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New health level means masks off at Marsing DMV

COVID-19 rate down for fifth straight week

Customers making appointments at the Marsing Division of Motor Vehicles office no longer have to wear masks now that the county has fallen into the yellow health alert zone.

The Southwest District Health updated Owyhee County's COVID-19 health alert level last Wednesday. The county had spent two weeks in the orange zone.

The next step — gray level — won't be possible for at least another week.

According to a Friday press release confirming that the county's alert level became yellow two days earlier,

SWDH reported Owyhee County's daily incidence rate at 1.21 daily cases per 10,000 people.

Meanwhile, on Monday night, the state's website, www.coronavirus.idaho.gov, reported a seven-day moving incidence rate of .24 people per 10,000 — well below the number Southwest District Health reported. That number

would put Owyhee County in the gray category already.

Owyhee County's incidence rate has been on the decline for five consecutive weeks.

Cluster outbreaks attributed to household and workplace exposure

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Clerk begins prep for election

Owyhee County's first mail-in absentee ballots went in the mail Friday.

Late last week, County Clerk Angie Barkell said that more than 1,580 citizens have requested to vote by mail for the Nov. 3 election.

At this point, deputies in the clerk's office will be mailing more than 2,000 mail-in ballots when the 500 that traditionally go out to mail-only precincts Pleasant Valley, Three Creek and Riddle are included.

— See *Election*, page 10A



Marsing royalty honored before football game

The Marsing High School Homecoming Court members were announced prior to the varsity football game on Friday. King Isai Arriaga and Queen Karla Salazar (middle) are flanked by (at left) Prince Jonathan Ineck, Princess Lexi Loucks, and (at right) Duke Gene Showalter; and Duchess Llee Loucks. **More photos, Page 12A and Page 12B**

USDA RD chief to speak to ranchers in Homedale

The same amount of activity will be crammed into a shorter timeframe when the Owyhee Cattlemen's summer meeting finally unfolds Saturday.

The ranchers' 142nd annual meeting was rescheduled from July in Silver City because of COVID-19 concerns.

Registration for the meeting will take place at 12:30 p.m., on Saturday, and president Paul Nettleton will call the meeting to order at 1 p.m., inside the Owyhee County Community Center at the county fair-

grounds in Homedale.

Layne Bangerter, a man familiar to Owyhee ranchers for his years as Sen. Mike Crapo's natural resources director, will serve as keynote speaker. A Melba resident, Bangerter serves in



Layne Bangerter

— See *Ranchers*, page 2A

County commissioners near regulations for RV residency

Ordinance would outlaw most permanent occupancy

The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners will hold the third public hearing to address a proposed ordinance that outlines regulations regarding living in RVs and provides a process for temporary use.

The hearing will be held at 10:30 a.m., on Monday, Oct. 5, in the Courtroom 2 of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, in Murphy.

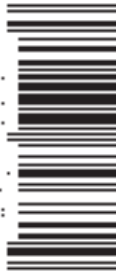
The meeting is open to citizens interested in having their voices heard on the subject.

Since the BOCC is holding the public hearing on the proposed ordinance, there could still be changes from what is currently in the draft.

The drafting of the ordinance was precipitated by a rise in the number of people who were using temporary living quarters on a permanent or semi-permanent basis, and a need to control those circumstances, according to Owyhee County Community Development administrator Mary Huff.

"The county has seen a big increase in the use of RVs for temporary and permanent living space, which did prompt many calls and

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Jordan Valley Lions near community center goal

Anonymous donor will provide match if \$50,000 is raised

by Abby Green
JVHS senior

The Jordan Valley Lions Club has been working diligently this summer to serve its community.

During the summer, the Lions received two grants to help the community through COVID-19 — one from Northwest Farm Credit Services and the other from the Emergency Food and Shelter Program.

The Lions coordinated with NWFCS to provide a free weekly grocery delivery service to Jordan Valley residents.

The EFSP grant allowed the Lions to purchase fresh produce from the Lakeview Fruit stand in Caldwell to supplement the Jordan Valley community. Food vouchers for local businesses were also purchased. This program will continue through the fall.

This summer, the Lions

had a “Cowboy Way of life” raffle. Lions Club member Rene Maestrejuan organized the fundraiser, which earned \$4,025 for the town’s community center construction fund.

Lions Club members sold tickets during the summer. Raffle items were crafted and donated by local artists.

- Jena Grenke made a headstall, which Wendy Pugh won.

- Rick Maestrejuan also made a headstall, which Terry Fretwell won.

- John Stoddart crafted a rawhide riata, which Marcia Eiguren won.

- Leon Gage made spur straps, which Sheri Rogers won.

The winning tickets were drawn Sept. 7 at the Jordan Valley Rope ‘n’ Ride.

The Lions are currently planning various fundraisers that fit within the COVID-19



Terry Fretwell of Jordan Valley was a winner in the Jordan Valley Lions Club’s “Cowboy Way of Life” raffle. Submitted photo

guidelines. The Lions’ goal is to make \$50,000 towards the construction of a new community center. The Lions are \$5,250 short of that goal, which will trigger a matching amount from a private, anonymous donor.

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✓ Ranchers: Shortened meeting planned

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the Trump administration as the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development Idaho state director.

Two families that have left their mark on the local industry will be recognized.

Honorary Life Member Awards will be presented to Connie and Richard Brandau of Wilson and Ava Stanford and her late husband, Pat, of Jordan Valley. Pat Stanford passed away in February.

Nettleton said the OCA

heifer replacement program recipients will have time to update members on their projects, and new participants will be introduced. Member ranchers sponsor animals for the youth to raise and breed and show at the Owyhee County Fair over a three-year period.

Scheduled events include:

- The traditional membership silver bit drawing
- A report from the Idaho Department of Water Resources
- Updates from the Bureau of Land Management, although

it’s uncertain if COVID-19 concerns will keep officials away, Nettleton said.

- A deck o’cards raffle
- Various reports and updates, including one from Idaho Cattle Association president Dawn Anderson and executive director Cameron Mulrony

- Updates from elected officials are on the agenda

Event sponsors include:

- **Snaffle bit** — Commercial Tire

- **Social hour** — Northwest Farm Credit Services, Thomas Cattle Co., and Seth and Logan Thomas

- **Bridle** — Miller Livestock Solutions and CowBos

- **Deck o’cards raffle** — Ken’s Tent and Canvas and Oregon Trail Livestock

- **Water/pop** — Agri-Lines

Nettleton said previously that the community center will provide enough space for social distancing. Each individual attendee can make a choice on whether to mask up or not, he said.

Two new OCA directors will be added, and Nettleton will pass the president’s gavel to Scott Bunderson.

Nettleton said the board has met only once since the annual meeting was postponed, “but we’ve been emailing back and forth and trying to keep things going.”

A social hour will be held after the meeting concludes.

— JPB



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Assessor: DMV appointments reduce lines, defuse tempers

Fewer complaints from Marsing office neighbors

Two of the county's three Division of Motor Vehicles offices continue to accept customers by appointment only. But on Friday, Dist. 3 Owyhee County Commissioner Joe Merrick said service at the branch inside Grand View City Hall is first-come, first-serve. The Grand View DMV is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., each Wednesday. Merrick said he visited the branch recently one morning and found that a couple from Givens had traveled to Grand View to do their DMV business rather than book an appointment at the Reich Street

office in Marsing. County Assessor Toni Gruenwald acknowledged that the Grand View office is quite popular. "Lesli (Hinton) is working down there every Wednesday, and she has been literally swamped," Gruenwald said. The city hall DMV desk was reopened more than two months after the Grand View City Council had asked the county to leave. DMV services will be available once a week at City Hall until the county completes construction of its own satellite office across Boise Avenue from the Grand View's municipal building. While citizens don't need appointments in Grand View, the by-appointment-only policy Gruenwald instituted as a COVID-19 precaution contin-

ues at the Marsing and Murphy DMV offices. Budget cuts forced Gruenwald to lay off one Marsing's four clerks, but she said the appointment policy has lessened the burden on the rest of the staff. "It also helped the DMV immensely. Instead of having approximately 60 to 70 people in line with tempers flaring, people now show up at their appointed time and get waited on," Gruenwald said. She also said the appointment policy has helped make the county DMV a better neighbor. "Also the parking around the DMV office in Marsing had the neighbors pretty upset," Gruenwald said. "Driveways were being blocked, and the businesses around there were having their parking lots jammed

with DMV customers." Gruenwald said she doesn't see an end date for the appointment policy. There are approximately 50 appointments booked each day in Marsing and half that many daily in Murphy, the assessor said. Hinton, who is the county DMV supervisor, and Marsing branch supervisor Elaine Black determined the spacing of the appointments based on their experience of how long a particular piece of DMV business takes, Gruenwald said. Gruenwald reminded folks that the policy is strict, and that they should visit www.owyheecounty.net to make an appointment before visiting the branches. The appointment portal is located in the "Assessor" section under the "Departments" tab found on

the homepage. "People keep showing up without an appointment," she said. "If someone cancels, we will help them. If not, they will not be waited on." While appointments remain as a public health precaution, face masks are no longer required at the Marsing office. The restriction was lifted before the start of business on Monday, according to a message on the county's DMV webpage. The county's DMV webpage also cautions customers to not make appointments for vehicle title business on Oct. 8 or Oct. 19 because the Idaho Transportation Department is undertaking a software conversion project. Vehicle registration and other business can still be conducted on those days. — JPB

Homedale church plans sale

A church rummage sale will be held Saturday in Homedale. Organizers from the Homedale First Presbyterian Church will serve free hot dogs as part of the sale. The rummage sale will start

at 9 a.m. and last until at least 2 p.m., at the church, 320 N. 6th St. W. Sale items will include clothing, collectibles, knick-knacks, tools, kitchen items and many miscellaneous articles.

Donations of sale items are welcome. Call church pastor Rev. Heidi Smith-Takatori at (208) 303-7414. Proceeds from the rummage sale are going into a facility improvement fund.

✓ Level: County now yellow

From Page 1A (collectively defined as "essential" gatherings) also are decreasing, SWDH said. Although the county has fallen into the yellow zone, SWDH still recommends wearing masks when social distancing isn't possible.

Social distancing recommendations remains one person per 64 square feet (an 8-foot-by-8-foot box). Masks are still required inside county courthouses in Murphy and Homedale by order of the Idaho State Supreme Court.

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Bingo’s back in Marsing next month as Lions fundraiser

The Marsing Lions Club bingo nights are coming back.

Club member Herb Churruca said last Wednesday that the club has received enough inquiries about the return of the fundraisers, which usually start each October, that a modified plan has been put in place.

The first bingo night will take place on Saturday, Oct. 3 at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center. The early bird game is played at 6:45 p.m., and the regular games begin at 7 p.m.

Churruca said the club will institute social distancing measures, so tables will be spaced apart and the number of players allowed in the building will be limited.

Masks will be optional, he said.

The Lions Club was forced to cancel the final bingo night of the 2019-20 season in April when the state’s COVID-19 stay-at-home order was released.

Now, Owyhee County’s seven-day rolling remains consistently under 1.0, settling at .24 cases per 10,000 people as of Sunday night. That is one of the criteria that would put the county in Southwest District Health’s gray health alert level. In the gray zone, there are no recommendations for mitigation measures such as face coverings or social distancing. The county is next eligible for a new health level on Oct. 6.

Each bingo night starts with the selection of a hot number, and if someone bingos on that number, they win the progressive pot. The hot

number pot rolls over each month until a winner is found, or the entire pot is folded into the stakes available during the final bingo of the year.

Bingo costs include:

- \$1 per sheet for the early bird game
- \$1 for entry into the hot number contest
- \$15 for the first card of the regular series of games
- \$5 for a second regular series card

The club will have refreshments for sale, and free popcorn will be provided.

Proceeds for the first bingo night of the 2020-21 season will benefit the Lions Club’s community service fund, which helps the organization put on the Easter egg hunt and the Third of July barbecue as well as fund the eyesight program.

Marsing caregiver sentenced for fraud

A Marsing woman must serve probation and community service for defrauding a person in her care.

Miche Nielsen was sentenced on Sept. 11 before Third District Judge Thomas W. Whitney.

Nielsen received punishment for using a financial card to make fraudulent purchases, a felony.

Whitney ordered the woman to pay more than \$5,200 in court fees, which includes a restitution penalty, and serve 90 days in jail.

Nielsen also must complete three years of felony probation and 100 hours of community service as well as pay a \$1,000 fine.

The judge withheld judg-

ment, which means Nielsen can petition the court to expunge the conviction from her record once she completes her sentencing requirements.

As part of a plea bargain, Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Jeffrey Phillips dropped misdemeanor charges of fraudulently obtaining goods or services and exploitation of a vulnerable adult.

Nielsen, who was the victim’s caregiver, was arrested on March 28 after sheriff’s investigators uncovered 181 unauthorized transactions over the course of several months. Fuel, alcohol, tobacco and household items were purchased as well as one healthcare service and a hotel stay.

Corrections

Marsing Council member Rachael Percifield voted against the ordinance amendment to allow roosters within the city limits through the conditional use permit process. An article in the Sept. 16 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche about the city code change incorrectly reported a unanimous vote.

Eric Davis, this year’s Bruneau Round-Up grand marshal graduated from Mountain Home High School in 1971, two years after the final graduating class in Bruneau. An article in last week’s edition also incorrectly stated Eric was Don Davis’ uncle. Don Davis, of course, was the brother of Eric’s father Gene Davis, making Eric nephew to Don.



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More work needed on county’s Grand View satellite

Utilities in place, ADA aspects coming

Several construction details remain before Owyhee County can open its own Division of Motor Vehicles branch in Grand View.

Dist. 3 County Commissioner Joe Merrick said Friday that the building is on a foundation and has water and sewer lines in place, but much more work is required.

There’s no timeline when the government satellite office, which is across Boise Avenue from Grand View City Hall, will be open to the public.

In the meantime, folks can

still get their DMV business done at City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., each Wednesday. County assessor’s office employee Lesli Hinton has manned the DMV counter inside City Hall once a week since late August. At that time, city officials reserved an earlier decision to jettison the county services and asked that DMV return on an interim basis until the county building is ready.

In addition to DMV services, the building will provide space for a sheriff’s substation and will serve probation office needs, too, Merrick said.

Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades are needed, including a ramp heading to the entrance and an ADA-

compliant restroom inside. Merrick said engineer-stamped plans for the ADA upgrades were received two weeks ago, setting the stage for that work.

The building plan calls for a partition wall inside the 24-foot-by-36-foot structure, and Merrick said some energy efficiency issues will be hammered out with dual unit heat pumps for the heating, ventilation and air conditioning system, replacing old aluminum windows and installing insulation.

New lighting and new flooring also is planned as well as exterior siding.

“It’s a very sound building, but we just need some cosmetic work done,” Merrick said.

The county began seeking bids on the remodel project this week. The contract will be awarded no later than Oct. 19.

The county received a building permit during the Grand View City Council’s June 10 meeting, at which time — according to meeting minutes — Councilman John Morrison stated that the city would lose \$125 in monthly rental revenue because of the county moving out of city hall.

Morrison also pointed out that the county would spend at least \$400 each month for its own building. He said that the additional costs to be borne by taxpayers were a concern.

The council approved the

building permit, 3-1. Morrison cast a dissenting vote.

Later in the same meeting during public comment, resident and former councilperson Marie Hipwell said the separate DMV building was not necessary and asserted that a lot of community members were upset about the waste of money.

“If everyone could have behaved like adults instead of children then the new building and additional costs could have been avoided,” the city’s official minutes attributed to Hipwell.

Hipwell also pointed out that no citizen input was gathered before the decision was made.

— JPB

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✓RV: Temporary exceptions, with permits, would be allowed under code

complaints from concerned citizens,” she said.

The ordinance addresses, through zoning provisions:

- regulation of recreation vehicles,
- reasonable accommodation for use as temporary living or sleeping purposes, as well as discouraging the permanent use of RVs for those purposes,
- and providing for citation and penalty for violation of the ordinance.

If the proposal becomes an ordinance, violators will incur a fine of \$50 for first offense, \$200 for a second offense within three years, and \$1,000 for a third offense within three years.

A third offense would be a misdemeanor and could include jail time of no more than 90 days.

The proposed ordinance would make it unlawful to park or place any RV actively in use as sleeping or living accommodations within the county for any period of time, unless the vehicle is in an RV park.

RVs used for storage purposes are not regulated by the ordinance.

Exceptions to the provision include:

- Use of an RV for temporary housing after acquiring a building permit while a permanent residence is being constructed is allowed for 180 days with one extension of another 180 days allowed.
- Once every three years a temporary permit may be procured for major remodel project to a permanent dwelling. The permit would be good for no more than 180 days, and RV residency would be allowed for that time period.
- A temporary hardship permit can be given for no more than 180 days. This benefits a person who is ill, injured, disabled, or has other medical issues that create a burden on the person or their family.
- RVs used for sleeping may be parked on private property containing a permanent residence for no longer than 21 days in a six-month period, but the RV owner must be the

occupant of the residence.

- RVs used for sleeping may be parked on private property that does not have a permanent residence for no more than 10 days in any six-month period.

Huff said the current fee for “administrative permits” is \$200.

The proposed ordinance defines an RV as any vehicular-type unit designed as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use.

Included in this definition are travel trailers, camping trailers, truck camper, fifth-wheels, and motor homes.

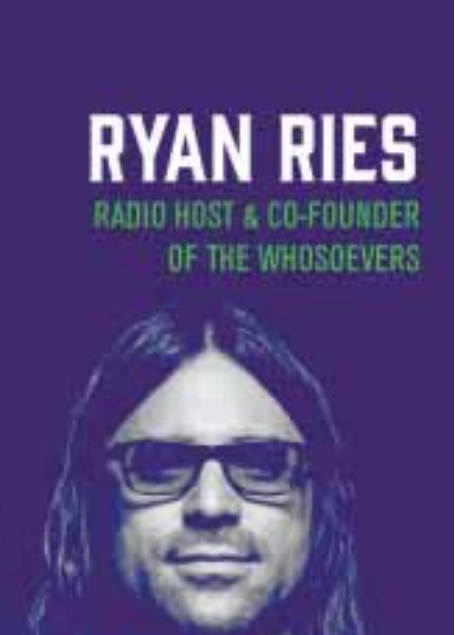
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Use fall to help protect pollinators in your garden

It is estimated that one out of every three bites of food you eat required a pollinator to get to your plate. Pollinators are animals or insects that visit flowers in search of nectar or pollen, transferring reproductive pollen in the process, making it possible for plants to make fruits and seeds. Without bees, butterflies, moths, birds, beetles or bats, many plants wouldn't be able to reproduce themselves, and we wouldn't enjoy favorite foods like blueberries, strawberries, almonds and even chocolate!



Ariel Agenbroad

Given the importance of pollinators, we should all be concerned about the challenges facing them in our modern world. Factors such as loss of habitat, disease, parasites and environmental contamination have put many pollinator species in decline or at risk. And that could mean that our food supply could eventually be at risk, too.

The good news is that we can all be part of the solution and help pollinators thrive by starting at home in our own gardens and landscapes. And fall is a good time of year to assess whether we are providing our pollinators with what they need to survive into the next year.

Use pollinator-friendly plants in your landscape and garden. A wide variety of sizes, shapes, colors, scents and blooms from spring until late autumn will attract the widest range of pollinating insects and birds. Bees prefer purple, yellow and bright white flowers like lavender, cherry or apple blossoms, currants, asters and sages. Butterflies

are often drawn to open-faced yellow flowers such as sunflowers, daisies, zinnias and coreopsis. Hummingbirds will swarm to trumpet-shaped red and orange flowers, including fuchsia, penstemon, trumpet vine, hyssop, red clover and red bee balm.

Improve habitat for pollinators by providing shelter (low growing plants, natural mulches, small piles of wood or brush), water sources, and protection from pesticides. Try to avoid using broad spectrum pesticides like carbaryl, malathion or permethrin around flowering plants. If you do need to use pesticides in the garden or landscape, use least toxic formulations and spray when pollinators are not as active, early in the morning or evening.

Consider building nest boxes for native bees, or if allowed in your neighborhood, consider keeping a hive or two of honeybees. Find out more about keeping bees in the Treasure Valley at <http://www.idabees.org/>.

You are probably doing many of these things already! If you'd like learn about the research into pollinator decline or do more to protect these valuable creatures, visit the North American Pollinator Protection website at <http://pollinator.org/nappc/index.html> and the Xerxes Society website at <http://www.xerxes.org/>.

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Calendar

Today

Idaho Foodbank drop-off

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

Grand View Elementary open house

5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Grand View Elementary School, 205 First St., Grand View. (208) 834-2775

Bruneau Elementary open house

5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Bruneau Elementary School, 28541 Benham Rd., Bruneau. (208) 845-2492

Thursday

Food bank drop off

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

Teens & Tweens

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

Friday

The Landing teen support group

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

Saturday

Church rummage sale

9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Homedale First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. Free hot dogs.

Car and bike show

9 a.m. to 3 p.m., register until noon, \$10, Bette Uda City Park, East Idaho Avenue, Homedale. (208) 412-2946 or ivarcmoore@gmail.com

Owyhee Cattlemen's Association Summer Meeting

12:30 p.m., registration, 1 p.m., meeting, 5 p.m., social hour, Owyhee County Community Center, 423 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale.

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.

Tuesday

Writing group

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

Wednesday

Christian Life Club

4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., non-denominational, kindergarteners through sixth-graders, First Presbyterian Church of Homedale, 320 N. 6th St. W, Homedale. (208) 880-7070 or (208) 337-3464

Thursday, Oct. 1

Teens & Tweens

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

Owyhee County Fair Board meeting

7 p.m., Owyhee County Community Center, 423 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3888

Friday, Oct. 2

Owyhee Conservation District board

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The Landing teen support group

6 p.m., Rising Light Farm Ministry, 5189 N. Old Bruneau Hwy, Marsing. Contact Iliana Bialy (208) 807-0680

Saturday, Oct. 3

HHS cornhole tournament

9 a.m., Owyhee County Community Center, 423 Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 697-8099

Marsing Lions Club bingo

6:45 p.m., early bird game, 7 p.m., regular series, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing

Sunday, Oct. 5

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.

Tuesday, Oct. 6

Writing group

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

Whosoevers public outreach

7:30 p.m., Homedale Calvary Fellowship, 711 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. www.homedalecalvary.org

Senior menu

Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar: *Not Available due to the Coronavirus

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Sept. 23: Tuna casserole, broccoli

Sept. 24: Pork roast, mashed potatoes w/gravy, Brussels sprouts

Sept. 29: Beef stroganoff, California blend veggies

Sept. 30: Hotdog on bun, chili & cheese, tater tots/fries, country trio veggies

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Submit information on upcoming fundraisers, meetings, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays

- Drop off: Avalanche office, 19 E. Idaho Ave.
- Mail: P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628
- Call (208) 337-4681

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Choice of milk and juice
Vegetable and Fruit choices will be offered daily
Sept. 23: **Breakfast:** Chocolate chip muffin **Lunch:** Spaghetti, garlic toast, green beans
Sept. 24: **Breakfast:** Bug bite grahams w/yogurt **Lunch:** Chicken tenders, steamed carrots
Sept. 28: **Breakfast:** Cereal bar **Lunch:** Crispito, corn
Sept. 29: **Breakfast:** Toast and sausage patty **Lunch:** Hot dog, macaroni & cheese, baby carrots
Sept. 30: **Breakfast:** Mini pancakes **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice, broccoli, fortune cookie

Homedale Middle

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt or string cheese
Cereal option and PB&J offered daily
Vegetable and Fruit choices will be offered daily
Sept. 23: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick **Lunch:** Spaghetti, garlic bread, green beans
Sept. 24: **Breakfast:** Apple breakfast bites **Lunch:** Crispito, corn
Sept. 28: **Breakfast:** Frudel **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, green beans
Sept. 29: **Breakfast:** Apple jammer **Lunch:** Pork chops, mashed potatoes w/gravy, hot roll
Sept. 30: **Breakfast:** Tornado **Lunch:** Pizza hot pocket, steamed carrots

Homedale High

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt, string cheese or hard-boiled egg
Vegetable and Fruit choices will be offered daily
Cereal option, grab ‘n’ go items each day
Sept. 23: **Breakfast:** Homedale breakfast burrito or filled cereal bar **Lunch:** Spicy chicken patty sandwich, hamburger/cheeseburger, potato wedges
Sept. 24: **Breakfast:** Donut or yogurt parfait **Lunch:** Beef taco or burrito w/corn, cookie
Sept. 28: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza or cinnamon pull apart **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets w/mozzarella bites or pizza hot pocket
Sept. 29: **Breakfast:** English muffin breakfast sandwich or cinnamon roll **Lunch:** Crispitos w/refried beans or deli sandwich w/chips
Sept. 30: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick or mini waffles **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken or pepperoni pizza ripper, cheesy breadstick

Marsing

Each meal includes choice of milk, fruit juice, fresh fruit & vegetables
Elementary School each day: Breakfast: Cereal option
Middle/High School each day: PB&J sandwich option
Cold Grab-n-go line: Wrap, sub sandwich, salad
Sept. 23: **Breakfast:** Apple breakfast bites, wg cereal, oranges **Lunch sides or alternatives: Classic Line:** Mac-n-cheese, green beans, wg snickerdoodle cookie
Sept. 24: **Breakfast:** Whole grain egg/cheese slider, yogurt, red grapes **Lunch sides or alternatives: Classic Line:** Cheeseburger, potato wedges
Sept. 28: **Breakfast:** Donut w/sprinkles, cereal, oranges **Lunch sides or alternatives: Classic Line:** Chicken sandwich, mixed veggie
Sept. 29: **Breakfast:** Sausage/egg/cheese tornado, yogurt, oranges **Lunch sides or alternatives: Classic Line:** Super nachos (elementary), refried beans
Sept. 30: **Breakfast:** Apple cinnamon Texas toast, wg cereal, banana **Lunch sides or alternatives: Classic Line:** Pepperoni calzone, green beans

Bruneau/Grand View

All meals: Milk and fruit offered daily
Jr.-Sr. high school: Pizza offered daily
Sept. 23: **Breakfast:** Pancakes & egg patty **Lunch:** Taco salad whole grain tortilla chips, refried beans
Sept. 24: **Breakfast:** Biscuit & jelly **Lunch:** Hamburger on a bun, potato wedges, broccoli, brownies
Sept. 28: **Breakfast:** Apple frudel **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets & ww roll, mashed potatoes & gravy, steamed broccoli
Sept. 29: **Breakfast:** Biscuit & gravy **Lunch:** Little smokies & ww roll, scalloped potatoes, green beans
Sept. 30: **Breakfast:** Waffle/hashbrown **Lunch:** Chili, coleslaw, applesauce, cinnamon roll

Obituary

Dallas Elmer Chaney

Dallas Elmer Chaney, longtime resident of Kuna, Idaho and Adrian, Oregon, passed away September 11, 2020 in the care of family in Wilder, Idaho at the age of 81.

Dallas was born on July 17, 1939 in Nyssa, Oregon to Horace F. Chaney and Eliza Angeline “Angie” Gifford Chaney as the sixth of eleven children He grew up on the family farm along the Snake River near Adrian where he fondly recalled summers he and his brothers spent riding the family’s range right in the Owyhees and bunking each night at their cattle camp near Succor Creek. Dallas graduated from Adrian High School in 1957 where he lettered in football and as manager of the baseball and basketball teams, was senior class president, and president of his FFA chapter.

In June 1957 Dallas married Ruth Evelyn Bishop. The two made a home on a farm nearby the Chaney family farm where they raised cattle, sheep, and pigs. Dallas especially enjoyed his time as a 4-H leader helping the couple’s three children and others with their livestock projects. While still working on the farm, Dallas auctioneered for area livestock auctions and later took a job with the J.R. Simplot Company where he worked for years as a supervisor in their potato plants in Caldwell and Hermiston, Oregon. Dallas and Ruth later divorced.

Dallas married Judith A. Teter in March 1980. In 1986 Dallas moved to Kuna, Idaho to work as farm manager for an area dairy. He enjoyed supporting his younger



children’s interest in music and livestock including substantial time supporting his youngest’s 4-H and FFA involvement. Dallas and Judith later divorced.

In January 2002 Dallas married Florence Shey Gibson. Beginning in 2002, Dallas served six years as president of the Idaho State Grange. Dallas and Florence had a wonderful time traveling the state and country fulfilling Dallas’ full-time responsibilities for the Grange. After retiring, Dallas became highly involved with the Kuna Senior Center. Dallas and Florence were deeply in love and modeled the kind of mutual doting, admiration, and romance to which all marriages should aspire. They dearly loved each other’s company, enjoyed life to the fullest, and became beloved fixtures in the lives of each other’s children and grandchildren. Florence passed away on April 30, 2020.

Dallas accepted Jesus one summer as a child when a broken arm caused by a runaway team of horses afforded him the chance to attend church camp instead of staying home to work

on the farm. He remarked that the words of “Amazing Grace” were personal to him, and he loved that the Savior would save him despite his imperfections. Dallas’ current whereabouts are not in doubt.

Dallas was preceded in death by his wife, his parents, a brother Robert, sisters Bernice, Helen, Peggy, and Rosalie, and grandson Justin. He is survived by his children Deanna (Kris) Pobanz of Ontario, OR, Judy (Brian) Byrne of Springfield, OR, Dan (Linda) Chaney of Eagle, ID, Harriet (Mike) Rotter of Wilder, ID, and Greg (Sarah) Chaney of Caldwell, ID; his brothers David (Teddy), Jim (Carol), and Sam (Julie), his sisters Shirley Jensen, Lynn (Pete) Graham; 25 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and Florence’s children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren — all of whom became family to Dallas and who he dearly loved.

A memorial service will be held on September 18, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. at Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Caldwell. For those unable to attend, services will be live streamed through Flahiff’s Facebook page.

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Great Open and Shut Country: The story of the 1950 Census in Owyhee County

Mildretta Adams' recollection of her job as a 1950 census taker, first imparted in "Owyhee Cattlemen 1878 to 1978: 100 Years in the Saddle," concludes. (Reprinted with permission)

When we came to the log cabin of Dennis Swisher on Jobe Creek, he wasn't home. But we ate lunch with him anyway.

Good sourdough biscuits and beans were on the menu. Later at the end of trail, we hit the jackpot. They were branding cattle at the Brace Ranch, and I rounded up the ranchers and hired hands in one bunch. The Indian buckaroos told me that they had been counted on the reservation. It was quite a day.

When I started out, I expected to run into difficulties, maybe get stuck in the mud a time or two and possibly a flat tire on a bad road. But luck was with me, and it was my privilege to come to others' rescue a couple of times.

One young woman had driven her pickup into some soft dirt in her yard and just kept digging deeper trying to get out. Her husband was away branding cattle at the neighbors, and she was anxious to get out before he came home. Fully understanding her predicament, we hitched on and pulled her out.



Reminiscing Owyhee memories

by
Mildretta
Adams

During a call back at the ranch of Steve Romeli, his hired man had just returned to the ranch from the hospital where he had been treated for a leg injury, after a serious car wreck. The young fellow had not been enumerated while he was "outside," so I hunted him up. He was saddling his horse in the barn. Using the feed box in the corner of the manger for a table I wrote his information. It was snowing and raining and his leg hurt, but he was going after the workhorses in the lower field.

Nearly an hour later on our way out, we found him inside the fence, near the main road almost fainting with pain. The creek bank had caved in with him and his horse, and plunged them into cold water, and hurt his leg again. My sister took him in the pickup back to the ranch house, and I rode his horse in for him. It

was still snowing, and I was glad there was a good heater in the pickup to dry me out for the rest of my day's journey.

Rock hunting is one of my hobbies, but I wasn't choosy about the rocks we piled in the back end of the pickup to hold it on the road on the last few days we were out.

Following the clues and leads from people "in the know," we journeyed through a blizzard to McDermitt, Nev., to get the "tail end" of Owyhee County. We arrived in McDermitt at 9 o'clock p.m. in a blizzard and engaged a room at the White Horse Inn. The manager crossed himself when we told him where we are going, and mumbled a prayer.

But the next morning, we found that again lady luck was with us and the job was finished in a hurry, without having to go over impassable roads. The five folks of Star



An illustration of the author closing a gate while working her way cross country to perform duties as a 1950 census enumerator.

Valley and the 45, the Neal Sheas, the Stanleys, and Frank Drummond had all been out the previous week on business. Realizing that it would be difficult for a census taker to make it out their way so early in the year, they gave the McDermitt enumerator the necessary information required.

The job was over and we could head for home.

— Owyhee County native Mildretta Adams, who died in 1987, authored books looking at the history of the Owyhee country, including "Sagebrush Post Offices: A History of

Owyhee County," "Historic Silver City: The Story of the Owyhees," and "Owyhee Cattlemen 1878 to 1978: 100 Years in the Saddle," from which this serial was excerpted. Most of Adams' books are available at The Owyhee Avalanche office. She lived in Homedale with her husband Walt, a World War I veteran, but they also had a homestead below Wagontown early in their marriage. The couple also owned a house in Silver City, and operated a museum at the schoolhouse. Mildretta was a charter member of the Owyhee County Historical Society.

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Homedale church raises money for youth center

Homedale's Orrin Parmer (left) helps Eva Gohr of Middleton with a purchase at the Homedale Assembly of God church yard sale on Saturday morning. Proceeds from the event will help with renovations at The Refuge youth center on the corner of North Main Street and West Montana Avenue. The church is putting on a second benefit for the youth center; a car and bike show, Saturday at Bette Uda City Park on East Idaho Avenue.

Church brings show and shine to park

The sixth annual Homedale Assembly of God car and bike show is ready to roll into Bette Uda City Park on Saturday.

The show and shine is a fundraiser for the church's youth center, known as The Refuge, which stands on the southwest corner of North Main Street and West Montana Avenue.

Assembly of God Pastor Ivar Moore is working with Doug Stump and Randy Friedley on the latest car show, which will include a raffle and food, such as chili, hot dogs, and onion rings, for sale.

The public can attend the car show for free to view dozens of classic cars and motorcycles. Car and bike owners can enter

the machines for \$10.

Registration will take place from 9 a.m., to noon, and awards will be announced at 2 p.m.

For more information on the car show, call Moore at (208) 412-2946, Stump at (208) 695-3232, or Friedley at (208) 859-6999.

The Assembly of God offers Sunday services at 9 a.m. (traditional) and 11 a.m. (family and online services). The online service can be viewed on You Tube.

Wednesday services for adult, youth and children are held at 7 p.m.

The youth group Facebook page can be found by searching "TRU-UTH Homedale A.G. Youth Group."



Holly Bowling, a pianist from San Francisco, recorded a concert at Bruneau Canyon that will be available online Thursday night. Photo by Jeffery Bowling

Pianist's Bruneau Canyon concert streams Thursday

San Francisco musician Holly Bowling's latest streaming concert will feature a performance from Bruneau Canyon on Thursday.

The concert streams for free on the solo pianist's Facebook and YouTube pages beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The Bruneau Canyon concert is the fourth of six concerts dubbed The Wilderness Sessions Tour.

Bowling began streaming concerts on Sept. 3 with a performance from Lake Tahoe, Calif. She followed that Sept. 10 with a performance from Yosemite in California before last week's concert recorded at the Utah Salt Flats.

After this week, two concerts remain — Oct. 1 in Wyoming's Bear Mountains, and Sept. 8 in the South Dakota Badlands.

Bowling is an improvisational player who creates arrangements of compositions from jam bands the Grateful Dead and Phish.

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✓ Election: Less than a dozen people have called about county’s plan

“We’ve been getting several (requests) each day,” Barkell said.

The rush is on inside the county elections office, and so is answering questions and critics.

Barkell said that by Friday she had received less than a dozen phone calls from people complaining about the county’s plan to co-locate polling places in Homedale, Murphy and Grand View.

Callers and a few folks speaking out on Facebook are upset that their physical polling places have been eliminated for this fall’s election.

Polling place for the Nov. 3 election will be co-located to safeguard against spread of COVID-19 and because of a reduction of the number of pollworkers.

Some pollworkers are opting out of this year’s election.

“We sent out a letter to a bunch of folks — all of our regulars — and asked if they were willing to work,” Barkell said. “We got several back that said, ‘No.’ Some would say they would come to just count.”

Barkell also said the workforce is smaller because fewer people are needed with the co-locating of polling places.

But there still will be a need for other workers at the polls.

“We also got quite a few people who have called up and said, ‘Hey, I’ll help,’ and that’s been great,” Barkell said.

“We got to have other folks on hand to make sure that

Clerk outlines protection against voter fraud

After receiving state-issued absentee voter information for a pair of young men who had lived at his home briefly four years ago, a Homedale man wondered how officials could prevent someone receiving two ballots — and voting on both of them.

Owyhee County Clerk Angie Barkell issued a statement regarding the safeguards in place to protect against voter fraud in the absentee ballot process:

“When a voter requests an absentee ballot, we verify the signature on the request with the voter registration signature card.

“If the signatures match, a ballot is issued.

“Each absentee voter receives, a ballot(s), a ballot envelope (to retain anonymity) and a return envelope (postage paid this year) that they place the ballot in, seal it and place their signature on the back.

“This return envelope also has a barcode on the envelope. When we receive the ballot, it is scanned into our voter registration system.

“Upon scanning, the voter’s signature is checked against that on the back of the return envelope.

“If the envelope is unsigned, we will attempt to contact the voter so they can come in and sign it. If they do not, the ballot is spoiled and not counted.

“All absentee ballots will be held in a locked secure location until Election Day at which time a team of counters will open them and begin the count. Voters can deliver absentee ballots up to 8 p.m. on Election Day, and they will be counted.

“As the chief election official for Owyhee County, I take the process very seriously. I consider our right to vote one of our most cherished and will do everything in my power to protect the integrity of the election.”

people are social distancing and know which way to go.”

Complaints range from:

- A Marsing resident incredulous that the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion

polling place open for elderly folks who can’t make the trip to Murphy.

In this instance, Barkell offered to mail out as many absentee ballot requests as were needed to keep those folks voting.

The deadline to get an absentee ballot request to the county clerk’s office is Oct. 23. The completed ballots must be returned to the clerk’s office by 5 p.m., on Nov. 3.

Barkell and county clerks across the state are urging anyone who wants to cast a mail-in absentee ballot to get their requests in early to prevent a rush closer to Election Day.

“There only two of us — me and (deputy clerk) Brook Russell,” Barkell said. “We can only do so much.”

Barkell said she is making plans to pull county personnel from other departments to meet the demand when needed. Two county employees will be able to check the Idaho Secretary of State election website for people who don’t have internet and want to check on the state of their absentee ballot requests.

In addition to the mail-in absentee option, Barkell said Owyhee County voters can vote in-person absentee (commonly referred to as “early voting”) during business hours at the county courthouse in Murphy beginning Oct. 19. The last in-person absentee ballots will be accepted at 5 p.m., on Oct. 30.

To reduce the chance of spreading COVID-19 and

because of a reduction in the number of pollworkers available both because of concerns about the virus and the number of absentee ballots being requested, polling places have been co-located in three buildings:

- Voters in the Homedale and Marsing precincts will cast ballots at the Owyhee County Community Center in the 400 block of West Nevada Avenue in Homedale.
- The Murphy, Oreana and Wilson precincts will be housed at the Owyhee County Courthouse on Idaho highway 78 in Murphy.
- Bruneau and Grand View voters will make their decision inside the American Legion Post 134 hall on Roosevelt Street in Grand View.

Co-locating also aims to make easier the job of keeping everyone safe inside the buildings throughout Election Day.

“I understand that people feel like that’s disenfranchisement,” Barkell said of the polling place co-location plan.

“But the work that we have to go through to make sure that each location is sanitized and properly set up and properly staffed” is some of the many reasons for co-location.

Barkell has ordered extra (and unusual) election supplies, including floor tape, sneeze guards, sanitization items and facemasks. Each voter will receive their own pencil (probably similar to the small writing utensils found at golf courses) to use as a stylus on voting machines or to mark their ballot.

Each polling stall will be cleaned after each voter throughout Election Day, Barkell said.

The county probably will be reimbursed for the extra supplies through the federal government’s COVID-19 relief legislation.

The polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and decisions will be made for U.S. president, U.S. Senate junior seat (currently held by Republican Jim Risch), First District Congress (currently held by Rep. Russ Fulcher), and Dist. 23 legislative seats in the state House of Representatives and the state Senate.

There is also a state constitutional amendment aimed at keeping the number of legislative districts across Idaho set at 35.



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Local artist seeks ‘logical order of things’

Wood sculptor’s middle name is literally “wood”

A Marsing artist received recognition for his sculpture at the 22nd annual Art at the Crossroads regional art show on Sept. 4, at the Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, in Baker City, Ore.

Gary Holt Peer, who grew up in Boise and has lived in Marsing since 2003, received a second-place award in the three-dimensional category for his piece called “Isolation,” a wood sculpture created from purpleheart wood.

Malcolm Phinney, an artist and owner of Phinney Gallery, in Joseph, Ore., judged the exhibit. He chose first- and second-place winners in two- and three-dimensional works, as well as a Best of Show winner and a Most Realistic Watercolor award.

The Crossroads show drew 138 pieces submitted by 55 artists. Mediums included watercolor, oil, acrylic, clay, photography, pastel, wood, metal, jewelry, mixed media and various repurposed materials.

Peer graduated from Boise High School in 1963 and from Boise Junior College in 1969. He moved to California to study at the Pacific Art League in Palo Alto. He lived there until 2003, when he retired and moved to Marsing.

Peer and his wife Beth have two children.

He was a member of the Owyhee County Sheriff’s



Marsing artist Gary Holt Peer’s wood sculpture “Isolation” was the runner-up show piece in the three-dimensional category at the Art at the Crossroads regional show in Baker City, Ore.

Posse from 2004 to 2018.

Peer’s preferred art medium is wood. He began sculpting wood with traditional tools — hammers and chisels — but he currently uses high-speed die grinders and carbide burrs to achieve the contrast he wants.

“I love wood,” Peer wrote on his website, www.Peersculpt.com. “I love the beautiful grain patterns. I love the smell of the wood dust when grinding or sanding.”

Peer’s middle name, and his mother’s maiden name, is derived from the German word for wood, Holz.

He found during his time at BJC that most art classes were focused on abstract or commercial art. He was more interested in a classical art education and was disillusioned.

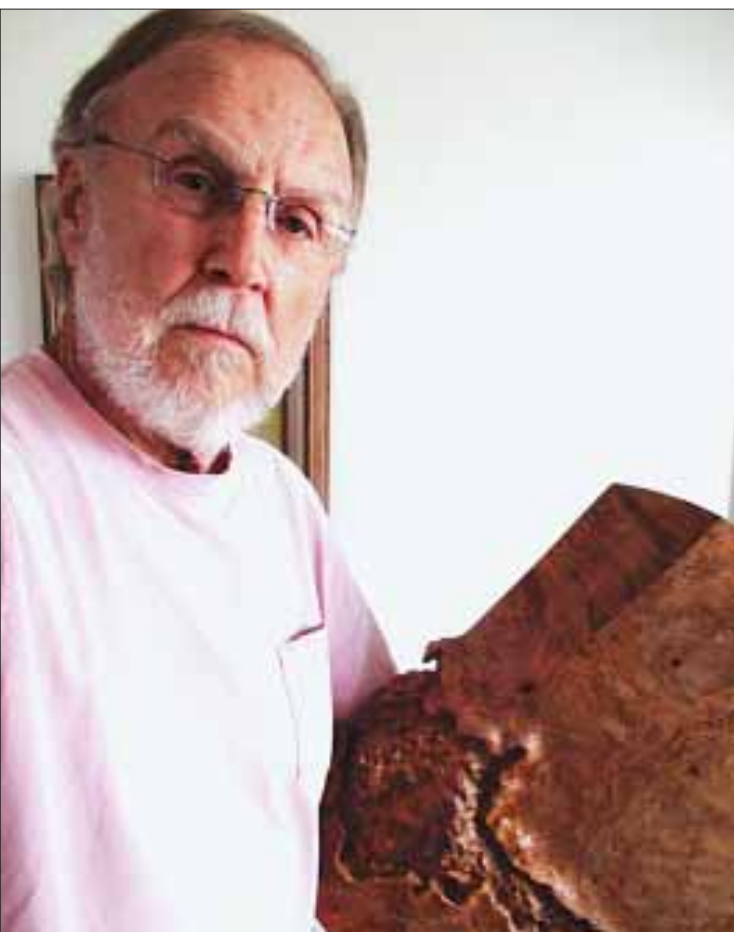
While at Pacific Art League,

Peer was introduced to the sculpture of Chaim Gross, an artist working in unusual hardwoods.

“I was ‘born again’ and began trying my hand at wood sculpting,” he said.

Peer participated in his first juried group exhibition at “Peninsula Sculpture II,” in 1988, at the San Mateo County Arts Council Gallery, in Belmont, Calif.

In recent years, he has exhibited solo this year at “Path and Wood,” at Crossroads Carnegie, “Abstractions in Form,” at the Art Source Gallery, in Boise in 2019, and



Marsing wood sculptor Gary Holt Peer, seen holding one of his pieces, has shown his artwork in several shows in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington state. Submitted photos

as a guest artist at Gallery 55, in McCall, in 2018.

Earlier this year, Peer took part in the 12th annual National Juried Exhibition at the Willard Art Center in Idaho Falls. In 2019, he was part of group exhibitions in Meridian, Ellensburg, Wash., and Roseburg Ore.

“I am interested in contrast,” Peer wrote on his website.

“Our world confronts us with distinct contrasts — black versus white, right versus wrong, absolute truth versus truth by consensus.

“While my work appears abstract, it is actually quite representational from a conceptual standpoint. It represents the logical order of things.”

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MARSING CELEBRATES HOMECOMING



Marsing High School's color guard showed its skills up close as the parade made its way down to the school's football field.



Marsing freshmen represented Tokyo for Homecoming's "Cities of the World" theme, bringing Godzilla along for the ride in Thursday's parade. The freshmen would ultimately claim the overall Homecoming class title with 800 points, topping the seniors, who scored 725, the juniors with 300, and sophomores with 175.



Above: Marsing senior Carter Clay shows his hustle in stopping the ball from going out in the championship round of He-man Volleyball last Wednesday.

Below: Marsing's senior tug o' war team, anchored by Nico Acosta, finished off the sophomores to reign supreme in the popular annual Homecoming activity on Thursday in the junior/senior high school gymnasium.





Old Homedale church closer to move
P.J. Mansisidor, high above East Owyhee Avenue at St. Hubert's Catholic Church, prepares to remove the cupola from the old church's roof Friday. Devin Mansisidor told The Owyhee Avalanche that the church should be moved to the family farm by the end of the week. Submitted photo

Homedale senior project helps Ronald McDonald House

Schoochildren start pop tabs competition

Homedale’s schoolchildren are being challenged to collect pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House.

Ashley Maybon launched a collection drive at the elementary school on Monday as part of her high school leadership project. She’s a senior at Homedale High School.

“I had friends and family that had to rely on the RMH for short periods of time, and it’s just a really great place and it inspired me to keep things going and help out to the best of my abilities,” the 17-year-old daughter of Clark and ReAnna Maybon said.

Homedale Elementary students are encouraged to round up tabs off of aluminum cans until Monday, Nov. 2, and turn them in to their teacher.

Ashley’s younger brother, 5-year-old Ethan, will be following in his big sister’s footsteps as one of the schoolchildren on the pop tab hunt.

“I actually did this exact fundraiser when I was in elementary and middle school, and it was a huge success,” Ashley said.

In fact, she was featured twice previously in The



Ashley Maybon
Owyhee Avalanche for her pop tab collection drives.

The class with the largest collection will win an ice cream party, according to a flier promoting Ashley’s senior project.

In addition to the pop tab collection, Ashley has set up a box in the elementary school’s main office at 420 W. Washington Ave., to collect travel-sized toiletries.

She also will accept cash donations and gift cards to help the families at the house.

Ronald McDonald House recycles the pop tabs to help fund operations at its location in downtown Boise. The toiletries are provided to families who need a place to stay and lodge at the Ronald McDonald House when children are receiving hospital treatment.

For more information about how to get involved with Ashley’s campaign, send at text to (208) 995-1987.

— JPB

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Non-denominational after-school program back in Homedale

The Christian Life Club after-school group begins another year of activities next Wednesday.

The non-denominational program sponsored by the Homedale Friends Community Church is open to kindergarteners through sixth-graders and welcomes children of all faiths.

The after-school program takes place from 4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., every Wednesday that school is in session through March. The boys and girls will meet at the First Presbyterian Church of Homedale, 320 N. 6th St. W.

Middle school students will ride the bus to the elementary school, and elementary school students will meet in front of their school at 420 W. Washington Ave. The students will then walk together to the church.

Parents are responsible for transportation home from the church.

Boys and girls will enjoy Bible stories, learn Bible verses, play games and have refreshments.

Call Mary Sonke at (208) 880-7070 or the Friends church at (208) 337-3464 with questions.

Courthouse report

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

Sept. 14

Daniel Dior Chavis, Loganville, Ga. — Misdemeanor commercial freight regulations violation, no logbook (serious): \$263.50 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs

Cherokee Jayo, Grand View — Misdemeanor petty theft: 180 days in jail (10 days to serve, 170 days suspended), 24 months probation, \$842.50 in fines (\$500 suspended), \$157.50 in court costs

John Le Roy McKee, Hermiston, Ore. — Misdemeanor commercial freight regulations violation, failure to secure cargo or vehicle equipment: \$43.50 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs

Sept. 11

Arthur Davletbayev, Winnetka, Ill. — 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

William Evan McCaine, Lawton, Okla. — 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

Miche D. Nielsen, Marsing — Felony acquire financial transaction card with intent to defraud: 90 days in jail, 3 years felony probation, 100 hours community service, \$1,000 in fines, \$5,238.81 in court costs. **Charges dismissed:** Misdemeanor fraudulently obtained good or services possessed, concealed or disposed of (value \$300), misdemeanor exploitation of a vulnerable adult. **Withheld judgment:** Record can be expunged upon successful completion of sentence.

Juan Ruiz-Diaz, Marsing — Felony controlled substance possession (plea deal): \$100 in fines, \$635.50 in court costs. **Charges dismissed:** Misdemeanor controlled substance possession, misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession

Matthew John Valdez, Wilder — Felony controlled substance possession (plea deal): 2 to 4 years in state prison (suspended), 3 years felony probation, \$635.50 in court costs. **Dismissed by prosecuting attorney:** Felony controlled substance possession, misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession

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Cyanobacteria found in CJ Strike

Health officials have issued a warning about a Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) at CJ Strike Reservoir.

Because the man-made lake straddles the line separating Owyhee and Elmore counties, Southwest District Health and Central District Health joined the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality in issuing the health advisory last week.

Recent water samples taken by DEQ indicate that concentrations of toxin-producing cyanobacteria are present in the reservoir. Cyanobacteria can be harmful to humans and animals, and those with liver or kidney damage are at an increased risk of illness, according to the press release.

The public will be advised when water testing indicates a HAB is no longer likely to be a concern at CJ Strike Reservoir, the joint release stated.

Cyanobacteria are a natural part of Idaho’s water bodies. When temperatures rise, their populations can bloom and toxic chemical compounds, or cyanotoxins, can be released into the water. Blooms can vary in appearance, and may look like mats, foam, spilled paint, or surface scum, and have a foul odor.

While blooms can be discovered in one area of recreational water, they can move around to different areas, water depths, and can change in severity. HABs are most common in the summer months through the fall.

When recreating near or in any surface water with a health advisory in effect, take the following precautions for yourself and pets:

- **Avoid swimming, wading, or other activities.** Take extra precautions to ensure children, pets, and livestock are not exposed to the water.
- **Do not drink or cook with water containing a bloom.** Boiling and filtering the water can increase the risk.
- **Wash your hands thoroughly after handling fish caught in water experiencing a bloom.** Cyanotoxins can accumulate in fish, and the risk to people is being researched. Any fish caught should be cleaned and washed thoroughly in uncontaminated water and any internal organs disposed of before consumption.

If people choose to eat fish from this area, filet the fish and remove all of the fat, skin, and organs before cooking.

- Clean with potable water as soon as possible if water contacts skin or pet fur.

Symptoms of cyanotoxin exposure include rashes, hives, diarrhea, vomiting, coughing, and/or wheezing.

More severe symptoms affecting the liver and nervous system may result from ingesting water.

If symptoms persist, consult your healthcare provider.

Wash your pet with clean water and shampoo if it has been around a harmful algal bloom. If it shows symptoms such as vomiting, staggering, drooling or convulsions, contact your vet immediately.

Surface water experts have also recently sampled Cascade Reservoir in Valley County for a potential HAB. While test results came back as below the threshold for issuing a health advisory, the reservoir is seeing increased levels of microcystin (a type of cyanotoxin) that warrant users to take precautions. DEQ will continue to monitor Cascade Reservoir.

Three Creek begins year with 3 students

The new year is under way at Three Creek School, and teacher Dena Pollock reports the COVID-19 precautions have worked well and have been well-accepted.

In her regular update, Pollock reported that the school year started on code yellow because a parent called in with an ill student.

The first morning of the school year on Sept. 8 was spent with student registration and COVID-19 training. Students and parents tried on different sizes of disposable gloves and masks.

Pollock said while masks aren’t mandatory, she and the school’s three students — all girls — are practicing social distancing and using masks when social distancing is not feasible.

“Parents and students are cooperating well with procedures to keep the school open with face-to-face instruction,” Pollock wrote.

In another precautionary move, the school provides everything needed for school except backpacks and lunches.

- The students began the year with new laptops, which were configured by information technology personnel at SimpliCit.

Pollock said the district is using testing software that is designed to assess students’ performance in language arts, math, science and social studies.

The software is provided by a company called Renaissance, and Pollock has been told that lessons will adjust based on the students’ performance.

- SimpliCit has offered to provide a community class on internet security. Pollock said the class could be combined with parents and students or split with a class for each if there is enough interest. The class would be offered during school hours, and Pollock asked any community members who are interested to contact her at the school at (208) 857-2281 or admin@threecreekschool.org.
- Students recently experienced a lesson in calligraphy from a certified teacher named Tammy Unzicker. She visited on Sept. 10 and also took school photos. Pollock said Unzicker is taking the year off from teaching and may return with her ink and pens for another calligraphy lesson.
- The school’s science program involves using K’Nex building sets, and students currently are studying wheels and axles after completing a K’Nex well building kit.

- The Three Creek School Parent Teacher Organization will meet at 7 p.m., on Monday, Oct. 12 at the school for its monthly meeting.

The September meeting was cancelled because of a lack of quorum.

- The school’s board of trustees will next meet at 7 p.m., on Wednesday, Oct. 14 at the school.
- A harvest festival will take place at 7 p.m., on Thursday, Oct. 29 at the school, too.
- School administrators are looking for landscaping ideas after one of the large juniper trees at the south entrance to the school had to be removed after succumbing to an attack from black-horned juniper borer beetles.

“They damaged several other trees before the pest control people arrived to take care of them,” Pollock wrote. “The tree must come down soon. This will leave quite a large space.”

With the anticipated void because of the tree’s removal, Pollock is asking for community ideas on what to install.

Email admin@threecreekschool.org to add to the list of ideas, which so far includes another juniper tree, a greenhouse, or creating a picnic area.

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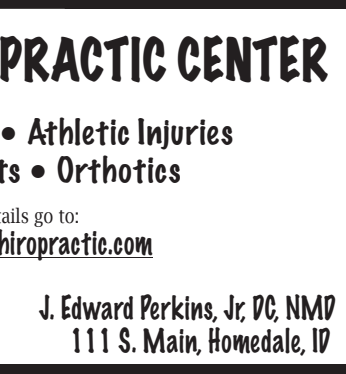
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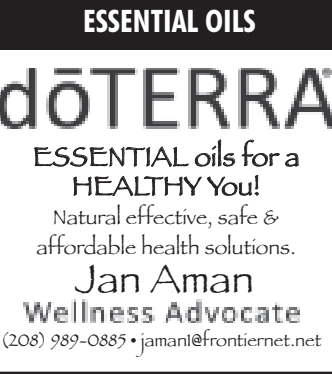
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Bruneau Round-Up champion crowned

Jake Flint won the all around championship and captured the top-five ride-off in the ranch bronc division during the Bruneau Round-Up, which was held Saturday and Sunday. For rodeo results and more photos, see **Page 8B** Photo by Sandy Black

Mustangs rolling in volleyball

Melba High School’s service game was on full display last week as the 2A Western Idaho Conference season opened. Maddi Bunnell averaged 4.5 aces in the Mustangs’ two victories, including four in a hard-fought five-setter Thursday against Cole Valley Christian. Kate Clark led the back-line attack with five aces as Melba survived a tight fifth set to remain unbeaten with a 25-10, 25-14, 18-25, 19-25, 15-13 triumph in Meridian. The Mustangs (8-0 overall, 2-0 in conference) received a whopping 21 kills from Keylee Wilson. Kate Clark chimed in with 12 kills, and Kendall Clark spiked 10 winners. Melba played in the Parma Classic Saturday and faced off with reigning 2A District III champion Nampa Christian at

— See **Mustangs**, page 3B

Trojans emerge from haze, welcome Vandals to 3A SRV

2019 Milk Bowl finalists kick off conference

Smoky conditions and public health concerns have wreaked havoc on the Homedale High School football schedule. But there’s one bright spot peeking through the gloom. The two-time reigning 3A Snake River Valley conference champions, winners of 23 of their past 26 games, are on track to open defense of their title at home Friday against new 3A SRV member McCall-Donnelly. The game will feature two 2019 Milk Bowl state championship game participants. Homedale finished last week ranked No. 4 in the Class 3A statewide coaches’ poll, slipping one spot after a loss to Class 4A Middleton. The Trojans fell two spots to No. 4 in the media poll.

McCall is not ranked. Up until last week, there was still doubt that the Vandals would be allowed to travel outside of Valley County because of the McCall-Donnelly School District’s ban on competitions against schools in areas that were still considered medium- to high-risk regions for COVID-19 exposure. “(The McCall-Donnelly) trustees just approved an updated policy allowing them to play teams in zip codes instead of by district health, so we feel better about the game,” 11th-year HHS coach Matt Holtry said Thursday. If things remain on track, Homedale (1-1) and McCall (1-1) will face off at 7 p.m., on Friday at Deward Bell Stadium. Friday’s game will mark the first encounter between the Trojans and the Vandals from Valley County since 2009 when Homedale grabbed a 16-13 home victory.

— See **Trojans**, page 5B



Marsing High School junior middle blocker MarDee Hall blasts a spike past Vision Charter sophomore Christina O’Connell on Sept. 15.

Huskies split matches

While high school football and cross country athletes experience cancellations, or threats thereof, as a result of poor air quality from fires raging throughout the West, volleyball players have found their competitions safely tucked away inside. Marsing volleyball experienced ups and downs on the hardwood last week, going

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Sports

Huskies drop conference opener at home

After COVID-induced bye, Marsing will travel to Melba Oct. 2

After a 2-0 start during which Marsing High School scored 77 points, the Huskies have dropped their past two games.

In Friday's 2A Western Idaho Conference opener, Nampa Christian torched the defense for a season-high point total, running away with a high-scoring 71-32 victory in Marsing's Homecoming game.

The 71 points are the most given up by a Marsing squad since Homedale's 72-0 triumph five years ago to the day at Deward Bell Stadium.

Nampa Christian's run offense hit the field with a blistering start on the Trojans' first drive.

The visitors crossed the goal line after just two minutes and five plays, all on the ground. The Trojans rushed back to the line and converted a two-point conversion and led 8-0.

On the Huskies' ensuing possession, coaches opted to go for it on fourth down-and-long. Senior running back Isai Arriaga was stopped after a

minimal gain.

The Trojans (2-2 overall, 1-0 in 2A WIC) responded quickly. After a couple short gains, junior running back Caleb Johnson shook off tacklers and raced in for a 25-yard touchdown and a 15-0 Nampa Christian lead.

Late in the first quarter, Marsing (2-2, 0-1), in keeping with the ground-and-pound mentality, continued to feed workhorse Arriaga. The Huskies finished a long drive with a 20-yard TD dash by junior backup James Hance.

After a two-point conversion, the Huskies trailed 15-8.

Two more rushing touchdowns by the Trojans, including a 62-yard run by junior Josh Tiersma, put Nampa Christian up 28-8 with nine minutes left in the first half. Huskies' senior lineman Nico Acosta blocked the extra-point kick.

After the Huskies' ensuing drive stalled, the Trojans took full advantage, capping their drive with another long run, this one covering 47 yards.

The Huskies scored once more but couldn't stop Nampa Christian's offense. Going into halftime, Marsing found itself in a 55-16 hole.



Above: Marsing senior Cody Floyd (left) dives to help fellow linebacker Colton Brown, a junior, pull down Nampa Christian receiver Caleb Johnson during the first quarter Friday. **Below:** Marsing senior defensive back Nacho Montes wraps up Trojans' receiver Muluken Knudsen during second-quarter action on Friday.

The Huskies' offense showed some life in the second half, scoring two more touchdowns against a stout Trojans defense. Marsing benefitted from touchdowns by Arriaga and senior running back Carter Clay.

Marsing has a bye this week after Orofino opted during the preseason to cancel Friday's scheduled non-conference game.

Marsing first-year coach Mike Nunnelee said that he was told when the game

was canceled that Orofino "did not want any Boise influence on northern Idaho," referring to the high number of COVID-19 incidences at the time. The game has not yet been rescheduled nor has a replacement been found.

Marsing will visit 2A WIC opponent Melba on Oct. 2.

Statistics from Friday's game weren't provided by deadline. The Owyhee Avalanche obtained information from the Marsing Booster Club Facebook page.



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MARSING HUSKIES
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James Hance, Jr., RB/LB
Transfer from Centennial



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Varsity
Friday, Oct. 2 at Melba, 7 p.m.
Junior varsity
Thursday, Oct. 1, home vs. Melba, 6 p.m.

Cross country
Thursday, Sept. 24 at Cole Valley Invite, Kleiner Memorial Park, Meridian, 4 p.m.

Volleyball
Varsity
Thursday, Sept. 24 at Vision Charter, Caldwell (no spectators allowed), 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 29, home vs. The Ambrose School, 7 p.m.
Junior varsity
Thursday, Sept. 24 at Vision Charter, Caldwell (no spectators allowed), 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 29, home vs. The Ambrose School, 6 p.m.

Schedules are subject to change

Sports

✓ Huskies: Marsing overcomes Homecoming letdown to beat Vision

From Page 1B
1-1 in a pair of 2A Western Idaho Conference matches.
Thursday: Ambrose def. Marsing, 3-0 — The host Huskies (3-4 overall, 1-1 in conference) struggled mightily to open the match, particularly in the second game, before ultimately falling to the Archers 25-15, 25-9, 26-24.
“We played really well defensively, despite some of the scores not appearing that way,” second-year Marsing coach Amy Chadez said. “Our digging looked improved, and we were able to record nine blocks on the night.”
Chadez praised the Archers’ defensive efficiency, as well.
“They refused to let us put many balls away,” she said.

The Huskies went into the third set aggressively on offense, Chadez said, putting the Ambrose girls on their heels, but a few mistakes in the end kept Marsing from extending the match beyond that deciding game in Meridian.
“I love the effort my team gave in the third set, especially after getting beat so soundly in the second,” she said.
“I am excited with the growth we see each week.”
Junior middle blocker MarDee Hall led the Huskies with five kills and five blocks.
Junior setter Lexi Loucks was good for six assists and six digs, while senior libero Fallon Wasson finished with 18 digs.

Sept. 15: Marsing def. Vision Charter, 3-0 — The Huskies inched their way toward a .500 record with a straight-set win over visiting Vision Charter from Caldwell.
The Huskies topped the Golden Eagles, 25-20, 25-13, 25-17, for their second straight win after an 0-3 start to the season.
Marsing took control the match after an early, sluggish start. The Huskies took advantage of Vision Charter’s poor passing to rally to a 14-8 lead on Loucks’ ace.
“This is our Homecoming week, and we started the game very flat,” Chadez said. “The girls are extra busy this week, and they started the game with low energy and looked tired.”

After Marsing’s rally, the Golden Eagles won 12 of the next 21 points — including a 7-1 run — to establish a 19-16 lead.
Chadez called a timeout after senior Hailey Christiansen’s wayward set, setting the stage for the Huskies’ final push in Game 1.
With junior setter Regan Stansell serving, Marsing scored nine of the game’s final 10 points, including an 8-0 run, highlighted by sophomore outside hitter Mila Astorquia’s spike and Stansell’s ace.
Victory Charter’s earlier communication problems re-emerged on set point when a ball fell between two Golden Eagles to end the game.

The Marsing girls were disappointed with their effort from early in the first game, and that fact showed in their effort, Chadez said.
“(The team) fought to retrieve some energy to allow us to win in three sets,” the coach said.
The Huskies had some outstanding performances from team leaders.
Astorquia finished the match with seven aces, five kills and seven digs.
Loucks was perfect from the service line and recorded nine assists.
Senior outside hitter Delaney Percifield had a solid night defensively and pitched in with seven kills.
— TK

✓ Trojans: Two of valley’s best coaches on opposite sidelines Friday

From Page 1B
McCall-Donnelly moved back down to Class 2A for the 2010 season.
This season, McCall opened with a 28-7 loss to Marsh Valley, which lost to Weiser in the first round of the 3A state playoffs last year. The Vandals beat Grangeville, 30-0, on Friday.
Coached by veteran Treasure Valley coach Lee Leslie, the Vandals are coming off a trip to the 2A Milk Bowl in which West Side got the edge, 14-13.
“They have some key players with talent that we will have to stop for sure,” Holtry said.
“They are coming off a state championship appearance last year in the 2A, and with that comes confidence and an expectation to win.”
McCall’s addition means the 3A SRV bye week went away with the re-establishment of a six-team conference.
“It worked out nice for us as we were already playing on that bye week,” Holtry said.

“It just means a new opponent for us. We are excited to have them on the schedule as they have been a power in the 2A the past couple of years.”
Leslie coached at Kuna and Bishop Kelly before moving to the islands to coach Kahaku High School on Oahu for one season. He returned to Idaho to take the McCall job in 2015.
“Anytime you have the opportunity to play well-coached teams it is fun,” Holtry said. “It means we will need to make sure we are doing our film work and preparing the right way each and every week this season.”
“Good coaches will take advantage of you if you aren’t well-prepared.”
The Vandals won just once in eight starts in 2014 and have a 32-18 record in Leslie’s tenure.
“... Perhaps one of the biggest challenges we have in facing them is just a strong program that has confidence right now,” Holtry said. “We

will have to come out ready to play.”
Like Homedale, which also lost in the state championship game last season, McCall won the first 11 games of its season before dropping the title decision.
McCall moved up to Class 3A for the first time in a decade after finishing at the top of the 2A Western Idaho Conference standings four years in a row. The school’s move back to 3A classification was part of the biennial Idaho High School Activities Association enrollment-based realignment.
Last week’s smoky conditions compounded the challenge of getting ready for a tough conference opener. Holtry organized indoor workouts for most days last week.
“It isn’t ideal,” the coach said. “But we have been able to take advantage of some chalk talk and some film study with our players, so that has been a plus.”

The Trojans didn’t play Friday because of the topsy-turvy nature of a non-conference schedule decimated by a virus, but Holtry seems to have welcomed the Friday night off.
“Lucky for us we have this as a bye week, so we feel like we still have ample time to prepare for McCall,” he said.
The changes brought forth by the abrupt schedule changes may help the Trojans out in the long run, though.
“We are grateful for the opportunity that we have had this year thus far in playing two solid 4A schools (splitting against Emmett and Middleton). We typically don’t get that opportunity because of scheduling conflicts in the 4A,” Holtry said.
“We feel those games have set us up for improvement and getting ready for conference play. We are excited and optimistic as we head into SRV play.”
Smoky conditions torpedoed

the Homedale junior varsity’s matchup scheduled last Wednesday against visiting Melba. The non-conference game was to make up for one of the contests lost when Oregon schools had their fall seasons cancelled. Instead, last week was one more lost opportunity to get in some competitive licks.
But Holtry isn’t too worried about stunted development among his freshmen and sophomores.
“It’s unfortunate that we lost another game for our younger players,” he said.
“The good thing about our program right now is that there is a high level of competition every day at practice. So, even though we may not be playing some games, we still feel that kids are getting better each and every day.
“Our players do a great job of coaching each other up and helping each other improve daily.”
— JPB

Raiders runners finish in bunches at Magic Mountain

Two juniors finished in a near-dead heat to highlight Rimrock High School’s performance at the Magic Mountain Invitational cross country meet.
Juan Alamilla was credited with a 19th-place finish, and Victor Lemus was 20th to lead the Raiders boys’ showing. Both were clocked at 20 minutes, 14 seconds over the

5-kilometer course at the ski resort near Kimberly.
The Rimrock boys finished sixth out of eight full teams at the meet.
Freshman Lloyd Boren was 26th in 20:31, while sophomore Cooper Raymond (56th, 22:49) and freshman Garrett Kunsy (75th, 26:41) rounded out the Raiders’ scorers.
On the girls’ side, freshmen

Goya Lemus (25:13) and Lisbeth Ayala (26:06) finished 29th and 31st, respectively, to lead Rimrock.
Another ninth-grader, Ashten Moore, was 38th in 27:28. Other runners included sophomores Dayanara Hurtado (59th, 34:02) and Cristal Araujo (61st, 37:48).
Results were gathered from Athletic.net.

✓ Mustangs: Service game dominates in latest action

From Page 1B
home Tuesday after deadline.
Heading into Tuesday, the Mustangs had won 21 of their past 24 dual matches dating to Sept. 12, 2019.
Sept. 15: Melba def. New Plymouth, 3-0 — Nine aces overpowered the Pilgrims as the Mustangs opened the conference season with a home-court victory.
Bunnell led the charge with

five aces in Melba’s 25-19, 25-11, 25-21 triumph.
Wilson and Kendall Clark notched four aces and a co-team-high eight kills apiece.
Kate Clark chipped in five kills, while Kayla McCoy registered 23 assists.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

September 27, 1995



Pure naturals

HHS Natural Helpers from bottom left: April Bauer, Kelly Smyth, Evonne Ewing, Renee Sherfick, Danielle Sonke. Middle row: Mindy Brown, Jacqueline Landa, Dana Marston, Kristi Conant, John Cook, Armando Mireles, Amy Duyree, Camille Uranga, Preston Titmus, Deitra Haylett, Stephanie Henry, Michelle Garrett, Marcus Christoffersen, Neri Villa, Michelle Ryan, Justin Rodriguez, Tara Ryan, Ali Tackett, Mike Greeley, Karen Itano, Kevin Murphy, Brianne Asumendi, Jacqueline Itano, Stan Hoaglun, Sara Cornell, Mavis Myers. Top row: Duane Eoff, Paulie Ritzert, Monica Gibbens, Willie Almaraz, Ben Davenport, Zac Ross, Brandi Freund.

Peers help peers naturally

Growing up is never easy, but Homedale High School students are doing what they can to make it a positive experience. Over 30 students headed to McCall for a weekend training to learn how to be Natural Helpers. Natural Helpers are a cross-section of students and adult staff members identified and selected through an anonymous school-wide survey of both students and adults.

Natural Helpers are exactly what the term implies — people within the school who are looked on naturally as a source of advice and assistance to their peers. The Natural Helpers program was developed as a way of helping adolescents within a school environment to deal with problems which they confront.

Secondary School Counselor Sara Cornell helped initiate the nationwide program in Owyhee County in 1990, and her continued involvement in the peer assistance program has contributed to its success.

“The training was great,” Cornell said. “I wish we could have had more time to develop some of the concepts. It was tiring, but I really feel it is a worthwhile program.”

People selected for the program receive at least 30 hours of training in communication and decision-making skills, information on major problems facing students, use of local resources and awareness of their limits as helpers.

Huskies rock Vandals in two

A homecoming pep assembly earlier in the week boasted that the Marsing Huskies were going to rock the Vandals at Thursday’s varsity volleyball bout. And rock them they did.

Rock. Beat. Pummel. Stomp. The Husky squad did all that and more and took homecoming spirit to new limits.

The Vandals were wiped in a two-game match with a 15-4, 15-11 total.

“This game was a great example of team work,” coach Wendy Heller said. “Everyone played equally. No one stood out above the rest, and the stats show it.”

50 years ago

September 24, 1970



GOV. DON SAMUELSON snipped the ribbon with a big pair of shears at formal opening ceremonies for the new reinforced concrete Grand View bridge Sunday, Sept. 6. From left are Harold Collett, Gov. Samuelson, State Sen. Walter Yarbrough, Bill Sacht, District Highway Engineer, Oscar Field, Owyhee County Commissioner, and Bill Sanders, Elmore County Commissioner.

Trojans take win at expense of Fruitland eleven

Joni Uda dashed for a pair of touchdowns on runs of 54 and 25 yards in the first quarter Friday night at Fruitland and helped pile up a 22-0 first-half lead, as the Trojans went on to defeat the Grizzlies 28-12.

The victory was Homedale’s second straight in defense of its Southwest Idaho League crown, while Fruitland suffered its first defeat after two wins.

Quarterback Alan Echevarria tallied the third TD in the first period for Coach Ken Kellum’s visitors on a one-yard sneak. In the second period, he passed to Paul Pearson to make it 28-0 at the intermission.

The second half belonged to Fruitland, which tallied once in each of the final two quarters.

Uda did a splendid job of rushing for Homedale, grinding out 171 yards in 16 carries (average 10.7). He was the brightest light in Homedale’s play.

Homedale had a bulge of 252-39 in rushing yardage, and the Trojans, who now are 27-2 in Kellum’s fourth year at the helm, led in first downs, 10-6.

High school news.

Class officers elected for the school year are: Seniors: Cindy Yost, president; Kathy Parrill, vice president; Alicia Hansen, secretary; Donna Basey, treasurer; Brent Christoffersen, sergeant-at-arms; Kristie Kent and Kenny Kubosumi, student council representatives.

Juniors: Kevin Miyasako, president; Gary Tanikuni, vice president; Mel Folger, secretary; Paula Lootens, treasurer; Terry Atkins, sergeant-at-arms; Shauna Carson and Maxine Stansell, student council representatives.

Sophomores: Doug Folger, president; Wanda Johnson, vice president; Denise Moulton, secretary-treasurer; Cinda Daniell, sergeant-at-arms; Pat Garrity and Gary Godlevsky, student council representative.

Freshmen: Cheryl Lootens, president; Les Auker, vice president; Mike Blessing, secretary; Mackie Tolmie, treasurer; Steve George and Doug Takasugi, representatives.

Leslie Fujishin named among college scholars

Leslie Fujishin is among 10 Lewis and Clark College, Portland, students who have been named National Presbyterian College scholars for 1970-71.

Miss Fujishin, a sophomore, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fujishin, Rt. 1, Homedale.

This year, the Board of Christian Education of the United Presbyterian Church awarded 250 such scholarships to students attending any of the 46 Presbyterian-related colleges.

145 years ago

September 25, 1875

THE wife of Rezin Bowie, brother of James Bowie, the inventor of the knife that bears that name, died recently in New Orleans. The two brothers have been dead for many years. James fell in 1836 with Crockett and others at the head of a handful of Texans who made a gallant defense against the whole of Santa Anna’s army. He died with his favorite knife in his hand. Rezin Bowie passed nearly his whole life in the valley of the Mississippi. Both brothers were brave, generous and intelligent and were regarded as representative men of their times. They justified the use of the Bowie knife in preference to pistols and other weapons, on the grounds that it made personal combats sharper and more decisive.

SONOMA is the leading wine growing county of California, the product being larger than that of Los Angeles which has usually taken top honors. The first-named county yielded a product this year of about one million gallons; Los Angeles will raise about 800,000 gallons; Napa 500,000; El Dorado 900,000; Yolo 500,000; Auburn 400,000; Santa Clara 500,000. The entire product of the state is estimated at about 8,000,000 gallons. At the present rate of increase, the wine crop of California will in a few years be double what it is now.

BOISE COUNTY ITEMS

We glean the following from the Idaho *World* of the 21st inst:

The Iowa mill is still at work on good rock. Messrs. Daviner & Co., long-time merchants at Pioneer City, have sold their entire stock of goods to John M. Cannady, merchant at the same place.

The tunnel of the Iowa company, which is intended to tap the Eissien ledge, is in one hundred and twenty-five feet, with eight hundred and twenty-five feet farther to go.

John J. Tompkins, an old resident of Idaho City, started Tuesday with his family for Walla Walla Valley, Washington Territory, where he designs locating permanently.

Sam Weiler, merchant at Placerville, has just returned from New York, whither he went several weeks ago to lay in a stock of fall and winter goods. A sister of Mr. Weiler accompanied him on his return.

A letter from T. Savage, who went from here to the Black Hills several weeks since, says that the mines of that country are a fraud, and that gold in paying quantities does not exist, or at least has not yet been discovered.

Dr. J. H. Ralston, formerly of Placerville, and who left a year ago, returned by stage on Monday last. His time was spent during his absence in California and the Eastern States. He came up on business and will remain two or three weeks.

The National, State, municipal and railroad indebtedness of this country amounts to not less than \$80,000,000,000. This, we believe, is the biggest debt in the world. The interest on it has to be paid at intervals and a large portion of it has to be paid in gold, much of which unavoidably goes out of the country. Some European nations have a heavy mortgage upon the gold and silver products of the country, and an exchange pertinently asks “Where will the gold come from that will cover the circulation of our \$750,000,000 of paper currency that is afloat in the country?”

Sports

Donations sought for HHS senior project promoting volleyball

Homedale High School student Kaitlyn Missamore is organizing a volleyball tournament for her senior project.

She is accepting sponsorships and donations in an attempt to get as many girls involved in volleyball as possible. Missamore is a libero on the Trojans' varsity squad.

The donations will ensure that every girl enrolled in the Elevate Volleyball Club mini-league will get a ball at the end of the season.

Sponsorship applications are due today and include two levels — a \$100 package that includes the business logo on



Kaitlyn Missamore

the league shirt, two T-shirts and a signed volleyball, and a \$50 package that includes the business name on the league shirt and two T-shirts.

Business logos should be emailed to Amber Fouts at aolympusrecruiting@gmail.com, and the sponsorship and donation checks should be made payable to Elevate Volleyball Club.

Missamore said any money beyond the amount needed to fund her project will be contributed to St. Luke's Children's Hospital.

Contact Fouts at (208) 284-1253 for more information.

Melba ready for 2A WIC opener

What was to be Melba High School's Senior Night football game was cancelled Friday.

In an email Friday afternoon, athletic director Casey Clark said that the Mustangs' non-conference game was cancelled because of COVID-19 related issues on the Valley team.

Led by former Rimrock coach Juan Colunga, Melba is

1-1 and trying to make a return to the 2A state playoffs.

The Mustangs are scheduled to open the 2A Western Idaho Conference season Friday against Cole Valley Christian.

Kickoff is set for 7 p.m., at Nampa Christian High School of Idaho highway 55.

The contest is a home game for the Chargers.

Trojans drop 3A SRV matches

In the midst of the toughest part of its volleyball schedule, Homedale High School got some tough news.

Junior setter Amaia Aberasturi was injured during the week's first match, a 3A Snake River Valley conference match on the road against Fruitland.

"Unfortunately, she will be out for a while," HHS first-year coach Evonne McGuire said.

The Trojans fell to the Grizzlies, 25-17, 25-15, 25-19.

"The girls did well," McGuire said. "We just need to work on our consistency."

"We are definitely building and working better together each week. I am really proud of them."

Aberasturi suffered a medial collateral ligament sprain in one of her knees and will be out up to 1½ months, McGuire said.

Dig Pink Night set next week

A cancer awareness event will be built around Homedale High School's Oct. 1 home volleyball match against Fruitland.

Trojans coach Evonne McGuire said the program will hold a Dig Pink Night in partnership with the Sideout Foundation.

The goal is to raise awareness about stage 4 breast cancer, McGuire said.

Spare change will be collected during the volleyball matches, and the team has a goal of raising \$1,000.

People can also contribute online at <https://giving.sideout.org/campaigns/16886>.

The fundraising site link is also available on the HHS volleyball Facebook page.

Another way to contribute would be buying pink shirts. Pick up an order form at the high school or at ckmarstonclothing.square.site.

"We ask that our community wear pink that night in support of breast cancer awareness," McGuire said. "If anyone is a survivor that would like to be honored at the event, please reach out to our coaching staff."

McGuire can be contacted via email at emcguire@homedaleschools.org.

Freshman setter Olivia Asumendi was called up from the junior varsity A team to fill the roster spot for Thursday's 25-17, 25-15, 25-12 conference setback in Parma.

"(Asumendi) did a fantastic

job starting her first varsity match," McGuire said. "I think she will do some great things for us."

Homedale (2-5 overall, 0-2 in conference at week's end) has won six sets in seven

matches this season.

"These ladies are strong athletes," McGuire said. "I know we are going to continue to improve and grow with each match. We are just getting started."

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Gracie Rotter, sr.
Personal record time Sept. 9 at Weiser

Football Varsity
Friday, Sept. 25, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Friday, Sept. 25, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 4 p.m.

Cross country
Wednesday, Sept. 23 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet at Payette
Wednesday, Sept. 30, home for 3A SRV meet, middle school, 4 p.m.

Volleyball Varsity
Thursday, Sept. 24 at Payette, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 26 vs. Buhl and Kimberly at Parma, 11 a.m.

Junior varsity
Tuesday, Sept. 29 at McCall-Donnelly, 6:30 p.m.

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense Carhart cowboy



Mr. Moses remarked the other day he'd received a catalog in the mail from a western clothing outfit. He wasn't sure who the outfit catered to, but the name "Long Island" seemed to stick in his mind.

The photo on the front had burned an image into his brain. A male model stood in cowboy posture, a Clint Eastwood steely-eyed glare glinting from beneath the brim of his Zorro hat.

It appeared that moths had eaten the collar off his shirt. He wore a duster that was sort of a cross between Jim Bridger's old trapping coat and Santa Ana's parade uniform. Mr. Moses guessed it weighed more than a wet hallway carpet. There was an odd collection of gold chains, buttons, military pins, silver boot toe tips, training spurs and epaulettes decorating his wardrobe. He looked like a Korean general just returned from a Rotarian's convention.

Mr. Moses imagined himself dressed like the cowboy on the cover of the catalog, jangling out to feed the cows and break ice. Him hangin' his giant rowel and jingle bob on the twine as he kicked a bale off the back of the flatbed. Being jerked flat into the muddy rut, cows tromping giant footprints on the tail of his coat, the dog running off with his pancake hat. Then rising, sodden and trudging off rattling and clanging like a Moroccan bride with a limp.

"Shoot," he said, "I couldn't even walk up to a horse dressed like that."

Mr. Moses considers himself a Carhart cowboy. For those of you who live in the tropics, Carharts are warm, insulated canvas coveralls with more zippers than a Hell's Angel's loin cloth.

Carharts, ear flaps and Lacrosse five-buckle overshoes. Real cowboy winter wear. Granted it limits mobility. You'd have to get undressed to mount yer horse. You can't hear much other than the diesel, but a cowboy can get the job done. Could be the cowboy on the catalog cover measures his time in the winter by the bottles of brandy he goes through lacing his evening *café au lait*, or possibly the edge of the sun rays on the floor of his glassed-in sun room. Certainly it would not be the amount of mud built up in the wheel wells of his Lexus.

Mr. Moses has his own way of judging the length of winter. He says he keeps track by watchin' the pile of ice that accumulates next to the stock tank.

Spoken like a true Carhart cowboy.

— 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.

John Huckaby, Coeur d'Alene

Rural doctors needed State's physician shortage spurs support for U of I medical students



This fall is the first time medical students at the University of Idaho will benefit from the D.A. Huckabay M.D. WWAMI Scholarship Endowment. When I set up the Huckabay Scholarship Endowment in 2019, I did so knowing that Idaho needs physicians, that the U of I is an ideal place for future physicians to start training, and that offsetting debt is critical to their success.

WWAMI is the University of Washington School of Medicine's (UWSOM) multi-state medical school. The acronym stands for the states that partner with UWSOM — Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana and Idaho. Idaho WWAMI is the state's only publicly funded medical education program and offers students a chance to attend one of the most consistently highest-ranked medical schools in the nation in their home state.

Idaho Needs Physicians

A few weeks ago, the Idaho Business Review reported that Idaho ranks last in physicians per capita.

Compounding this, Idaho has been the fastest-growing state for three years running, and many of Idaho's health care professionals are nearing retirement.

Idaho WWAMI is critical to Idaho's physician pipeline. Since 1972, the partnership between the University of Idaho and UWSOM has provided high-quality, community-based medical education with a truly unique focus on rural medicine. Right now, there are 80 future physicians in classes at the University of Idaho and even more in clinical rotations across the state.

Over the past 48 years, Idaho WWAMI has trained 812 physicians. Approximately 51 percent of them have returned to Idaho to practice; the national average of graduates who practice in the same state where they received their education is 39 percent.

Why I support Idaho WWAMI

I chose to set up the Huckabay Scholarship

— See *Shortage*, Page 7B

From Washington Robust, diverse clean energy portfolio vital to creating energy security

As participants in the decisions made in Congress, Idahoans contact me with valuable input about the issues our country faces. Realizing that many may not have the chance to contact me, I post information about various issues of importance on my website, <http://crapo.senate.gov>. One of the issues Idahoans have contacted me about recently is the utilization of clean energy sources. The following is my response:

As co-chairman of the Senate Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Caucus, I am a strong supporter of renewable and alternative energy sources. As a nation, we must set a national energy policy that will meet our energy needs while ensuring an environmentally sustainable future for generations to come. In fact, Idaho is a national leader in the use of clean, renewable power. About 60 percent of Idaho's electricity is generated through the use of hydropower, and another roughly 20 percent is generated through other renewables, such as wind and solar. Hydropower and nuclear power are a huge part of the clean energy equation because these sources of electricity generation provide substantial non-emitting base load power.

Traditional, affordable sources of energy remain an important part of our nation's energy portfolio. Nonetheless, we must utilize an "all of the above" approach to energy production, which includes a robust expansion of alternative and renewable emissions-reducing technologies. By expanding and diversifying our energy resources, we can reduce risks to the environment, promote a strong domestic energy sector and increase our energy security for generations to come.

For more information about the issues before the U.S. Senate as well as news releases, photos, and

U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo

Republican (term expires 2022)

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Chief deputy whip



other items of interest, please visit my Senate website, <http://crapo.senate.gov>. The website also provides information about how to contact me to share your views via email, phone and postal mail. News about recent activities and information about accessing my Facebook and YouTube pages and following me on Twitter can also be found on the website. Links to legislation and other resources to assist Idahoans who need help with federal agencies can also be accessed on the website. The messages you send me help to shape my approach on a number of important matters. Please continue to contact me and share your thoughts and ideas.

— 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.

Commentary

Financial management
Analyze spending, cut the fat to help your savings plan

Dear Dave,
I'm having a hard time saving money. Do you have any practical advice for saving when you have an average income?
— Nikki

Dear Nikki,
One thing I've learned over the years is that people only start saving money when they learn healthy money habits — like living on a written, monthly budget — and let their future needs become more important than their current wants. What I'm saying here is it will only happen when you make saving a priority.
Everything doesn't have to magically line up before you start saving, and there are plenty of easy, practical ways to save money and breathe a little

extra air into your finances. The biggest one is by saying goodbye to debt. Monthly payments are the biggest drain I can think of when it comes to saving money, because debt robs you of your income.
Most people are shocked when they realize how much they're actually spending at the grocery store. It's easy to walk through the aisles grabbing things on impulse, but it all adds up. Save money on groceries by planning out your meals each week. Here are some other good ideas:
• Buy generic. One of the easiest ways to save money is to give name brands the boot.
• Skip the coffee shop, and make coffee at home.
• Take your lunch to work, and eat breakfast and dinner



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at home.
• Cut your ties with cable, and try network apps or streaming services.
• Check your insurance rates. You owe it to yourself to have your agent look things over for

you, and see what savings they can dig up.
• When buying, pay in cash and ask about discounts. You never know until you ask, and you should *always* ask.
• De-clutter your home, garage, basement or attic. Get rid of things you don't need and are willing to let go of for the sake of your financial future.
• Lower your cellphone bill by getting rid of extras like costly data plans, phone insurance, and useless warranties. Don't be afraid to haggle with your provider or switch to another company.
• If your goal is to save money, a vacation is just about the worst thing you can do. Finding fun close to home will save hundreds, if not thousands

of dollars.
When it comes to saving, Nikki, how carefully and intentionally you spend can be more important than how much you make!
— Dave
— Dave Ramsey is a seven-time No. 1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Dave Ramsey Show, heard by more than 16 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

✓ Shortage: Foundation important to making medical school affordable

From Page 6B
Endowment at the U of I with a \$1.5 million gift because Idaho WWAMI students receive a greater benefit — in terms of education quality, financial support and emotional support — than anywhere else I've worked with in the WWAMI system. The university and I are aligned in that we care deeply about the students, their education and their success.
At any given time, there are 80 medical students in classes at U of I; 40 per class for the first two years of medical school. It's a small enough cohort that U of I staff and faculty can connect with the students, identify and address problems before they become too large, and the students themselves form deep bonds during this short but pivotal time in their lives. The facilities there provide medical students with comfortable and safe places to study as well as world-class laboratories to begin practicing their

craft. The U of I has developed excellent partnerships with medical providers on the Palouse, notably with Gritman Medical Center, and the budding physicians just getting started benefit from those relationships, as well.
Offsetting debt
As far as tuition and student debt load, you won't find a better option than WWAMI. According to the Association of American Medical Colleges, the average annual cost for an Idaho WWAMI student is \$37,800, compared to the national average of \$62,000 for non-resident public medical school. Reducing debt helps keep Idaho-trained doctors here instead of seeking higher-paying jobs elsewhere.
Worth noting as well is the staggering rate of return for Idaho WWAMI. For every public dollar invested in Idaho WWAMI, \$5.10 returns to local communities in the form of employment, sales transactions and

state and local taxes — more than double the national average of \$2.30.
One of the best ways to address Idaho's physician shortage and encourage recruitment of family physicians into all corners of our state is to support Idaho WWAMI. More so, supporting in-state medical students as they start their journey in medicine at the U of I gives them the foundation they need to be successful.
— John Huckabay, from Coeur d'Alene, was born in Seattle and has lived in Idaho for nearly 40 years. To honor his grandfather's legacy as a rural physician, the Huckabay family has helped support more than 1,300 WWAMI medical education graduates since the 1990s. John is the trustee of the Durward and Susan Huckabay Foundation. Through his philanthropy, he hopes to inspire others to help support future physicians, especially in Idaho.

Contacting elected officials

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Municipalities
Homedale City Hall
31 W. Wyoming Ave., (208) 337-4641

Mayor — Gheen Christoffersen
City council — Mike Aebischer, Jerry Anderson, Steve Atkins, and Aaron Tines
Meetings — 6 p.m., on second Wednesday
Marsing City Hall
425 Main St., (208) 896-4122
Mayor — Chad Sevy
City council — Chris Even, Marie Herman, Rachael Percifield and Brandy Bennett
Meetings — 7 p.m., on second Wednesday
Grand View City Hall
425 Boise Ave., (208) 834-2700
Open noon to 4:30 p.m., Mon.-Thurs.
Mayor — Danny Martinez
City council — John Morrison, Tom Payne, Jon Pennington and Opal Ward
Meetings — 6 p.m., on second Wednesday

Sports



Header Bobby-Jean Colyer (right) loops a horn, and heeler Jay Black prepares to do his job during the winning run in the local team roping competition.



The Bruneau Round-Up mutton busting champion, Blaine Black, rides on Sunday.



This year's grand marshal Eric Davis (left) takes a spin prior to the rodeo action as Bill McBride drives.

Photos by Sandy Black

Bruneau Round-Up rodeo results

Held Saturday and Sunday

All around — Jake Flint
Saddle bronc — 1. Zalin Arritola, 74 points; 2. Noah Jones, 68
Ranch bronc — 1. Jeb Ireland, 86 points; 2. Jake Flint, 82; 3. Warren Johnson, 81; 4. (tie) Travon Cowdel, 80; Gus King, 80; and Jr Harney, 80
Horse roping — 1. Jason Eiguren and RC Crutcher,

8.28; 2. Frank Domingus and Jr Kelly, 10.86; 3. Shawn Corlee and Butch Shields, 11.76; 4. Kris White and Jeff Palmer, 13.03; 5. Rob Webb and Matt Williams, 13.27
Hide race — 1. Bobby Jean Colyer and Carly Carla, 12.35; 2. Bailey Bachman and Carlee Cacopardo, 12.86
Breakaway roping — 1. Katie Thompson, 2.13; 2. Amanda Hodges, 2.45; 3. Jazz Brunson, 2.46; 4. Millie

Greenwood, 2.76
Steer Riding — 1. Corbin Medley, 75; 2. Maliki Malott, 72
Dally calf roping — 1. Cody Craig, 17.04; 2. Jared Parke, 18.39; 3. Jaylen Eldridge, 19.47; 4. Jared Thompson, 22.92
Open team roping — 1. Dusty Easterday and Teo Masterjuan, 4.25; 3. Tyrell Hill and Cody Hill, 4.75; 3. Jeff Fleniken and Tyler Woolery,

4.83; 4. Jason Eiguren and RC Crutcher, 5.03; 5. Dex Maddox and Jared Parke, 5.41
Wild cow milking — 1. Drew Olsen and Jake Flint, 56.76; 2. Justin Jarvis and Pete Ranft, 01:18.6; Women's steer stopping — 1. Bailey Bachman, 2.86; 2. Kalena Webb, 3.44; 3. Katie Thompson, 3.76
Barrel racing — 1. Sarah Damwood, 16.991; 2. Zayne Hall, 17.19; 3. Donna Fowler, 17.388; 4. Tahnee Fornstrom,

17.406
Wild cow riding — 1. Lew Rutan and Austin Hanks, 43:94; 2. Will Aquiso and Frank Tobias, 52:20:00
Local team roping — 1. Bobby Jean Colyer and Jay Black, 7.12; 2. Chase Iverson and Quirt Boyles, 7.35; 3. Pete Ranft and Justin Jarvis, 9.54
Bull riding — 1. Miles Johnson, 77; 2. Breck Sanderson, 75; 3. Cody Rouse, 74

Public notices

REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS FOR GRAND VIEW DMV BUILDING REMODEL IN GRAND VIEW, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

Owyhee County will accept sealed bids addressed to: Clerk of the Owyhee County Board of County Commissioners, Grand View DMV Remodel Project, P.O. Box 128, Murphy, ID 83650, 208-495-2421, no later than close of business at 5 pm (Mountain Daylight Time, henceforth “MDT”) October 9, 2020

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

RFB Issue Date September 21, 2020. Written Questions Received no later than close of business (5 pm, MDT) October 2, 2020. Written Questions may be submitted by US Mail to Owyhee County Clerk, P.O. Box 128, Murphy, ID 83650, or by email to Owyhee County Clerk, Angela Barkell, abarkell@co.owyhee.id.us . Questions submitted will be addressed via email by close of business October 5, 2020. Sealed Bids to be submitted no later than close of business (5 pm, MDT) October 9, 2020. Opening of bids at 10:00 am (MDT), October 13, 2020. Contract award date will be no later than October 19, 2020.

Complete RFB may be obtained from the Owyhee County Clerk, Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, ID 83650 or on-line at www.owyheecounty.net

Owyhee County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
09/23,09/30/2020

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

On October 5, 2020, the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners will hear public comments in Courtroom 2 of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho on the following matter:

Beginning at 10:30 am, the Commission will hold a public meeting to get input on a proposed RV ordinance for Owyhee County. The proposed ordinance outlines proposed regulations regarding living in RVs and sets out a process for temporary use. The Planning and Zoning Commission held two previous public meetings on this ordinance and incorporated public comments received at those meetings.

Copies of the ordinance are available for review in the

Planning and Zoning office, or can also be viewed at www.owyheecounty.net under the Community Development tab. For additional information please call 208-495-2095 ext. 2.
09/23/20

ORDINANCE NO. 216

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSING, IDAHO, AMENDING SECTION 3-1-3(D) OF THE MARSING CITY CODE TO PROVIDE THAT ROOSTERS ARE ALLOWED WITH A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, The City of Marsing has determined that the keeping of roosters in the City may be appropriate provided that the property owner obtains a conditional use permit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSING, IDAHO:

SECTION 1: That Title 3, Chapter 1, Section 3(D) is hereby amended to read as follows:

D. Any fowl not kept or maintained in coops or cages, any fowl in excess of twelve (12) in number at any time and any fowl which is not hooded or otherwise kept silent from sunset to sunrise. Roosters are prohibited from being kept or maintained within the city limits unless the property owner has obtained a conditional use permit allowing the keeping of roosters.

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval, and publication in the official newspaper of the City.

APPROVED by the Mayor and City Council this 9th day of September, 2020.

CITY OF MARSING
Owyhee County, Idaho
s:/Chad Sevy, Mayor
ATTEST:
s:/Jolyn E. Green, City Clerk
09/16,23/2020

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to IDS 43-201 to 43-207, inclusive, the election of one Director from Division 2 Reynolds Irrigation District will be held on November 3, 2020 to elect a Director for a term of three (3) years beginning January 1,

2021, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Nomination for Director may be made by petition, signed by at least six (6) electors of the District qualified to vote for the candidate nominated and filed with the Secretary of the District not less than 40 days nor more than 60 days before the date of the election.

Petitions may be obtained from Brad Huff, Secretary of the District, P.O. Box 12, Melba, ID 83641, and Ph. 495-2950.

In the event more than one (1) candidate is nominated within the Division, notice of time and place of election will be posted as required by IDS 43-206.

Dated: September 23, 2020
Reynolds Irrigation District
Brad Huff
Secretary
09/23,30/2020

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE

CASE NO. CV-37-20-319 IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

IN RE: LORI LANE FRINK
Legal name. A petition to change the name of Lori Lane Frink, an adult, now residing in the city of Marsing, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to Lori Lane Deschand. The reason for the change in name is: I have no connection to my birth father anymore and want to change it to my mothers maiden name.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 11:30 o'clock a.m. on November 02, 2020 at the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 ID-78, Murphy, Id 83650. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.

Date: September 05, 2020
s:/Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk
Angela Barkell, Clerk of the District Court
09/23,30,10/07,14/2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho:

57-12018
CHARLES MAXWELL
WANDA MAXWELL
1769 RIVER RD

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING PROPOSED BUDGET, FISCAL YEAR 2020 – 2021 OPALINE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

FISCAL YEAR NOVEMBER 1, 2020 TO OCTOBER 31,2021

Notice is hereby given that the Directors for the Opaline Irrigation District will meet October 6, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. for a budget hearing pursuant to the Idaho Code 42-3229 at 7300 Opaline RD. Melba, ID. 83641

The proposed Budget may be examined at the home office of Secretary Pam Howard, 116 S. 8th Ave. W, Marsing, call for appointment 208-896-5273

The following is a copy of the proposed budget including the 2019-2020 fiscal year budget.

EXPENSES: ITEM	2019-2020 BUDGET	2020-2021 PROPOSED
Insurance	\$3,700.00	\$3,500.00
L & P Fees	\$3,619.00	\$3,834.00
Maintenance	\$47,246.04	\$61,287.47
Office	\$810.00	\$766.00
Phone	\$2,275.00	\$1,700.00
Power	\$174,300.00	\$160,350.00
Soc.Sec	\$7,225.00	\$3,000.00
Wages	\$33,842.41	\$39,179.00
Mileage	\$50.00	\$0.00
Reserve Fund	\$113,532.45	\$110,601.86
TOTAL	\$386,599.90	\$384,218.33

INCOME: ITEM	2019-2020 PROJECTED	2020-2021 ANTICIPATED
2016 O & M	\$972.45	\$0.00
2017 O & M	\$1,620.00	\$480.00
2018 O & M	\$3,130.00	\$1,716.60
2019 O & M	\$3,951.00	\$2,039.60
2020 O & M	\$253,914.00	\$2,691.85
2021 O & M	\$0.00	\$253,914.00
Office Fee	\$2,580.00	\$2,540.00
Late Fees	\$100.00	\$1,409.42
Interest	\$300.00	\$2,000.00
Refunds	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Rental	\$1,500.00	\$2,100.00
Credit/Prepay	\$0.00	(\$275.00)
LGIP Fund	\$113,532.45	\$110,601.86
TOTAL:	\$386,599.90	\$384,218.33

Pam Howard, Secretary-Treasurer, Opaline Irrigation District, PO Box 331 Marsing, ID 83639
09/16,23/2020

HOMEDALE, ID 83628-3583
Point of Diversion NESE S24 T04N R06W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER

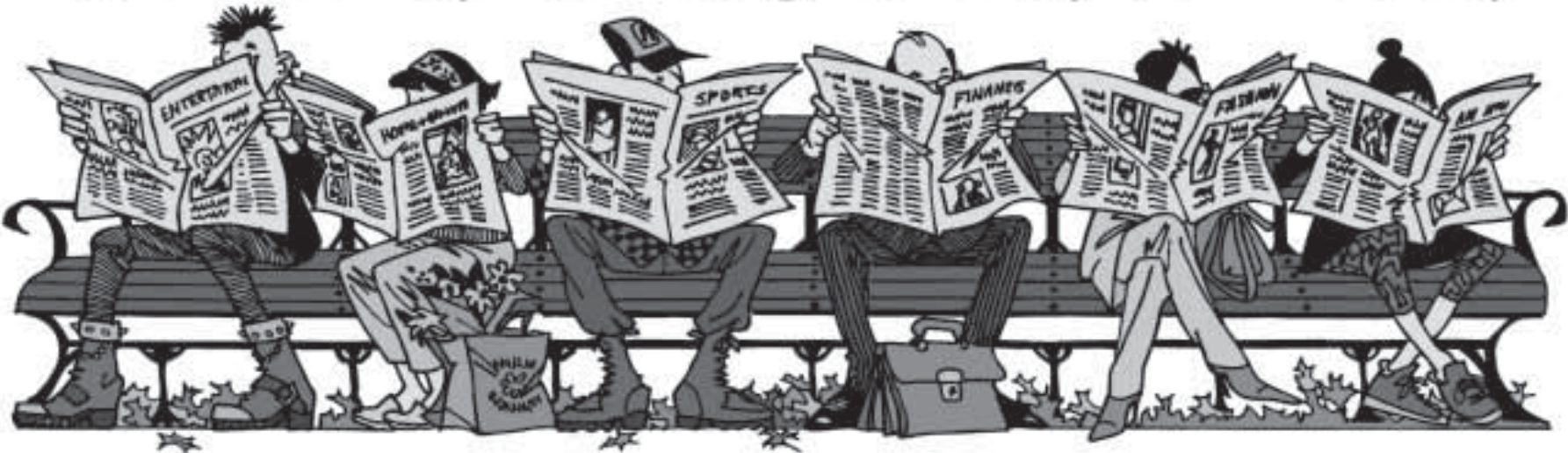
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Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 to 12/31 0.02 CFS
Use: DOMESTIC 01/01 to 12/31 0.04 CFS
Total Diversion: 0.26 CFS
Date Filed: 08-17-2020
Place Of Use: DOMESTIC, INDUSTRIAL, STOCKWATER T04N R06W S24 NESE

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 10/5/2020. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Director
09/16,23/2020

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Public notices

AMENDMENT NUMBER AND QUESTION HJR4
Shall Section 2, Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Idaho be amended to require that the Senate shall consist of thirty-five members; and shall Section 4, Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Idaho be amended to require that the Legislature shall be apportioned to thirty-five legislative districts?

Legislative Council’s Statement of Meaning, Purpose, and Results to Be Accomplished

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to permanently set the number of senators in the Idaho Legislature, as well as the number of legislative districts in Idaho, at 35. (There are twice as many representatives as senators, which this amendment would not change.) Since 1992, there have been 35 districts and senators, but the Idaho Constitution permits as few as 30 and as many as 35 districts and senators, with the number determined during redistricting (the process of redrawing legislative district boundaries after a United States census). If this amendment is adopted, the number of districts and senators would be fixed at 35 and could not be changed during redistricting.

Statements FOR the Proposed Amendment

1. Setting the number of districts at 35 would prevent the number of districts from being reduced during redistricting in 2021. If the number of districts is reduced, Idaho would have fewer legislators, meaning that Idahoans would have less representation in the Legislature at a time when the state’s population is growing and the Legislature is addressing complex issues related to population growth. With fewer legislators representing more constituents, Idahoans would have less access to their legislators, limiting

their ability to discuss issues of concern with the people elected to represent their interests. Additionally, with more constituents per legislator, legislators might not be able to provide as many individuals with constituent services.

2. Setting the number of districts at 35 and thus preventing any reduction in the number of districts would also keep urban and rural interests in balance. If the number of districts is reduced, rural residents could be added to mostly urban districts, and urban residents could be added to mostly rural districts. This could result in legislators being less responsive to some constituents’ interests than others. Furthermore, reducing the number of districts might require districts of great geographical size, which could include many communities that have few interests in common. Large districts might also make travel difficult, and more remote areas of the district could be ignored by legislative candidates during campaigns and by elected legislators who focus on areas where more constituents live. By preserving 35 districts, this amendment makes it more likely that Idaho residents will have representation responsive to their local interests.

3. Redistricting in Idaho is done by the bipartisan Citizens’ Commission for Reapportionment and is often contentious. If the number of districts is set by law, the commission would not need to determine the number of districts, eliminating a potential point of conflict between the commissioners.

Statements AGAINST the Proposed Amendment

1. Redistricting is a complicated process, because redistricting plans must comply with several legal requirements that can be in conflict with each other. For example, districts must be roughly equal in population, but must also avoid, to the extent possible, splitting up counties and communities - even though some counties and communities have significantly larger populations than others. Redistricting plans that fail to comply with all requirements can be challenged in court. By adding another fixed requirement, this amendment would make redistricting more difficult and might invite court challenges. The commission currently has the flexibility to determine the number of districts within a certain range because it is possible that a plan with 30 larger districts could better satisfy legal requirements than a plan with 35 smaller districts. The commission’s flexibility should be preserved.

2. Changes to the redistricting process should be proposed well in advance of a redistricting year, with enough time to consider all possible consequences of the change. This amendment would cause a significant change to be made right before redistricting occurs in 2021 without sufficient time to consider the consequences.

3. Reducing the number of legislative districts would mean a corresponding reduction in the number of legislators. This would reduce the size of the government and could potentially save public funds spent on legislator salaries and benefits.

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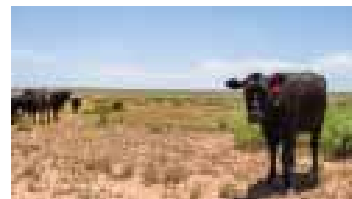


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The family of Pat Stanford would like to thank everyone for the support, prayers and food provided to our family during our loss. Also, thank you to St. Luke's and Owyhee Health & Rehab-Homedale. The Stanford Family.



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Sports

MARSING HOMECOMING POWDER PUFF



The Marsing High School Powder Puff football game last Wednesday had a bit of a role reversal at halftime, as the boys cheered and danced to the hootin' and hollerin' of their families and friends.



Above: Junior Lexi Loucks hands off to sophomore Vanessa Freeman, while freshman Jackie Montgomery pursues.
Left: With blocking from Freeman, Loucks rears back to throw a bomb during first-half action in last Wednesday's Powder Puff game.

Homedale youth football teams enjoy continued success

Homedale Optimist football program kept its season-opening success going during the league's second-week slate of games Saturday in Homedale.

The junior tackle team, coached by Seth Woodward and Corby Garrett, beat Meridian, 18-7.

The sophomore tackle team, coached by Ben Roberts, John Pool, Matt Ingram, Zac Taylor, and Wade Black shut out Kuna, 34-0.

The freshman tackle squad, coached by Kenny Thomas, Jason Heck, Derek Parkins, and Lance Bell, topped Boise, 20-14.

The rookie tackle team,

coached by Darren Uranga, Jared Asumendi and Matt Kendall and Karsen Frelove, tied Boise, 18-18.

Flex team 1, coached by Chris Rennaker, Herbert McDowell, and Shay Swan, beat Mountain Home in two games, 27-6 and 46-12. Flex teams wear protective equipment but play flag football.

According to Homedale Youth Sports board secretary Amy Fossette, Flex team 2, coached by Shane Brown, Wade Black, Jeff Dines, and Casey Grove, won both of its games, but the scores were not available at The Owyhee Avalanche's deadline.



The Homedale Optimist junior tackle team runs out on to the Deward Bell Stadium field after Saturday's 18-7 home victory over Meridian.