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Owyhee country white Christmas

Horses forage in the snow-covered ground near Industrial Road and U.S. Highway 95 in Homedale on Monday. A Christmas weekend snowstorm dropped some white stuff on all parts of Owyhee County, including a depth of 40 inches measured on South Mountain as of Tuesday morning. Find out how SNOTEL stations measured after the recent storm on **Page 20**.

Marsing auction raffle tickets on sale

The sprint is on to the biggest fundraiser of the year in Marsing.

Schoolchildren have \$1 raffle tickets, and chances in the \$10 raffle for the Marsing Disaster Auction fundraising effort are available at City Hall, through auction volunteers or at local merchants.

The 60th annual auction and sale begins at 10:13 a.m., on Saturday, Feb. 5 at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center.

Volunteer organizers are developing the promotional poster, and have announced the raffle prizes.

There are several featured auction items that will be listed on the event poster, which should be in circulation soon.

The auction will also include hand-made quilts, homemade baked and canned goods,

— See **Raffle**, page 4

City of Homedale honors departing part-time employees

Two city employees were feted Thursday during Homedale's Christmas luncheon for employees and families.

Carol McMichael will end more than five years with the Homedale city library on Friday, while Deb Marston retired from her part-time job at City Hall earlier in 2021.

Mayor Gheen Christoffersen

presented the women with plaques acknowledging their service to the city during the luncheon inside the magistrate courtroom across the City Hall lobby from Homedale's government offices.

According to Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library director Sharla Jensen, McMichael isn't calling her departure from the youth programs coordinator

post a "retirement."

McMichael joined the then-Homedale City Library staff as a programs coordinator after leaving her job as Homedale Elementary School librarian.

During her time with the city library, McMichael has planned, organized and

— See **Homedale**, page 2



Mayor Gheen Christoffersen (center) presented plaques to Deb Marston (left) and Carol McMichael.



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State’s funding decision could be good for local schools

School district budget planners never have it easy, but maybe the number crunching will be eased next year.

The Idaho State Board of Education switched — at least temporarily — how funding levels are determined for individual districts during a meeting earlier this month.

The ISBE also agreed to approach state legislators during the upcoming session to make the switch permanent.

Homedale School District superintendent Rob Sauer said eschewing daily attendance for full-time equivalent will provide local planners with an expected level of funding closer to the actual cost of running schools.

Switching to FTEs means Average Daily Attendance has been suspended in favor of enrollment-based funding.

Sauer said the State of Idaho will probably have greater cost to fund schools under FTE because attendance rates are currently lower because of COVID-19 absences.

“The reality is the school districts still have those fixed costs,” he said. “Funding on FTE provides truer support for the costs incurred by the school districts.”

The average full-time equivalent student enrollment methodology is based on weekly enrollment reporting and includes restrictions based on student absenteeism, according to a state Department of Education press release.

This is the second consecutive school year that a temporary rule to use FTE has been instituted.

“With so many students staying home this year,

because they are feeling sick and quarantining, our public schools, system-wide stood to lose nearly \$100 million if we funded the system based only on daily attendance this year,” ISBE president Kurt Liebich said. “We are already working with legislators and stakeholders on switching to FTE enrollment-based funding permanently.

“We just can’t risk such a big funding hit this year. Our school board members, administrators and educators already have enough to worry about, and stable funding shouldn’t be one of them.”

“A permanent switch will allow districts to better calculate the fixed costs compared to the projected enrollment numbers,” Sauer said. “Up and down ADA can have a negative impact on the budget when the district already has fixed costs that are encumbered.

“One argument is that the dollar should follow the student. Enrollment-based funding better supports that argument.”

Marsing superintendent Norm Stewart clarified his presentation to that district’s trustees on Dec. 10. The Owyhee Avalanche misinterpreted Stewart’s presentation about FTEs to mean that sticking with ADA would result in a large gap in anticipated funding. In fact, going with FTEs would result in lower-than-anticipated state funding because unexpected absences has put the actual FTE at a level even lower than the district’s projected 2021-22 numbers.

— JPB



A new structure has cropped up on West Colorado Avenue in Homedale as a new ambulance garage is planned.

Homedale Ambulance’s HQ expansion project enters Phase 1

Multiple phases envisioned on Colorado Ave.

A new piece of construction near the Homedale Ambulance shed is the first phase of a possible three-phase upgrade for the volunteer service.

The first phase of the project, the total cost of which is estimated at about \$165,000, has been in the works but became a priority when the service’s new ambulance was too big to fit in the current configuration of the West Colorado Avenue building.

The ambulance service is

governed by the Homedale Rural Fire District board of commissioners, which includes chair Mick Woodburn, Ric Uria and Gregg Garrett.

“We had to expedite Phase 1 to get the ambulance into that bay,” Woodburn said.

The new bay is actually a pass-through building that will allow one ambulance to always be at the ready while crew cleans and completes upkeep on the standby vehicle behind it.

Additional phases that could be implemented as money becomes available include building offices and living quarters to the west toward the El-Ada Community Action

Partnership Owyhee County headquarters at the corner of Colorado Avenue and South 1st Street West.

Woodburn said another part of the plan is developing four more vehicle bays to the east toward the Matteson’s fuel bank.

No levy elections are planned, he said.

“We’re trying to do it without going to taxes and doing it out of our budget,” Woodburn said.

The price tag is a rough estimate. There has been one change order so far as an unanticipated electrical system upgrade was needed earlier this month.

— JPB

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✓ Homedale: McMichael came from HES

operated the Teens and Tweens program, Opal Nash Story Time and the summer reading program.

She has played a big role in other programming and contests, Jensen said, such

as the annual Dr. Seuss Night to celebrate Theodor Seuss Geisel’s birthday each March; Family Reading Week; and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) from Your Library.

When not putting together programs, McMichael has been behind the main desk working as a clerk.

“I know it is hard for her to leave,” Jensen said.

— JPB

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Marsing Lions Club president Sharon VanWassenhove (left) administers the oath to new Lions Sheri and Mike Brown.

Marsing Lions Club welcomes new members

The Marsing Lions Club closed out the year with a Christmas party and more fundraising for community causes.

The closing weeks of 2021 also saw the addition of several new members to the community service club, and a look toward the next bingo night.

Mike and Sherri Brown took the oath to join the club last week during the Marsing chapter's Christmas party at the home of club president Sharon VanWassenhove and her husband (and fellow Lion) David VanWassenhove.

The Browns are among eight

new Lions Club members who have joined in the past few months, including six that live within a block of each other.

Joining the Browns as new Lions are Mike and Misty Van Aacken, Scott and Roxanna Ferlisi, and Bryan and Andrew Guches.

The Lions raised \$750 during last week's party, and that money will be donated to Hope House. A fundraiser was also held to benefit The HUB.

The Lions Club will continue its non-essential hygiene items drive for The HUB when bingo night returns on Saturday, Jan. 7.

New Year's closures announced

Schools back in session Monday

The Christmas break is coming to an end for area schoolchildren, but there is one last weekend of modified government and business hours to navigate because of New Year's Day.

Government offices will be closed Friday as the legal observance of the holiday with everything returning to normal — including the Board of County Commissioners meeting inside the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy — on Monday.

County annexes in Marsing and Grand View — and all Division of Motor Vehicle offices — also are closed Friday.

City Halls in Homedale and Marsing are closed Friday, while the city offices for Grand View, Jordan Valley and Adrian are always closed on Fridays.

Emergency response such as law enforcement, fire and medical services will be available through the holiday weekend as well the county emergency dispatch.

Monday also marks the return to class for students

in all the school districts that serve Owyhee County as well as Jordan Valley and Adrian.

The New Year's holiday also brings amended hours for area stores:

- Albertsons in Homedale will close at 9 p.m., on New Year's Eve and will closed at 8 p.m., on New Year's Day.
- The Sav-On Pharmacy inside Albertsons will close at 5 p.m., on Friday and will be closed Saturday.
- Homedale Drug and the state liquor store inside will have regular hours Friday and will be closed Saturday.
- M & W Market and its liquor store will close at 9 p.m., on Friday and remain closed Saturday.

Libraries are observing varying hours:

- The Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library in Homedale is open Friday and will be closed Saturday.
- Marsing's Lizard Butte Library is closed both Friday and Saturday.

The libraries will reopen on Monday.

- The Eastern Owyhee County Library in Grand View is closed today through Sunday and will be open regular hours

on Monday for the start of the adult Winter Book Club.

- The Bruneau Valley Library is always closed on Friday and Saturday.

Congregate meals will be served as usual in three communities:

- Homedale Senior Center and the Rimrock Senior Center in Grand View are open today. Both are always closed on Fridays.
- There will be a congregare meal at noon on Friday at the Sandbar Community Room inside Marsing City Hall.

Other holiday-related hours include:

- Republic Services, the parent company of Westowns Disposal, Inc., will have regular garbage pickup days in its service areas.
- The Owyhee Avalanche office will be closed Friday for New Year's, and the deadlines for the Jan. 5 edition are:
- Display advertising insertions is noon on Thursday.
- The same deadline applies to news items and letters to the editor.

Deadlines for classified advertising (noon on Monday) and legal notices (noon on Friday) will remain the same.

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✓ Raffle: Many ways to purchase tickets

outerwear and other clothing, gift baskets, handcrafted art, tools, toys and gift certificates to local businesses.

More auction lots are welcome, and folks who want to donate items or volunteer to help can contact Sheila Carter at (208) 337-2100, Bobo Carter at (208) 880-8770, James Ferdinand at (208) 794-7270, Jess Ferdinand at (208) 401-4964, Jason and Kelly Ineck at (209) 249-4476, Audrey Lindemann at (208) 573-6591, and Cindy Floyd at (208) 830-5560.

City Hall is also a drop-off point for auction item donations.

Third-, fourth-, and fifth-graders from the town's elementary school have been selling \$1 raffle tickets since

the start of Christmas break.

Raffle prizes in that pool include:

- A \$250 Marsing shopping spree from American Legion Post 128
- An instant pot duo crisp from Lamon and Melissa Loucks
- \$250 in cash donated by the Carters, Russ Lindemann and Audrey Lindemann
- A Kitchen Aid mixer from Kelly and Betty Ackerman

The \$10 raffle prizes include:

- A 20-cubic-foot chest freezer from Parma Furniture
- A 60-inch flat-screen high-definition LCD television from the Usabel family
- A gun/security safe donated by White Automotive and Rhino Metals
- A Ruger AR-556 5.56 NATO rifle donated by Owyhee County Farm Bureau Agents of Homedale Wayne Hungate and Dave Cereghino

Marsing fifth-graders are also selling the \$10 tickets.

More information about the auction, including photos of auction lots, can be found at www.marsingdisasterauction.org.

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Suriñe Greenway

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Have you checked any of these out? If you are interested in learning more about our programs, you can request to receive the Owyhee County Extension newsletter released on a bi-monthly basis. Email us at owyhee@uidaho.edu.

Opportunities available in 2022 will be no different than the closing year as the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension office aims to meet the county’s needs each year.

The Extension Office looks forward to playing host to the second Owyhee County Master Food Safety Advisor Program in Marsing. This volunteer-based program, scheduled for February and March, includes lecture, demonstration, and

hands-on learning opportunities available for a limited number of participants each year. If you are interested and don’t want to miss the only chance until 2023, get in touch with the Owyhee County Extension Office today at (208) 896-4104 or surineg@uidaho.edu.

With a much-increased interest in home gardening and food preservation, Canyon County-based Horticulture Extension Educator Nic Usabel partnered with Owyhee County to offer “Plan the Garden and Preserve the Harvest!” This free virtual class will again be offered from noon to 1:30 p.m. MST on Thursday, Jan. 13. This class is intended for those who would like to build their garden planning and food preservation skills for the upcoming growing season. Introductory concepts of garden planning and how to preserve a garden’s bounty will be addressed. Go to bit.ly/planpreserve22 to to register and reserve your spot today.

If you have questions about either of these opportunities or others that will be taking place throughout 2022, contact us at owyhee@uidaho.edu or (208) 896-4104.

— Suriñe Greenway is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences educator. For more information, you can reach the U of I Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 or owyhee@uidaho.edu. The office is located at 238 W. 8th Ave. W., in Marsing.

Calendar

Today

Ladies coffee group

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

Story Time

10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Thursday

Fit and Fall Proof exercise class

10 a.m., to 11 a.m., free, old Marsing High School gymnasium, 800 Main St., Marsing. (208) 296-0847

Fit and Fall exercise

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

ION Heritage Museum board meeting

6 p.m., Jordan Valley Elementary School library, 604 Oregon Ave., Jordan Valley. (541) 586-2100

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting

9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421

Opal Nash Story Time

10:15 a.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Grand View Mutual Canal Co. meeting

7 p.m., Grand View Irrigation District Office, 645 Idaho Ave., Grand View.

Tuesday

Fit and Fall Proof exercise class

10 a.m., to 11 a.m., free, old Marsing High School gymnasium, 800 Main St., Marsing. (208) 296-0847

Fit and Fall exercise

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

Grand View Irrigation District meeting

11 a.m., district office, 645 Idaho Ave., Grand View.

Yoga class

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

After-school program

4 p.m., to 5 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Opaline Irrigation District meeting

7 p.m., 7300 Opaline Rd., Melba.

Wednesday

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

Yoga class

10 a.m., free, all ages, beginner-focused, Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Story Time

10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Snake River Irrigation District meeting

1 p.m., Grand View Irrigation District Office, 645 Idaho Ave., Grand View.

Christian Life Club

4 p.m., to 5:15 p.m., First Presbyterian Church of Homedale, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. Kindergarten to fourth grade. (208) 880-7070

Grand View Fire commissioners meeting

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

Thursday, Jan. 6

Fit and Fall Proof exercise class

10 a.m., to 11 a.m., free, old Marsing High School gymnasium, 800 Main St., Marsing. (208) 296-0847

Fit and Fall exercise

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

Reynolds Irrigation District meeting

1 p.m., Wilson School House, 10427 Johnston Lane, Melba.

Yoga class

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

Teens & Tweens

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

Owyhee County Fair Board meeting

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Friday, Jan. 7

U and I Together class

2 p.m., “Easy Snacks,” free, Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Saturday, Jan. 8

Free lunch

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

Marsing Lions Club bingo

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

Monday, Jan. 10

Board of County Commissioners meeting

9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421

Opal Nash Story Time

10:15 a.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

Homedale library board meeting

1:30 p.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Tuesday, Jan. 11

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Death notice

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*Reminiscing
Owyhee
memories
by
Michael F.
Hanley IV*

Remembering “Turtle”

The recent death of Leroy Harney, a k a “Turtle,” marked the passing of a treasured personality. He and his wife Wilma strictly followed restrictions, but both came down with the COVID. She survived, he didn’t.

Leroy worked for us, becoming part of the family and indeed community. I recall the time he became “lost,” and I fired him only to be greeted by my wife, Judi, and daughter, Martha’s crying. My mother added, “I like Leroy!” The neighbors were upset, too. When he was “found,” he returned, and it was never mentioned again. He worked for us 18-plus years.

He was a top hand good at breaking horses, working and doctoring cattle and building fences. He did leather work, made buckskin gloves besides being a mechanic and welder.

Turtle was proud of his Shoshone and Paiute ancestry, which he shared with us. We were watching a western where Indians were galloping around a circled wagon train. He commented, “Stupid Indians. I would be hiding behind a rock, and I never miss.”

Leroy and I referred to each other as brothers and upon hearing of his death Martha recalled, “When I was little I knew more Shoshone than I did English.” Leroy called baby Martha “youn-gan-zie (baby that cries every once in a while).” Her mother was hard of hearing and Leroy nicknamed her “Nun-Gie,” which means ear, referring to her condition.

Turtle made a lasting impression on Martha’s daughters Morgan and Cassidy who referred to their deceased grandmother as Grandma Nun-Gie.

— Michael F. Hanley IV is a rancher, author and historian who lives in Jordan Valley.

Obituary

Bobby Ray McClure

Bobby Ray McClure, a resident of Boise, Idaho, passed away on December 7, 2021.

Bobby was born on June 6, 1936 in Watonga, Okla., to Evelyn Christine (Williams) McClure and Melvin McClure. He moved to Idaho at age 8 or 9 after a tornado destroyed their farm.

Bobby attended Canyon County Riverside Community School for K – 8th grade and Marsing High School for 9th – 12th grade.

Bobby was a Vietnam veteran and survivor of Agent Orange. He served in the United States Air Force as a Tech SGT and retired with honors after 20 years. He worked as a VA ER Admitting Clerk (Boise, ID), and retired after an additional 23 years of federal employment.

Bobby enjoyed old movies, raised tropical fish, loved choir, travel, loved “The Duttons” old-time gospel (Branson, MO), and fly tying/fly fishing. He loved eating at the Egg Factory for breakfast and the Golden Corral for Veterans Day Lunch. He also enjoyed playing the card game Hand and Foot.

Bobby loved volunteering at the Boise Senior Center with his co-worker Deb.

He also attended many churches in his lifetime.

Bobby is survived by his sons, Michael (Holly) Ray McClure of Star, Idaho; Anthony Dale McClure of Boise, Idaho; Raymond Eugene McClure



of Aurora/Denver, Colorado; his daughter, Evelyn Christine McClure; grandchildren, Audra Rose Gutierrez, Sabrina McClure, Jodie McClure, Katherine Elizabeth (Zach) Olsen, Kathleen Francis McClure (CO), Nicole Daniele Garrett of Valencia, CA, Bonnie Marie Davis of Omaha, and Jessica Lynn Scott of Omaha, and twelve great-grandchildren.

Bobby was preceded in death by his father Melvin Julius McClure of Middleton/Caldwell, ID, his mother Evelyn Christine McClure (Williams), beloved grandson, Michael Christopher “Chris” McClure of Star, ID, and multiple aunts and uncles.

We would like to thank the Idaho Veterans Home and staff for providing excellent care during his time of need. A special thanks to Oni Kinberg, Chaplain Norm Geyer and the various staff that attended to Dad’s many cares.



In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to be made in Bobby McClure’s name to the Wounded Warrior Project, Idaho Veterans Home (Boise, ID), the American Diabetic Association (Boise, ID) or the Boise Senior Center.

A service will be held on January 14, 2021 at 2:00 pm at the Veterans Cemetery. Please arrive at assembly area 20 minutes early to be escorted.

Services with military honors conducted by Chaplain Norm Geyer (Idaho Veterans Home-Boise, Idaho).

“In the Garden” by Anne Murray, “Amazing Grace” by Pentatonix, Reading by Chaplain Geyer: “If Tomorrow Starts Without Me” by David Romano; and “A Soldier (Fighting to Come Home),” a song composed by Ernie Haase, will be part of the program.

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COMMUNITY BRINGS ANOTHER SEASON OF SMILES TO OHR



Counter-clockwise from left:
David and Amy Carson, who live in Sunny Slope, were among the many folks who visited The Owyhee Avalanche office to contribute to the annual Christmas gift drive for Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center residents this year.

Nikki Wheyland (left) and Kevin Beebe dropped by The Owyhee Avalanche office last Wednesday to pick up the gifts.

Edith Stutts tears open one of her Christmas presents during Friday's party at OHR. Submitted photo

Samira Thompson dressed the part for Friday's distribution. Submitted photo

Wheyland and Beebe even loaded up the OHR bus and transported the gifts to the center last Wednesday.



School menus

Homedale Elementary

Choice of milk and juice
PB&J sandwich, and Vegetable and Fruit choices will be offered daily
Dec. 29-30: **No school – Christmas break**
Jan. 3: **Breakfast:** Cherry or apple frudel, yogurt, peaches
Lunch: Super nachos with refried beans
Jan. 4: **Breakfast:** Sausage breakfast pizza, mixed fruit
Lunch: Chicken sandwich, mixed vegetables
Jan. 5: **Breakfast:** Tornado (egg, sausage, cheese), cheese stick, banana
Lunch: Orange chicken rice bowl, steamed broccoli, snickerdoodle cookie

Homedale Middle

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt or string cheese
Cereal option and PB&J and string cheese offered daily
Vegetable and Fruit choices will be offered daily
Dec. 29-30: **No school – Christmas break**
Jan. 3: **Breakfast:** Cherry or apple frudel, yogurt, cheese stick
Lunch: Chicken sandwich or spicy chicken sandwich, mixed vegetables
Jan. 4: **Breakfast:** Sausage breakfast pizza
Lunch: Spaghetti with garlic French bread, green beans
Jan. 5: **Breakfast:** Tornado (egg, sausage, cheese), cheese stick
Lunch: Taquitos, buttered corn

Homedale High

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt, string cheese or hard-boiled egg
Vegetable and Fruit choices will be offered daily
Cereal option, grab 'n' go items each day
Dec. 29-30: **No school – Christmas break**
Jan. 3: **Breakfast:** Waffle, maple sausage or Pop Tart, cheese stick
Lunch: Cheeseburger with tots, or mozzarella and garlic pull apart with tots, or Italian sub with chips, or chicken bacon ranch salad with breadstick
Jan. 4: **Breakfast:** Biscuits and gravy, or biscuit and jelly, sausage patty
Lunch: Chicken taco with Spanish rice and refried beans, or chicken sandwich or spicy chicken sandwich with fries, or chicken Caesar wrap with chips, or chicken Caesar salad with breadstick
Jan. 5: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick or apple or cherry frudel, yogurt
Lunch: Chicken fried steak with roll, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, or turkey bacon ranch wrap with chips, snickerdoodle cookie

Marsing

Each meal includes choice of milk, fruit juice, fresh fruit & vegetables
Elementary School each day: Breakfast: Cereal option
Middle/High School each day: PB&J sandwich option
Cold Grab-n-go line: Wrap, sub sandwich, salad
Hot Grab-n-go line (varies): Cheeseburger, chicken dish (reg./spicy sandwich; nuggets; bites), Pizza (varies), chicken rice bowl, potatoes (varies), bread (varies)
Dec. 29-30: **No school – Christmas break**
Jan. 3: **Breakfast:** Apple breakfast bites, cheese stick
Lunch: Corn dog, French fries, chocolate chunk cookie
Cold Grab n go: Turkey bacon sub,
Jan. 4: **Breakfast:** Texas toast, cheese stick
Lunch: Spaghetti, green beans
Cold Grab n go: BBQ chicken ranch wrap
Jan. 5: **Breakfast:** Pop Tart, cheese stick or ham, egg, cheese croissant, yogurt
Lunch: Dutch waffle, sausage patty, hash brown patty, strawberries
Hot Grab n go: Pizza stuffwich, French fries

Bruneau/Grand View

All meals: Milk and fruit offered daily
Jr.-Sr. high school: Pizza offered daily
Dec. 29-30: **No school – Christmas break**
Jan. 3: **Breakfast:** Apple frudel
Lunch: Pizza, tossed romaine salad, corn
Jan. 4: **Breakfast:** Biscuits and gravy
Lunch: Chicken and noodles, tossed romaine salad, steamed carrots
Jan. 5: **Breakfast:** Waffle and hash browns
Lunch: Nachos with whole wheat chips, refried beans/salsa, broccoli



Emergency personnel work to free occupants from one of the two vehicles that struck a cow on Idaho highway 51 on Christmas Eve. Photo from Grand View Fire Department social media.

Vehicles collide with cow in open range crash on Idaho 51

Occupants in two vehicles were sent to a nearby hospital after colliding with a cow on Idaho highway 51 early on Christmas Eve.

The accident occurred in open range 29 miles north of the Nevada line at 12:35 a.m., on Friday.

According to an Idaho State Police press release, the cow was standing in the southbound lane when a Chevrolet four-door sedan traveling in that direction struck the animal.

Shortly afterward a southbound Lincoln also hit the cow, which had remained in the highway after the Chevy left the roadway.

The Lincoln came to rest in the northbound lane.

A ground ambulance transported the Chevy’s occupants to what ISP called a “nearby” hospital. Family members transported a minor in the Lincoln to a nearby hospital.

The northbound lane of Idaho 51 was blocked for about four hours during the emergency response and scene clean-up.

Grand View Fire Department volunteers and Grand View Ambulance were among the first-responders on the scene.

An ambulance from Nevada also responded to the scene.

No other details on the injured parties or the drivers were released in accordance with the state agency’s new policy on private information.

Occupants in both cars wore seatbelts.

Owyhee County reported on its Facebook page that Idaho 51 was closed then reopened and limited to just one lane Monday because of severe weather.

Eastern Owyhee library kicks off new year with programs

When the Eastern Owyhee County Library reopens after the New Year’s holiday, one program will resume and a new one will start.

The library’s after-school program for kindergarteners through fifth-graders will reconvene at 4p.m., on Tuesday at the library, 520 Boise Ave., in Grand View.

Kathy Chick oversees the after-school program.

The library’s Winter Book Club, formerly known as the “Let’s Talk About It” series, begins a three-month run on Monday.

The book up for discussion next week, which is available at the library, is “Buffalo Coat” by Carol Ryrie Brink.

The club meets at 12:30 p.m., for a light soup lunch, and the book discussion begins at 1 p.m.

Similar programs will be held on Monday, Feb. 7 for “Tatterhood Tales” edited by Ethel Johnston Phelps, and on Monday, March 7 for “The Enders Hotel” by Brandon R. Schrand.

For more information on the library’s programs, call (208) 834-2785.

Courthouse report

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

Dec. 21
Juan Francisco Alcala Mireles, Chula Vista, Calif. — Misdemeanor commercial freight regulations, no logbook: \$263.50 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs
Alazar Admasu Tesfamichael, San Diego, Calif. — Misdemeanor commercial freight regulations, false logbook (serious violation): \$43.50 in fines, \$160.50 in court costs

Dec. 20
James E. Carothers, Mountain Home — Misdemeanor Fish and Game violation, unlawful taking of game animals, birds or furbearers: \$200 in fines, \$165 in court costs
Willard D. Masingale, Glenns Ferry — Misdemeanor Fish and Game violation, unlawful taking of game animals, birds or furbearers: \$100 in fines, \$165 in court costs
Jesse D. McCullough, Mountain Home — Misdemeanor Fish and Game violation, unlawful taking of game animals, birds or furbearers: \$100 in fines, \$165 in court costs
John K. Michael, Ketchum — Misdemeanor Fish and Game violation, hunt in wildlife management area without an upland game bird permit; misdemeanor Fish and Game violation, unlawful possession of wildlife: \$250 in fines, \$265 in court costs
Jorden Nathenial Lake, Bushnell, Fla. — Misdemeanor motor carrier violation, fail to stop at checking station: \$118.50 in fines, \$160.50 in court costs

Dec. 16
Francisco Mateo Alejos, Marsing — Felony burglary (plea deal: amended from felony lewd conduct with a child under 16): 2 to 10 years in state prison (149 days served; remainder suspended), 10 years felony probation, \$500 in fines, \$245.50 in court costs
Toren Baylor Skow, Palo Cedro, Calif. — Misdemeanor second-degree stalking (amended from felony first-degree stalking), misdemeanor protection order violation: 365 days in jail (21 days served, 14 days to serve, 330 days suspended), 2 years supervised probation, \$990 in fines, \$517.50 in court costs. **Dismissed by prosecuting attorney:** Felony first-degree stalking 2x, misdemeanor protection order violation 2x, misdemeanor disturbing the peace 3x
John West Clinton, Citrus Heights, Calif. — Misdemeanor commercial freight regulations, no logbook (serious violation): \$263.50 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs

Dec. 15
Austin James Kealii Mariano, Boise — Misdemeanor driving under the influence: 2 days in jail, 1 year unsupervised probation, 6 months driver’s license suspension, \$400 in fines, \$218.50 in court costs. **Dismissed by prosecuting attorney:** Misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession. **Withheld judgment:** Defendant can petition to have record expunged after successful completion of sentence.
Ryan W. Parks, Wilder — Misdemeanor DUI (plea deal): 30 days in jail (4 day served), 180-day driver’s license suspension, \$297.50 in fines, \$352.50 in court costs. **Dismissed by court:** Misdemeanor driver consumes or possesses open container of alcohol, misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession
Devin Scott Wallace, Caldwell — Misdemeanor DUI: 180 days in jail (1 day served, 178 days suspended), 1 year supervised probation, 180-day driver’s license suspension, \$797.50 in fines (\$600 suspended), \$210.50 in court costs
Garrett Dalton Wood, Caldwell — Misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession: 8 days in jail, \$102.50 in fines, \$347.50 in court costs
Simeon Wayne Brovont, Wilder — Misdemeanor fail to provide proof of vehicle insurance, second or subsequent offense: \$131.50 in fines
Amanda Candice Strain, Fruitland — Misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession (plea deal): \$202.50 in fines, \$202.50 in court costs

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Homedale High School Honor Society members (from left) Abbey Henry, Destiny Castellanos, Natalia Martinez, Whitney Ross, Delaney Swallow, Steele Bullard, and John Lejardi hauled donated food from the middle school and high school so the items could be sorted and boxed Dec. 9 at the elementary school. Submitted photos

Myriad volunteers brighten Homedale families’ Christmas

Now that the dust — and snow — has settled from Christmas, organizers are taking a breath to remember what went into this year’s Hands Around Homedale and Wish Tree effort.

Hands Around Homedale organizer Randee Garrett, who coordinates with members of the Uranga family to bring food and gifts to needy families, said about four tons of food were distributed this year.

The food and other items were separated by volunteers — both adults and Homedale schoolchildren — on Dec. 9 inside the elementary school cafeteria.

Homedale first-responders helped deliver the gifts donated by community members on Dec. 18.

Garrett said several families and local businesses pitched in to help, too.

Allendale Produce donated hams, onions and potatoes and provided the boxes for volunteers — some of whom were Allendale employees — to build care packages.

Other contributors included the Bell Family/Simplot, Obendorf Farms, Micka Musgrove and Parker Advisors, including members of the Drum and Brockett families.

Other organizations and

groups that helped out by adopting families or donating:

- Silverhawk Realty
- Pleasant Ridge Grange
- Megan Harper and friends, who launched another personal hygiene product drive this year. Helping friends included Ashlynnne, Kortney, Jessica, Kindra, and Carmen.
- Jackson families
- Homedale Police Department’s “Shop With a Cop” program
- Obendorf Farms
- Simplot
- Owyhee Garden Club
- Homedale High School FFA



Fourth-graders delivered and sorted food collected in Kayla Blackstock’s classroom.

OCSO tracks down man who left home, hid

A man reported overdue by his significant other apparently just wasn’t in the mood to be found.

Daniel Secord, 40, was located shortly before 6:30 p.m., on Dec. 20, about two hours after he was reported overdue from his home southeast of Marsing.

A plane was dispatched before Owyhee County Sheriff’s Lt. Greg Bishop located Secord in an area near Chalky Butte southwest of the Bureau of Land Management

Hemingway OHV parking area.

Sheriff Perry Grant said Secord left his home after an argument and proceeded to pitch a tent and obscure his location by covering his four-wheeler with sagebrush.

Bishop began searching in the area after another UTV rider mentioned seeing tracks.

“Lt. Bishop walked right out on top of him. He blood-hounded him,” Grant said. “He really did not want to be found.” — JPB

Training to help HSD parents prepare children

Bonds sold for HHS projects

In a couple months, parents in the Homedale School District will have another tool to help prepare their children to enter the public education system.

State and federal programs coordinator Christine Ketterling recently told trustees that a few staff members will receive training for “Ready! For Kindergarten” parent workshops.

The workshops will be provided in both English and Spanish, and the curriculum created by the Children’s Reading Foundation includes activities and instruction to help parents support early literacy in the home.

“The curriculum utilizes talking, singing, reading and play to foster pre-literacy and pre-math skills,” Ketterling wrote in her December report to the board.

District superintendent Rob Sauer said a final location for the workshops, which are designed for parents of boys and girls 5 years of age and younger, hasn’t been determined.

The training will begin in early February at one of the schools, he said.

bids for the first phases of the overall project.

District crews are slowly installing new windows in the school district as officials continue to deal with supply chain disruptions slowing the delivery and installation process, Sauer said.

Policy updates ongoing

Sauer said trustees are revising outdated policies constantly. During the Dec. 13 board meeting, out-of-district enrollment policies went under the knife.

The district’s out-of-state student enrollment policy was altered even with no current students commuting over the Oregon line, according to Sauer.

“It’s fair to say with COVID restrictions over the past 20 months in Oregon that some of Idaho’s border districts have received interest from parents and students that reside in Oregon wanting something different for their child,” Sauer said.

Sauer doesn’t anticipate a rise in out-of-state enrollment requests.

In the 2020-21 school year, the district has 178 enrollees from other districts within Idaho.

Many of those out-of-district enrollees come from just over the Snake River in the Wilder district years after there was a push to annex part of that district into the Homedale boundaries.

Sauer said parents of those students like the district’s rural perspective and smaller class sizes.

“Homedale is actually closer than their home district’s school, and for some, the parents are Homedale graduates themselves,” he said. — JPB

Plant facility work moves forward — slowly

Sauer said that bond sales met expectations as the district received \$14 million to begin new construction and upgrades at the high school.

Piper Sandler and Hawley Troxell were contracted to handle the legal requirements of the bond sale with Piper Sandler taking the lead, Sauer said.

The next step is seeking



Owyhee Cattlemen's Association member Jerry Wroten (left) stands with Alex Worley the day the Marsing youth picked up his heifer as part of the OCA heifer replacement program. Submitted photo

Marsing teen receives OCA heifer

by Alicia Worley
Reynolds Creek 4-H club
Last May, my brother, Alex Worley, got accepted by the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association to get a heifer. On Saturday, Dec. 11, we went to a ranch past Jordan Valley to get her. The rancher participating in the OCA heifer replacement program is Jerry Wroten. Mr. Wroten had Alex pick from 40 heifers. It was very snowy and windy, but we still did it. It was also very fun and exciting and a great learning experience. Alex had picked a very good quality angus/hereford cross heifer.

Already, Alex has a halter on her and can pet her. Alex says that his plans are to breed her this May to an angus and take her to the Owyhee County Fair. He has wanted a beef heifer of his own, and he is very happy with her. He named her Pepper, and he said she is very sweet.

— Alicia Worley is 10 years old and attends Marsing Elementary School. Alex Worley, 13, is an eighth-grader at Marsing Middle School. Both are the children of Mark Worley and Michelle Parr.



A new shop has been built directly east of a building that was part of the old Homedale Feed property.

Old Homedale Feed retail site transforms into fabrication shop

New owners grabbed property with dearth of commercial lots elsewhere

The development boom in Homedale isn't reserved to residential construction. A Caldwell family has begun building a commercial building on the old Homedale Feed Co., site at 302 S. Main St. Now, Francisco Martinez, the co-owner of A-Plus Welding and Fabrication, has designs to move his family to Homedale when residential property becomes available. "We started the business a year ago, working out of my son's garage," Martinez said. "We looked for property, and we couldn't find any decent property (in Caldwell). "Then my wife found the Homedale Feed property." The three business partners

(Francisco, his son Frank, and David Salazar) opened their fabrication and welding shop in the existing building still on the Homedale Feed property in May. "The existing building is a fabrication shop," Francisco Martinez, who also goes by Frank, said. "We build handrails and canopies. Anything out of metal." Frank Jr. is adept at powdercoating, so the company began building a larger shop at the corner of South Main and Utah Avenue to house a powdercoating booth. Francisco said they have had many folks come by the shop to learn more about the business.

"We haven't advertised, but we're already so darn busy it's unbelievable," he said. The shop is open from 8 a.m., to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. People are welcome to stop by or call (208) 406-4407. An open house to demonstrate the capabilities of the powdercoating shop and introduce the business to the community is planned for the spring, Francisco said. Since the company bought the property, the new owners have gotten a taste of just how scarce commercial property in Homedale apparently is. "We've already had offers of people wanting to buy the property, but we've said, 'No. We have plans for the property,'" he said.

— JPB

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Avalanche Sports

Turner sisters wrestle into national rankings

A pair of Homedale High School graduates will start the new year as nationally ranked collegiate wrestlers.

Kaydince and Savannah Turner continue their freshman season with Hastings College in Nebraska at home with the Hastings Open on Sunday, Jan. 9.

Both athletes appear in the current

NAIA national rankings for 143-pound wrestlers. Kaydince is 13th, and her sister is No. 18 in the Dec. 16 rankings.

Both made their collegiate debuts in the Falcon Invite in Wichita, Kan., on Nov. 6.

Kaydince reached the semifinals at Friends University, while Savannah notched a couple victories.

Three pinfalls — against York’s Cameryn Hulbert, Ingrid Beltran-Gonzaga of Ottawa (1 minute, 6 seconds), and Celeste Tellez of Indian Hills (2:54) — put Kaydince one victory from the championship bout.

She lost in the semifinals, and her tournament ended in her first consolation match.

On Dec. 11, Kaydince rolled past

Karstin Hollen with a 14-4 technical fall as the Broncos beat Chadron State, 34-6, in a dual meet.

Savannah edged Tellez, 9-8, in the Broncos’ 33-12 setback against Indian Hills.

Savannah gave Hastings the lead with a pin in 2:50 against Ashleigh Denny that sparked a 35-15 win over visiting William Penn on Nov. 23.

Young Ensley earns title, All-American wrestler rank

The Ensley wrestling dynasty has stretched into a third generation.

Ian Ensley won the Tater vs. Godzilla Ultimate Showdown and earned All-American honors earlier this month.

Marsing Youth Wrestling announced the feat on social media.

Ian is the young son of Justin Ensley, a two-time state champion wrestler for Homedale High School. His uncle is four-time state champ Jeremy Ensley.

The Tater vs. Godzilla tournament was held Dec. 17-19 at the Ford Idaho Center in Nampa.

HHS girls lose on road to Kimberly

Homedale High School lost the girls’ basketball season series against Kimberly, but saw improvement in its latest non-conference encounter.

The Bulldogs eked out a 45-41 home-court decision on Dec. 20 for their fourth consecutive win.

Kimberly (6-5), the 12th-ranked Class 3A team in the state, had beaten first-year coach Monica White’s Trojans, 68-39, at Homedale Middle School on Dec. 4.

Homedale (4-7) had won three of its previous four games before traveling to Kimberly.

No statistics were provided.

The Trojans resume 3A Snake River Valley conference play on Tuesday against third-ranked Weiser.



Homedale High School junior Jaxon Dines strains to finish a fast-break layup last Wednesday afternoon as senior teammate Hayden Kincheloe trails the play.

Trojans boys out-run Huskies in second half

Homedale High School broke out of a defensive struggle with a big third quarter to beat its intra-county rival last Wednesday.

With aggressive slashes to the basket, Trenton Fisher led all scorers with 12 points as the Trojans pinned a 44-25 non-conference boys’ basketball loss on visiting

Marsing.

Homedale shook off a 2-for-11 shooting performance in the first quarter, dropping 16 of its remaining 31 shots to pull away.

The teams scraped to just 10 points in an opening period marked by missed shots, turnovers and the Trojans’ three-quarter court

pressure defense.

The Huskies (0-6 overall) made just two of their first eight field goals, but trailed only by two points, 8-6, when Mikey Acosta delivered a layup with 6½ minutes left in the first half.

Hayden Kincheloe

— See *Trojans*, page 13

Foul shots fuel big win for Rimrock basketball

Raiders knock off reigning girls’ 1A, Div. II champs

Rimrock High School snapped a two-game losing streak against the reigning 1A, Div. II girls’ basketball state champion.

The Raiders erased a fourth-quarter deficit and knocked off Tri-Valley, 46-40, on Dec. 20 in Bruneau.

Dallyn Hipwell nailed a three-point goal and a pair of free throws and scored seven points in the final period of the non-conference showdown. The junior scored 15 points, while another 11th-grader, Maklay Moore, led the Raiders (7-5 overall) with 16 points.

Moore also drained a three-pointer during the Raiders’ 18-point fourth quarter.

The Titans (4-3), who play in the 1A Long Pin Conference, held Rimrock to five points in the second quarter to forge a 19-15 lead that was maintained through the first eight minutes of the second half.

Ashton Moore added nine points for coach Kyla Jewett’s Rimrock squad.

A big part of Rimrock’s surge to the victory came at the foul line. The Raiders went 5-for-9 in the second half, while Tri-Valley was 5-for-9 for the game. The Raiders hit 11 of 14 foul shots overall.

The Raiders’ season resumes Tuesday on the road with a non-conference game against Carey. Rimrock jumps back into the 1A WIC season on Jan. 6 against Liberty Charter in Nampa.

Sports

✓ Trojans: Margarito's efficient 4-for-5 shooting leads Huskies on road



Marsing senior Noel Quebrado pulls up for a shot against Homedale junior post Omar Rios during last Wednesday's non-conference game.



Homedale junior post Alijah Joyner moves past Marsing's Mikey Acosta for a shot in the first quarter.

From Page 12
converted Sigmund Goode's missed three-point shot and scored on a layup off a pass from Jaxon Dines to fuel Homedale's 8-2 run to the intermission.

On the Trojans' final basket of the half, Dines had a steal in the Marsing frontcourt and pushed the ball up the hardwood before feeding Kincheloe.

Nacho Margarito scored 10 points for the Huskies, knocking down four of seven shots, including Marsing's only three-point goal. He also had four defensive rebounds.

Kincheloe finished with a game-high seven rebounds and scored six points on 3-for-7 shooting.

Dines was perfect in four trips to the foul line for half of his eight points.

Homedale (6-4) converted six of nine free throws, while Marsing went 4-for-9.

Acosta scored eight points on 4-for-6 shooting, and Dom Enrico led the Huskies with six rebounds.

Omar Rios grabbed six defensive rebounds as Homedale denied Marsing many second chances.

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Athletes of the Week



Girls' basketball
Lexi Loucks, sr., G
Returning varsity player running the offense



Boys' basketball
Nacho Margarito, so., F
10 points, 4 rebounds vs. Homedale



Wrestling
Iñigo Mendoza, jr., 160
2 wins at Juston Wolfe Invitational (Dec. 18)

This week's Sports Schedule

Girls' basketball
Varsity
Thursday, Jan. 6, home vs. Melba, 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity
Thursday, Jan. 6, home vs. Melba, 6 p.m.

Wrestling
Saturday, Jan. 1 at Melba Tournament, 9 a.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 5, home for tri-meet with Melba and Garden Valley, old gym, 6 p.m.

Boys' basketball
Varsity
Truckstop.com Tournament
(The College of Idaho, Caldwell)
Wednesday, Dec. 29 opponent and time TBA
Thursday, Dec. 30 opponent and time TBA
2A Western Idaho Conference
Tuesday, Jan. 4 at Compass Charter, Meridian, 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Tuesday, Jan. 4 at Compass Charter, Meridian, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity B
Tuesday, Jan. 4 at Compass Charter, Meridian, 4:30 p.m.

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Sports



Homedale coach picks up plaque at Potato Bowl

The Uranga family came out to watch some college football and see Darren Uranga accept one of six Idaho Youth Sports Commission Positive Impact Awards at halftime of the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl on Dec. 21 at Albertsons Stadium. **Front row (from left):** Tarah Uranga, Xavier Uranga, Tony Uranga, Danny Uranga and LeAnda Uranga. **Back row (from left):** Blaise Uranga, Donovan Uranga, Darren Uranga, and Mateo Uranga. Submitted photo

Melba turns out lights on HHS boys

Ten days after pushing into triple overtime for a victory, Homedale High School couldn't contain the Melba boys' basketball team's scoring potential.

Braden Volkers missed only once in 10 shots and led all players with 23 points as the visiting Mustangs rode a second-half surge.

Melba, the second-ranked Class 2A team in Idaho according to MaxPreps, notched a 66-38 non-conference victory on the Trojans' floor Dec. 21.

The result avenged the Mustangs' only loss of the season.

Volkers' only miss was on one of his six three-point goal attempts. He drained five shots from behind the line.

Meanwhile, teammate Joe Reiber was 9-for-10 from within in the three-point line and missed only one of five foul shots for 22 points.

The Mustangs (7-1 overall) were on fire from the floor, converting 34 of 59 shots (57.6 percent) and opening up a 35-28 halftime lead by holding the Trojans to just 10 points in the second half.

The Trojans (6-4) hit on nearly half of their 25 two-point attempts in the first half and converted 43.8 percent (14-for-32) of their shots in the first 16 minutes.

But Homedale's accuracy waned in the second half to 25 percent (5-for-20), including 4-for-15 on two-point tries.

Junior guard Jaxon Dines was 2-for-3 from the free-throw line and connected on half of his 14 field-goal attempts for 17 points.

Homedale teammate Hayden Kincheloe turned in six points and seven rebounds, and Eli Heck dished three assists and nailed one of Homedale's three three-pointers.

The Mustangs owned a 24-15 edge in rebounding behind Cache Beus' 12 boards. He contributed to Homedale's 17 turnovers with a game-high five steals.

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Homedale Trojans

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Girls' basketball
Cheyanne Kelly, sr., F
Averaged 4 ppg. vs. Oregon schools earlier this month



Boys' basketball
Trenton Fisher, jr., W
12 points, 4 rebounds vs. Marsing



Wrestling
Andrew Marston, so., 145
2 wins at Wiley Dobbs Invitational (Dec. 17-18)

This week's Sports Schedule

Girls' basketball
Varsity
Tuesday, Jan. 4 at Weiser, 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity
Tuesday, Jan. 4 at Weiser, 6 p.m.
Frosh soph
Tuesday, Jan. 4 at Weiser, 4:30 p.m.

Wrestling
Coed
Friday, Jan. 7 at Rollie Lane Invitational, Ford Idaho Center, Nampa
Saturday, Jan. 8 at Rollie Lane Invitational, Ford Idaho Center, Nampa

Boys' basketball
Varsity
Saturday, Jan. 8, home vs. Kimberly, 3 p.m.
Junior varsity
Saturday, Jan. 8, home vs. Kimberly, 1:30 p.m.
Frosh soph
Saturday, Jan. 8, home vs. Kimberly, noon





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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

January 1, 1997

Mingo Enrico casts off in traffic

Marsing’s Mingo Enrico, 24, casts off for a basket in the second quarter of play against Wilder last Friday. Enrico was high for the game with 13 points. Josh Robinson had 12 points and Drew Martinez had 10.



Sheriff-elect Aman names new chief deputy

After “a lot of sleepless nights,” Owyhee County Sheriff-elect Gary Aman has named Deputy Richard Freund as the department’s new chief deputy. Freund is a veteran deputy with 12 years experience, Aman said. Five people were interested in the position, three of whom were from out of town, Aman said. “I went with the best guy,” Aman said. “He’s behind me. We think alike, and we both have a mission for the department. He’s the best for the job.” Aman will be sworn in as sheriff on Monday, Jan. 13, at 10 a.m., at the courthouse in Murphy.

Homedale man fights storm for family Christmas

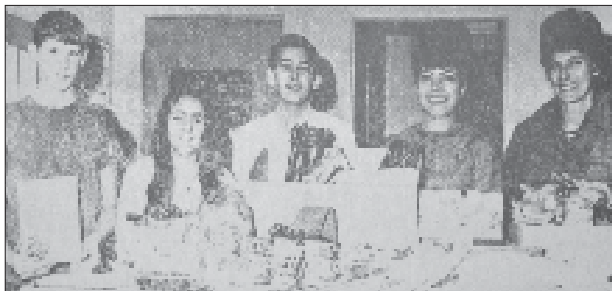
It normally takes about nine hours to drive from Homedale to Bremerton, Wash., a trip of 575 miles. Chamber of Commerce president Eric Wilson, his wife and two children set out for Bremerton on the morning of Christmas Eve, but almost didn’t make it over the Blue Mountains. Wilson drove through one of a series of storms wreaking havoc across most of Washington state, Oregon and northern Idaho the past two weeks. “I was the last car to get through the Blues, and they closed the road behind me,” Wilson said. He soon found himself caught between and behind four semis, “with a set of doubles coming back at me.” Wilson chained up the front tires, and continued on. Upon reaching Tacoma, he found himself ensnarled in the midst of a traffic jam. “It took an hour and a half to go four miles,” he said. It took Wilson almost 12 hours to reach Bremerton, where he spent Christmas with his in-laws. He left for home at 8 a.m. Saturday, after hearing there would be a break in the weather. The Tacoma Narrows Bridge was still open, with two-foot icicles falling from the structure taking out car windows.

Homedale Jr. High wrestlers win 4th straight title

The Homedale Junior High School eighth grade wrestling team won its fourth straight Western Idaho Conference District tournament last month, according to Coach Jerry Perkins. “The seventh grade wrestlers also finished well with a respectable second place finish,” he said. The eighth grade champions and their weight class were Wade Black, 110; Steve Simmons, 117; Kyle Shanley, 125; Andrew Endicott, 145; and Ben Miller, 161. Placing second at 131 pounds was Kenny Overton. Placing third were Adam Duryee, 103; and Shane Gibbens at 110. The seventh grade team also had five district champions. They are Jeremy Perkins, 75; Robert Ayala, 96; Anthony Pearson, 145; Jim Nauman, 152; and Travis Hyer, 171.

50 years ago

December 30, 1971



JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS sort gifts for the Homedale nursing home which were brought as admission to a dance in the multi-purpose room, sponsored by Xi Alpha Delta sorority. Over 100 students attended including, from left, Paul Stuart, Jean MacKenzie and John Demshar, and sorority members Mrs. Lydia Duncan and Mrs. Donna Haylett. Photo by Bette Uda

High School News

The traditional Christmas Concert by the high school chorus department was presented Thursday evening at the First Presbyterian Church under the direction of Mrs. Hollis Cooke. Also taking part in the program was the brass choir directed by Dan Pumphrey. Program numbers included “I Saw Three Ships,” by the brass choir; “Season’s Greetings” by the junior choir, a welcome by Gary Tanikuni, student body president; “Have a Holly Jolly Christmas,” by the junior choir; Readings from the scriptural Christmas story by Nolan Taggart, Pam Vanderhoff and Craig Selders; “Ave Maria,” by Lori Larson of Marsing; reading by Father Thomas Taylor; “The Magnificat,” by Mrs. Vicki Goolsby of Caldwell; reading by Everett Van Slyke; “O Come, O Come, Manuel,” by the brass choir; “Little Gray Donkey,” by the senior choir with Alan Echeverria as narrator; “Dream Bethlehem,” by the senior choir; Solo by Terry Comstock of Caldwell; reading by Father Taylor; “And There Were In the Same Country,” by the senior choir with Alan Echeverria as soloist; reading by Father Taylor; “Celebrate This Holy One,” by the senior choir; reading by Mr. Van Slyke; “We Three Kings of Orient Are,” by the brass choir; “Fanfare For Christmas,” by the senior choir and the brass choir; “In Dulci Jubile,” by the brass choir. The program concluded with the audience singing, “Joy to the World.”

Trojan offense falters, drops holiday skirmish

The Middleton Vikings used a blunt ax to chop down Homedale 77-50 in the opening round of the holiday tournament. Homedale managed to box up Middleton’s smooth-working 6-5 center, Don Hopkins, for most of the night — he finished five points under his average with 17 points — but the Vikings’ Greg Jensen made up the difference. Jensen pumped through 30 points — a little over eight points better than his season average — to lead a second half destruction of the Trojans. Jensen hit 16 of his 30 points in the second half and was the main reason the Vikings exploded from an eight point lead, 34-26, at halftime to an ever-widening lead as the game progressed. In addition to Jensen and Don Hopkins in double figures, Dennis Mesler hit 11 points for Middleton while Brian Vance had 21 points for Homedale. Middleton outrebounded the Trojans 24-19.

155 years ago

December 29, 1866

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THE CHRISTMAS TREE.—On the night before Christmas the hall adjoining the AVALANCHE office on the north was the scene of as much happiness, perhaps, as it is possible to crowd into that amount of space. The Christmas Tree was in itself a beauty — its treasure laden branches bent reverently but gracefully beneath a profusion of everything calculated to elate the youthful mind, as well as an occasional offering to the more mature intellect. Songs by the Sabbath School Choir and tunes by the S. C. Brass Band enlivened the early part of the evening. Declamation and Scripture readings by members of the Sunday School were well received and heartily cheered, but the most amusing part of the ceremonies was the performance of the two Lynch boys — two youngsters — about ten and twelve years of age, who volunteered to recite several dialogues and melodramas, which they executed with good oratorical and dramatic effect. Mr. Welcker, Superintendent of the Sabbath School, addressed a few appropriate remarks to the children, pending which Old Santa Claus came in with a large box of toys strapped on his back, playing a lively strain on a tin whistle, and proceeded immediately to the distribution of presents. After which the entertainment closed and each betook her or himself to her or his own home to examine the contents of the several bundles and packages that had fallen to their share. Several of our adult neighbors received presents appropriate to their several occupations and inclinations, which Santa Claus had provided to suit each particular case with his wonted sagacity.

A FEW typographical errors are noticeable on the 1st page of this paper. They are attributable to the proof-reading and the celebrating at the same time. Too many “notions” of Christmas to care for “the closing year.”

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense
A horse matters



I like living someplace where a horse matters. There is just some country where horseback is the only way to get the job done. Places where the four-wheeler is a poor second, not to mention a noisy, track-leaving, unnatural conveyance. Besides, it's hard to throw a rope from.

Helicopters can spot and scare, if that's what you need, but it's helpless when you have to doctor a calf. It is a great feeling to be pushing a cow out of a mesquite thicket, packing a dude down the Grand Canyon or tracking a mountain lion on a high ridge, knowing you're on the perfect tool for the job. You look at a horse different when he's on the payroll.

I like being a person to whom a horse matters. It puts me in such good company: Robert E. Lee, Teddy Roosevelt, Rudyard Kipling, Ray Hunt, Queen Elizabeth, Jerry Diaz, Casey Tibbs, cowboys, Mongols, Gauchos, teamsters, Lipizzaners and vaqueros of all kinds. Granted, being a horse person doesn't make me easier to get along with, better at spelling, or richer, it simply gives me a direct connection to one of the most ancient, mutually beneficial interspecies relationships on the planet.

Winston Churchill said, "There is something about the outside of a horse, that is good for the inside of a man."

I like being there when a horse matters. When you can't do the job alone: a cow in the bog, a race against time, a boulder to move, a detour to take, a mountain to cross, a crevice to leap, a war to win, a sweetheart to impress, or ... when you've gone too far to walk back.

Shakespeare's King Richard III said, when fate hung in the balance, "A horse! A horse! My kingdom for a horse!"

I've also come to believe that you either are a horse person or you aren't. Many who are, never know it because they never have the chance. It's a primitive acceptance, often mutual. A lack of fear. You see it in some children when they are first introduced to the horse. It always gives me a sense of wonder to be there and help them make their acquaintance. I believe the horse can sense the child's innate trust. It is the beginning of a natural bond.

I count myself very lucky that I get to be a part of the wonderful world of horse sweat, soft noses, close calls and twilight on the trail.

I like living a life where a horse matters.

— *This column marks the end of an era. Earlier this month, Baxter Black's Arizona-based Coyote Cowboy Company informed newspapers that syndicate "On the Edge of Common Sense" that Baxter is "in the retirement bracket." This week's column is Baxter's final original writing, and the company office will close on Friday, Dec. 31.*

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

Eyes on Owyhee
Farewell to fixtures



Marsing and Homedale and The Owyhee Avalanche are losing some color as 2021 fades.

Three larger-than-life individuals who made their mark in and around Owyhee County have said their goodbyes.

Longtime Homedale business owner Rodney Roe died last week, and former Marsing Fire Chief and Fire Marshal Roman Usabel was laid to rest.

This week, the final column in the long, winding, illustrious, raucous and down-right humorous career of Baxter Black flows across the Avalanche's Commentary page.

Roe had been a bolt of positive light for the Homedale community for years, dating back to the days when he operated the town's nursing home as Roe's Country Manor.

More recently, Roe was the jovial, smiling character who greeted folks from behind the counter in the mornings (usually Tuesday or Thursday) at Homedale Drug.

Rodney was there with a loud hello, a smile and a chuckle, and — for a few who shared his passion for the greens — a golf tale. He spoke of the sport with a commiserative tone even though you got the idea that he was pretty much a scratch golfer given the amount of time he spent on the course.

If you missed Rodney behind the counter at his store, you could find him briskly walking downtown going about his business — typically taking a deposit to the bank. He had a relaxed yet urgent gait and practically waved with his entire torso when he spotted someone he knew.

And there were few folks he didn't know and few that didn't get the pleasure of hearing that chuckling "Hey, how are you?" that often made your day.

While Roe radiated from his business locale on Main Street, Usabel's soft, quiet demeanor belied his overarching presence in the Snake River burg of Marsing.

The first-generation American embraced the community to which his family had emigrated, running a farm and diving in to serve Marsing's needs as a groundbreaking fundraiser and a longtime fireman.

Volunteerism was Usabel's portal into the community. He was a founding member of the Marsing Disaster Auction back in the early 1960s, served for years on the town's school board and tackled every aspect of the fire department —

— See *Farewell*, Page 17

From Washington
Idaho law enforcement personnel deserves our respect, support

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) reported violent crime in the U.S. was up 5.6 percent in 2020 from 2019. In Idaho in 2020, the FBI found there were 3,610 violent-crime incidents reported by 107 law enforcement agencies. There are many complex reasons for this unfortunate increase. But, one thing is certain — the need for well-funded and supported law enforcement personnel. Idaho's law enforcement personnel is indispensable in keeping our communities safe, which is a dangerous and difficult responsibility, while facing significant challenges. The men and women of Idaho's law enforcement and law enforcement families hold a very special place in our society.

I have been proud to support legislation recognizing the vigilance and compassion of those who serve in law enforcement and expressing strong support for law enforcement officers across Idaho and the U.S. in their efforts to secure our communities. This includes my co-sponsorship of S. 1599, the Back the Blue Act. This legislation, which fellow Idaho U.S. Sen. Jim Risch also co-sponsored, would create a new federal crime for killing, attempting to kill or conspiring to kill a federal judge or law enforcement officer.

It would also create harsher penalties for such a crime as well as aggravating factors such as using a weapon or attempting to flee. Additionally, the bill authorizes resources to improve relationships between police departments and the communities they serve. S. 1599 was referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee for further consideration.

The vast majority of law enforcement officers are hard-working Americans who put their lives on the line to keep our communities safe. From the influx of counterfeit pills and the deadly impact of these and

U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo
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other drugs; to cartel drug trafficking organizations; domestic violence impacting far too many families; and so much more, Idaho law enforcement officers face down difficult threats to keep the peace. Their jobs are far from easy, and they deserve our ongoing support.

Thank you to Idaho's law enforcement community for their selfless acts of bravery. I will continue to support appropriate measures that will protect the safety and well-being of our nation's public safety employees.

— *Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U. S. Senate. He is in his fourth six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.*

Commentary

Financial management

Molding children who give goes beyond Christmas

Dear Dave,
With all the commercials and marketing that accompany the holiday season, how can parents teach their young children about giving and putting others first at this time of year?
— Maryn

Dear Maryn,
Christmas is a traditional time to give and help others. But even for adults, it's easy to get so caught up in the glitz that we end up forgetting to teach our kids how to give and why it's so important. How do we make sure they learn the satisfaction of giving to others at an early age? Here are a few easy ideas.
Send an extra snack with

them to school. Then, at lunch they can give it to a friend. When they get back home, find out who they shared the snack with and talk about what happened. It can be as simple as that. Also, encourage your kids to pass along compliments. Sharing a kind word with a classmate, or even their teacher, will go a long way toward brightening someone's day any time of year.
When you're involved in giving or helping others in any way, take your kids with you. If you're sponsoring a family through your church, or participating in a charity drive, let your kids be part of the buying and delivery process. When you make



giving memories together, they'll stick with your kids for years to come.
If you really want to make the kids part of the process, you

could let them pick a charity to help. If you give them a commission for doing jobs around the house, or if they're older and have a part-time job, they can start saving a percentage to donate. Another idea might be giving away old toys. Take some time to gather up all the toys they don't play with and don't want anymore. Search the closet together, and choose things to take to Goodwill or another charitable organization.
Remember, you're the adult. That means it's your job to set an example and create teachable moments. So, this year give your kids nice gifts within your budget. But take time to create situations that allow them to participate in

wonderful giving experiences, as well — because giving truly is better than receiving.
Merry Christmas, Maryn!
— 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.

Letter to the editor

Long struggle to preserve family ranch could wind up with Supreme Court

It was at the conclusion of a Bureau of Land Management-sponsored meeting in Boise when a man came up to me and said, "I've read your book four times and know it better than you do. I'm going to get rid of you and the so-called cowboy culture associated with you! By the way, my name is Jon Marvel!"
That threat was followed later at another meeting's conclusion when Marvel followed me to the parking lot (witnesses were present) and announced, with pointed-finger several inches from my chest, "Whatever it takes to get rid of you and your cows!"
I asked, "How can I take that, Jon?"
"Any way you want to," was his answer.
My last encounter with Marvel was after he got an injunction preventing me from turning cattle on Hanley Ranch's Trout Springs allotment in the

Owyhee Resource Area.
He said: "We waited until the last moment with the injunction so that you would not be able to find pasture and would have to sell your cows!"
"Who's we?" I asked, to which he didn't answer.
After and during these encounters, we suffered years of opened gates, cut fences and equipment damage! I was charged with trespass and in court until my wife Linda and I decided it was time to move on.
We transferred our permit to our daughter, Martha, and her husband John Corrigan. The BLM refused not only the transfer but canceled the preference it was based on. Jon Marvel, who incidentally was chief of Western Watersheds Project, and associates used us as a means to circumvent the Taylor Grazing Act, which is based on preference or priority.
If this U.S. Supreme Court-bound preference issue

stands, could the same be directed to vital priority-based western water rights as well?
If you would like to financially help bring this case before the U.S. Supreme Court, contact Schroeder Law Offices at (208) 914-6699 or www.schroederlaw.net.
Michael F. Hanley IV
Jordan Valley

According to a Dec. 1 Capital Press article, the Hanleys and Corrigans have asked the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decision that their ranch automatically lost priority when the grazing permit wasn't renewed on the assertion that the 9th Circuit's decision allows courts and the BLM to make law instead of following existing rules.
— Ed.

✓ Farewell: Three men who left their own marks in their own way

From Page 16
from firefighter to fire chief to fire marshal to fire commissioner.
In his later years, he was a fixture at the Marsing Lions bingo nights. Sitting in the same location, flashing that great smile and waiting for his next big payoff.
Quiet was he. But the light flashing in those eyes and that grin spoke volumes.
Usabel's legacy was evident in the 20-plus years his son Joe spent on the Marsing school board after his father stepped away.
The respect the town held for the man up until his final days shone through the fog last week as nearly every emergency vehicle rolled up Main Street from the Snake River bridge to escort Roman on one final run through town. A couple dozen private vehicles followed the hearse as the men and women Roman had touched rode from Caldwell's Catholic church to the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery to say their final

goodbye.
Baxter Black's farewell to his readers is a humble column about horses in this week's Avalanche.
The cowboy poet, humorist, large-animal veterinarian, TV personality and sagebrush sage announced his retirement earlier this month in a letter from his company to the publications that carry his column.
Baxter may have become the national standard bearer for the cowboy culture in the years since he lit up late night television as a guest on The Tonight Show when Johnny Carson ruled the airwaves, but he made his bones — and cultivated many a tale — during a decade as a working vet for Simplot Co., in Owyhee country.
Although Baxter is a native of New Mexico, Owyhee County and the stretches of the country into Nevada can lay claim to the man who helped make cowboy poetry cool and tried to impart a little rural common sense to the masses through his columns, his performances and his books.

"The column is the most important thing to me," Baxter said for an Avalanche article heralding his Outpost Days appearance in 2010.
"On the Edge of Common Sense" served as Baxter's primary connection to his fans, and his writings often reflected real-life stories with larger-than-life characters from Jordan Valley and Murphy and other Owyhee locales.
In fact, for a 2012 article about Baxter's return to Outpost Days, he said many poems and his book "Lessons from a Desperado Poet" were directly inspired by his time in Owyhee.
For a man who had logged millions of miles and thousands of personal appearances, Baxter amazed by remembering some of those inspirations by name — John Basabe, Dick Bass and Tex Payne.
And, although his words will fall away from our pages after this week, we'll remember Baxter just as well for his amazing, inspiring, side-splitting outlook on Owyhee life and — truly — American life.

Public notices

**NOTICE OF HEARING
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT FOR THE STATE
OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR
THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
IN RE: TIFFANY ALISON
TUTTLE**

CASE NO. CV 37-21-431
A Petition to change the name of Tiffany Alison Tuttle now residing in the City of Murphy, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to Tiffany Alison Nettleton.
The reason for the change in name is: I want to change my name back to my maiden name.
A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 10:45 o'clock a.m. on Jan. 24, 2022 at the Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.
Date: December 16, 2021
s:/Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk
Angela Barkell, Clerk of the District Court
12/22,29/2021; 01/05,12/2022

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE DISTRICT
COURT OF THE FOURTH
JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF
THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN
AND FOR THE COUNTY OF
ELMORE**

**CASE NO. CV20-21-00545
IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF STEVEN M.
COLLETT, also known as
STEVEN MAX COLLETT,
STEVEN COLLETT, STEVE
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COLLETT, and STEVE
COLLETT, Deceased**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.
Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court, Elmore County Courthouse, 150 South 4th East, Mountain Home, Idaho 83647, telephone number, (208) 587-2130.
DATED this 16th day of June, 2021.
/s/Maggie K. Collett
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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE**

**CASE NO. CV37-21-00134
IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF DON LEE
MAVEY, Deceased**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.
Claims must be presented to the undersigned in care of the Estate of Don Lee Mavey, P.O. Box 385, Homedale, Idaho 83628, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.
DATED this 16th day of December, 2021.
/s/: Russell G. Metcalf
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**SUMMONS BY
PUBLICATION
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF ADA**

**MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV01-21-13421
A D A C O U N T Y
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS
(\$1,950) US CURRENCY;
A P P R O X I M A T E L Y
TWO HUNDRED (200)
PILLS OF FENTANYL;
APPROXIMATELY THIRTY-
NINE HUNDRED THS
(.39) GRAMS OF
METHAMPHETAMINE; ONE
(1) BLACK POUCH; TWO (2)
PIECES OF TIN FOIL; ONE (1)
PLASTIC BAGGY, Defendants.**

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**the District Court in and for
Ada County, Idaho, in Case No.
CV01-21-13421.**

The nature of the Complaint against you is FORFEITURE.
Any time after 21 days following the last publication of the Summons, the Court may enter a judgment against you without further notice, **unless** prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form including the Case No., and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at 200 W. Front, Street, Boise, Idaho, (208) 287-6900, and serve a copy of your response on the Plaintiff's attorney at Ada County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, Civil Division, 200 W. Front Street, 3rd Floor, Rm. 3191, Boise, Idaho.
A copy of the Complaint is available from the Clerk of the District Court or the attorney for Plaintiff.
If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.
DATE: Dec. 13, 2021
PHIL McGRANE
Clerk of the District Court
200 W. Front Street
Boise, ID 83702
(208) 287-6900
/s/: Nichole Snell
Deputy Clerk
12/22,29/2021;01/05,12/2022

**SUMMONS FOR
PUBLICATION
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF OWYHEE**

**Case No. CV37-21-00382
DARCY GEARY and NORINE
GEARY
Plaintiffs,
v.
TERRY L. MAHLER, II,
NATHAN E. MAHLER,
JESUS MATA a.k.a. JESUS
MATA LAMAS and ALMA
DELIA LAMAS, husband and
wife, ANGSTMAN JOHNSON
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liability company, BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AND WELFARE, OFFICE OF
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
and DOES I-V, whose true names
are unknown, claiming any right,
title, estate lien or interest in and
to the real property adverse to
Plaintiff's interests in land legally
described on Exhibit A to the
Complaint on file in this matter,
Defendants.
**TO: DEFENDANTS, DOES
I-V whose true names are
unknown.**
**NOTICE: YOU HAVE
BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE-
NAMED PLAINTIFFS IN
THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE STATE
OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR
OWYHEE COUNTY CASE****

NO. CV37-21-00382.
**The nature of the action
against you is to quiet title on
and partition property located
in Owyhee County, Idaho, and
legally described as:**

PARCEL I:
A parcel of land in Lot 6, Section 14, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:
BEGINNING at a point 934 feet North of the Quarter corner of Sections 14 and 15, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:
thence North 12°46'20" East a distance of 149.01 feet to a point on the Southwesterly Right of Way line of the Union Pacific Rail Road Company; thence North 52° 23'27" West (formerly North 52°37'00" West) a distance of 1279.93 feet, to a point on the West line of said Section 14;
thence South 0°00'14" East, a distance of 917.61 feet (formerly South 0°09' East, 921 feet) to the POINT OF BEGINNING.
EXCLUDING therefrom the following parcel, more particularly described as follows:
COMMENCING at the Southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter Northwest Quarter (Lot 6) of Section 14, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian;
thence North along the Westerly boundary of said Southwest Quarter Northwest Quarter (formerly a distance of 936.50 feet) a distance of 934 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING;
thence continuing North along the Westerly boundary of said Southwest Quarter Northwest Quarter (Lot 6), a distance of 181.50 feet;
thence South 89°30'24" East (formerly South 89°30'10" East), a distance of 240.00 feet;
thence South parallel to the westerly boundary of said Southwest Quarter Northwest Quarter (Lot 6), a distance of 181.50 feet;
thence North 89°30'24" West (formerly North 89°30'10" West), a distance of 240.00 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.
EXCLUDING therefrom the following parcel, more particularly described as follows:
A parcel of land in Lot 6, Section 14, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:
COMMENCING at the Quarter corner common to Sections 14 and 15, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian;
thence North along the Westerly boundary of said Lot 6, a distance of 1450.12 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING;
thence continuing North along the Westerly boundary of said Lot 6, a distance of 403.96 feet to a

point on the Southwesterly Right of Way line of the Union Pacific Rail Road Company;
thence South 52°23'27" East, a distance of 808.5 feet to a point; thence South 37°36'33" West a distance of 320.0 feet to a point; thence South 37°36'33" West a distance of 320.0 feet to a point; thence North 52°23'27" West a distance of 561.95 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.
PARCEL II:
A parcel of land In Lot 6, Section 14, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:
COMMENCING at the Quarter corner common to sections 14 and 15, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian;
thence North along the Westerly boundary of said lot 6, a distance of 1450.12 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING;
thence continuing North along the Westerly boundary of said Lot 6, a distance of 403.96 feet to a point on the Southwesterly Right of Way line of the Union Pacific Rail Road Company; thence South 52°23'27" East, a distance of 808.5 feet to a point; thence South 37°36'33" West, a distance of 320.0 feet to a point; thence North 52°23'27" West a distance of 561.95 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

**YOU ARE HEREBY
NOTIFIED** any time after 21 days following the last publication of this summons, the court may enter judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the Case Number, and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 ID-78, Murphy, ID 83650 (208) 495-2806, and served a copy of your responses on the Plaintiffs' counsel, Branden Huckstep, JOHNSON MAY, 199 N. Capitol Blvd., Ste 200, Boise, ID 83702 and telephone number 208-384-8588.
A copy of the Summons and Complaint can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court, or the attorney for Plaintiffs. If you wish to seek the advice of, or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected.

Dated Dec. 13, 2021.

Angela Barkell
CLERK of the District Court
By: /s/: Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk
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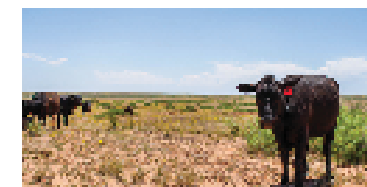
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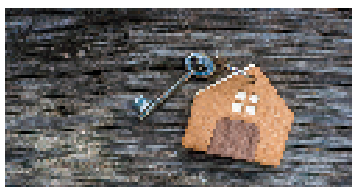
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Homedale Teens & Tweens delve into individualism through teamwork

Preschoolers to hang out with Curious George

Emily Lincoln has already put her stamp on the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library offerings for boys and girls, but the new youth programs coordinator will step into the new role full-time this week.

Self Portrait Hand Art is the theme of Teens & Tweens program set for 5 p.m., on Thursday inside the Homedale Community Center, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Boys and girls ages 10-17 are invited to attend and take part in a team-building activity that combines creative writing and art.

After creating their hand art, the youth will go around the room and show their work to their peers.

“Curious George” is the theme of Monday’s Opal Nash Story Time, and Lincoln will read two short stories from “A

Treasury of Curious George” by Margaret and H.A. Rey.

The event starts at 10:15 a.m., at the Jackson library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave.

The boys and girls will make Curious George puzzles afterward, adding some flair by coloring the puzzles then cutting them out.

Call (208) 337-4228 for more information on programs.

Library hours are 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 library is closed on Sunday.

Yoga class returning

Yoga instructor Shawna Taylor will begin a regular free class next Wednesday.

The class, which is open to all ages, will be geared toward beginners.

The class will take place at 10 a.m., every other Wednesday inside the library.

Today

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Chilly, snow

Thu

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Weekly weather recap unavailable

SNOTEL report, Owyhee County sensors

	Snow Equiv.	Snow Depth	Year-to-date Precip.	Previous day's temperature		
		(measured in inches)		Max	Min	Avg
				(measured in Fahrenheit)		
Mud Flat						
12/21	1.0	6	4.4	40	15	26
12/22	1.0	6	4.4	36	25	31
12/23	1.2	7	4.6	35	25	33
12/24	1.6	8	4.9	34	23	28
12/25	1.7	11	5.0	31	23	28
12/26	2.3	17	5.6	25	18	22
12/27	2.5	19	5.9	n/a	n/a	n/a
Reynolds Creek						
12/21	0.8	1	4.5	44	34	39
12/22	0.8	1	4.5	41	30	35
12/23	0.9	1	4.6	36	26	33
12/24	1.2	4	4.8	30	22	25
12/25	1.5	5	5.1	28	21	24
12/26	2.0	10	5.5	22	15	18
12/27	2.3	13	5.8	n/a	n/a	n/a
South Mountain						
12/21	1.9	8	9.4	48	35	40
12/22	1.9	8	9.4	38	28	33
12/23	2.0	9	9.6	35	30	32
12/24	2.6	12	10.2	30	21	24
12/25	3.1	18	10.8	27	21	24
12/26	4.4	29	12.0	20	14	18
12/27	5.1	37	12.8	n/a	n/a	n/a

Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 16 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 194 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 23 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 116,072 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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

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