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Homedale's Idaho Ave. roadwork starts Monday

Town's business corridor will have gravel, sidewalk detours

The rehabilitation of Idaho Avenue in Homedale begins next week.

Knife River is the general contractor for the Idaho Transportation Department's Idaho highway 19 reconstruction project through downtown.

A team of project coordinators were spotted walking down East Idaho Avenue last Wednesday morning, mapping out different specific aspects of the work.

According to a reader board posted on the Canyon County side of the Snake River on Idaho 19, the

work will begin Monday.

The project is expected to last until late summer.

According to a flyer ITD outreach specialist Jennifer Gonzalez distributed on June 1, crews will work between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The scope of work includes:

- Milling the old road surface and replacing it with new pavement
- Upgrading Americans with Disabilities Act facilities, which could possibly include the pedestrian ramps installed at intersec-

tions as part of the Local Improvement District project downtown business owners funded about a decade ago.

- Improvement of the marked crosswalk at the Homedale Senior Center at 224 W. Idaho Ave.

- There is no indication whether the senior center's disabled parking space, removed during LID construction, will be restored.

According to ITD's flyer, business access will be maintained in the construction area, which will stretch from

— See **Roadwork**, page 13



Nate Carroll (left) and Jared Harris of Idaho Survey Group scoped out boundary lines on May 26, ahead of ITD's Idaho Avenue road rehab project.

BEATING THE HEAT



Coping with soaring temps

Above: Mario Cardenas, 15, who lives near Sunny Slope, took the Snake River head-on to cool off. **Right:** Temperatures in excess of 100 degrees drew locals to Island Park in Marsing to deal with unseasonably hot weather Thursday. According to the National Weather Service, Thursday was the hottest day on record this early in the season, and the hottest day since Aug. 16.



BGV teachers share secrets of student success with Little

Statehouse visit showcases years of education gains

The Bruneau-Grand View School District Elementary teaching team celebrated the end of the school year with a visit to the Idaho Statehouse to

highlight the educational gains among primary students in Grand View and Bruneau.

"It was a wonderful way for our educators to be recognized for their extraordinary efforts during an especially difficult year, and I'm grateful to Gov. Little's office for hosting

— See **Teachers**, page 13

School staffers shed year-and-a-half of stress at HSD finale

For a moment, Matt Holtry was back on the football field.

Caught up in the emotion of a year-end banquet and filled with joy about reaching the end of the most trying school year anyone in the room had experienced, the Homedale High School principal cheered for his colleagues at a decibel level that typically shakes the rafters at Mike Matteson Fieldhouse on a warm late-summer

or crisp early-autumn night.

But not this whoop.

This was on the last day of school, right smack in the middle of a professional gathering of colleagues inside the middle school lunchroom.

The football coach apologized, but soon flashed that grin that blinds a room and lights up his cheeks.

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Homedale lawman caps off 30-year career

Kingston, K-9 partner Brady stroll into retirement

Homedale Police Cpl. Karl Kingston received special recognition during his retirement gathering on June 1 at the Homedale Community Center.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller issued Kingston an honorary promotion to sergeant as he headed off into the sunset.

Family, friends, and fellow police officers gathered to send Kingston off in style. Many of his compatriots, including Eidemiller, spoke about the relationships Kingston has developed in his 30 years in law enforcement.

Kingston worked as a sheriff's deputy in both Canyon and Owyhee County before coming to the Homedale Police Department in 2015.

"You've been shared by the three agencies, and all three of us are better having you as part of our families," Eidemiller said.

The Homedale School District resource officer, Kingston led the 2021 high school seniors on to the field for their May 27 graduation ceremony.

Kingston's K-9 partner, Brady, will head into retirement, too.

During the ceremony, Eidemiller presented Kingston with a shadow box containing his retired firearm, his badge, shoulder patches from the three agencies he served, and the most important medals of achievement that the recent retiree earned over his long career.

"There were so many of them that some were doubled," Eidemiller said.

Homedale Mayor Gheen Christoffersen presented Kings-



Left: Homedale Police Cpl. Karl Kingston, accompanied by his wife, Jayne, accepts a shadow box with his service weapon, badges, shoulder patches and various accommodations. **Right:** Kingston made his final "out of service" call after last Wednesday's gathering. Submitted photo



ton an official "Certificate of Retirement."

"As I've always said, Karl was a great find for us," the mayor said. "The problem for the City of Homedale is that we got him too late."

"I wish that we could have had him through his whole career."

HPD Sgt. Mike McFetridge presented Kingston with the U.S. flag that had flown that day at Homedale City Hall.

"You've been like a grandpa to me," McFetridge said, to which Eidemiller quipped, "You've been like a grandpa to all of us."

Eidemiller also touched on Kingston's impact on the City of Homedale and as the district's school resource officer.

"You're one of the best officers the city has produced," he said. "It has nothing to do with your personality. It's your partners." Eidemiller was referring to Brady and her late predecessor, Goose.

As Kingston looked back on his time in law enforcement and forward into retirement

— which his wife, Jayne, said does not involve a honey-do list — he took a moment to share his thoughts during this momentous occasion.

"I've really enjoyed working with everyone in the department and the city and the school," he said. "It's been one big, happy family."

"I've loved working with you guys, and I'm going to miss you all."

After the congratulations and retirement gifts, Kingston walked out to his patrol vehicle one final time, reached for his radio microphone, and broadcast the last out-of-service call of his career at 13:31 hours (1:31 p.m.)

An Owyhee County Sheriff's dispatcher alerted all units, and Kingston — whose call sign was 2041 — then made his final over-the-air call.

"Thank you for all the support you've given to all the officers," he said. "Please continue to stay safe."

Jayne also broadcast her gratitude for the support law enforcement colleagues had



Above: Homedale Mayor Gheen Christoffersen (right) presents a certificate of retirement. **Below:** In his final act as school resource officer, Kingston leads the high school's Class of 2021 onto the field for graduation. During an introduction at the May 27 event, principal Matt Holtry said Kingston was graduating along with the seniors.



shown her husband.

Then, one by one, Kingston's HPD partners keyed their

microphones and wished their comrade well in his retirement.

— TK and JPB

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Grand View Days will hit ground running

All activities but Lions breakfast set for June 19

One of Owyhee County’s biggest community celebrations is set for its smallest municipality on Saturday, June 19. The annual Lions Club breakfast at Lions Park caps the weekend at 8 a.m., on Sunday, June 20.

The annual event was held in mid-July after community members rallied months after the Chamber of Commerce had cancelled the event. Chamber president Bill Mead said at the time that the COVID-19 pandemic made it difficult to find volunteers during the planning stages.

As the festival returns to its familiar June time slot, the bulk of this year’s activity takes place on Saturday.

One change, presumably to beat the heat: The community parade has been moved to 8 p.m., on Saturday. Ed Collett is taking registration information at (208) 599-1400.

The day of festivities starts with the Raiders Cross Country Grand View Days 5-kilometer Fun Run.

Open to walkers and runners of all ages and abilities, the fun run will start at 8 a.m., at the American Legion Post 134 hall at 410 Roosevelt St.

Rimrock cross country coach Melissa Raymond reported on a Facebook post that sponsors are sought to help organizational costs, including covering the expense of event

T-shirts. Pre-registered runners will receive T-shirts. The swag will be available on a first-come, first-served basis on race day. The entry fee is \$20 per individual and \$50 for a family. One member of the family team must be an adult. Proceeds from the fun run benefits the Rimrock cross country program. For more information on competing or sponsoring the event, call Raymond at (208) 863-0335.

Vendors and bounce houses will open at 10 a.m., at the city park.

Lawnmower races will be held at 11 a.m. Entry fee is \$25 for stock mowers and \$30 for modified mowers.

- There are four age classes, including:
- Ages 6-10 with push mowers only
 - Ages 11-17 with parental permission
 - Ages 18-55
 - Ages 55 and older.

Everyone except those in the youngest age group must wear helmets, and no one is allowed to drink alcohol before the competition.

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

Duck races start at 1 p.m. The annual horseshoes competition gets underway at 2 p.m., at Centennial Park.

A pit barbecue will be held at 7 p.m., at Lions Park.

After the parade, fireworks will begin at dusk.

A dance is planned from 9 p.m., to 1 a.m., on June 19 at Centennial Park.



A firefighter mops up Saturday afternoon after several agencies responded to a brush fire near Wilson Creek Road and Idaho highway 78 in the Wilson area. MRW Fire and QRU Facebook photo

Agencies quickly knock down fire

With volunteer firefighters gathered for Outpost Days in Murphy, there was a fast response to a brush fire near Wilson Creek Road and Idaho highway 78.

Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire volunteers were dispatched to the brush fire at about

2 p.m., on Saturday. The fire was under control quickly with mutual aid from Melba and Upper Deer Flat fire crews. In all, the three agencies and Bureau of Land Management sent 13 vehicles.

Homedale gets judge’s OK to finance sewer work

A Third District Judge has cleared the way for the City of Homedale to issue \$10.5 million bonds to rehabilitate the town’s wastewater system.

District Judge Davis VanderVelde signed a judicial confirmation last month, and it became official when it was filed in Murphy on June 1.

The city had sought the judge’s permission to secure funding for the reconstruction of the wastewater treatment lagoons and replacement of sewer lines within the city that

were installed before 1967.

The judicial confirmation process eliminates the need to put the bond before the city’s voters.

The city’s attorney went before VanderVelde on May 27, presenting a 200-page document to back up the request.

There is an appellate process, and anyone wanting to appeal the judge’s ruling has until July 8 to make a filing.

After July 8, the decision becomes final and the city can

move forward with the plan. Part of that plan apparently includes securing federal funding through the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development.

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Truck pulls to precede Lions demolition derby

Combo admission ticket available for fun on the Fourth

The Homedale Lions Club has added an additional attraction to its Fourth of July Demolition Derby.

The Believe Pulling Sled will be back at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds this year for truck pulls.

A combo admission ticket is being offered for both events at a cost of \$22.

Tickets for the 40th annual derby only cost \$17, or \$15 with a military discount.

Tickets are available online at [https://homedale-demo-](https://homedale-demo-derby.ticketleap.com/)

[derby.ticketleap.com/](https://homedale-demo-derby.ticketleap.com/).

The truck pull will be held at noon on July 4 on the boundary of the fairgrounds property along the Snake River.

Believe Pulling also stages a two-day Father's Day event at the Gem County Fairgrounds in Emmett. Truck pulls are held on Friday, June 18, and a demolition derby — which Homedale derby drivers sometimes use as a tune-up for the Fourth — takes place on Saturday, June 19.

The Homedale Lions Club Fourth of July Demolition Derby will be preceded in the morning by the Independence Parade through downtown Homedale.

Entries will lineup at 8:30 a.m., in the Homedale High

School parking lot. The parade pushes off at 9 a.m. Contact Cat at (208) 606-6299 or Michael at (208) 250-9128 or lionsderbyparade@yahoo.com for information.

The mandatory derby drivers meeting is set for 7 p.m., on Wednesday, June 23 at The Bowling Alley, 18 N. 1st St. W.

On derby day, competitors will be able to enter the pits at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds beginning at 10 a.m. The grandstands will open at 4:30 p.m., and the grand entry is scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

A live band will play from 9 p.m., to midnight.

A fireworks show will be presented when it is dark enough. Lions Club president Will Pryor said recently that the pyrotechnics could go off between 10:15 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. The derby will be halted, if necessary, to give attention to the pyrotechnics.

The derby will feature a Power Wheels heat for children again as well as a "Chain and Bang" heat for 2-wheel-drive cars that are 1980s or newer.

Important phone numbers for the derby:

- **Entering a car** — Jeremy Townsend, (208) 337-4668
- **Car build questions** — Kaleb Hotchkiss, (208) 965-7457
- **Food booth information** — Josh Love, (208) 880-8483
- **Program advertising or general information** — Pryor, (208) 866-2629

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Hearing to address Homedale park expansion

Community members can get more information and provide input on the City of Homedale plan to expand Riverside Park.

The city has received a \$135,000 Idaho Community Development Block Grant to add green turf, a sprinkler system and an Americans with Disabilities Act-accessible restroom at the vacant Peterson property on West California Avenue across from the RV park at the North Main Street entrance to Riverside Park.

A public hearing is scheduled from noon to 1 p.m., on Thursday at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming.

Verbal and written comments will be accepted before and at the hearing. Comments prior to the hearing can be submitted at City Hall.

The hearing will review project activities and accomplishments and provide a summary of all expenditures to date as well as a general description of the remaining work and any changes that have been made to the scope of work, budget or schedule.

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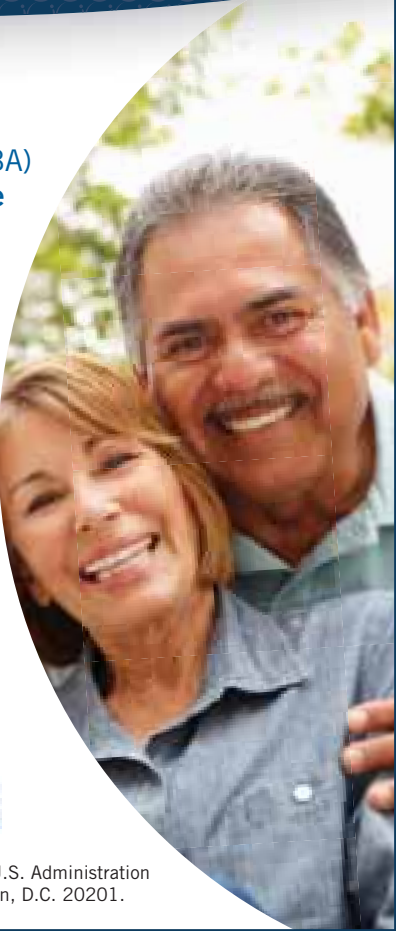
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Winds of change: a new face in the Extension Office

The University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office has hired Madi Anderson as the interim 4-H program coordinator. She joins The Owyhee Avalanche U of I Extension columnist rotation this week.

— Ed.

In the past year, we have become accustomed to winds of change blowing hard and strong. The pandemic has changed the way we socialize, shop, eat and work. We have lost time, travel and loved ones. We have adapted to social distancing, mask wearing, and zoom calling.



Madi Anderson

Now, it seems that the winds are beginning to normalize once again. Most of us are back to work, faces can be seen again when out in public and this summer calls for rodeos, county fairs and concerts. For those involved in the 4-H program, we can look forward to a “normal” fair and the return of events such as Record Book Interviews.

Regularity and continuity is something that all of us crave, and a return to such has been looked forward to with much anticipation. Familiar faces are a critical aspect to the “normalness” for which we yearn, and I completely understand the hesitation that comes with a new face where a familiar one should be.

The last thing that most of us expected, or wanted for that matter, was a changing of the guard in the 4-H program coordinator position. For the past five years, Janelle Thompson offered a sense of home and normalcy to Owyhee County 4-H and led the organization with knowledge, experience and love for 4-H.

I want to make it clear to you all that I in no way intend to “replace” Janelle. I know that she cannot be replaced, and her moving on to new opportunities saddens me as it does you. What I can tell you is that her footsteps can be followed.

I found myself in the 4-H program assistant position here at the Extension Office early this year, and fortunately was able to learn from and become familiar with Owyhee County 4-H via Janelle’s wisdom.

I am massively grateful that our time in the office overlapped because it showed me the level to which I must serve this county’s 4-H program.

My experience in 4-H is extensive. I was a 4-H member for 10 years in small animal, live-stock, horse, Family and Consumer Science and leadership projects in Deschutes County, Ore. I also was a four-year member of Oregon FFA. My love for these two youth organizations blew this tumbleweed cross country to Dordt University in Sioux Center, Iowa to pursue a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, which I graduated with in December 2018.

While I am very fresh to the role of interim 4-H program coordinator, I want to tell you that I promise to serve this county with nothing less than my best.

I am, of course, also weary of the winds of change. I know what it means to leave your child’s 4-H experience in the hands of someone new and foreign. But, please, rest in the fact that I was trained by Janelle, I have the experience and qualifications necessary, and I am immensely passionate about 4-H.

This position is far more than a job for me. It is work from my heart. My passion for youth development and agriculture magnified and focused. It is a dream come true.

While the wind has blown many changes our way this year, please do not fear or worry about the change in the 4-H program coordinator position.

I can assure you, while it may be a bit of a bumpy ride and we may feel a bit wind burnt in the beginning, I have settled in the right place, and the winds of change will calm.

— Madi Anderson is the interim 4-H program coordinator at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office. Contact her for more information on 4-H at (208) 896-4104 or madisona@uidaho.edu.

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

Grilling and smoking class

6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Owyhee County Community Center, 423 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 896-4104

Grand View City Council meeting

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

Jordan Valley Ambulance meeting

6 p.m., ambulance hall, 706 Main St.

Marsing City Council meeting

7 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 896-4122

Three Creek School board meeting

7 p.m., Three Creek School, 49909 Three Creek Road, Rogerson.

Homedale Highway District meeting

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

Marsing Fire Commissioners meeting

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

Marsing School Board meeting

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

Thursday

Exercise class

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

Owyhee Gardeners meeting

1 p.m., Sandbar Community Room, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 546-1829

Summer reading

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

Homedale Farmers Market

3 p.m., to 7 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, Homedale. www.homedalefarmersmarket.com

Summer reading

3 p.m., to 4:30 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Yoga class

4 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale

Marsing Chamber of Commerce meeting

6 p.m., Idaho Fudge Co., 111 Main St., Marsing. Check Facebook for updates.

Library board meeting

5:30 p.m., Lizard Butte Library community room, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Alcoholics Anonymous

7 p.m., open to alcoholics, their families and those contemplating recovery, Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder.

VFW meeting

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

Saturday

Catholic Mass

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

Free lunch

11:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

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.

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

Live music

11:30 a.m., to 12:30 p.m., performed by Wilder, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

Yoga class

4 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale

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Thursday, June 17

Exercise class

10:30 a.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

Teens & Tweens

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

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Saturday, June 19

Grand View Days 5K Fun Run

8 a.m., \$20 per individual, \$50 per family, American Legion Post 134, 410 Roosevelt St., Grand View. (208) 863-0335

Grand View Days

10 a.m., Vendors, bounce houses, duck races, horseshoe tournament, lawn mower races, Centennial Park, Grand View

Free lunch

11:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

Grand View Days pit BBQ

5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Lions Park, Grand View

County officials grateful
to get flags waving again

The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners recently extended thanks to Marsing businessman Barry Kendall for his assistance in getting the flags waving again outside the county's satellite building on Reich Street in Marsing, which houses the county coroner's office, and branch offices for the Division of Motor Vehicles and sheriff's office. The owner of Kendall Electric donated the use of his lift truck to thread the cable to hoist the flags. Submitted photo



Death notices

WILLIAM EARL "MERLE" ALLEY JR., 71, of Melba, died Friday, May 28, 2021 at his home. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 459-0833

RON M. HUTTER, 87, of Nampa, former Marsing Elementary School teacher and principal who was a former guest speaker at the elementary's Veterans Day program, died Thursday, June 3, 2021. A viewing will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at Nampa Funeral Home, 415 12th Ave. So., in Nampa. A funeral will be held at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at the College Church of the Nazarene, 504 E. Dewey Ave., Nampa. Burial will be at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens in Caldwell.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center
Salad bar: *Not Available due to the Coronavirus
Congregate lunch resumes at noon on April 6
Curbside pickup available before 12:30 p.m.
Phone ahead 208-337-3020 to order
Dessert is included in curbside lunch
Milk available each day
Roll available each day except June 9th and 16th
June 9: Cheeseburger on bun, fries, beet salad
June 10: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, broccoli
June 15: Chicken patty, hashbrown casserole, country trio vegetables
June 16: Taco salad with ground beef, cheese sauce, tortilla chips, salsa, sour cream, lettuce, rice

Sandbar Community Room, Marsing
Noon to 12:30 p.m., inside Marsing City Hall
Milk and wheat bread/roll available each day except June 9th
Suggested donation: \$6
Note: No congregare meals (freezer meals only) June 9th, and 11th
Prices this week: \$4 for 60 and older; \$6 for 59 and younger
June 9: Open face turkey on wheat bread, mashed potatoes/gravy, cornbread stuffing, carrots
June 11: Ham, scalloped potatoes, broccoli
June 14: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, beets, pineapple
June 16: Teriyaki chicken, brown rice, oriental vegetables, mandarin oranges

Rimrock Senior Center
All meals are served with milk & fruit juice
Curbside pickup from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or delivery only.
Call (208) 834-2922 beginning at 7 a.m. to place order
June 10: Chicken taco salad, Spanish rice (tomato, olives, cheese, salsa, sour cream, onion), fresh fruit, tortilla chips, refried beans, yogurt
June 15: Turkey dinner, mashed potatoes and gravy, steamed vegetables, stuffing, whole wheat roll, fruit salad, yogurt, fruit crumble

Obituary
Ada E. Connell

Ada E. Connell passed away at the age of 77 on May 22, 2021 in Caldwell, Idaho. She was born on March 6, 1944 to Bert and Goldie Spencer, in Spanaway, Washington. At a young age, she moved with her family to Central Cove, Idaho, where she attended school.

Ada married Ronald Connell on February 17, 1965, in Winnemucca, Nevada. They moved to John Day, Oregon and then returned to Homedale, where she resided until her death. Together, Ada and Ronald had three children, Goldie, Alyce, and Ed who they loved very much. Ada and Ronald were both members of the American Legion Post 32 of Homedale.

Ada was a wonderful cook and held many jobs at restaurants in the Homedale area and also spent many seasons as the cook out at sheep camp for the Mackenzie Ranch during lambing season. She was the favorite out there with her great food and fresh bread she baked every day. Ada also loved to travel, and one of her favorite trips was going to the Oregon Coast with all three of her adult children. She always loved a



Connell, Brandon (LaRae) Hart, Joshua (Emily) Connell, Kyle Connell, and Cassie (Josh) Vandenburg; 13 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, June 11th at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery, under the direction of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. Following the service, lunch will be served at the Homedale Senior Center located at 224 W. Idaho Avenue in Homedale.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be given to the Homedale Senior Center, which meant so much to Ada.

great deal, going and finding treasures at garage sales and spending time with her family including all her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Ada was preceded in death by her husband; daughter, Goldie; her parents; and siblings. She is survived by daughter, Alyce (Paul) Shenk; son, Ed (Kathy) Connell; son-in-law, Dale Ellington; grandchildren: Quinten (Gina) Shenk, Lawrence Shenk, Andrea (Ben) Barhanovich, Erica Ellington, Alexander (Katie) Ellington, Megan (Brandon) Kyle, Nic

Frozen meals in Marsing this week

Congregate lunch returns to City Hall on Monday

Congregate meals have been suspended in Marsing this week, but that doesn't mean Metro isn't serving up nutrition.

The Marsing coordinator for the Monday-Wednesday-Friday lunches is on vacation, so no meals will be served inside the Sandbar Community Room at City Hall.

But City Clerk and Treasurer

Jolyn Thompson stepped in to make sure that Metro provided meals in some form this week. Originally, the organization was going to shut down food service altogether until Monday.

But frozen prepared meals will be available to anyone who wants them today and Friday at City Hall, 12 Sandbar Ave.

Meals will be available from 8 a.m., to 5 p.m., the hours City Hall is open for business.

The suggested donation for the meals will be \$4 for seniors 60 and older, and \$6 for people

59 and younger.

The menus include:

Today — Open-face turkey sandwich, wheat bread, mashed potatoes and gravy, cornbread stuffing, carrots

Friday — Ham, scalloped potatoes, broccoli, wheat roll

Milk and applesauce will be available both days.

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Marsing fireworks tickets still available

Folks who want a chance to watch the Marsing Third of July fireworks from a prime location have a week and a half left to buy raffle tickets.

Raffle proceeds will help fund this year's pyrotechnics display.

Two winners will earn the right to bring five friends each to City Hall to watch the fireworks from the patio — and enjoy a catered meal from the Marsing Lions Club.

The drawing will be held on June 19 at City Hall. There are only 400 tickets available.

Tickets cost \$10 each and can be purchased at City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., M & W Market, Marsing Hardware, OC Coffee, Whitehouse Drive-In, Idaho Fudge Co., The Spot Pizza, and The Pour House.

Donations to help pay for fireworks also are being accepted at City Hall. Checks also can be mailed to the city at P.O. Box 125, Marsing, ID 83639.

Earlier this year, the Marsing City Council pledged \$3,100 in support for the town's Third of July celebration, but not all that money will go toward fireworks.

Fireworks committee members include Mayor Chad Sevy, City Council members Chris Even and Marie Herman, city clerk and treasurer Jolyn Thompson, her deputy Kim Even, school board chair Jason Sevy, and community members James and Jess Ferdinand, Jerry Meyer, Debbie Carter, Jim Briggs, Garret Briggs, Travis Jarvis, Shonie Jarvis, and Merle Herman.

A group of Owyhee Gardeners spruced up the entrance to Homedale a bit by weeding and planting two new rose bushes on May 29 where drivers pull into town from U.S. 95.



Therapeutic bond with nature on club's list

Mental health is an emphasis for Thursday's Owyhee Gardeners meeting.

The group will meet from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Sandbar Community Room inside Marsing City Hall, 12 Sandbar Ave.

The gardeners welcome anyone who wishes to get information about ecotherapy gardening, which will be shared by guest speaker Karen Lowe.

Ecotherapy gardening can help folks cope with anxiety and provide stress relief. The website www.healthline.com calls it "an approach that rests on the idea that people have a deep connection to their environment and to the Earth itself

... failing to nurture this connection can take a toll on your well-being, particularly your mental health."

The Owyhee Gardeners meet the second Thursday of every month.

Gardeners perform a little beautification

Owyhee Gardeners members Loni Driscoll, Lea Mathews, and Jenni Jimmerson completed a beautification project on Saturday, May 29 at the entrance to Homedale.

The trio weeded and planted two new red rose bushes at the Homedale Gateway, at the entrance to town at Idaho Avenue and U.S. Highway 95.

BRESHEARS MEMORIAL FISHING DAY



Katie Rodemack, a kindergartener (left), and fellow Marsing resident Dallas Palmer swept the awards during Saturday's 22nd annual Leroy Breshears Kids Fishing Day. The pair won a fishing rod-and-reel package and a tackle box as the first girl and boy to catch a fish, the first to catch their limit and the lucky anglers who landed the largest fish.



Left: Owyhee County Sheriff's Posse members Cody Rhodes (left) and Sam Clark grill up hot dogs. About 80 children fished at Marsing's Island Park on Saturday, and the Posse fed about 200 people, including parents who were on hand for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game co-sponsored event. **Right:** Cindy Breshears handed out ice cream sandwiches to the children after they finished their hot dogs and chips.

New Chamber member runs with Homedale block party idea

The co-owner of a local business is spearheading efforts to have a Homedale block party on the Fourth of July.

Petrea Lee, who is co-owner of Rumors Hair and Nails, recently received the green light to organize the block party after conferring with Homedale Lions Club president Will Pryor.

The block party will coincide with other community events tied to the Lions Club's 40th annual Fourth of July De-

molition Derby.

"I am trying to coordinate with business owners, vendors and clubs to set up booths, games and so on," Lee said.

"My goal is to try to keep people local and create a family friendly event."

Lee said the block party will operate until the demolition derby begins in the late afternoon.

One goal of this year's block party is to raise money to grow the fireworks display held dur-

ing the derby, Lee said.

"I would really like this to grow over the next year and hopefully for years to come," she said of the block party.

"Any and all businesses are welcome to do what they are comfortable with."

Call Lee at (208) 573-3041 for more information or to get involved.

Rumors also recently joined the Chamber of Commerce.

— JPB



Something for all ages at season's first farmers market

Erin Tibbs (right), of Left-Handed Body Art, paints a tiger on the face of Macardy Babcock, 10, of Marsing at the opening day of the Homedale Farmers Market on Thursday at Bette Uda City Park. Macardy is the daughter of Michelle and Jason Wallace.

OUTPOST DAYS RETURNS TO MURPHY



Blacksmith Wade Smith (left) explains how coke is created from coal on the museum's stamp mill lawn, a process involving crushing and blending the coal and charging it in a coke oven. The material is used as fuel for the blacksmith's forge.



Rob Saunders, the ex-president of the Caldwell Model Railroad Club and Historical Society, displays one of several model train sets that the group brought to Murphy for Outpost Days.



A group of ranchers and 4-H members demonstrated a cattle drive on Saturday, which culminated with the cattle being corralled south of Tilford Street in Murphy.



Left: Dallin Humphries sends ducks down the chute by pumping water, with the assistance of his mother, Holly. Mom and son are from Eagle. **Right:** Nell shows off the form that took her and her trainer, Derek Fisher of New Plymouth, to the sheep dog world championships in Wales.



Homedale readers will make ice cream in time for summer

Farm animals part of Thursday's theme

Summer reading continues Thursday at the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library. Homedale's city library will play host to a Tails and Tales installment themed "Down On the Farm."

A farm animal petting zoo will highlight the gathering, which goes from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., at the library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave.

The stories "Duck on a Tractor" and "On the Farm" will be read.

The children also will make a farm animal craft and ice cream in a bag.

Prizes are available to children, teens

(12 and older) and adults through the summer reading contest.

For every book read through Sept. 3, people will receive a slip to enter the monthly prize drawing.

Prizes in the teen drawing include a \$25 Amazon gift card, two Roaring Springs passes, and a gift card to Labyrinth Escape Games in Nampa. Candy also will be given away.

The adult prizes include car wash supplies, Parma Motor-Vu movie passes, a \$50 D&B Supply gift card, and a Homedale Farmers Market gift basket filled with donated items from market vendors.

The library extends thanks to following summer reading sponsors:

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- Homedale Drug
- AutoZone
- Albertsons
- The Bowling Alley
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- City of Homedale
- Roaring Springs Water Park
- Parma Motor-Vu
- D&B Supply
- Flying M Coffee
- Rediscovered Books
- Chick-fil-A

Story Time spotlights hummingbirds

Miss Kelsey will read "Little Green"

by Keith Baker and "Hummingbird Tea Party" by Allison Hill during children's Story Time at 10:15 a.m., on Monday.

After the readings, the children will make their own hummingbird feeders for home.

For more information on the Homedale city library's programs, call (208) 337-4228.

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.biblionix.com.

HSD trustees face funding holdbacks, losses

U.S. Dept. of Ed.
reduces support for
2021-22 by \$58,000

The end of the school year means more than summer vacation and graduation.

It's also the time when school board trustees, such as those in Homedale, begin shaping the workforce for the next year and figuring out budgets.

Homedale superintendent Rob Sauer said the district has most of its teaching positions filled for the 2021-22 season, so that reduces some of the stress on trustees.

But dwindling federal funding and another call for a statewide five percent budgetary holdback produce worries elsewhere.

District staff continues to work on the budget in preparation for the Monday, June 14 public hearing on 2021-22 appropriations.

While learning about the state's continued plan for a five percent holdback, trustees also learned from federal and state programs coordinator Christine Ketterling that most forms of U.S. Department of Education support would be lower, too.

The total drop in funding is expected to be about \$58,000.

Title I-A funding for improving basic instruction will fall more than \$26,000 from \$276,747 for the current year to just over \$250,000 for 2021-22.

Title 1-C money for education of



Homedale School District superintendent Rob Sauer talks about the year that just ended at the staff luncheon last Wednesday.

migrants is the only pot of federal money that will see a jump from 2020-21 to next year. The district will receive \$116,314 for use in the 2021-22 school year, an increase of \$2,188.

Student support and academic enrichment programs will see \$10,000 less in federal funding, leaving the district with \$18,985 for use in the coming year.

There are three categories in which no funding will be received, amounting in a total cut of about \$76,000.

The district will not receive funding for the English Learner Program (\$35,350 drop from 2020-21), or the Title III English Language Acquisition (\$17,600).

As anticipated, the district no longer qualifies for the Title V-B Rural Education Program, which means a loss of nearly \$23,000 in funding.

In recent meetings, trustees have hammered out a few budgetary details,

including renewing the school resource officer agreement with the City of Homedale.

- The district will pay \$17,435.11 for the 2021-22 contract, which will help pay the salary of a new SRO. Homedale Police Cpl. Karl Kingston retired at the end of May, and HPD is assigning a new resource officer for next year.
- Despite the specter of a holdback on non-discretionary funding, trustees have reinstated a loyalty stipend for employees. The stipend was suspended last year because of the budgetary holdback.
- The board signed off on the 2021-22 teacher agreement, which includes restoration of two more furlough days and the district absorbing a 2.8 percent increase in the Blue Cross of Idaho insurance premium rates.

Certified instructional staff who have completed a master's degree will receive a \$1,000 stipend.

The board instituted nine furlough days during the economic downturn more than a decade ago, and trustees have been slowly added days back to employees' work calendar. The furlough days for the 2021-22 school year will be cut in half from four to two.

- The career ladder, which had been frozen, was unfrozen for the 2020-21 school year and fully funded for 2021-22.
- Classified staff, including bus drivers, and administrative staff will receive a two percent pay increase for this school year and the next school year.

— JPB

Trustees to tackle district budgets

Homedale School District's budget outlook resembles a roller-coaster going into next week's public hearing.

The board of trustees will take comment on the \$15 million amended 2020-21 budget and a 2021-22 proposed budget of about \$14 million.

The hearing will be held during the regular meeting, which starts at 7 p.m., on Monday inside the school district boardroom, 116 E. Owyhee Ave.

The amended budget adds more than \$2.7 million in revenue compared to the current 2020-21 budget (an increase of nearly 22 percent).

The revenue increases come from a \$930,000 rise in federal funding to about \$1.97 million. Meanwhile, local revenue dropped nearly \$100,000 to \$1.1 million.

The bulk of the increased revenue will create an 87.2 percent increase in contingency funds to \$418,851.

The supplies and materials budget increases 78.3 percent from about \$561,000 to more than \$1 million.

The \$14 million proposed 2021-22 budget reflects the anticipated decrease in federal funding.

Federal funding is expected to fall \$560,000 to about \$1.4 million.

Local revenue, however, is projected to increase \$367,000 to about \$1.47 million.

The district's beginning balance for the 2021-22 budget is projected to be \$416,000, nearly 69 percent (about \$940,000) less than the 2020-21 amended budget line.

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Homedale district's teacher staff all but set for 2021-22 school year

NASCAR has a "silly season" in which drivers jump to new teams and new jobs.

School districts experience the same phenomenon nearly every spring when another school year winds down.

Homedale is no different, except that — unlike previous years — trustees aren't faced with the dilemma of trying to find new teachers in late summer just a few weeks before the new year begins.

"All positions are currently filled aside from a kindergarten position," district superintendent Rob Sauer said Thursday after the trustees' latest meeting.

As previously reported, two longtime employees — fourth-grade teacher Stuart Emry and food services supervisor Vicki Eby — have retired, but there are other changes, too.

During a May 24 special meeting, a second-grade teacher, Jamie Hendrickson, was hired, and Casey Grove's contract at high school athletic director was renewed.

Trustees accepted resignations from three teachers during their May 10 regular meeting — Anna Marie Carlson (kindergarten), Allison Doyle (seventh-grade English Language Arts), and Taylor Pearson (high school English).

Although on May 10, there were a slew of hiring and contract renewals.

Teachers hired or retained

included:

- Michelle Endicott, kindergarten
- Rebekah Johnson, third grade
- Alexis Kloetzer, sixth-grade ELA and social studies
- Cassandra Rosa, sixth-grade ELA and social studies
- Triston Breshears, seventh-grade ELA
- Paige Testa, middle school social studies
- Abigail Kinnischtzke, high school science
- David Gummersall, high school English

Administrators had their contracts renewed, including:

- Matt Holtry, high school principal
- Moss Strong, middle school principal
- Tate Castleton, elementary school principal
- Christine Ketterling, federal programs and curriculum

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Homedale School District retirees from the past two years reunited to receive recognition last Wednesday. **From left:** Vicki Eby, food service director (2021 retiree), Terri Vasquez, elementary principal (2020), Patti Sexton, food service (2021), Faith Olsen, district business manager (2020), Bridget Paluzzi, special education (2020), and Stuart Emry, elementary schoolteacher (2021). **2020 retirees not pictured:** Karla Haylett, librarian, and Stacey Holton, math teacher



Homedale High School senior leadership instructor Kristie Dorsey (left) accepts the district teacher of the year award from HHS principal Matt Holtry.

✓ School: High school’s Kristie Dorsey named teacher of the year

“Yeah, baby, we got this,” Holtry said. “I’m grateful to be in a school district that fought.

“We ran the race. There are some (districts) that didn’t finish.”

Last Wednesday’s annual final-day staff luncheon was more — as Holtry described it in his apologetic sports cliché-laden way — a marathon runner reaching down and ending a race with exhaustion and jubilation than a group of grown adults champing at the bit to get out the door and face off with 100-degree heat in their gardens or on their paddleboards or in a hammock or to begin the quest to find some far-off beach or fishing hole.

The luncheon was the first of its kind in two years. COVID-19 wiped out the school year and the luncheon in 2020.

But, as superintendent Rob Sauer alluded, there was a pent-up desire to get through the oddest school year on recent record; a determination to ignore the burning instructional muscles, the fatiguing mental obstacles, and the excruciating pace of an off-balance year to find that finish line — even if it meant (as Holtry again said) collapsing after being helped across by friends and colleagues.

“It was exhausting and overwhelming, but at the same time we can hold our heads high and say, ‘We did it,’” Sauer said in his opening remarks.

The key, he told staffers, was Homedale’s approach to the problem after schools were shut down in March 2020 and students returned to modified schedules in the fall.

“If we would have waited

to get all our ducks in a row, it would have been September then October then November, and who does that hurt? The kids,” he said.

“We’re in the kid business. We get to make a difference in their lives.”

Like a nervous Mission Control crowd, the district’s administrators watched impatiently as the year crept along past milestones that appeared hazily in the distance — mirage-like checkpoints on that marathon route.

“As an administration team, we said, ‘Just get to Oct. 1,’ then ‘Just get to Thanksgiving break,’ then ‘Just get through Christmas break.’” Sauer said.

“I can’t be more proud for this group because you guys

kept showing up.”

And just like that, Sauer wants the teachers and other staffers to put the kooky hybrid of 2020-21 behind them.

“Let it go,” he said. “Prepare to make next year the best year for our kids.”

With the 2020 luncheon lost to COVID-19, Sauer devised a plan to bring back last year’s retirees to honor them with glass plaques like everyone else receives. Faith Olsen, Bridget Paluzzi and Teri Vasquez returned, and 2021 retirees Stuart Emry, Vicki Eby and Patti Sexton joined them.

Other 2020 retirees Karla Haylett and Stacey Holton couldn’t make the trip back.

Emry retires after 14 years as

an elementary school teacher. Eby spent 26 years in the district’s food services program — guiding the whole operation for much of that time.

Last Wednesday’s luncheon celebrated the resiliency of those employees who still work in the district, too.

Longevity was saluted with cash bonuses:

30 years — Ruthann Ensley, Melanie Harper, Debby Turner, and Olsen, who has returned in a part-time capacity helping out in the district office

25 years — Toby Johnson

20 years — Angela Correa, David Correa, Maricela Guzman, Dave Holmes, and Margaret Lejardi

15 years — Aida Barroso and Robyn Chandler

The high school’s senior leadership instructor, Kristie Dorsey, was named district teacher of the year in a presentation Holtry led.

“This person is a great mother, wife, community member and friend,” Holtry said. “She stays positive and encouraging. She’s a team player that leads by example.”

Holtry said Dorsey is “always looking for ways to improve what we have at Homedale.”

Sauer backed up Holtry’s take and explained a big reason for Dorsey’s success with her students.

“You’re genuine and authentic,” he said. “You’re real, and the kids know it.”

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Homedale coaches launch summer instructional camps

For more information, contact Sorenson by call or text at (208) 863-2105 or email at homedalebasketball@gmail.com.

Baseball

The HHS coaching staff will conduct a youth camp beginning Tuesday at the school's baseball facility in the 300 block of East Owyhee Avenue.

Several Homedale High School sports programs are offering instructional camps in the coming weeks.

There are only 20 spots available for the camp, which is open to current players ages 9-14.

The cost is \$125 per player.
Camp dates are Tuesday, June 17, 22, 24, 29 and July 6, 13 and 15. The camp will run from 10 a.m., to noon each day.

To register or for more information, contact Amy Fossette at (208) 713-1638.

Football

Prospective campers have until Monday to turn in registration forms and entry fees for this year's Homedale Youth Football Camp.

The camp will take place from Monday, June 21 to Wednesday, June 23 on the Deward Bell Stadium football surface.

The skills development camp is open to incoming second-through eighth-graders. It's open to boys and girls.

Fundamentals covered include tackling, blocking, passing, receiving, punting and kicking.

The \$25 cost includes a camp shirt. Make checks payable to Homedale High School Football.

For more information, contact Trojans coach Matt Holtry at (208) 697-9286 or mholtry@homedaleschools.org.

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✓ Teachers: Even through pandemic local teachers help lift up students

them,” outgoing district superintendent Ryan Cantrell said.

The teachers spent 35 minutes in conversation with Little, sharing how they are achieving what Cantrell dubbed “such exceptional results” with the district’s elementary students.

The teachers shared their perspectives about why Bruneau-Grand View students are experiencing success in the classroom. That success also has been reflected on standardized testing.

Prior to the teachers’ visit, Cantrell wrote Little a letter outlining the specific success at the schools:



The Bruneau-Grand View School District’s elementary teaching staff meets with Gov. Brad Little in his office at the Statehouse in Boise. **From left:** District superintendent Ryan Cantrell, Aleasa Herman (Grand View, fifth grade), Sharon Lawrence (Grand View, fourth grade), Sariah Pearson (Bruneau, fourth and fifth grade), Patty Dalrymple (district federal programs director), Little, Maya Davis (Grand View, third grade), district elementary principal Alex Meyers, Britnie Meyers (Grand View, second grade), Michelle Lehman (Grand View, kindergarten), Sarah Baker (Grand View, first grade), and Susan Wampler (Bruneau, kindergarten and first grade). **Not pictured:** Emilee Graham (Bruneau, second and third grade). Submitted photo

“Thank you for taking the time to host our Bruneau-Grand View elementary teachers and providing them an opportunity to talk with you about what’s working for BGV elementary students. We appreciate Gov. Little’s focus on education and his commitment to early literacy; we are grateful for the opportunity to shed light on some of the great things happening in Idaho education.

“I’m proud of our teachers’ efforts in the area of early literacy and mathematics at Bruneau Elementary and Grand View Elementary. For the last several years, our students have experienced some of the highest gains in their literacy scores in the State of Idaho. During this difficult year, our teachers maintained their focus on student achievement, helping our K-3 students go from 40

percent proficient in August of 2020 to 82 percent proficient in the summative May 2021 IRI (Idaho Reading Indicator) — more than doubling the number of K-3 students reading at grade level.

“For perspective, our statewide IRI scores began the year (September 2020) at 50 percent proficiency with our 83,974 Idaho K-3 students — we finished 2021 (May 2021) with 66 percent of our 87,728 Idaho K-3 students reading at grade level.

“BGV’s total K-5 ELA (English Language Arts) IRI/Istation scores indicate similar, remarkable gains, going from 44 percent proficient in August 2020 to 79 percent proficient in

May 2021.

“Our district-wide focus on early literacy is helping our students reach the reading proficiency required for students to be successful in our (grades) 6-12 system at Rimrock Jr./Sr. High.

“As our ELA scores have improved, we’ve also been focusing on ensuring mathematical competencies K-5. Our Istation data indicates our K-5 students have risen from 39 percent proficient in the fall of 2020 to 77 percent proficient this spring — doubling our proficient students in our K-5 schools. (Idaho’s statewide data indicates 43 percent K-5 proficient in September 2020 and 63 percent proficient in

May 2021).

“As our early literacy (IRI) scores have improved, we’ve also focused on ensuring our students ‘show what they know’ on the ISAT (Idaho Standards Achievement Test). Our students continue to increase their ISAT scores — year after year — in the ELA ISAT assessment. We’ve still not reached our goal of achieving and exceeding the state average in each grade level, but we’re making steady gains towards that goal.

“We continue to struggle in ISAT Math in our upper grades — but our elementary math scores in the ISAT are now exceeding the state average due to the hard work of our

teachers, the increased focus on math fluency, professional development, and the use of the ISAT SICA (Shortened Interim Comprehensive Assessments) to ensure our teachers and students are aware of rigor expected in ISAT assessments.

“In closing, there are many ‘bright spots’ in our Idaho education system. We’re grateful to the ISBE (Idaho State Board of Education) and Gov. Little’s office for working to shed light on the great things happening in Idaho education.

“We’re grateful for the emphasis and support Gov. Little places in our K-12 education system.”

✓ Roadwork: Anticipate flagging, gravel during Idaho Avenue rehabilitation project

4th Street East to 4th Street West.

Drivers can expect a temporary gravel road surface during construction, but two lanes of traffic will be open during construction.

Some detours and flagging may be encountered, though. All sidewalk access and pedestrian detours will have signage.

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense



Crossbred Stew

The steer that topped the show this year was partly Chianina.
The bull that threw the biggest calf was partly Simmental.
The carcass class was swept away by three-eighths Limousiners
The Gelbvieh cross was judged the best in this year's overall.

The feedlot men like Piedmontese to feed as crossbred critters
Or any kind of cloven hoof that shows some part Charolais.
A salers cross or Tarentaise that's half or quarter blooded
Or maybe half breed Longhorn calves or partly Murray Grey.

The Brahma breeders took a bull and made Santa Gertrudis
They built a Brangus with a cross and found out what to do.
They stirred the pot a couple of times and made Beefmaster heifers.
Descendants of *Bos indicus* are now cross bramer stew.

We like exotic crosses in the feedlot and the show ring,
The old-line English cattle now, no longer look so smart.
But it should not go unmentioned when passing out the credit.
If they're only part exotic, then what's the other part?

— 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.

Letter to the editor

“Native” Idahoans’ attitudes will drive out non-native conservatives

My wife and I moved to Idaho from California in 2010. We moved here because of the liberal policies, the regulations, onerous laws, and high taxes of the Marxist state of California. I have discovered we are more conservative than many Idahoans we have encountered.

Since we have moved here, we have had to endure the contempt and derision of those Idahoans, conservative and liberal alike, who call themselves “native.” I’m really not sure what “native” means to these folks as I’m sure their parents, grandparents, or great-grandparents came from somewhere else.

Recently, a co-worker told me she’d kick us out of the state if she could. Another said it made him very angry I was here from California.

My father moved to California from Arkansas in 1956. My family moved to Arkansas from Virginia in 1841. My ancestor, William Kendrick, arrived in Massachusetts Bay on the ship *The James* on June 3, 1635 from Southampton, England. I’m not sure if that makes me a Californian, or an Arkansan, or a pilgrim, but I’m darned sure I’m just as American as anyone else here in Idaho.

We conservatives grow weary of the “native” Idahoan’s attitude towards us, and we will most likely end up leaving the state. I already know one man in particular who moved because of the reception he received.

Letters to the editor

All letters to the editor submitted to *The Owyhee Avalanche* must be no longer than 300 words, signed and include the writer’s address and daytime phone number.

The deadline for submitting letters is noon on Friday. Letters can be submitted in these ways:

- E-mailed to jon@owyheeavalanche.com
 - Mailed to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628
 - Dropped off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale
- For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

This state will turn blue because you “natives” are driving off the conservatives moving here. Marxists will move here in droves. They will demand the crosses dotting the hillsides be taken down. They will demand all the billboards proclaiming Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior be taken down. They will demand higher taxes. They will demand you register your guns. They will eventually demand your freedom, and you will give it to them. Enjoy.

Larry Kendrick
Murphy

From Washington

Confronting China with Idaho innovation and values

China is a potent challenge to the United States on several levels — economic, strategic and moral. Republicans and Democrats can — and should — work together to formulate a China policy that can effectively confront these challenges. As Ranking Member of the U.S. Senate Finance Committee, I stressed this message at a recent Finance Committee hearing. There is no need for a Republican or Democratic policy on China, just an American policy. An American policy is precisely that: It reflects the best of America. It reflects our competitive spirit, our leadership in innovation, and critically, our values. These principles are deeply rooted in Idaho, where ingenuity, determination and the competitive spirit are commonplace.

Competition — We must not close off our market or engage in protectionism. China closes off its market and provides distortive subsidies to create national champions. We do not fear competition; we embrace it because Idaho and America’s workers, farmers and businesses have always confronted challenges head-on, and that spirit will never dampen.

Idahoans are growing and making products sold in burgeoning global markets. Idaho sold \$161 million in goods to China in 2020, which ranks China sixth among the top export markets for Idaho goods, reports the U.S. Census Bureau. Idaho agriculture products sold to China include whey protein, milk powders, alfalfa hay and

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processed potatoes, according to the Idaho State Department of Agriculture. Idaho and American companies become global champions because the way forward in a free market is to excel, and America excels like no other in a fair fight.

And to fight at its best, America must focus on strengthening its competitiveness, which means we need to be smart in our use of tariffs. We need to cut tariffs on imports that support American manufacturing or on goods consumed by the American consumer, especially low- and middle-income families. We also cannot let up in advocating for more transparent and efficient systems for the review of agricultural biotechnology products,

which are important to Idaho producers.

Innovation — We must pursue policies that promote and reward creativity, such as strong intellectual property protections. Many of us are rightly repulsed by practices like China’s technology theft and its Great Firewall. This includes Chinese state-owned companies stealing trade secrets from Micron a few years ago. We must continue to target those actions that take aim at U.S. companies. We must also negotiate and enforce strong rules through new trade agreements, including at the World Trade Organization.

Values — Last, but perhaps most important, are our values. China’s human rights abuses are appalling. The Communist regime set its tone on human rights at its inception, and it has not improved since. What will bring down those abuses is not U.S. disengagement, but facilitating the opportunity for the Chinese people to engage themselves. Domestically, we have to stay true to our processes. That means our approach is shaped by a course that reflects our American tradition of building consensus through dialogue and debate.

Reinforcing Idaho’s and America’s integral competitive spirit, leadership in innovation and values is central to my work with Senate Finance Committee Chairman Ron Wyden (D-Ore.) and other members of the committee to put together a legislative package that will strengthen American competitiveness with China and benefit Idaho farmers, businesses and innovators.

Commentary

Financial management
When do you know your job is your calling?



Dear Dave,

When it comes to your career and profession, how can you tell if you've truly found your calling in life?

— Tony

Dear Tony,

I don't think it's common for most folks to feel like they've experienced some kind of grand revelation, and suddenly they know what they're supposed to do with their lives. Personally, I believe this kind of thing usually starts out as an activity or idea connected to something

they enjoy and want others to experience. Often, that can grow into a job, and then maybe into a career — or even a business.

I think it takes a lot of time, reflection, insight, and self-evaluation before anything can be termed a calling. I know this is true in *some* cases, because that's how it happened with me. I can't honestly tell you that when I first started on radio, or began formally teaching and writing I knew it was God's plan for my life. I knew early on I was drawn

to it, and felt there was a need for it, but it took a while for me to understand and accept that it was what I was really meant to do.

I hope this helps a little bit, Tony. Just be honest with yourself, think about it, and pray about it a lot, too. God wants what's best for you, so make sure you include Him in everything. It worked for me. I've been doing what I do for nearly three decades now, and I still love it. I'm convinced that it is God's calling on my life.

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is a seven-time No. 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.

Center on Representative Government
Several threats organize against U.S. national security

Our national security experts confront many threats to order and stability in the world. In this column, I touch on a few of the most urgent of them.

Terrorism. While there is no universally accepted definition, we typically use the term to refer to the use of violence, usually by nonstate actors and targeting civilians, to achieve political objectives.

Terrorism has been a fact of international life for a long time. Governments denounce it, even declare war against it, but they have not been able to eradicate it. The challenge is to ensure it doesn't disrupt a country's way of life, seriously endanger its people, or damage its economic wellbeing.

Nuclear proliferation. Another critical threat is the spread of military technology, especially nuclear weapons, and other weapons of mass destruction. Arms control agreements are one tool for deterring this threat.

President John F. Kennedy predicted that as many as 20 countries would have nuclear capability by 1964. Today, however, only nine countries are known to have nuclear weapons, and they have not been used since the U.S. bombed Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945. So, in some ways, we have done better than expected. But can we keep it up?

Climate change. The shift in global climate because of the warming of the Earth's atmosphere is an existential threat. It results in rising sea levels, more frequent and damaging storms, higher average temperatures, expanding deserts and other threats.

Climate change is real, scientists say, and it is caused largely by human activity, primarily the consumption of fossil fuels. Efforts to slow it down have met with limited success, and it is likely to become more severe. Some call it the defining issue

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of the century.

Migration. The movement of people, usually across international borders, is another serious threat. There are 250 million international migrants in the world today.

Migration is a major source of innovation and talent, but it can have drawbacks, including increased competition for jobs and services. The United States, a magnet for migration, has more immigrants than any other country. More than 40 million people living in the U.S. were born in another country.

Cyberspace. The internet has transformed our lives, facilitating the flow of information, and keeping us connected, but it is vulnerable to abuses. Hackers and scammers prey on the vulnerable. Privacy has eroded as our actions are tracked online.

Regulating cyberspace effectively is difficult as

online technology evolves quickly.

Health and health care. The good news is that global health is probably better than at any time in history. The world has seen improvements in diet, technology, education, and diagnosis and prevention of disease. Life expectancy is increasing.

But the gap between where we are and where we want to be is huge. The COVID-19 pandemic, which has killed more than 3 million people, reminds us that global health remains a foremost threat.

Trade. The buying and selling of goods, products and services across borders is mostly positive. It creates jobs, improves efficiency, and strengthens the economy. But it can produce winners and losers.

Every nation wants to have a trade surplus, which is, of course, impossible. Nations compete, and they argue over what constitutes fair trade. Negotiating and enforcing new trade agreements will remain a challenge.

Development. Economic growth, population increases, the distribution of wealth and quality of life are encompassed in the category of development. Elaborate indexes attempt to measure it.

How can we best achieve it? We Americans link development, not just with economic progress, but with an improvement in our values such as freedom, democracy, and human rights. China advances a different model based on state control of economic life.

This list of threats is not meant to be comprehensive. I have not mentioned, for example, the difficulty of creating alliances to address global issues — or the greatest threat of all: war. But it suggests the breadth and difficulty of the issues we face in the years ahead.

Contacting
city elected
officials

Municipalities

Homedale City Hall

31 W. Wyoming Ave., (208) 337-4641
Mayor — Gheen Christoffersen
City council — Mike Aebischer, Jerry Anderson, Steve Atkins, and Aaron Tines
Meetings — 6 p.m., on second Wednesday

Marsing City Hall

18 Sandbar Ave., (208) 896-4122
Mayor — Chad Sevy
City council — Chris Even, Marie Herman, Rachael Percifield and Brandy Bennett
Meetings — 7 p.m., on second Wednesday

Grand View City Hall

425 Boise Ave., (208) 834-2700
Open noon to 4:30 p.m., Mon.-Thurs.
Mayor — Danny Martinez
City council — John Morrison, Tom Payne, Jon Pennington and Opal Ward
Meetings — 6 p.m., on second Wednesday

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

June 12, 1996



Building demolished after vehicle crash

The old Bank Club building in Grand View was torn down early last week after a pickup crashed into the front, demolishing the entranceway.

Owyhee County chief deputy Gary Aman said the vehicle’s brakes failed and the driver was unable to get the rig stopped until it smashed through the wooden front wall of the building. The vehicle accident further weakened the building, which had already been condemned, declared a public safety hazard, and was slated for demolition.

After the vehicle accident, Owyhee County officials moved on their prior condemnation and had the building torn down.

Grand View officials and county employees used a large front-end loader and a roll of cable to pull the building down. Reports are that the front of the building was “real wobbly and came down real easy.”

Jump Creek Park discussed, organizer still sought

Owyhee County still needs a representative to organize the different interests at Jump Creek Park, commission chairman Dick Bass told a Rural Community Economic Development specialist Monday.

Bill Moore from RC&D advised the commissioners that the next step would be to meet again with the Bureau of Land Management to discuss a permanent residence at the park. “I think that’s what we have to do before anything else,” he said.

Bass agreed, and said to keep the park clean, maintain bathroom facilities, and advise visitors of the danger of the rocks, a resident watchman would be needed. Road work has been completed, a cattle guard installed, a bridge fixed, and Bass said he is currently working on developing a nearby spring to keep cows out of the park, but primarily Owyhee County needs an organizer to get together with RC&D, the county, the BLM, the cities of Homedale and Marsing, and complete the project.

Albertson’s graduates five

Five area graduates were among the 146 awarded undergraduate degrees at commencement ceremonies on Saturday, June 1, at Albertson College of Idaho, Caldwell, which included graduates from ten states and four countries. Local graduates are:

From Homedale – Carl Thomas Busse, History and Social Studies Teaching; Lynda M. Chambers and Terry Jay Ireland, Accounting and Business Administration, Bachelor of Arts; Gary Lee Ireland, Bachelor of Science.

From Jordan Valley – Jocele Ann Skinner, Zoology, Bachelor of Science.

50 years ago

June 10, 1971



WITH DIPLOMAS IN HAND and wearing mortar boards, pupils of the Homedale Alpha Phi-sponsored kindergarten who graduated in recent ceremonies are front row, from left: Jimmy Briggs, Robin Smith, Lisa Knight, Denise Taggart, Sheri Schlegel, Travis Wages, Mike Buck and Darren Krzesnik; second row, Scott Root, David Kubosumi, Mark Thatcher, Ronnie Warwick, Rodger Nelson, David Elkins, and Teddy Fearn; third row, Lisa Larrocea, Kerri Trogon, Barbara Fisher, Brenda Cox, Margaret Vance, Lisa Lillie, Kristi Stansell; fourth row, Gary Blacker, Karri McIntyre, Julie Ezola, Steven Davis, Andy Ash, Michael Matteson, Pat Vargas and Roger Beavers. Photo by Bette Uda.

Homedale swimming pool to open Saturday

Homedale’s long-awaited community swimming pool will open at 1 o’clock Saturday, a dream-come-true to dozens of businessmen and hundreds of children and their parents, who have backed the construction of a swimming pool here.

Officers and directors of the Homedale Swimming Pool Committee, Homedale businessmen and those who have worked in support of the pool invite swimming enthusiasts, old and young, to make use of the pool.

Hours in which the pool will be open are 1 to 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. to dark daily. It will be closed from 5 to 6 p.m.

Red Cross swimming classes are being arranged for morning hours, and may start sometime next week after details are completed.

Sharon Frost, Homedale P.E. teacher, is pool manager. She will be assisted by Janine Townsend and Denise Moulton. All are fully qualified lifeguards, and Miss Frost and Miss Townsend are also qualified to teach lifesaving.

Rates set by the swimming pool directors were listed by Dick Davies, secretary, as follows:

Family Rates

Corporation members, season ticket, \$20; non-members, season ticket, \$30.

Individual Season Tickets

Under 18 years of age, \$10; 18 years of age and over, \$15.

Daily Rates

12 years old and under, 35¢; 13-17 years old, 50¢; 18 years and over, 75¢.

Private Parties

For two hours after closing, \$20.

Irrigators buy Owyhee bridge at price of \$1

Sale for \$1 of the old Walters Ferry Bridge across the Snake River south of Nampa was authorized Tuesday by the Idaho Land Board.

The purchaser is the Reynolds Creek Irrigation District, which will keep the bridge in place because it carries a pipeline to transport irrigation water across the river.

The Idaho Highway Department is building a new bridge across the river on State Highway 25.

155 years ago

June 9, 1866

SURPLUS ORO FINO. – Took an underground view of this mine last Saturday. Found we had made a mistake in a previous item. Tunnels from which rock is now being taken are two in number and fifty feet from the surface. They are each in about forty-five feet from the main shaft. There are two more similar tunnels thirty feet below, but there is so much water that they have been abandoned for the present. The great body of water comes from the surface and will cease to be troublesome as soon as the snow disappears. At the present place of mining, the ledge will average four feet of excellent ore. There is about four hundred tons at the dump, and is being increased by twenty or more tons daily. Inexperienced miners would do well to examine and pattern after the timbering of the shaft of this mine. It is a model piece of work. Charley Thornton is Superintendent and says he now employs thirty-five men in and about the works, and expects to double the number during the Summer.

H. WAY, of the Silver City Restaurant, is making a large addition to his institution. The new part is 22x30 feet, two stories high with basement. When completed the whole building will be 22x60 feet — all two stories high above the basement. He expects to have a roomy, comfortable hotel — which is needed.

TROOPS ARRIVED. – Two Companies 1st U. S. Cavalry arrived at Camp Lyon in the early part of this week, direct from Fort Churchill. Gen’l Halleck, with an escort of two more Companies, is reported there, also. Guess it is so, as a sergeant said the General was only two days in the rear of their Company, which has reached camp. Gen’l Steele is expected to meet Gen’l Halleck at Camp Lyon to-morrow, with Co. H, 1st U. S. Cavalry.

FIRE. – We have been requested to urge the necessity of providing some means of quenching fires. That some precautionary measures should be devised, there can be no doubt. Nearly all buildings are constructed with very inflammatory materials – pitch lumber, cloth and paper. A fire once started, encouraged by a strong Heavenly breeze, would reduce every house in Silver or Ruby to ashes before the flames could be stayed by the “bucket process.” By laying down water pipes from springs and gulches west of the towns and attaching hose, the object sought would probably be attained as cheaply as any other way. Steam fire engines having been introduced in San Francisco, it has been suggested that hand engines could be purchased cheaply and profitably introduced.

Democratic County Convention. SILVER CITY, June 2, 1866.

Meeting being called to order, Dr. T. D. Beckett was elected Chairman and J. J. McConnell Secretary.

On motion, one delegate from each precinct was appointed to examine and report on credentials, and also one from each precinct on permanent organization and order of business.

On motion, the Convention adjourned for half hour to hear reports of Committees.

Meeting being called to order by the Chair, the reports of the Committees were read and adopted.

On motion, the meeting now proceeded to ballot for Delegates. R. S. Miles and R. Tregaskis were appointed as tellers of votes, when the following candidates, to-wit: W. S. Stevens, John M. Wilson, R. M. Miles, R. H. Brown, Col. T’Vault and D. P. Barnes, having received a majority of all the votes cast, were declared to be duly elected.

Public notices

LIEN SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Marsing Storage Inc. intends to sell the property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under Idaho Self Storage Facility Act Statutes (Section 55-2306). The owner will sell at public sale on the 19th of June 2021 at 10:00 am. 5656 Van Rd Marsing , Idaho 83639 the following;
April Tucker, PO Box 264, Marsing, Id 83639. Unit #6 General household items
Jeanette Holmes, 10567 Ridgeway Rd, Middleton, Id 83644. Unit #28 misc items
Stephanie Guarjardo, 102 Blue lakes Rd Apt 9, Buhl, Id 83316. Unit #32 Furniture, general household items
Alan Maybon, 3536 Taxidermy Rd, Homedale, Id 83638. Unit #1 vintage stereos, track lighting, table
Shelley Beeman, 11841 Lloyd Ln., Caldwell, Id 83607. Unit #7 Household items, furniture, pet carriers misc items.
Todd Hughes, 506 Morning Dove Way, Marsing, Id 83639. Unit #4 canvas tent, camping equipment, shelving misc items.
06/09,16/2021

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF
THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN
AND FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE**
CASE NO. CV37-21-00145
In the Matter of the Estate of GLENDA KAE GAMMETT, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Will L. Gammett 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 to Creditors, or within 60 days after the undersigned mailed or delivered a copy of this Notice to such persons, whichever is later, or said claims will be forever barred.
Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated and filed with the Court Clerk.
Dated this 17th day of May 2021
/s/ Christine D. Mosier-Cryslar, ISB# 10937
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Vale, Oregon 97918
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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
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DISTRICT OF
THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN
AND FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE**
CASE NO. CV37-21-00156
In the Matter of the Estate of MARJORIE JEANNE HOAGLAND, 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 both filed with the Clerk of the Court, and

NOTICE OF PENDING ISSUANCE OF TAX DEED
GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT
P.O. Box 67
Homedale, ID 83628
Owyhee County, Idaho

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Title 43, Chapter 7, of the Idaho State Code, on December 31, 2020, the period of redemption for delinquent entries made January 1, 2018, shall expire and the Gem Irrigation District, or its assign, shall be issued a tax deed or lien for the property described below, upon which such delinquent entries were made. The property described below may be redeemed on or before June 30, 2021, by paying to the Gem Irrigation District at its office in the City of Homedale, County of Owyhee, the delinquent assessments for which the delinquent entries were made, plus a penalty of two percent (2%) thereon, interest on the total at the rate of one percent (1%) per month from the day said delinquent entries were made until the day of redemption, and recording and publication costs. Any inquiries direct to Gem Irrigation at the above-named address.

Person Assessed	Property Description	Delinquent Year Assessed	Assessment & Penalty	Interest to 12/31/18	Misc. Costs
Nate Bayes	Sec 14 T3N R5W PT. SWSW	2017-2018	132.63	15.72	49.41
Kevin & Dalina Chase	Sec 08 T3N R5W PT. SWNW	2018	93.44	47.04	49.41
Donald & Jody Gonzales	Sec 13 T3N R6W PT. SENE	2018	190.96	22.23	49.41
Kevin & Janet Grochowski	Sec 28 T3N R4W Pt.Lot 2 Larsen	2017-2018	215.02	37.56	49.41
Jennifer Louise Kiser	Sec 05 T3N R5W Pt SWSE	2018	320.61	37.24	49.41
Terry & Nathan Mahler & Darcy & Norine Geary	Sec 14 T3N R5W Lot 6	2018	97.40	0.00	49.41
Jeff & Rebecca Wasson	Sec 21 T3N R4W Pt SW ¼	2018	104.50	0.00	49.41
Ray Zenor	Sec 28 T3N R5W PT NWNW	2017-2018	334.39	58.57	49.41

Dated this 13th day of May, 2021
GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Sherry Maxwell, Treasurer
05/19,26,06/02,09/2021

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING JOINT SCHOOL DISTICT NO. 370 OWYHEE AND CANYON COUNTIES, IDAHO										
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Regular Board Meeting of the above named School District will be held on the 14th day of June, 2021 at the school office in said district, at which meeting there shall be a public hearing at 7:00 P.M. on the maintenance and operation budget for the forthcoming school year and the amended maintenance and operation budget for the current school year. This budget as presently determined by the Board of Trustees is now available in the office of the School District and will remain available until the meeting and hearing, as provided by law. This regular meeting and budget hearing is called pursuant to Idaho Code § 33-801, as amended. Dated this 4th day of June, 2021.										
SUMMARY STATEMENT – AMENDED 2020-21 SCHOOL BUDGET AND 2021-22 SCHOOL BUDGET ALL FUNDS										
GENERAL M & O FUNDS					ALL OTHER FUNDS					
PRIOR YEAR ACTUAL 2018-19	PRIOR YEAR ACTUAL 2019-20	CURRENT BUDGET 2020-21	AMENDED BUDGET 2020-21	PROPOSED BUDGET 2021-22	PRIOR YEAR ACTUAL 2018-19	PRIOR YEAR ACTUAL 2019-20	CURRENT BUDGET 2020-21	AMENDED BUDGET 2020-21	PROPOSED BUDGET 2021-22	
REVENUES:										
Beginning Balances	(1,363,983)	(1,529,826)	(982,703)	(1,755,865)	(1,694,095)	(1,203,369)	(1,138,819)	(1,164,960)	(1,352,837)	(416,211)
Local Revenue	(484,021)	(535,580)	(469,907)	(481,783)	(592,700)	(989,151)	(1,138,020)	(1,204,903)	(1,107,860)	(1,474,589)
County Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Revenue	(7,163,418)	(7,569,327)	(7,064,271)	(7,559,155)	(8,045,211)	(262,678)	(221,933)	(199,531)	(209,391)	(175,527)
Federal Revenue	-	-	-	(386,178)	-	(962,954)	(950,147)	(1,032,394)	(1,968,400)	(1,428,778)
Other Sources	-	-	-	-	-	(4,600)	(4,500)	-	(5,000)	(5,000)
Transfers	(25,101)	(26,742)	(25,147)	(35,013)	(41,442)	(328,448)	(190,515)	(213,860)	(208,860)	(213,809)
TOTALS	(9,036,523)	(9,661,475)	(8,542,028)	(10,217,994)	(10,373,448)	(3,751,200)	(3,641,934)	(3,815,648)	(4,853,348)	(3,713,914)
EXPENDITURES:										
Salaries	4,263,551	4,407,486	4,496,543	4,642,511	4,885,577	552,709	541,000	638,788	830,102	665,639
Benefits	1,556,563	1,588,432	1,836,460	1,742,257	1,859,348	234,708	225,660	268,877	344,552	279,012
Purchased Services	1,232,435	1,268,484	1,453,444	1,466,817	1,469,603	111,805	95,817	115,418	110,129	139,761
Supplies & Materials	237,992	301,920	326,534	470,288	283,461	318,129	283,364	235,018	530,996	276,845
Capital Outlay	55,775	80,054	37,410	60,107	47,960	1,145,559	673,604	2,384,531	2,356,087	1,763,836
Debt Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance & Judgments	58,237	59,111	62,214	62,214	65,324	69	70	73	73	77
Transfers	79,223	80,344	80,656	79,657	97,176	274,326	136,913	158,351	164,216	158,073
Contingency Reserve	-	-	223,644	418,851	497,018	-	-	-	-	-
Unappropriated Balances	1,552,747	1,875,624	25,123	1,275,292	1,167,979	1,113,895	1,685,506	14,592	517,193	430,671
TOTALS	9,036,523	9,661,475	8,542,028	10,217,994	10,373,448	3,751,200	3,641,934	3,815,648	4,853,348	3,713,914
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presented to the undersigned at the address indicated.
Dated this 07th day of May, 2021
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FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT FOR THE STATE
OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR
THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE**
IN RE: Jacoby Sanchez (Legal name of child)
Case No. CV 37-21-169
**NOTICE OF HEARING ON
NAME CHANGE (MINOR)**
A petition to change the name of Jacoby Sanchez, a minor, now residing in the City of Homedale, State of Idaho, has been filed in the

District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to Jacoby Gonzalez Aguilera. The reason for the change in name is: Daniel is not present in Jacoby’s life. Jacoby sees his last name as Gonzalez, same a mine.
A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 11:00 o’clock a.m. on (date) 06/18/21 at the Owyhee County Courthouse via zoom. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.
Date: 05/20/2021
Angela Barkell
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
By: Lena Johnson
Deputy Clerk
05/26;06/02,09,16/2021

Marsing wants to define property width requirements

Marsing City Council is looking to establish property frontage requirements for new residential construction in the city during a public hearing at 7 p.m., today at Marsing City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave.

Frontage requirements are not currently defined in Marsing City Code.

The proposed requirements will be 60 feet wide on regular lots and 35 feet wide for flag lots, measured along the front edge of the property line. Flag lots are irregularly shaped parcels that have a limited amount of street frontage.

Frontage requirements would apply to new construction only; existing properties would be grandfathered in.

The council could decide whether to adopt the requirements and adopt the related city ordinance during the regular meeting.

Business during the regular meeting:

- Jared Zwygart of Zwygart John and Associates will present the city's annual audit report.
- Civil Dynamics' Kirby Cook, city engineer, will discuss several ongoing topics, including a request by the NAPA Owyhee Auto Parts local ownership to get a timeline extension on a required sidewalk addition on the store's Main Street property.

The company originally received an extension to the end of July because construction was impossible with the Snake River.

According to Marsing City Clerk and Treasurer Jolyn Thompson, MatMac, the corporation that owns the local NAPA stores in Homedale and Marsing, has requested another extension because the company has not been able to find a construction company that would be able to do the work.

Cook is also expected to discuss work that is being done at the city's wastewater treatment plant and will update the council about the project to install more city lights on North and South Bruneau Highway.

- Public works superintendent Philip Gibson will discuss a late June schedule to put oil down on the canal road behind Morning Dove subdivision for the purpose of dust abatement.

He will also relay recommendations from Steve Harris with H&S Environmental regarding sludge at the city's wastewater lagoons.

Additionally, he will discuss chip seal work planned for July, street sweeping, the installation of the middle dock at Island Park and prep for the city's 3rd of July celebration.

- The council will also hear monthly reports from Owyhee County Sheriff's Cpl. Atanacio Montes and either Cherese McLain or Stephanie J. Bonney from the city's contracted legal firm MSBT Law.
- Mayor Chad Sevy will discuss a Chamber of Commerce request to use the Sandbar Community Room, the meeting space inside City Hall, after normal business hours.

Sevy will also present business license applications for the council's approval, including D & G Market, Technical Computer LLC, and FTL Transportation, Inc., as well as a catering permit for Potter Wines.

— TK

Judge imposes felony probation in domestic battery case

A Parma man facing two felonies in the wake of a domestic disturbance has been sentenced and has the opportunity to wipe his record clean.

Robert E. Worthington Jr., was sentenced in the Murphy courtroom of Third District Judge Andrew Courtney on Friday, May 14.

Courtney sentenced Wor-

thington to three years felony probation for a domestic violence conviction.

But she also entered a withheld judgment, giving the man the opportunity to petition to have his record expunged if he emerges from probation unscathed.

Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Jeffrey Phillips

dismissed a felony count of attempted strangulation as well as two misdemeanor charges of malicious injury to property and destruction of a telecommunications device or line.

The sentencing hearing came one year and one day after Worthington was originally charged.

Public notices

NOTICE OF CLAIM TO A WATER RIGHT The following Notice of Claim and Motion for Determination of Deferred De Minimis Domestic or Stock Water Use to a water right has been filed in the Snake River Basin Adjudication. Note that the places of use are in Owyhee County. For information specific to this individual claim search here: https://idwr.idaho.gov/apps/ExtSearch/WRAJSearch/WRADJSearch.aspx	Water Right: 57-12068 NAME & ADDRESS: CEGNAR LAND LLC 1208 SHEFFIELD PL LEXINGTON KY 40509 SOURCE: JUMP CREEK T R I B U T A R Y : S N A K E RIVER PRIORITYDATE: 09/08/1967 POINTOFDIVERSION:T03N R05W SEC 34 SENW T03N R05W S E C 3 4 NENW PURPOSE OF USE: STOCKWATER	PLACE OF USE: T03N R05W SEC 34 SENW T03N R05W S E C 3 4 NENW Any objection against the proposed claim must be filed with the Clerk of the District Court, Snake River Basin Adjudication, 253 3 rd Avenue North, PO Box 2707, Twin Falls, ID 83303-2707 on or before July 12, 2021. 05/26,06/02,09/2021
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WEED WATCH



Bright yellow flowers will begin forming this month on yellow starthistle. Photos by Eric Morrison / Jordan Valley CWMA

From Jordan Valley CWMA

Name: Yellow starthistle (*Centaurea solstitialis* L.)

Description: Yellow starthistle is usually a summer annual. In protected areas, rosettes can appear in the fall. Produces a single stem from the rosette that quickly branches. Rosette leaves are deeply lobed with the end lobe rounder and larger than the side lobes. Stem leaves attach directly to the stem by a wing that usually runs the stem length.

Mature plants appear dusty or muted green. Bright yellow flowers begin to form at each stem terminus in early June. The bract tips around the urn-shaped seed head develop into stiff sharp spines that will be from 1 to 2 inches long. Variable in height from 6 inches to 3 feet depending on environmental conditions.

Two types of seed are produced. One is immediately viable, and the other more numerous must go through a vernalization period. Each seed head can produce 50 seeds with 95 percent viability.

Toxic to horses, causing chewing disease, a chronic, incurable, and likely fatal condition.

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

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

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

— Modified from *Selected Noxious Weeds of Eastern Oregon*, Gary Page, Malheur County Weed Inspector.

For more information on noxious weeds, contact your local cooperative weed management area (CWMA) or county weed department:

Jordan Valley — Eric Morrison, (541) 586-3000

Northwest Owyhee — Julie Perkins, (208) 519-1533 or julieperk01@gmail.com

Eastern Owyhee — Julie Perkins, (208) 519-1533 or julieperk01@gmail.com

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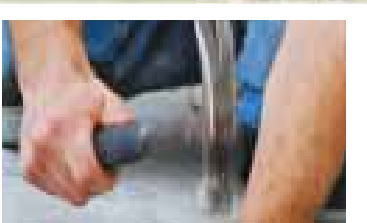
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Homedale DUI suspects get probation

Two people facing drunk driving charges were sentenced earlier this month in the magistrate courtroom in Homedale.

Magistrate Judge Shane Darrington imposed withheld judgments in both cases, meaning the defendants can petition to have their records expunged upon successful completion of their sentences.

Both cases were brought by city prosecutor Paul J. Fitzer after Homedale Police action.

Greenleaf resident Luis Enrique Escutia was arrested for misdemeanor driving under the influence on Sept. 5 and spent three days in jail.

Darrington ordered 12 months unsupervised probation and a 180-day suspension of the man's driver's license.

Escutia must also pay \$300 in fines and \$202.50 in court costs.

• Homedale resident Krista M. Slawson was cited for misdemeanor DUI on Nov. 14.

She must serve one year of supervised probation as well as paying a \$300 fine and \$368.50 in court costs.

Find out
What's happening
Read Calendar each week
in the Avalanche

Marsing boosters recognized

Longtime supporters of Marsing sports received recognition for their involvement during a May 25 ceremony at Marsing High School.

John and Mary Lou DeOsio received the Lifetime Husky Award plaque during the Celebration of Success program. Marsing Booster Club members Ginger Loucks and Megan Astorquia made the presentation.

A permanent sign commemorating the couple's distinction will hang in the school's gymnasium.

According to information compiled by University of Idaho Extension educator Scott Jensen, the DeOsios have been involved with Marsing schools and athletics programs for 40 years.

According to Booster Club member Jake Astorquia, Jensen was consulted as a "community historian," and wrote the nomination letter.

The DeOsios moved to Marsing in 1979. During their time in the Gateway to the Owyhees, they have contributed much to the school dis-



John and Mary Lou DeOsio were bestowed with a Lifetime Husky Award at the Marsing Recognition Night.

trict and community.

John worked as a janitor for the district for nearly 10 years.

For nearly 30 years, the couple helped with concessions at sporting events by making and selling tacos.

The couple coached summer recreation activities from 1982 to 1997, and John served as scoutmaster of Marsing Troop 412 for 14 years altogether.

John also served on the Marsing Planning and Zoning committee for many years, was an emergency medical technician with Marsing Ambulance for eight years, and

has been a volunteer fireman for the Marsing Fire Department for 40 years.

Marsing community members may remember John, in particular, for Big John's Fireworks, which provided pyrotechnics for the 3rd of July celebration and Marsing High School's Homecoming game from 1982 to 2019.

The DeOsio recognition was well deserved, Jensen said.

"In short, John and Mary Lou DeOsio have given a lifetime of service to kids and adults in the Marsing community," he wrote. — TK

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