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Remembering a Marsing Disaster Auction originator

Last year was supposed to be the 10th anniversary of Roman Usabel's last time as Marsing Disaster Auction chair.

Usabel, believed to be the last of the charter members of the auction when it began in 1961, died in late November at the age of 87.

But when the auction starts at

10:13 a.m., on Saturday inside the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center, the man who loomed large over the proceedings for decades will still be in the room.

Auction committee members are planning acts of remembrance for Usabel, who served as chairman four

times, including 2011 (the golden anniversary auction) and in 1968 as co-chair with Harvey Saxton, in 1969, and again in 1986.

Last year's auction was cancelled because of COVID-19 concerns, so organizers are treating this year's

— See *Auction*, page xA



Roman Usabel sits behind his desk inside the Marsing fire station in 2011.



Winter funky and (in)formal for Senior Night

*Decked out in varying styles on the eve of Homedale High School's Winter Formal are, from left, seniors Willie White, Willy Haun, Josh Brown, Cody Liebschwager, Brandon Van Es, Marcus Simmons, and sophomore Andy Sanchez. The student section shows support for a girls' basketball player at the free-throw line during Friday's Senior Night game against Fruitland. They'll get another chance to root the Trojans on at home at 7 p.m., on Thursday in the opening round of the 3A District III Tournament. More on the game, **Page 1B***

4-H, FFA leaders seek Fair answers

New policy apparently excludes some previous exhibitors

Youth group leaders and other concerned parties gathered Tuesday to discuss an Owyhee County Fair policy that has rankled a few people.

Those leaders from 4-H and FFA plan to attend Thursday's fair board meeting to get some answers about the new boundary exception policy.

The meeting starts at 7 p.m., inside the Owyhee County Community Center, 432 W. Nevada Ave.

Some believe one reason for the new policy is the explosive population growth in the area putting more pressure on fairgrounds with limited expansion options.

In November, the fair board sent a letter to 4-H club leaders and FFA advisors announcing the development of a new boundary exception form and process.

The boundary exception previously was used to review requests from non-Owyhee

— See *Fair*, page 4A

Homedale's COSSA levy up for reauthorization

Patrons will vote on March 8

Homedale School District patrons are being asked to renew a long-standing levy.

The 10-year Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency (COSSA) levy will expire

soon, and Homedale school trustees have set a March 8 election for its renewal.

The levy would cost property owners no more than \$100 annually for each \$100,000 in taxable property value.

The levy helps pay for Homedale's share of consortium costs so district

students can attend the COSSA Academy alternative school or take part in trade and skill classes at the COSSA Regional Technical Education Center in Wilder.

Voter pre-registration for the March 8 election is open until Feb. 11.

Absentee ballots can be

requested until Feb. 25. Absentee ballots must be received by the county clerk by 8 p.m., on Election Day to be counted.

District worker to retire

After 20 years in the district's

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Getting in touch with the auction

How to get information on the auction, details on how to volunteer, set up donations or arrange purchase of a \$10 raffle ticket:

- Bob Carter, (208) 880-8770
- Sheila Carter, (208) 337-2100
- James Ferdinand, (208) 794-7270
- Jess Ferdinand, (208) 401-4964
- Email — marsingdisasterauction@gmail.com

From page 1A

✓ Auction: Usabel involved for more than a half-century

event as the 60th anniversary auction.

According to Usabel’s comments in an article in The Owyhee Avalanche that marked the 50th anniversary in 2011, the small group of volunteers that keeps the auction running today are the lifeblood of the community fundraiser.

We can always find something for volunteers to do. This is one hell of a community! Without the people here, this wouldn’t be possible,” Usabel said. “We always have volunteers. Volunteers make this run as well as it does.

“We never have to worry that a job is getting done. It seems that everyone just does their job, and when they get done they go and help someone else. The community makes Marsing what it is.”

That sense of community is what drew Usabel and others to start the first auction in 1961. Today the Marsing Disaster Fund helps folks pay medical bills, funeral expenses and

cope with other disasters such as displacement because of a house fire.

The spirit of the auction is reflected in a slogan that apparently caught on in 2008 — “Neighbors Helping Neighbors.”

Usabel summed up what the auction means to the community and those that have benefitted a decade ago with words that will always ring true with those who remain involved:

“This group has done a lot to help people when they are in need. We never talk about the people we help, or publicize how much we help. We do it because it is the thing to do.”

“It shows a lot about the people here. We have a commitment as community members to help each other. We need to be there to support one another if things happen.”

— John Zsiray wrote the original article that appears in the Feb. 2, 2011 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche.



As the Marsing Disaster Auction draws near, the \$10 raffle items are on display at M&W Market, including (above, from left) a gun/security safe, a flat-screen television, a chest freezer, and (below) a Ruger AR-556.



Auction raffle enters final days

Several of the big-ticket items in the annual Marsing Disaster Auction raffle are on display at M&W Market.

The winning tickets in the \$10 raffle and the \$1 raffle will be drawn throughout the event Saturday when the 60th anniversary auction is held inside the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center.

The lots start heading to the auction block at 10:13 a.m.

The \$10 raffle tickets are available at OC Coffee, M&W Market, Marsing Hardware, the Pour House, and City Hall or through committee members.

Third-, fourth-, and fifth-graders from the town’s elementary school are selling \$1 raffle tickets with prizes such as:

- 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 auction will include hand-made quilts, homemade baked and canned goods, outerwear and other clothing, gift baskets, handcrafted art, tools, toys and gift certificates to local businesses.

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County ranchers heading to Oreana for winter meeting

Homedale resident Oscar Evans reaches the midpoint of his year at as head of the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association on Saturday.

The current president will drop the gavel on the OCA winter meeting at 1:30 p.m., inside the Oreana Community Hall.

Meeting registration will begin 30 minutes before Evans delivers the welcome and leads fellow beef producers and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

At 2 p.m., OCA board member Rex Hoagland will talk about the capacity packing plants have for fat cattle and cull cows and bulls. Hoagland is the director of cattle procurement at CS Beef Packers in Kuna.

Evans updated the tentative agenda that was mailed late last month, saying that Idaho State Veterinarian Dr. Scott Leibsle will not be able to attend.

Bureau of Land Management Boise District manager Tanya Thrift have been invited to address the OCA membership Saturday.

Jayden Mink, who is the president of the Moscow-based Student Idaho Cattle Association, will tell the membership about the SICA and its mission.

U.S. Rep. Russ Fulcher (R-Idaho) is tentatively



Oscar Evans will lead his first OCA general membership meeting Saturday.

scheduled to speak at 4:15 p.m., but Evans said if the First District congressman is unable to attend, one of his staffers will provide and update.

According to the agenda circulated last week by the OCA, and.

Reports and updates are scheduled at 3:30 p.m., and could include:

- Mark Pratt and Cameron Mulrone from the Idaho Cattle Association
- A representative from the Governor's Office of Species Conservation
- A report from the Idaho Department of Lands
- Congressional updates

Two Deck o'Cards raffles are planned.

There is no advance word on any resolutions to be considered by the membership, and a list of elected officials and bureaucrats who may attend was still being formulated at press time.

A social hour is planned at 5 p.m., after the meeting adjourns.

Cowgirls Catering, a Marsing-based business, is providing tri-tip for the dinner, which starts at 6 p.m. Folks are asked to bring a dessert to share.

The winter meeting dance — with live music from Runnin' for Cover — begins at 9 p.m. Cover charge is \$7 for singles and \$12 per couple.

Sponsors for this year's meeting include:

- Commercial Tire (snaffle bit) and Miller Livestock Solutions & CowBos (bridle) provide the prize for the membership drawing.
- Ken's Tent & Canvas of Homedale provides a card raffle prize.
- Oscar and Clara-Leigh Evans and Scott Bunderson and Debbie Bennett sponsor the social hour. Bunderson is the board's past president.
- CS Beef Packers and Northwest Farm Credit Services are sponsoring the meals.

UI Extension plans beef, dairy schools

The University of Idaho Extension's annual Winter Beef School prior to the ranchers' meeting in Oreana is just one educational opportunity for producers next month.

The school starts at 10 a.m., to 12:30 p.m., on Saturday at the Oreana Community Hall.

Presentations will include:

- Genomic Selection Applications for Commercial Beef Producers with Marsing resident Tanner King of Neogen Corp.
- The Quest for the Ideal Cow for Idaho Rangelands

Owyhee County Extension Educator Scott Jensen will give an update on UI research and also lead a discussion titled "Transporting Cattle — How Many Animals Can or Should You Put on a Trailer?"

Beef school attendees will receive lunch prior to the start of the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association winter meeting.

The OCA meeting begins at 1 p.m. with registration, and board president Oscar Evans of Homedale will call the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

On Monday, Jensen will play host to a workshop shedding light on risk management of automation in western dairies.

The workshop will help dairy farmers learn more about automatic milking and feeding systems.

Among the insight into robotic systems:

- Automatic milking systems — The evaluation process, financial analysis, and different scenarios encountered with the equipment
- Automatic calf/feeder systems — Evaluation process and financial analysis
- A visit to an operating robotic dairy

The workshop will be held from 9:30 a.m., to 5:30 p.m., at the UI Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., in Marsing. Pre-registration is recommended.

For more information, contact the Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 or:

- Dr. Mireille Chahine, UI Extension dairy specialist, (208) 736-3609
- Dr. Herman Tejeda, UI Extension dairy and livestock economics specialist, (208) 736-3622
- Dr. Gonzalo Ferreria, Virginia Tech Extension dairy specialist, (540) 231-1965
- Dr. Rick Norell, UI Extension dairy specialist emeritus, (208) 681-0581



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✓ Fair: Limited space, explosive growth forced board members' hands

County residents looking to enter livestock projects in the fair.

The fair board tightened its exceptions because the fairground has a finite number of animal pens and the facility can't keep up with growth and demand.

"Although it is possible, we don't intend or anticipate any change for exhibitors and families that are already

showing at the Owyhee County Fair," the board wrote in its letter. "Utilizing the new form process is an update that better supports the current and future growth of Owyhee County."

All livestock exhibitors living outside Owyhee County were required to submit a boundary exception application by Jan. 1. Previously, the deadline was March 1.

The fair board then made

decisions on which exhibitors would be allowed to show this year and which would be left out.

The board's decisions were transmitted to club leaders and FFA advisors after the fair board's January meeting.

The exclusion decisions have left upwards of 30 youth out of the fair this year, including some that live outside Owyhee County but attend Homedale or Marsing schools.

Some adults who lead the children showing animals at the fair have complained that decisions seemed arbitrary and inconsistent.

In its pre-deadline letter, the fair board acknowledged the unique situation with students in joint school districts.

"We realize that we have multiple communities and school systems that are made up of two or more counties," the board wrote.

"We value and consider these community relationships as part of the decision-making

process, as well [as] the following: fairground space availability, county residency, school district boundaries, school attending, and previous participation in an Owyhee County Fair livestock project."

In some cases, exhibitors who previously participated in the fair have been excluded, according to at least one 4-H leader.

Unlike previous years, the new policy provided no "grandfather clause" for out-of-county children who have exhibited the Owyhee County Fair in the past.

"All non-Owyhee County exhibitors are now required to submit a boundary exception request each year, including those who have participated in the Owyhee County Fair in the past," the fair board wrote in the letter to club leaders and FFA advisors.

The fair board asked leaders and advisors to encourage would-be exhibitors who are

new to the fair or from out of county to seek other fairs at which to show their animals.

One problem with that: Canyon County Fair recognized FFA members in the Homedale and Marsing school districts as Owyhee exhibitors, so it is more difficult for those children to gain entrance into the animal show in Caldwell even if they live in Canyon County.

The decision has left some families — and sponsoring animal producers — in limbo.

In some cases, 2022 fair animal projects have already begun or area producers have provided animals that now may not become projects.

One 4-H advisor wondered how excluding some exhibitors could affect out-of-county producers' willingness to support the projects and, ultimately, the Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale, which broke more records last summer.

— JPB

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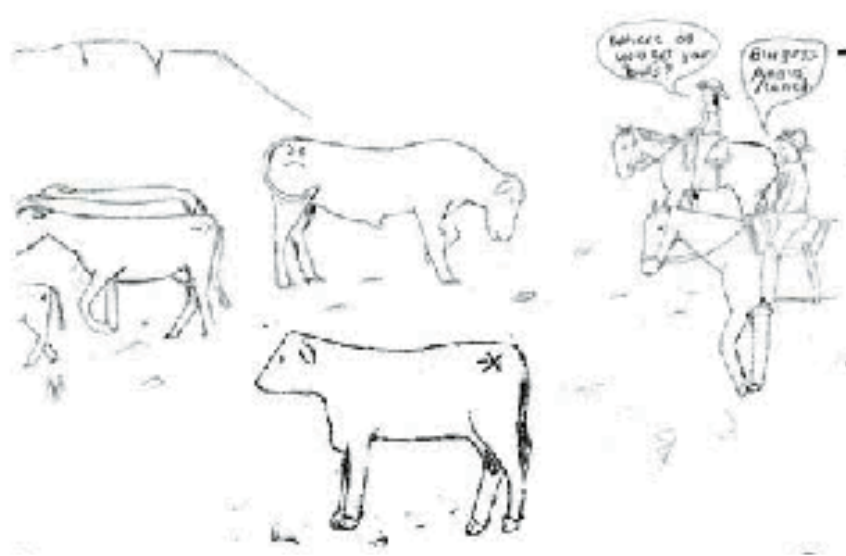
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From page 1A

✓ Levy: Shanley, Fisher remain at head of board

transportation and maintenance department, Dan Parrill was scheuled to retire on Monday. Superintendent Rob Sauer said Parrill will continue to serve the district as a substitute bus driver.

The board of trustees accepted Parrill’s retirement request during its Jan. 10 meeting.

Trustees also accepted the resignation of food services employee Desiree Medina.

Board stays the same

Kurt Shanley and Dwayne Fisher were re-elected board chair and vice-chair, respectively, during the annual reorganization.

Fisher, who represents Zone 3, and fellow trustees Leslie Parker (Zone 2) and Shelley Shenk (Zone 4) took the oath of office to start new four-year terms during the Jan. 10 meeting.

The board of trustees will continue to hold their regular meetings at 7 p.m., on the second Monday of each month inside the boardroom at the district office, 116 E. Owyhee Ave.

School bus still down

The district has paid \$3,000 to rent a handicap-equipped bus while waiting for repair on the school bus that was damaged in a two-vehicle accident last year.

“We expect the insurance to cover (the rental cost), but won’t know until the final paperwork is processed when the work is completed,” Sauer said.

Maintenance and transportation director Dan Aberasturi said the repairs should be completed sometime this month

Aberasturi reported that the newly purchased snowplow and sander worked well when pressed into service during the snowstorm that caused school closure a few weeks ago.

— JPB

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

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

Feb. 2: Tuna salad on roll, lettuce with tomato and cucumber, carrot salad

Feb. 3: Pork roast, mashed potatoes with gravy, sweet potatoes

Feb. 8: Salisbury steak with onions and mushrooms, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans

Feb. 9: Hot dog, fries or tots, chili, peas and carrots

Sandbar Community Room, Marsing

Noon to 12:30 p.m., inside Marsing City Hall
Milk available each day

Suggested donation: \$4 (60 and older), \$6 (59 and younger)

Feb. 2: Chicken stroganoff, peas and carrots, green salad, peaches, wheat bread

Feb. 4: Beef stew, Brussels sprouts, spiced apples, cornbread

Feb. 7: BBQ chicken, baked beans, Normandy vegetables, wheat bun

Feb. 9: Orange chicken, brown rice, stir fry vegetables, peaches, wheat bread

Feb. 11: Ham and potato soup, green beans, spiced apples, V-8 juice, wheat roll

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

Feb. 3: Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, creamed corn, green salad, bread sticks, fresh fruit salad, cake and ice cream

Feb. 8: Pulled pork sandwich, baked sweet potatoes, spinach, raspberry Jello, pudding

Feb. 10: Fish, sautéed cabbage, macaroni and cheese, bread sticks, cottage cheese, pineapple

Homedale TRHS comments open ’til Feb. 16

There will be no interruption of service once construction of the new Terry Reilly Health Services Homedale clinic begins.

According to the draft finding of no significant impact (FONSI), the existing building at 108 E. Idaho Ave., will remain open while the new 5,000-square-foot clinic is built on a 0.16-acre parcel south of the 0.2 of an acre where the building now stands.

A sparsely attended Jan. 19 open house kicked off a public comment period required by the federal government. Written comments on the environmental impact statement will be accepted until Feb. 16. Copies of the EIS are available for review in the foyer of the TRHS administrative office, 211 16th Ave., in Nampa.

Written comments on the EIS can be submitted:

- **By mail** — Terry Reilly Health Service – Administration, P.O. Box 9, Nampa, ID 83653
- **Dropped off** — TRHS administrative office

The meeting, which featured illustrations of the proposed building and its interior and exterior layout, lasted an hour in the waiting area of the existing clinic, which is 2,800 square feet.

Once construction of the new clinic is completed, the existing building will be demolished to make room for an 18-space parking area.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Choice of milk and juice
PB&J sandwich, and Vegetable and Fruit choices will be offered daily

Feb. 2: **Breakfast:** Waffle, maple sausage, applesauce **Lunch:** Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, buttered corn, hot roll

Feb. 3: **Breakfast:** Blueberry muffin, scrambled eggs, grapes **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza ripper, pineapple tidbits, tossed salad with ranch, Jello

Feb. 7: **Breakfast:** Donut holes, peaches **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets with hot roll, steamed carrots

Feb. 8: **Breakfast:** Biscuits and gravy, or biscuit and jelly, sausage patty, oranges **Lunch:** Spaghetti, green beans

Feb. 9: **Breakfast:** French toast sticks, yogurt, applesauce **Lunch:** Dutch waffle with sausage patty, hash brown patty, strawberries

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 offered daily

Feb. 2: **Breakfast:** Waffle, maple sausage, yogurt **Lunch:** Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, buttered corn, hot roll

Feb. 3: **Breakfast:** Blueberry muffin, scrambled eggs **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza ripper, pineapple tidbits, tossed salad with ranch, Jello

Feb. 7: **Breakfast:** Donut holes, cheese stick **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets with hot roll, steamed carrots

Feb. 8: **Breakfast:** Biscuits and gravy, or biscuit and jelly, sausage patty **Lunch:** Chicken taco with Spanish rice and refried beans

Feb. 9: **Breakfast:** French toast sticks, yogurt **Lunch:** Dutch waffle with sausage patties, hash brown patty, strawberries

Homedale High

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt, string cheese or hard-boiled egg
Vegetable and Fruit choices offered daily
Cereal option, grab ‘n’ go items each day

Feb. 2: **Breakfast:** Sausage breakfast pizza or mini pancakes **Lunch:** Super nachos with refried beans, or pepperoni pizza with tossed salad, or ham and cheese sub with chips, or chicken Caesar salad with breadstick

Feb. 3: **Breakfast:** Ham and cheese croissant, yogurt **Lunch:** Corn dog with tots, or chicken or spicy chicken sandwich with tots, or BBQ chicken ranch wrap with chips, or chicken bacon ranch salad with breadstick, chocolate chunk cookie

Feb. 7: **Breakfast:** Donut holes or mini waffles, cheese stick, yogurt **Lunch:** Cheeseburger with

fries, or pepperoni pizza with fries, or turkey bacon sub with chips, or chicken Caesar salad with breadstick

Feb. 8: **Breakfast:** Biscuits and gravy, or biscuit and jelly, sausage patty **Lunch:** Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich with tots, or mozzarella filled breadstick with tots, or southwest chicken wrap with chips, or southwest chicken salad with breadstick

Feb. 9: **Breakfast:** Tornado (egg, sausage, cheese) or breakfast round, yogurt **Lunch:** Taquito with potato wedges, or cheeseburger with potato wedges, or G&G club sub with chips or chicken bacon ranch salad with breadstick

Marsing

Meals include choice of milk, fruit juice, fresh fruit & vegetables
Elementary breakfast option: Cereal
Middle/High School option: PB&J sandwich
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)

Feb. 2: **Breakfast:** Waffle, maple sausage sandwich, strawberry banana smoothie **Lunch:** Mac-n-cheese, green beans, snickerdoodle cookie
Hot Grab n go: Walkin taco, potato wedge

Feb. 3: **Breakfast:** Sausage and cheese croissant, mini bagel **Lunch:** Hot Grab n go: Popcorn chicken, French fries Cold Grab n go: Chicken bacon ranch wrap

Feb. 7: **Breakfast:** Breakfast round **Lunch:** Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, mixed vegetables Hot Grab n go: Mozzarella-filled breadsticks, tots/gems

Feb. 8: **Breakfast:** Mini waffles **Lunch:** Super nachos, refried beans Cold Grab n go: Southwest chicken wrap meal

Feb. 9: **Breakfast:** Tornado (egg, sausage, cheese), mixed berry smoothie **Lunch:** Orange chicken rice bowl, green beans Hot Grab n go: Buffalo chicken pizza, potato wedge

Bruneau/Grand View

All meals: Milk and fruit offered daily
Jr.-Sr. high school: Pizza offered daily

Feb. 2: **Breakfast:** Waffle and hash browns **Lunch:** Nachos with wheat chips, refried beans/salsa

Feb. 3: **Breakfast:** Bagels and cream cheese **Lunch:** BBQ pulled pork on a bun, fries, fresh broccoli

Feb. 7: **Breakfast:** Cereal bar **Lunch:** Ham and cheese on a bun, tossed romaine salad, corn

Feb. 8: **Breakfast:** Biscuits and gravy **Lunch:** Chili, coleslaw, applesauce, cinnamon roll

Feb. 9: **Breakfast:** Muffins **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets with wheat roll, mashed potatoes and gravy, steamed broccoli

University of Idaho Extension

UI winter school covers ideal Idaho cow, production practices

The 2022 University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension winter beef school will be begin at 10 a.m., on Saturday at Oreana Community Hall.

Topics for the beef school will include Genomic Selection Applications for Commercial Beef Producers, a research report on the University of Idaho Extension’s efforts to identify the ideal range cow, and Recommended Practices and Densities for Transporting Cattle.

The session on Genomic Selection Applications for Commercial Beef Producers will be led by Tanner King, territory manager for Neogen Corp. Tanner will discuss some of the basic principles of genomic selection and how genomic databases are developed and maintained. He will then focus on how the use of genomic selection can aid in identifying replacement heifers with the greatest production potential at a young age. Additional topics that he might include depending on interest are using genomic data to aid in bull selection and using DNA information to help market your cattle. This should be a very informative session.

The second session will focus on a project led by UI Extension beef cattle specialist Dr. Jim Sprinkle. Dr. Sprinkle has developed research focused on identifying the ideal cow for Idaho rangelands. At first glance, this might sound like a “pie in the sky” idea, but a more in-depth look at the effort reveals some very practical goals and objectives. Are there cattle or types of cattle that are better adapted for Idaho’s rangelands? We think there are. Specifically, these are cattle that require less feed, better utilize the uplands, and don’t spend the summer

camped out in the riparian areas. In this session, I will share data on findings to date and outline where we will be focused during the upcoming grazing season. Could results from this project ultimately lead to our ability to use genomic testing to identify ideal animals that better utilize and more efficiently graze Idaho’s rangelands? Stay tuned as this research progresses.

The final beef school session will focus on cattle transportation issues. Two months ago, I asked Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association board members for beef school topic suggestions. Without hesitation, Rex Hoagland (OCA vice-president and director of cattle procurement for CS Beef Packers) suggested issues related to trucking and load density. He went on to mention some examples of trailers arriving at CS Beef Packers that were improperly loaded with cattle unable to turn around for unloading. Discussion at this session will focus on why proper transportation practices are important and what that looks like in a real-world environment. We will look at specific trailer configurations and loading recommendations.

Lunch, sponsored by CS Beef Packers and Northwest Farm Credit Services, will be provided for all beef school participants.

The OCA winter meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m. (registration starts at 1 p.m.). The meeting will be followed by social hour, dinner, and a dance with Runnin’ For Cover. We hope you can join us for the full day.

— Scott Jensen is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension educator. He welcomes questions on livestock care. The U of I Owyhee County Extension office is located at 238 8th Ave. W., in Marsing and can be reached at (208) 896-4104. Contact him at scottj@uidaho.edu.



Scott Jensen

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

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)

W. W. Jones school board meeting

7 p.m., W. W. Jones Schoolhouse, 3513 Arock Rd., Arock. (541) 586-2325

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

Reynolds Irrigation District meeting

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

Yoga class

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

Teens & Tweens

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Owyhee County Fair Board meeting

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

Friday

U and I Together class

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

Saturday

UI Extension winter beef school

10 a.m., Oreana Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Rd., Oreana

Marsing Disaster Auction

10:13 a.m., Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.

Free lunch

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

OCA winter meeting

1 p.m., Oreana Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Rd., Oreana

OCA winter dance

9 p.m., \$7 singles, \$12 couples, Oreana Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Rd., Oreana

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.

Homedale city library board meeting

1 p.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.

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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

Senior citizens board meeting

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

Ridgeview Irrigation District meeting

1 p.m., South Board of Control office boardroom, 201 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

Gem Irrigation District meeting

1:15 p.m., South Board of Control office boardroom, 201 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

South Board of Control meeting

1:30 p.m., South Board of Control office boardroom, 201 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

After-school program

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

Yoga class

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

Melba school board meeting

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Jordan Valley City Council meeting

7 p.m., City Hall, 306 Blackaby St., Jordan Valley. (541) 586-2460 Tuesday and Thursday

Pleasant Valley school board meeting

7 p.m., Pleasant Valley School, 28026 Juniper Mountain Rd., Pleasant Valley. (208) 583-2420

Wednesday

Ladies coffee group

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

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Got News?

Call us! (208) 337-4681. Community happenings, events or issues.

Obituaries

Eugene Max Orr

Eugene Max Orr, 90, of Homedale, ID passed away while under hospice care and surrounded by family at his home in Homedale, Sunday, January 23, 2022. Max was born in Nampa, ID on April 22, 1931, to Phoebe (Kimber) Orr and Eugene Orr.

Max grew up in Marsing, ID, while graduating from Marsing High School in 1949. Max enlisted in the U.S. Air Force from July 1951 to December 1959 and served honorably in the Korean War. During his time in the service, other than South Korea, Max was also stationed in Tacoma, WA, Okinawa, Japan, and Bermuda.

Max married Marie (Fessner) Orr on August 29, 1969. They were married 52 years and always made Homedale, ID their home. They enjoyed years of attending their children's events, raising animals, gardening, and visiting with friends.

Over the years, Max worked at Owyhee Meat Pack (partner), Champion, and the Homedale School District, but was always happiest spending countless hours growing hay, raising sheep, and beef cattle on his farm ground in Wilder, ID.

Max always enjoyed hunting, fishing, and watching sports; particularly baseball where he regularly followed the Pittsburgh Pirates. One



of his favorite memories was watching the Pirates play the Seattle Mariners at then-Safeco Field in Seattle, WA.

Max was very grateful for the hospice care he received over the last two and a half years through the staff at Harrison Hope. The weekly appointments grew into more of a welcomed visit with always lots of laughter. Max kept his sense of humor to the very end.

Max was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife Marie, brother Bert and his wife Melva, daughters Danita and Wathena, sons Mike and Dwayne, and other relatives.

Due to the recent surge in COVID-19 cases, it was Max's request for a private family service.

Condolences can be given at www.dakanfuneralchapel.com.

Devani Layne Lawson

Devani Layne Lawson entered eternal rest January 23, 2022, the same day of her birth in 1989 at 33 years old. She was deeply loved by many and her passing has saddened all those who were lucky enough to have shared her life. Devani spent most of her life as a loved community member of Grand View, Idaho where many of her family and friends are today. She resided in Boise, Idaho at the time of her passing.

Devani is survived by: daughter Harper Jayne Hofer of Mountain Home, Idaho, Mother Heidi (John) Anderson of Boise, Idaho, Father Loren (Rhonda) Lawson of Caldwell, Idaho, Brother Trevor (Ayla) Lawson of Grand View, Idaho and Sisters Amanda Lawson of Afton, Wyoming and Dylann Anderson of Boise, Idaho. Grandparents Nancy Montgomery (Pat Irving) of Garden Valley, Idaho, Tom (Kelley) Phillips of Capitan, New Mexico, and Gary (Jan) Lawson of Grandview, Idaho. She is also survived by many beloved aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Preceding her in eternal rest: Grandfather James Montgomery, Great Grandparents Miles and Mary Willcutt, Harry and Yvonne Phillips, Dexter and Jeanette Hemenway and Leo and Iva Lawson, and Cousin Bobby Hughes.

Devani spent her early childhood in Grand View where she was raised with her siblings, cousins, and many close friends. Her family moved to Mountain Home in 1999, where she continued to build life-long friendships while playing basketball and volleyball, attending Jr. High and her sophomore year at Mountain Home High School.



The close bonds she developed as a child brought her back to Grand View in 2006 where she attended Rimrock High School, playing basketball and softball, and still bringing mischief and happiness to those around her. She graduated from Rimrock in May of 2007. After graduation, Devani began a career with US Ecology where she worked until 2020. As with everything she did, she excelled in her work and added many to her long list of friends. She brought her beautiful daughter, Harper Jayne, into the world in 2015 and she would say that she is light of her life, her greatest treasure and will forever be the very best part of her. She remained in Grand View until moving to Boise in 2020.

The bonds and kinship that small communities forge last a lifetime, and this defined Devani. She took every opportunity to flourish in the company she kept around her. She enjoyed spending hot, summer days at the lake, listening to music with a carload of people, gathered around a campfire and summer vacations in McCall. She lived for the bonds created in her childhood and thrived when she was connected to them. Devani possessed an enormous

heart and quickly endeared herself to everyone she met. So much so that she gained an additional family, where the term "Big Fat Freak" become more endearing than an "I love you". She had loving, close and very special relationships with her brother, sisters, and Grand View cousins (The Lawson 6), adored her cousins in Emmett (she called them "the boys") and loved all her family more than they likely know. Her aunts and uncles were all her favorites. She had many nicknames such as, "Dev", "Ankles", "Devandoo", "Angel Devani", "Big Girl" and most recently, "The Condiment Queen". She was a fantastic cook and wanted to become a chef. She had a quick wit and extremely funny sense of humor, loved to watch real crime stories, had an amazing and diverse playlist, hated folding laundry and was always excited to spend time with her friends and family. She was fiercely independent and protective, often very stubborn, thoughtful, kind and had a quiet, sweet faith. She was absolutely beautiful inside and out, loved to dance and possessed an amazing smile that lit up the world when she was present. She made us smile and we will miss her every day.

The ceremony to celebrate her life will be held at Rimrock High School, Grand View on Friday, February 4, 2022 at 1:00pm. Services will be facilitated by Rost Funeral Home McMurtrey Chapel of Mountain Home, Idaho.

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Death notice

WALTER HENNIS, 89, of Murphy, died Monday, Jan. 24, 2022. Arrangements: Zeyer Funeral Chapel, 83 N Midland Blvd, Nampa. (208) 467-7300

Senior center requires foot clinic appointments

The Homedale Senior Center's next foot clinic is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 15.

Appointments are necessary, and time slots are available beginning at 8:30 a.m., at the center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Call (208) 337-3020 to set up an appointment.

Foot examinations cost \$20, and ear cleanings are available for \$30.

Lunch is available at the senior center on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week.

The luncheons are preceded by a Fit and Fall class from 10:30 a.m., to 11:30 a.m., each

Tuesday and Thursday.

- The senior center board of directors meeting, which is open to the public, will be held at 1:30 p.m., on Tuesday.
- The Ladies Coffee Group meets at 9 a.m., each Wednesday at the senior center.
- The senior center's thrift store — open 9 a.m., to 1 p.m., on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday — sells donated items to help fund operation of the center.

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New inductees recite the National Junior Honor Society oath during a recent ceremony at Homedale Middle School. Submitted photo

HMS gains new Honor Society members

Another honor society class has been inducted at Homedale Middle School.

The National Junior Honor Society induction ceremony took place before parents and guests on Jan. 10.

Twenty-two eighth-graders joined the HMS chapter during a program led by first-year HMS social studies teacher Paige Testa and Title I teacher Margo Phariss.

The ceremony also honored the 28 students who comprised last year's chapter members.

After Testa welcomed the visitors and led the Pledge of Allegiance, principal Moss Strong addressed the crowd.

Phariss led the candle lighting ceremony in which chapters lit candles representing the five pillars of the NJHS — Scholarship, Service, Leadership, Character, and Citizenship.

The 2022 inductees, all of whom maintain at least a 3.5 grade-point average, were

selected by a recruiting committee working off teacher recommendations:

Belen Asumendi, Kayleb Atkins, Carson Fine, Bertha Flores, Isaac Gonzalez, Lukas Hall;

Stella Heck, Juanita Hernandez, Anahi Hurtado, Bailey Hymas, Sebastian Larzelier, Nathan Marston;

Cora McKerrow, Morgan Nicoletti, Dawson Parkins, Rubi Pulido, Kynna Soland-Pfiel;

Hunter Sotka, Sienna Stairs, Hannah Thornton, Xavier Uranga, and Andrea Vega

The inductees then recited the NJHS pledge before receiving a certification and a carnation:

"I pledge to uphold the high purposes of the National Junior Honor Society to which I have been selected.

"I will be true to the principles for which it stands.

"I will be loyal to my school, and I will always maintain and

encourage the high standards of scholarship, leadership, service, character, and citizenship."

NJHS members maintain good standing by participating in the chapter's service projects, activities, and meetings.

Last year's members include:

Miguel Albor, Kinsley Balkovetz, Allie Bell, Alexis Bernabe, Carson Bingham, Kayci Breshears;

Kenzie Buckley, Diego Cortez-Vega, Evalina Costello, Addison Cussins, Charlotte Dawson, Breken Frank;

Melissa Gonzalez Villareal, Luke Henry, Raelynn Kiser, Rivkah Leach, Ellie Miler, Gwen Parker;

Rachel Pawlak, Neidy Ramirez Gaytan, Brandon Reynolds, Sidnee Rumreich, Carsten Smith;

Emily Taylor, Lilly Trescott, Tayler Trout, Brisa Valero, and Brock Walker

Marsing chief: School closures won't affect instruction time

Even with recent closures because of staff shortages, the Marsing School District is on pace to get students enough classroom time to meet requirements.

Superintendent Norm Stewart addressed the situation Monday as elementary schoolchildren were out of class for the second consecutive day because too many teachers and substitutes were too ill to work.

The entire district was shuttered Thursday because of widespread shortages, but the secondary school students were back in class Monday.

There is no precise answer to the cause, Stewart said.

"We can assume that many/most of the absences are COVID-related, but due to the fact that not all people are testing, we can only assume," Stewart said. "We do know that there has been a number of our staff who have tested positive, and other staff are calling in with similar symptoms."

The absences piled up last week, leading to the Thursday closure.

Stewart said there were 15 staffers out on Jan. 24, and 20 each on Jan. 25 and last Wednesday.

"We were estimating at least 17-plus for Thursday," he said. "The estimates for Thursday did not include people that would be last-minute call-ins."

The district has struggled to cover classes because there are only four or five substitutes available, and — Stewart said — those teachers also work in other districts.

"We have been forced to cover classes internally, using staff that would normally be providing interventions or small-group assistance to high-need academic groups," Stewart said. "This type of coverage pulls assistance away from our students of greatest academic needs."

Monday's cancellation decision was made Sunday night when it became clear that seven teachers would be out, including three without substitute coverage.

Stewart said after the district made the call to close the elementary Sunday night, two more teachers called out sick.

Without sufficient testing, Stewart said it is impossible to say whether COVID-19 is the cause for dips in attendance, too.

Still, attendance has flagged in January:

- Jan. 17 — 20 percent of students absent
- Jan. 18-20 — 15 percent out of school
- Jan. 24-25 — 11 percent absent
- Jan. 26 — 12 percent absent

Trustees built several days into the calendar to plan for schedule disruptions. There are 147 student contact days scheduled in 2021-22, which equates to 6.833 instruction hours per day at the elementary and 7.0 hours each day at the secondary campus.

For Grades 4-5, the district is over the required 900 hours of instruction time by 104.5 hours (or 15.29 extra days).

Grades 6-8 (also required 900 hours) have 129 extra hours (nearly 18.5 extra days).

High school students (Grades 9-12) are mandated 990 instruction hours, and the district is 39 hours over that threshold (5.57 extra days).

To date, the district has lost only three full days of instruction time because of a snow day, Thursday's full closure and Monday's elementary closure.

"At this point, there is no need for any make-up days to stay in compliance with outlined state requirements," Stewart said.

— JPB



Local VFW supports Homedale youth bowlers

Veterans of Foreign Wars Samuel C. Phillips III Post 11065 member Joe Freeman, who served as a MEDIVAC UH 60 Blackhawk crew member in Afghanistan, presents a \$500 check to Homedale Youth Bowling League coordinator Dusti Hall. VFW Auxiliary leader Hailey Freeman and Post 11065 Cmdr. Luke Hayward are surrounded by some of the youth bowlers during the ceremony at The Bowling Alley on Saturday. The money will stay in Homedale to help with bowling equipment and the scholarship program. Submitted photo

Crab feed tickets sales ongoing

Tickets for the Homedale Boosters Crab and Steak Feed are available from the town's high school athletes.

The dinner costs \$55 per person, or there is an option to buy a table for eight people.

The ninth annual fundraiser will be held on Saturday, Feb. 12 at the Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St.

Tickets are also available by contacting athletic director

Casey Grove at cgrove@homedaleschools.org or (208) 340-4611 or by messaging the Homedale Booster Club on Facebook.

Proceeds will benefit Trojans sports teams.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., with dinner serve at 7 p.m. A live auction will begin at 8 p.m.

The fundraiser also includes a raffle and a silent auction.



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SNOTEL report, Owyhee County sensors

	Snow Equiv.	Snow Depth	Year-to-date Precip.	Previous day's temperature		
				Max	Min	Avg
	(measured in inches)					
(measured in Fahrenheit)						
Mud Flat						
01/25	4.9	18	9.1	31	10	22
01/26	4.9	17	9.0	36	9	20
01/27	4.8	18	8.9	35	1	19
01/28	4.9	17	9.0	40	9	23
01/29	4.8	17	9.0	44	11	24
01/30	4.8	17	9.0	35	8	23
01/31	4.8	18	9.1	n/a	n/a	n/a
Reynolds Creek						
01/25	6.1	16	8.3	35	20	26
01/26	6.1	16	8.3	35	17	26
01/27	6.2	15	8.4	30	10	22
01/28	6.2	16	8.3	31	17	23
01/29	6.3	16	8.4	35	14	24
01/30	6.4	15	8.4	41	23	33
01/31	6.4	16	8.5	n/a	n/a	n/a
South Mountain						
01/25	10.2	30	18.5	37	20	26
01/26	10.3	30	18.5	43	24	30
01/27	10.3	30	18.5	38	26	31
01/28	10.2	30	18.5	48	28	38
01/29	10.2	30	18.6	49	31	37
01/30	10.2	30	18.5	45	28	36
01/31	10.1	30	18.7	n/a	n/a	n/a

Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 20 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 179 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 19 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 143,219 acre-feet of water on Monday.

More SNOTEL

As of Monday

Fawn Creek, Nev.

Snow equiv.	Snow depth	YTD precip.
7.2	26	14.2

Homedale High School's Business Professionals of America state qualifiers include (from left) freshman Addison Cussions, sophomore Brodie White, junior Maite Frank and freshman Kayci Breshears. Submitted photo

Next week: A rundown of Marsing's regional competition



HHS junior wins 2 BPA regional titles

Four headed for State

Half of the Homedale High School contingent qualified for State at the Business Professionals of America Regionals on Jan. 12.

Eight students from the Homedale chapter made the trip to Parma for advisor Casey Grove.

Junior Maite Frank won two regional championships — Fundamental Word Processing Skills and

Basic Office Systems and Procedures.

Addison Cussions, a freshman, reached the state competition with her runner-up performance in Extemporaneous Speech.

Another ninth-grader, Kayci Breshears, took third in Basic Office Systems and Procedures.

Sophomore Brodie White was third in Intermediate Word Processing Skills.

The top-three finishes in each discipline will compete at the state conference, which takes place March 17-19 at

Boise State University.

Other HHS chapter members competing in Parma were freshmen — Miguel Albor, Neidy Ramirez, Emily Taylor, and Tayler Trout.



These are just a few examples of the stickers that folks can put on their Valentines with the help of the HHS cheerleaders.

HHS cheerleaders will deliver your Valentines

Just in time for the sweet day, the Homedale High School cheer squad is holding a Valentine's Day fundraiser.

Cheerleaders will deliver custom Valentines greetings to raise money for their program. The deliveries will take place on Valentine's Day (Monday, Feb. 14) to Homedale addresses and schools only.

There are several Valentines layouts from which to choose, and they cost \$3 each of \$5 for two.

Add a carnation for \$2 more, or a rose for an additional \$5.

For more information, talk to any HHS cheerleader or email heidilawler07@yahoo.com

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Community members bring HHS career fair home

Nearly two dozen people involved in local businesses and industry staked out space in Homedale High School classrooms to talk about the future. Their target audience was teenagers — every student on campus from freshmen to seniors — thanks to a community career fair organized by Kristie Dorsey.

After an assembly in the main gymnasium during which HHS principal Matt Holtry spoke of having a road map for the future, the youth rotating through classrooms for 15-minute lectures and question-and-answer sessions covering pursuing careers in:

- Financial advising and accounting — Gavin Parker, Kelsi Puri, and Ismael Garcia from Parker Advisors
- Irrigation engineering — Aqua Irrigation personnel, scheduled to be Kasey Garrett and Corby Garrett
- The Integra Resources DeLamar Mine — Public information specialist Emily Hendrickson, hydrogeologist Alyssa Veatch, and engineer Mike Spicher
- Computer programming — HHS graduate and parent

Tony Uranga

- Realtor Tracy Grove, the wife of HHS athletic director Casey Grove
- First-responder — Madalyn Watt, an emergency medical technician
- EMTs — Michelle Escujuri Schaffer
- Early childhood education — Homedale preschool owner Erica Dines
- Career planning — Chandra Mendoza and Monica Nieto
- Mechanic — Jerry Breshears from Perfection Repair
- Welder — Homedale resident and retired Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency instructor Mark Bauer
- Physical therapist — Scott Olsen from RehabAuthority’s Homedale clinic
- Nail technician — Petrea Lee from Rumors Hair & Nails in Homedale
- Law enforcement — Homedale Police School Resource Officer Clayton Cart

Holtry, student services specialist Debbie Flaming and ag teacher Rachel Rheuby assisted Dorsey with logistical coordination.



Gavin Parker of Parker Advisors (right) quizzes Homedale High School students on different real-world aspects of financial planning as co-workers Kelsi Puri and Ismael Garcia look on.



A handful of presenters, like Tony Uranga (and Parker and Garcia), returned to their alma mater to talk to the next generation of the workforce. Uranga used a projector to illustrate his computer engineering chat.

Ridgeview Irrigation board ready to appoint new director

South Board governing boards to meet Tuesday

The Ridgeview Irrigation District board of directors should be back to full strength after Tuesday’s meeting. The board, which oversees

the management of the Oregon side of the southern portion of the Owyhee Project, is expected to appoint Sterling Johnston to the vacant seat on the three-man panel.

The directors meet at 1 p.m., on Tuesday to start a series of monthly meetings for the South Board of Control.

All three meetings take place

inside the South Board of Control building at 201 W. Wyoming Ave.

All meetings are open to in-person attendance, but are still available via videoconference on Zoom.

Johnston has agreed to replace John Lax on the Ridgeview board. Lax didn’t seek another term in November’s election and

retired from service Dec. 31.

Once Johnston is officially part of the Ridgeview board, the directors could elect a new chairman. Bret Nielson currently serves as Ridgeview chair and—consequently—as Ridgeview’s representative on the South Board of Control.

Mark Aman is the third Ridgeview board member.

After the Ridgeview meeting, the Gem Irrigation board will convene at 1:15 p.m.

The South Board of Control convenes at 1:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in sitting in on the meetings via the internet through Zoom can contact the SBOC office at (208) 337-3760 to get a link to access the meeting.

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Crowdfunding helps Homedale family displaced by house fire

Online effort raises thousands of dollars in days

A Homedale family is rebuilding after a house fire most likely triggered by a heat lamp in an outdoor rabbit pen.

Chantell and Codi Lee, their three children and two dogs are living in an RV on her parents' Caldwell property while things get sorted out after last Wednesday's blaze at their year-old Succor Creek Road home.

Family friend Taylor Zimmerman has started a GoFundMe page to help the family. As of Monday morning, more than \$6,200 of the \$10,000 goal had been raised.

The page can be found at www.gofundme.com/f/leefamilyfire?utm_source=facebook

Scorched siding and roof eaves on house's exterior is just the beginning, Chantell told The Owyhee Avalanche.

"It's way worse on the inside than the outside. It's almost a complete loss," she said.

Homedale's volunteer firefighters responded to the home southwest of town last Wednesday morning. Fire Chief Dennis Uria said every piece of equipment responded



Chantell Lee said the fire started outside the home, traveled up the wall and destroyed beams and HVAC equipment in the attic. Submitted photo

and crews were on scene for a couple hours.

"The fire department was more than amazing," Chantell said.

Chantell told KTVB Channel 7 that he husband was out of the house taking their daughters to school when she walked into the kitchen and noticed smoke pouring from the microwave.

When she opened the microwave door, flames had apparently worked their way up the wall pushed her across the room.

Chantell, a St. Luke's Intensive Care Unit nurse, was home alone with the couple's toddler son and dogs at the time.

She told KTVB that the likely culprit was a heat lamp falling into hay after becoming dislodged from the wire cage outside.

The flames shot up the wall and did extensive damage in the attic and other parts of the home's interior, photos show.

Chantell, Cori and the family had been the house just over a year after living in the RV as construction wrapped up.

Now, Chantell said, the family is back in the RV as the insurance company works out long-term rental arrangements.

Uria said the HFD burnout fund and buckets full of toiletries were utilized to help the family.

— JPB

Marsing teens star in anti-vaping PSAs

A group of Marsing teenagers are getting their spotlight to help curb vaping.

A college freshman, four high schoolers, and a middle-schooler make up the six Marsing students who teamed with another four from Caldwell to produce public service announcements in partnership with Project Filter.

The University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension's Surine Greenway and her colleagues Sendy Martinez (Ada County) and Jackie Amende (Canyon County) also took part in the effort.

Marsing students include:

- **Annie Miller** — A freshman at Northwest Nazarene University and the daughter of Darin and Janet Miller
- **Audrie Miller** — A junior at Marsing High and Annie's sister
- **Jonathan Ineck** — A Marsing High senior and son

of Jason and Kelly Ineck

- **Dakota Krausch** — A Marsing senior whose parents are Matt Krausch and Kayla Collins
- **Jaci Montgomery** — A Marsing sophomore whose parents are Jason and Bre Montgomery
- **Mikayla Montgomery** — An eighth-grader at Marsing Middle School and Jaci's sister

The teenagers drafted, edited and finalized scripts and then served as the on-air talent for the videotaped PSAs.

The project began in May, and the PSAs were recorded on Aug. 16, meaning that the Marsing teens gave up their final day of summer vacation to shoot the videos.

The PSAs are currently airing on local radio and television through February.

Greenway said the in-kind partnership has a value of at least \$250,000.

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Library programs utilize microwaves, pressure cookers

Story Time features "If You Give a ..." series

Easy cooking ideas are on tap this week at the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library.

The fun begins at 5 p.m., on Thursday when Teens & Tweens youth make "Dessert in a Mug" at the Homedale Community Center, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Boys and girls ages 10-17 will learn how to make cake and muffins in a mug.

Boxed baking mixes will be utilized to help teach the youth how to make quick single-serving desserts in the microwave.

On Friday, the U and I Together class starts at 2 p.m., inside Homedale's city library

(121 W. Owyhee Ave.).

University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences instructor Suriñe Greenway will lead a free class on how to use an electric pressure cooker.

Folks attending the lecture series this week will learn the basics of electric pressure cooker models, different features of the appliances, safety tips, and tricks to make cooking easy.

Samples will be passed around, too.

Animals and food are at the forefront for Monday's Opal Nash Story Time.

The reading begins at 10:15 a.m., with "If You Give a Moose a Muffin" and "If You Give a Pig a Pancake," both by L.J. Numeroff.

The preschoolers will be given coloring sheets.

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Commentary

Jon P. Brown,
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Eyes on
Owyhee
Service after
the service

Luke Hayward has the right ideas. Now hopefully he can get some help in making those ideas a reality.

The recently installed commander of Samuel C. Phillips III Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 11065 appreciates and respects his fellow armed services veterans and current members.

But, as much as Hayward supports the Second Amendment and holds dear his affinity for guns, he is more focused on the “service” part than the “armed” part.

He wants to make sure service members — veterans and retirees who have put in their time and those who are still in or may be transitioning to civilian life — understand that organizations like the VFW and the American Legion are more about the “service” part of the prestigious and respected label of serviceman or woman.

Hayward isn’t from around here, but he chose to become active in — and now lead — a VFW post that serves Homedale, Marsing, Wilder, Parma and Notus.

And, he wants to ensure that the populations of those towns — civilian and otherwise — understand that the VFW is indeed here to serve those communities.

He plans to reach out to the area’s American Legion posts and collaborate. There’s no sense in veterans organizations pulling separately in the same direction.

For the VFW, the service always has been about youth, including the annual Patriot Pen and Voice of Democracy civics contests. Middle-schoolers are encouraged to write essays, and high school students get to produce short speeches on themes chosen by the VFW national organization each year.

Each December, Post 11065 holds a banquet to honor the top entries in the local contest — which usually includes students from Homedale, Marsing and Hope House as well as Parma and Wilder and Notus.

In the past, the dinner has been catered, and it has included some pretty good (grown-up) grub.

Last year, however, Hayward switched things up. He figured the night is actually about the youth, so how about some kids’ fare. And, unlike previous years, the night should actually take place at the VFW hall in Wilder.

The Bowling Alley stepped in with chicken nuggets and other menu items that would appeal to the younger set.

On Saturday, the VFW said thanks. Hayward, Joe Freeman and Hailey Freeman presented the youth bowling league with a \$500 check to help with the scholarship fund and other needs.

Joe and Hailey Freeman are relatively new VFW additions as Hayward continues to try to attract younger veterans and their loved ones into the fold.

Joe Freeman is a VFW member by virtue of his service with the Idaho National Guard in Afghanistan

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Kurt Liebich, Idaho State Board of Education president



Idaho education
Higher education helps drive
Idaho’s booming economy

As a longtime Idaho businessman, I interact with a lot of people from throughout our state who work at, or even lead companies that are fueling Idaho’s dynamic economy. Often, these Idahoans, attended Idaho public schools and many of them graduated from our higher education institutions as well.

Idaho’s economy is a testament to the high-quality education Idahoans receive from our public system at all levels. A new independent study reinforces that.

“The Economic Value of Idaho Public Colleges and Universities,” commissioned by the Idaho State Board of Education and conducted by Moscow-based Emsi Burning Glass, analyzed data from State Fiscal Year 2019-20.

Here are some of the key findings:

Idaho’s eight public higher education institutions generate \$4.5 billion in Gross State Product (GSP) annually, a value approximately equal to 5.3 percent of our state’s total GSP.

There are 10,750 full and part-time faculty and staff working at our institutions, and there are more than 74,400 additional jobs supported by those institutions throughout our state (one out of every 14 jobs in Idaho).

The net impact of former students currently employed in the Idaho workforce totaled \$3.1 million in GSP.

For every dollar of public money invested in Idaho public colleges and universities, taxpayers will receive \$1.80 in return over the course of students’

working lives — an average rate of return for taxpayers of 4.6 percent.

For every dollar students invest in their education, they will receive \$4.20 in return in higher earnings over the course of their working lives. The students’ annual rate of return is 16.6 percent.

I touted many of the figures from the study during my presentation last week to the Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee, kicking off Education Week at the Idaho Legislature.

I also told lawmakers that I don’t understand a vocal minority within our state that continuously promotes a narrative that our education system is fundamentally broken and we need to defund it. While there is always room to improve this system, imagine where our state and where our economy would be without a strong, diverse public education system that for decades has been educating and training leaders, entrepreneurs and creative, hard-working employees?

Gov. Brad Little certainly understands the value of public education, and I applaud him for his 11 percent increase in the K-12 budget, his 7.1 percent budget increase for our four-year higher education institutions and 4.8 percent increase for our community colleges.

Higher education is the lifeblood of our state’s

— See *Education*, Page 13A

From Washington
A free, fair market promotes energy
innovation; Dems’ bill won’t do that

At a time when the Biden administration’s reckless policies are fueling record inflation and supply chain disruptions, we must ensure all Idahoans can find ways to cope, including through relief at the pump. I support a robust market for clean fuels and transportation that makes adoption of electric vehicles (EV) and other innovative technologies more affordable and attainable, not just for those with deep pockets. Regrettably, EV provisions under discussion in the Build Back Better Act (BBBA) run counter to those goals. The proposals currently being considered would limit consumer choice; discriminate against right-to-work states, such as Idaho, and American workers who choose not to unionize; subsidize luxury vehicle purchases by the well-to-do; and hamstring the United States’ ability to compete in foreign markets. That is why I am urging my Democratic colleagues to shelve their proposals.

The federal government should not pick clear winners and losers in the free marketplace. While the BBBA purports to provide a tax credit of up to \$12,500 to support adoption of EVs, this enhanced credit would not just be for any EV, or even most EVs. Some American consumers may prefer to continue buying the country’s best-selling EV, the EV with the longest range, or perhaps the most affordable EV on the market. Yet none of those vehicles is eligible for the full credit under the bill. Of the 50 EVs presently for sale in the United States, only two models of the same car are eligible for the full \$12,500 under the

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proposal. Americans should not have 96 percent of their choices in the marketplace penalized, as would occur with the Democrats’ proposal.

Moreover, the federal government should not put its thumb on the choices of our workers to belong to a union or not. Idaho law declares our state’s policy to be to “maximize individual freedom of choice in the pursuit of employment.” BBBA takes away that freedom by saying goods made by

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Commentary

Financial management

Buy home, land that won't leave you "house poor"



Dear Dave,
My wife and I own a small catering business. We have a few big corporations as clients, and our company has been very successful over the last two or three years. Now, we are planning to build a house. I was wondering what you think about how much should be spent on the land itself versus the construction of the actual house.

— Lee

Dear Lee,
When the whole thing is done, the payment you end up

with shouldn't be more than 25 percent of your take-home pay on a 15-year, fixed-rate loan. The ratio of land to house can vary, and that part's up to you. If you're buying a big piece of land, you're probably going to have a higher ratio of land cost to home cost than if you bought a simple lot and put a really nice home there. Generally, a standard subdivision lot is going to be around 20 percent of the total price. If you spend \$100,000 on the lot, you'll end up with a total project cost of about a half-million. Now,

keep in mind that's just a fairly standard ratio. It's not a rule. The only rule here is my rule about mortgage payments. Again, no more than 25 percent of your take-home pay on a fixed-rate, 15-year note. Otherwise, you can end up house poor. And when you're house poor, it takes away your ability to save, build wealth, and give. Having a big house and a lot of land is cool if you can afford it, Lee. But it's not worth it if it's financially stressful and prevents you from living your best 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.

✓ Service: New VFW post commander works to expand community reach

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as a MEDIVAC crewman.
Hailey Freeman got involved because of her connection to Joe, and she has been put in charge of developing a VFW Auxiliary.
And, yes, Hayward is trying to correct some misconceptions about the Auxiliary, too.
Auxiliary units for service groups traditionally have been comprised of women who are married or otherwise related to post members.
In reality, an Auxiliary member is anyone who has ties to a service member though they may not have served themselves.

Now you're still talking about wives, girlfriends, daughters and nieces, but also nephews and brothers and cousins. There is no gender specification for an Auxiliary unit.
So Hayward works to expand the base within the VFW, and grow its benevolent influence outside the walls of that hall in Wilder, and the post's presence in the community.
Andrew Tuttle, a Treasure Valley race car driver, is a Post 11065 member. He was the guy with the loud car in the Marsing holiday parade in December.
Another iron in the fire for Hayward: Helping his fellow veterans.

He wants to make mental health resources available to service members — both active and veteran — who are having trouble adjusting to life out of the service or coping with the horrors of war or any other stress-inducing aspects of life.
A Post 11065 member is working on becoming a counselor, but in the meantime, wouldn't it be great if a qualified individual or individuals stepped up and figured out a way to provide those services as a way of thanking those who have put it all on the line for us?
Serving those who served and continue to serve. It comes full circle.

✓ Innovation: Build Back Better could hurt domestic manufacturers

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workers who decline to unionize should cost more for consumers.
Such proposed government actions arbitrarily benefit certain firms, hurt American workers and limit consumer choice. It makes no sense to undermine innovators in this field, the livelihoods of Americans who would work for them, or the accessibility of their products to American consumers. The better solution is to promote a fully competitive market where the pressure to compete on quality, consumer service, and price remains strong.
Build Back Better's EV subsidies also flow disproportionately to the wealthy. Giving \$12,500 in tax credits to households making up to half a million

dollars a year for the purchase of \$80,000 luxury vehicles does nothing to make EVs more affordable for the middle class.
Moreover, domestic content and assembly provisions in the bill undermine America's trade interests. At a time when America should be rallying its allies to confront China on trade policy, such provisions are needlessly driving a wedge between the United States and our allies by promoting Chinese-style industrial policy. Annual EV exports from U.S. plants in 2020 exceeded 215,000 vehicles, the most of any single nation. The adoption of Build Back Better's proposed EV credit scheme threatens the United States with retaliation from our allies for breaching trade rules and encourages our trading

partners to adopt similar schemes to the detriment of our own industry and workers.
The United States is home to the world's greatest auto companies because Americans embrace free and fair markets, both as producers and consumers. There is no reason to turn our back on that winning formula by moving forward with proposals to undermine the foundation of what makes our markets so successful.
— 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.

✓ Education: Report is good news for the future

From Page 12A
economy. It gives our citizens the knowledge and skills they need to live healthy, successful lives. It trains the workforce our businesses need to be successful and thrive. And it is one of the first things potential employers look at before deciding whether to relocate to Idaho from outside our state.
That is the real narrative of higher education in Idaho.
The Economic Value of Idaho Colleges and Universities report is posted on the State Board of Education website, and I encourage you to look at it and judge for yourself the value higher education brings to our state.
Here's the link: <https://boardofed.idaho.gov/resources/the-economic-value-of-idaho-public->

universities/
In my view, public education is worth every penny, and we need to keep investing in that system so that our economy, 10 or 20 years from now, is even stronger, more diverse and resilient than it is today.
— Boise businessman Kurt Liebich is president of the Idaho State Board of Education. Gov. Brad Little appointed him to the ISBE in December 2019. His term ends on June 30, 2024. To correspond with Liebich or any ISBE board member, call (208) 334-2632, fax to (208) 334-2632 or email board@osbe.idaho.gov. The Office of the State Board of Education mailing address is P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0037, and the physical address is 650 W. State St., 3rd Floor, Boise.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

February 5, 1997



Cutting edge ...

Auctioneer Lonnie Rudd cries for bids on this hand-painted saw blade during Marsing’s annual Disaster Auction last Saturday. The art piece brought \$250.

Grober opens law practice in home office

Dan Grober’s law office opened for practice in Homedale last November 1, 1996. He is located at 2 East Oregon, practicing in an office out of his home.

Dan is originally from Illinois, but he has lived in Idaho for many years, first teaching English and writing classes at the College of Southern Idaho, and then, going to law school at the University of Idaho.

Dan’s law career began in Idaho where he was with a small general practice firm, in Twin Falls, for four years and then became the Jerome County public defender. Not only does Dan have roots in Idaho but, specifically in Owyhee County where he taught English at Rimrock in 1976, before pursuing law.

Owyhee Ranch closes up shop

O w y h e e Ranch and Casual Wear owner Roger Hinton straightens a display of blue jeans priced to sell during his going out of business sale.



Busy retirement ahead for local businessman

Retirement age has finally arrived, and none too soon for longtime Homedale businessman Roger Hinton.

But that doesn’t mean he plans to spend his newly-acquired free time in a rocking chair. There’s still plenty of things to be done.

“There are things I’d like to do,” said Hinton, for ten years the owner of Owyhee Ranch and Casual Wear on Main Street. “Repairs around the farm. And some hunting, fishing, and traveling.”

Hinton figures his remaining inventory will be sold by sometime next month. The building, formerly owned by the Idaho Department Store Co., has been sold to Jerry Rasmussen, owner of Homedale Drug.

Internet service available to local area

A local internet service will soon be available to Homedale, Parma and Wilder. Local businessman Ira Powers is responsible for the hook up, which will be made via the cyber highway. Ira will provide full internet access for Mac and PC users for a \$25.00 set up fee, with a basic service fee beginning at \$9.95 and ranging to \$24.95 for unlimited hours.

50 years ago

February 3, 1972



ALL-STATE CHOIR members from Homedale High School are, from left, Mike Hyer, junior, Alan Echeverria, senior, Kathy Westby, junior and Joe Johnson, senior (not pictured), shown here with Mrs. Hollis Cooke, chorus director. They will attend the All-State assembly at the University of Idaho in Moscow on March 23-25. Photo by Bette Uda.

Soil conservation groups to give county data

The Owyhee County Planning Commission recently requested the Owyhee Soil Conservation District and the Bruneau SCS to provide soils and water information for county planning.

This information is needed before the Commission can make sound decisions in planning the resources of Owyhee County.

Of immediate concern is the multiple-use area which lies along the Snake River.

Homedale and Marsing have now formed planning commissions and will work directly with the Owyhee County Planning Commission. With further developments foreseen along the south side of the Snake River, the commissions want to be prepared to legislate planning ordinances for wise use of this land.

Trojan cagers score 68-62 win

The visiting Trojans clipped Kuna’s Kavemen 68-62 behind the 25-point scoring effort of center Richard Degitz during Tuesday night Southwest Idaho Conference basketball action.

The Trojans, now 11-3 for all games and 4-1 in league play, rallied from a halftime 33-33 tie and went ahead by six points in the third quarter and held that lead at the finish.

Kuna was led in the scoring column by Shane Beus who hit for 24 points. Mike Young joined Beus in double figures with 12 while Alan Echeverria and Brian Vance hit two figures for the Trojans with 16 and 10 respectively.

Interest shown in J.C. chapter for Homedale

For the past several weeks Parma Jaycees have been meeting with young men of Homedale in hopes of re-establishing the Homedale Jaycees.

The visits to Homedale have been encouraging, and a lot of enthusiasm has been shown.

During Jaycee Week Idaho State Jaycee President Fred Manthey, 6th District President Jack Raymond, Parma President Norman Cornwell and several Parma Jaycees met briefly with Mayor George Murray to discuss the Homedale Jaycee Chapter.

155 years ago

February 2, 1867

COUNTY SEAT.—An immense amount of guessing and lying concerning this matter has been in vogue for several days. The law has not been produced in this County and this fact — probably others too — has prevented the removal of the County records to Silver yesterday. The bill has been reported lost or stolen, &c., but Mr. F. E. Ensign, who has made an examination of the laws on file in the Secretary’s office at the Capital, says he saw the bill duly approved by the Gov. The Sheriff is said to be the party authorized to move the records, and he is willing to do so upon seeing the law requiring it of him, but unwilling without. He offered to do so if Hon. R. T. Miller, member of the Council, would make affidavit that there was a law imposing such duty, but he declined to make it. The Act will doubtless be obtained soon and, we believe, once for all, the continual wrangling on this local question receives a quietus. The Sheriff had made arrangements to occupy the room next door north of the AVALANCHE office, and if the law had been here as it should, he no doubt would have been now in his new quarters. Whatever of deviltry there may be afloat it cannot be long kept concealed.

IDAHO SILVER.—An Eastern dispatch says the ship Mercury cleared for Havre, from New York, January 17th, with “1,500 packages for the Paris Exposition. Two specimens of Idaho silver for the Exposition were exhibited at Washington by Prof. Eggleston, of Columbia College. One weighs two hundred pounds, and is from the Owyhee District. California and Nevada also have specimens shipped by the Mercury.”

NEW FERRY ON SNAKE RIVER.—Mr. Monahon informs us that his ferry on Snake will be completed and running by the 10th of this month. It is located about five miles above the present ferry on the road to Boise, and can be reached by a much superior route for water and grass. The distance from where the road leaves Reynolds’ Creek to the present ferry is over a sage brush waste — without grass or water, excepting a brackish spring a couple of miles from Carson’s Ranch; whereas we are assured that by the road to Mr. M.’s ferry plenty of grass and excellent water is found every few miles. At present, we are told that the best way to this ferry is to leave Reynolds’ Creek at Ray’s Ranch, bearing to the east over a low divide and follow down a branch of Rabbit Creek. Mr. M. will at once proceed to open a road to the main overland one leading from Boise City to Salt Lake, which is to pass over a better route for grass and water for camping purposes, and as near to Boise as by the old road. He will at all times be prepared to furnish meals at the ferry. Any travel to Lemhi, Montana or the States will find the way by Monahon’s Ferry the nearest.

REOPENED.—The Idaho Hotel at Ruby City has been purchased by A. D. Miller, Esq., thoroughly overhauled, repaired extensively so as to be more comfortable than ever, and reopened for accommodation of the public. In passing through it the other day, we were agreeably surprised at the pleasant appearance of everything about the house. Mr. Miller will not fail to feed his guests as good as the best and the facilities for a “square sleep” are neat and conducive to rest.

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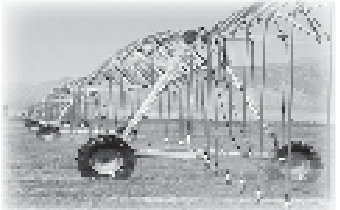
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Another public comment period is available for the Air Force's plan for uniformity in the Mountain Home Range Complex's training floor.

The proposal affects six Military Operating Areas (MOAs) serving Idaho's Air Force Base and covering an area that includes Owyhee County and Nevada.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) also has a public comment process for the proposal to modify the range's operational altitude stratum. Comments submitted for the FAA process should focus on aeronautical aspects of the proposal.

The Air Force has made the proposal to adapt training environment to technological advancements in surface-to-air missile capabilities and the fact that existing and potential adversaries have obtained the technology and the threat to F-15 aircrew.

The proposed action seeks to create a more uniform floor

across the six MOAs in the complex, combined with a more generous authorization for supersonic activity directly associated with required training for important defensive tactics

The MOAs include:

- Paradise North
- Paradise South
- Owyhee North
- Owyhee South
- Jarbidge North
- Jarbidge South

Supersonic operations will occur starting at 10,000 feet above ground level (AGL) within the lateral boundaries of Paradise North, Paradise South, Owyhee South, and Jarbidge South MOAs.

Written public comment regarding the overall aeronautical aspects of the proposal are welcome.

To be eligible for consideration, comments must be relevant to the effect the proposal will have upon the efficient and navigable use of airspace.

Comments should refer to

the Aeronautical Study Number: 21-ANM-4NR and include/describe valid aeronautical reasons.

Comments must be received by Feb. 15.

Submit correspondence to:

- **Postal mail** — Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration Operations Support Group, Western Service Center, Attention: Greg Nairn, 2200 S. 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198. Call (206) 231-3435 for information.
- **Email** — Include subject line "AIRSPACE STUDY 21-ANM-4NR, Mountain Home Range Complex" and email to 7-ANM-OSG-Public-Notice-Inbox@faa.gov

Direct questions or concerns related to environmental review or land use aspects of the proposed MOAs to Mountain Home Air Force Base (AFB), Airspace Optimization, Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), 1740 E. Fairview Ave., PMB 20, Meridian, ID 83642.



Layth Jenkins once again displays the prize in the Grand View Lions Club's annual gun raffle. Submitted photo

GV Lions online auction starts Friday

Bids for the annual Grand View Lions Community Auction open online Friday.

Items will be available for bidding at <https://bakerauction.com/calendar.php> with a soft closure for auction beginning at 2:30 p.m., on Friday, Feb. 11. Click on "Grand View Lions Club Auction" to start bidding.

Top bidders can pick up their merchandise between 9 a.m., and 4 p.m., on Saturday, Feb. 12 at the American Legion Post 134 Hall, 410 Roosevelt Ave., in Grand View.

Auction items will be available for in-person preview between 5 p.m., and 7 p.m., on Thursday, Feb. 10 at the Legion Hall.

There are raffle prizes, too. Winning tickets for a Henry .17 HMR Golden Boy rifle and two boxes of shells and a Traeger pellet barbecue grill will be drawn at 4 p.m., on Friday, Feb. 11. Campbell Tractor donated the Traeger.

Tickets cost \$1 each of \$5 for six and are available at Grand View Gas. Tickets will be sold at the Legion Hall on Feb. 10, too.

All proceeds from the auction and raffle will be put back into the community served by the Lions Club – Bruneau, Grand View and Oreana.

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girls battling again

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DISTRICT III GIRLS' BASKETBALL TOURNEYS BEGIN

Rimrock aims for 5th straight State trip

Excelling on both sides of the court, Rimrock High School sewed up the No. 3 berth in the district tournament Thursday.

The Raiders thumped Wilder, 41-17, in a 1A Western Idaho Conference girls' basketball game in Bruneau.

Coach Kyla Jewett's team held the Wildcats scoreless in the second quarter, and Ashton Moore poured in 10 of her 14 points in the second half.

Rimrock (12-7 overall, 6-2 in conference) will play host to a play-in game winner in a 1A, Div. I District III Tournament quarterfinal at 7 p.m., on Thursday in Bruneau.

A victory would send Rimrock into the semifinals, most likely against second-seeded Liberty Charter. The semifinal game takes place at 6 p.m., on Monday at Columbia High School in Nampa.

Teams that reach the district championship game at 7:30 p.m., on Friday, Feb. 11 will earn automatic passage into the 1A, Div. I Real Dairy Shootout state tournament.

Rimrock has ended the season in the state tournament in each of the past four seasons, and the Raiders have won two consecutive district titles and three of the past four.

Jewett has led her alma mater into four straight district championship games.

— See *Rimrock*, page 4B



Homedale sophomore Zayne Hall (right) takes a shot over a crowd of Grizzlies, including Halle Drollinger (4) and Graycie Huff (22), in Friday night action.

Tenacious Trojans to open postseason on home court

HHS challenges Grizzlies in 3A SRV finale

The 3A District III girls' basketball tournament will begin at home for Homedale High School.

The Trojans finished fourth in the 3A Snake River Valley conference after a hard-fought 64-50 loss to top-seeded Fruitland on Senior

Night on Friday.

The No. 4 seed Trojans (7-13, 3-7) play host to fifth-seeded McCall-Donnelly (6-12, 3-7) at 7 p.m., on Thursday in the first round of the district tournament.

A victory sends Homedale into the semifinals for a rematch against host and top-seeded Fruitland at 7 p.m., on Saturday.

— See *Trojans*, page 6B

Melba mauls Marsing to end regular season

No. 2 Mustangs coast into district semifinals

Melba High School's chance to exact revenge in the 2A District III Tournament is progressing.

The Mustangs closed the

2A Western Idaho Conference season with a 55-13 victory over Marsing on Friday during Senior Night inside Potter Gymnasium.

Coach David Lenz's squad (17-3 overall, 9-3 in conference) is the No. 2 seed in the district tournament, earning a bye into the semifinals and sitting one

win away from a possible rematch with top-seeded Cole Valley Christian in the championship game.

Melba plays either New Plymouth, Marsing or Compass Charter in the semifinal at 7:30 p.m., on Saturday at Vallivue High School in Caldwell.

The Mustangs lost last

season's title game to the Chargers before winning three straight games to capture the 2A Real Dairy Shootout state tournament championship.

The Chargers went through the 12-game conference schedule unbeaten and are the top-seeded team in the

— See *Melba*, page 3B

Reeling HHS boys rebound vs. Parma

Fruitland gets
8 points in last
minute of 4th

Cam Long's intensity turned into resignation — sort of — 24 hours after a tough loss to his team's archrival.

Homedale High School saw a seven-point lead evaporate in the final minute of regulation Thursday, and host Fruitland erupted in the four-minute extra period for a 65-53 overtime 3A Snake River Valley conference boys' basketball victory.

The funk didn't last long: Homedale blasted Parma, 63-31, in Saturday's home matinee.

The Trojans were unsuccessful 10 of 14 free-throw attempts

— See *HHS*, page 4B

Raiders ramble on

Boys surpass
2010-11 win total

Gus Black led three scorers in double figures Thursday as Rimrock High School picked up its fifth straight 1A Western Idaho Conference victory.

Black scored all but two of his 17 points in the first half of a 65-18 boys' basketball blowout of Wilder in Bruneau.

The Raiders (9-3 overall, 5-0 in conference) have won eight or more games in a season for the first time since 2010-11, which was John Hannah's first year at the helm.

Rimrock entered Tuesday's game against first-year conference member Centennial Baptist in Caldwell having won eight of nine games.

The Raiders ended the week with a one-game lead over Victory Charter and two-game edges over both Liberty Charter and Centennial Baptist.

Rimrock rocketed to a 24-6

— See *Raiders*, page 4B

Sports

Marsing boys keep driving with defense

by John Bruyninckx
For The Owyhee Avalanche

After a tight first half of play, Marsing High School’s recent third-quarter shooting troubles continued, and the boys’ basketball matchup against Compass Charter got away from the host Huskies.

Despite a late-game comeback, Marsing came up short, losing the 2A Western Idaho Conference game, 44-40.

“We were only down 24-21 at the half, then those third-quarter woes affected us again,” Huskies coach Tim Little said. “We only managed to score three points in the quarter.”

All three points in the quarter came at the free-throw line, as the host Huskies couldn’t get any of their field-goal attempts to drop.

In the fourth quarter, with the shooters finding their range and the defense tightening, Marsing pulled within three points of the Aviators twice in the final minute of play.

Little was excited by the fourth-quarter effort, but Compass iced the game with free throws.

“We came back and pulled up within three,” he said. “But we had to keep fouling them to stop the clock, and they were clutch.”

The Aviators hit nine of 13 shots from the charity stripe



Marsing sophomore Braden Ankeny eyes a jump shot over Cole Valley Christian’s David Howlett on Thursday.

in the final quarter.

As Marsing kept it close while time slowly wound down, Compass stifled the late rally in the final minute and continued its clutch free-throw shooting

Senior guard Noel Queb-

rado was the Huskies’ leading scorer with 15 points, including a perfect 4-for-4 from the foul line. Dusty Engle chipped in with 10 points, hitting five of six shots.

Thursday: Cole Valley Christian 55, Marsing 22 — The visiting Chargers showed why they are No. 8 in the most recent MaxPreps Class 2A ratings.

Both teams tried to dictate the pace early. Marsing began play with a slow and patient offense, waiting for the easy basket to develop. Cole Valley countered, forcing turnovers with a well-played 3/4-court trap.

When a clear shot developed in the Huskies’ constantly moving half-court offense, the ball more times than not didn’t go through the hoop.

Cole Valley took a quick 6-2 lead when David Howlett converted a three-point play after a layup and a foul by Marsing junior forward Mikey Acosta.

Marsing hung around as Braden Ankeny went strong to the hoop for a layup of his own, bringing the Huskies to within four points, 10-6.

Marsing started the second quarter with their patient offense still in play, and after a minute and four seconds had come off the clock, Quebrado hit a nice jumper to help the Huskies pull within two points,

10-8.

That’s when the proverbial wheels fell off the bus.

Cole Valley reeled off a 13-2 run, including the final eight points of the half, and went to the locker room holding a 23-10 lead. Max Myers scored five points for the Chargers during the run, including a three-pointer after grabbing an offensive rebound.

“It was a great defensive first half, holding them to 23 points,” Little said. “Even though we were down 23-10 at half, there were a lot of positives with two starters out this week due to sickness.”

Acosta and Engle missed a lot of practice and saw very little action coming off the bench against the Chargers.

Cole Valley opened the second half with 14 consecutive points. The Chargers knocked down seven of their 10 attempts from behind the three-point line.

“The eagerness to continue to improve, the physical effort no matter what the score, and the attitude each day to work hard in the gym is rare among teams that struggle,” Little said.

“However, each day and game, we, as coaches, do not have to beg or plead. They all practice and play as hard as they can, and these young men deserve a lot of credit.”

Marsing frosh third in Caldwell

Freshman Erika Frazier won three of four matches Saturday to win a bronze medal at the Caldwell Girls’ Invitational.

The Marsing High School wrestler beat Middleton’s Maya Corbin, 12-6, in the third-place bout after her only loss of the tournament.

Hometown wrestler Toni Avelino pinned Frazier in 3 minutes, 40 seconds of their semifinal.

Frazier’s tournament started with a dramatic, high-scoring sudden victory.

She beat Owyhee’s Marlie Skidmore, 23-21, in extra time.

Frazier pinned Weiser’s Anika Nuñez in 69 seconds in the quarterfinal round.

In the Caldwell junior varsity tournament, Trayton Jacobi went 3-1 to take third place. He pinned Union, Ore.’s James Dempsey at 1:30 in their final bout in the 195-pound bracket.

Iñigo Medina went 2-2 with an opening-round pin of Centennial’s John Clever (1:07) and a pin of Capital’s Ian Velvick (2:48) in the second round of consolation matches.

MARSING HUSKIES

This week’s Sports Schedule

Athletes of the Week



Girls' basketball
Raylynn Vanosdall, fr., G
3 points in regular-season finale



Boys' basketball
Braden Ankeny, so., F
Averaged 3 points, 7.5 rebounds in 2 games



Wrestling
Erika Frazier, fr., 106
3rd place (3-1) at Caldwell Tournament

Girls' basketball
Varsity
2A District III Tournament
If won Tuesday: Thursday, Feb. 3 at New Plymouth, 7 p.m.
If lost Tuesday: Season complete
If won Tuesday and win Thursday: Saturday, Feb. 5 vs. Melba, Vallivue H.S., Caldwell, 7:30 p.m.
If won Tuesday and lose Thursday: Tuesday, Feb. 8, opponent and location TBA, 7 p.m.

Wrestling
Coed
Saturday, Feb. 12, home for Marsing POD Tournament, old gym, 9:30 a.m.

Boys' basketball
Varsity
Wednesday, Feb. 2 at The Ambrose School, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 4, home vs. Vision Charter, 7:30 p.m.
Monday, Feb. 7 at Melba, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 9, home vs. Nampa Christian (Senior Night), 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Wednesday, Feb. 2 at The Ambrose School, 6 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 4, home vs. Vision Charter, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 5, home vs. Idaho City, 3 p.m.
Monday, Feb. 7 at Melba, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 9, home vs. Nampa Christian, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity B
Wednesday, Feb. 2 at The Ambrose School, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 5, home vs. Idaho City, 1 p.m.
Monday, Feb. 7 at Melba, 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 9, home vs. Nampa Christian, 4:30 p.m.



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Sports

Marsing, Melba battle on neutral mat

Freshman Erika Frazier was the only athlete to get a victory in Marsing High School’s dual meet against Melba.

The 2A Western Idaho Conference teams faced off last Wednesday as part of a tri-meet at Nampa Christian.

Frazier pinned Tyler Forsgren in 5 minutes, 17 seconds in the 106-pound match, but the Mustangs captured the other bouts for a 29-6 victory.

All but two of the matches were decided by pinfall.

Brenton Overall, Melba’s 182-

pounder, stopped Jonathan Leon at the 3:52 mark of their match with a 16-1 technical fall.

Cody Dickard won the 285-pound bout when Marsing’s Jarreck Fuentes had to retire because of injury.

Other Melba victories in the dual meet included:

- **138** — Joel Helm pinned Jaristian Crandall, 2:27
- **152** — John Hunter pinned Jantzen Davis, 2:58
- **160** — Izzy Martin pinned Iñigo Medina, 1:22

In extra matches:

- **138** — Noah Alvarez-Clausen pinned Jaristian Crandall, 4:30
- **182** — Evan Michaelson pinned Leon, 1:53

Nampa Christian 12, Marsing 0 — The Trojans, led by former Homedale assistant coach Mark Boothby, won two matches by pinfall.

Sean Barton (182) pinned Leon in 2:42, and Gabriel Bowlin (285) stopped Jarreck Fuentes in 3:09.

Melba 30, Nampa Christian 6 — Alvarez-Clausen won

a pair of matches in the Mustangs’ dual meet against the Trojans.

The 132-pounder pinned Derek Riggs in 66 seconds, and put Tanner Cagle on his back in 3:37.

Helm pinned Riggs in 1:01 in a 138-pound bout.

Overall pinned Barton 22 seconds before the end of their 182-pound bout.

Trevor Rhoades pulled off a pin of Bowlin four seconds before the final buzzer in their 220-pound match.

Girls’ basketball No. 7 JV chasing No. 2 Crane

Jordan Valley High School prepared for a girls’ basketball showdown with games against an archrival and a state title contender.

Coach Kelsi Skinner’s squad, ranked seventh in Class 1A statewide according to the Oregon School Activities Association, will shoot for a share of the 1A High Desert League lead Friday in a 4 p.m., home game against No. 2 Crane (18-1 overall, 9-0 in league).

Jordan Valley (16-3, 7-1) split its on-court games last week before picking up a forfeit victory over Dayville-Monument.

The Mustangs dropped a top-10 battle to No. 4 Country Christian, 61-54, in Crane on Friday.

The non-league loss followed a 54-31 blowout of league archrival Adrian on Jan. 25 on the road.

Friday: Country Christian 61, Jordan Valley 54 — Playing on a neutral court, the Mustangs clawed to a 39-38 lead heading into the final eight minutes against the Cougars from Molalla.

The District 1 squad, which plays in the same league as top-ranked Damascus Christian, rallied with 23 points in the fourth quarter to take the win.

Cassity Gluch scored 19 points to lead three Jordan Valley players in double figures.

Tayler Eiguren and Kelsey Gluch scored 11 points apiece as part of double-doubles. Eiguren collected 10 of her 11 rebounds on Country Christian’s end of the floor, while Kelsey Gluch collected 10 boards.

Jill Gammett added eight points, half of which came on the free-throw line as the Mustangs went 11-for-20.

Jan. 25: Jordan Valley 54, Adrian 31 — The Mustangs kept their distance against the third-place Antelopes (12-8, 5-3) behind Gammett’s 17 points and seven rebounds. She also had five steals.

Kelsey Gluch swished three of four three-point attempts for 14 points and also had seven rebounds and five steals.

Cassity Gluch scored 10 points and led the team with six steals.

Owyheean gets 6 wins for Melba at duals

The final bout was the decisive match in a showdown between 2A Western Idaho Conference teams in northern Idaho. And it went down to the wire.

McCall-Donnelly’s Bogdan Monahan caught Melba High School’s Noah Alvarez-Clausen with eight seconds left in their 132-pound match for a winning pinfall in a 39-33 victory during the Clearwater Valley North-South Duals.

The Mustangs won six of their eight dual meets during the Friday-Saturday tournament in Kooskia.

Owyhee County wrestler McKoy Richardson helped Melba win the first three bouts in the dual against McCall-Donnelly. He wrestled to a 9-5 decision against fellow 138-pounder Matthew Daniels.

Grant Svedin (145) followed that with a 1-minute, 46-second pin of Ethen Roberts.

Logan Dunn pinned Avery Riggs in 1:34 at 152.

The Vandals then rattled off wins in the next five bouts to take a 27-15 lead.

After Melba tied the match with forfeits at 285 pounds and 98 pounds, McCall-Donnelly won two of the final three bouts to get the victory.

Melba 51, Challis 33 — The Mustangs picked up four victories on the mat.

Evan Michaelson pinned Drake Beason in 1 minute, 8

seconds at 170 pounds to start the dual meet.

Cody Dickard stopped Avery Robles four seconds before the end of the first period of the 285 match.

Tyler Forsgren wrestled into the third period before pinning Andrew Schneider at 5:08 at 98 pounds.

Alex Norton won one of the two bouts that went the distance, beating Challis 126-pounder Josie Jensen, 10-6.

Melba 36, Clearwater Valley 36 — The host club got a forfeit and a pinfall in the dual’s final two matches to forge a tie.

Richardson kicked off the first of three straight victories for the Mustangs with a 62-second pin at 138 pounds.

Svedin beat Anthony Fabbit, 8-2, at 145, and Logan Dunn edged Payton Wilson, 6-4, at 152.

Michaelson needed just 48 seconds to pin Estuardo Puderbaugh at 170.

Trevor Rhoades put Isaac Goodwin on the mat at 5:48 of their 195 match.

Dickard pinned Connor Alder in 46 seconds at 285.

Melba 52, Grangeville 24 — Richardson dominated Terry Eich, 12-0, to get major decision points for the Mustangs at 138.

Norton (126) pinned Lucas Wren in 2:41.

Alvarez-Clausen (132)

stopped Keira White at the 5:04 mark.

Svedin (145) took down Ethen Sprague in 1:44.

Dunn (152) pinned JC Henry in 59 seconds.

Michaelson (170) pinned Parker Farmer in 1:40.

Rhoades (182) pinned Levi Stowell in 1:16.

Melba 61, Lewiston 6 — The majority of points came on forfeits, but Norton and Alvarez-Clausen got things started with wins on the mat.

Norton (126) pinned James Grossman in 5:10.

Alvarez-Clausen (132) needed extra time for an 8-6 sudden victory against Drew Dammon.

Svedin (145) beat Colton Ocain, 13-3, for a major decision.

Dunn (152) pinned Parker McGill in 3:35.

Izzy Martin (160) took down Wylie Wagner in 1:16.

Michaelson (170) pinned Connor Piper in 3:52.

Brenton Overall (182) needed just 57 seconds to pin Brian Wignall.

Melba 48, Orofino 36 — Forfeits at 285 and 98 gave the Mustangs a narrow victory in a back-and-forth dual.

Melba won five of six bouts in the middle of the dual to get some momentum, and Rhoades gave the Mustangs a 36-30 edge with at 72-second pin of John Dafeo at 195.

Alvarez-Clausen (132) started Melba’s victory streak by pinning Jaeger Dahl 1:31.

Richardson (138) made quick work of Anson Haines-Miller, ending the match in 39 seconds.

Svedin (145) pinned Chuteslee Webb in 2:58.

Brendan Svetich (160) pinned Brady Rains in 1:14.

Ririe 63, Melba 18 — Richardson, Svedin and Rhoades won matches with pins for Melba’s points.

Richardson (138) got Dennis Barnett in 29 seconds.

Svedin (145) stopped Ryker Harris in 2:37.

Rhoades (195) pinned Boston Barter 31 seconds before the scheduled end of their bout.

Melba 54, Salmon 36 — The Mustangs scored points in five of the dual’s first six matches to get momentum.

Michaelson (170) started the meet on the mat with a pin of Daniel Stieger (2:36).

Rhoades (195) pinned Garrett Rich in 2:31.

Dickard (285) needed just 50 seconds to stop Tyler Martens.

Alvarez-Clausen (132) took 47 seconds to pin Michael Jenko.

Richardson (138) pinned Carter Caywood in 1:19.

Svedin (145) closed the dual with a 2:33 pin of Keltonn Baker.

✓ Melba: Seniors split high-scoring honors in home finale

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tournament.

Marsing (4-12, 2-10) finished sixth in the conference. Coach Mike Swanson’s club played No. 7 Compass Charter on Tuesday after deadline. The winner moved into Thursday’s quarterfinals on the road against

No. 3 New Plymouth (7 p.m., tipoff), while the losing squad saw its season end.

In Friday’s regular-season finale, the Mustangs received 16 points apiece from guard Erika Hunter and forward Cali Sjostedt. Both girls were playing the final home game of

their prep careers.

Junior Mila Astorquia scored four points and freshman Raylyn Vanosdall added three points for the Huskies.

Melba takes a four-game win streak into the postseason.

The Huskies split their final four regular-season games.

Marsing beat Riverstone International, 58-39, last Wednesday and set its season high in points.

The win marked only the second time this season that Marsing scored more than 50 points (53-28 win over Cascade on Dec. 11).

Sports

Homedale 6th-graders storm back for crown

A furious comeback set up Homedale’s sixth-grade boys’ basketball team for a championship. The team erased a 15-point deficit over the final six minutes of Saturday’s Crash the Boards Winter Hoops Championship tournament final. Homedale edged Up Tempo, 42-39, for the title, capping a 4-0 weekend in Nampa. The squad consists of Easton Dines, Keiser Garrett,

Alejandro Martinez, Kreece Powell, Cain Roberts, Keighan Stimmel, Mason Taylor, Dylan Taylor and Donovan Uranga. The team is coached by Ben Roberts and Zac Taylor, and the players thank sponsors Aqua Irrigation, Conrad & Bischoff, Garrity Boulevard Auto Body, The Owyhee Avalanche, Taylored Construction and Vance Dairy Construction.



Back row, coaches: Ben Roberts (left) and Zac Taylor. Front row, from left: Alejandro Martinez, Easton Dines, Keighan Stimmel, Mason Taylor, Donovan Uranga, Cain Roberts, Kreece Powell, Dylan Taylor and Keiser Garrett. Front: Mateo Uranga (“No. 1 fan”). Submitted photo

✓ HHS: Senior Kincheloe gets double-double, average 14 points in week

From Page 1B against Fruitland, and Long, the HHS coach, said the majority of those misses came down the stretch. Senior Hayden Kincheloe and juniors Jaxon Dines and Alijah Joyner scored in a 6-0 spurt that pushed Homedale’s lead to 48-41 with about a minute left in regulation. But the Grizzlies scored eight of the final nine points in the fourth quarter. Eddie Rodriguez’s basket with 4.6 seconds left sent the game into OT. Fruitland (12-4 overall, 4-2 in conference) opened the OT with six straight points and outscored Homedale (10-7, 4-2), 16-4. The Grizzlies tallied 24 of the game’s final 29 points. Trenton Fisher’s field goal and free throws from Kincheloe were the only points for Homedale in extra time.

The loss pushed the Trojans to third place in the conference by virtue of the head-to-head tiebreaker against the Grizzlies. Both teams trail McCall-Donnelly by a game. Homedale trailed the entire game until the first of Kincheloe’s back-to-back field goals forged a 34-33 advantage late in the third quarter. Dines’ shot at the end of the period capped a 15-7 start to the second half and put Homedale on top, 38-36. The Trojans’ comeback was fueled from beyond the three-point line. Mason Strong and Fisher teamed up for three treys to pull Homedale back from a 29-23 halftime deficit. With senior Nolan Bower

(game-high 23 points) scoring the game’s first seven points, Fruitland came out on fire and held a 12-2 advantage after Jacob Hamann drilled one of his two treys. Rodriguez’s fourth quarter and OT antics put him at 12 points. Strong was 4-for-8 from long range to lead Homedale with 16 points. He missed all five of his free-throw chances. Fisher (2-for-6 from the line) scored 11 points, while Kincheloe (perfect in two foul shots) tallied a double-double with 10 points and 11 rebounds while leading the team with four assists. Eight of his rebounds were on his team’s glass. Dines scored eight points and dished three assists. All six of his rebounds came on

the defensive boards. Saturday: Homedale 63, Parma 31 — Kincheloe capped an active week by leading all players with 18 points in the Trojans’ home-court matinee walkover. The Trojans played another game without Josh Brown, but recovered from their foul-line misfires against Fruitland. Joyner sank three of four free throws and hit both of his field goals for seven points. He also corralled five rebounds. Strong went 2-for-2 from the charity stripe and nailed a three on the way to nine points. He completed his game with four rebounds, three assists and three steals. Kincheloe also led the team with seven rebounds and five

steals, while Dines hit a pair of treys en route to eight points. Fisher ran the floor throughout the first half and finished with four assists and four boards. Parma was stride-for-stride with Homedale early, taking a 12-11 lead on Marce Flores’ three-pointer with 95 seconds left in the opening period. Dines scored seven points in the span of three minutes, though, to ignite Homedale’s 19-5 spurt over the final nine minutes before halftime. Homedale converted several steals in the sequence, contributing to the Panthers’ 23 turnovers. Braxton Heffelfinger canned two of Parma’s eight three-pointers and led the visitors with eight points.

✓ Raiders: Scorers spread wealth in two more victories

From Page 1B first-half lead against Wilder (2-13, 0-5) and pushed the advantage to 36 points, 44-8, at the break. Aden Aquiso drilled a three-point goal in the first quarter and scored all 10 of his points before the intermission. The last of Alex Martinez’s 12 points came on a field goal in the third quarter for Rimrock. Ronaldo Gomez fired in three treys in the second half for all of his scoring. The Raiders played a crisp game defensively, drawing just five team fouls. Wilder’s Alex Martinez, a senior frontcourt man, scored eight points. Jan. 25: Rimrock 59, Idaho City 27 — Two starters did all their damage in the first half as the Raiders remained unbeaten in conference with an easy

road victory. Senior Pedro Varela started his night with a first-quarter three-point goal and scored 11 points in the first half, while Black scored eight first-half points to carry Rimrock to a 30-11 advantage at the break. Varela matched Idaho City’s output in the first quarter as Rimrock built a 12-3 lead. The win equaled the most by a Rimrock team since the 2010-11 squad went 8-11. Aden Aquiso led the Raiders with 13 points, while Martinez chipped in eight. The teams combined for just eight free throws in 32 minutes. Rimrock went 3-for-4, while the Wildcats shot 50 percent (2-for-4) and didn’t take a foul shot after halftime. Idaho City sophomore Logan Watson put in 14 points to lead all scorers.

✓ Rimrock: Girls’ road to district final more difficult than in previous seasons

From Page 1B Treu Smith picked up the scoring in the second half against Wilder, knocking down a three-pointer en route to seven of her eight points after the intermission. Macklay Moore converted three of four free throws and finished with seven points. Kimberly Arias hit a three-pointer and scored all five of her points in the second half to lead Wilder. Jan. 25: Carey 42, Rimrock 27 — The 1A, Div. II Panthers snapped a 16-16 deadlock at halftime and pulled away at home. Shayli Smith connected on three of four free throws, and Berenice Vargas drained a couple field goals in the pivotal third quarter. Carey outscored Rimrock, 13-5, in the first eight minutes of the second half.

Macklay Moore scored six of her nine points in the first half, but didn’t have a field goal after the first quarter. She went 5-for-7 from the free-throw line. After scoring four points in the first quarter, Ashton Moore was also held without a field goal until the fourth quarter. She notched seven points and a team-high 10 rebounds for the Raiders. Macklay Moore pulled off six steals, while Dallyn Hipwell blocked three shots. Jan. 24: Rimrock 46, Idaho City 23 — Ashton Moore and Macklay Moore scored seven points apiece in a decisive second quarter in a conference road game. The Raiders clung to a 6-4 lead after eight minutes when Macklay nailed a three-pointer and Ashton pulled off a three-point play during Rimrock’s

18-3 run to halftime. Hipwell and Smith scored three-pointers in the second half. The Wildcats couldn’t mount a comeback despite leading scorer Natalie Luthy hitting a three-pointer and scoring nine of her team-high 13 points in the final period. She also had Idaho City’s only field goal in the first quarter on a trey. Macklay Moore went 3-for-4 from the foul line and drained a three-pointer, leading all players with 16 points. Ashton Moore scored eight points and snagged a team-high 12 rebounds. Hipwell and Smith chipped in six points each. Fabiola Gomez filled up the stat sheet with eight steals, four assists and six rebounds. Five of her boards came on the Raiders’ glass.

Public notices

OWYHEE COUNTY 2022 AGGREGATE CRUSHING PROJECT FOR CHIP SEALS ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Separate scaled BIDS for the Owyhee County—2022 AGGREGATE CRUSHING PROJECT FOR CHIP SEALS will be received by Paragon Consulting, Inc., at their office located at 157 W. 4th Street, Kuna, Idaho 83634 until 2:00 p.m. local time on **FEBRUARY 17, 2022**, and then publicly opened and read aloud.

This project involves crushing and stockpiling approximately 12,000 tons of Class 3 Cover Coat Material, at the Owyhee County Cov Rec Pit located 9 miles southeast of Grandview near the State Highway 78 and Anderson Loop Intersection.

It is the intent of the Project Documents to describe the work required to complete this project in sufficient detail to secure comparable bids. All parts or work not specifically mentioned which are necessary in order to provide a complete project shall be included in the bid and shall conform to all Local, State and Federal requirements. Minority and women owned businesses are encouraged to bid. Owyhee County is an Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) employer.

The Work under this contract shall be completed before **JUNE 30, 2022**. A Notice To Proceed date will be agreed upon between the Contractor and Owyhee County within 14 Calendar days of the issuance of the Notice of Award. The Contractor shall achieve substantial completion prior to **JUNE 30, 2022**. Once the work has started, the Contractor shall work continuously to substantially complete the work. All items will be ready for final payment within 14 calendar days of the substantial completion and no later than **JULY 14, 2022**.

A pre-bid conference will not be held for this project

There are no Federal funds utilized in this project.

The Project Documents and Drawings may be examined at the following locations:

- 1)Owyhee County- 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, ID 83650
- 2)PARAGON CONSULTING, INC. - 157 W. 4th Street, Kuna, ID 83634 (Issuing Office)

In determining the lowest responsive bid, the OWNER will consider all acceptable bids on a basis consistent with the bid package. The OWNER will also consider whether the bidder is a responsible bidder.

Before a contract will be awarded for work contemplated herein, the OWNER will conduct such investigation as is necessary to determine the performance record and ability of the apparent low bidder to perform the size and type of work specified under this Contract. Upon request, the bidder shall submit such information as deemed necessary by the OWNER to evaluate the bidder’s qualifications.

All bids must be signed and accompanied by evidence of authority to sign.

Bids must be accompanied by Bid Security in the form of a bid bond, certified check, cashier’s check, or cash in the amount of 5% of the amount of the bid proposal. Said bid security shall be forfeited to Owyhee County as liquidated damages should the successful bidder fail to enter into contract in accordance with

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, 2021, the period of redemption for delinquent entries made January 1, 2019, 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, 2022, 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 12/31/21	Misc Costs
Forest & Sharon Abbott	Sec 07 T3N R5W PT. NESE	2019	122.58		51.11
Danny & Wendy Aberasturi	Sec 01 T3N R6W PT. SENW	2019	158.41	63.43	51.11
Harold Or Judy Hyatt	Sec 33 T3N R4W Pt. NENE	2017-2019	557.94	302.32	51.11
Terry & Nathan Mahler & Darcy & Norine Geary	Sec 14 T3N R5W Lot 6	2018-2019	470.00	178.26	51.11
Ralph & Marlana Robinson	Sec 03 T2N R4W PT. SENW	2016-2019	1346.52	928.14	51.11
Carol Rudd	Sec. 26 T3N R6W PT. NE & SE1/4	2019	4063.60	478.07	51.11
Jeff & Rebecca Wasson	Sec 21 T3N R4W Pt SW ¼	2019	113.70		51.11
Richard & Nikki Wheyland	Sec 28 T3N R4W PT NWNW	2019	191.27	66.23	51.11

Dated this 26th day of January, 2022
GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Sherry Maxwell, Treasurer
02/02,09,16,23/2022

their proposal as specified in the Instructions to Bidders.

Owyhee County reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, waive any nonmaterial irregularities in the bids received, and to accept the proposal deemed most advantageous to the best interest of the County.

Date: Jan. 18, 2022
/s/: Joe Merrick
Joe Merrick, Chairman
02/02,09/2022

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE IN RE: SADIE DAWN CLOVER CASE NO. CV 37-22-5

A Petition to change the name of Sadie Dawn Clover 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 Sadie Dawn Beckman.

The reason for the change in name is: I live with my mother and stepdad who raised me for 13 years.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 10 o’clock a.m. on Feb. 16, 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: Jan. 6, 2022
s:/Aiesha Zenor, Deputy Clerk
01/12,19,26;02/02/2022

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: DAWN CHRISTINE SCHLEGEL CASE NO. CV 37-22-28

A Petition to change the name of Dawn Christine Schlegel 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 Christy Dawn Schlegel.

The reason for the change in name is: to change birth given name to name known by/as.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 10:00 o’clock a.m. on March 2, 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: January 19, 2022
s:/Catie Canaday, Deputy Clerk
Angela Barkell, Clerk of the District Court
01/26;02/02,09,16/2022

SUMMONS IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 4TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF VALLEY Case No.: CV43-21-337 Donald S. Reed, Plaintiff vs. Steve Davis, DBA Deluxe Sheds, Defendant

To: Steve Davis DBA Deluxe Sheds

You have been sued by Donald S. Reed, the plaintiff in the District Court in and for Valley County, Idaho, Case No. CV-43-21-337.

The nature of the claim against you is for Breach of Contract Non-performance.

Any time after 21 days following the last publication of this Summons, the court may enter a judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have a written response in proper form, including the case number, and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at P.O. Box 1350, 219 Main Street, Cascade, Idaho 83611 (208) 382-7100 and served a copy of your response on the other party, whose mailing address is: Donald S. Reed, 13025 Delayne Road, Donnelly, ID 83615.

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

Date: Jan. 24, 2022
By: Janelle Hon, Deputy Clerk
02/02,09,16,23/2022

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On the **12th** day of **May, 2022**, at the hour of **10:00 a.m.** of this day (recognized local time), in the office of The Owyhee County Court House, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, ID 83650, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Secured Land Transfers LLC, a Delaware limited liability company dba TitleOne, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash or

cashier’s check (cash equivalent), in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale in compliance with Section 45-1506(9) Idaho Code, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit:

Lots 34 and 35, Block 1, Amended Plat of the Townsite of Bruneau, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Owyhee County Recorder.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that according to the County Assessor’s office, the address of **32473 Belle Avenue, Bruneau, ID 83604**, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **Dennis D. Elledge and Karen L. Elledge, husband and wife**, as Grantor(s), **Secured Land Transfers LLC, a Delaware limited liability company dba TitleOne**, as **Successor Trustee**, and **Harold A. Black and Araxy Black, husband and wife** as Beneficiary, recorded **June 18, 2003**, as Instrument No. **243932**, and assigned to **DBL Company, Inc., an Idaho corporation**, by assignment recorded **May 13, 2005**, as Instrument No. **251876**, the records of Owyhee County, Idaho

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION (4 5 - 1 5 0 6) (4) (A) , IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The beneficiary hereby gives notice that a breach of obligation for which said transfer in security has occurred, the nature of the breach being:

a) The default for which this sale is to be made is

the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust Note, the monthly payments of \$193.00, due per month for the month of July 12, 2021 and all subsequent monthly payments of principal, interest, late charges and any miscellaneous fees thereafter. The Principal balance is \$14,474.87, the current interest rate is 7.00000% per annum, as of January 3, 2022.

b) The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay past due real property taxes in Owyhee County for the 2nd half of 2018, 2019, 2020 and the 1st half of 2021, and failure to bring said real property taxes current.

All amounts are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, late fees, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and all are accruing until the date of sale, full satisfaction, or reinstatement of the obligation.

Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Dated: 01/12/2022

Secured Land Transfers LLC dba TitleOne
Successor Trustee
/s/:Sheri Coleman
By: Sheri Coleman
Trust Officer
01/19,26;02/02,09/2022

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Sports

Melba boys blast two more foes

Joe Reiber continued to campaign to repeat as 2A Western Idaho Conference player of the year Saturday. The Melba High School senior poured in 25 points and got support from his boys’ basketball teammates in a 63-40 conference blowout of visiting New Plymouth. Reiber averaged 22 points in two victories last week as the Mustangs (14-2 overall, 9-1 2A WIC) maintained a piece of the conference lead. The Ambrose School (15-2, 9-1) owns the tiebreaker for the top seed into the 2A District III Tournament with two weeks

left. Melba played Compass Charter on Tuesday after deadline and has a showdown with the Archers inside Potter Gymnasium at 7:30 p.m., on Friday. Cache Beus notched another double-double against the Pilgrims, snagging 10 rebounds to go with 11 points. He also blocked three shots. Tucker Lowber tossed in 13 points for the Mustangs. New Plymouth (11-7, 5-5) received 10 points apiece from heath Schescke and Casey Arritola. **Thursday: Melba 67, Compass Charter 35** —

Everyone got involved for the Mustangs with Joe Reiber leading the way with 19 points and grabbed five rebounds. Braden Volkers chipped in 11 points and dished four assists for the Mustangs, while Tucker Lowber, Dillon Stosich and Alfredo Orozco tossed in eight points apiece. The Mustangs ended the week as the No. 3-ranked team in the state according to both MaxPreps.com and the IdahoSports.com coaches’ poll. Heyden Pinkston led Vision Charter (0-10, 4-12) with 10 points, while teammate Hayden Soule notched eight points.

Adrian girl wins title

Virginia Tolman beat a hometown wrestler to win a championship at the Grant Union Girls’ Tournament. The Adrian High School junior wrapped up the 107-pound title on Jan. 25 after a hard-fought 4-2 decision

against Macy Carter in John Day, Ore. Tolman (9-2) had her first match in the round robin bracket against Irrigon’s Rosita Orozco, winning the second-round bout with a 10-0 major decision.

✓Trojans: Swallow shines during Senior Night contest

From Page 1B **Friday: Fruitland 64, Homedale 50** — With upperclassman Laney Swallow scoring seven of her nine points in the first quarter, the Trojans were stride for stride with the Grizzlies to start Senior Night. Then the 3A SRV champs turned up the defensive pressure.

with 2 minutes, 50 seconds into the second period. Fritts hit her second trey to ignite a 13-2 run as Fruitland pushed its lead back to 38-25 46.4 seconds before halftime. Parker went coast-to-coast for a layup at the first-half buzzer to show the Trojans still had fire.

Still, Homedale joined No. 2 district seed Parma as the only team score at least 50 points against Fruitland (15-5, 9-1) in conference play this season. Junior Jacy Parker nailed three three-pointers and was 4-for-6 from the foul line to lead the Trojans with 19 points. Homedale held the lead three times in the seesaw first quarter. After Fruitland battled back from a 7-3 deficit to tie the game, Swallow got the lead back for the hometown team with a layup.

Aberasturi nailed a three-point goal, and Homedale connected on five of six free-throw attempts in the fourth quarter to erase a five-point deficit in a crucial conference game. Parker and Olivia Asumendi both went 2-for-2 from the foul line over the final eight minutes as Homedale avenged a 50-32 setback at home against Vandals on Jan. 8. Homedale burst out to a 12-2 lead after the first quarter, but trailed by a point (18-17) when the offense went into a prolonged funk. Parker and Asumendi both scored four points in the final period to get the Trojans back on track.

The forward broke another tie with a three-point play with 4 minutes, 16 seconds left in the opening frame. She put back her own rebound and hit the ensuing free throw after getting fouled by Payton Fritts. The Grizzlies used tenacious offensive rebounding and a turnover-triggering full-court press to take control later in the quarter. Fruitland cashed in on three turnovers, scoring 10 consecutive points to grab a 19-12 lead on junior Abbigail Roubidoux’s layup with about three minutes left in the quarter. Roubidoux led all players with 24 points. Fritts hit the first of her two three-point goals during the frenzy en route to 18 points. Homedale didn’t fold, though. Junior Sydney Davis drained a three-pointer, and sophomore Zayne Hall hit a pair of buckets down the stretch in the first quarter.

The Vandals were successful in just one of six trips to the free-throw line. Senior guard Matti Burtenshaw knocked down three field goals, including a pair from beyond the three-point line, to amass her team-high eight points in the second quarter. Junior forward Delaney Ott added six points for the Vandals.

The scoring was part of an 8-2 run that got Homedale to within two points, 25-23, when Parker hit a running jump shot

Public notices

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT
TRANSFER NO. 85334
ACE BLACK RANCHES, 28892 HOT SPRINGS RD, BRUNEAU, ID 83604-5007 has filed Application No. 85334 for changes to the following water rights within OWYHEE County(s): Right No(s). 51-10252, 51-27B, 51-28B, 51-29B, 51-30; to see a full description of these rights and the proposed transfer, please see <https://research.idwr.idaho.gov/apps/waterrights/querynewtransfers>. The purpose of the transfer is to change a portion of the above rights as follows:
to add a point of diversion to be used for all of the rights included, with a max diversion rate of 2.0 cfs. The new point of diversion is on the Bruneau River located in Govt. Lot 4 (SWSW) Section 30, T06S, R06E, approximately a mile south of Bruneau, Idaho.
For additional information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208)334-2190. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code Sec. 42-222. Any protest against the proposed change must be filed with the Department of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 W AIRPORT WAY, BOISE ID 83705-5082 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 2/22/2022. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.
GARY SPACKMAN, Director
02/02,09/2022
NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
MAGISTRATE DIVISION
CASE NO. CV37-22-00008

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE OTTO BECK, Deceased Person
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be both filed with the Court and presented to the Personal Representative of the estate at the law office of JULIE ADAMS DEFORD, 317 12th Avenue South, Nampa, Idaho 83651.
DATED this 13th day of January, 2022.
/s/Susan L. Beck
Personal Representative
01/19,26;02/02,09/2022
NOTICE OF LETTING
Idaho Federal Aid Project No. A022(593), A022(594), A022(595) & A022(596) in Canyon, Owyhee, Lincoln & Twin Falls County, Key No. 22593, 22594, 22595 & 22596; for the work of replace four local bridges which include: 1) S 4th Avenue, Indian Creek Bridge, Caldwell; 2) North Fork Boulder Creek Bridge, Owyhee County; 3) Little Wood River Bridge, Shoshone Highway District and 4) 4200 N Road, Deep Creek Bridge, Buhl HD.
Sealed proposals will be received only at the office of the IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT, 3311 WEST STATE STREET, BOISE, IDAHO 83703, ATTN: ADVERTISEMENT AND AWARD. Bids may also be submitted electronically through Bid Express (www.bidx.com). All bids must be received by two o’clock p.m., on March 1, 2022.
A D D I T I O N A L INFORMATION CONTACT:

RESIDENT ENGINEER T. MATT KOSTER (LHTAC) at (208) 344-0565 for any design related questions.
Digital copies of the Plans, Proposals, and Specifications must be downloaded for a fee of \$15.00. Bidders must appear on the plan holders list for their proposal to be accepted by the Department. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdninfo.com for assistance in downloading and working with this digital project information.
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In an effort to achieve ITD’s DBE Annual Participation Goal (APG) of 10.0% utilization, ITD requires responder to utilize certified subcontractors and suppliers listed on its DBE Directory located at: <https://itd.dbesystem.com/>. For this project, it has been determined that there is a DBE availability of 5.0% or more. For more information regarding ITD’s DBE Program please go to <https://itd.idaho.gov/civilrights/>
This contract requires full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which protects persons from being denied the benefits of or excluded from participation in programs or activities; or subjected to discrimination based on race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, Limited English Proficiency or economic status. The Contractor is encouraged to utilize the goods and services of disadvantaged firms in accomplishing the tasks or providing the services of this agreement, and to provide equal opportunity to all sub-bidders and suppliers.
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Sports

Jordan Valley boys nip Adrian, cling to second

The 1A High Desert League boys' basketball is winding to a possible wild finish.

The latest intense installment for the local squads came Jan. 25 when Jordan Valley High School needed a first-half lead to hold off Adrian, 45-43, on the road.

The Mustangs (16-4 overall, 8-2 in league) ended the week with a half-game lead over the Antelopes (16-3, 7-2) for second place behind unbeaten Crane (18-0, 10-0).

Jordan Valley has won its past five games since a 76-45 blowout loss at Crane, ranked second in the Oregon School Activities Association Class 1A rankings, on Jan. 14.

No. 11 Jordan Valley will try to close the gap against visiting Crane at 5:30 p.m., on Friday. The game comes one day after a trip to Huntington

and precedes the seniors' home finale at 4 p.m., on Saturday against Four Rivers from Ontario.

Adrian, meanwhile, took off on a three-game winning streak since the loss to Jordan Valley.

The seventh-ranked Antelopes, who edged the Mustangs, 46-41, in hostile territory on Jan. 4, have four games left in the regular season.

In last week's victory, Jordan Valley received 23 points from Jace Grenke. He grabbed five rebounds and drilled four three-point goals while going 5-for-6 from the foul line.

Teammate Lan Hawker scored nine points, and Ryley Hawker added seven.

Birch Eiguren dominated the backboards, sweeping 11 of his 15 rebounds off Adrian's glass.

Jordan Valley built a 25-16 halftime lead before Adrian cut the deficit to three points heading into the final period.

3 Trojans medal in RD at N.P.

Senior Willy Haun led three Homedale High School medalists at the RD Brown Invitational.

The wrestling meet was held Saturday in New Plymouth.

All three Trojans wrestled in the medal round against Meridian athletes.

Haun (19-5) was runner-up at 195 pounds after sophomore Carson Gooley (37-4) got a pin in 58 seconds.

Rhyalee Nix (14-7), finished fourth at 182 after fellow senior Jay Sallee got the pinfall midway through the second period (2:58) of the bronze medal bout.

Sophomore Brodie White (10-10) pinned junior John Anderson in 1 minute, 44 seconds to take fifth place at 220 pounds.

Haun pinned Haiden Carroll of Fruitland in 3:07 to open the tournament, and beat Weiser's Kaleb Grove, 6-2, to reach the championship match.

White rallied from a narrow 6-4 loss to Capital's Tucker French in the opener with pins against Capital's Bryson Baden (2:24) and Meridian's

Grizzlies hand HHS conference dual loss

A pair of pins were the only victories Homedale High School managed in last Wednesday's home dual meet.

Fruitland roared to victory in the first seven bouts in the Trojans' gymnasium. The Grizzlies prevailed, 76-11, giving Homedale its first loss of the 3A Snake River Valley conference season.

Willie White stepped on the mat for the first time in his final high school season, but was forced to retire because of injury against Fruitland's Carter Stowe at 182 pounds.

Homedale's victories were both pins, but the Trojans lost a team point because of an unsportsmanlike penalty, according to TrackWrestling.com.

Willy Haun, like White a senior, triumphed when he pinned Haiden Carroll with 59 seconds left in the 195-pound bout.

Sophomore Brodie White, Willie's brother, won at 285 with a pin in 2:35 against Mike Warner.

Fruitland scored 36 points with six forfeit victories.

The Grizzlies also won five extra matches.

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Homedale Trojans

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Girls' basketball
Amaia Aberasturi, sr., G
Average 8 points in two games



Boys' basketball
Alijah Joyner, jr., P
6.5 points, 5.5 rebounds in 2 games



Wrestling
Myra Jean Koon, fr., 160
6th at Caldwell Girls' Tournament

This week's Sports Schedule

Girls' basketball
3A District III Tournament
Thursday, Feb. 3, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 7 p.m.
If win Thursday: Saturday, Feb. 5 at Fruitland, 7 p.m.
If lose Thursday: Tuesday, Feb. 8 at Weiser or home vs. Payette, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
3A Snake River Valley conference tournament (Site TBA)
If necessary: Wednesday, Feb. 2 opponent TBA

Frosh soph
3A Snake River Valley conference tournament (Site TBA)
If necessary: Wednesday, Feb. 2 opponent TBA

Boys' basketball
Varsity
Friday, Feb. 4 at Payette, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 8, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Friday, Feb. 4 at Payette, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 8, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 6 p.m.

Frosh soph
Friday, Feb. 4 at Payette, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 8, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 4:30 p.m.

Go Trojans!

Wrestling
Varsity
Coed
Wednesday, Feb. 2 at tri-meet vs. Weiser and Baker/ Powder Valley, Weiser, 5 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, Feb. 4-5 at Weiser Invitational
Wednesday, Feb. 9, home for tri-meet vs. McCall-Donnelly and New Plymouth (Senior Night), 5:30 p.m.

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