearance, and the delegations that were here since Saturday from South Mountain, Fairview and elsewhere filled the hotels and made matters around town generally lively.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Silver City, Idaho July 10, 1875

We found the crickets a very serious nuisance in their late pilgrimage to this section, but the grasshoppers were evidently a more destructive and troublesome annoyance. We see it suggested that in order to get rid of the hoppers another season, it would be advisable to keep the prairie chickens and quails on hand to destroy them. Allowing to each chicken and quail a good fair appetite — that is to say, a fowl appetite — and give him nothing to subsist on but grasshoppers, and he would undoubtedly devour about fifteen or twenty of the insects in a day.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN NEWS.—

Our old friend and correspondent "Roustabout," comes to the front again and sends us the following notes:

Two flags floated on the breeze at South Mountain on the Fourth — one from Meyers & Co's store, and the other from that of C.H. Furrey.

From the summit of the mountain above town, the view in one of great grandeur. Mountains rising from the level of three Territories and two States are plainly in sight. Oregon and Nevada are the States; Washington, Utah and our own "gem of the mountains," the Territories. I can look Northeast and see the mountains around where "Yo Piense" dwells. Still away on beyond, a hundred miles or more, I can imagine the spot where "Il Pensersoso" is prospecting.

OWYHEE STOCKS.—

In the San Francisco Stock and Exchange Board yesterday afternoon there were 530 shares of South Chariot sold at 62½ cents; 450 Illinois Central, 4½; 245 Golden Chariot, 2½, 2 3/8; 60 War Eagle, 1, 1½; 60 Poorman, 6¼, 6; 190 Mahogany, 4½.

An old miner who has been absent from this camp for five years, and has in the meantime been in Virginia and other parts of the coast, declares there is no place like Silver. Pay is more prompt here and the prospects better than elsewhere.

"OLD MAN HILL," of the Owyhee AVALANCHE, can tell the people of Silver City, Idaho, that the "McGinley Family," theatrical artists, are en route to that place. They pay the printer, and that's a good recommendation.—*Lyon Co. Times.*

IMPROVEMENTS are still progressing in Silver City, and the sound of the hammer and saw is heard "from early morn till dewy eve."

RETURNING fishermen and fisherwomen look as though they had been badly worsted in a battle with mosquitoes.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense Corriente auction



It could only happen to a cowboy.

Thurman had established himself as a figure of some note in the Corriente Association. The association had developed over the years into a successful representative of livestock people dedicated to breeding and supplying roping steers. The Corriente breeders in the Northwest were gearing up for their big regional meeting in Prineville, Ore. Being a national officer, Thurman was asked to attend and was given dignitary status.

In preparation for the auction fundraiser to be held at the gala on the final night, members brought items to sell. Jim, a California Corriente man, brought a big painting. As he scanned the other auction items, he began to doubt the worthiness of his contribution. He asked Thurman's opinion.

Thurman looked at the tall 3 foot-by-2 foot drawing. It was framed with simple, yet sturdy 1x2 lathe. A large paint horse was bucking against a desert and mountain backdrop. With no criticism implied, it was obvious that anatomy had not been the artist's college major. 'Course that didn't make Picasso all bad either. Onboard the buckler sat a big-hatted, moustachioed cowboy, chaps flying, spurs flashing and a nose that cleaved the air like an icebreaker in Hudson Bay. The saddle and gear was intricately carved. The curled rattlesnake was detailed down to the papilla on his flickering tongue.

Thurman stood back ... overwhelmed, as Jim explained it had been drawn by an inmate at the state prison. "All done in ballpoint," offered Jim hopefully.

"Jim," said Thurman, "I'm no art critic, but it's beautiful. I'd love to have it myself, but I'll bet it'll top the sale!"

Jim beamed.

At the auction that night, things were sellin' wildly. A cassette brought \$180. A little statue brought \$350. Thurman was helping at the auction table. He personally carried Jim's picture to the front.

"Friends," he said, "This spectacular hand-done original drawing in ballpoint donated by Jim is gonna be the catch of the day. It's a treasure worthy of great museums, historic bar walls and unfinished tackrooms. Look at the detail, the contrast, the poetry in motion harkening back to our forefathers and their foremothers before them. It will be the purchase of a lifetime!"

The crowd looked at Thurman in a new light.

"Matter of fact," he continued, "I'm gonna start the bidding at \$125."

Jim was overcome. Admiration for Thurman swelled within him. He rose and walked to the front.

"Ladies and gentlemen, our friend Thurman has done so much for us and although there is no way we can properly repay him, I suggest we stop the bidding right here and let Thurman have it!"

A standing ovation followed. Thurman smiled like a sick dog and rapidly inventoried his airplane ticket home and the \$132 in his pocket.

(P.S. It cost him \$5 to package it for the plane ride home. He had coffee and a Twinkie and spent that night at the airport parking lot in his rent car. The picture now hangs on Thurman's wall as a reminder.)

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

Shawna Chadez, Marsing

Wearing masks Protecting neighbors is worth "inconvenient" precautions



The coronavirus spiked in Idaho recently. We added more coronavirus cases than in all of May. Owyhee County has tripled its cases in recent weeks.

I'm worried, but I think our county can turn this around. We need to keep the large summer events, as much as we will miss them, down. We also need to wear masks, social distance, and use hand sanitizer. This seems redundant, after all the advice from our coronavirus response team doctors, until you look around and see how many people aren't following these relatively simple guidelines.

Most stores and businesses in our communities are working hard at keeping us safe. Though I see many customers not bothering with facemasks, employees in our stores are doing a great job. They are masked, have sanitizer available, and remind us of social distancing with signs and floor markings. This is very comforting to me, being a senior citizen, and I appreciate it so much.

We all need to understand that the coronavirus doesn't care what Donald Trump and Mike Pence say or do, and whether we are Republicans or Democrats. This virus is on the move and will continue to do so until we slow it down or there is an available vaccine. They say more young people are becoming infected, and as the disease is incredibly contagious, this could translate

into more and more cases in older citizens and those with underlying conditions. I'm tired of hearing "my rights, my rights!" Everyone in our communities has the right to feel safe and comfortable in public around people. This has nothing to do with politics and ideology. It is a dangerous pandemic that can hurt and kill many people, even some young ones.

How hard is it to put on a mask when you're around people not in your family or immediate group of friends? Normally, for most routine errands you would not need it for more than an hour or so. Our business employees have to wear them for up to an eight-hour shift. It's not that inconvenient or difficult for us.

As our medical communities are learning more and more about this deadly disease, they are coming to the conclusion that mask-wearing can be more beneficial than once thought. I've heard an estimate of 80 percent of the disease going away if everyone would wear a mask. You might say, well, they don't know for sure, but what have we got to lose if we all make an effort?

I have a husband with COPD and a grandson with asthma, and I fear greatly for them if they were to contract this disease. What we may have to gain is the lives of some of our community members.

Isn't that worth it for everyone?

— Shawna Chadez is a Marsing resident.

Letter to the editor

Cheerleader cherishes Homedale Lions' assistance

Dear Homedale Lions Club,

Thank you for contributing to my UCA (Universal Cheerleaders Association) trip to London, England. It was a pleasure to represent my family, friends, community, and nation.

Some of the things I was able to see was the Tower of London, The Eiffel Tower in Paris, France, and tour Windsor Castle.

It was great fun being able to dance along side 708 other teenagers from all over the United States.

Thank you again for your generosity.

Gracie Rotter
HHS cheerleader

From Washington

We must support Idaho farmers during these unpredictable times

Farming is not famed for its predictability. Every season, farmers and ranchers brace for the unknown: unforeseeable weather, difficult growing conditions, volatile markets, and a multitude of other challenges that can deliver a windfall harvest, or 12 hard months of barely scraping by. But even when accounting for the unpredictability that naturally accompanies growing crops, milking cows, and raising cattle, Idaho farmers and ranchers today face a level of market disruption that has not been seen in living memory.

Here in Idaho, the long-term impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic continue to reverberate

U.S. Sen. Jim Risch
Republican (term expires 2020)

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Commentary

Financial management

Don't name ex as life insurance beneficiary; make a trust

Dear Dave,
Last year, I got a divorce. I'm 32, a teacher and a single mom. I'm on Baby Step 2 right now, and I was wondering about life insurance. My son is only 2, and if something happened to me, he would go to his father. His dad is in good shape financially and responsible with money, so how much life insurance should I have?
— **Christian**

Dear Christian,
Well, you probably don't need the full 10 to 12 times your income like I recommend for most people. The only dependent you have is also dependent upon his dad. And from what you said, his father seems perfectly able to take care of him.
I'd get a good term life policy equal to the amount that you'd

like to supplement your son's care. The good news is you can get a couple hundred thousand in life insurance at your age for practically nothing.
If you get life insurance, make sure his dad is not the beneficiary. The beneficiary should be a family trust, formed upon your death, and the money would go into that trust for the benefit of your child. *You* set the terms of the trust. It should not be controlled by your ex. In a divorce situation, I would never name someone I'm not willing to be married to the trustee of my money on behalf of my child.
I'm so glad you're thinking about these things, Christian. It shows you're an intentional lady, a fine mom, and a good planner. Those traits will serve you and your son well!
— **Dave**



DAVE Says
by Dave Ramsey • www.davesays.org

Dear Dave,
I just received a formal job offer in law enforcement. I'm debt-free, single, and I'd like to move out of a roommate situation and into my own apartment. I'll be starting out at \$34,000 a year, then moving

up to \$38,000 after my probationary period. You have a rule that says to make sure rent or house payments are 25 percent or less of your take-home pay. If I can find a place where utilities are included, do they figure into that amount?
— **Josh**
Dear Josh,

It's really more of a guideline than a rule. The point of not letting your housing cost eat up more than 25 percent of your take-home pay is to make sure you have money left over for other important things. It's hard to save and invest for the future when a huge chunk of your money is eaten up by rent or a mortgage payment each month. But no, utilities are not part of the one-fourth of your take-home pay guideline.

At this point, it doesn't sound like you need anything fancy. Try to find a safe, quiet place to call home — somewhere you can relax and decompress when you're off duty. And thanks for entering law enforcement. A lot of folks are leaving your line of work, and we need good men and women in that profession right now.
— **Dave**
— *Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 16 million listeners each week on 600 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.*

✓ Farmers: Local farmers have stepped up to help during pandemic

From Page 16
throughout farming communities. During a season that should have been characterized by favorable weather and high yields, Idaho's farmers and ranchers instead watched helplessly from the sidelines as restaurants shuttered, supply chains buckled, and their successful harvests were suddenly left with no place to go. But even amid this crisis, we have seen inspiring acts of kindness from farmers and ranchers across the state.
Rather than watch their crops rot in storage, many of Idaho's farmers decided to instead give their harvests away for free, inviting in the community to come by their farms and take what they could carry. Idaho dairies continue to send milk to those in need through the Curds + Kindness program — including a stop in Marsing last month — and ag producers throughout the state have donated their crops to food banks, shelters, and at-risk communities.
This is what our farmers and ranchers dedicate their

lives to: producing something that helps, sustains, and nourishes people. But family farms cannot survive on goodwill alone. Just as they keep American families fed, they too need to feed their families, pay their employees, and stay solvent to see another season.
Since the beginning of the COVID-19 outbreak, I have worked with all of the Idaho delegation and Department of Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue to address our farmers' and ranchers' needs. Secretary Perdue has led the USDA in purchasing surplus crops, finding new pathways for products to get to those in need, and instituted the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program. This assistance is critical to helping farmers survive this storm, but our agricultural economy will only survive with the strong support of our communities.
The very best way people can show their support for Idaho's agricultural producers is by gratefully and graciously enjoying the fruits of their labor. The next time you visit the grocery store, pick up some Idaho potatoes or milk from Idaho's dairy cows.

Grill a steak from cattle raised in the Gem State's wide-open spaces and pair it with peas and lentils cultivated in the Palouse. Everything that you do helps, and Idaho's farmers and ranchers thank you for helping them weather a season of life that has been unlike any other.
As we work to safely reopen our economy, never underestimate the importance of farmers in America. Farmers don't take holidays, they don't take weekends, and they don't take breaks during the most unprecedented global pandemic in living memory. Idaho's farmers and ranchers have dedicated their lives to feeding our families — no matter the challenges — and for that we are grateful.
— *Republican Jim Risch is nearing the end of his second six-year term as Idaho's junior U.S. senator, and he is running for re-election. Prior to his time in the Senate, he served as Idaho's governor and lieutenant governor and was a state legislator.*

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Public notices

NOTICE OF PENDING ISSUE OF TAX DEED
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, AS FOLLOWS: That a delinquent entry was entered as of January 1, 2014, in the records of the County Treasurer as Tax Collector of Owyhee County, State of Idaho, for the following properties:
Parcel RPB0380006003A
Belle Bond
c/o Mary Bond
123 Patton St
Marsing, ID 83639
Property known as Lots 3&4, Block 6 Pattons Subdivision, 3 2N 4W, or more commonly known as 123 Patton St, City of Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho
Tax: \$51.98
Late Charge: \$1.05
Interest: \$41.37
Costs: \$125.00**
TOTAL \$219.40
**Pursuant to Idaho Code §63-1005 (3), amounts will increase as additional cost and fees in the tax deed process are added.
YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, that if said delinquent entry is not redeemed on or before August 3, 2020, by payment of said unpaid taxes together with late charge, interest and all unpaid costs and expenses up to the date of said payment at my office as Tax Collector, Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, ID, I shall thereupon, as required by law, make application to the Board of County Commissioners of Owyhee County, State of Idaho, for a hearing to be held on August 10, 2020, or as soon thereafter as said application can be heard at the **Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, Idaho**, for tax deed conveying the above described property to **OWYHEE COUNTY**, State of Idaho, absolute title, free of all encumbrances, except any lien for taxes which may have attached subsequently to the assessment hereinafter referred to. **YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED**, that the record owner or owners or any party of interest as defined by §63-1005, Idaho Code, may appear in person or by counsel, and if appearing, shall have adequate opportunity to be heard for the purpose of protesting the procedures used in taking this tax deed. **NO OTHER TYPE OF PROTEST WILL BE HEARD. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED**, that inquiries and objections concerning this notice of the information contained therein shall be directed to the **OWYHEE COUNTY TREASURER** at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650; or by calling (208) 495-1158 no later than five (5) working days before the hearing date. 7/8, 7/15, 7/22, 7/29.
Dated this 30th day of June, 2020
Annette Dygert
COUNTY TREASURER
and EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO
07/08,15,22,29/2020

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Please be advised that a public hearing will be held before the Homedale City Council on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at 6:00 pm at Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave. Homedale, Idaho.
The subject matter of this hearing is the proposed rate increases for the Homedale Municipal Airport.
Current hangar lease rates are

\$0.05 per square foot. Proposed rate is \$0.10 per square foot.
Current nightly tie down rate is \$2.00. Proposed rate is \$5.00 per night.
Current monthly tie down rate is \$10.00. Proposed rate is \$15.00 for Homedale City Citizens and \$30.00 for non-Homedale City citizens.
The public is invited to attend and offer input.
Alice E. Pegram
City Clerk
City of Homedale
07/15,22/2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
CASE NO. CV37-20-00200
In the Matter of the Estate of: MARVIN EUGENE CHANNER, SR. and ELSIE CALL CHANNER, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.
Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated and filed with the Clerk of the Court.
DATED: 06/29/20
Personal Representative
c/o Samuel F. Parry
GIVENS PURSLEY LLP
601 W. Bannock St.
Boise, Idaho 83702
07/08,15,22/2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
CASE NO. CV37-20-00195
In the Matter of the Estates of JUSTIN GEORGE SMITH, JR. and CAROLINE LEHN SMITH, Deceased Persons.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estates. All persons having claims against the said decedents are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be both filed with the Court and presented to the Personal Representative of the estates at the law office of DAVID E. KERRICK, 213 S. 10th Avenue, (Post Office Box 44) Caldwell, Idaho 83605.
DATED this 22 day of June, 2020.
s:/Pamela Elaine Smith
Personal Representative
07/01,08,15/2020

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
CASE NO. CV37-20-00183
In the Matter of the Estates of PATRICK HENRY STANFORD, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ada Stanford has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four

NOTICE OF FEE INCREASE HEARING
MARSING JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #363
OWYHEE AND CANYON COUNTIES, IDAHO
July 15, 2020 at 7:00 pm
District Board Room "The Hub"
205 8th Ave. W. Hwy 78, Marsing

The Marsing Joint School District No.363, Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho, has proposed to increase the fees listed below effective July 15, 2020, for the 2020-21 school year. The proposed fee increases are outlined in the following schedule:

Lunch Price Increases: (due to Federal Guideline)	Current Price	Proposed Price	Percent Increase
Elementary Students	\$2.00	\$2.00	0%
Middle School Students	\$2.25	\$2.75	22%
High School Students	\$2.50	\$2.75	10%
Adult Lunches	\$4.00	\$4.00	0%
Middle School Activity Card:	\$30.00	\$31.80	6% (tax now included)
Secondary Yearbook:	\$20.00	\$21.20	6% (tax now included)

All citizens are invited to attend a public hearing on the increased fee request. The Hearing will be held on July 15, 2020, at 7:00 pm at the District Board Room "The Hub" located at 205 8th Ave. West, Hwy 78, Marsing, Idaho 83639.

Linda Troyer, Clerk
Marsing Joint School District #363
Owyhee & Canyon Counties, Idaho

Posted: Friday, June 25, 2020
07/01,08/2020

months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the Personal Representative of the estate at the law offices of David L. Whitney, P.A., P.O. Box 26, Caldwell, Canyon County, Idaho, 83606-0026, and filed with the Court.
Dated this 12th day of June, 2020.
S:/Robert J. Tunison
Attorney for Personal Representative
06/24,07/01,08/2020
PUBLIC NOTICE

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho:
57-12011
MICHAEL B IHLI
LINDA M IHLI
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KUNA, ID 83634-2313
Point of Diversion NWNSE S13 T04S R01E OWYHEE County Source CASTLE CREEK Tributary SNAKE RIVER
Use: WILDLIFE STORAGE 11/16 to 02/28 260 AF
Use: DIVERSION TO STORAGE 11/16 to 02/28 2 CFS
Total Diversion: 2 CFS, 260 AF
Date Filed: 12-18-2019
Place Of Use: WILDLIFE STORAGE
T04S R01E S1 NWSE, SWSE
T04S R01E S12 NESE, NWNE, NWSE, SWNE, SWSE, SESE
T04S R01E S13 NENE, NWNE
This application proposes to appropriate trust water and will be evaluated in compliance with Section 42-203C, Idaho Code, and IDWR's Water Appropriation Rules, IDAPA 37.03.08.
57-12015

JEFFERY STODDARD
WALLENE STODDARD
5592 PASCO RD
MARSING, ID 83639-8162
Point of Diversion SESW S17 T02N R04W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER
Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 to 12/31 0.02 CFS
Use: DOMESTIC 01/01 to 12/31 0.06 CFS
Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to 11/15 0.11 CFS
Total Diversion: 0.19 CFS
Date Filed: 06-23-2020
Place Of Use: DOMESTIC, IRRIGATION, STOCKWATER
T02N R04W S17 SESW
Total Acres: 3.5
Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property location, contact the Western office at (208) 334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s), please see https://idwr.idaho.gov/apps/ExtSearch/WRAApplicationResults/. Protests

may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 W AIRPORT WAY, BOISE ID 83705-5082 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 7/20/2020. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.
GARY SPACKMAN, Director
07/01,08/2020

NOTICE
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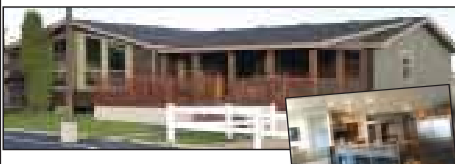


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Country market starting in Marsing

A twice-monthly farmers market-type event is coming to Marsing.

The Snake River Country Market will be held on the first and third Saturday of the month at the The Spot pavilion, 12 Sandbar Ave.

Vendors are welcome to contact organizer Andi Hansen at (208) 989-2273 or countrygirlandi@gmail.com.

The booth fee is \$25 per market, and Hansen said the market will not take a percentage of sales at the end of the day.

The market debuts on Saturday, July 18 and will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., each day of operation.

According to a flyer Hansen provided, shoppers will be able to browse items such as fruits, vegetables, chicken, beef, eggs, raw milk, baked good — including homemade bread — candles, flowers and more merchandise from local businesses.

Attractions include face-painting.



Fencers bring experience to Homedale
Homedale residents Curtis and Destiny Batho of Treasure Valley Fence Panels have been fulfilling customers' fencing needs for more than two years, but their store has been open just two weeks in Homedale. The company sells fence supplies, including pre-built panels, lumber, tools, and hardware. Delivery of materials is also available. The store is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, and can serve the public on Saturday with an appointment. TVFP is located at 31 W. Idaho Ave., in Homedale, and can be reached at (208) 337-1484.

Commissioners back BLM Owyhee office recognition idea

The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners signed a letter during its June 29 meeting supporting the nomination of the Bureau of Land Management's Owyhee Field Office Collaborative Planning team for Rangeland Stewardship recognition.

The award is given annually to recognize an individual's or group's "commitment to the stewardship of public rangelands and sagebrush steppes under BLM management."

The Garfield County Conservation District in Montana earned the 2019 distinction.

In the letter addressed to BLM Idaho State Director John Ruhs and signed by BOCC chair Jerry Hoagland (Dist. 1), Kelly Aberasturi (Dist. 2) and Joe Merrick (Dist. 3), the board supports processes in place.

"We have been in support of the process of using permittee-supplied targeted grazing for fire mitigation since the concept was proposed after the devastating Soda Fire," the letter reads.

The board wrote that they support the current method that allows grazing operators to adapt the process to what works best for their operation, and that it is a prime example of how cooperative management between BLM and operators pays benefits for both entities.

"We applaud your managers and staff for their innovation in developing this process and for their flexibility in adapting their management approach over the years," the letter reads.

Donn Christiansen is the Owyhee Field Office manager.

Sheriff's office rehires two recent employees

In an effort to comply with Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho (PERSI) regulations, the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office has continued its policy of rehiring former staff on part-time bases.

According to PERSI policy, someone who is receiving PERSI retirement payments must work less than 20 hours per week and for no more than five consecutive months to remain eligible for that compensation.

Greg Bishop has returned as OCSO patrol supervisor, effective June 29, at a pay rate of \$25 per hour.

Bishop is a retired Nampa Police lieutenant and has worked for OCSO on a part-time basis since 2018.

Also returning is Pat McCormack, who was rehired as courthouse security supervisor at \$19.53 per hour.

According to Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant, McCormack has worked with OCSO for about 10 years and another 10 with the county road and bridge district.

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