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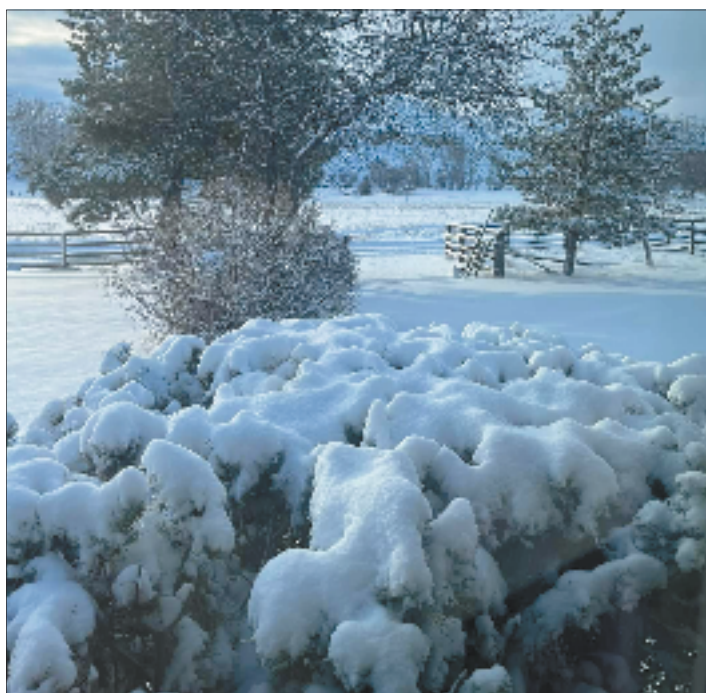
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2023

SPRING AIN'T SPRUNG YET

A letter may have fallen with last Wednesday's snow, but the message outside OC Coffee in Marsing is still crystal clear. Unfortunately, the first day of spring isn't until March 20.



Snows of Owyhee

According to measurements taken at Helena Chemical Co., outside Homedale, the area got five inches of snow last Wednesday. The white stuff also hit the Owyhees (Page 4) and created frosty surroundings for a few hours. Above: Lizard Butte is covered in snow again as frost dominates the panorama off the Marsing City Hall deck overlooking the Snake River. Left: Ranchers like Paul Nettleton in Sinker Creek are grateful not only for the snowy image but the moisture that will come in spring.

Submitted photos



Spring forward

Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour. Daylight Saving Time begins at 2 a.m., on Sunday.

Bruneau sewer project receives more funding

Idaho DEQ awards \$2.55M grant

Two weeks after state officials just happened to visit the area, the Bruneau Water and Sewer District has received a large grant to upgrade wastewater treatment facilities.

The Idaho Department

of Environmental Quality awarded more than \$2.55 million for the project.

The grant is part of Gov. Brad Little's Leading Idaho

— See *Bruneau*, back page

Judo tradition back in Homedale High gym on Saturday

Local club hosts tournament first held in 1930s

A long-running tribute to discipline and accomplishment continues in Homedale.

The Boise Valley Judo/Owyhee County Judo Tournament's 85th anniversary event fills the high school's gymnasium Saturday.

The tournament will feature most of the 80 joduka from 5 to 15 years old that Owyhee County Judo senseis Ryan Nash and Doug Larzelier instruct each week in their downtown studio.

Those boys and girls will be among about 200 competitors from 15 to 20 teams that will squeeze into the gymnasium Saturday — along with their parents, loved ones, coaches and other folks who respect the martial art.

The spectacle of the bow-in ceremony takes place at 10 a.m., with bouts hitting a series of mats at 10:30 a.m.

Owyhee County Judo is the host club and will be part of between 15 and 20 clubs from Idaho, Washington state, Oregon and Utah to continue the tradition Boise Valley Judo began before World War II.

Larzelier and Nash started Owyhee County Judo in 2011, furthering the tradition and teaching of their Boise Valley senseis — Shihan Masao Yamashita and George Koyama — and joining forces with their old club to present the annual tournament.

The tournament features divisions for each gender separated by weight — light/middle/heavy — and age:

- 5- to 6-year-olds
- 7- to 8-year-olds
- 9- to 10-year-olds

— See *Judo*, back page



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Homedale Sr. Center plans Saturday bazaar

The Homedale Senior Center is playing host to a spring bazaar Saturday at 224 W. Idaho Ave.

A few vendor tables were available at last check for a cost of \$12 each.

In addition to the vendors, a silent auction is being held.

Call the senior center at (208) 337-3020 today or Thursday for more information. The center is open from 9 a.m., to 1 p.m.

First elections on tap

Castleford school vote Tuesday

While a small number of Owyhee County residents near the Twin Falls border are eligible to cast votes Tuesday, the first major election in the 2023 cycle will come on May 16.

The candidate filing period for several taxing district bonds on the May ballot is now open.

Tuesday's election will determine whether the Castleford School District can issue general obligation bonds in an amount up to \$6 million to construct a small gymnasium and three classrooms. The annual property tax impact for Owyhee County property owners in the Castleford district would be \$131 per \$100,000 in taxable value to pay for the 30-year bond.

Folks have voted by mail, but anyone who hasn't received an absentee ballot must make the trip to the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy to vote. The polls are open from 8 a.m., to 8 p.m., on Tuesday.

Candidates who want to seek office in the May 16 taxing district election have until 5 p.m., on Friday, March 17 to return nomination forms to the

district clerk or secretary.

Nomination forms are available at www.owyheecounty.net:

Highway district board positions on the ballot are:

- **Homedale** — Subdistrict 1 (Larry Prow, who is retiring) and Subdistrict 3 (Scott Salutregui)
- **Gem** — District 3 (Dan Birmingham)
- **Three Creek** — District-wide (Jake Brackett)

Library district elections:

- **Homedale** — All five positions will be up for initial election. Although the seats are designated district-wide, at least one trustee must live in Canyon County and one must live outside the Homedale city limits on the south side of the Snake River.

Two positions have six-year terms and two have four-year terms, and the fifth position will carry a two-year term.

Six-year terms accompany other library district positions set for election:

- **Lizard Butte, Marsing** — District-wide (Jamie Parkins)
- **Eastern Owyhee, Grand View** — District-wide (Starla Piñeda)
- **Bruneau Valley** — District-wide (Lyndie Easterday)



Above: Heavy equipment from Robison Logging and Excavation was on the job for the first weeks of the year dredging a deeper channel as the boat ramp cement slab (right) was extended.

Below: The opening of the vault restroom last week paved the way for the reopening of the Black Sands boat ramp area. Submitted photo

Black Sands boat ramp reopens

County used grants to extend ramp, install restroom

The Black Sands boat ramp rehabilitation has reached the point where the C.J. Strike Reservoir access is open again.

Concrete work around the parking pad for the new vault restrooms was completed, and the facility was opened Thursday. Six days earlier, the nearby extended boat ramp was open to the public, according to Owyhee County Sheriff's Waterways Deputy Sgt. Tim Riha.

Riha was instrumental in securing the grant that helped fund the project.

Owyhee County received nearly \$160,000 in grants from



the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation to help fund the boat ramp and vault toilet project.

Grand View-based Robison Logging and Crushing crews performed the dredging that deepened the boat launch and made room for an extended cement ramp.

County commissioners awarded the contract to Ray Robison's outfit in December. The company offered a base bid of \$144,706. An alternate price of \$146,850 was included

in case more dredging was necessary.

A longtime area businessman who had provided road gravel crushing for the county in the past, Robison died at his Grand View residence Friday.

Riha said although the parking pad around the restroom has been completed, the Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant parking spot won't be painted until the weather warms up.

— JPB

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Early Bird Session - 6:45 PM

Regular Sessions - 7:00 PM

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM

FREE POPCORN!

BINGO PRICES:

\$1 per sheet for the Early Bird Game

\$1 for entry into the Hot Number Contest

\$18 for first card if series of games

\$5 for additional card of series of games

Enthusiastic bidding pushes Bruneau auction to record

Aunt Fern’s Red Velvet Cake, even as a second-generation item, still a hit

by Brandi Lisle
For The Owyhee Avalanche

It was a banner year for the 2023 Bruneau Boosters Auction. The record-breaking night was one full of smiles and laughter and more than a little cash spent.

The top-selling item of the night was “Aunt Fern’s Red Velvet Cake” — now made by Lez Rahn; the cake is always a traditional and popular item, but was an especially hot item this year as it topped the sale at \$5,000. Dick Strickland took the cake home, and I am sure it was delicious.

Other high-selling items that were locally provided included:

- A \$3,000 sturgeon fishing trip with Chuck Ceccarelli split between Gary Gill and Dave Tindall
- Reins braided by Jess Lisle and bought by Van and Gayla Prow for \$2,200
- A silver mounted American Eagle bit donated by Martin Black and purchased by Justin Howard.
- A human hair mecate with hair donated from longtime auction patron Jim Hanks and twisted by Larry Schutte was purchased by Martin Black for \$800.
- Brook Tindall with Jodie Carlile and John Beals made an incredibly creative metal art coffee table that sold to Jacque Black for \$700.

So many amazing items were donated and auctioned off, making the auction a fabulous success.

The children’s auction was a success again this year, with the items of most interest being a large farm tractor purchased by Jerry Meyers for \$700.

The most determined to purchase award went to Waylon Ward, who bid on and purchased a John Deere tractor and disc model set for himself, and used all the piggy bank — \$500. Everyone can appreciate a boy who knows his mind!

The Boosters want to give a huge shout of gratitude to the amazing patrons of the auction.

Jessie Miller fed everyone her famous white chicken chili and vegetable beef soups, and a huge thank you goes to her for her continual support of the Boosters.

Community members, family, and friends from near and far were what helped make the auction such a huge success.

Bruneau is truly a fabulous place to live, and we are all blessed to have such a place to return every year for the Boosters Auction.

The Boosters will start the first phase of a community park construction project this summer. The club is applying for grants to leverage money raised through the auction.

The Boosters did not release the total amount of money raised during the Feb. 25 auction inside the American Legion Post 83 Hall in Bruneau.

— Ed.



Above: Matt Tindall stands before a packed house as he takes bids during the annual Bruneau Boosters Auction on Feb. 25.



Left: Shoni Bailey displays a homemade pie for prospective bidders during the annual Bruneau Boosters Auction on Feb. 25 inside the American Legion Post 83 Hall.

Submitted photos

Betty Adams and her
Bluegrass Gospel Band

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Today



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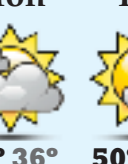
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SNOTEL report, Owyhee County sensors

	Snow Equiv.	Snow Depth	Year-to-date Precip.	Previous day's temperature (measured in Fahrenheit)		
		(measured in inches)		Max	Min	Avg
Mud Flat						
2/28	5.6	24	6.6	28.2	21.6	24.4
3/1	5.8	26	6.7	29.5	12.2	23.2
3/2	5.7	25	6.7	34.0	3.2	21.2
3/3	6.0	23	7.1	33.4	10.0	23.2
3/4	5.8	24	6.8	35.4	9.3	24.4
3/5	6.0	26	7.1	32.5	8.4	22.3
3/6	6.0	24	7.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Reynolds Creek						
2/28	8.5	26	9.0	24.8	18.1	21.4
3/1	8.5	30	9.3	24.1	17.1	20.1
3/2	9.0	35	9.6	30.2	18.5	24.3
3/3	9.1	34	9.7	29.3	17.4	21.9
3/4	8.9	33	9.6	34.0	15.8	23.4
3/5	8.7	33	9.8	27.1	18.9	22.1
3/6	8.4	30	9.8	n/a	n/a	n/a
South Mountain						
2/28	13.8	47	17.8	23.9	16.7	20.5
3/1	14.3	52	18.4	26.4	15.8	19.4
3/2	14.5	52	18.6	34.7	16.2	24.8
3/3	14.9	52	18.9	32.2	16.9	23.2
3/4	14.9	51	18.9	31.8	17.8	25.3
3/5	15.0	52	19.1	28.2	16.5	20.7
3/6	15.1	50	19.1	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 199 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 19 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 140,554 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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

More SNOTEL

Fawn Creek, Nev.

As of Monday

Snow equiv.	Snow depth	YTD precip.
16.8	55	15.9

Correction
The amount that Grand View Ambulance received in American Rescue Plan Act funds as part of an Owyhee County grant was incorrect in the March 1 edition. The ambulance service received \$5,528.40.

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Live Auction Preview	9:00am GFA Spirit Booth
Silent Auction	Silent Auction
6:30pm Welcome	10:00am LIVE AUCTION
LIVE AUCTION	KIDS CARNIVAL
7:00pm Kid Vid Time	11:00am Food Booths

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How do you take your soil’s temperature? Head outside with your thermometer, and simply place the instrument about 1-2 inches into the soil of your garden beds, boxes or containers. Let it sit for a minute or two to settle. Note the temperature on the dial. That’s it!

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vegetable seeds is knowing that there is a minimum, maximum and optimal temperature for germination (sprouting). And it depends on the species.

Our cool-season crops, the ones that can handle a frost or freeze, can often germinate at surprisingly low temperatures. For example, garlic, leeks, lettuce, arugula, mustard greens, parsnips and spinach can germinate at a mere 32° F. Following right behind are beets, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, celery, swiss chard, parsley, peas, radishes and turnips, which can germinate at 40° F. I do have to mention, however, that while these crops will sprout at the minimum temperature, it can take up to a month for that to happen. It may only take a week for these crops to germinate at optimal temperatures closer to 65° F.

Want to see the minimum, maximum and optimal temperatures for all your favorite veggies? Check out my favorite chart from UC Davis at <https://bit.ly/seedtempchart>. And for a great publication on how to time all your spring and summer vegetables, no matter what part of Idaho you call home, be sure to download my Extension pal Andy West’s excellent “Spring Vegetable Planting Guide for Idaho” at <https://bit.ly/springplantingguide>.

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Ariel Agenbroad

Submitting calendar items

You can find a comprehensive listing of local events online at www.theowyheeavalanche.com. Click on the “Calendar of Events” link on the left-hand side of the page.

Submit information on upcoming fundraisers, meetings, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays for inclusion in the calendar. Drop off info at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale, mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, fax them to (208) 337-4867 or e-mail them to jon@owyheeavalanche.com

Calendar

Today

Food distribution

9 a.m. to 1 p.m., for Marsing residents only. The HUB food pantry, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 649-5411

Labor Dept. bilingual employment services

Noon to 4 p.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 364-7781 or canyoncountymail@labor.idaho.gov for appointment or information.

Marsing Chamber of Commerce meeting

12:30 p.m., Sandbar Community Room, City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing.

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 or (208) 337-3464

Homedale City Council meeting

6 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641

Jordan Valley Ambulance meeting

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

Grand View City Council meeting

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

Marsing City Council meeting

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

Jordan Valley school board meeting

7 p.m., Jordan Valley Elementary School library, 604 Oregon Ave. (541) 586-2213

Homedale Highway District meeting

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

Marsing School Board meeting

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

Thursday

Circuit Breaker tax relief workshop

9:30 a.m., to 1 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020 for appointment.

Fit and Fall class

10 a.m., free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168

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

Owyhee Gardeners meeting

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

Teens and Tweens

5 p.m., ages 10-17, Homedale Community Center, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

Alcoholics Anonymous

7 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder.

Friday

Homedale district library board meeting

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

Marsing FFA Alumni auction

6 p.m., Marsing School District cafeteria, 301 8th Ave W., Marsing.

Alcoholics Anonymous

7 p.m., Sandbar Community Room, City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 860-9674

Saturday

Wild West Seminar

9 a.m., to 4 p.m., Owyhee County Historical

Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy. Pre-registration required for box lunch (\$10) at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/idaho-wild-west-seminar-tickets-500242116637>

Catholic Mass

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

Free lunch

11:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 303-7414

Marsing Lions Club bingo

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

Sunday

Betty Adams concert

3 p.m., free, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 303-7414

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.

Book club

12:30 p.m. lunch, 1:00 p.m. discussion. Adults. Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. Library, (208) 834-2785 or Kathy Chick (208) 599-2148, leave a message.

Homedale FFA meeting

6 p.m., Homedale High School, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

Depression and anxiety recovery program

6 p.m., \$185 for 8 sessions. Garnet Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 16613 Garnet Rd, Wilder. Registration (208) 649-4511

Grand View Community Club meeting

6:30 p.m., Grand View Community Club, 501 Idaho St., Grand View.

Tuesday

Circuit Breaker tax relief workshop

9:30 a.m., to 1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2808 for appointment.

Fit and Fall class

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

Homedale Fire commissioners meeting

Noon, The Bowling Alley, 18 N. 1st St. W.

Region III assistance assessments

Noon to 3 p.m., appointments necessary, Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 495-5688

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

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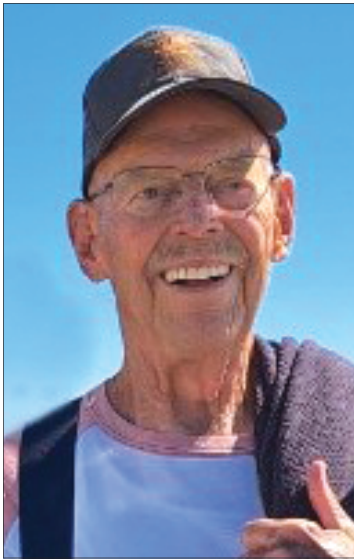
James Clayton Phoebus “Jim”

James Clayton Phoebus “Jim,” was born in Quantico, Virginia on May 15, 1942, to Clifford P. Phoebus and Bernadine D. Phoebus.

The second oldest of three brothers, Jim grew up in a Navy family, his father, and his brothers all served in the Navy. Jim attended a year at Fork Union Military Academy in Virginia and graduated from Jeb Stuart High School in 1961.

He had two careers, served 20 years in the Navy, and was employed by Hughes Aircraft Electronics Subdivision as a civilian electronic radar tech. Jim served in the Navy from 1962-1982. After boot camp, he completed a year of electronic training and education. Jim had always wanted to be in

UDT (Underwater Demolition Team). He completed BUDS Training and served as a Navy Seal; volunteering for three tours in Vietnam. Additional duties included time served on the USS Goldsborough, NORAD Colorado Springs, Coastal River Squadron, Fairfax, Va., Naples, Italy, and Coronado. He received many medals, ribbons, and citations: The National Defense Service Medal; Vietnam Service Medal; Vietnam Campaign Ribbon; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; Combat Action Ribbon; RVN AF Meritorious Unit Commendation Gallantry Cross; Navy Pistol Marksmanship Ribbon; RVN Meritorious Unit Commendation (Civil Actions Medal 1st Class) and The Good



Conduct Award (three times). James loved his military service and called it “an adventure.” He also loved his second career of 19 years at the Nevada Test Site in Tonopah, Nevada, as lead electronic tech,

working with radar simulator systems. He met his current wife of 25 years, Marianne Reczek-Phoebus, who also worked at the test site for 7 years. They moved to Idaho in 1997, and have lived in Marsing, Idaho since 2004.

He is survived by his wife Marianne; two children Michelle and Sylvia; five grandchildren; younger brother Preston (Mary) Phoebus of Oneonta, Ala.; Sister-in-law Chris Taylor and brother-in-law Jerry Rauschenberger; niece Whitney Freeman and nephew Braden Taylor.

James lived a full life and liked to keep busy. His greatest joy was his dogs. He loved and adopted pit bulls, giving them a second chance in life. He worked out daily all his

life. He enjoyed cooking, and spaghetti was his specialty due to his time stationed in Italy. He enjoyed gardening and his yearly “tomato war” with his brother-in-law. He was a favorite on the golf course and made two holes-in-one. He enjoyed shooting and had a few guns and rifles he treasured. He loved to do both Leatherwork and Woodworking crafts. He enjoyed going to the local library and flirting with the librarians and just enjoyed telling stories.

Jim was a man’s man, and our country is very fortunate for the work he has done to keep us safe. He has numerous friends and family scattered throughout the country where his smile, laughter, humor, and stories will be greatly missed.

Raymond F. Robison

Raymond F. Robison, 64 of Grand View, Idaho passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his family on March 3, 2023. Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, March 18, 2023, 11 am at Rimrock High School in Grand View. Arrangements are under the care of Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel.

Raymond was born on November 29, 1958 to Clifford “Robbie” and Verla Robison in Phoenix, Arizona. He is the oldest of 3 children. The family was stationed in Arizona, England, and Virginia before settling in Grand View in 1968. Even as a young child, Raymond was very social and

liked having lots of people and activity surrounding him. In 1987, Raymond and Donna Duty’s paths crossed again and they married on January 27, 1989. This union made them a family of 6.

Raymond spent many years ranching, until he found his passion of logging in 1985. He cut logs for Rocky Mountain Helicopter Company, and logging took the family to Alaska for two years. When returning from Alaska, Raymond and Donna began their business Robison Logging and continued logging until the mid-1990s when Raymond and Donna expanded their business to heavy equipment



construction and became known as Robison Logging and Excavation.

Raymond enjoyed spending his free time hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, and spending time with his family and friends. The family spent

many summers at the lake, where he would spend the days pulling kids around on tubes and fishing. Raymond’s yearly trips of fishing in Washington and Elk Camp in the mountains were the highlights of his year! Raymond will be remembered the most for his generosity and kind heart by his family, friends, and community.

Raymond was preceded in death by his father Robbie Robison, Step-Father Paul Spang, mother-n-law Mary Marsh, all his grandparents, two nieces, and two brothers-in-law.

Raymond is survived by his wife Donna Robison, mother

Verla Robison, 4 children: Chez Robison (Peter) of Grand View, Sheldon Robison (Rochelle) of Bend, Oregon, Travis Jewett (Jodi) of Grand View, Dustin Jewett (Jessie) of Mountain Home, and two sisters, Leslie “Jolene” Covey (Mike) of Grand View and Debbie Martin of Grand View. Eleven grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

The family would like to thank Horizon Home Health and Jan Ireland for her loving hands taking care of Raymond the last few weeks. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Grand View Ambulance, PO Box 191 Grand View, ID 83624.

HHS Class of 1993 seeks graduates ahead of reunion

The Homedale High School Class of 1993 reunion committee members are looking for their fellow graduates.

“So far the volunteer planning committee has a fair amount of contact information for the 66 graduates for the Class of

1993,” committee member Toni (Belknap) Brinegar said. “But we are still missing a few.”

The 30-year reunion celebration is set for July. Any 1993 HHS graduate, or people with information

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REAL DAIRY SHOOTOUT: BOYS' BASKETBALL STATE TOURNAMENTS

Homedale's season closes as last-second shot bounces awry

Buhl halts another state tourney stay

Homedale High School boys' basketball fans must have had a twinge of déjà vu Friday when the Trojans' season ended.

The loss that eliminated Homedale from the 3A Real Dairy Shootout state tournament had an ending that was eerily similar to the last time the Trojans and Buhl hooked up on the big stage.

This time, the would-be buzzer beater — attempted by HHS senior Jaxon Dines — rattled off the iron as the Indians held on for a 57-56 victory in Friday's consolation quarterfinals at Meridian High School.

The tournament-ending loss came four days short of the ninth anniversary of Talon Freelove's game-tying basket that wasn't in the 3A state final at the Ford Idaho Center when Buhl beat Homedale, 59-56. That shot went through the net, but the referees' determined it was impossible for the senior Freelove to have had enough to



Senior Sigmund Goode fires a three-point shot during Friday's season finale against Buhl at Meridian High School. The Homedale wing drilled nine three-pointers in two games for all of his state tournament scoring. Photo by Joshua Gray / GrayHawk Photography

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Melba's hot season comes to icy end

Bear Lake's second-half comeback denies Mustangs back-to-back titles

Melba High School's shooters went cold in the second half Saturday, and it cost the Mustangs a winning streak and a repeat.

Bear Lake continued to be the Mustangs' bane, posting a 55-

44 victory in the 2A Real Dairy Shootout boys' basketball state championship game inside the Ford Idaho Center in Nampa.

The Bears won their 16th consecutive game while ending

Melba's drive for a second straight title and a perfect season.

The Mustangs' red-hot winning ways froze over at 39 consecutive games.

Melba (25-1) looked to be on its way to a 26th consecutive victory in 2022-23, jumping out to a

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1A Oregon tournaments

Local squads bring home hardware

Adrian boys storm to 3rd vs. No. 2 seed

A determined bunch of Adrian High School athletes won the consolation championship in the school's historic first run at the 1A Oregon boys' basketball state tournament.

The No. 4 seed Antelopes shocked second-seeded Nixyaawii with a 80-60 blowout triumph in the trophy round Saturday at Baker High School.

Adrian (23-8) rallied from a big first-quarter deficit behind Moda Player of the Game Carter Bayes then poured it on throughout the contest

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JV girls rally to 4th with gut-check wins

Meg Eiguren hit late free throws in two consecutive games as Jordan Valley High School thwarted comebacks to place fourth in the 1A Oregon girls' basketball state tournament for the second consecutive season.

On Saturday, Eiguren drained a foul shot with 17 seconds left to ice the eighth-seeded Mustangs' 43-41 victory over No. 3 North Douglas inside the Baker High School gymnasium.

Eiguren's foul shot was part of Jordan Valley's late stand at the line. Fourteen seconds earlier, Jalee Mastrejuan nailed a pair of free throws for enough cushion to survive a three-pointer from Savannah Harkins that pulled the Warriors (24-6) to within a point, 42-41.

Two Kaitlyn Stoddart free throws tied the game, 36-36, with 4 minutes, 55 seconds left. Jill Gammett's foul shots more than a minute later gave Jordan Valley (23-8) the edge, 38-36.

Neither team ever had a comfortable lead.

Maddy Vaughn's three-pointer gave North Douglas the largest advantage of the game (15-7) and ended the Warriors' 9-0 run after Gammett's first three-pointer.

Kenzie Tuttle, Jordan Valley's Moda Player of the Game, kept the Warriors in check with seven of her eight rebounds on defense. She also

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scored 10 points.

Gammett led the Mustangs with 14 points despite four fouls. She went 6-for-8 from the foul line.

Stoddart (eight points) was 6-for-10 from the charity stripe.

Jordan Valley connected on 19 of 30 foul shots while North Douglas was 3-for-11.

Harkins matched Gammett's team-high two three-pointers and completed a double-double with 10 points and 10 rebounds. Brooke McHaffie, the Warriors' player of the game, led all scorers with 16 points.

Friday: No. 8 Jordan Valley 61, No. 5 Country Christian 56 — Gammett rebounded from a rocky start to earn player of the game honors with 19 points, including missing just once in five chances at the line.

Gammett committed four turnovers in the game's first 44 seconds as the Cougars scored 10 of its first 12 points after Mustangs turnovers.

Tuttle, Gammett and Mastrejuan nailed six free throws in the first 94 seconds of the fourth quarter, and Tuttle's layup with 5½ minutes to go capped a 10-2 run as the Mustangs tied

the game, 50-50.

Gammett fed Tuttle for a jump shot a little more than a minute later as Jordan Valley took the lead for good, 52-51.

Eiguren's free throws with nine seconds left ended the Mustangs' 9-2 spurt that thwarted Country Christian's last gasp.

Maestrejuan helped on the Cougars' end of the floor, snagging seven of her game-high 12 rebounds on defense. She added eight points.

Tuttle scored 15 points and collected six rebounds on offense.

Country Christian player of the game Annie Bafford led all scorers with 20 points, and she snagged 10 rebounds and went 4-for-4 at the stripe. Peyton Crave kicked in 12 points.

Thursday: No. 1 Crane 43, No. 8 Jordan Valley 26 — An old rival sent Jordan Valley into the consolation bracket, but Damascus Christian would deny Crane the state championship in a 35-33 nail-biter on Saturday.

Crane won all five meetings against Jordan Valley during the 2022-23 season, including a state tournament opener in which Crane scored 23 points off its opponents' 30 turnovers.

Crane took control early, erasing a 5-2 deficit with 11 consecutive points in less than two minutes as Jordan Valley gave the ball away four times.

Three Jordan Valley athletes — Maestrejuan, Tuttle and player of the game Eiguren — collected 10 rebounds each.

Gammett notched eight points and eight boards, while Eiguren chipped in seven points.

Eiguren's jump shot to start the second half was the closest Jordan Valley would get, pulling to within five points, 21-16.

Ava Bowen's three-pointer ended a 9-1 run and gave Crane a 30-17 lead with 1:41 left in the period. She fired in 10 points.

Crane would later push the lead to 19 points, 38-19, with eight straight buckets.

Eiguren had eight defensive rebounds as Jordan Valley owned a 31-12 edge on Crane's backboards. Crane dominated on Jordan Valley's end, 37-5.

Crane player of the game Kortney Doman posted a double-double for 20 points and 11 rebounds.

Parker, Davis tabbed girls' All-3A SRV

Two seniors are Homedale High School's only girls' basketball all-conference representatives.

And only one of those upperclassmen — Jacy Parker — was chosen to play in the 2A-3A District III Senior All-Star Game.

The game was played Tuesday after deadline in Fruitland.

Parker was a second-team selection in the All-3A Snake River Valley conference voting by coaches.

Fellow HHS senior guard/forward Sydney Davis landed on the honorable mention list for first-year coach Benji Sorenson's squad.

Weiser senior Mattie Shirts was tabbed as conference player of the year.

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Drew Taylor



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JV head coach —
Tristan Martell



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1st season



ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Boys' basketball
15-9 final record
3A Snake River Valley conference champions
3A District III champions
Third 3A Real Dairy Shootout state tournament appearance in four years
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Trojan Weekly Sports Schedule

Baseball
Varsity
Wednesday, March 15,
home vs. New Plymouth,
John Jackson Field, 5 p.m.
Junior varsity
Wednesday, March 15 at
New Plymouth, 5 p.m.

Softball
Varsity
Monday, March 13, home
vs. Vallivue, 5 p.m.
Junior varsity
Monday, March 13, home
vs. Vallivue, 5 p.m.

Track and field
Friday, March 17 at Parma
Invitational, 2 p.m.

Tennis
Wednesday, March 15 at
Ontario, Ore., 4 p.m.

Golf
Boys
Wednesday, March 15,
home for Homedale Ice-
breaker (18 holes), River
Bend GC, Wilder, 10 a.m.
Girls
Monday, March 13 at
Weiser (9 holes), Rolling
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✓ Adrian: Trophy in debut

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with scoring streaks fueled by Robert Garza's jump shots.

Nixyaawii (28-4) opened on a nine-point run and led, 14-3, after Baron Moses' layup five minutes into the game.

But Bayes poured in nine points and stopped the Golden Eagles with clutch defensive rebounding as Adrian scored 12 unanswered points for a 15-14 advantage early in the second quarter.

Garza connected on a jumper at the end of a fast break for a 30-30 tie with 2 minutes, 20 seconds let in the half. Adrian led, 34-30, at the break.

Coach Nathan Bayes' Antelopes put the game away after Jesse Walker's layup snapped a 38-38 stalemate and ignited an 18-1 spurt about midway through the third.

Garza's second three-point

goal in the streak gave Adrian a 56-39 lead with 16 seconds left in the third quarter.

Ashton Jephson also hit a three-pointer in the eruption as he and Bayes shared scoring honors with 18 points apiece.

Jace Martin had 17 points as one of five Antelopes to reach double figure.

Walker posted a double-double (10 points, 11 rebounds).

Dylan Abrahamson led the Golden Eagles with 15 points.

Friday: No. 4 Adrian 56,

No. 8 Trinity Lutheran 50 — The Antelopes got a wire-to-wire win, surving the Saints' late run.

Trinity Lutheran whittled at 15-point fourth-quarter deficit down to 52-50 when Jack Foley (19 points) scored with 49 seconds left.

Free throws from Jephson (team-high 17 points) and Walker iced the game.

Thursday: No. 5 North Douglas 65, No. 4 Adrian 48 — Warriors player of the game

Ray Gerrard had a massive double-double to kick off his team's run to third place.

Gerrard dominated with 29 points, and 12 of his 18 rebounds came on the Antelopes' end of the floor.

Jephson canned three three-pointers as part of 16 points. He also snagged nine rebounds.

Martin scored 10 points.

Jephson's first long-range basket gave Adrian a 3-2 lead, but the Antelopes would rarely challenge for the lead again.

✓ Melba: Mustangs ride big scoring nights through first two days of play

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31-21 halftime lead on the strength of 41.9 percent field-goal shooting in the first 16 minutes.

But Bear Lake (25-2) slowed down the game and fired up the field goals in the second half.

The Bears took only 15 shots in the final 16 minutes, but converted 11 chances (including going 3-for-4 from three-point territory).

Coach Spencer Trappett's Mustangs, on the other hand, saw their field-goal clip halved after halftime.

The team that shot 41.9 percent (13-for-31) over the first 16 minutes could only manage a 20.8 percent success rate (5-for-24 and nine unsuccessful three-point tries) the rest of the way.

Bear Lake's Brady Shaul went 6-for-10 from the foul line and led all scorers with 17 points. Teammate Bryson Crane scored 14 points (3-for-6 on the foul line) and snagged all but one of his seven rebounds on Melba's end of the floor.

The Mustangs went 6-for-8 from the free-throw line — led by Braden Volkers' 3-for-3 performance as part off his seven points. But the Bears took more than three times as many chances at the stripe, converting 14 of 29.

Melba's Cache Beus closed his season with a double-double of 12 points and 10 rebounds before fouling out.

Cutter Beus had both of Melba's three-pointers (the team was 2-for-15) and finished with eight points. Noah West

added seven points.

Friday: Melba 62, St. Maries 58 — The 2022 state final rematch was much closer than the Mustangs' win a year earlier after Melba stormed to a big lead early.

Melba led by as many as 24 points, 28-4, after scoring the first 10 points of the second quarter, and the Mustangs stifled the Lumberjacks earlier a 28-0 run.

But St. Maries rallied in the second half, sparked by a 20-8 burst out of the halftime gate and 17 points off turnovers.

The Mustangs held on to beat the Lumberjacks, just as they did a year ago for the state crown.

Cache Beus notched another double-double with 15 points and 16 rebounds (including 10

on defense). Cousin Cutter also pourt in 15 points and had four defensive boards.

Melba converted 51 percent of its field goals (26-for-51).

Tucker Lowber added 14 points, while Braden Volkers chipped in eight.

St. Maries post Tristan Hill went 6-for-9 with a three-pointer as part of a double-double performance of 14 points and 12 rebounds.

St. Maries' Grayson Sands led all players with 21 points. Teammate Dillon Holder hit two of the Lumberjacks' five three-point goals for the bulk of his eight points, while Trace Wicks was 4-for-7 from the floor for nine points.

Thursday: Melba 78, Declo 46 — The Mustangs went on a 15-3 run and led by 21 points at halftime in a blowout victory in the first round.

Melba converted half of its field-goal attempts and shot 78 percent from the free-throw line (19-for-27).

Starters Braden Volkers (22 points) and Lowber (21) nearly outscored the Hornets on their own.

Cache Beus chipped in nine points with a co-game-high 10 rebounds before fouling out. Cutter Beus scored eight points with seven boards. The cousins had two blocked shots each.

Emmett Gibby paced Declo with eight points and 10 rebounds, seven of which came on the offensive glass. Teammate Jacob Rasmussen went 4-for-4 from the foul line and had a team-high 10 points.

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This week's schedule

Baseball
Saturday, March 11, home vs. Grangeville, 3 p.m.
Monday, March 13, home vs. Baker, Ore., 5 p.m.

Softball Varsity
Wednesday, March 8 at Fruitland, 5 p.m.
Friday, March 10, home vs. Payette, 10:00 am
Monday, March 13, home vs. Baker, Ore., 5 p.m.
Junior varsity
Friday, March 10, home vs. Payette (4 inn.), 11:30 am

Track and field
Friday, March 10 at Weiser tri-meet, 1 p.m.
Wednesday, March 15 at New Plymouth Opener, 1 p.m.

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✓ **Homedale:** Buhl matches Trojans from downtown; Panthers win at line

time to grab an inbounds pass and heave a halfcourt shot.

Friday's redux was just as intense and featured the same drama.

No. 5 seed Homedale (15-9) built a 16-9 lead early in the second quarter and showed hot shooting that wasn't apparent a night earlier with a 13-0 run.

But eighth-seeded Buhl scored 12 unanswered points and climbed back into the game and eventually catching the Trojans, 37-37, after three quarters.

There were eight ties and 12 lead changes in the barnburner and Homedale (57.1 percent) and Buhl (56.6 percent) put on a field-goal shooting clinic over the final 16 minutes.

Homedale regained its form from beyond the three-point line, draining 12 of 33 long-range shots while taking only 11 shots (and making eight) inside the perimeter.

The Indians (10-16 after losing Saturday's consolation championship to Fruitland) built their comeback at the free-throw line, getting nearly four times as many opportunities as the Trojans and connecting on half of their 26 tries. Homedale was just 4-for-7 for the game. Buhl made up nine points of the first-half deficit with a 10-for-20 showing at the charity stripe, while Homedale was 1-for-3 in the same timeframe.

Dines' only successful field goals were from long distance. He took all but one of his team's free-throw attempts, making four of six, and finished his final high school game with 13 points.

Another HHS senior, Sigmund Goode, was on fire from the outside yet again. All eight of his shots came from downtown, and he connected on half of them for 12 points.

Trenton Fisher, another up-perclassman, hit five of eight two-pointers and found his range once from three-point territory for 11 points.

Mason Strong wrapped up his career with a pair of treys as part of his eight points, and he led coach Cam Long's charges with five rebounds.

Buhl's Kyler Kelly found success from all over the floor and dominated with 23 points on 7-for-11 field-goal shooting (5-for-8 from behind the three-point line) and 4-for-8 at the free-throw line. He also



Mason Strong launches a three-point attempt Thursday in Homedale's first-round loss to Snake River. Photo by Joshua Gray / GrayHawk Photography

thwarted Homedale's second chances with five defensive rebounds.

Teammate Dominic Robles Pierce also had five defensive rebounds, and Tate Trevino chipped in 11 points.

Thursday: No. 4 Snake River 64, No. 5 Homedale 54 — The Trojans launched a big third-quarter comeback without their leading scorer — Dines — but the Panthers' own No. 5 — Keaton Kesler — buried a deep three-point goal 10-2 fourth-quarter spurt that put the game out of reach.

Hampered by cold shooting and foul trouble, Dines didn't score in the first 10 minutes, 16 seconds of the second half, but the Trojans rallied with a 14-2 spurt in the third quarter.

Goode and junior varsity call-up McCoy Swallow pumped in three-pointers, and senior Alijah Joyner had an electrifying offensive putback to highlight Homedale's 14-2 run to erase most of a 33-18 deficit.

Joyner's rebound and buzzer-beating basket following teammate Danny Lomeli's missed shot got the Trojans to within a bucket, 37-35, heading into the final eight minutes.

Homedale had a shot at tying the score as the final period started. Goode stole the quarter-opening inbounds pass, but Strong missed the layup.

Dines scored a layup with 5:44 left to get the Trojans to within five points, 44-39, but the basket would mark the last of the senior's 13 points. Dines

was 6-for-10 on two-point tries, but missed all eight of his three-point attempts.

Goode nailed five three-pointers for his team-high 15 points, and Strong hit a pair of treys and knocked in six of seven free throws for 14 points.

With Strong leading the way, Homedale drained 10 for 14

free throws, but Snake River (18-8) was lights out from the line, putting down 21 of 25 attempts.

The Panthers, who lost Saturday's third-place game to Teton, went 14-for-16 from the line in the second half.

Luke Higginson hit all six of his foul shots and scored 15 points to go with six defensive rebounds.

Rainger Morrell lived up to his first name with a 4-for-4 showing at the line and 2-for-2 performance on three-pointers. He missed only a two-point field goal attempt and scored 10 points.

Kesler, who led all players with 18 points, was also 6-for-6 from the free-throw line and connected on half of his 10 field-goal attempts.

Marcus Coombs scored 15 points and led Snake River with nine rebounds (including seven on defense).

The Panthers dominated the Trojans' backboards early as Homedale suffered from a long drought of one-and-done possessions. Snake River owned a 32-8 edge on the HHS glass.

Homedale had only one lead in the ballgame after Goode opened the contest with a three-point goal off Trenton Fisher's assistant 57 seconds after the tipoff.

Snake River seized control with a 22-3 run as Homedale scored only three points (a Dines jumper and a Joyner foul shot) over a 8-minute, 37-second stretch in the first half.

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First off, we want to thank you: For not yelling at the officials every time you don't like a call. For not ruining high school sports for your child by making it all about you. For not contributing to the bad fan behavior epidemic that is putting high school sports at risk.

In other words, thank you for setting a positive example of what a true high school sports fan looks like.



Like you, we're tired of seeing games canceled because of brawls in the stands. We're tired of entitled fans who think they can say and do anything they want. We're tired of high school athletic events being clouded by negativity, immaturity and aggressive behavior.

Let's not let a few bad apples spoil the bunch. They may be a loud minority, but let's make sure our actions speak louder.

Consider this your rallying cry — to continue setting the tone for your school community. To continue being role models and positive behavior trailblazers. To continue being part of the solution and not part of the problem.

For those of us who just want to watch our kids play and grow, there's strength in numbers. It's time to stand up and say enough is enough. It's time to proclaim what our schools stand for — and what they stand against. It's time to protect high school sports!

- Let's unite to restore civility in our schools and make it clear we will not accept bad behavior as the norm.
- Let's join together to represent the values,

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Letters to the editor

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

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

- E-mailed to jon@owyheeavalanche.com
- Mailed to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628
- Dropped off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale

For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

JP Doodles



Montana-based syndicated editorial cartoonist Barry McWilliams passed away in August 2021. The McWilliams Estate has given The Owyhee Avalanche permission to publish his cartoon. McWilliams' cartoons appeared in more than 1,500 newspapers, and he visited hundreds of elementary schools teaching children to draw.

From Washington
Enhancing health care options and
delivery across Idaho and our country

As Ranking Member of the Senate Finance Committee, I am committed to a health care agenda that provides Idahoans with the affordability, quality, choice and control that they want, need and deserve. Access and affordability remain pressing challenges for far too many working families, especially in the face of rampant inflation and other economic pressures. Idahoans deserve an accountable, fiscally responsible government that advances meaningful solutions for patients at the pharmacy counter, the doctor's office and the hospital. The reckless tax-and-spend policies of the past two years fall drastically short of that standard. Congress can and must do better.

Whether rising costs, workforce shortages or burdensome red tape, our health care programs have struggled to meet the needs of patients, job creators and frontline providers across Idaho, particularly in rural communities. Policies like the government price controls enacted under the so-called "Inflation Reduction Act" risk exacerbating these and other challenges, triggering hundreds fewer new treatments and cures in the years to come, along with higher launch prices for life-saving medications.

As we move into the 118th Congress, policymakers must pursue a more effective, more efficient and more patient-focused path forward. Fortunately, we have some cause for optimism, even in the midst of a fraught political environment.

Last year, I worked with colleagues on both sides of the aisle to advance a package of serious health care solutions aimed at producing real results for Idahoans while reducing our staggering deficit by billions of dollars. This legislation, which was signed into law

U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo
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in December, extends telehealth coverage for seniors and workers with high-deductible health plans for two years, providing a promising bipartisan bridge to long-term reforms.

We also enacted a wide range of mental health

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Commentary

Financial management

Family’s fractional land ownership could lead to fractured family



DAVE Says
by Dave Ramsey • www.davesays.org

Dear Dave,

I have an uncle who wants to gift some property to one of his sons, myself and my sister. The property is about 2½ acres, and it’s probably worth around \$125,000. My wife and I are trying to pay off debt in Baby Step 2 of your plan, and we’re not sure how we feel about the situation. What do you think?

— Dave

Dear Dave,

If your uncle asked me if he should do this, my answer would

be no. The thing is: You’ve got three different sets of people with different lives and very different situations. Not only that, but these three potential co-owners probably have differing ideas about the land and what should or shouldn’t be done with it. To me, the whole thing sounds like a big family fight just waiting to happen.

If I were in his shoes, I’d just sell the property and split the money equally between the three of you. It’d be a lot easier that way, and you’d avoid

the chance of hard feelings between you and your relatives down the road. Don’t get me wrong. Your uncle sounds like a kind and generous man. He’s trying to be a blessing to all three of you, but it has a very real possibility of causing unintended problems he may not see coming.

That’s the way I’d handle it, Dave. A couple of acres of dirt split between three people isn’t worth all the squabbles and bad feelings it could cause.

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling author, personal finance expert and host of “The Ramsey Show.” He has appeared on “Good Morning America,” “CBS This Morning,” “Today,” 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 of Ramsey Solutions.

✓ Health care: Consumer-oriented policies will help improve system

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policies that will increase care options for patients, particularly in rural communities, and will help to combat the growing physician burnout that has led many to close up shop or retire in recent years. The enactment of these and numerous other pivotal mental health provisions marked the culmination of two years of bipartisan work by the Finance Committee.

We need to build on these consumer-oriented and financially sustainable policies to enhance health care delivery across the Gem State and the country as a whole. In practice, this will mean securing lasting telehealth access for seniors and families, refining Medicare payment systems to strengthen our provider workforce and reward value, accelerating seniors’ access to life-saving medical breakthroughs, and promoting state flexibilities to improve patient

outcomes and lower costs.

We should look to success stories like Medicare Advantage as models, with the capacity to provide better choices and benefits for seniors. Our programs work best when they embrace public-private partnerships and empower patients, rather than rely on big-government expansion and wasteful spending. As this committee demonstrated last year, we can achieve ambitious goals while increasing efficiencies, protecting taxpayers and prolonging program solvency.

As Ranking Member, I will exercise assertive oversight of the executive branch. This will prove particularly essential for the implementation of the Inflation Reduction Act’s market-distorting drug price controls, given the threat they pose to current and future patients, as well as our economy and global

leadership on health care innovation. As the federal bureaucracy moves forward with these price-fixing programs, I will work to mitigate the harms the law risks imposing, while ensuring fair and transparent processes that benefit all Americans.

Opportunities for improvement abound for all of our health care programs. I am committed to working together with my colleagues in both chambers of Congress to deliver better results for Idahoans across our great state.

— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho’s senior member of the U. S. Senate. He is in his fifth six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999, and 2023 marks his 30th year in the U.S. Congress. Prior to that, he served eight years in the Idaho State Senate.

✓ Behavior: Respectful high school fans must stand against bad apples

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standards and life lessons that high school sports teach like integrity, respect and empathy.

• Let’s preserve the environment where our students learn, grow and compete. When bad fan behavior rears its ugly head in our schools and games are canceled, everyone loses. Especially our students.

The bottom line: This is about character. The way

we behave at high school athletic events says a lot about who we are.

Ready to stand together? The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) has partnered with state high school associations across the country to promote the #BenchBadBehavior campaign. Visit BenchBadBehavior.com to get free resources like social media posts, videos, flyers and more to help

set the tone for your school community. Together, we can urge everyone in Idaho to #BenchBadBehavior at high school athletic events for good!

— Dr. Karissa Niehoff is chief executive officer of the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS). Ty Jones is executive director of the Idaho High School Activities Association.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

March 11, 1998



Marsing church celebrates 80 years...

This photo of the Marsing Church of the Nazarene was taken after the church was moved to a lot in town made available by the Marsing brothers in 1921. The church is celebrating 80 years of service to the community.

Homedale boys settle for fifth place at State

The Homedale Trojans entered the state A-3 Boys State Basketball Tournament hoping for a first-place finish, but instead had to settle for fifth place after winning the consolation championship Saturday with an 85-76 win over West Side.

The odyssey began Thursday as the Grangeville Bulldogs held off a strong Trojan comeback to make the state semifinals with a 68-54 win. Grangeville led by as many as 21 points until late in the game, when Homedale cut the Bulldogs' lead to only three points with five minutes left.

Senior Kenny Thomas led the Trojans with 14 points and seven rebounds. Darren Uranga scored 13 points while Gavin Parker contributed 12 points.

Thursday's loss dropped Homedale into the consolation bracket, where the Trojans met Butte County Friday. Parker scored 18 points, 10 in the final period, as Homedale defeated the Pirates 72-63. Uranga also scored 18 points and had five assists. Thomas scored a double-double with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

In Saturday's win over West Side, Zeb Ross took control of the game in the second half. Ross scored 12 points in two minutes as Homedale went on a 15-2 run to put the game away. All five starters scored in double figures.

Ross ended the game with 14 points. Uranga led the Trojans with 25 points, while Parker finished with 15 points and nine rebounds.

Thomas scored his second double-double of the tournament with 18 points and 10 rebounds.

Eighth grade band to perform at Capitol

The Homedale Junior High School Eighth Grade Band has been selected to perform tomorrow morning at the State Capitol Building in Boise during "Music In Our Schools Week."

The band is one of only three junior high school bands in the state of Idaho chosen for this honor. The band, under the direction of Arnold Pierce, will perform at 10:45 a.m. on the front steps of the Capitol Building.

This will be the first time a Homedale school band has participated in this yearly event.

Throughout the week, in addition to the outdoor band performances, choral and orchestral performances will take place in the rotunda on the second floor of the Capitol Building.

50 years ago

March 8, 1973



TROJAN BASKETBALLERS are headed for the state A-3 tournament at Lewiston this week end, after defeating Valley High 58-54 in a playoff at Mountain Home Monday night. From left, kneeling, Roger Kora, Doug Takasugi, Greg Haylett, Kelly Vance, Mike Parker, Gregg Garrett, Pat Garrity, Imre Ozorak, manager. Standing, Jack Daniell, assistant coach, Virgil Thatcher, Gary Godlevsky, Rick DeGroat, Charles Van Derhoff, Terry Horn, Mike Hyer; Gary Matlock, coach

Trojans to meet Genesee at state cage tourney

The Trojans will play Genesee at 9 p.m. tonight (Thursday) in the first-round finale of the state A-3 basketball tourney at Lewiston.

A 58-54 victory over the Valley High at Mountain Home Monday night won Homedale a berth in the state tournament.

With 1:00 remaining in the contest, the Blue and White evened the contest up at 54-54 and were coming on strong.

Homedale's courtsters saw the writing on the wall and Gregg Garrett dumped in a vital bucket, and seconds later Mike Hyer hit two of three from the welfare stripe to put the contest out of reach.

Greg Haylett led the troops with 19 important counters while Rick DeGroat and Hyer rounded out the double digit men with 13 and 12 respectively.

BSC students from Owyhee hold college posts

Shauna Carson, Homedale, is serving this year as an assistant vice-president of Alpha Chi Omega, a social sorority, at Boise State College. She is a freshman majoring in communications.

Jayne Van Wassenhove, Marsing, is president of the Women's Intramural Association. She is a junior majoring in physical education.

Steve Belknap, Marsing, is on the Anthropology Clubs Board of Executives. He is a senior biology major.

Marsing loses crucial game to Trojans

Homedale defeated Marsing Thursday night in the consolation bracket of the District A-3 tourney at Nampa to keep its hopes alive for a trip to the state tourney at Lewiston.

The Trojans, with 11 points from Rick DeGroat, finished the first eight minutes of play on top 17-11. The Huskies made several challenges during the second stanza but fell back at the end to trail 37-29 at intermission time.

The Red and White placed four men in the double figure bracket with DeGroat dumping in 20, while Gregg Garrett played the supporting role with 16. Greg Haylett hit for 12 as Doug Takasugi rounded out the double figure men with 10.

The Huskies found the ring on 24 of 64 for a lower 37 per cent. Steve Larsen paced the Blue and Gold with 19, while Tom Kovis ran a distant second with 13.

155 years ago

March 7, 1868

THEATRICAL.—Harry Wilkinson's Combination Troupe is over average for the mountains. Since their advent here they have favored us twice with "Retribution, or the Cincinnati Tragedy." The theater was crowded, and the first evening many who could not even find room to stand up were compelled to go away. It is difficult to imagine the character of Helen Lovett better represented than it was by Charlotte Crampion, while every one was charmed with Harry Wilkinson's performance as Harry Lovett. That wild, devil-may-care sort of a character, Dick Gray, was well acted by Mr. McDonald. The audience was also well pleased with the other Dramatis Personae. That funny farce, "Toodles," was well received and caused the people to laugh heartily. "Drunken Old Toodles" was represented by Harry Wilkinson in a manner that would be hard to beat. Harry, Lizzie Gibson, and Kitty Holman sang a number of songs which were loudly encored.

THE WEATHER—ROADS—MAILS.—March was ushered in by the most severe snow-storm that we have experienced here this Winter, which has blocked up the roads so as, almost, to render them impassable for the last three or four days. Owing to the recent melting of the snow in the valleys and foot-hills, the stage road to Hunter's, in many places, is in bad condition, but by the efficient management of Charley Coombs, the able Superintendent, the stages continued to come in "on time" till three days ago, since which time none have arrived, which we attribute to the recent heavy snow-storm in the mountains. Overland and Boise mails arrive regularly, and as it is pretty certain that the Columbia has broken its icy fetters, we presume that Postal agent Brooks will permit the Oregon mails to come through. The storm is over, and should the present fine weather continue, in a very few days the roads will be in as good condition as ever.

JUSTICE TO WHOM JUSTICE IS DUE.—In speaking of the Ida Elmore and Golden Chariot mine last week, we stated that "the workmen in each mine broke through the partition wall which separated them." This, as we have since been informed, is not strictly true. "In each mine" is the portion of the statement at which umbrage is taken, and which the Ida Elmore Company deem injustice towards them, as they are prepared to prove that they did not trespass on the neutral ground between the two claims. In this connection, we would say that it is not our intention to do injustice to any party or individual. If we should err in our statements, we are always ready and willing to make the correction, providing we are properly convinced of the error.

NEW STRIKE.—The Pickens and Edwards is the name of a ledge newly discovered at Cottonwood, midway between this place and Flint.

The discoverers inform us that the vein is somewhat over eighteen inches in width. Some pieces of the rock shown us bear evidence of being very rich in silver. Already there have been a number of ledges discovered there, and it is more than likely that many more will be found next Summer. We understand that the Cottonwood boys contemplate seceding from Flint District, and will form a new mining district of their own.

Public notices

NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION
CASTLEFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 417
TWIN FALLS AND OWYHEE COUNTIES, IDAHO

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN according to law and requisite action by the Board of Trustees of Castleford School District No. 417 Twin Falls and Owyhee, Idaho, that **a bond election** will be held on **Tuesday, March 14, 2023**, in the Castleford School District, Twin Falls and Owyhee Counties, State of Idaho, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of said District their vote at precinct polling sites open **8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.** for the following question: “Shall the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 417, Twin Falls and Owyhee Counties, State of Idaho (the “District”), be authorized to issue general obligation school bonds of said District in one or more series, in the principal amount not to exceed **\$6,000,000** for the purpose of constructing a small multipurpose/practice gym with three attached classrooms, such series of bonds to become due in such installments as may be fixed by the Board, for a term not to exceed thirty years (30), all as provided in the Resolution adopted by the Board on **January 18, 2023**? The interest **rate anticipated on the proposed bond issue is 4.39% per annum.** The total amount estimated to be repaid over the life of the bonds, based on the anticipated interest rate, is \$9,119,733 consisting of \$6,000,000 in principal and \$4,915,300 of interest, totaling \$10,915,300, less \$1,795,567 in estimated bond levy equalization payments. The term of the bonds will not exceed thirty (30) years from the date of issuance. The estimated average annual cost to the taxpayer on the proposed bond levy is **a tax of \$131 per \$100,000 of taxable assessed value, per year, based on current conditions.** As of January 18, 2023, the total existing bonded indebtedness of the District, including interest accrued, is \$0.00.” Said election will be conducted pursuant to **Title 34 Idaho Code.**

Owyhee County polling location for the March 14, 2023 Castleford School District No. 417 Bond Election:
Owyhee County Courthouse
Murphy, ID 83650

For Mail-In Absentee or In-Person Absentee Voting, contact the Owyhee County Clerk’s Office at 208-495-2421 or the Twin Falls County Clerk’s Office at 208-736-4004.

The Precinct are handicapped accessible and / or offer curb-side voting shall the voter need assistance.
03/08/2023

LIEN SALE
Unit L-9, Aaron James, 625 E. 19th North, Mountain Home, ID 83647 — Misc. camping equipment and a few children’s bicycles
Unit F-38, Jamie Morelock, 2475 Northside Rd., Homedale, ID 83628 — Misc. bags of clothing and children’s toys
Silent auction held on site

MAY 18, 2021 OWYHEE COUNTY ELECTION
NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE

Pursuant to Idaho Code §34-1404, notice is hereby given for the candidate filing deadline for the following taxing districts that will be conducting candidate elections in Owyhee County on May 16, 2023. In order to appear on the election ballot, a candidate must file a Declaration of Candidacy form with the office of said districts as stated below. Declaration of Candidacy forms can be obtained at the district’s office or the Election Office at the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID. Forms are also available online at www.owyheecounty.net. Declarations of Candidacy must be submitted to the District Clerk or Secretary no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 17, 2023 (Idaho Code §34-1404 the 9th Friday prior to the Election). Individuals who run as write-in candidates must file a Declaration of Intent no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 24, 2023 (Idaho Code §34-1407 the 8th Friday prior to the election).

NAME AND ADDRESS OF TAXING DISTRICT	POSITION OPEN
Gem Highway District 1016 W. Main Street Marsing, Idaho 83639	- Commissioner District #3 – 4 year term
Homedale Highway District 102 E. Colorado Avenue Homedale, Idaho 83628	- Commissioner Sub-District #1 – 4 year term - Commissioner Sub-District #3 – 4 year term
Three Creek Highway District 864 Filer Avenue Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	-Commissioner Districtwide (1) Position Open - 4 year terms
Bruneau Valley Library 32073 Ruth Street Bruneau, Idaho 83604	- Trustee Districtwide (1) Position Open - 6 year terms
Eastern Owyhee County Library 520 Boise Avenue Grand View, Idaho 83624	- Trustee Districtwide (1) Position Open - 6 year terms
Lizard Butte Library 111 3 rd . Ave. W. Marsing, Idaho 83639	- Trustee Districtwide (1) Position Open - 6 year term
	- Trustee Districtwide (2 positions) - 6 year terms
Homedale Library District 121 W. Owyhee Ave. Homedale, Idaho 83628	- Trustee Districtwide (2 positions) - 4 year terms - Trustee Districtwide (1 position) - 2 year term

03/08/2023

JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 417
Twin Falls and Owyhee Counties, Idaho

SPECIAL BOND ELECTION
March 14, 2023

Shall the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 417, Twin Falls and Owyhee Counties, State of Idaho (“Board”) be authorized to issue general obligation school bonds of said District, in one or more series, in a principal amount not to exceed \$6,000,000 for the purpose of constructing a small multipurpose/practice gym with three attached classrooms, such series of bonds to become due in such installments as may be fixed by the Board, for a term not to exceed thirty years, all as provided in the Resolution adopted by the Board on January 18, 2023?

The interest rate anticipated on the proposed bond issue is 4.39% per annum. The total amount estimated to be repaid over the life of the bonds, based on the anticipated interest rate, is \$9,119,733 consisting of \$6,000,000 in principal and \$4,915,300 of interest, totaling \$10,915,300, less \$1,795,567 in estimated bond levy equalization payments. The term of the bonds will not exceed 30 years. The District has no existing bonded indebtedness.

The estimated average annual cost to the taxpayer on the proposed bond levy is a tax of \$131 per \$100,000 of taxable assessed value, per year, based on current conditions.

IN FAVOR OF issuing bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$6,000,000

AGAINST issuing bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$6,000,000

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03/08/2023

at Highway 95 Self Storage, 3685 Highway 95 in Homedale. Bidding will begin on 3/1 and auction will close at 1pm on Saturday, 3/11.
03/01,08/2023

NOTICE
The annual meeting of the South Side Bruneau Canal Company will be held at the Emergency Center Building “EMT” Office in Bruneau on Friday, March 10, 2023 at 4:00 pm.
Chris Alzola
Secretary
208-587-2789
03/08/2023

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Marsing Ambulance Service Board of Directors will hold its annual meeting, following the regular monthly meeting, as designated below. By laws and board assignments will be reviewed. Taxpayers and residents of Marsing Ambulance District are invited to attend.
DATE: Thursday, March 16, 2023
TIME: 7 p.m.
PLACE: Marsing Fire Hall, 303 Main St.
03/01/2023

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
STATE OF IDAHO, COUNTY OF OWYHEE
MAGISTRATE DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATES OF:
LEON C. HAHLEBECK AND BERTHA J. HAHLEBECK, DECEASED PERSONS.
CASE NO. CV37-23-00043

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the above-named estates. All persons having claims against the said decedents 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 February, 2023.
/s/:Clifford Leon Hahlbeck
Personal Representative
/s/:Donald Eugene Hahlbeck
Personal Representative
02/22;03/01,08/2023

PUBLIC HEARING

Southwestern Idaho Cooperative Housing Authority (SICHA) has developed its agency plan in compliance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998.

The plan, attachments and support documents are available for review at the SICHA administrative office located at 377 Cornell Street, Middleton, Idaho 83644 between the public business hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday thru Thursday. In Owyhee County, the plan and attachments can be examined at the El-Ada Community Center, 15 West Colorado, Homedale, Idaho. In addition, a Public Hearing will be held at the SICHA administrative office in Middleton at the address indicated above on April 14, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend.



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Dines named player of year

Five Homedale seniors on all-conference scroll

Homedale High School’s strong batch of seniors took one last boys’ basketball bow Tuesday.

Four of the Trojans’ five All-3A Snake River Valley conference designees, including Player of the Year Jaxon Dines, closed out their prep careers in the 2A-3A District III Senior All-Star Game.

The showcase took place after deadline inside the Fruitland High School gymnasium.

A 5-foot, 11-inch guard, Dines capped a stellar high school career in which he joined rare company as a 1,000-point scorer for HHS. During his final season, he averaged 17.2 points and 2.1 assists per game. Dines connected on 50.5 percent of his shots from within the three-point line (55-for-109) and shot 32 percent (49-for-153) from long distance. He had the second-best foul line performance (53-for-67, 79.1 percent).

Mason Strong, a 5-11 guard who reached All-State status as a junior, was placed on the all-conference first team. Strong averaged



Jaxon Dines

8.7 points per night and compiled a 38.3 field-goal percentage (59-for-154). He was third on the team with 17 three-pointers.

Post player Trenton Fisher (6-1) and sharp-shooting 5-10 wing Sigmund Goode landed on the second team.

Fisher averaged 7.1 points, and he and Strong shared the team rebounding lead with 75 boards apiece.

Goode had 21three-pointers (second on the team) and carried a 27.3 percent success rate. He averaged 5.2 points per game, and more than a third of his scoring came from downtown. Goode led the team in free-throw accuracy (20-for-25, 80 percent).

Another big man, 6-3 Alijah Joyner was an honorable mention selection. He averaged 6.7 points and 4.7 rebounds per game and his 31 offensive rebounds was second on the team to Fisher’s 35.

Payette’s Mike Boudreau was named conference coach of the year.

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IRONHEAD CONSTRUCTION AND FABRICATION RETIREMENT ONLINE AUCTION

This will be an online auction!
Please visit bakerauction.com for full sale list and information
Auction Soft Close: Thursday March 16th @ 2:30pm
Auction Preview: Wednesday March 15th
Location: 390 North Ironhead Rd Vale OR 97918
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Payment Option: Cash, Debit/Credit, Wire Transfer or Check with valid ID and fund verification
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION ON COMPLAINT FOR JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE AND DECLARATORY RELIEF
Case No. CV37-23-00042

AMERICAN ADVISORS GROUP, Plaintiff,
V.
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, ASSIGNS AND DEVISEES OF HOLLY R. WADE; SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; AND DOES 1 THROUGH 20, et al.,
Defendants.

TO: DEFENDANTS THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, ASSIGNS AND DEVISEES OF HOLLY R. WADE and DOES 1 through 20, inclusive, including all parties with an interest in and/or residing in real property commonly known as 9446 WRIGHT RD., MELBA, ID 83641:
You have been sued by American Advisors Group, the Plaintiff, in the District Court in and for the County of Owyhee, Idaho, Case No. CV37-23-00042.
The nature of the claim against you is an action for declaratory relief and judicial foreclosure of the real property currently known as 9446 WRIGHT RD., MELBA, ID 83641 and legally described as
LOT 6 OF JAKUBOWSKI SUBDIVISION IN GOVERNMENT LOTS 4 AND 5, SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY RECORDER AS INSTRUMENT NO. 181411.

Any time after 21 days following the last publication of this summons, the court may enter a judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the Case Number and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at P.O. Box 128, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, (208) 495-2806, and serve a copy of your response on the Plaintiff’s attorney, SYDNEY K. LEAVITT, at ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP, 3597 E. Monarch Sky Ln., Ste. 240 Meridian, ID 83646.
A copy of the Summons and Complaint can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the attorney for Plaintiff. If you wish for legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.
Dated: 2/7/2023
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
By: /s/ Cheylah Volkers
DEPUTY
02/15,22;03/01,08/2023

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE (Adult or Emancipated Minor)
CASE NO. CV37-23-61
IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
IN RE: BROOKLYN DAWN PALMER

A petition to change the name of Brooklyn Dawn Palmer, 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 Brooklyn Dawn Thompson. The reason for the change in name is: I want to have my stepdad’s last name. He has raised me and I have not had contact with my biological father in years.
A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 11:00 o’clock a.m. on April 19, 2023 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: February 22, 2023
Clerk of the District Court
/s:/Aiesha Zenor, Deputy Clerk
03/08,15,22,29/2023

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF THE THIRD

JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: DOLORES M. BIRMINGHAM, DECEASED.
CASE NO. CV37-23-00062
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that DANIEL H. BIRMINGHAM has been appointed personal representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the decedent, Dolores M. Birmingham, or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.
Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated and filed with the Clerk of the Court.
DATED this 28th day of February, 2023.
/S/ GWEN K. SWEESY /S/ GWEN K. SWEESY,
Attorney
The Law Offices of Maybon, PLLC
P.O. Box 1084
Caldwell, ID 83606
(208) 454-2974
03/08,15,22/2023

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT
TRANSFER NO. 87409
CHESTER W SELLMAN and CATHERINE SELLMAN, 31267 STATE HWY 51, BRUNEAU, ID 83604-5075 has filed Application No. 87409 for changes to the following water rights within OWYHEE County(s): Right No(s). 51-4051; 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 new point of diversion located just west of highway 51 in the NESE Sec. 7, T07S, R05E. For additional information concerning the property location, contact the 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 3/20/2023. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.
GARY SPACKMAN, Director
03/01;03/08/2023

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Administrative Assistant

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Desired Qualifications: Good knowledge of office support functions, filing, composing a variety of business documents, reception, gathering and compiling data, public outreach responsibilities and coordinating a workload for multiple projects. Ability to meet the public and provide general information. Quickbooks experience a plus.

Compensation: \$20 per hour, with an estimated 16-24 hours per month as a 1099 contractor.

If interested, contact BRIVERSCD@GMAIL.COM for more information.

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Owyhee County Judo judoka line up in the Homedale High School gymnasium foyer before moving into the gym for the bow-in ceremony for last year's tournament. Submitted photo

✓ Judo: OC club honored

- 11- to 12-year-olds
 - 13- to 14-year-olds
 - 15- to 16-year-olds
 - Senior Men's White
 - Senior Women's White and Brown
 - Senior Men's Brown
 - Senior Men's Black
 - Senior Women's Black
- Owyhee County Judo is coming off the Ore-Ida Judo Tournament, which was held at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore. The club was recognized as the 2022 Intermountain Yudanshakai Dojo of the Year during the cross-border tournament.

✓ Bruneau: Block grant, USDA RD federal funding among assistance

plan and it was funded with federal American Rescue Plan Act monies the governor directed to the state agency last year.

Bruneau's \$2,553,092 award will help pay for upgrades to the existing lift station as well as reconstruction and installation of a high-density polyethylene liner on the north and south lagoons of the district's treatment plant.

The award was announced two weeks after Little and other members of his administration, including DEQ director Jess Byrne, visited the small Owyhee County village for Capital for a Day.

During the visit, Little and Byrne faced questions from Bruneau Water and Sewer District board chair Justin

Howard about getting help in jumping through the hoops necessary to comply with grant and loan requirements.

Other elements of the project include installation of a disinfection system and a reuse pump system. Site improvements will also include adding a canopy and fencing, grading and removing biosolids from the existing treatment ponds.

The Bruneau district has received about \$6.5 million in funding for the project since September 2018.

The latest DEQ award is part of more than \$35 million in construction grants that DEQ awarded to 10 drinking water and wastewater systems across the state.

The City of Wilder also received more than \$3.8 million in grant money to help with permitting efforts such as land acquisition, preliminary design, reuse permitting and environmental determination.

The Bruneau district board has been working on shoring up its wastewater infrastructure for years.

Nearly five years ago, the district received more than \$2.2 million in U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development funding to help with the project.

USDA RD awarded a \$650,000 loan and a \$1.58 million grant for the district to use in a project that — at the time — was defined as reconstructing, raising

and re-lining the wastewater treatment lagoon system.

In a September 2018 press release, USDA RD said the treatment plant's capacity would be increased so the district could meet DEQ requirements.

At the time, the Bruneau district had provided nearly \$5,000 in matching funds. Other funding in the package included a \$30,000 Rural Development Pre-Development planning grant, a \$500,000 Idaho Department of Commerce Community Development Block Grant, a DEQ planning grant of about \$19,000, and \$1.2 million in U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 595 funding.

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