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Coalition to address off-road safety issues

BLM to pay more for OCSO patrols

A concerned Murphy resident addressed safety concerns about Owyhee County's trails and those who use them

during last week's Board of County Commissioners meeting.

During her visit with the county commissioners on April 26, Karen Steenhof suggested a return to a citizens' recreational panel.

"We're experiencing a big surge in

recreation, not unlike what we experienced in the early 2000s, with lots of inexperienced people who don't know the desert, who don't know the country," Steenhof said.

"I'm wondering if it's time that we resurrected something like the Sher-

iff's Recreation Task Force that was started back then."

She said that the task force really got the Bureau of Land Management going on getting the Hemingway Butte

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The six students in Jordan Valley High School's graduating Class of 2021 will receive their diplomas Saturday. Submitted photo

Jordan Valley kicks off Class of 2021 graduation season

Small senior class gets diplomas Saturday

Six seniors will receive their Jordan Valley High School diplomas Saturday.

The commencement ceremony will be held at 4 p.m., inside the Oregon border town's high school gymnasium.

Social distancing and masks are recommended.

Valedictorian Quinton Collins and salutatorian Tina Gammett will lead the small graduating class.

The other graduates are Abby Green, Blaise Warn, Kiana Quintero, and Kate Gooch.

Collins is the 18-year-old son of Christopher and Jamie Collins, and he has compiled a 4.11 grade-point average in high school.

He plans to study for a chemical engineering degree at a four-year university.

Gammett, the 18-year-old daughter of Will and Brett Gammett, has achieved a 3.98 GPA.

She will study Early Childhood Education at

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Lions new and old join together to save derby

There apparently was no way the Homedale Lions Club was going to give up on its Fourth of July Demolition Derby.

The fate of the 2021 edition — set for a Sunday inside the Owyhee County Rodeo Arena in Homedale — was in doubt only for as long as it took someone to read club president Will Pryor's plea in the local paper last Wednesday.

Eleven hours after The Owyhee Avalanche article hit the street, Pryor convened a special meeting at The Bowling Alley with news that four new

club members had stepped forward and apparently the Caldwell Lions Club is going to help with ticket-taking.

The new Homedale Lions Club members are all former derby drivers, including Brenda Coons, Amy Fossette, Joey Reyes, and Tom Stanbery. All but Stanbery, who lives in Marsing, are Homedale residents.

"Looks like we'll be a club for another year," Pryor said. "For the response we got this

— See *Lions*, back page

Homedale Police chief goes public with retirement plans at Chamber

Fourth of July block party in preliminary stages

Turnout for the Homedale Chamber of Commerce meeting was larger than expected, and the 16 people gathered on April 27 got some big news.

During the monthly meeting at The Bowling Alley, Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller announced his intention to retire on Dec. 31.

Eidemiller would become the third long-serving lawman to retire from an Owyhee County

agency in 2021. Deputy Terry McGrew left the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office earlier this year, and Karl Kingston will leave the Homedale force at the end of the month.

Faydra Given and Erin Rhodes from the Wild Lotus coffee bar and boutique, 1 E. Idaho Ave., brought up a plan that they are formulating to hold a Fourth of July city celebration.

"We're talking about out-

side vendors, like food trucks, and a band, things like that," Given said. "We're just in the beginning stages, just planning, right now."

Chamber president Gavin Parker reminded Given that Independence Day is when the Homedale Lions Club Fourth of July Demolition Derby takes place, and Given said she was aware and her planned events would happen earlier in the day.

There is also the unknown

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Marsing Lions Club bingo finale planned

Last games of season fall on Thursday

The Marsing Lions Club will close out its 2020-21 bingo season Thursday.

The Lions Club’s biggest fundraiser has seen some unusual scheduling issues for more than a year, so moving the season finale to a weeknight seems par for the course.

Traditionally, games are played on Saturdays inside the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.

The bingo will start with an early bird game at 6:45 p.m.,

followed by the regular series of 12 games starting at 7 p.m.

The hot number jackpot rolls over to the final night, and will be given away (with additional funds from this week’s buy-in) as part of the blackout bingo at the end of the night if no one wins a bingo with the hot number in the preceding 11 regular games.

Free popcorn is always provided, and snacks and beverages are available for purchase.

Because of ongoing COVID-19 precautions, seating will be limited, and masks are recommended.

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

Thursday will mark only the fifth bingo night in the past 14 months.

ROAD TO GLORY Oregon man rides for God

Homedale is a rest stop on annual cross-country pedal

Sometimes people get a calling that they just can’t ignore, and that was the case for an Oregon man who said he heeded the words of God to ride a bicycle more than 2,800 miles from Salem, Ore., to Washington, D.C.

Tom Harris of Sisters, Ore., said God told him that he was to hop on his bike and pedal his way cross-country, sharing stories along the way with anyone who was interested.

“It was an assignment from the Lord,” he said. “I was spending time in prayer, and the Lord said ‘I want you to increase your time in rides.’ So I trained for that and made my ride.”

Harris, who has lived in Sisters with his wife Barb for 20 years, has answered the call not once, but six times. He traveled from Salem to Homedale, as he has done each of the past six Aprils.

His latest overnight stay at the town’s riverside RV park came last Wednesday.

He said God told him before this current ride that the seventh trip, in April 2022, would be his last.



Oregonian Tom Harris has ridden his touring bike cross-country every year since 2016 and will make his final trek beginning next spring.

joys his visits with Bill McDaniel, whom he met on first trip through town eight years ago.

“Bill’s a good guy,” Harris said. “I look forward to talking with him on my trips.”

Harris, who is retired from the electrical trade, said that on his first trip, he encountered some mechanical issues on his bike and was told that he had made a poor choice in vehicle. He has since upgraded to the heavy-duty Surly Disc Trucker long-distance touring bicycle.

“It’s a lot of work and I have a patient wife, but I just can’t ignore the word of God,” Harris said.

He said that he sees his wife briefly when he gets to Casper, Wyo. She drives to meet him and they spend a few days together before he moves on to the next leg.

Harris said that when he returns home from D.C., he will basically do nothing for about a month, and then he will start riding with his wife for about an hour a day. After about two to three months, he starts thinking about the next ride and begins extending his workouts.

Then the process repeats, but just one more time.

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Library salary wish tips Homedale’s plan for 5% raises

Budget planning around the corner for city council

City employees could get five percent pay raises in the next fiscal year.

The pay hike could be proposed when the Fiscal Year 2022 budget heads into city council workshops in the coming weeks.

But the Homedale library board of directors jumped on the idea during a special meeting on April 27 inside the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library.

The meeting was called to discuss the library’s next budget so the appropriations would be in elected officials’ hands when they began hammering out FY 22.

The first workshop is set for June 7, and the library board

was under a May 27 deadline to get the proposed budget to City Hall.

The library’s proposed FY 22 budget is \$95,721, which is an increase of \$8,241 (9.4 percent) over the FY 21 budget.

According to figures library director Sharla Jensen shared with the board, the library is actually running over budget at the tail end of the current fiscal year by \$7,863 (8.9 percent).

The library has spent \$95,343 in FY 21, but the projected revenue total has outperformed projections by \$16,025 (18.3 percent).

Jensen had projected \$15,000 in grants for FY 21, but the library has received \$39,550, which accounts for the bump in revenue. The library also has received \$845 in rental fees for the community center next door, not a dime of which was budgeted last summer.

Meanwhile, donations are

well off the budgeted mark of \$2,500. To date, the library has received less than \$800 in donations in FY 21.

Jensen suggested a three percent salary increase for the library’s four employees, who all work 19 hours to avoid state retirement fund mandates.

“It’s hard getting things done in 19 hours,” Jensen told the board.

Jensen is again looking for a six-hour position for a high school student to help keep the library open on Saturdays.

But library board members agreed to ask for across-the-board five percent raises after Nancy Belknap suggested that Jensen get a five percent raise.

The reasoning for the larger-than-usual raise is that no one received salary bumps in FY 21.

A comprehensive five percent raise would add more

than \$6,000 to the library’s salary budget, driving the total to \$58,821.

Library board members present last week included chair Dawn Whitney and members Janet McCornack, Pam Gibbens and Belknap.

The board decided to change the time of their regular monthly meeting. In FY 21, the board has been meeting at 1:30 p.m., on the Monday before the second Tuesday of each month.

Now, the meetings will be held at 1 p.m., on the Monday before the second Tuesday of each month.

Jensen also talked about some possible capital improvements.

She has received an estimate of \$4,200 to build a 10-foot-by-12-foot storage shed, and

announced that an anonymous donor has committed \$2,500 to the project through the Friends of the Homedale Library.

But Jensen said that the new storage unit would be shared with the library’s next-door neighbor.

City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram clarified the situation, saying that some shed space would be used to store equipment and other items for the city-run community room inside the privately operated Homedale Community Foodstead.

The original 1921 library behind the Foodstead is now being used for storage, but Jensen has designs to turn the 100-year-old building into a museum to house searchable records.

— JPB

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Homedale Farmers Market annual Spring Plant Sale
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✓ Chamber: Citywide cleanup in the works; Bowling Alley could sell

factor of a planned rehabilitation of Idaho highway 19.

“Another thing to keep in mind is that Idaho Avenue and Main Street could be a disaster at that time,” Eidemiller added. “We don’t know when (the Idaho Transportation Department) plans for sure to start the revitalization of highway 19.

“It could be right in the middle of it — we’ve already been discussing alternate routes for the parade and more.”

During last Wednesday’s Lions Club demolition derby meeting, club president Will Pryor said Eidemiller has urged the Fourth of July parade route to circle past Riverside Park on Riverside Drive and then work back up toward downtown on North Main Street.

Eidemiller said that while, Idaho Avenue would not be closed, “ingress and egress might be a little rough.”

The Wild Lotus representative said that she has been in contact with Marc Tidalgo of nearby business The Dog Spa about potentially using part of his property for the block party.

Chamber activity update

Parker updated the gathered businesspersons about the Chamber’s recent goings-on, including the April 3 Easter



Representatives from 16 local and county businesses, as well as the City of Homedale, took part in the Homedale Chamber of Commerce luncheon on April 27 at The Bowling Alley.

egg hunt at Sundance Park. He said that 2,600 eggs were dispersed for hunting and that the event went off without a hitch.

Parker said that the Chamber currently has 33 paid members, up from 18 before COVID-19 changes shut down the membership drive a year ago.

He said that there were 45 members in 2019.

Annual Chamber membership dues is \$35 for businesses with one to five employees, \$45 for six to 10 employees, and \$60 for 11 or more.

Businesses that paid 2020 dues are considered paid for 2021, because of the special

circumstances caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Consider it our COVID-19 relief fund,” Parker said during January’s Chamber meeting.

Integra visits Chamber

Integra Resources Corp.’s Emily Richardson stopped into the Chamber’s meeting as part of the DeLamar Mine owner’s outreach to the county and its cities.

The company’s new community affairs representative said Integra expects a 10-year mine life at the DeLamar Mine and anticipates employing up to 330 people in the coming years.

includes community organization donations and scholarships, aspects of the plan that are in the works.

Odds and ends

• Eidemiller said he is working with Homedale Mayor Gheen Christoffersen to plan a city cleanup day. Cleanup days in the past have covered predominately down at the Snake River around Riverside Park and Deward Bell Stadium, near the high school and Bette Uda City Park.

• Mike and Donna Marose, owners of The Bowling Alley, 18 W. 1st St. N., in Homedale, said that they are looking forward to retirement soon. Mike said that their business is currently up for sale and they have received one offer, which is being considered and potentially worked out.

• Scott Olsen of Homedale’s Rehab Authority said the clinic will hold its annual high school sports physicals for those who need it on Aug. 3, at its location at 134 E. Idaho Ave.

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✓ Safety: Feds prepared to give local law enforcement more money

off-highway vehicle area and the Wilson Creek non-motorized trail system established.

“The BLM was really dragging their feet,” she said.

She noted that there have been many safety issues among and between trails users, as well as considerable resource damage.

County emergency manager Jim Desmond said significant safety issues arise on many spots along the county’s trails when multiple recreationalists, such as motorcyclists and horsemen, may be on a trail together and not be aware of each other’s presence.

Steenhof, who is a member of the Owyhee Local Working Group for sage-grouse conservation, suggested that streamlining the trail system may be in order. That could entail designating certain trails for a particular use. She also mentioned that safety signs on trails still haven’t been replaced after being destroyed in the 2015 Soda Fire.

She said that a coalition spearheaded reluctantly by the Idaho Horse Council has been formed to tackle some of these issues. Steenhof believes the county should take the lead with the coalition.

“For me, it’s logical for the county to at least offer to facilitate these meetings because you don’t have a dog in the fight,” Steenhof said.

Desmond agreed.

“You are as neutral a party as there can be,” he told the commissioners.

He agreed to represent the county at the coalition’s first meeting, which was held on Friday.

OCSO-BLM contract modified

The Bureau of Land Management will pay an additional \$15,000 annually for

sheriff’s deputy patrols of federally managed public land in Owyhee County.

The county will receive \$27,500 annually (up from \$12,500) after the long-standing agreement between the sheriff’s office and federal agency was modified.

According to County Clerk Angie Barkell, the changes came about after county officials received complaints about the influx of recreationalists into the county.

The additional \$15,000 for base year funding for increased patrols is for the period of April 20 to June 30, when the current year of the contract is completed.

The contract, which runs from July 1 to June 30, is subject to annual renewal by the county commissioners.

Attempts to get more information from Sheriff Perry Grant went unanswered.

New full-time maintenance person for Murphy campus

The Owyhee County government campus will see a change as far as maintenance and cleanup.

County commissioners approved moving Rollin Springer from part-time to full-time employment status.

Springer will replace Wendy Johnson, who is retiring after working as the county campus maintenance person full-time for the past 10 years.

Springer was hired part-time in December for general maintenance and snow removal. He will continue with those responsibilities, as well as custodial duties.

His change to full-time status was effective Friday. His pay rate of \$15 per hour has not changed.

— TK

✓ Graduation: Other area seniors getting ready to walk the line, too

Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

On Monday, Quintero made her college choice, signing a letter of intent to play basketball at Northwest College in Powell, Wyo.

The six seniors will receive their high school diplomas from principal Rusty Bengoa.

A graduation party at the Jordan Valley Lions Hall will follow commencement.

The Owyhee Avalanche’s special edition saluting the Class of 2021 will publish May 19.

This year’s schedule of graduation ceremonies include:

- **Wednesday, May 19** — COSSA Academy
- **Monday, May 24** — Adrian High School
- **Thursday, May 27** — Homedale High School
- **Friday, May 28** — Marsing High School
- **Friday, May 28** — Melba High School
- **Saturday, May 29** — Rimrock High School

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School menus

Homedale Elementary

Choice of milk and juice

Vegetable and Fruit choices will be offered daily

May 5: **Breakfast:** Chocolate chip muffin. **Lunch:** Spaghetti, garlic toast, green beans.

May 6: **Breakfast:** Bug bite grahams with yogurt. **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, steamed carrots.

May 10: **Breakfast:** Cereal bar. **Lunch:** Crispito, string cheese, corn.

May 11: **Breakfast:** Toast and sausage patty. **Lunch:** Hot dog, macaroni and cheese, baby carrots.

May 12: **Breakfast:** Mini pancakes. **Lunch:** Pork chops, mashed potatoes with gravy, hot roll.

Homedale Middle

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt or string cheese

Cereal option and PB&J and string cheese offered daily

Vegetable and Fruit choices will be offered daily

May 5: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon burst bread. **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice, broccoli, fortune cookie.

May 6: **Breakfast:** Apple breakfast bites. **Lunch:** Crispito, corn.

May 10: **Breakfast:** Frudel. **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, mixed vegetables.

May 11: **Breakfast:** Apple filled donut. **Lunch:** Pork chop, mashed potatoes with gravy, hot roll.

May 12: **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

May 5: **Breakfast:** Homemade breakfast burrito or filled cereal bar. **Lunch:** Spicy chicken patty sandwich, hamburger or cheeseburger, potato wedges.

May 6: **Breakfast:** Donut or yogurt parfait. **Lunch:** Beef taco or burrito, corn, cookie.

May 10: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza or cinnamon pull apart. **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, mozzarella bites or pizza Hot Pocket.

May 11: **Breakfast:** English muffin breakfast sandwich or cinnamon roll. **Lunch:** Crisпитos, refried beans or deli sandwich, chips.

May 12: **Breakfast:** Sausage plate or mini waffles. **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken, cheesy breadstick or pepperoni pizza ripper.

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

Hot Grab-n-go line (varies): Cheeseburger, chicken dish (reg./spicy sandwich; nuggets; bites), Pizza (varies), chicken rice bowl, potatoes (varies), bread (varies)

May 5: **Breakfast:** Bacon scramble pizza, cheese stick. **Lunch:** Dutch waffle, hashbrown patty, strawberries. Cold Grab-n-Go: Chicken bacon ranch wrap.

May 6: **Breakfast:** Waffle, maple sausage sandwich, yogurt. **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, carrot sticks, pineapple tidbits, Jello. Hot Grab-n-Go: Buffalo chicken nuggets.

May 10: **Breakfast:** Apple breakfast bites, cheese stick. **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, steamed carrots, hot roll, honey mustard, catsup or BBQ sauce cup. Cold Grab-n-Go: Italian sub.

May 11: **Breakfast:** Mini waffles, yogurt. **Lunch:** Beef taco, refried beans, carrot sticks, Spanish rice. Cold Grab-n-Go: Southwest chicken salad.

May 12: **Breakfast:** Pop Tart, cheese stick. **Lunch:** Mac-n-cheese, green beans, snickerdoodle cookie. Hot Grab-n-Go: Buffalo chicken pizza.

Bruneau/Grand View

All meals: Milk and fruit offered daily

Jr.-Sr. high school: Pizza offered daily

May 5: **Breakfast:** Waffle and hashbrowns. **Lunch:** Nachos and chips, refried beans/salsa, broccoli.

May 6: **Breakfast:** Bagels and cream cheese. **Lunch:** BBQ pulled pork on a bun fries, cauliflower.

May 10: **Breakfast:** Cereal bar. **Lunch:** Orange chicken, oriental rice, broccoli.

May 11: **Breakfast:** Biscuits and gravy. **Lunch:** Chili, coleslaw, applesauce.

May 12: **Breakfast:** Mini cinnabon. **Lunch:** Chicken taco, tossed romaine salad, refried beans.

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Social Security will be around for your retirement — most likely

In a 2018 survey by Pews Research, 42 percent of respondents believed that Social Security would not have enough money to provide benefits when they were ready to retire, with another 42 percent believing those benefits would be reduced by the time they were ready to retire. This leaves 16 percent of respondents who believe that Social Security benefits will remain unchanged when they are ready to retire. So, who is right? The skeptics, optimists, or those somewhere in the middle?



Andrew Bingham

For the answer we can turn to the annual report from the board that oversees the Old Age and Survivor Insurance (OASI) Trust, which is the official name of the account that takes in our Social Security contributions/taxes and pays out our benefits. The report is titled “THE 2020 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FEDERAL OLD-AGE AND SURVIVORS INSURANCE AND FEDERAL DISABILITY INSURANCE TRUST FUNDS,” and at 276 pages it discusses the future viability of Social Security benefits at length. According to this report “The OASI Trust Fund reserves are projected to become depleted in 2034, at which time OASI income would be sufficient to pay 76 percent of OASI scheduled benefits.”

In other words, the board estimates that the trust providing retirement benefits for approximately 54 million individuals will become depleted by 2034. At that point, any money that comes into the trust would immediately have to go back out to its beneficiaries, which would only be enough to cover 76 percent of the benefits they should be getting and are ac-

customed to. To prevent this from happening, the board has calculated what it would take to remain solvent for a 75-year projection period. The first option is that “revenue would have to increase by an amount equivalent to an immediate and permanent payroll tax rate increase of 3.14 percentage points ...” This would equate to a 1.57 percent flat tax increase for workers and employers if that is how Congress chose to increase revenues. Second, “scheduled benefits would have to be reduced by an amount equivalent to an immediate and permanent reduction of about 19 percent applied to all current and future beneficiaries, or about 23 percent if the reductions were applied only to those who become initially eligible for benefits in 2020 or later.” Or third, “some combination of these approaches would have to be adopted.”

So, who was right with their Social Security benefits predictions? Probably those in the middle, but it is difficult to say for certain. Adjustments will need to be made to Social Security, but how those adjustments are to be made and to what degree are still up in the air. Perhaps Congress will find other ways to fund the trust or make more minor changes that keeps the trust solvent for 20 years rather than the 75-year projection. Whatever the case may be, it is extremely likely that you will have Social Security benefits when you are ready to retire.

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Marsing’s Canyon-side fire station opens its doors to public
Marsing Rural Fire District fire commissioners Jake Astorquia (left), Jeff Percifield (second from left), and fire chief Brion Showalter (far right) entertained visitors during a grand opening ceremony on Saturday at the district’s new substation at the intersection of Marsing and Walker Lake roads, east of Marsing. COVID-19 stalled the new substation’s grand opening last year. District officials and volunteers answered visitors’s questions about the various features of the new building, including the state-of-the-art underground tank and monitoring system.

Calendar

Today

- Ladies coffee group**
9 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Food distribution**
9 a.m. to 1 p.m., The HUB food pantry, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 649-5411
- Story Time**
10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
- Snake River Irrigation District meeting**
1 p.m., Grand View Irrigation District Office, 645 Idaho Ave., Grand View.
- Grand View Fire commissioners meeting**
5 p.m., Grand View Fire Station, 721 Roosevelt Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2511 (call ahead to ensure meeting will be held)

Thursday

- Marsing FFA chapter Ag expo**
8 a.m. to 11 a.m., Marsing High School Ag shop, 209 8th Ave. W., Marsing. Kindergarten to second grade.
- Exercise class**
10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Reynolds Irrigation District meeting**
1 p.m., Wilson School House, 10427 Johnston Lane, Melba.
- Yoga class**
4 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale
- Teens & Tweens**
5 p.m. to 6 p.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228
- Alcoholics Anonymous**
7 p.m., open to alcoholics, their families and those contemplating recovery, Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder.
- Owyhee County Fair Board meeting**
7 p.m., Owyhee County Community Center, 423 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3888

Friday

- Jordan Valley FFA plant sale**
9 a.m., Jordan Valley High School, 501 Bassett St., Jordan Valley. (541) 586-2213
- Homedale FFA chapter banquet**
6 p.m., Homedale High School, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

Saturday

- Catholic Mass**
10 a.m., Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Oreana Loop Road, Oreana. (208) 466-7031
- Homedale Farmers Market plant sale**
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, 204 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale
- Free lunch**
11:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419
- Jordan Valley High School graduation**
4 p.m., Jordan Valley High School gymnasium, 501 Bassett St., Jordan Valley

Monday

- Board of County Commissioners meeting**
9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421
- Story Time**
10:15 a.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.
- Homedale library board meeting**
1 p.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228
- Young marriage class**
7 p.m., The Rock of Homedale, 310 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. Free. (208) 794-1048

Tuesday

- Writing group**
9 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale.
- Exercise class**
10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Senior citizens board meeting**
1 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Yoga class**
4 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale
- Melba School Board meeting**
5 p.m., district office, 511 Broadway, Melba. (208) 495-1141
- American Legion Post 128 meeting**
7 p.m., Phipps-Watson American Legion Hall and Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing
- Alcoholics Anonymous**
7 p.m., open to alcoholics, their families and those contemplating recovery, Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder

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Homedale plant sale starts garden season

Local gardening enthusiasts can take advantage of a valuable resource when the Homedale Farmers Market holds its annual plant sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., on Saturday in Bette Uda City Park.

Farmers market president Denise Dixon said there will be a variety of garden and flower plants available for purchase.

Dixon will also be on hand to provide information about becoming a vendor when the farmers market begins on June 3. There will also be information about the Cultivate Children's Market and the youth vendor program.

The Owyhee Gardeners are also participating in the plant sale, kicking off their season, as well.

For more information about the Homedale Farmers Market or any of its programs, visit its website at www.homedale-farmersmarket.com/.

For information about how to become a member of the Owyhee Gardeners, contact Pat Bendict at (208) 250-0943.

Death notices

MARYSUE ENSLEY, 79, of Homedale, died Thursday, April 29, 2021 at her home. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 459-0833

JIM R. HOAGLAND, 82, of Melba died Monday, April 26, 2021 at his home. A graveside service will be held at noon on Saturday, May 8, 2021 at the Melba Cemetery, 7205 Baseline Rd. in Melba. Read obituary or express condolences: www.ZeyerFuneralChapel.com. Arrangements: Zeyer Funeral Chapel, Nampa. (208) 467-7300

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May 5: Hot dog on bun, potato salad, country trio vegetables

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May 11: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, mixed vegetables

May 12: Tuna salad on roll, Italian pasta salad with vegetables, beet salad

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May 6: Chicken enchilada pasta, corn, peaches, wheat bread

May 11: BBQ riblet, baked beans, garden blend vegetables, hoagie roll

May 12: Mushroom Swiss burger, roasted potatoes, carrots, green salad, wheat bun

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May 11: Chicken salad sandwich, macaroni salad, watermelon, sliced tomatoes and cucumbers, deviled egg, beets, whole grain bun

May 13: Pork stir fry, fried rice, wonton, chow mien noodles, oriental veggies, tropical fruit cocktail, cottage cheese, fortune cookie



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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 56 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 233 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 147 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 402,846 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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

Gypsy Jackson summer reading registration starts Monday

Friends book sale scheduled Saturday

Registration for the Tales & Tails Summer Reading Program begins Monday at the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library in Homedale.

The summer program will be held from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., each Thursday between June 3 and July 8.

Children who participate can earn library bucks for reaching reading goals. Those vouchers can be used to buy prizes.

Stories, fun activities and more are planned.

For more information on the program, drop by the library at 121 W. Owyhee Ave., or call (208) 337-4228.

Last week, library director Sharla Jensen said the hours of operation had changed.

The library is open from noon to 6 p.m., Monday through Wednesday, from noon to 7 p.m., on Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Saturday. The building is closed on Sunday.

The library's website is homedale.lili.org, and its online catalog can be perused at homedale.bibliunix.com.

Book sale fundraiser set

The Friends of the Homedale Library semiannual book sale takes place Saturday on the front lawn of the Homedale Community Foodstead.

The foodstead building, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., is the old city library next door to Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library.

The sale, which usually features several different genres, titles and media, will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Proceeds will help fund library programs.

Youth programs planned

Breakfast comes to the Jackson Memorial Library on Monday for the preschool Story Time.

The program, which begins at 10:15 a.m., inside the library will include a pancake picnic.

Fittingly, Miss Kelsey will read "Lady Pancake and Sir French Toast" by Josh Funk, and "If You Give a Pig a Pancake" by Laura Numeroff.

The children will enjoy a fun activity and make pancakes.

For more information the library's programs, including the twice-weekly Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) night for families and individuals, call (208) 337-4228.

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Local responders take part in landing zone training

Air St. Luke’s touches down in Marsing

Representatives of Air St. Luke’s performed some helicopter landing zone training last Wednesday on the Marsing School District campus.

Flight nurse and trainer Jeff Safley and communications specialist (dispatcher) Lori Cooper were on-hand for the training for various emergency response entities in the county, including Marsing Ambulance, Marsing Rural Fire District, Homedale Fire District, Homedale Ambulance Services, and Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire District.

Wilder Rural Fire Protection District and Parma Rural Fire District were also invited to attend.

The training is part of the Reach Out Community (ROC), started by Air St. Luke’s a few years ago to help emergency medical services with skills like last Wednesday’s landing zone training.

Cooper said that the group recently trained responders in Gem County and one in Idaho City. They also train in Blaine and Twin Falls counties, covering the Magic Valley.

“We will train smaller groups but for bigger ones like this, we like to bring in the helicopter,” Cooper said.

The events began with a barbecue prepared by Marsing emergency responders at Taylor’s Corner, behind Marsing Elementary. Later, an Air St. Luke’s helicopter landed in the middle of the school’s track, and a tour was given to the training participants and their families.

After the tour, trainees went to The HUB to complete their training with videos and instruction. Safley said that the classroom instruction takes about 30 minutes, followed by a question-and-answer period.

“We show them what to do if there is a hard landing and how to operate safely around the helicopter,” he said. “We don’t want them to come in if the rotors are still spinning.”

Completion of the training will earn a landing zone certification, which shows that participants have been trained for working around any rotary aircraft.

Those who do not have certification can still work around the aircraft but receiving the training increases safety for



Clockwise from above:
At least five different emergency response agencies took part in the landing zone certification training at the Marsing School District. Volunteers and their families were given a tour of the aircraft. Submitted photo
The training kicked off with a barbecue, coordinated by Marsing Ambulance representatives Jim Briggs (left) and Betty Ackerman (second from left), among others.
The children of volunteer first-responders hang out in the Air St. Luke’s medical transport. Submitted photo
Lori Cooper (left) and Jeff Safley were responsible for certification instruction.

flight crew and responders alike.

“People coming out and receiving this certification just makes it a lot safer for everyone involved,” Safley said.

He said that it is very beneficial if the flight crew gets cooperation with emergency responders with preparing a site for landing, including wetting down the area to prevent “brown out,” when swirling dirt and debris make it difficult to safely land in some situations.

He also mentioned the need for coordination on the ground between the various services because a helicopter landing when there are people around naturally draws attention, making safety more difficult and more important.

Jim Briggs of Marsing Ambulance said that trainings such as last Wednesday’s happen in Marsing about every other year.

“We do an emergency vehicle operation class down



at the beet dump,” he said. “Sometimes the bird will land and sometimes it won’t, depending on their schedule.”

“They try to come every three or four years to get everybody trained on landings.”

—TK



SBOC sets night meetings

Irrigation directors governing the southern portion of the Owyhee Project will hold their monthly meetings Tuesday.

The meetings have shifted to evening hours. All meetings are open to in-person attendance, but are still available via videoconference on Zoom.

Meetings convene inside the South Board of Control building, 201 W. Wyoming Ave.

The Ridgeview Irrigation District board meets at 7 p.m.

The Gem Irrigation board meets at 7:15 p.m.

The South Board of Control convenes at 7:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in the meetings can contact the SBOC office at (208) 337-3760 to get a link to access the meeting.

Anyone wanting to attend who does not have access to a computer or internet-capable phone can contact the office for an alternative method.

Keep up-to-date with emergency notices and other news, by visiting www.southboardofcontrol.com.

Idaho senators back PILT legislation

Bill would direct Interior to revalue public lands

Western senators are taking another shot at securing support for counties that are peppered with federal public lands.

U.S. Sens. Jim Risch and Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) and Sen. Mike Lee (R-Utah) will introduce the Making Obligations Right by Enlarging Payments in Lieu of Taxes Act (MORE PILT Act).

The bill would direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on federal lands eligible for PILT payments to determine the actual property value of the land and the foregone property tax revenues that counties would have otherwise received.

If it becomes law, the measure would benefit Owyhee County by ensuring accurate PILT compensation each fiscal year.

“Every single county in Idaho relies on the PILT program to fund critical county services and compensate for the tax base lost to federal lands,” Risch said. “Unfortunately, these payments do not begin to make up for the actual revenue loss rural communities sustain. This legislation is a critical step to ensuring counties are made whole.”

Crapo said: “PILT payments are critical to rural Idaho counties that rely on the funds for essential services like roads and law enforcement.

“The MORE PILT Act would better reflect the value of land in Idaho owned by the federal government, in turn meeting the ongoing needs of those counties.”

Crapo said the law would help those counties whose budgets have been stretched even thinner by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The senator said continued improvement on the PILT program would help counties and other governments reliant on federal compensation obtain “a more sustainable funding stream.”

Lee pointed out how the low PILT payments have impacted local governments’ ability to operate for the good of their citizens.

“Without a property tax base, and with woefully inadequate PILT payments, Western states and communities struggle to fund their schools, infrastructure, and vital community services,” Lee said.

“This bill will help ensure that PILT payments more accurately reflect the lands’ value, so that the citizens of our public lands states have the means they need to both survive and thrive.”

Owyhee County and other counties with swaths of Bureau of Land Management public lands have received PILT compensation since 1977, but according to the senators’ press release PILT payments have historically been a small fraction of what local governments would otherwise generate through property taxes.



Big changes in store for Marsing's ExtraMile

Construction began a few weeks ago on an expansion to the ExtraMile convenience store at the intersection of U.S. Highway 95 and Idaho highway 55 west of Marsing. The store has closed temporarily as the store's wiring and plumbing undergoes work. An ExtraMile employee said that showers and a truck driver's lounge are being installed in the expansion. An attempt to find out when the store will be open again was unsuccessful. In the meantime, store services are being performed out of a large tent in the parking lot.



The Rock wraps up inaugural talent contest

The winners of The Rock of Homedale's first talent show were saluted at the end of Sunday's competition. **From left:** Bailey Purdom, first place; Trinity Neeser, third place; Katie Device, runner-up; master of ceremonies Keith Ingersoll; honorable mention selections Cadence Nicoletti, Kinlee Garrett, and Amber McBride. Submitted photo

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Community service defines Marsing couple's life

Naval Academy grads chip in for adopted community

Marsing's Callison family has been in town for just over a year, yet they have immersed themselves fully into the fabric of the "Gateway to the Owyhees."

They have taken a couple decades of service and applied values learned to aiding their new community.

Cory Callison has served as the city's code enforcement officer for nearly 1½ years, but will be stepping down this week.

He cited the desire to concentrate more on his family life, caring for the couple's teenaged daughter and getting work done around their property, including renovating the family's barn. He has no immediate plans to pursue employment outside the home.

Cory is also a Marsing Rural Fire District volunteer and an assistant coach for the high school's wrestling team.

Cory's wife, Jodie, is a dentist at Terry Reilly Health Services in Marsing and volunteers for the the ambulance crew.

The couple's daughter will enter Marsing High School this fall.

Cory grew up in El Paso, Texas, but Jodie was born and raised in Stanley, where she attended school from kindergarten through eighth grade. She's a Challis High School graduate.

"There were four high school graduates from the state of Idaho the year I graduated to get accepted to the

U.S. Naval Academy," Jodie said. "I was No. 5, so I was offered a track scholarship to attend the Naval Academy Preparatory School in Newport, R.I."

Like Jodie, Cory is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., but his route was more circuitous.

"I tried college a couple times out of high school, but it wasn't where I wanted to be," Cory said.

He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1996 and picked up a Secretary of the Navy and Congressional nomination to the academy. He went to preparatory school in 1997. After graduating in 1998, he moved on to the academy, earning a bachelor's of science degree in oceanography in 2002.

Cory said that there were no real breaks when he was attending the academy. He was trained by a gunnery sergeant on how to be a drill instructor, and then trained the incoming class at prep school for three weeks on what it takes to be a midshipman candidate and how to make it through the academy.

He called his time at the academy busy and intensive, and he usually took 21 to 24 credit hours per term.

"It's not like we had much time off during the summer, maybe 2½ or three weeks," Cory said. "There was always some kind of training going on."

He wrestled at prep school but injured his knee before



Cory (left) and Jodie Callison have blended themselves into the Marsing community in a very short time. Cory is leaving his position as Marsing's code enforcement officer this week, while Jodie is a dentist at Terry Reilly Health Services.

heading to the academy. At Annapolis, he took part in Navy Sprint Football, a sport that requires athletes keep a maximum weight of 165 pounds.

"I took my 10 years of weight-cutting experience in wrestling and carried it over to football," he said.

Both Cory and Jodie joined the U.S. Marine Corps after their time in the Navy. Cory took part in the four-week Leatherneck training program in Quantico, Va., which essentially taught him what being a Marine was all about.

He also trained with the U.S. Fleet Marine Force, which are combined general and Special Forces that perform offensive amphibious expeditionary warfare.

Cory retired from the Marine Corps as a lieutenant colonel in December 2019.

"I was on active duty with the Navy for just over three years and then active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps for another eight years," Jodie said. "I am actually still in the

USMC Reserves."

Jodie, who has attained the rank of lieutenant colonel, was a student pilot in the Navy and transitioned to an air traffic controller in the Marines.

"Aviation is in my blood," she said. "I grew up flying with my uncle and grandfather, who own Interstate Aviation at the (Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport)."

Jodie serves as a civil affairs officer, travelling for short stints to various spots around the Pacific Ocean to coach international civil-military relations.

Her path to dental school started when she entered the reserves.

"I first went back to school to get a second undergraduate degree (biomedical sciences with a minor in chemistry) from the University of Texas at El Paso," she said. "I then went on to graduate school in Phoenix, Ariz., at Midwestern University College of Medicine."

The Callisons began dating while both attended the Naval

Academy prep school in 1997. Because both were focused on their military careers, they waited until 2006 to wed and have been married more than 15 years.

"Our lives at that time were both divergent and convergent," Cory said. "We both had our goals and things we wanted to accomplish, and we didn't want anything to get in the way of the goals we had set for ourselves."

The Callison clan moved to Marsing when Jodie was offered a position in the new Terry Reilly Health Services dental office.

"Cory and I are very happy to be starting up our small family ranch and becoming part of the Marsing community," Jodie said. "We try to participate in local events and sure enjoy staying on this side of the river as much as possible."

"We are a small-town family and very grateful to have found a home here in Marsing."

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Marsing FFA honors their own

The Marsing FFA Chapter awarded its degrees and awards during a chapter banquet last Wednesday at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center in Marsing. Submitted photos



State Degree recipients, from left: Sadie Clover, Jonathan Ineck, Hannah White, Regan Stansell, Colton Brown, and Zane Brackett.



Honorary FFA degrees, from left: Gina and Chad Showalter, Kim Brackett, Janet Miller, Scott and Tonia White, and Marsing Jr/Sr High School principal Nick Ketterling.



Taylor Sauer Workhorse Award, from left: Shauna Sauer, award recipients Jonathan Ineck and Gene Showalter, and Clay Sauer.



Preschool’s farm day attracts fledgling furry friends

Above: Five-year-olds Kash Mackenzie (left) and Bradford Smith weren’t kidding around when showing their love for these fine four-hoofed friends at the Little Friends Preschool Farm Day on April 27 at the Homedale Friends Church in Wilder. Kash is the son of Shari and Ryan Mackenzie of Homedale, and Bradford is the son of Tessa and Brandon Smith of Wilder. **Below:** Kodi Kay, 5, plants a wet one on Jojo the bunny, held by Elizabeth Hergesheimer. Kodi is the daughter of Kimi and JD Elmore.



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On the edge of common sense
The last dollar

For those of you who forgot how easy it was to get started in farming, let me tell you about my friend Con. Many years ago, he bought a farm in the wilds of Minnesota. The feller that sold him the farm had his farm sale the day Con arrived to take possession of the land.

Now, Con had been a cowboy type all his life and, upon viewing the farm machinery stacked in the yard, he was hard-put to identify anything other than the handyman jack and a tractor. But he thought if this stuff was good enough for the farmer that sold out, it was good enough for him. He'd figger out what it was later.

All the neighbors for miles around came to see who the new sucker was and maybe pick over the machinery like buzzards on fresh road kill ...

Con jumped in and bought the only thing he recognized: the tractor. It was a '45 Allis ... he paid \$1,250. Then he bought the mounted plow that went with it. Con said the auctioneer started on a big pile of orange metal. "Ain't you gonna buy that? You bought the tractor and the plow." Con bought it. Two days later, he found out it was a mounted cultivator.

When the sale was over, several of the farmers asked Con to load their heavy stuff, since he'd bought the tractor an' all, they said. Con leaped up in the seat, intent on showin' these skeptical neighbors he knew what he was doin'. He fumbled around for 10 minutes, switching on the headlights, the choke, the throttle, the gauges and wipin' the transfer case clean lookin' for some instructions. Finally an ol' timer reached over and said, "Pull this, son." It fired up right away (it was the only time in the next five years it ever did that). He couldn't find the shift pattern, but fortunately it was in gear and the clutch was where it belonged.

The first thing they wanted him to load was an old pull-type, disjointed disc. It never went anyplace he aimed it. Con would turn around, and it would be passing him. Eventually he dragged it up on a flat bed inflicting considerable damage in the process. Pleased with himself he turned and said, "Next?" Everybody else had drifted away.

The feller with the bent disc came over to Con, opened his wallet and handed him a dollar bill. "Kid, you take this and buy yourself a can of gas. It'll be the first and last dollar you ever make farmin', but you'll always have enough to git outta town."

— Visit Baxter's Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black books, CDs and DVDs. His latest release is a collection of three audio books taking his usual humorous look at rodeo. Be sure to mention *The Owyhee Avalanche* when ordering.

Gov. Brad Little



From the Statehouse
It's more important than ever to tell teachers we value them

It is Teacher Appreciation Week across the country, and while one week is hardly enough time to show our teachers how much we value them, it is a good opportunity to tell the teachers in your life that you notice all they do for our students and communities.

Teachers get to work early so they are prepared for a productive day of learning when their students walk through the classroom doors.

Teachers are adapting all day long, tailoring lesson content to a variety of learning styles so each and every student can walk away with a better foundation of knowledge and skills.

Teachers are meeting the daily challenges of helping one or two, perhaps more, students with behavioral problems that disrupt the class.

Teachers step up to fill needed roles in coaching, leading student clubs, and other extracurricular activities.

Teachers spend their evenings and weekends grading schoolwork and replying to texts, phone calls, and emails from parents and students with special requests when they could spend that time with their own families.

Teachers are passionate about preparing students for eventual careers and creating an environment where students feel safe and supported.

Thankfully, in Idaho, our schools have been open longer than any other state during the pandemic. Keeping schools open and students in their classrooms for valuable in-person learning has been and continues to be the priority, which is why I decided to make the COVID-19 vaccine available to teachers before many others. That said, it still has been difficult to adjust to all the sudden changes in learning and instructing throughout the pandemic. Students, parents, families, teachers, and school administrators have met the challenges by coming together to support one another.

We all should signal to our educators that we value them and we want to keep them in the profession. We should be laser-focused on equipping teachers, parents, and schools with the tools they need to prepare our students to become eventual participants in our state's workforce and lifelong learners.

To all the Idaho teachers, I thank you on behalf of the people of Idaho for your dedication to our students. Together with families, volunteer school board members across the state, and our school administrators, you are the backbone of strong communities in Idaho.

Thank you, teachers!

— Brad Little (R-Emmett) is in his first term as Idaho governor. He previously served 10 years as lieutenant governor and was a state senator for nearly eight years.

From Washington
State water sovereignty remains an important issue deserving action

Effective management of water resources affects the vitality of communities and their ability to grow and develop. Respecting water rights is a central factor in the management of water resources. I have been a longtime opponent of federal agencies eroding states' water rights practices. I have authored and introduced legislation in multiple congresses to prevent federal encroachment on the management of water resources, best controlled at the state and local levels. I am again backing legislation in this Congress to protect the private property rights of farmers, ranchers, states, cities and local conservation efforts from being trampled on by the federal government.

The federal government has a long history of attempting to seize control of private water rights, undermining state water laws throughout the West, including Idaho. Forcing multiple-use permit holders to turn over privately owned water rights to the federal government as a condition of permit renewal is one of the means employed to exert federal control over water resources. The Clean Water Act, the Federal Land Policy Management Act and wilderness designations have also been vehicles used to attempt to erode state sovereignty over water.

Another of the more recent examples of federal overreach jeopardizing this critical resource is the Obama-era Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS) rule that was nothing short of a federal government power grab and seizure of states' rights and private property rights. Under the WOTUS rule, even dry creek beds and ponds on private property could fall under federal control, under rules that utilized the spread of rainwater.

The Trump Administration did away with that rule and replaced it with the Navigable Waters Protection Rule. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled "navigable waters" can be regulated, but "navigable waters" do not include irrigation ditches and small streams on private property.

I co-sponsored a resolution in this Congress

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Commentary

Financial management
Homeowners renting out space face quality-of-life challenges

Dear Dave,
My wife and I are in our late 20s, we have no debt, and our household income is about \$180,000 year. We're thinking about building a home, but we're not sure whether to build just for us, or maybe building a multi-family place so we could live upstairs, rent the rest, and make some money. Your advice would be appreciated.

— Joel

Dear Joel,
If you're looking strictly at quality-of-life considerations, like privacy and having a little room to yourselves, a single-family home is the way to go. But, if making extra money is important to you at this point,

a multi-family structure might work. The good news is your tenants would be right there. The bad news is your tenants *would be right there!*
From a landlord's perspective, living next to or above your tenants means you can keep an eye on things a little better. Your tenants might also take better care of the place with you around. But those kinds of situations aren't always beautiful things. When you're living a floor or wall away from someone, you're all up in their business, and they're all up in your business. It's not for everyone.
If you're planning to have kids soon, I'd recommend going the single-family route



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— specifically because of the quality of life. Looking at the other side, you'll make money with a multi-family construction, but it'll probably be a pain

in the butt. You'll be giving up some things if you go that route.
Let me put it this way, Joel. I've owned a ton of investment real estate in my life, and my wife didn't want to live in any of those properties. Still, there's nothing inherently wrong with either decision. Just make sure your mortgage is a 15-year, fixed-rate loan, and the monthly payments are no more than 25 percent of your combined take home pay. Save up for a down payment of at least 20 percent to avoid PMI, too.
Take a hard look at the numbers, and make sure you and your wife have a long, long talk about everything. You

two should be in complete agreement about every aspect of this situation before moving forward!
— Dave
— Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 18 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.

✓ **Water:** Proposed legislation would require feds to coordinate with states

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backing the Navigable Waters Protection Rule finalized by the Trump Administration that regulates “navigable” waters within federal confines, and I will continue to oppose any attempts in the current Administration and Congress to undermine state water sovereignty.
To also further this effort, in March, I joined fellow U.S. Sens. Jim Risch (R-Idaho) and John Barrasso (R-Wyo.) in introducing S. 855, the Water Rights Protection Act, to protect privately owned waters from being seized by the federal government. The Water Rights Protection Act would:

- Forbid the U.S. Departments of Interior and Ag-

riculture from mandating water users transfer water rights to the United States or purchase water rights in the name of the United States as a condition of any permit, lease or other use agreement;
• Prevent unlawful seizures of groundwater; and
• Recognize state water law and require coordination with states.
The Water Rights Protection Act has been referred to the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Sen. Barrasso serves as the Committee's Ranking Member, and Sen. Risch serves as a senior member of the Committee.
We, unfortunately, must be ever-watchful for attempts by federal agencies and some in Congress to

ignore long-established statutory provisions concerning state water rights and state water contracts. The Water Rights Protection Act will help protect private property rights, uphold state water law and prohibit federal takings. I look forward to working toward its enactment, which will protect this critical Idaho resource and defend the fundamental western value of state water sovereignty.
— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U. S. Senate. He is in his fourth six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

May 8, 1996



Wade Black (top) battles against the facial pressure his opponent is delivering and tries to force the shoulder to the mat for another pin.

Homedale wrestlers place at state

Nearly 1,000 wrestlers invaded Idaho Falls last weekend to compete in the Idaho State Greco-Roman/Freestyle wrestling competition. The Homedale Mat Club had 17 wrestlers attend and brought home a total of 10 medals.

Jeremy Perkins won a gold medal in the Greco-Roman competition and a second place in Freestyle in the 11-12, 65 lb. class. Ben Miller also did well, placing second in both Greco-Roman and Freestyle competition. Tyler Christofferson and Ricco Gonzalez both placed second in the 7-8, 55 lb. and 60 lb. classes in their best finish at state. Jeremy Ensley worked hard and was able to scrap his way to a third-place finish in the 9-10, 50 lb. Wade Black wrestled in a weight class that had two state champions and a regional champion and managed a fourth-place finish in the 13-14, 100 lb. class.

All of the wrestlers who placed in the top six places qualify for the Western Regional Wrestling Championships at Selland Arena, in Fresno, Calif., June 17-22.

Homedale softball seeded first at district

With the rocket arm of Charity McMillan in its arsenal, the Homedale fast-pitch softball team is looking to blow out their competition at the District III tournament this weekend at Mesa Park in Fruitland. Winning the war at the district tournament will give Homedale another trip to state and a shot at making the state title game for the second year in a row.

Seeded first in the six-team district tournament, the Trojans will face the winner of the New Plymouth-Fruitland game. At 14-6 overall and having lost just one Western Idaho Conference game to Melba, the Trojans are a formidable opponent. Last Thursday they thumped Fruitland 21-7.

Even though his team has drawn the high seed, coach Jim McMillan feels his team still has room to improve as they head into the district tournament.

Charity McMillan is Homedale's pitching pride. The sophomore pitched three consecutive games in last year's title run, losing only to Orofino in the championship game. This year she has continued her torrid pace by adding a change-up to go with her wicked fastball and reducing her base-on-balls by two-thirds.

Marsing grad named ISU Student of Year

Steven Ineck, a 1993 graduate of Marsing High School was named Student of the Year last week by The Associated Students of Idaho State University.

A business management major, Ineck was one of 12 students nominated for the high honor having earlier been named Student of the Month.

50 years ago

May 6, 1971



NEW OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS of the Homedale Chamber of Commerce were installed last week at a dinner at the Owyhee Lanes banquet room. From left are Howard Bergeson and Homer Anderson, the installing officers; Clifford Turner, secretary-treasurer; Harold Tolmie, president; and Ray Tolsma, vice president. New board members are Tolsma, Darrel Reisch and Marion Vance. Holdover directors are Darryl Warwick, Ron Roland and Forrest Henson. Photo by Bette Uda

Pearson, Uda ice sub-district track meet

Paul Pearson and Joni Uda turned in record-breaking performances Tuesday as Homedale swept the A-3 sub-district track meet here, with 19 individuals advancing into the district meet.

Pearson set two records and Uda another as Coach Daryl Kellum's Trojans amassed 94½ points to win the meet over runner-up Parma's 64½. Fruitland was third with 33 tallies, followed by Middleton 32½, New Plymouth 25 and Kuna 21½ in the six-team event.

Alora took the 100-, 220- and 440-yard dashes in :10.5, :23.7 and :52.25.

Meanwhile, Uda won both hurdles, the 120 highs in :15.9 and the 180 lows in a record-breaking :20.95.

The ever-present Pearson shattered marks in the weight events, tossing the shot 52-8 and the discus 153-1¼.

Ray Garcia became Homedale's eighth individual winner by leaping 19-11 in the long jump.

Council approves action to settle dust at pool site

At the regular City Council meeting Monday night Mayor George T. Murray and Councilmen Norman Tolmie, Kenneth Metzer, Andrew Warfield and Allen Blessing and City Clerk Joyce Blackman were present.

Mr. Matteson explained the fire department is looking into the use of a ladder set-up for our fire truck and the costs involved — approximately \$8,000 plus \$366.00 for installation. Council advised that next year's budget would be the time to plan for this.

Mr. Davies appeared before the Council on behalf of the Homedale Swimming Corporation to ask for help in putting in grass and keeping down the dust around the outside of the pool area. Volunteers would dig trench from pump, install plastic pipe (if the City would pay for the pipe) and run to area to be sprinkled.

Martinat signs re-enlistment with Air Force

Chief M/Sgt. Donald L Martinat, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Martinat, Marsing, has re-enlisted in the U.S. Air Force at Nellis AFB, Las Vegas, Nev.

Sgt. Martinat, a weapons maintenance superintendent, is assigned at Nellis with a unit of the Tactical Air Command which provides combat units for air support of U.S. ground forces. The sergeant served during the Korean War and has completed a year of duty in Southeast Asia.

He is a 1949 graduate of Homedale High School.

155 years ago

May 5, 1866

NEW TYPE. — This week, we have the pleasure of presenting our readers with the news department of the AVALANCHE on new and neat type. That we did not do so two months ago was not our fault. We have sufficiently examined the known resources of Owyhee to convince us that they are ample to insure a prosperous future, and have made and will continue to make our arrangements accordingly. Our journal is based upon a species of capital that nothing but ill health can impair. It is and will be conducted on the same principles which successful miners and blacksmiths run their sluices and shops. Having chosen Owyhee as a place of business, it will be our duty, interest and pride to see and aid its prosperity. We are not and do not intend to be the advocates of any special interest or place in particular but treat all alike. We believe a thoroughly local and mining journal would best promote the general welfare of our County and Territory and therefore be better patronized — and are still of that opinion. We are not of that class who leave pleasant and profitable situations to make our debut anywhere as mendicants seeking advanced assistance or loans on sycophantic promises, hence our enterprise was looked upon with suspicion if not positive disfavor; but after starting and (as we should) earning confidence, the masses of our citizens extended a generous patronage which is satisfactory and daily increasing. In return for this, we have and will spend our labor and money freely to increase the value, matter, and better appearance of our paper. We shall enlarge or come oftener as business warrants.

As a true record of local matters, it is especially valuable to send to friends in the States and elsewhere. When mailed at our office it will go overland without pre-payment of postage and only twenty cents per year at the delivery office; while transient papers must go by steamer or be prepaid with letter postage.

We give our business a notice thus, and promise not to bore our readers with private affairs. From our stand-point, the goose hangeth at a pleasant altitude.

TRAVELING CORRESPONDENTS have become popular adjuncts to metropolitan journals. After years of careful observation wherein our travels enabled us to form correct opinions, we are forced to pronounce them generally unreliable. They skim over the country in the easiest style, are entertained sumptuously by hifalutin or designing parties, and write up their letters on fleeting views, careless examinations and too often entirely from hearsay. Their letters are expected to be faulty in business matters, but are often glaringly so in surface descriptions and geographical information.

These remarks are called forth by reading a recent correspondence from this Territory to a New York journal. Not advertising to errors regarding quartz, we'll say that to make Ruby and Silver lie in a basin five miles in diameter is an inexcusable error; and making "Walla Walla third town in Oregon" is another — especially as it is in Washington Territory; and for the benefit of distant readers, we'll say that the Owyhee towns lie in a cañon lined on either side with rugged, rocky mountains broken up by gulches, and all sprinkled with more or less soil and timber. The Owyhee mining region may be said to be detached mountain cut up with gorges and coursed with streams. We can't now pursue this further, but would suggest to newspapers to get correspondents who live where the information is wanted from, or let the matter alone.

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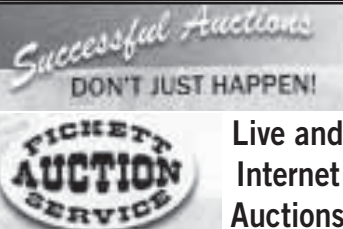
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3 die in Idaho 51 crash

A multi-vehicle wrecked on Idaho highway 51 about seven miles from Bruneau killed three people during the weekend.

Idaho State Police provided few details on the specifics of the crash at mile marker 83 south of Mountain Home, but a Grand View truck driver as among the several people involved.

Two women traveling in a 2018 Honda CRV died in the crash, which state troopers investigated after 4 p.m., on Saturday.

A juvenile also traveling in the Honda CRV died at St. Luke's in Boise on Sunday.

ISP was still investigating the crash Monday afternoon.

Seven vehicles were involved in the crash:

- A 2002 Kenworth semi-truck pulling a semi-trailer, driven by Joseph M. Inglin, 24, of Grand View. Inglin was not transported to a local hospital.
- The Honda CRV, driven by Daniel M. Holland, 32 of Meridian. Holland's passengers — all of whom perished — were Lisa M. Holland, 34, of Meridian; Laurie A. Bloomquist, 38, of Portland, and a juvenile.
- A 2020 Nissan Pathfinder, driven by Tim Lusk, 60, of Puyallup, Wash.
- A 2010 Ford F150, driven by Isias Armenta Valdez, 39, of New Mexico.
- A 1996 Dodge Ram 2500, driven by Douglas D. Meyer, 74, of Mountain Home.
- A 2020 Ford F250, driven by Stephen A. Zandes, 34, of Mountain Home.
- A 1996 Chevrolet Camaro, driven by Miguel A. Martinez Rosales, 23, of Mexico.

Daniel Holland, Armenda Valdez, Meyer, and Zandes were all transported to St. Luke's Elmore in Mountain Home.

All occupants were wearing seatbelts.

Both lanes on Idaho 51 were blocked for four hours.

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✓ Lions: Three meetings planned before big event

quickly, I'm pretty pleased with that part of it."

During last week's meeting, Pryor chatted with a couple Caldwell Lions Club delegates about what would be needed to take tickets once the gates open at 4 p.m., on July 4. The Caldwell chapter will receive some money from the ticket sales to help with its programs.

Homedale club members discussed how to raise more money for the post-derby fireworks show, which may not be a post-derby show if the demolition derby heats drag on too long, Pryor said.

The plan is to have the fireworks show at 10:15 a.m., regardless if organizers have to bring the derby to a brief halt or not.

Although nothing is set in stone yet, it was suggested that volunteers pass a boot during the downtown parade and that donation buckets be set up in key retail locations in the area.

The club also discussed applicants for the annual scholarships and started to whittle down candidates.

The next Lions Club meeting will be held at 7 p.m., on Wednesday, May 19. Another membership meeting is scheduled for June 2.

This year's derby drivers meeting, which is mandatory for all prospective competitors, will be held at 7 p.m., on Wednesday, June 23.

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Homedale golf season winds toward end at River Bend

Uranga favorite for girls' district title; boys need stars to align

Valley conference season Monday when the Trojans played host to the final nine-hole meet of 2021.

Uranga carded a 2-over-par 38 at River Bend Golf Course in Wilder.

In fact, the conference's golfers will play the final two local tournaments at River Bend. The Trojans preside over the 18-hole 3A District III Tournament on Monday. The

Téa Uranga has a real strong shot at keeping it all in the family over the next couple weeks.

The Homedale High School junior wrapped up an unblemished 3A Snake River

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Homedale High School junior Téa Uranga is back on familiar ground for next week's 3A District III Tournament at River Bend Golf Course in Wilder. She won the final 3A Snake River Valley conference meet Monday at 2-over-par 38 at River Bend.

Regan Stansell tees off during the 2A Western Idaho Conference meet to which Marsing played host on April 27 at TimberStone Golf Course in Caldwell. More photos, **Page 5B**

Stansell cards season-low at home

Regan Stansell was on her best behavior during Marsing High School's home golf meet April 27.

The junior had her best showing of the season, taking eighth in the girls' portion of the 2A Western Idaho Conference meet that the Huskies hosted at TimberStone Golf

Course outside Caldwell.

"(Regan was) excited to break into the top 10," assistant coach Wendy Swenson said.

Stansell finished in the top 25 percent of the 32-girl field with a nine-hole 56. She scored five bogeys.

One of two newcomers on

the team this season, Kimmie Loucks finished 26th with a score of 72, taking four strokes off her previous best score.

Fellow freshman Gwyneth Nielsen, finished in 27th place with a 74. She bogeyed the

— See *Stansell*, page 10B

HHS softball stays home for pursuit of latest state berth

Tiebreaker gives Trojans top seed in district tourney

Homedale High School will close out the first full season at its new softball digs in grand style.

The Trojans have sewn up the top seed for the 3A District III Tournament and sits one win away from the state tournament.

The top seed means games will be played at the Homedale Middle School

complex for as long as the Trojans are alive in the tournament.

Coach Larry Corta's team (17-5-1 overall, 8-1 in conference before Monday) will open the post-season at 2:30 p.m., on Saturday against either the No. 4 or No. 5 seed from the 3A Snake River Valley conference.

A win Saturday sends the Trojans into the district championship game,



Larry Corta

but more importantly sends Homedale to another state tournament.

Friday, Game 2: Buhl 14, Homedale 4 (6) — The Indians gained a split in a non-conference doubleheader on their home field.

Buhl had lost 10 of its previous 11 games, including the front end of the twin bill against the Trojans.

The Indians surged ahead, 8-4, with five runs in the bottom of the fourth inning against starting pitcher Olivia Asumendi.

The Trojans were charged with 15 errors and all but one of Buhl's runs

were unearned.

Kenzie Miller's two-run home run in the top of the second inning gave Homedale a short-lived 2-1 lead.

Miller scored on Amaia Aberasturi's two-run double that put the Trojans back on top, 4-3, in the fourth inning.

Friday, Game 1: Homedale 10, Buhl 5 — Kaitlyn Missamore singled and later scored on a wild pitch as the Trojans took the lead for good, 3-2, in the third inning.

Aberasturi added to the lead with

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Sports

Marsing splits 2A WIC baseball contests

District tourney begins Friday

The Marsing High School baseball team enjoyed a short-lived lead Friday on Mo Brooks Field at Storey Park in Meridian.

But host Cole Valley Christian exploded for 11 runs in the bottom of the second inning to fuel a 20-6 triumph in a 2A Western Idaho Conference game that was halted after five innings because of the 10-run rule.

The Huskies (7-12-1 overall, 2-8 in conference at week’s end) held a 1-0 edge when leadoff hitter Bowen Campbell scored on Kolton Scott’s double in the first inning. Campbell had singled.

The Chargers led 4-1 after the first, striking with the help of three Marsing errors.

After Marsing inched back with a run, Cole Valley launched its offensive barrage in the bottom of the second. The Chargers’ rally to a 15-2 advantage featured three singles, a triple, three errors, a passed ball, three walks, and two batters who were hit by a pitch.

The Chargers scored four more runs in the bottom of the fourth for a 20-3 lead.

Marsing added three runs in fifth but fell short.

“We were not ready to play and really lacked focus to

compete and win,” coach JW Chadez said. “I was very disappointed in our effort.”

Third baseman Coupe Urrutia was a perfect 3-for-3, including a double. He scored three times and knocked in a run.

“Coupe was our one bright spot,” Chadez said.

Campbell added a pair of base hits and scored a run.

Scott, Robert Renteria, JT Chadez, and Colton Brown each had one hit.

Xavier Delgadillo started the game for the Huskies and allowed nine runs in just 1 1/3 innings. Campbell replaced Delgadillo in the second inning, and Urrutia finished up.

The Huskies committed eight errors, while the Chargers were mistake-free.

Starting pitcher David Mackinnon led the way for the Chargers, recording two hits, including a triple, while scoring three times and knocking in four runs.

In four innings of work, he allowed four runs on five hits, striking out four and walking two.

Marsing starts play in the 2A District III Tournament on Friday, likely with a rematch against Cole Valley Christian, although no bracket information had been released by deadline.

The Cole Valley-Marsing winner takes on Nampa Christian in a semifinal Saturday.

“I firmly believe we have a chance to finish in the top three but we will have to be ready to compete and expect to win,” the coach said.

April 27: Marsing 16, Vision Charter 4 (5) — The Huskies used a big third inning to take control against the visiting Golden Eagles.

Leading 5-3 after 2½ innings, the Huskies batted around in the third, putting nine runs on the board for a commanding 14-3 lead.

The Huskies had six hits in the decisive rally, including a double by Brown. Urrutia, Brown, and Davis each reached base twice in the inning.

“We played a pretty clean game, and I thought we were ready to play versus Cole Valley,” Chadez said.

Campbell, Renteria, Chadez, and Brown recorded two hits each. Campbell and Scott scored three times each, while Delgadillo, Renteria, Brown, and Kail Wyman had two RBI apiece.

Scott began the game on the mound, allowing three runs on three hits, striking out three and walking two.

Chadez replaced Scott on the mound and allowed a run on two hits, while striking out three.

Kaden Degner led the the Golden Eagles with an RBI triple and two runs scored.

— TK

Raiders chase rare baseball state berth

Rimrock High School’s baseball players entered the final seven days of the regular season with a state tournament berth visible on a hazy horizon.

The Raiders headed into a 1A Western Idaho Conference road game against Glenns Ferry a half-game behind the Pilots amid a logjam for the third and final District III berth into the 1A state tournament.

Rimrock hasn’t played in the state tournament since 2010.

Rimrock and Glenns Ferry played Tuesday after deadline, and they’ll play again in Bruneau on Tuesday in the final conference game for both.

The Raiders (7-8 overall, 4-4 in conference) has the upper hand over Wilder (9-7, 4-4) for the No. 3 seed, having swept the Wildcats in a couple of wild 1A WIC games.

A win Tuesday would have gone a long way toward getting separation against the Pilots (5-15, 4-3) for the state berth. In between the two games against Glenns Ferry, coach Jared Lemieux’s squad plays a Saturday doubleheader against Idaho City (1-12, 1-6) in Bruneau.

The six-team state tournament is scheduled for May 21-22 in Orofino.

Unbeaten North Star Charter (9-0, 8-0) has the state tourna-

ment’s top seed from southern Idaho, and Horseshoe Bend (9-5-1, 7-3) sits as the No. 2 seed from the south.

Rimrock has a chance to catch the Mustangs if it sweeps its remaining games. Horseshoe Bend and the Raiders split a pair of one-run games this season, both of which ended in walk-off fashion.

April 27: North Star Charter 20, Rimrock 4 — The Huskies, who have all but locked up the district’s top seed to the state tournament, poured on 10 runs in the top of the seventh inning to pull away from their 1A WIC foes in Bruneau.

Rimrock trailed, 9-0, before it was able to cobble together a four-run fifth inning.

Alex Martinez, Luis Araujo, Mike Nanney, and Lane Griswold all knocked in runs for the Raiders with Aden Aquiso, Eli Aquiso, Zeke Ochoa and Griswold crossing the plate. All four runs were unearned.

Daniel Kormylo doubled and drove in three runs for North Star, while teammate Johnny Szekeres scored three runs and knocked in three more. Leadoff hitter Evan Mixon had two RBI.

Rimrock committed eight errors that led to 12 unearned runs.

MARSING
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Baseball
Bowen Campbell, sr., OF
3 runs vs. Vision Charter



Softball
Lizbeth Moreno, jr., OF
2 hits, 2 SBs at Cole Valley Christian



Golf
Regan Stansell, jr.
Season-low 56 at TimberStone



Track
Robert Salazar, so.
PR in long jump (13-½)

Baseball
2A District III Tournament
(Mo Brooks Field, Storey Park, Meridian)
Friday-Saturday, May 7-8, opponents, time TBA
Tuesday, May 11, opponent, time TBA

Softball
Friday, May 7, home vs. Adrian (Senior Night), 5 p.m.
2A District III Tournament
(In Melba)
Tuesday, May 11, opponent, time TBA,

Track and field
Friday, May 7 at Pilgrim Invitational, New Plymouth, 1 p.m.

Golf
2A state tournament
(If qualified from Monday’s district tournament)
Monday-Tuesday, May 17-18 at Circling Raven Golf Club, Worley

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Sports

Aguilera’s hot streak continues in Weiser Invite

Symms takes discus; frosh wins 3,200

Distance runners set the pace for Homedale High School at the Weiser Invitational.

Christopher Aguilera continued his dominance, winning a 1,600-meter run for the second consecutive week and missing his personal record by less than two seconds.

The junior won his fifth individual race of the season — he has finished first in three of the past four 800-meter runs he has entered, but didn’t compete at that distance Thursday.

He has established personal records this season in the 1,600 (4 minutes, 54.47 seconds in an April 22 victory at the 3A Snake River Valley conference meet), the 3,200 (a third-place 11:12.7 at the Homedale Invitational on April 1), and the 800 (a runner-up time of 2:00.02 at the Lynn Behrman Invite on April 16).

Aguilera ran a 4:56.2 time to win the Weiser Invitational 1,600 meters last week.

He also closed the Trojans’ victorious sprint medley relay effort with an 800-meter sprint. Milo Mertz and Keagan

Christensen ran a pair of 200-meter legs, and Brandon VanEs ran 400 meters in the third leg.

The team finished in 3:48.46.

Freshman Bobby Christensen raced the 3,200 meters of his life to win in 11:16.16. He was runner-up to Aguilera in the 1,600 with a time of 5:06.73.

The Homedale boys picked up one other event win in Weiser as senior discus thrower Thomas Symms — the school record-holder and reigning 3A state champion — took top honors with a 162-foot, 8-inch spin.

Another senior, first-year HHS athlete Todd Beatty, finished second in the discus at 147-3 and pushed a personal record of 44-10¼ for third in the shot put.

Symms, who has been honing his shot put skills of late, was second in the event at 48-3½.

Homedale finished second in the boys’ 4x100-meter relay in 46.31. Milo Mertz came out of the blocks and handed off to Keagan Christensen. Christensen passed the baton to Erik Hernandez, who handed off for Danny Detbun to cover the anchor leg.

Senior Bryce Cornwall was runner-up in the triple jump at 38-5½.

The quartet of David Peirsol, Aiden

Webster, Brock Johnson and VanEs took second in the 4x400 relay in 3:53.02.

Hernandez (11.89) and Detbun (12.23) took third and fourth, respectively, in the boys’ 100. Sophomore Rylan Binford (12.46) and freshman Ismael Ortiz (12.56) established personal-best times.

Binford opened for the Trojans in a third-place 4x200 relay showing. Joseph Kester, Detbun and VanEs closed the race for time of 1:39.85.

Junior Ryker Johnson attained a PR with his fourth-place time of 17.59 in the 110 hurdles. He was third in the high jump at 5-6.

Binford set another PR with his 10th-place time of 25.31 in the 200 meters.

Conner McCarney’s career-best 9-6 effort earned the freshman fourth in the pole vault.

Senior Dawson Fox cleared 9 feet for fifth.

The Homedale girls were runners-up in the 4x100 relay in 53.81. Kinlee Garrett, Allison Whitehead, Carli Moore, and Emily Craft did the work.

Junior Allison Whitehead captured a silver medal in the triple jump with an effort of 33-1. She was fourth in the long jump at 15-6.

A ninth-grader, Garrett finished fifth in

the 100-meter hurdles, clocking a 18.86, and sixth in the 300 hurdles (54.02).

Freshman Katie DeVice pulled off two fifth-place finishes with her fastest efforts of the season in the 800 (2:48.3), the 1,600 (6:26.96),

Isabel Jacobs took fifth in the discus with a throw of 89-9, while fellow junior Natalia Martinez attained a PR at 79-1 for 11th place.

A senior, Craft went 4-6 for fourth in the high jump.

Three freshmen — Melani Whitehead, Cadence Nicoletti, and Mylisa Barrett — cleared the bar at 6-6 to finish sixth, seventh and eighth, respectively in the pole vault. Barrett notched a PR as Homedale continues to develop a team of vaulters.

Craft had a PR in the 200, taking 11th in 30.27, and junior Alaina Cook finished 10th in 800 with a personal-best 2:56.26.

Eliot Larzelier made a splash in the 400 with her fastest race at that distance (1:21.07) for 11th place.

Kambell Garrett took 11th in the 1,600 with a PR of 7:24.23, and Larzelier was 12th in 7:58.69.

Sophomore Bailey Purdom notched a PR throw of 24-10 for 18th in the shot put.

HHS baseball makes statement vs. McCall-Donnelly

Trojans cling to hope for No. 3 district seed

Dillon Fine did all he could do to help Homedale High School solidify a good seed in the 3A District III Baseball Tournament.

He threw a three-hit shutout and got a ton of help from three home runs in a 13-0 victory over McCall-Donnelly last Wednesday in Valley County.

Tommy Muir ripped two home runs and collected four RBI during a perfect 4-for-4 day at the plate in the 3A Snake River Valley conference game.

Homedale (12-11 overall, 5-4 in conference at week’s end) rolled to the victory and held a slight edge for the No. 3 seed in the district tournament before Monday’s regular-season finale against second-seeded Weiser.

Homedale and Payette were practically neck-and-neck for the No. 3 seed heading into the final week of the 3A SRV campaign.

To fuel the Trojans’ largest inning — seven runs — against McCall-Donnelly, Cody Liebschwager blasted a two-run home run with two out and

Muir on first base in the third inning against Vandals starter Braxton Moore.

Tyler Woodward drilled a two-run triple later in the big inning, knocking in Sigmund Goode and John Lejardi.

Muir smacked another two-out homer off Moore in the fourth inning, and added a two-run shot against reliever Josh Hatfield in the sixth inning.

Fine struck out 10 and walked just one batter while pitching around four errors from his defense. He buckled down for strikeouts to end threats in the second and fifth innings. He got the final batter to look at a third strike in the second inning to preserve Homedale’s 1-0 lead with runners at the corners. He struck out the side around two defensive miscues for an unorthodox shutdown inning in the fourth after Homedale’s seven-run uprising.

Friday, Game 2: Homedale 16, Buhl 4 (5) — Liebschwager and Muir teamed up to handcuff the host Indians on three hits in the finale of a non-conference doubleheader.

Homedale scored the game’s first 10 runs.

The first six Trojans to step into the batter’s box reached base. After leadoff hitter Teron Morrison was thrown out trying to steal second,

Sigmund Goode tripled and scored on an error. In fact, four of Homedale’s five first-inning runs came home on Buhl miscues.

Beeg Hockenhull was credited with a steal of home for the inning’s final run.

In the second inning, the parade started again near the top of the order. With one out, five consecutive Trojans reached base and scored. Liebschwager and Hockenhull delivered run-scoring singles. Hockenhull scored on Dillon Fine’s base hit.

Muir went 2-for-2 with three RBI on the two singles and a sacrifice fly. He also scored twice.

Hockenhull and D’Orr Packer both had a pair of singles, a pair of run scored and a pair of RBI.

Morrison went 3-for-4 from the leadoff spot, scoring two runs. Goode scored four runs, getting on base with his triple and three walks.

Only one of Buhl’s four runs was earned.

Friday, Game 1: Homedale 12, Buhl 4 (5) — The Trojans set the tone for the day with the first 10 runs in the opening contest.

Four players — Muir, Liebschwager, Packer, and Hockenhull — knocked in two

runs apiece. Morrison scored three times from the top of the order, while Goode went 3-for-4 with two runs scored.

Goode got the win with four strikeouts in four innings. He and John Lejardi allowed four unearned runs on five hits. Lejardi fanned four batters in three innings.

Homedale bookended a couple of runs over the second and third innings with four runs in the first and four more in the fourth.

April 27: Fruitland 9, Homedale 2 — The Trojans hung tough for 4½ innings against the 3A SRV leaders.

The Grizzlies widened their lead to 5-2 in the bottom of the fifth inning then broke things open by scoring four times in the sixth inning.

Fruitland scored the first of four unearned runs to take a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first. Trojans starting pitcher Muir hit Brennen Fitzsimonds, who stole two bases then scored on the first of Homedale’s five errors.

The Trojans tied the game in the top of the second. Hockenhull singled with one out, went from first to third on Dakota Gammell’s base hit, and scored when Fine punched a single down the right-field line.

Homedale would manage just two hits the rest of the game against Landen Mendive, while Muir and Fine teamed up on a four-hitter against Fruitland.

Fruitland snagged a 3-1 lead with a two-out rally in the bottom of the second. Zachary Arnold got the first of his two hits then Muir walked three straight batters. Arnold scored on a wild pitch, and Braden Luoma scored on a passed ball charged to Tyler Woodward.

Kade Bidwell doubled home a run in Fruitland’s two-run fifth inning.

Leadoff hitter Zane Bidwell had the only single as the Grizzlies scored four times in the sixth thanks to two walks, at hit batsmen and two errors.

Homedale showed it could manufacture runs with two outs in the third inning. Muir tripled and scored on Liebschwager’s base hit.

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Sports

Franko finds his footing for Trojans tennis



Homedale High School's Maite Frank tries to return a shot during girls' doubles action. Frank and partner Abby Henry played in the No. 1 slot on the ladder.

Austin Franko split his tennis matches last week, but managed to win the most games of any individual for Homedale High School in 3A Snake River Valley conference action.

Franko beat Weiser No. 2 Johnny Stuart, 6-2, 6-1, in the Trojans' 11-1 loss at the Bette Uda City Park courts on April 27.

He won five games in a straight-set loss at No. 2 singles in Parma on Thursday. The Panthers rolled, 12-0.

Terrance LaFleur won three games at No. 1 singles, and Cheyenne Kelly won four games in a two-set loss in the second girls' singles match.

April 27: Weiser 11, Homedale 1 — The Wolverines won 11 matches either in straight sets or by forfeit against undermanned and re-

building Homedale.

In the top girls' doubles match, Maite Frank and Abby Henry rebounded with some great down-the-line tennis strokes during the second set. But the Trojans' pair couldn't overcome the first-set momentum Denica McClellan and Alexandra Froshiesar had built en route to a 6-1, 7-5 victory.

LaFleur, a freshman who attends Marsing High School, fell to Moses Hernandez, 6-2, 6-2.

The Trojans won no more than two games in the remaining matches:

- Kelly lost the No. 2 girls' singles match, 6-1, 6-1, to Kristy Bake.
- Whitney Ross and Brian Vega fell in the No. 1 mixed doubles match, 6-2, 6-0, to Hunttyr McClellan and McKenna Manser.



Above: Veteran Homedale High School tennis coach Scott Michaelson (right) discusses strategy with Maite Frank (left) and Abby Henry. **Left:** Freshman Terrance LaFleur serves.

Huskies putting around



Right: Marsing High School sophomore Andrew Sevy converted this putt on the ninth hole during the Huskies' home meet on April 27 at TimberStone Golf Course outside Caldwell.

Left: Regan Stansell attempts a long putt from the fringe of TimberStone's No. 1 green.



Sports

Melba, NC get first-round byes in district baseball

Stimpson pumps life into Mustangs' offense

Whatever happens today between the high school baseball teams from Melba and Nampa Christian, both teams are one win from the 2A state tournament.

The Mustangs sewed up at least the No. 2 seed in the 2A District III Tournament when Owyhee County resident Trace Stimpson's big offensive day helped pound New Plymouth, 15-4, in a five-inning 2A Western Idaho Conference game Friday.

Melba (13-6 overall, 6-1 in conference at week's end) ends the regular season to-

day at conference-leading Nampa Christian. The Trojans snagged a one-game lead for the top berth into the district tournament with a 6-0 shut-out on the Mustangs' field six days ago.

The Mustangs had to beat Cole Valley Christian on Tuesday after deadline to have a shot at toppling Nampa Christian for the conference lead.

Today's combatants won't start the postseason until Saturday's district semifinals at Mo Brooks Field at Storey Park in Meridian.

Saturday's semifinal winners will earn a spot in the state tournament and advance to the district championship final, which is set for Thursday, May 13 at Storey Park.

Friday: Melba 15, New

Plymouth 4 (5) — Stimpson pounded two doubles and scored three runs during a 3-for-3 day in a conference victory on the Pilgrims' field.

The Mustangs scored the game's first 13 runs, including six in the second inning and five in the third.

Stimpson and Donovan Rose scored three runs apiece, while Robert Knight went 2-for-4 with three RBI.

Diego Herrera and Luke Aldrich drove in two runs each. Aldrich added a double from the top of the order.

Parker Hansen was 3-for-3 with two runs scored and two RBI.

Jeff Fahey struck out nine batters to get the victory, scattering four hits over five innings.

Thursday: Melba 9, Payette 0 — Stimpson was the middle reliever, teaming with starter Knight and closer Braulio Colunga in the no-hitter.

The Mustangs grabbed control with back-to-back four-run rallies in the fourth and fifth innings.

Stimpson scored both times he drew walks in the contest, while Herrera went 2-for-3 with a double and drove in three runs.

Henry Clark, Hansen and Rose also had two hits, and each drilled a double. Rose posted two RBI.

April 27: Nampa Christian 6, Melba 0 — The Trojans scored four runs in the top of the first and held the Mustangs at bay throughout a conference game in Melba.

Josh Tiersma struck out 14 and threw a three-hitter for Nampa Christian. He allowed two walks — both to Jeff Fahey.

Rose was 2-for-3 for the Mustangs, while pinch-hitter Robert Knight got the team's other single.

Clark got on board after Nampa Christian's only error of the game.

The Trojans added a run in each the fourth and the seventh and collected six singles against three Melba pitchers.

Zach Mullins was 2-for-4 in the Trojans' leadoff spot, and Carson Atwood went 2-for-4 with a pair of RBI.

Stimpson got on base for Melba after being hit by a pitch, but he was thrown out trying to steal a base.

Mustangs find smooth running on home turf

Melba athletes team up for 20 event titles

It was home sweep home for Melba High School track and field athletes during Thursday's Dave Mangum Invitational.

The Mustangs won both team championships at a meet named for the school's longtime track and field coach.

Melba athletes won 20 events during the eight-school meet that attracted talent from Class 2A and Class 1A.

Kendall Clark was a three-time winner in the girls' meet, taking the 100-meter hurdles (16.43 seconds) and soaring to gold in the high jump (5 feet) and triple jump (36-0).

Clark also ran the third leg for the victorious 4x200 relay.

Meya Young opened the race and passed the baton to Kate Clark. Kendall handed off to Hallie Arnold who ran the final 200 meters to wrap up a winning time of 1 minute, 52.62 seconds.

A sophomore, Young blazed to the win in the 100 meters (12.9).

Young led off the Mustangs' win in the 4x100 relay. Ahna Shaffer, Laci Cole and Faith Svedin followed to wrap up a winning time of 52.52.

Two other Mustangs girls' relay teams triumphed with help from Owyhee County resident Brooklynn Dayley — including in the 4x400 (Faith Svedin, Kate Clark, Lacey Leavitt and Dayley, 4:22.52) and the sprint medley (Shaffer, Laci Cole, Arnold, and Dayley, 1:56.52).

Dayley crossed the line first

in the 400 at 1:01.59.

Shaffer captured the 200 meters in 26.93, her fastest time in the event for her freshman season.

Kate Clark won the 300 hurdles in 49.44.

Championships from sophomores Rozzlyn Cazier (1,600 with a PR of 5:47.21) and Braelyn Scott (3,200, 13:19.78) highlighted Melba's efforts in the girls' distance racers.

Junior Tayler McCoy won the discus with an effort of 110-11, and she was third in the shot put at 28-2.

On the boys' side, senior Joshua Leavitt rolled to four victories, including a pair of distance events and a couple relays.

Leavitt steamed to a personal record in the 800 meters (1:58.21), and picked

up the victory in the 1600 in 4:49.96.

He ran anchor in the 4x400 relay (3:40.02 with Tyler Arnold, Reuben Manzer and McKoy Richardson), and the final 800 meters in the sprint medley relay (3:48.28 with Arnold and Reagan Manzer, 200s; and Richardson, 400).

Richardson is another Owyheean.

A senior, Arnold pulled off victory in the open 400 with junior Reuben Manzer taking second place with a PR of 55.24.

Andrew Herman and Joey Bradshaw ran the final two legs, respectively, in the Mustangs' wins in the 4x100 and 4x200 relays.

Dillon Stosich and Cameron Wood opened the 4x100 effort, which ended in a time of 45.37.

Easton Draper and Zane Helm closed out the 4x200 relay (1:34.88).

Sophomore Kai Temple heaved a 38-½ effort in the shot put for a personal record and meet title.

A senior, Wood cleared the 6-0 mark to win the high jump and took second in the triple jump at 39-8¼.

Bradshaw was runner-up in the long jump (19-10).

Junior Will Vail was runner-up in the discus at 105-11 and took third in the shot put at 36-2.

Other PRs and top finishes included:

- Sophomore Melina Helm went 30-4 and finished second in the girls' triple jump.
- Morgan Freeland, a junior, PR'd with a fourth-place time of 19.4 in the girls' 100 hurdles.

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Jordan Valley basketball standout picks college

Jordan Valley High School senior Kiana Quintero signed a letter of intent Monday to play basketball at Northwest College in Powell, Wyo.

Front row from left: Kiana's mother Sheila, Kiana, and father Mike. **Back row, from left:** Brother Zeke Quintero, and high school coaches Kelsi Skinner and Marcia Eiguren. Submitted photos

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Sports

Mustangs run into rough sailing down softball stretch

Opponents score in bunches as win streak ends

Melba High School saw the 2A Western Idaho Conference softball standings tighten when New Plymouth ended the Mustangs' eight-game win streak.

The Pilgrims held off a late rally Friday, winning 11-10, and pulling to within a half-game of the conference leaders.

It was the Mustangs' second consecutive loss but first in conference action. Melba (11-7 overall, 7-1 2A WIC) played Cole Valley Christian after deadline Monday and closes the conference season on the road today against Nampa Christian.

Kendall Hoch (double) and Kerissa Rupp (triple) had extra-base hits during New Plymouth's victory.

The Pilgrims led throughout

after building a 4-0 lead after two innings.

Melba could never get traction. New Plymouth tacked on four runs in the bottom of the third inning after the Mustangs had cut the deficit in half with two runs in the top half of the frame.

New Plymouth managed to stay one step ahead of the Mustangs throughout the game.

New Plymouth scored three runs in the bottom of the fifth inning to build cushion ahead of Melba's six-run eruption in the sixth inning to creep to within a run, 10-9.

New Plymouth scored a crucial run in the bottom of the sixth to preemptively counteract Melba's final-gasp single run in the top of the seventh.

Lillian Hansen went 3-for-5 with a triple and two RBI to lead Melba. Madisen Bunnell and Emily Zavala also knocked in two runs apiece. Zavala notched a double, and Bunnell

was 2-for-4.

Saturday: Melba 18, Payette 15 — In the second meeting in three days between the non-conference foes, the Mustangs erupted for 10 runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to end a mini-slump.

The teams combined for 56 runs in their 14 innings of 2021 competition.

Playing at home, Melba outplayed its four errors Saturday, smashing 11 hits.

Zavala homered and knocked in two runs as well as scoring twice. Bunnell went 2-for-4 with a triple, three RBI and two runs scored. Esther Riley scored three times and drove in a pair of runs during a 3-for-4 day that included a double.

Hansen singled twice and knocked in three runs. Kylee Aldrich and starting pitcher Ashlie Shaffer collected two RBI each.

Keylee Wilson threw the final five innings to get the win. Shaffer held Payette hitless in the first two innings before

leaving the pitching circle.

Thursday: Payette 13, Melba 10 — The Mustangs were forced to mount another late rally, but lost a non-conference game to the surging Pirates in Payette County.

Payette built an 8-1 lead after two innings against Ashlie Shaffer.

The Pirates held an 11-2 edge when Melba broke through with seven runs in the sixth inning.

Payette forged its offense on the strength of nine singles and four Melba errors.

Melba collected eight singles, including two apiece from Hansen and Bunnell.

Kylee Aldrich scored four runs from the top of the Mustangs' batting order, and Shaffer, Hansen and Zavala drove in two runs each.

April 27: Melba 14, Nampa Christian 3 (5) — Hansen continued her emergence for the Mustangs, pounding a double and knocking in three runs in an easy conference

victory at home.

Hansen also scored two times as Melba erased a 1-0 deficit to cruise to the win.

Doing away with the Trojans' advantage was quick work for the Mustangs, who scored eight times in their first at-bat.

By the third inning, Melba had all the runs it would get, capping the barrage with a five-spot.

Shaffer limited Nampa Christian to a pair of hits while striking out six.

Only one of the Trojans' runs was earned as Melba committed three errors.

Marsing resident Harlee Ferdinand was in Nampa Christian's starting lineup. She walked twice in three plate appearances.

Wilson tripled and singled in three at-bats and scored two runs for Melba.

Janay Phillips posted a double and two RBI, while Mustangs teammate Aldrich scored three times from the leadoff spot.

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an RBI double in the fourth inning that brought home Katie Christoffersen, who had singled. Dani Sitts doubled in the seventh inning to cap the Trojans' 14-hit attack.

Sitts struck out 10 and pitched around six walks and four Homedale errors to get the complete-game win. She allowed just four hits, and Buhl scored three unearned runs.

Zayne Hall had four singles in four at-bats and scored two runs. Asumendi also was 4-for-4 with a run scored and two RBI.

Missamore went 3-for-4 with three runs scored.

Last Wednesday: Homedale 17, McCall-Donnelly 1 (5) — Zayne Hall pitched a tidy two-hitter, allowing only an unearned run in the Trojans' conference victory in Valley County.

The freshman — one of three first-year pitchers for

Homedale — struck out seven and walked no one before the game was called in the fifth inning because of the 10-run rule.

She threw only 13 balls out of the strike zone against the 17 batters she faced. Hall only allowed three baserunners. Maddie Miller threw out the last Vandal to get on base when D Howarth tried to steal second soon after leading off the bottom of the fifth with a single.

Homedale wasted little time jumping out to a lead against the home team, scoring three times in the first inning and holding a 10-0 lead after 2½ innings.

The first-inning rally featured three consecutive doubles off the bats of Olivia Miller, Missamore and Hall. Miller scored on a wild pitch, Missamore scored on Hall's double, and Hall came home on a groundout by Olivia Asumendi.

Hall and Missamore crossed

the plate three times for the Trojans, who tacked on six runs in the third inning and closed the scoring with seven in the fifth.

Hall threw hitless ball through the first 2 1/3 innings. She lost the no-hitter when C Warren singled to center field with one out in the third inning. The shutout went away when Warren scored on a two-out error.

Sitts had another productive day from the leadoff spot. The freshman left fielder ripped three doubles in five at-bats and piled up six RBI.

The Trojans cranked out more doubles in the six-run third. In all, eight of the team's 13 hits went for two bases.

Missamore scored on Asumendi's double, and Hall and Asumendi came home on Christoffersen's double. Asumendi finished with three RBI.

Sitts drilled her second double to knock in two more runs.

Her first two-bagger brought in Christoffersen in the second inning.

Christoffersen and Belisia Larzelier scored on Sitts' fifth-inning double.

April 26: Homedale 21, Fruitland 4 — The Trojans finally broke free from the pesky Grizzlies with three runs in the third inning on the road.

After leading 1-0 after one inning, Fruitland tied the score, 2-2, in the bottom of the second.

The Trojans reclaimed the lead — for good this time — in a rally sparked by back-to-back doubles from Olivia Miller and Missamore to start the third inning. Miller scored on Missamore's double, and Missamore came home on Zayne Hall's single, which was the third consecutive hit before the first out.

Hall gave Homedale a 5-2 lead after scoring on a pair of wild pitches.

Hall's second single of the game started a four-run fifth inning fueled by five walks.

Asumendi singled during the sixth inning when all three runs in the rally scored on a wild pitches.

Homedale cemented the victory with nine runs in the seventh. Fourteen batters came to the plate in the huge uprising.

Hall finished 4-for-5 with five runs scored.

Winning pitcher Asumendi was 2-for-3 with four runs scored and two RBI. She struck out six and dodged four walks in five innings, surrendering just three singles.

Missamore went 3-for-6, scored three times and knocked in three runs.

Maddie Miller had two RBI, while Aberasturi was 2-for-3 with two runs scored and two RBI and a double.

Courtesy runner Isana Larzelier also scored a pair of runs.



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Sports

Huskies top Chargers in 2A WIC softball barnburner

Marsing collects two victories on the road

The Marsing High School softball team got involved in a tense, back-and-forth eight-inning 2A Western Idaho Conference battle with Cole Valley Christian on Friday.

When the dust settled from the error-plagued contest, the visiting Huskies left town with a 20-16 victory.

A total of 25 errors were committed between the two teams in the game, which was played in Meridian.

The lead was exchanged six times in the first four innings, with Cole Valley on top, 12-7, after four innings.

Scoreless for the fourth, fifth and sixth innings, the Huskies (8-11 overall, 4-5 2A WIC at week's end) burst through for six runs in the seventh inning to tie the score, 13-13.

The Huskies clawed their way back in the seventh thanks to four Chargers errors and a walk. The third and fourth errors led to Huskies' scores.

Mila Astorquia's two-run double plated Lexi Loucks and Delaney Percifield, and Lizbeth Moreon's base hit brought in the tying run before the first out of the inning was recorded.

Marsing again found its scoring touch, adding seven runs in the eighth, aided in part by three more errors, two hit batsmen and a pair of walks.

Percifield's two-run double and a single from Mazzi Roper were Marsing's only hits in the top of the eighth.

Marsing shut down the Chargers after Cole Valley had scored three runs in the bottom of the eighth.

A sophomore, Astorquia got the win with a complete-game effort. Only four of Cole Valley's runs were earned. The right-hander struck out eight and

walked two.

At the plate, Astorquia recorded three hits, including a pair of doubles, while scoring twice and knocking in two runs.

Percifield, Moreno, and Anna Gluch had two hits each, with Percifield and Moreno scoring three times each. Percifield and Loucks led the team with three RBI apiece, and Adrianna Simpson, who reached base three times as a result of error, scored four runs.

Moreno also stole two bases.

Abbey Dwonch led the Chargers with four hits and three runs scored. She also swiped a pair of bases.

Last Wednesday: Marsing 8, Vision Charter 2 — The Huskies jumped out to an early 4-0 lead after three innings to claim a conference victory at Griffith's Park in Caldwell.

The game was played a day later than scheduled because of field dam-

age incurred during a weekend rain-storm.

Roper closed out the Huskies' scoring in the seventh inning with her second inside-the-park home run of the season.

Karla Salazar led Marsing's offense with pair of hits, including a triple, and three RBI. She also stole a base.

The Golden Eagles scored their first run in the bottom of the third.

Winning pitcher Astorquia helped her cause with two hits, a run scored and an RBI.

Astorquia scattered four hits and struck out nine batters for another complete game. She walked only two, and none of Vision Charter's runs were earned.

The Golden Eagles' Jamie Ruiz pitched a complete game, allowing eight runs on seven hits, striking out six and did not allow a base on balls.

Different day, same result for Trojans golfers in 3A SRV

Uranga rules girls, boys finish fourth in Star

It was "copy and paste" during a Chamber of Commerce weather day at River Birch Golf Course in Star.

Téa Uranga dominated the girls' meet at the 3A Snake River Valley conference nine-hole outing, and the Homedale High School boys finished fourth again last Wednesday.

"On the boys side of things, copy and paste from week to

week with regards to team standings," HHS coach Casey Grove said. "We finished fourth again. We did improve by seven shots from last week.

"We shrunk the distance between us and Weiser, but we still have a long ways to go to catch up to Fruitland and/or McCall."

Homedale finished at 196 with Eli Heck leading the charge with a 10-over-par 46. Willie White scored 49, while Levi Jamison notched a 50. Willy Haun and Trenton Fisher scored 51 apiece.

Homedale sixth golfer was

Landen Wilson. The Trojans' top junior varsity player shot a 65.

McCall-Donnelly played host to last week's meet, which was the second-to-last nine-hole competition of the regular season.

Last week's tournament featured only six players from each school, and — in a rarity for high school golf — tee times were assigned, Grove said.

Typically high school meets have shotgun starts.

McCall beat Fruitland by 13 strokes for team honors,

posting a 170 behind Dathan Ova's 2-over-par 38. Tate Ova notched a 41, and Adam Ellis came in at 42.

Fruitland's Lucas Rynearson carded a 39, while Weiser's Carter Williams won the individual medal with an even-par 36.

Homedale was seven shots behind third-place Weiser (189).

"It was the first really nice weather day we have had this year," Grove said.

"It was nice for the kids to wear shorts for once when playing golf."

Uranga wins again

Homedale's lone girl, Uranga cleared the field by six strokes. The junior won medalist honors at 7-over 43.

"She has been fun to watch, and I am looking forward to a strong finish heading into districts and State," Grove said.

The junior's closest competition came from McCall's Lexi Larson and Sydney Arrasmith, both of whom notched 49s.

The Vandals completed a McCall sweep of the team proceedings as Piper Lamm shot a 50 and the team finished at 205.

✓ Golf: Homedale boys chasing Fruitland, McCall for State consideration

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championship outing begins at 10 a.m., and the top two teams in both the boys' and girls' tournaments will advance to the 3A state tournament.

The 36-hole state championship is planned for May 17-18 at Twin Lakes Golf Course in Rathdrum.

Trojans coach Casey Grove took a look at his program's chances heading into the postseason, and one thing is abundantly clear:

Uranga stands alone on the Trojans' team and, truly, in the district.

"Téa is by far the clear-cut favorite to win the tournament based on her regular-season

finishes," Grove said. "She has continued to practice hard and work on her game."

The younger sister of 2019 state champion Daniel Uranga, who moved on to a spot on the Duke University golf team after COVID-19 cancelled his senior season, has a good chance to create some Homedale High School history over the next two springs.

And she's doing it by herself.

"She has a good mindset of competing with herself," Grove said. "She isn't worrying about anyone else, just herself.

"I think with that mentality she will do just fine at the district tournament."

While anything can happen, Uranga could be considered a virtual lock to reach the state tournament.

Based on Idaho High School Activities Association guidelines, and the number of complete teams that have been showing up at conference meets, District III could earn four automatic individual berths into the girls' state tournament.

There is also a "course over rating" formula that allows wild-card qualifications.

The top two teams also will qualify for State.

The Trojans' road to State is a bit trickier on the boys' side.

Two teams will move on to the state tournament, and there appears to be six automatic berths available for individuals.

"Team-wise for the boys, I don't think we are a favorite to qualify as a team for State," Grove said. "The separation between McCall and Fruitland might be too great."

There's always hope, he said.

"I wouldn't count us out, though. We have a good group of boys that are improving every week," Grove said.

"Hopefully it is a perfect storm for us to where we have several (personal records) on our home course and a couple

teams have a really bad day. If that happens, we may be able to upset a couple teams and sneak into the state tournament."

The perfect storm theory extends to putting individuals in the boys' championship, too.

"I think Eli Heck and Willie White both have a chance to potentially qualify individually for State," Grove said. "They will have to have their best rounds of the season, but I know both of them have it in them to shoot in the mid 80s.

"We are playing on our home course, so that has to be an advantage."

— JPB

Sports

✓ Stansell: Linker at 57 Rimrock on the rise in track and field

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No. 8 hole.

“(Nielsen’s) knowledge of the game and skills continue to grow, (and) she is not afraid to take risks during the meet to improve her overall performance,” Swenson said.

Brianna Servik of Nampa Christian topped all the girls at 4-over-par 40. The Trojans won the meet at 202.

Freshman Xavier Linker was top finisher for Marsing’s boys. He fired a 57, two strokes better than teammate Ethan Freeman.

The pair were followed by James Christiansen, who finished with a 62, and Andrew Sevy, who scored 68.

North Star Charter’s Gavin Rodeghiero was the top player on the boys’ side at 2-over 38. Cole Valley Christian finished first in 169 strokes, 77 better than North Star.

— TK

Juan Alamilla’s assault on his personal record book pushed Rimrock High School during the Dave Mangum Invitational in Melba on Thursday.

The junior took third in the boys’ 400-meter run in 55.75 seconds and backed that up with a PR and fifth-place showing in the 1,600 (5:15.9).

Sophomore Cristal Araujo established a personal-best time in the girls’ 100, taking 10th in 14.56. Freshman teammate Ashten Moore was just in front with a ninth-place time of 14.47.

Moore also finished sixth in the girls’ 400 (1:09.69) and took sixth in the long jump at 12 feet, 9½ inches.

Another freshman, Ira Black, made a big splash in the boys’ meet. He posted his best marks of the season in three events — finishing fourth in the high jump (5-4), fifth in the 100 (12.28), and 10th in the long jump (18-1).

Sophomore Aden Aquiso, who is pulling double duty this spring with the Raiders’ track program and baseball team, finished eighth in the 100 with a PR of 12.44. Another 10th-grader, Julio Alamilla, was ninth in the 100 with a PR of 12.5.

Freshmen turned heads in the girls’ meet:

- Goya Lemus ran her best times in three events — 800 (sixth, 3:00.4), 1,600 (seventh, 6:46.09), and 400 (12th, 1:16.46).
- Annakay Wining took 10th in the discus at 53-3 and posted top-15 showings in the short sprints — 14th in the 100 at 15.02, and 15th in the 200 at 32.18. All three events featured her best marks of the season.



Public notices

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

On May 26, 2021, the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear testimony in the Annex Building of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 17069 Basey St., Murphy, Idaho on the following matters at the times listed below.

Beginning at 9:30 am, the Commission will hear testimony on application Z21-17 filed by Timothy Sevy seeking approval of a conditional use permit to establish a one-lot subdivision for a single-family residence on an approximately 8-acre parcel to be lot-line adjusted to approximately 5 acres. The subject parcel, RP01N04W020611, is located at 9032 Clark Rd. Melba, Idaho in an agricultural zone in a portion of the SW¼ of the NE¼ of Section 2, Township 1 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Beginning at 10:30 am, the Commission will hear testimony on application Z21-18 filed by Chase & Madison Hansen seeking a conditional use permit to develop a four-lot residential subdivision on approximately 14 acres to be divided from a 26-acre parcel located immediately east of 2404 Market Road Homedale, Idaho. The subject parcel, RP03N05W176001, is in a multiuse zone in a portion of the SW¼ of the SW¼ of Section 17, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Beginning at 1:00 pm, the Commission will hear testimony on application Z21-19 filed by DeRuyter Properties, LP/Nick DeRuyter seeking approval of a conditional use permit to add 12 units to a previously approved RV park for employee housing on an approximately 74-acre parcel of land. The subject parcel, RP03N05W247951, is located in an agricultural zone approximately 4 miles NW of Marsing situated in the SE¼ of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Beginning at 2:00 pm, the Commission will hear testimony

on application Z21-20 filed by Thomas Fee seeking approval of a conditional use permit to establish two additional homes on his approximately 18-acre parcel of land at 6840 Hogg Road, Marsing Idaho. The subject parcel, RP02N05W132580, is located in an agricultural zone in a portion of the SW¼ of the NW¼ of Section 13, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Beginning at 3:00 pm, the Commission will continue the hearing on application Z21-09 filed by Hidden Valley Investments LLC/ Phil Warner seeking approval of a preliminary plat for Hidden Valley Estates No. V, for a 19-lot residential subdivision. The subject parcel, RP02N04W236178, is approximately 31.7 acres located in a residential zone approximately 3.5 miles south of Marsing in a portion of the SW¼ of Section 23, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Additional information about the meeting is available at owyheecounty.net under Public Hearing Documents on the Community Development page. Copies of the proposed projects are available for review in the Community Planning office or on the webpage. For additional information please call 208-495-2095 ext. 2.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE City of Grand View

The public is invited to attend a public hearing to discuss the Well #1 Water Facility Project on May 10, 2021 4pm at Grand View City Hall 425 Boise Ave. Grand View, ID. Please adhere to social distancing guidelines.

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NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE IN RE: HARLIE DANIELLE PALMER BOBBIE CATHERINE PALMER CASE NO. CV 37-21-80

A Petition to change the name of HARLIE DANIELLE PALMER, and the name of BOBBIE CATHERINE PALMER, all minors, now residing in the City of Marsing, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The names will change to Harlie Danielle Freelove and Bobbie Catherine Freelove. The reason for the change in name is: The children wish to have their mother’s name.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. on May 25, 2021 at the Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name changes.

Date: April 20, 2021
s/: Lena Johnson, deputy clerk
For Angela Barkell, Clerk of the District Court

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NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE IN RE: JACQUELINE MAKENZIE SCHKADE CASE NO. CV 37-21-132

A Petition to change the name of JACQUELINE MAKENZIE SCHKADE, a minor, now residing in the City of Grand View, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to Jacqueline Marie Schkade. The reason for the change in name is: She would like to be named after

her grandmother Marie.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 9 a.m. on May 25, 2021 at the Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.

Date: April 13, 2021
s/: Lena Johnson, deputy clerk
For Angela Barkell, Clerk of the District Court

04/21,28,05/5,12/2021

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE MAGISTRATE DIVISION CASE NO. CV37-21-00126

In the Matter of the Estates of RALPH LEROY DINES and MARGARET ANN DINES, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned was appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estates. All persons having claims against the decedents or the estates are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must both be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

Dated: April 21, 2021
/s/ TRACY GAVIOLA,
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c/o Wm. F. Nichols, ISB #3496

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE CASE NO. CV37-21-00100

In the Matter of the Estate of J. RENE SANCHEZ CALDERON, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

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

DATED this 31st day of March, 2021.

/s/ Alicia Cortes de Sanchez
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SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR ELMORE COUNTY, IDAHO CASE NO.: CV 20-21-00153

To: Jon Aaron Sorg

You have been sued by Brooke Ann Sorg, the petitioner in the District Court in and for Elmore County, Idaho, Case N. CV 20-21-00153

The nature of the claim against you is Divorce

Any time after 21 days following the last publication of this Summons, the court may enter a judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the case number, and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at 150 S. 4th E. St., Mountain Home, ID 83647 or (208) 587-2133 and served a copy of your response on the other party, whose mailing address and telephone number are 4207 W. Pershall Rd., Marsing, ID, 83639

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

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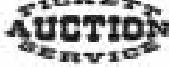
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Sports

Aguilera's hot streak continues in Weiser Invite

Symms takes discus, freshman wins 3,200

Distance runners set the pace for Homedale High School at the Weiser Invitational.

Christopher Aguilera continued his dominance, winning a 1,600-meter run for the second consecutive week and missing his personal record by less than two seconds.

The junior won his fifth individual race of the season — he has finished first in three of the past 800-meter runs he has entered, but didn't compete at that distance Thursday.

He has established personal records this season in the 1,600 (4 minutes, 54.47 seconds in an April 22 victory at the 3A Snake River Valley conference meet), the 3,200 (a third-place 11:12.7 at the Homedale Invitational on April 1), and the 800 (a runner-up time of 2:00.02 at the Lynn Behrman Invite on April 16).

Aguilera ran a 4:56.2 time to win the Weiser Invitational 1,600 meters last week.

He also closed the Trojans' victorious sprint medley relay effort with an 800-meter sprint. Milo Mertz and Keagan

Christensen ran a pair of 200-meter legs, and Brandon VanEs ran 400 meters in the third leg.

The team finished in 3:48.46.

Freshman Bobby Christensen raced the 3,200 meters of his life to win in 11:16.16. He was runner-up to Aguilera in the 1,600 with a time of 5:06.73.

The Homedale boys picked up one other event win in Weiser as senior discus thrower Thomas Symms — the school record-holder and reigning 3A state champion — took top honors with a 162-foot, 8-inch spin.

Another senior, first-year HHS athlete Todd Beatty, finished second in the discus at 147-3 and pushed a personal record of 44-10¼ for third in the shot put.

Symms, who has been honing his shot put skills of late, was second in the event at 48-3½.

Homedale finished second in the boys' 4x100-meter relay in 46.31. Milo Mertz came out of the blocks and handed off to Keagan Christensen. Christensen passed the baton to Erik Hernandez, who handed off for Danny Detbun to cover the anchor leg.

Senior Bryce Cornwall was runner-up in the triple jump at 38-5½.

The quartet of David Peirsol, Aiden

Webster, Brock Johnson and Brandon VanEs took second in the 4x400 relay in 3:53.02.

Hernandez (11.89) and Detbun (12.23) took third and fourth, respectively, in the boys' 100. Sophomore Rylan Binford (12.46) and freshman Ismael Ortiz (12.56) established personal-best times.

Binford opened for the Trojans in a third-place 4x200 relay showing. Joseph Kester, Detbun and VanEs closed the race for time of 1:39.85.

Junior Ryker Johnson attained a PR with his fourth-place time of 17.59 in the 110 hurdles. He was third in the high jump at 5-6.

Binford set another PR with his 10th-place time of 25.31 in the 200 meters.

Conner McCarney's career-best 9-6 effort earned the freshman fourth in the pole vault. Senior Dawson Fox cleared 9 feet for fifth.

The Homedale girls were runners-up in the 4x100 relay in 53.81. Kinlee Garrett, Allison Whitehead, Carli Moore, and Emily Craft did the work.

Junior Allison Whitehead captured a silver medal in the triple jump with an effort of 33-1. She was fourth in the long jump at 15-6.

A ninth-grader, Garrett finished fifth in

the 100-meter hurdles, clocking a 18.86, and sixth in the 300 hurdles (54.02).

Freshman Katie DeVice pulled off two fifth-place finishes with her fastest efforts of the season in the 800 (2:48.3), the 1,600 (6:26.96),

Isabel Jacobs took fifth in the discus with a throw of 89-9, while fellow junior Natalia Martinez attained a PR at 79-1 for 11th place.

A senior, Craft went 4-6 for fourth in the high jump.

Three freshmen — Melani Whitehead, Cadence Nicoletti, and Mylisa Barrett — cleared the bar at 6-6 to finish sixth, seventh and eighth, respectively in the pole vault. Barrett notched a PR as Homedale continues to develop a team of vaulters.

Craft had a PR in the 200, taking 11th in 30.27, and junior Alaina Cook finished 10th in 800 with a personal-best 2:56.26.

Eliot Larzelier made a splash in the 400 with her fastest race at that distance (1:21.07) for 11th place.

Kambell Garrett took 11th in the 1,600 with a PR of 7:24.23, and Larzelier was 12th in 7:58.69.

Sophomore Bailey Purdom notched a PR throw of 24-10 for 18th in the shot put.



Homedale Trojans





Baseball
Beeg Hockenhull, jr., CF
6-for-13 (.462), 7 runs, 4 RBI, 5 SBs



Softball
Amaia Aberasturi, jr., CF
4-for-11 (.364), 5 RBI, 4 runs, 3 doubles



Track and field
Bobby Christensen, fr., distance
PR, win in Weiser 3,200; runner-up in 1,600



Golf
Eli Heck, jr.
Led boys with 46 at River Birch GC



Tennis
Austin Franko, jr.
Picked up team's only win of the week



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Baseball
Varsity
3A District III Tournament
If beat Weiser Monday by 3 or more runs: Monday, May 10, home for semifinal vs. Weiser or McCall-Donnelly, 5 p.m.
If beat Weiser Monday by fewer than 3 runs or lost: Saturday, May 8, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, noon
If No. 3 seed and beat McCall: Monday, May 10, semifinal at Weiser, 5 p.m.
If No. 3 seed and lose to McCall: Tuesday, May 11, loser-out game at Fruitland or home vs. Payette or Parma, 5 p.m.
If No. 2 seed and beat McCall/Weiser winner: Wednesday, May 12, championship at Fruitland, 5 p.m.
Junior varsity
Season complete

Track and field
Friday, May 7 at Pilgrim Invitational, New Plymouth, 1 p.m.

Golf
3A state tournament
(If qualified from Monday's district tournament)
Monday-Tuesday, May 17-18 at Twin Lakes Golf Club, Rathdrum

Softball
Varsity
3A District III Tournament
Saturday, May 8, home for semifinal vs. Parma or Fruitland, 2:30 p.m.
If win Saturday: Tuesday, May 11, home for championship, 5 p.m.
If lose Saturday: Monday, May 10, home for loser-out game, 5 p.m.
If lose Saturday and win Monday: Wednesday, May 12, home for third-place game, 5 p.m.
Junior varsity
3A Snake River Valley conference Tournament
Saturday at Weiser
Homedale is No. 1 seed

Tennis
Thursday, May 6, home vs Payette (Senior Night), 4 p.m.



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