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More duplexes sought in Homedale

Residential proposals lead council meeting

The city council will hear several proposals to add more housing in and around Homedale tonight.

The monthly regular meeting will be held at 6 p.m., inside the magistrate courtroom inside City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Two men are seeing special use permits to build duplexes in the city limits, while a third developer will be on hand for another discussion about building a residential subdivision outside the city's impact area in Canyon County.

Two public hearings are planned:

- Ethan Eells has filed a SUP application seeking permission to build at duplex at 226½ W. Oregon Ave. This is the second residential development Eells has sought in town. He has another duplex in the latter stages of construction at the

— See *Homedale*, back page



Newly appointed Owyhee County Sheriff Larry Kendrick recites the oath of office as administered by Board of County Commissioners chair Joe Merrick on Monday afternoon in Murphy. Submitted photo

Split vote on sheriff appointment

GV/Bruneau deputy given top job Monday

For Larry Kendrick, the work began at 12:30 p.m., on Monday.

That's when the immensely popular Grand View/Bruneau deputy became the first man to ascend to the office of Owyhee County sheriff without an election.

Kendrick took the oath of office from Board of County Commissioners chair Joe Merrick — one of two men to vote for him in about as an informal transfer of power as you're going to find for such a historic development.

One of the men vying to become the interim

sheriff with Kendrick — Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller — pointed out during his address to the BOCC that no Owyhee County sheriff had ever been appointed by three men instead of the electorate.

That's because, it is believed, no sheriff had ever resigned until Perry Grant stepped down on March 31.

One of four men who had formally shown interest in being the top lawman in the county, Kendrick came into Monday's BOCC meeting in Murphy as the No. 1 choice of the Owyhee County Republican Central Committee.

In preferential ranking conducted after

— See *Sheriff*, page 6

SBOC water ready Monday

Final allotments weren't set by press time, but irrigation water could be available to producers Monday.

South Board of Control manager John Eells said details would be firmed up at the directors meeting in Homedale after deadline Tuesday.

Earlier this year, the tentative allotment was set at 3.1 acrefeet.

Owyhee Reservoir workers are supposed to turn water into the South Canal today.

The water season for the southern portion of the Owyhee Project starts Monday after the Gem Pumping Plant turbines pull water from the Snake River into the A and B canals. The South Canal should be charged by then, too.

Irrigation water will be available to Homedale and Marsing city residents on Monday, April 24, Eells said.

Check online at www.owyheeavalanche.com or www.southboardofcontrol.com for updates on allotments after Tuesday's round of board meetings for the Gem and Ridgeview districts and SBOC.

Developers seek changes to Marsing Main St. properties

The Marsing City Council will deal with a couple development questions at its regular meeting today.

One company has asked that the city annex property west of town into the city limits, and another firm wants to establish a food truck park on Main Street.

The annexation and zoning request from RKA LLC, and Edward Lodge's conditional

use permit request will be subjects for separate public hearings during the council's April meeting, which will convene at 7 p.m., today.

The meeting and hearings will take place at City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave.

- Hwy. 55 Storage — as RKA LLC — is seeking annexation and a zoning reclassification in its application.

The nearly three-acre parcel

lies west of 14th Avenue on the north side of Main Street (Idaho highway 55). The applicants are seeking a rezone to Commercial.

The annexation request is available for review at City Hall.

- In a separate public hearing, a conditional use permit is sought for The Eddy,

— See *Marsing*, back page



Work has already begun on the building that will be part of a proposed food truck park in Marsing.



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New law changes homeowner Circuit Breaker income threshold

Tuesday is last day to apply for 2023 property tax relief

With the filing deadline fast approaching, Owyhee County Assessor Tiffany Nettleton is encouraging residents who qualify for property tax benefits under the Property Tax Reduction Program (commonly known as the Circuit Breaker) and

Veterans' Property Tax Benefit to hurry and apply before the Tuesday deadline. The recent passage of House Bill 292 increased the income limit to \$37,000, and the eligibility was retroactive to Jan. 1 after legislation became law

when the House of Representatives and state Senate voted to override Gov. Brad Little's veto. Property owners whose annual income, less qualifying medical expenses, is at or below \$37,000 are also encouraged to apply for the Property Tax Reduction program. Previously, the Circuit Breaker income threshold was \$33,870, so Nettleton encourages property owners who were

denied a year ago to reapply with the new guidelines in place. This is the first year in which the application process can be completed online. To find out more or to apply, please visit the Idaho State Tax Commission's website at <https://idahotap.gentax.com/TAP?Link=PTR>. Contact the Assessor's Office at (208) 495-2817 with any questions.



The Prime Time Swingers, shown during their December visit to the Homedale Senior Center, will be back in town in April. Submitted photo

Prime Time Swingers swingin' back through at senior center

Live music will highlight one of the Homedale Senior Center's congregate lunches next month. The Prime Time Swingers return to provide tunes during the lunch hour on Thursday, April 27. The band will play from 11 a.m., to noon. Another foot clinic, which

includes the opportunity for ear cleanings, too, will be presented on Tuesday. Appointments are necessary, and folks can call the senior center at (208) 337-3020 for more information or to make an appointment. Foot examinations cost \$25, and an ear cleaning is \$30. Appointment slots begin at

8:30 a.m. The Fit and Fall class is held from 10:30 a.m., to 11:30 a.m., on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The Coffee Ladies meet at 9 a.m., every Wednesday. The center, located at 224 W. Idaho Ave., is open from 8 a.m., to 1 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday.

Archaeologist digs up his own history for book signing

He never used the word, but journaling seems to be the basis of Grand View author Dale Gray's "The Zen of Dale." An archaeologist and historian by profession, Gray has published his second book with subtitle of "Tales of a Free-Range Historian." He says it's derived from his own adventures in his profession and as a pilot car driver between 2013 and 2019.

Gray will be on hand to sign his book and probably answer questions the writing has cultivated in the mind of its readers from 4 p.m., to 6 p.m., on Thursday April 20 at the Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave. Copies of the book will be available at the signing. They're selling for \$19.99. Or you can pick one up on Amazon. This is Gray's second book. He released "A Holy Place in Idaho: A Centennial History of Idaho's First Church Camp" to mark the Idaho Baptist Convention centennial in 2019. In addition to the special event, there are plenty of other

activities at the library this month: • **After School Time** — The weekly program is held from 4 p.m., to 5 p.m., each Tuesday. On Tuesday, the program is titled "Not on Your Face!" On April 25, string art will be the craft. • **Teen/adult activity** — From 7 p.m., to 9 p.m., on Thursday, April 20, participants will play Four-Square. There are other standing activities at the library: • **Friends of the EOCL** — The volunteer group supporting operation of the library meets at 6 p.m., on Tuesday. • **Library trustees meeting** — The board meets at 4 p.m., on Tuesday. • **Bible Club** — This activity takes place at 4 p.m., each Thursday. The library is open from 10 a.m., to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and from 10 a.m., to 2 p.m., on Friday and Saturday. It's closed on Sunday. For more information on programs and other offerings, call (208) 834-2785.





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Marsing High heads to U.S. AcaDeca championship

Team collects second state title in three years

Home cooking helped the Marsing High School Academic Decathlon team reach nationals.

Now, after winning the state title on home turf March 17-18, the Marsing team is off to Frisco, Texas.

“We are super-excited to get to represent the small schools,” Marsing AcaDeca advisor Lennie Freeman said.

The U.S. Academic Decathlon championship will take place April 27-29.

Sandpoint will represent large schools, and Sugar-Salem will travel to the Dallas suburb for the medium school competition. Additionally, Eagle (large) and Renaissance (medium) will compete in an online division.

Marsing won the state championship in 2021, but the national tournament was strictly online because of COVID-19.

Marsing’s 2023 national competition roster includes: Ben Edwards, Amelia Green, Emily Whitted, Jared Bowers, Llee Loucks, Amanda Tuttle, Nathan Madrid, Anna Gluch, and Hailey Andrus.

Fundraising ideas are being bandied about to get Marsing to nationals. In the meantime, as Freeman gets approval for fundraisers from secondary



Fronted by their advisor, Marsing’s Academic Decathlon teammates show off the hardware they won at last month’s state competition held on the team’s home turf. Submitted photo

school principal Sean Porter, donations are being accepted at the junior high school/high school office on 8th Avenue West. Make checks payable to “Marsing High School.”

Marsing excelled in both team and individual categories during the state meet, which attracted 250 decathletes from 14 schools.

In addition to winning the small schools state championship, Marsing finished first in the small schools Superquiz.

Marsing’s individual state placers included:

- **Ben Edwards, Honor** — Bronze overall, gold in Economics, silver in Music, Science, Mathematics, and Social Science
- **Amelia Green, Honor** — Gold in Literature, gold in Mathematics, silver in Science, bronze in Economics
- **Emily Whitted, Honor** — Bronze in Art
- **Jared Bowers, Scholastic** — Gold overall, gold in Interview and Essay, silver in Music, Science, Art, and Speech, and bronze in Literature and Economics

- **Amanda Tuttle, Scholastic** — Bronze in Social Science
- **Llee Loucks, Scholastic** — Gold in Economics, bronze in Essay
- **Hailey Andrus, Varsity** — Gold in Literature, silver in Art and Social Science, and bronze in Science
- **Nathan Madrid (Faith), Varsity** — Bronze overall, gold in Mathematics, silver in Music, Essay and Economics, bronze in Science and Social Science
- **Anna Gluch, Varsity** — Bronze in Speech

- **Taylor Callison, Honor** — Bronze in Speech
 - **Audrie Miller, Varsity** — Gold in Interview, silver in Speech, bronze in Mathematics and Essay
- The divisions — Honor, Scholastic and Varsity — are based on grade-point averages. Each team has three students from each GPA range in the competition. Honor students carry GPAs between 4.0 and 3.8, the Scholastic division is between 3.799 and 3.2, and the Varsity is for students with GPAs of 3.199 and lower.

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Mike and his wife Leslie live on the same Owyhee County family homestead Mike was raised on. He and Leslie have 3 children and 6 granddaughters.

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Northwest Owyhee CWMA schedules spray day

With spring comes another Northwest Owyhee Cooperative Weed Management Area spray day.

The annual Telar herbicide giveaway will take place on Saturday, April 22 in two locations:

- From 9 a.m., to 11 a.m., in the U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center parking lot, 250 N. Old Bruneau Highway, in Marsing.
- From 1 p.m., to 3 p.m., in the Owyhee County Community Center parking lot adjacent to the fairgrounds, 432 W. Nevada Ave., in Homedale.

The pre-mixed herbicide is a pre-emergent to fight against the spread of puncturevine.

Property owners who want to obtain the free chemical must bring clean herbicide spray containers — either carry-along, backpack or ATV-mounted. Other plastic containers, such as milk jugs, will not be allowed.

Every person must go through a brief application class before getting the herbicide.

For more information on the program or NOCWMA, call (208) 337-5331.

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Busy April for Marsing Chamber of Commerce

Diner remodel to be celebrated Friday; business training upcoming

Marsing Chamber of Commerce members will get out in the community Friday for a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The business community invites the community at-large to celebrate the Whitehouse Drive-in's remodel with an 11 a.m., ceremony at the Main Street eatery.

Before the ribbon cutting, though, the Chamber will hold its monthly luncheon meeting at 12:30 p.m., today inside the Sandbar Community Room at City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave.

Anyone interested in attending the meeting is urged to RSVP to City Hall at (208) 896-4122 to ensure there are enough meals prepared in conjunction with the congregate lunch that is available.

Members of the growing organization will cover a lot of business during the meeting.

Attendees will hear the latest on the Chamber secretary position, which remains vacant, and an update about the organization's website.

There will be a legislative update, too.

The planned business training for members, scheduled for April 27, will be discussed as will a planned STEM workshop project.

Marsing resident Cathleen

Nelson, the senior director at Securiti.ai, will help leaders modernize their businesses at 6:30 p.m., on April 27 inside the Sandbar Community Room.

Public outreach will be the topic of discussions about the development of a Chamber pamphlet, a "Monday Night in Marsing" event series, and a Chamber Bucks business promotion idea.



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SNOTEL report, Owyhee County sensors

	Snow Equiv.	Snow Depth	Year-to-date Precip.	Previous day's temperature		
		(measured in inches)		Max	Min	Avg
Mud Flat						
4/4	7.9	28	9.6	33.8	17.8	25.5
4/5	7.9	27	9.6	38.5	10.6	24.1
4/6	7.9	27	9.6	41.4	16.2	30.6
4/7	8.1	27	10.0	46.8	30.2	38.5
4/8	8.1	26	10.0	49.1	26.1	38.7
4/9	8.1	24	10.0	61.5	32.9	45.0
4/10	8.1	23	10.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Reynolds Creek						
4/4	10.3	34	13.2	28.4	18.1	22.8
4/5	10.3	33	13.2	34.0	17.6	25.7
4/6	10.3	33	13.2	42.6	26.6	34.3
4/7	10.3	32	13.2	41.2	27.9	33.8
4/8	10.4	31	13.3	45.9	34.2	39.7
4/9	10.4	30	13.3	57.4	37.8	48.4
4/10	10.4	27	13.3	n/a	n/a	n/a
South Mountain						
4/4	24.7	75	27.4	35.4	16.5	21.9
4/5	24.7	74	27.4	37.8	14.9	25.5
4/6	24.7	73	27.4	43.5	25.9	34.7
4/7	24.9	71	27.9	40.5	33.3	36.7
4/8	24.9	70	27.9	48.9	30.9	39.7
4/9	24.9	68	27.9	59.9	35.2	47.3
4/10	24.9	65	27.9	n/a	n/a	n/a

Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 35 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 1,821 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 22 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 253,230 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.
23.8	65	21.4

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✓ Sheriff: Constituents’ feedback another factor in commissioners’ votes

about 90 minutes of deliberation Thursday inside Courtroom 1 of the county courthouse in Murphy, the GOP precinct persons tabbed Kendrick as their top recommendation for appointment by the BOCC.

Eidemiller was ranked No. 2, and sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman — the man who took over sheriff’s duties per Idaho Code upon Grant’s premature departure — was ranked third.

Another current OCSO supervisor, patrol Sgt. Jeff Wasson, interviewed Thursday but didn’t make the top three.

GOP committee chair Tammy Payne said jail commander Sgt. Connie Peterson withdrew her application the day of Thursday’s meeting, for which nearly 80 people crammed into both courtrooms and endured a nearly four-hour process.

Though not as long as Thursday’s meeting, Monday’s appointment proceedings were just as telling about the state of the sheriff’s office under Grant and the division that the dysfunction has wrought throughout the county.

On Thursday, Bowman and Kendrick both addressed a need to right the ship in terms of morale, professionalism and moral standards within the agency.

The three finalists were given an opportunity to voice final arguments before the commissioners, who in turn gave their reasoning before individually voicing who they supported.

Kendrick won on a 2-1 vote, although no formal process was undertaken.

There was no motion and no second, but Kendrick was appointed after Dist. 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland told the packed Courtroom 2 crowd that he was changing his mind and throwing his support behind Kendrick.

Heartened by the fact that “(Lt. Greg) Bishop’s days are numbered,” Hoagland said he had told Bowman he would support him in the appointment process in the days after Grant’s resignation.

“The issues in the jail are pretty scary to me. They have to be addressed,” Hoagland said Monday, adding that the majority of constituents who contacted him were “leaning toward” Kendrick and also citing the GOP committee’s decision.

“I’m afraid of because of what I heard and what I think, I’m going to have to go against my word of supporting Lynn and go for Larry,” Hoagland said.

“I don’t know if he can do it either, but the people are asking for a change.”

Merrick also backed Kendrick, and in stating his reasoning pulled the curtain back on some of the questions that are clouding the sheriff’s office these days.

Pointed questions from the GOP committee Thursday also shed light on issues, but the commissioners delivered the most transparent — albeit non-specific — assessment to date in their deliberations.

“Like Jerry said, there have been a lot of allegations and a lot of investigations going. We have a real problem going on over there. I know more things than most people wouldn’t even think about,” Merrick said.

“We’ve got some really, really, really bad problems. There’s more going on than most people have an idea of what has happened.”

“... Larry, to me you’ve always displayed high moral integrity, and the citizens of the county have no suggestions of otherwise,” Merrick said.

Merrick said he was swayed by Kendrick’s plan to bring back former jail commanders Steve Crawford — who will become chief deputy after training under Bowman apparently — and Jim Vincent.

“I have the greatest respect for those two former employees,” Merrick said. “They were the top of the line when they were here. Things really worked well.”

Merrick also said Kendrick’s plan for fiscal responsibility was a crucial factor.

“We are in charge of using (taxpayers money) properly and not wasting, and there’s been a goodly amount of waste over there in the last couple years,” Merrick said.

During Thursday’s GOP meeting, Bowman said his hands have been tied for about 3½ years when it comes to fiscal and personnel management — a time period that coincides with Bishop’s rise in rank and influence after Grant hired him as a part-time PERSI retiree.

The Marsing native reiterated that frustration again Monday after Merrick acknowledged Bowman’s “high moral standards.”

“I don’t doubt that one bit, not one bit,” Merrick said. “But a person has to stand up for what he believes in no matter what the outcome. He has to have the moral courage to take a stand.”

In a summary after declaring the appointment official, Merrick admitted his vote went against the counsel of former Sheriff Gary Aman, who then asked to be heard.

“Your problems in the sheriff’s office are in the jail and dispatch,” the former three-term sheriff said. “To bring somebody in that doesn’t have the experience, you’re just inviting more problems.”

Merrick acknowledged Aman’s point then went on: “But we had the same problem when (Grant) came in (after Daryl Crandall’s tumultuous four years ended in 2012),” Merrick said. “He was green as could be, so to speak, but he brought in good people to get the job done.”

Among those “good people” was Bowman, who became chief deputy under Grant in January 2013.

“We just about gave him full reign because we knew he wouldn’t take advantage (of the situation),” Merrick said of the commissioners’ philosophy when Grant first took office.

Aberasturi started Monday’s deliberations with some transparency, acknowledging that Grant had sworn in the elected official as a deputy but saying that after a discussion with Prosecuting Attorney Christopher Topmiller it was decided he could participate in Monday’s proceedings.

Aberasturi lined up direct questions for the three finalists, and the answers revealed that Kendrick and Sgt. Kenny Hoagland had filed a complaint against the county in attempt to get a “policy change.”

Bowman admitted that then-patrol Sgt. Gary Olsen put a note in his file soon after he graduated the Idaho Peace Officers and Standards Training (POST) Academy because the rookie had gone directly to the prosecutor rather than going through the chain of command.

Eidemiller admitted that he had been written up with the City of Homedale because he forgot to return jackstands to the city shop. He also said he was written up the night of his POST graduation after a fender bender in front of a police station.

Another question revealed that Kendrick had been disciplined during his time at OCSO.

“And I thought it was very unfair, and that’s as far as I will go with that,” Kendrick said.

Kendrick will complete the final 19 months of Grant’s third term, but will have to seek election in the May 2024 primary if he wants another four years.

Aberasturi lamented that the voters didn’t get the chance to make Monday’s decision.

“It should be the citizens, not three guys sitting up here, struggling over the decision,” Aberasturi said.



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School menus

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

April 12: **Breakfast:** Belgian waffle sticks, syrup cup, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Chicken fried fingers, country gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered corn, whole grain roll

April 13: **Breakfast:** Waffle sandwich, Yami yogurt, pineapple tidbits **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, pineapple tidbits, seasoned green beans, Jello

April 17: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, applesauce **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, buttered carrots, whole grain roll

April 18: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, sliced pears **Lunch:** Spaghetti, seasoned green beans

April 19: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** French toast sticks, sausage patty, hash brown patty, strawberry cup

April 20: **Breakfast:** Buttermilk pancakes, syrup cup, Yami yogurt, sliced pears **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, seasoned potato wedges

Homedale Middle
Choice of milk and juice, yogurt or string cheese
Cereal, PB&J, string cheese offered daily
Vegetable and fruit choices offered daily

April 12: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Chicken fried steak, country gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered corn, whole grain roll

April 13: **Breakfast:** Ham and cheese croissant, Yami yogurt, pineapple tidbits **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, pineapple tidbits, seasoned green beans, Jello

April 17: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, applesauce **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, steamed carrots, whole grain roll

April 18: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, string cheese, orange slices **Lunch:** Spaghetti, seasoned green beans, garlic toast

April 19: **Breakfast:** Frudel, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Sausage patty, French toast sticks, hash brown patty, strawberry cup

April 20: **Breakfast:** Buttermilk pancakes, syrup cup, Yami yogurt, banana **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, French fries

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

April 12: **Breakfast:** Ham and cheese croissant or cinnamon roll, Yami yogurt **Lunch:** Super nachos, refried beans, garden salad **Grab ‘n’ go** Ham and cheese sub

April 13: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, Yami yogurt, iced coffee **Lunch:** Corn dog, seasoned potato wedges, fruited Jello **Grab ‘n’ go** Taco salad

April 17: **Breakfast:** Sausage and cheese biscuit, string cheese **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, French fries **Grab ‘n’ go** Turkey bacon sub

April 18: **Breakfast:** Sausage patty, buttermilk biscuits, country gravy, iced coffee **Lunch:** Mozzarella breadsticks, Tater Tots **Grab ‘n’ go** Southwest chicken wrap

April 19: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, string cheese **Lunch:** Crisпитos, seasoned potato wedges **Grab ‘n’ go** Club sub sandwich

April 20: **Breakfast:** Breakfast burrito, Yami yogurt, iced coffee **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, French fries **Grab ‘n’ go** Buffalo wrap meal

Marsing
Includes choice of milk, fruit juice, fresh fruit & vegetables

Elementary each day: Breakfast: Cereal option
Middle/High School each day: PB&J option
Cold Grab-n-go line: Wrap, sub sand., salad
Hot Grab-n-go line (varies): Cheeseburger; chicken dish (reg./spicy sandwich; nuggets; bites), Pizza (varies), chicken rice bowl, potatoes (varies), bread (varies)

April 12: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, Yami yogurt, banana **Lunch:** Tater Tot casserole, mixed vegetables **Cold Grab-n-go:** Turkey bacon sub

April 13: **Breakfast:** French toast or waffle sticks, Yami yogurt, applesauce **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, pineapple tidbits, tossed salad, carrot sticks **Cold Grab-n-go:** Chicken bacon ranch wrap

April 17: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, Yami yogurt, sliced apples **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, steamed carrots, roll, snickerdoodle cookie **Hot Grab-n-go:** Mozzarella breadsticks, tots

April 18: **Breakfast:** Breakfast burrito or pork sausage patty, biscuit, country gravy, sliced pears **Lunch:** Orange chicken rice bowl, egg roll, green beans **Cold Grab-n-go:** Southwest chicken wrap

April 19: **Breakfast:** French toast bites or buttermilk pancakes, Yami yogurt, orange wedges **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, potato wedges **Hot Grab-n-go:** Mozzarella and garlic pull apart, potato wedges

April 20: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, toast, string cheese, grapes **Lunch:** Chicken fried beef fingers, mashed potatoes, country gravy, buttered corn **Cold Grab-n-go:** Chef’s salad

Bruneau/Grand View
All meals: Milk and fruit offered daily
Jr.-Sr. high school: Pizza offered daily

April 12: **Breakfast:** Mini Cinnabon **Lunch:** Chicken taco, romaine salad, refried beans

April 13: **Breakfast:** PB&J sandwich **Lunch:** Hamburger on a bun, Tater Tots, baby carrots

April 17: **Breakfast:** Cereal **Lunch:** Little Smokies and whole wheat roll, scalloped potatoes, green beans

April 18: **Breakfast:** Biscuits and jelly **Lunch:** Taco salad and whole wheat chips, refried beans/salsa

April 19: **Breakfast:** French toast **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets and whole wheat roll, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots

April 20: **Breakfast:** Pancakes **Lunch:** Corn dog, potato wedges, broccoli

Death notices

CLYDE JAMES “JIM” FACKRELL JR., 63, a former Marsing resident who was born in Homedale and graduated from Marsing High School, died on Thursday, Feb. 23, 2023 at home in Wellington, Fla. Burial took place on Saturday, April 1, 2023 at Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

OMAR LEON JEROME, 92, of Homedale, died on Thursday, April 6, 2023. Arrangements: All Valley Cremation, 1538 11th Ave. N., Nampa. (208) 899-9361

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center
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/bread available each day

April 12: Hot dog on bun, chili and fries, country trio vegetables

April 13: Cheesy chicken and rice casserole, broccoli, peas

April 18: BBQ pork, baked potato, cabbage

April 19: Spaghetti, green beans, Malibu vegetables

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)

April 12: Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, green salad, Baci roll

April 14: Breaded chicken with country gravy, au gratin potatoes, sunshine carrots, mixed fruit, whole wheat roll

April 17: Turkey and cheese sandwich, mixed fruit, three-bean salad, 9-grain bread

April 19: Cheese steak Sloppy Joes, mashed potatoes, sunshine carrots, fresh fruit, whole wheat bun

Melba Valley Senior Center
Meals served at noon (Salad bar at 11:30 a.m.)
Phone ahead (208) 495-2168 same day for complete menu
Payment by donation. All ages welcome

April 13: Smothered chicken

April 18: Lentils and sausage

April 20: Buttermilk chicken

Homedale producer joins angus group

A Homedale cattle producer has joined the American Angus Association.

Bent Arrow Cattle was announced as an association member by Mark McCully, the CEO of the Saint Joseph, Mo.-based organization.

The American Angus Association, with more than 22,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef breed association in the world. Its records include detailed information on more than 19 million registered Angus.

The Association records ancestral information and keeps production records and genomic data on individual animals to develop industry-leading selection tools. Programs and services of the Association and its entities help members advance the beef cattle business by selecting the best animals for their herds and marketing quality genetics for the beef cattle industry and quality beef for consumers.

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3:00 pm - April 23, 2023

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Phone 208-258-9836

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limited amount of free tickets (donations accepted) can be reserved at:

https://snake_river_concert_April2023.eventbrite.com

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Lessons from past lessen blows of economic woes

In my last article, we explored the relationship between interest rates and inflation, using the stagflation of the 1970s as a case study. For some, similarities between the economy then and now are concerning. They question — if not outright declare — that we are doomed to repeat history. While there are some similarities, the reality is that they are not that deep.



Andrew Bingham

First, the factors that led to increased government spending prior to the Great Stagflation differ from those of today. In the '60s and '70s, Lyndon Johnson and Richard Nixon implemented a handful of formidable programs and agencies including Medicare and Medicaid, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). The costs associated with those administrations were new and likely at least a little shocking to the system. The system was shocked again with a major influx of government spending in 2020 as the country attempted to weather the COVID-19 pandemic. That spending was temporary, though, whereas the costs for Medicare, EPA, and OSHA are ongoing today.

Second, in addition to implementing new programs and new agencies, Lyndon Johnson and Richard Nixon also implemented fiscal policies that were questionable given the increased spending they were proposing. Both administrations also attempted to influence monetary policy by pressuring the Federal Reserve to keep interest rates low, with LBJ supposedly going as far as

physically shoving then-Fed Chair William McChesney Martin at his Texas ranch. Low interest rates mean easier borrowing, more spending, and an increase in money supply. And because it remained that way much longer than it should have, inflation continued to grow unchecked.

Third, OPEC implemented an embargo on the United States in 1973, greatly reducing the country's access to oil. At that time, the U.S. was not producing as much fuel as it does today, vehicles were very fuel-inefficient, and the government did not have an oil reserve for such emergencies. As a result, gas prices quadrupled in some areas. This drastic increase in energy had a major impact on the cost of living that was felt for years afterward despite the embargo lasting only six months. Today, energy prices are higher, but because of a number of factors they are not near crisis level.

Despite what many may say, as a country we are pretty good at learning from our mistakes. It is the new and unforeseen that trips us up. In the '70s, it was a philosophical change in government spending and a young OPEC messing things up. In 2008, it was bad lending practices and artificial demand in the real estate sector. And in 2020, it was a global pandemic. Like we always have, we will learn from this and be more resilient for it.

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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.

Ladies coffee group

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

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

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.

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., Jordan Valley. (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

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

Fit and Fall exercise

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

Owyhee Gardeners meeting

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

After school Bible Club

4 p.m., to 5:15 p.m., ages 5 to 11, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. For information: Amber Good, (208) 585-7694 or Cyndi Fullmer, (208) 599-2790

Teens and Tweens

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

Friday

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Saturday

Food bank distribution

9 a.m., to 10 p.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho St., Grand View

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

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting

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

Opal Nash Story Time

10:00 a.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

Creative writing group

5 p.m., Lizard Butte Library community room, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing.

Tuesday

Foot clinic

8:30 a.m., appointments necessary, foot exams, \$25; ear cleanings, \$30, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Fit and Fall class

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Fit and Fall exercise

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

Region III assistance assessments

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

Children's After School Program

4:30 p.m., elementary and middle school children, Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Friends of the Library meeting

6 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View.

Ridgeview Irrigation District meeting

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

Gem Irrigation District meeting

7:15 p.m., South Board of Control office boardroom, 201 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

South Board of Control meeting

7:30 p.m., South Board of Control office boardroom, 201 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

Wednesday, April 19

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Thursday, April 20

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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 press releases 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. For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681.

Students think “Outside the Box” during UI Extension camps

School was out last week for many students, but they still had opportunities to learn with the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Spring Break Day Camp Series.

For three days ending last Wednesday, 21 boys and girls ages 8-13 attended the camp inside The HUB at the Marsing School District.

The youth engaged in hands-on, skill-building activities, focused on various science topics. The campers learned about plant science and gardening, deep sea exploration and the relationship between humans and the ocean, and the science behind flight and aerospace exploration.

Family and Consumer Science Educator Suriñe Greenway taught about safe home food preparation and health and nutrition concepts by preparing various lunches and snacks for camp attendees.

Livestock and Range Educator Scott Jensen prepared a delicious sticky bun dessert for campers using a Dutch oven while teaching about Dutch oven safety and equipment basics.

On March 27, the UI Junior Master Gardener curriculum was used to teach campers elements of plant and garden science. Campers learned about plant needs, parts of plants, how to plan a gardening plot, how to make a biodegradable pot, and how to plant seeds.



Left: Campers were each given a box, supplied by the 4-H Outside the Box program, with all the materials they needed for each day of camp. **Right:** A team of ocean explorers work together to adjust & test their ocean glider's density by adding or removing ballast to achieve neutral buoyancy. Submitted photos



The March 28 curriculum, “Explorers of the Deep,” helped campers develop observation and critical thinking skills while exploring the interconnections between the ocean and humans. Campers experimented with designs of ocean gliders, learned ocean facts and information with interactive, augmented reality games, and learned about, and created public service announcements (PSAs) about major issues facing the world’s oceans.

Last Wednesday, Aerospace

curriculum engaged campers in scientific exploration of flight. Activities with topics including air pressure, thrust, drag, and lift and weight resulted in hand-made barometers, paper airplanes, parachutes, and finally, rockets.

The 4-H Outside the Box program provided the supplies to conduct the three days of curriculum. 4-H Outside the Box offers youth free learning lab kits. Each box includes supplies to complete four to six activities, with the guidance of a caring adult, on topics

including those covered during the Spring Break Day Camp series, along with cooking and arts subjects.

For more information on the 4-H Outside the Box program, or to request boxes for your child or educational group, contact Danece Whitley, dwhitley@uidaho.edu or visit https://uideaho.col.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_d6fVP7JsCvecG1M.

If you are interested in your youth participating in similar day camps and activities presented by the Owyhee

County Extension Office, be on the lookout for upcoming announcements. Event flyers are posted on our Facebook page, various community awareness pages, and in our newsletter and communication lists.

If you are interested in joining our newsletter or email communication lists for updates about dates, times, and locations of upcoming youth programming, contact the Extension Office at (208) 896-4104, or owyhee@uidaho.edu.

Big win wraps up big year of Lions bingo
Middleton resident Debbie Skiles reacts to the pile of cash she won after Marsing Lions Club member Jason Sevy verified her blackout win during Saturday's final bingo night of the 2022-23 season. Approximately 185 people turned out for the final night of fun until October. Submitted photo



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Honor roll Oregon State University

A handful of local students were placed on the Oregon State University Honor Roll for the winter 2023 term.

To qualify for the Honor roll, students must earn a B-plus (3.5 grade-point average) or better, and they must carry at least six graded hours of course work.

Shelby R. Tyler, Homedale, a senior majoring in Nutrition.

Toby N. Clow, Adrian, a sophomore majoring in General Engineering.

Toby D. Blele, Wilder, a senior majoring in Agricultural Sciences.

Cameron Davis, Wilder, a junior majoring in Agricultural Sciences.

Luis J. Vargas Ruiz, Wilder, a senior majoring in Agricultural Sciences.

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CHILDREN FLOCK TO EASTER EGG HUNTS



Left: Children begin to rush the field for the 4-year-old portion of the Marsing Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday at the high school football field. **Right:** A boy bends down for an egg during the Homedale Chamber of Commerce hunt at Sundance Park on Saturday. Photo by Chardee VanDerhoff/ CV Photography.



Above: Clutching large plastic eggs donated by a resident are Marsing Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt prize winners in the kindergarten and first- and second-grade categories, including (with parent who accompanied them) Siena Kezerle (Myranda Kezerle), Malone Spencer (Michelle Spencer), Ruby Day (Brandi Chadez), Kala Diaz (Shanae Diaz-Ruiz), and Samantha Baner (Jason Baner). **At left, clockwise from top:** Jack Riggs (left), with help from his brother Travin Riggs (grandmother Stacy Gulley), and Makenzee McIntyre (mother Michele) pick up their Marsing prizes, Sofia Adame (Cris and Tay), and Daleyea Ortega (Alicia).



Owen Sandy with brother Spencer and mom Crystal.



Bailee Whittaker (with her grandpa Joe Troxel)



Robby Dewey



Francisco Ruiz shows off his golden egg.



Marsing winner Luis Gonzalez, held by his father Eduardo

SUNRISE SERVICE SETS RECORD



A “perfect morning” helped the 86th annual Lizard Butte Sunrise Easter Service attract nearly 2,000 people, which Lizard Butte Sunrise Association secretary/treasurer Whitney Morgan said was the largest crowd in the event’s history. Submitted photos



Attendees settle in as the sun rises prior to the Lizard Butte Sunrise Easter Service. Photo by Sharon VanWassenhove



Above: Angels Rachael Wheeler and Gracelynn Cayler stand at the foot of the cross in the predawn to start the annual ceremony.

Far left: Emely Blowers De León from the Vida Nueva Church of the Nazarene in Nampa delivers the Easter message.

Left: Jody Hampton of the Marsing First Church of the Nazarene provides the invocation and welcome.

Marsing golfer takes 8th on Eagle course

Marsing sprinter flirts with brother's record

Avalanche Sports

Rimrock girl captures second in golf tourney

Molly Mulberry made headlines for Rimrock High School's fledgling golf program. The sophomore scored 56 at Eagle Hills Golf Course to capture second place in a nine-hole tournament on April 4. Senior Jack Meyers scored a 64 on the Eagle layout. The Raiders are coached by TJ Gomez, who is the

PGA director of golf at Desert Canyon Golf Course in Mountain Home. In the fall, he will coach the Mountain Home High School golf team. With the explosion of the popularity of prep golf, the season has been split between fall for Class 5A and 4A schools and spring for the smaller-classification programs.

Huskies claw back for 2A WIC win

Opponents include two state qualifiers

by John Bruyninckx
For The Owyhee Avalanche

Marsing High School scored six runs in its first at-bat to spark a rout of Cole Valley Christian in a 2A Western Idaho Conference baseball season opener.

The early uprising was all the Huskies would need to beat Cole Valley Christian, 16-5, at Storey Park in Meridian.

Teagan Kinney led the charge for Marsing, driving in four runs. He went 2-for-3 with two walks and two runs scored. Kinney also pitched the first two innings, allowing an unearned run and striking out three, before moving to second base.

Cache Hance also went 2-for-3 with a double and two runs scored. Also adding to the hit parade were leadoff hitter Jace Chadez, who scored three times, and catcher Luke Steinmeyer, who went 2-for-3, drove in two runs and scored twice.

The Huskies (6-4 overall, 1-1 in conference) collected eight hits and walked eight times, ensuring plenty of base runners to come around.

The Chargers (8-2, 1-1) mounted a bit of a comeback and pulled to within five in the bottom of the fifth.

Marsing put the icing on the cake — a six-run sixth — to seal the victory.

Friday: Marsing 13, Orofino 9 — Staring at a 9-1

Teagan Kinney. Photo by Cristina Delgadillo

deficit in the sixth inning, the Huskies kicked into gear, sending 16 hitters to plate and scoring 12 runs.

The team singled seven times, doubled once and had five batters reach on walks against the Maniacs, who played in last year's 2A state tournament.

Kinney maintained his hot hitting, going 4-for-4 at the plate. He doubled, tripled and singled twice while driving in two runs and scoring another three.

JT Chadez was also a big factor in the contest, going 3-for-4 with five RBI and a run scored.

The Huskies ended up with 13 hits and had seven batters reach with free passes.

Chadez was also the winning

— See *Huskies*, page 13

Homedale's Jaxon Dines named All-State



Jaxon Dines

The state's basketball coaches noticed Jaxon Dines again. The senior point guard earned his second consecutive All-Idaho first-team selection to close out his Homedale High School career.

Also an All-State football player after quarterbacking the Trojans' return to the 3A Milk Bowl state championship game, Dines averaged 17.6 points, 3.3 rebounds, 2.3 steals,

and 2.2 assists per game during a basketball season that ended with a trip to the 3A Real Dairy Shootout state tournament. "One of the best to ever play at Homedale," HHS coach Cam Long said of Dines, who surpassed the 1,000-point career mark during the 2022-23 season. The All-State teams were originally reported by The Idaho Statesman.



All-State Asumendi all the time lifts HHS softball to victory
Homedale High School junior Olivia Asumendi pitches against McCall-Donnelly last Wednesday during the first of her two no-hitters last week. She also homered against American Falls. Photo by Chardee VanDerhoff/ CV Photography. For more on the All-State player's explosive week, see *Page 15*

Triumphant Trojans take tourney

Parker steps up to win; boys finish on top again

A last-minute addition to the schedule didn't rattle Homedale High School's golfers. Boys' runner-up McCoy Swallow fired a 1-over-par 37 as the Trojans won the boys' championship last Wednesday at Rolling Hills Golf Course in Weiser.

Gwen Parker, who didn't compete a week ago, played a nearly flawless nine holes to win the girls' title with a 6-over 42. The Wolverines played host to a tournament featuring most of the teams in the 3A Snake River Valley conference. Swallow finished three strokes behind Carter Williams, who went two strokes under par for

— See *Trojans*, page 22

Sports

LaFleur, Frank start as stalwarts

Abbi Jones' first season as Homedale High School tennis coach is underway after rain intervened last month.

The Trojans squeezed in three dual meets last week, including a pair of 3A Snake River Valley conference competitions.

Thursday: Payette 10, Homedale 2 — The Trojans' top singles players collected the team's only victories in a conference setback at the Bette Uda City Park tennis courts.

Playing on her home court for the first time as a senior, Maite Frank dispatched Delia Pape, 6-2, 6-3, at the top of the girls' ladder.

Leading off the boys' action, Terrance LaFleur blanked Alex Madrid, 6-0, 6-0.

Miguel Albor and Jayden Lyman fought hard in a first-set tiebreaker before losing the match of the day, 7-6 (4), 6-4 to Dylan Mumma and Josh Bommersbach in the only boys' doubles match of the meet.

Freshman Kayleb Atkins won four games in the first set off his straight-set loss (6-4, 6-0) to Bishop Garcia at No. 2 boys.

Four singles matches were played, and Homedale fielded just three doubles teams. The



Homedale No. 1 Terrance LaFleur returns a shot in his straight-set shutout of Payette's Alex Madrid on Thursday.

Trojans surrendered five points on forfeits.

Emma Olson (girls' No. 2) lost in straight sets, 6-0, 6-0, to Payette's Yadira Machen.

Homedale duos also competed at No. 1 in girls' doubles and mixed doubles.

The mixed match, Cameron Burke and Paige Van Vliet fell, 6-0, 6-0, to Brayden Walker and Destiny Rodriguez.

Girls' players Melissa Gonzalez and Neidy Ramirez Gaytan lost, 6-0, 6-0, against McKenna Davila and Kylee Weideman.

April 4: Fruitland 11, Homedale 1 — LaFleur downed Grizzlies No. 1 Aidan Huhtala, 6-3, 6-3, at the top of the boys' singles ladder.

Frank was the only other Trojans player to win games, but she lost the top girls' singles match to Grace Davis, 6-2, 6-2.

April 3: Nyssa, Ore., 3, Homedale 0 — The Trojans opened the season on the road with a non-conference loss.

LaFleur rallied but fell to Bulldogs No. 1 Dawson Richards, 6-0, 6-4.

Linker swings to 8th in Marsing outing

Xavier Linker grabbed a spot in the top 10 at last week's 2A Western Idaho Conference golf meet.

The Marsing High School junior finished eight shots off The Ambrose School medalist David Chacon's pace of 6-over-par 42.

Linker was tied for eighth with four other golfers, carding a 50 during the nine-hole tournament held April 6 at Falcon Crest

Golf Club in Kuna.

Compass Charter won the tournament by five strokes over Nampa Christian, which had managed a 195.

Chacon edged the Trojans' Eli Powell by one shot for the medalist honors.

Rounding out Marsing's 241 team score were sophomore Sam Milburn (57) and juniors James Christiansen (58) and Austin Nielson (76).

✓ Huskies: State champs throttle Marsing again

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pitcher, and Kinney picked up the save.

Saturday: Orofino 10, Marsing 0 (5) — The Maniacs limited the Huskies to just Levi Puga's line-drive single in the top of the fifth, to avenge Friday's non-conference loss.

Orofino's Drew Hanna pitched superbly, allowing no hits and walking only two over the first four innings to pick up

the victory.

Last Wednesday: Nampa Christian 11, Marsing 0 (6) — Marsing also only managed one hit as they fell to the reigning Class 2A state champions in a conference game.

Hance singled in the first inning for the only damage against Trojans ace Landon Mills.

Mills struck out eight and walked only one in a dominant winning performance.

Homedale Trojans

Trojan Weekly Sports Schedule

Athletes of the week

 Baseball Payton Fine, jr., LF, 3B, P 2 3Bs, 3 runs, 2 RBI vs. 3A SRV foes 8 Ks in 4 2/3 IP vs. McCall	 Softball Katie Christoffersen, sr., CF 8-for-18 (.444), 5 RBI, 17 runs, 2 2Bs in 6 games	 Track and field Conner McCarney, jr., pole vault 3rd in Christoffersen Invite (10-6)	 Tennis Kayleb Atkins, fr. Saw first prep action	 Golf Gwen Parker, so. Medalist at Weiser tournament
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Sports



Homedale first baseman Andres Garcia prepares to catch a pickoff attempt as a McCall-Donnelly runner dives back into the bag. Photo by Joshua Gray / GrayHawk Photography

Trojans can't manage offense vs. champions

Homedale High School went to the mountaintop Saturday, playing a doubleheader against a team that has attained what the Trojans seek — the Class 3A state championship.

Marsh Valley (8-0 overall) showed its non-conference visitors (8-5 at week's end) there's a lot of work to do, sweeping a doubleheader without giving up a run.

Saturday, Game 2: Marsh Valley 14, Homedale 0 (5) — Lukas Hall's triple was the biggest of the Trojans' three hits against Jason Jones.

Hall led off the fourth inning with his extra-base hit, but he was thrown out at the plate trying to advance to Oklin Carson's sharp infield single.

HHS managed two base runners in the top of the first when Chance Martell was hit by a pitch and Dillon Fine lined a single into left field. The Trojans had two base runners in each of the first four frames.

Saturday, Game 1: Marsh Valley 16, Homedale 0 (5) — Carson Fine's looping single to right in the third inning was the only base hit the Trojans managed against Stanton Howell, who struck out six batters in 4 1/3 innings.

Homedale had few chances against a Marsh Valley squad that blew the game open with a 10-run third inning.

Andres Garcia reached on a walk with one out in the top of the fifth inning to chase Howell, but reliever Alex Vaughan strode to the mound and — after two fastballs and two pickoff attempts — got Carson to ground into a game-ending double play.

Dillon Fine held the Eagles in check for two innings, picking up four strikeouts. But he never got an out in the third inning.

Homedale committed two of

its seven errors in the inning, and Marsh Valley scored its first six runs.

Hall pitched in a relief role beginning in the third inning. Nine of the Eagles' 10 runs in the inning crossed the plate after two outs were recorded.

Last Wednesday: Homedale 10, McCall-Donnelly 5 — Payton Fine's two-out, two-run triple highlighted the Trojans' huge sixth-inning uprising to snap a 4-4 tie.

Hall scored the tiebreaker on Chance Martell's infield single.

Oklin Carson had two hits in the inning. He led off the rally with a triple but was tagged out at home with the Vandals playing to stop a score. His second hit — the fourth consecutive hit for the Trojans with two outs — brought in Jayden Wutherich with Homedale's final run.

Xavier Uranga pitched two innings of no-hit ball for the win. Payton Fine survived a rocky 4 2/3 innings, striking out eight and dodging six walks and three hits.

Dillon Fine lined a home run over the left-field wall to knot the score, 4-4, in the fifth.

Hall tripled and scored twice, while Martell went 3-for-4.

April 3: Fruitland 8, Homedale 1 — The Trojans found runs and hits hard to come by against Zac Bidwell (11 strikeouts) in a conference loss at John Jackson Field.

Dillon Fine pitched a tough game, striking out 13 and giving up two hits in six innings.

The Grizzlies scored four unearned runs to build a 5-0 lead against the Trojans' ace.

The Trojans' only run came on the first out of the seventh. Payton Fine led off with a triple and scored on Wutherich's ground ball.

Asumendi baffles batters, hammers hurlers for Homedale

Olivia Asumendi seemingly has hit her softball stride — or so opponents hope.

Homedale High School's All-State player stepped into the pitching circle last week and pitched the Trojans' second and third no-hitters of the season.

Last Wednesday, she pitched the team's second no-hitter in 3A Snake River Valley conference action.

Homedale crushed McCall-Donnelly, 12-2, in five innings at the Homedale Middle School softball complex.

Staked to a 10-0 lead, Asumendi struck out seven batters. She helped her cause with a strong day at the plate, too. She was 2-for-3 with a double and two RBI.

Katie Christoffersen batted leadoff for HHS (10-5 overall, 3-0 in conference), scoring three runs and knocking in a run with a double and single.

Olivia Miller was 2-for-3 with two runs scored, and Isana Larzelier doubled and scored twice.

Saturday: Homedale 10, Marsh Valley 5 — A late-game barrage was important in the non-conference victory.

The Trojans led wire-to-wire, but Marsh Valley's late rallies required more offense from the 3A state champions.

After Marsh Valley had narrowed the score to 5-2, Zayne Hall made up those runs with a two-run single in the top of the sixth. Dani Sitts had doubled to start the trouble.

Hall was 4-for-5 with four RBI.

Asumendi tripled and scored on Hall's one-out base hit then Hall scored on Larzelier's single to post a 4-0 lead for Sitts. The junior pitcher got the win behind 14 strikeouts.

Larzelier went 3-for-3, and Sitts was 2-for-3.

Sitts got two strikeouts after a leadoff walk in the first, and struck out three after a single and a walk in the second.

Even when Marsh Valley cut the deficit in half to 4-2 in the third, Sitts struck out two.

In the sixth, the right-hander picked up back-to-back strikeouts with two runners in scoring position.

Saturday: Homedale 17, American Falls 5 (5) — Asumendi hit another homer and drove in five runs as the Trojans bombarded another non-conference opponent.

Asumendi was 3-for-4 with the fifth-inning two-run homer, a double to usher in the two-run first inning, and four runs scored. She got the win, striking out nine Beavers and pitching a two-hitter.

American Falls cut the score to 6-5 with its only run-scoring rally in the second inning.

The Trojans blew the game open with seven runs on seven singles in the fourth inning.

Sitts was 3-for-5 with two runs and two RBI from the top of the order. Christoffersen doubled and scored four runs. Olivia Miller knocked in three runs, and her sister, Ellie, tripled scored two runs and had an RBI.

Friday, Game 2: Homedale 17, Mtn. Home 0 (4) —

Asumendi struck out eight in a no-hitter that was one miscue away from a non-conference perfect game.

Asumendi retired 12 batters in a row after the Tigers' first batter reached on an error.

Homedale scored 17 runs on the benefit of just three singles and Olivia Miller's RBI double.

Lilly Trescott scored on Miller's fourth-inning double after drawing one of 16 walks issued by four Mountain Home pitchers.

Lexie Heck scored three times.

Friday, Game 1: Homedale 17, Mtn. Home 0 (5) — Sitts struck out 13 to stifle the Tigers on a two-hitter. Asumendi went 3-for-3 with five RBI.

Miller was 2-for-3 with two runs, a double and two RBI.

Larzelier ripped a run-scoring double as the Trojans broke open the game with a nine-run second inning.

Sitts scored four times.

April 3: Homedale 21, Fruitland 5 (5) — Asumendi homered for the second straight game, and the Trojans decided the issue quickly with a 10-run first inning.

The junior had a massive game, going 4-for-4 with six RBI, three doubles and four runs scored to back up her pitching performance.

Asumendi struck out 13 batters and walked four during her five-hitter.

Ellie Taylor came off the bench to pound a two-run double, and leadoff hitter Dani Sitts had a double and two RBI.

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Sports

Trojans athletes find home away from home

HHS' Nicoletti plays role in two wins at inaugural Christoffersen

For years, Amy Christoffersen has helped Homedale High School athletes excel.

On Friday, during the track and field meet named for her, the Trojans paid tribute to the longtime coach with success — albeit on the road in a “home” meet.

The inaugural Amy Christoffersen Invite was held at Parma High School because conditions haven’t enabled the completion of the new running surface at Deward Bell Stadium.

Nevertheless, competing against five other schools, Trojans athletes made themselves at home at the Panthers’ facility. Fruitland, McCall-Donnelly and Parma attended, giving HHS coach Bobby Christensen a glimpse at how the 3A District III field will shape up.

Also on hand were Class 2A New Plymouth and 1A Oregon

school Harper.

Freshman Morgan Nicoletti, the daughter of a former Div. I collegiate pole vaulter, kept up the family tradition with an 8-foot, 6-inch championship try. Other top-five Trojans included junior Mylisa Barrett (third, 6-6) and sophomore Rivkah Leach (fifth, 6-0).

Nicoletti closed out Homedale’s victory in the 4x100-meter relay, too. Fellow freshmen Stella Heck and Belen Asumendi made the first exchange, and junior Carlie Moore covered the third leg as the Trojans completed the race in 55.02 seconds.

Nicoletti was runner-up (56.17 seconds) and Heck third (59.14) in a 300 hurdles final that featured personal records from both athletes.

Barrett took second in the triple jump with a hop-skip-jump effort of 29-8.

Homedale’s boys’ relay

teams captured a couple runner-up results with senior Danny Detbun playing a part in both.

The 4x100 was an all-grades affair. Freshman Kade Hall handed off to sophomore Angel Nolasco, who passed the baton to Detbun before junior Izmael Ortiz provided the finishing kicks in a 46.99-second performance.

Detbun and Norwegian exchange student Noah Eriksen ran 200-meter legs to kick off the Trojans’ second-place time of 4 minutes, 12.13 seconds in the sprint medley relay. Sophomore Rafael Cuenca ran the 400-meter portion, and junior Snuepy Garcia closed things out with two laps around the Parma oval.

Junior Conner McCarney took third in the pole vault, clearing the bar at 10-6. Erickson was eighth (8-0), and freshmen Ty Roland and Dash Schlotterbeck tied for ninth at 7-6.

Cuenca accepted bronze medals in the long jump and

triple jump after a personal records. He went 19-7 in the long jump and 38-7 in the triple jump.

Josu Extebarria, a Basque exchange student from Spain competing as a junior, took fifth in a long jump of 18-7¾.

Angel Nolasco, a 10th-grader, notched the eighth-best effort in the triple jump (36-4), and he logged a PR with an 11th-place time of 12.68 in the 100.

Homedale boys dotted the top 10 in the 100-meter dash. Detbun was fourth (12.13) and Hall and Eriksen tied for eighth (12.52), while Ortiz was .05 of a second back for 10th.

Hall PR’d in the shot put (11th, 33-10), and fellow ninth-grader Tyler Jacobs (10th, 97-3) did the same in the discus.

Detbun ran his fastest 200 of the season (25.53) for sixth place, and Garcia pulled in with the ninth-place time of 26.56. Sophomore Izayah Villafuerte notched a PR of 27.26 for 12th.

Freshman Jesus Monreal was 11th in the 3,200 meters

(15:02.06).

Sophomore Todd Thatcher was fifth after his personal-best 5-2 effort in the high jump.

In the girls’ meet, junior sprinter Carlie Moore ran to a personal-best time of 14.09 and took sixth place in the 100 meters.

Freshman Hailey Jakovac pulled off a pair of sixth-place showings in distance races. She completed the 800 in 3:16.6 and posted a 15:21.36 in the 3,200.

Barrett achieved a distance of 12-5 for sixth in the long jump.

Another ninth-grader, Hannah Babineaux, finished eighth in the 1,600 in 7:47.53, and sophomore Leeya Haas PR’d at 9:10.19 for ninth place.

Rivkah Leach took fifth in the discus with the best effort of her career (69-0), and fellow sophomore Kayci Breshears was ninth at 65-6.

Senior Bailey Purdom finished ninth in the shot put at 23-5.

Owyhee County standouts carry Melba at home meet

Talented Owyheean helped the Melba High School boys’ track and field team to a runner-up showing in a home meet Thursday.

The Mustangs girls’ squad won the team title at the Dave Mangum Invite.

Owyhee County seniors Kaden Dayley and McKoy Richardson finished ahead of the pack several times.

Dayley ran the opening leg for the Mustangs’ championship 4x200-meter relay squad. The Volkerts brothers — sophomore Carsten and senior Braden — ran the second and third legs, respectively, before junior Noah West completed the race. The winning time was 1 minute, 35.43 seconds.

Richardson showed off his hops and his speed, sweeping the hurdles races and capturing the long jump with a season-best distance of 20 feet, 10¼ inches.

He won the 110 high hurdles in 15.82 seconds, and Carsten Volkerts was fourth in 18.46.

Richardson flew in the 300 intermediate hurdles with a winning mark of 39.4, and

he was runner-up in the 200 at 23.1.

Dayley won the 400 in 55.04, and sophomore teammate Korey Magdaleno took third 56.69.

The girls’ championship was fueled by consistency in the sprints and the usual top-three performances from Kendall Clark and Rozzlyn Cazier.

Owyhee County’s Brooklyn Dayley won the 300 hurdles in 51.53.

Meya Young won the 100 meters in 13.32, and fellow senior Hallie Arnold took the 200 in 28.13.

Young also triumphed in the long jump at 15-7.

Young led off the Mustangs’ victorious turn in the 4x200 relay, followed by Clark, Arnold and junior Ahna Shaffer. The quartet completed the 800-meter assignment in 1:50.04.

Cazier and Dayley took the first and last handoffs, respectively, in the Mustangs’ triumphant showing in the 4x400 relay (4:31.89). Freshman Hayden Higgins, another Owyheean, came out of the blocks, and Cazier

pulled off the exchange with junior Eliza Svedin to start the third leg.

Shaffer was runner-up in both short sprints (13.54 in the 100 and 28.23 in the 200).

Arnold took third in the 100 (13.8), and Higgins was sixth at 14.21.

Dayley grabbed the runner-up spot in the 400 at 1 minute, 4.19 seconds, while Higgins was third at 1:05.06, and junior Eliza Svedin was fifth (1:09.12).

Cazier won the 1,600 in 5:41, and senior Braelyn Scott was fourth at 6:18.74. Svedin (fifth, 6:21.65) and fellow junior Sarah Lehmkuhl (10th, 7:07.82) logged personal records.

Cazier (12:40.28) and Scott (13:48.88) went 1-2 in the 3,200.

Cazier (second, 2:36.27) and Dayley (third, 2:38.81) joined senior Braelyn Scott (seventh, 2:52.13) as top-10 performers in the 800 meters.

Young, Clark, Arnold and Shaffer teamed up to finish second in the 4x100 (53.88).

Clark conquered the triple jump at 37-½, while fellow

senior Melina Helm was fourth at 31-2½. Two other upperclassmen — Charlize Sharp (fifth, 30-10¼) and Lila Frank (seventh, 28-8¾) — notched PRs.

Clark was runner-up in the high jump at 4-10, and junior Emma Dillbeck cleared 4-6 for fifth.

Junior Ella Stosich cleared the bar at 7-1 for fourth place and a PR in the pole vault.

Senior Ramie Hafen posted PR of 26-8 for seventh in the shot put.

Stosich was sixth in the long jump (14-3¼), and senior Melina Helm took ninth at 12-9½.

Boys’ triple jump champion Joel Helm, a sophomore, paced a slew of personal records in the event. His winning mark of 41-6¾ was nearly 11 inches further than runner-up Braden Volkerts (40-8). Sophomore Isaac Orias was eighth at 37-6, Carsten Volkerts was ninth at 36-9, and Dayley took 10th at 36-5½. All marks were personal bests.

Two other Mustangs — Helm (seventh, 17-9½), and

Braden Volkerts (ninth, 17-7½) — appeared in the long jump top 10.

West was fifth in the 100-meter dash (12.53).

The Volkerts brothers, senior Brent Overall and West were runners-up in the 4x100 relay at 46.7.

Dayley, Magdaleno, Wyatt Myers and Raivio Manzer took second in the 4x400 relay with a 3:44.26.

Manzer excelled in the distance races. He PR’d at 2:15.02 for fourth in the 800 and notched season-fast times in the 1,600 (runner-up at 4:57.91) and the 3,200 (11:09.73).

Razi Manzer grabbed eighth in the eight-lap longest race of the meet. The freshman ran the fastest race of his prep career at 11:59.6.

Magdaleno was fifth in the boys’ discus at 95-9, and senior teammate Connor Alder took 10th (84-4½).

Senior Wyatt Myers’ PR of 9-1 was good for fifth in the pole vault, and sophomore Brendan Svetich took seventh with a PR of 8-7. Orias (7-7) was 10th.

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Sports

Speedy Antelopes pile up track wins

Jace Martin and Jesse Walker split the difference then the Adrian High School sprinters teamed up.

The seniors ran the final two laps in the Antelopes' 4x400 relay victory, played a part in the 4x100 relay triumph, and each won a dash.

The Adrian boys' team finished second to Union in Friday's Prairie City Annual Meet. The Antelopes finished fourth in the girls' standings.

Martin took the first handoff from Robert Garza, and Walker finished the 4x100 victory after a clean exchange from Carter Bayes. The all-senior quartet completed the race in 45.53 seconds.

Carter and Colten Bayes, a sophomore, covered the first half of the relay when the Antelopes took the 4x400 in 3 minutes, 39.24 seconds.

Martin ran a winning time of 11.12 in the 100 meters, and Walker (third, 11.88) and Garza (ninth, 12.55) each posted personal records.

Another PR brought Walker the 200 title in 23.81, while freshman Silverstre Rico finished fourth in 25.09.

Rico made a splash in the long jump, taking the crown with an effort of 18-11. Colten Bayes (fifth, 18-¾) and Garza (seventh, 17-10¾) both attained career marks.

Colten Bayes won the triple

jump in 41-11.

Carter Bayes' career-best 48.31 was good for fifth in the 300 intermediate hurdles.

Senior Ashton Jephson took 10th in the shot put with a personal-best 36 feet, ¾ inches.

Another Martin was at work in the girls' meet.

Sophomore Addy Martin led Adrian's sprints sweep, winning the 100 in 12.99 and the 200 in 27.03.

Freshman Kiara Rios, runner-up in the 100, captured the 400 with a PR of 1:04.33.

Another ninth-grader, Brylie Eggebeen, also ran her fastest 100 to finish ninth, and fellow freshman Lauren Bowen PR'd at 1:22.95 for 10th in the 400.

The winning continued as the distances lengthened.

Junior Presley Speelmon won the 800 (2:37.37) and the 1,500 (5:17.11).

Freshman Emma Nicholes was fifth-fastest in the 800 (3:20.45), and junior Evalyn Nunez was eighth in the 1,500 (6:06.96) fifth in the 3,000 (13:57.76).

Martin, Nicholes, Rios and Speelmon put together a runner-up showing in the 4x400 relay at 4:40.46.

Nunez PR'd in the javelin with a heave of 56-3.

Senior Sadie Wagster was seventh in the triple jump at 26-9.

Rimrock rises up at Mangum Invitational

Loyd Boren raced to a personal-best time to win the 1,600-meter run at the Dave Mangum Invite in Melba.

The junior distance runner completed the second-longest race in Thursday's boys' meet in 4 minutes, 53.92 seconds. He was runner-up in the 800 with his fastest time of the season (2:12.76).

Another 11th-grader, Ashton Moore, had the Rimrock girls' best showing with her bronze medal in the long jump. She attained a distance of 14 feet, 7¾ inches, and senior Maklay Moore had the eighth-best mark at 13-11.

Freshman Morgan Field flung the discus longer than he ever has (104-1½) to take fourth.

Junior Goya Lemus took

third in the girls' 1,600 with a PR of 6:15.86 and was fifth in the 800 at 2:49.09.

Freshman Olivia Farfan had the best day of her young career with a third-place time of 6:22.66 in the 1,600 and 2:51.28 in the 800.

Senior Julio Alamilla PR'd in the 400 meters with an eighth-place time of 58.31.

Another upperclassman, Moss Macmillan, ran the fastest 400 of his career (59.9) for 14th place.

Ashten Moore took seventh in the girls' 400 (1:11.06), and she was eighth in the 1,600 at 6:41.44. She was 10th in the triple jump (27-9¼).

Maklay Moore took sixth in the girls' 100 hurdles in 20.52, and junior Rhylan Burbank PR'd at 22.16 for ninth.



Aden Aquiso's senior project has improved the Rimrock High School track and field facilities and — in turn — his teammates' success in this season's competitions. Submitted photo

Senior athlete has Raiders jumping into the future

Rimrock marks improve drastically in field events after leadership project

by Tony Richard
Rimrock Jr.-Sr. H.S. principal

The future looks promising for our nation and our community when we consider young men such as Rimrock High School senior Aden Aquiso, who is getting ready to graduate this May.

A young man with a vision, Aden takes action when he sees there is a need.

As a student leader at Rimrock and a talented athlete, Aden took the first step in helping to modernize the school's long jump and triple jump facilities as part of his senior project.

Working closely with his grandfather James (Jimmy) Abbott and local industry experts, Aden envisioned, planned, and managed the implementation of a new long and triple jump runway, including a jumping pit as his senior project. The project has greatly enhanced the overall competitiveness of the current high school track team by creating a space for

jumpers to practice daily during the season.

The project has brought dividends in competition, too, with four athletes achieving personal records during the Viking Relays on March 31 in Hazelton:

• **Adam Meyers** — The sophomore attained a long jump distance of 13 feet, 11½ inches.

• **Maklay Moore** — The senior was one of three Rimrock girls to post career-best distances in the long jump during the meet. She hit a mark of 15-3½. Moore gained 6¾ inches over her fourth-place performance in the March 15 Pilgrim Spring Opener in New Plymouth.

• **Annakay Winings** — The junior delivered a PR of 14-3, which was eight inches longer than her opening-meet performance.

• **Rhylan Burbank** — Another junior, Burbank PR'd at 12-9¾, which was 6¼ inches better than her season-opening

effort.

Ashten Moore posted a 14-10½ long jump to claim the runner-up spot in the Pilgrim Spring Opener. The junior finished third in the Vikings Relay triple jump with the team's best effort of the season at 29-1½.

Aden himself has the best long jump performance among Raiders boys this season, reaching 19-10 for a bronze medal in Hazelton.

Sophomore teammate Ronaldo Gomez went 18-4 in the Viking Relays long jump. That was 6½ inches better than his Pilgrim Spring Opener appearance.

In addition to improving his teammates' performances, Aden's project has set in motion other ideas for future improvements to the school's athletic facility.

Modest, to almost a fault, Aden is not one to expound on his accomplishments. But you can tell from his confident smile that he is looking forward to a new chapter after graduation, and new opportunities to contribute in a positive way and serve his community.

Commentary

Jon P. Brown,
managing editor



Eyes on
Owyhee

Fresh start or
wasted resource?

In their deliberations Monday, county commissioners said what the Republican Central Committee implied with its questions and decision Thursday night.

Big changes are needed in the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office, and now they’re guaranteed.

When Larry Kendrick took the oath of office at 12:30 p.m., on Monday, a seismic transition was set in motion.

Kendrick told the GOP committee he would appoint former county jail commander Sgt. Steve Crawford as his chief deputy. During Monday’s commissioners meeting, current Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said that Kendrick’s plan was to keep the OCSO veteran on long enough to train the new chief deputy. Then Bowman would be reassigned.

Kendrick apparently also plans to bring back another former jail commander in Jim Vincent.

Vincent and Crawford departed as the turmoil began to roil in Sheriff Perry Grant’s administration, and their return may be a key ingredient to reshaping OCSO professionally and culturally and rehabilitating the community’s perception.

The commissioners’ 2-1 vote to elevate the Bruneau-Grand View deputy to the top cop position and Kendrick’s apparent plan to demote Bowman could rob the rebuild of a crucial architect.

Bowman, who was ranked last in the GOP’s preferential voting, has spent a lifetime in the county.

Kendrick will be the fourth sheriff under which the Marsing native has served. He got his start under Gary Aman as a Posse member then became a deputy and worked up to chief deputy when Grant took office.

Bowman apparently changed Daryl Crandall’s mind, too, because the one-term sheriff made him a patrol sergeant after, Bowman said, originally voicing reservations about the deputy’s future with OCSO.

But, Monday’s informal vote — there was no motion or second, and Dist. 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi was the only man behind Bowman — and the GOP making Kendrick the No. 1 recommendation signaled a desire for a wholesale change at OCSO.

Perhaps Dist. 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland, Dist. 3 Commissioner Joe Merrick and the GOP committee persons feel someone from outside the inner sanctum is needed to rebuild OCSO’s universal reputation, which has been on an overall decline since Crandall took the reins in 2009.

Maybe the GOP and the BOCC majority saw Bowman’s Grant administration link as a liability.

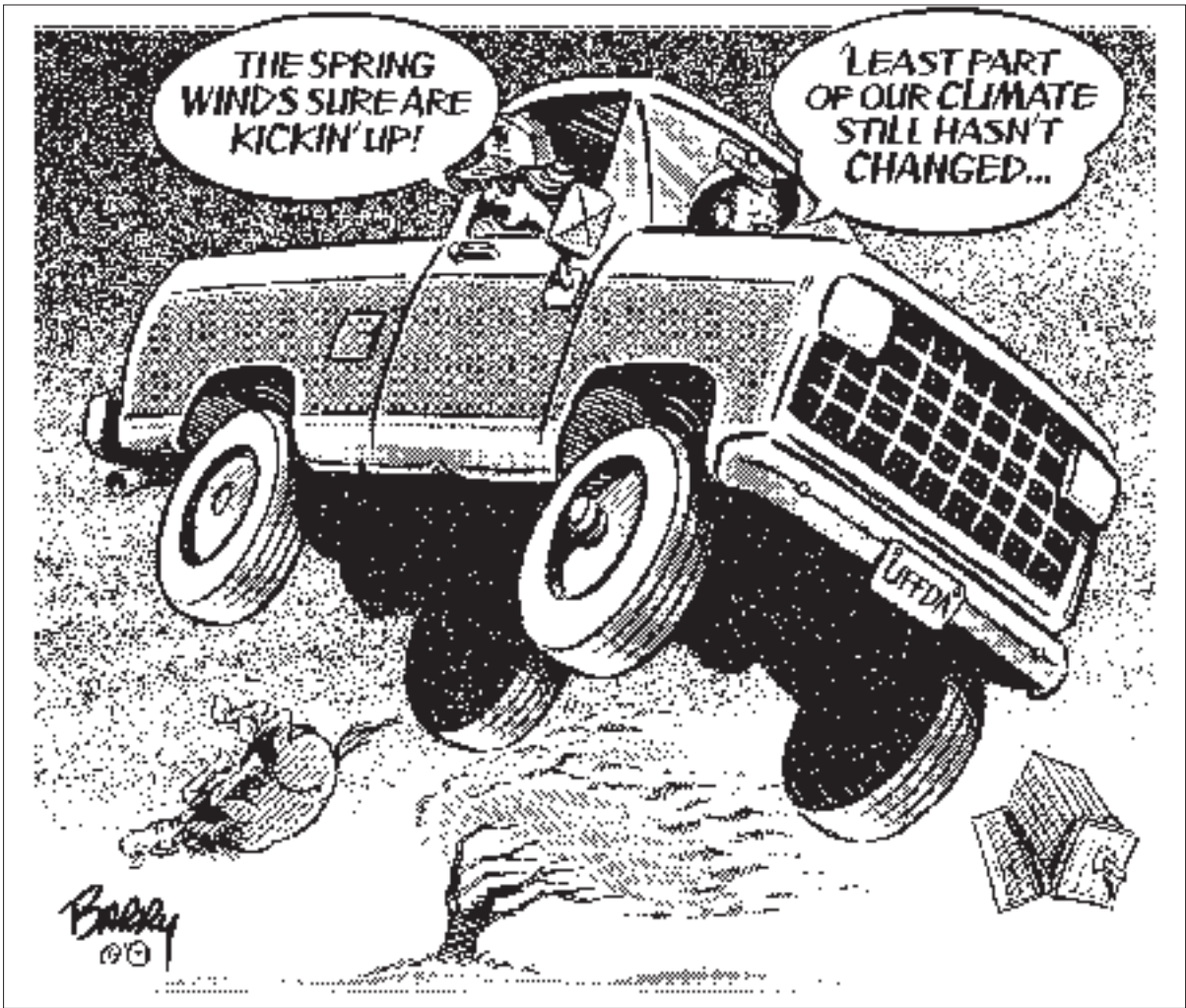
In recommending Kendrick, the GOP ignored Bowman’s steady presence in OCSO and nearly 12 years as chief deputy.

In supporting Kendrick for the appointment, Merrick acknowledged Bowman’s crucial role in helping Grant quickly rebuild the agency’s reputation with the citizens and other agencies in 2012. But he also implied the man who had been acting sheriff since Grant’s March 31 resignation should have done more to prevent OCSO’s backwards slide.

In Thursday’s job interview, Bowman, Kendrick and Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller stood

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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.

Proposed county RV ordinance
Putting Owyhee RV living in perspective

by Dave Reche, Marsing

An Idaho county tax official told me the government owns everything and you pay to use it while you are here.

Idaho law defines personal property as everything that’s the subject of ownership and that isn’t included within the term real property for business and mobile homes.

If you plan on living full-time in an RV in Idaho, you need to either own your own land or rent space at an RV park or a mobile home park, if allowed. For an RV to be a permanent living space on a residential property, it must also have proper wastewater hookups and can’t be located inside an enclosed building.

We need to put the RV living in Owyhee County in perspective:

- **Safety:** The State of Idaho allows you to live in an RV. The RV must be as safe as any other structure.
- **Taxes:** RVs are taxed. A person must license an RV and buy an RV sticker. If additional taxes are needed to cover county services from people living in RVs, maybe the tax would be from a personal property tax amendment.
- **Sanitation:** Snowbirds seem to have sanitation under control when hundreds migrate to warmer climates for the winter. They have septic services and water delivered on a weekly basis. If you are building a house, when the septic system is functional there should be no problem or time limit on the length



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

- Email: jon@owyheeavalanche.com
- Mail: P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628
- Drop-off: Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale

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

of time you can stay in your RV. Portable black water tanks, similar to the ones used for river trips and hunting camps, can be an option to meet the requirement.

• **Property value:** The general opinion of property owners is that a family living in an RV next door decreases the value of the property. I have never heard of anyone receiving lower property taxes because of RV living next door. An AirBnB or vacation rental may lower your property value. They are like a motel next door. You do not know who is staying next door.

• **Hardship permits:** A system of special hardship permits could be developed for the elderly, handicapped or economically depressed families.

• **Special use permits:** If you apply, you can receive a special use permit for an RV park with five-plus RVs per acre.

• **Eyesore:** The color of someone’s house could be an eyesore.

See Kootenai County RV regulations for some insight.

Commentary

Financial management

Play it smart: Get debt-free before buying a house



Dear Dave,
I'm thinking more seriously about buying a home in the next year or so. It seems like the housing market has cooled off a bit, so I am also planning to get a secured credit card to help me rebuild my credit score in the meantime. I make \$60,000 a year, and I have about \$15,000 in debt and \$3,100 in savings. Is this a good idea and a good start toward getting my credit back on track and taking control of my finances?

— Martin

Dear Martin,
In a word, no. I want you to become debt-free before you buy a home. I also want you to have an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses set aside, and have a down payment — preferably of at least 20 percent, so you can avoid having to pay private mortgage insurance — before buying a home.
Let me tell you a couple of things. No. 1, your income is your most powerful wealth-building tool. If you don't have any payments, you have the

ability to build wealth and be generous. When you have debt, all you do is send money out the door to make payments. So, being in debt is a guaranteed way to stay broke. That means getting a secured credit card is not a good idea, either.
Also, did you know you can get a home mortgage with no credit score through a process called manual underwriting? All you have to do is make sure you have a good, long history of paying other things, like your utilities and rent, on time. Most mortgage lenders who do

manual underwriting would also require that you have all your debts paid off completely and the accounts closed for at least six months.
Buying a house when you're in debt and broke is a really bad idea, Martin. It's the fastest way I know to turn something that should be a blessing into a financial and emotional curse. Just be patient, get out of debt and save up. Getting control of your finances is the smartest thing you can do before buying a home!

— Dave

Eye on the Statehouse

Public education fares well this legislative session

The first regular session of the 67th Idaho Legislature has concluded, and the overall outcome for public education in Idaho is positive.
Our K-12 educators and staff will see increased funding, and our higher education institutions are getting much-needed capital improvement dollars to maintain campus infrastructure.
In particular, the Legislature approved funding that will greatly expand career-technical education (CTE) capabilities and opportunities in both secondary and postsecondary public education.
Gov. Brad Little's Idaho Launch initiative will provide up to \$8,000 to high school graduates to pursue CTE certificates, attend community college or complete workforce training for in-demand careers. This will also extend the reach of the Opportunity Scholarships for students attending Idaho four-year institutions.
State Superintendent Debbie Critchfield's Career Ready Students program earmarks \$50 million to expand CTE programs available to middle school and high school students in rural Idaho. The one-time funding will be used to build and equip CTE facilities at schools throughout our state.
Idaho's public schools' budget will increase overall by two percent next year, including an historic 16.4 percent increase in state funding. The budget includes \$171 million in additional pay for teachers to help attract and retain Idaho educators.
Other noteworthy education legislation that became law includes:
• \$100 million for school districts and charters to increase classified staff pay, which includes

Kurt Liebich
President, Idaho State Board of Education
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 June 30, 2024.
To correspond with Liebich or any ISBE board member:
Call: (208) 334-2632
Fax: (208) 334-2632
Email: board@osbe.idaho.gov.
Mail: The Office of the State Board of Education, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0037



secretaries, bus drivers, cafeteria workers, and other essential support staff.
• \$54 million in additional discretionary funding for districts and charters to use according to local needs.
• \$10 million for classroom technology, infrastructure, and instructional management systems.
• \$4.9 million for teacher professional development including support and training for teachers who work with students identified as having characteristics of dyslexia.
• House Bill 92 makes it a requirement for all high schools to teach a class in financial literacy. Students will learn the basics of real-world personal finance and how to make sound financial decisions in their

everyday lives. This class will fulfill a graduation requirement for financial literacy.
• HB 163 codifies parental rights to facilitate communication between parents and schools. The bill establishes uniform parental rights in public schools statewide.
• The College of Western Idaho received almost \$900,000 to expand its capacity for nursing and STEM students, and for student outreach and recruitment.
Now that the legislative session is behind us, I look forward to working with stakeholders and legislators during the interim to craft strategy and legislation to implement enrollment-based funding for public schools on a permanent basis next session.
For three years now, we used the Board's temporary rulemaking authority to use enrollment rather than average daily attendance to calculate state funding for public schools and it worked extremely well during the pandemic and after to stabilize funding for schools.
Finally, I'll close by thanking the state Senate for confirming Dr. David Hill to another term on the Idaho State Board of Education.
Dr. Hill is a noted scientist and mathematician. He is a retired deputy director for science and technology at the Idaho National Laboratory and has been invaluable as a member of the SBOE.
I, and the other members of the Board, look forward to continuing to benefit from Dr. Hill's expertise and insight as we work to support and improve public education in Idaho.

✓ Resource

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up for a sheriff's constitutional duties (including guarding against federal overreach), and each spoke of the rehabilitation project that lies ahead. And all three spoke of maintaining unity and professional cooperation no matter who got the job.
Then Bowman finished third in the voting, and patrol Sgt. Jeff Wasson wasn't even ranked.
The developments over the past six days are signs that the community has lost confidence in the men running the sheriff's office. Committee persons pointedly invoked citizens' concerns Thursday, and the commissioners alluded to constituents'

communications reflecting strong support for all three would-be appointees but especially Kendrick.
Merrick eschewed the advice of former Sheriff Gary Aman and opted for Kendrick over Bowman.
Worried about firestorms yet to be endured, Hoagland switched from Bowman to Kendrick.
In reality, as Kendrick has been a capable and popular face of OCSO in the eastern part of the county, Bowman has been the glue holding the crumbling administrative office together.
He did so despite the lack of professionalism, morale and morals of which both Kendrick and Bowman spoke, and despite his diminished role in administrative decision-making, an increasingly negative community image, and the strain of apparently doing his job, a

patrol deputy's job and, yes, aspects of the sheriff's job even as Grant was planning his exit.
As chief deputy, Bowman kept his head down for several years and performed his duties. He really has performed, as Eidemiller called the chief deputy position, the role of an undersheriff — even if Grant wasn't out doing what sheriffs usually do when an undersheriff is working hard.
Unfortunately, the dedication he has shown to the job and the loyalty to his home county and the battle scars endured as chief deputy of a dysfunctional agency may have cost him his job in the long run.
The new sheriff would be wise to keep Bowman's grit, determination, loyalty, integrity and experience around in a meaningful capacity.

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

April 15, 1998



Homedale breaks ground for school

Members of the Homedale School District Board of Trustees, and representatives of Beniton Construction and Gowland & Johnson were on hand Monday afternoon for a groundbreaking ceremony at the construction site of the new Homedale Middle School on Johnstone Road.

Superintendent of Schools Bob Lisonbee briefly addressed those in attendance, thanking everyone involved in helping to make the new school a reality.

The 60,000-square-foot school will cost \$4,451,000, or about \$77 per square foot. It will feature a metal roof, air conditioning in all administrative offices and all classrooms, and two extra classrooms.

Last September voters passed a bond by a 3 to 1 margin to finance the new school, an industrial technology building at the high school, and an upgrade of that school's science labs and art room.

The new school will hold 600 students, and will free up eight classrooms each at the elementary and high schools, to allow for growth in a district increasing in student population by about 1.7 percent each year.

Doug Nichols of Beniton Construction said the company hopes to complete the school before Christmas, if all goes according to schedule.

Homedale appoints new P&Z administrator

The Homedale City Council last week appointed Diane Puri as the city's new planning and zoning administrator. Puri replaces Ervin Gifford, who resigned for personal reasons.

Five nominated as Tandy Technology Scholars

Four Owyhee County high school seniors and one teacher have been nominated as Tandy Technology Scholars by the Tandy Corporation and Texas Christian University.

Rimrock High School teacher Connie Carpenter was nominated in the category of outstanding math/science/computer science teacher.

Homedale High senior Scott Roesberry and Rimrock High senior Katie N. Burghardt were nominated in the category of outstanding math/science/computer science student.

Rimrock High senior Erica Jo Davis, and Homedale High seniors Roesberry and Karen Itano were recognized as the academic top two percent of graduating seniors.

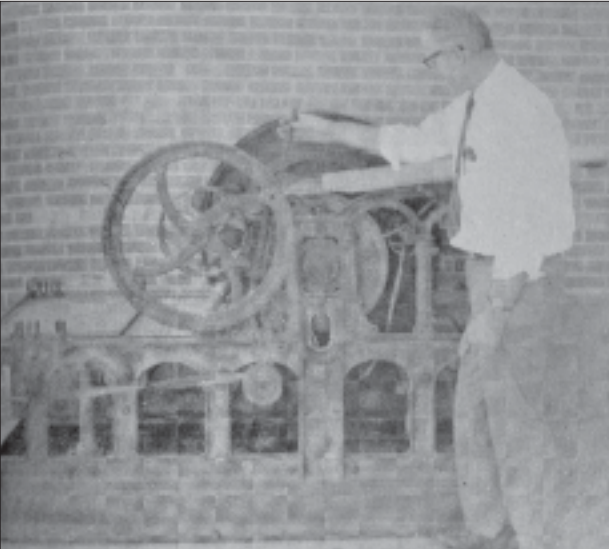
McDaniel seeking office of county clerk

JoAnn McDaniel, currently Owyhee County chief deputy clerk, has announced her intention to seek the Republican nomination for the office of county clerk.

McDaniel cited her 13 years experience and her extensive training as proof of her qualification for the office.

50 years ago

April 12, 1973



OLD TIME PRINTING PRESS is checked by "Ol' Scoop." The press is known as a "Country Camel," but Clyde Cornell, retired Kuna newspaperman, says it was built by the Campbell Co., and should be spelled Campbell. Eventually it is hoped the old press can be returned to Silver City, where it may have been used to print the Owyhee Avalanche at one time. Photo by Boyd Cornell.

Local churches share Holy Week luncheons

The churches of the Homedale Ministerial Association will be sharing in special luncheons to be held throughout Holy Week, April 16-20. They will be held in the Presbyterian Church. The luncheon will be from 12 to 12:30 with the devotional from 12:30-12:45. The speakers will be: Monday: Father Taylor of St. Hubert's; Tuesday: the Rev. Clare Willcuts of the Friends Church; Wednesday: the Rev. Charles Sheline of the Assembly of God Church; Thursday: the Rev. David Turnmire of the Christian and Presbyterian churches; Good Friday: the Rev. Nels Nelson of the Church of the Nazarene.

Churchmen of the event include Judy Phelps, Odessa Eidemiller, Bertha Weygandt, Kay Parkins and Liz Townsend, general chairman. Also serving are Mable Stevenson, Cherle Ryel, Kate Malmberg, Hazel Aldrich and Mary Evans. These are members of the Care and Outreach Committee. The women of the Christian Church will serve on Wednesday and of St. Hubert's throughout the week.

Council approves Jaycee takeover of rec chores

Present at the regular City Council meeting April 2 were Mayor George T. Murray; Councilmen Norman Tolmie and Allen Blessing; absent, Councilmen Kenne Metzger and Jackson.

—Mike Kelly informed the Council the Jaycees would be willing to take over the summer recreation program this year. Kelly will be general chairman with Jeff Haylett as baseball chairman.

—Police Chief Larry Ryel reported Bob Hilbert, the animal controller, was working out very well.

Due to lack of a quorum a special city Council meeting was held on Monday, April 9, to conduct official business. Present were Mayor George Murray; Councilmen Norman Tolmie, Kenne Metzger, Jay Jackson, and Allen Blessing, City Clerk Vivian Lillie. Visitors were Gary Hastriter and Jerry Eggleston.

—Park. Gary Hastriter stated Jaycees had planted the grass in the new park.

—Auxiliary Police. Applications were approved for auxiliary police from Charles Turner and Don Savage.

155 years ago

April 11, 1868

GOLDEN CHARIOT SALOON.—Zapp & Picket appear with a new advertisement to-day. They are accommodating, self-denying, jolly, genuine, tip-top fellows. Those who have a leisure hour to spare round town can pass it away pleasantly by visiting the Golden Chariot Saloon. Nick and Dave's cheerful countenances, brimful of good humor, will make you see the sunny side of life. Call and see them when you have time to spare; you can get a nice drink, smoke a fragrant cigar, or while away an hour in the company of Terpsichore.

MOVING.—Our readers will excuse us for lack of interesting local matters this week when they understand that we have been moving our material into a new office, corner of Clinton and Second Streets. Moving is no small job and leaves things topsy-turvy for a while. We will soon get things arranged, then we will be all right again.

MINING TRANSACTIONS.—P. H. Clark has sold out his interest in the Pauper mine to J. M. McQuaid for \$3,000, and has purchased a controlling interest, 630 feet, in the Mississippi claim, including the Donovan & Thomas, for \$5,500. The Mississippi is considered a very promising mine. It is situated above the mouth of the Webfoot Gulch, on the left of the road leading to the Oro Fino. It shows a width of between five and six feet of quartz, containing principally silver, some of which has been worked, yielding from eighty to ninety dollars per ton. The Donovan & Thomas ledge is about four feet wide and is about twenty-five feet distant from the Mississippi, on the surface, running parallel with it. These two ledges incline towards each other, and it is estimated that in less than one hundred feet they will become one solid ledge. We understand that it is Mr. Clark's intention to organize a company for the purpose of working the mine at an early day.

BRINKERHOFF & CO.,
Inform the Public that they are now running the
Silver City Livery, Sale & Feed
STABLE,
Where they will board stock by the —
DAY, WEEK OR MONTH,
Ladies and Gentlemen can be accommodated
with good Saddle Horses.
Also, they are now running a
Daily Stage from Silver City to Flint.
Leaving Silver at 8 o'clock, A.M. Returning,
Will leave Flint at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply at the Stable

SHORT SKIRTS.—Prentice Mulford writing to the Stockton Gazette says:

The superiority of the present style of short skirts was never more apparent than during the present wet season. One cannot avoid regarding the girls on Montgomery street at present with interest. They trip along so free and unobstructed. The brevity of their dresses are graded according to character and temperament. Very modest and retiring females leave about an inch and a half between the bottom of the gown and the pavement. Cheerful girls, two and a half. Lively girls, who skirmish around the confines of the church and teach a class in Sunday School to keep up appearances, are about, but will ride out to the Cliff House with a respectably dissipated man if they want to do so, four and three-quarters. Fast girls, five. Very fast, six.

Public notices

BOARD OF OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
March 2023 Synopsis
March 6

-Approved the Idaho Allocation Agreements re Opioid Settlements for Allergan, CVS, Teva, Walgreens, and Walmart with the Chairman’s signature for the Board.

-Approved the claims report as presented: Current Expenses-\$47,700; R&B-\$1,294; Dist. court-\$5,859; Fair-\$167; Probation-\$53; Health Dist.-\$9,243; Historical Society & Museum-\$232; I&C-\$21,141; Solid Waste-\$10,106; Tort-\$71,816; 911-\$352; Waterways-\$53,064; Off hwy vehicles-\$418; Capital Project/ARPA-\$7,554.

-Approved the February 27, 2023 meeting minutes.

-Approved County Resolution 2023-11 – Destruction of Non-Permanent Documents: Clerk Auditor & Elections, County Commissioners, and Sheriff.

-Approved County Resolution 2023-12 – Sheriff Sale of Seized Vehicle.

-Approved the DataWorks Software/hardware Annual Agreement in the amount of 47,266.50 with the Chairman’s signature for the Board.

-Approved Bryan Elliot as the Gem County Representative to the Southwest Dist. Board of Health for the term ending June 30, 2027.

-Approved the Tax Cancellation (occupancy bill) on Parcel RP03N04W176910, in the amount of \$3,804.93.

-Approved certificate of residency 23-01 to the College of Southern Idaho.

March 13

-Approved the claims report as presented: Current Expenses-\$17,631; R&B-\$3,266; Dist. Court-\$210; Probation-\$141; I&C-\$10,240; Pest-\$3,500; Solid Waste-\$45; 911-\$3,279; Waterways-\$1,117; Elections-\$435; Capital Project/ARPA-\$18,266.

-Approved the March 6, 2023 meeting minutes.

-Approved up \$23,000 for County Fairgrounds – Well Depth and Zone Testing Cost Approval – Testing for nitrate, nitrite, and total coliform: up to \$23,000.

-Approved County Resolution 2023-13 – Ratification Resolution for Letter Supporting the Freshwater Trusts Application for Columbia River Basin Restoration Funding Assistance Program-Toxic Reduction Lead.

-At 9:26 a.m. Went into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206 (a) personnel.

Open session was resumed at 9:35 a.m. No action was taken.

March 14

-At 3:59 p.m. went into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206 (f) possible litigation. Open session was resumed at 4:44 p.m. No action was taken.

-At 4:45 p.m. went into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206 (f) possible litigation. Open session was resumed at 5:16 p.m. No action was taken.

March 20

-Approved the claims report as presented: Current Expenses-\$140,530; R&B-\$35,974; Dist. Court-\$202; Historical Society & Museum-\$1,524; I&C-\$3,331; 911-\$4,295; Waterways-\$217; Off hwy vehicles-\$175; Capital Project/ARPA-\$9,750; Self-Insurance-\$4,910.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, Engineering Services Program, 600 South Walnut, PO Box 25, Boise, Idaho 83707, until 2:00 p.m., prevailing local time, on April 27, 2023 for DFG Project No. 2023-104, Grand View Boat Ramp Improvements. Bids mailed to the PO Box must arrive before 7:00 a.m. on the above date.

Proposals will be opened and publicly read at the above hour and date.

The project consists of removing and disposing of 1,200 sf of existing reinforced concrete boat ramp, constructing a new ramp profile, and pouring a new reinforced concrete ramp. The new ramp will be constructed in two sections: a cast in place section and a precast push in place section.

A pre-bid tour of the project (highly recommended) will be held on April 20, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. Mountain Time. Contact the Engineering Services Program, (208) 334-3730 by April 19, 2023 to make arrangements to attend this tour.

Specifications, proposal forms and other information are on file for examination at the following locations:

Idaho Fish and Game
Engineering Services Program
208-334-3730
crystal.christensen@idfg.idaho.gov

Abadan Reprographics
800-572-3706
planroom@abadanplancenter.com

Associated General Contractors
208-344-2531
planroom@idahoagc.org

Dodge / Blue Book Construction
877-784-9556
projectdata@construction.com
dodge.docs@construction.com

Construct Connect
877-889-5404
content@constructconnect.com

Spokane Regional Plan Center
509-328-9600
projectinfo@plancenter.net

A bid bond in the amount of 5% of the bid is required.

Documents may be obtained for bidding purposes from the Department of Fish and Game, Engineering Services Program, 208-334-3730. No deposit is required.

A Public Works Contractors License for the State of Idaho is required of the successful bidder prior to the award of a contract if the bid amount is greater than \$50,000. If a bidder does not currently have a Public Works Contractors License for the State of Idaho, he must verify the capability of obtaining a license prior to submitting a proposal. Include names and Public Works License number on Sub-Contractor List as part of bid if total project value is greater than \$50,000.

CLINT WORTHINGTON
ENGINEERING SERVICES PROGRAM MANAGER
IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
04/05,12/2023

-Approved the March 13, 2023 meeting minutes.

-Approved the March 14, 2023 meeting minutes.

-Approved County Resolution 2023-14 – Transferring Service Weapon to Retiring Employee.

-Approved the GIS Contract for Jay Young with the Sheriff’s Office.

-Approved the Mt. Home AFB Road Maintenance Agreement Modification.

-At 9:29 a.m. went into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206 (a) personnel. Open session was resumed at 9:35 a.m. No action was taken.

March 27

-Approved the claims report as presented: Current Expenses-\$17,201; R&B-\$362; Dist. Court-\$817; Probation-\$500; Health Dist.-\$18,485; I&C-\$12,407; Junior College-\$500; Revaluation-\$627; Solid Waste-\$355; Waterways-\$746; Off hwy vehicles-\$511; Sheriff-Drug Enforcement-\$720.

-Approved the March 20, 2023 meeting minutes.

-Approved County Resolution 2023-15: Employee Attendance Policy.

-Approved the 2023 Fair Housing Proclamation with the Chairman’s signature for the Board.

-Approved County Comment Letter to Mt. Home AFB re: Final EIS.

-Approved County Comment Letter to BLM re: Proposed Sierra Del Rio Grazing Permit Renewal.

-Approved new hire Nathan Portenier for full-time Heavy Equipment Operator with R&B #1, at \$19.70 per hour, effective date April 3, 2023.

-Approved Certificate of Residency 23-05 to College of Western Idaho.

-Approved the closing of CAT Cases for the years 2010-2022.

-Approved the building permit fee waiver for a Trex deck on the Depot.

04/12/2023

REQUEST FOR BIDS

Riverside Cemetery District in Grand View Idaho is now accepting bids for mowing the Cemetery. You must provide your own equipment. Job is from April - October and needs to be mowed weekly.

For more information please call Doug Thurman at 208-599-1014. Please send sealed bid to Riverside Cemetery District, PO Box 142, Grand View, ID 83624.

We are accepting bids until April 14, 2023.

04/05,12/2023

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IDAHO STATE BAR NUMBER 5420
ATTORNEY FOR THE PETITIONER

SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
STATE OF IDAHO, COUNTY OF OWYHEE
CASE NUMBER CV37-23-00085

Legacy Fiduciary Services, LLC, as Conservator of Wilma E. Rinke,
Plaintiff,
v.
The Estate of Joe F. Rinke; and all of the heirs and devisees of Joe F. Rinke, Linda Dawn Gomes, John Doe, Spouse of Linda Dawn Gomes; Joseph D. Gomes; Jane Doe, Spouse of Joseph D. Gomes, and all Current Occupants of: 1201 Fox Run Road, Homedale, ID 83628, and all of the unknown owners, heirs, devisees and unknown claimants and/or occupants of all or any part of the following described real property; and any persons claiming any right, title, or interest in the following described real property:

A tract of land situated in a part of Government Lot 5, Section 24, Township 4 North, Range 6 West, Boise Meridian. Owyhee County. Idaho, and more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Southeast Corner of said Government Lot 5, said corner monumented with a 5/8 inch diameter iron pin; thence South 89° 55’46” West, a distance of 16.94 feet along the southerly boundary of said Government Lot 5 to a ½ inch diameter iron; thence North 1°14’56” West, a distance of 640.85 feet parallel with the westerly boundary of said Government Lot 5 to the center line of a concrete ditch; thence North 81 °09’00” West, a distance of 133.23 feet along the center line of said concrete ditch to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing North 81° 09’00” West, a distance of 119.23 feet along the center line of said concrete ditch; thence North 01°14’56” West, a distance of 573.12 feet parallel with the westerly boundary of said Government Lot 5 to a point on the Snake River, said point monumented with a ½ inch diameter iron pin; thence South 76°04’00” East, a distance of 121.63 feet along the high water line of said Snake River to a ½ inch diameter iron pin; thence South 01°14’56” East, a distance of 562.18 feet parallel with the westerly boundary of said Government Lot 5 to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Defendants.

To: The Estate of Joe F. Rinke; and all of the heirs and devisees of Joe F. Rinke,
All Current Occupants of: 1201 Fox Run Road, Homedale, ID 83628, and all of the unknown owners, heirs, devisees and unknown claimants and/or occupants of all or any part of the following described real property; and any persons claiming any right, title, or interest in the following described real property:

1201 Fox Run Road, Homedale, ID 83628

You have been sued by Plaintiff, Legacy Fiduciary Services LLC, as conservator of Wilma E. Rinke, in the District Court of the Third Judicial District, in and for the County of Owyhee Idaho, Case No. CV37-23-0085.

The nature of the claim against you is an action to quiet title to real property. 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 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy ID 83650, telephone number (208) 495-2806, and served a copy of your response on the Plaintiff’s attorney JULIE ADAMS DEFORD, DEFORD LAW, P.C., 317 12th Avenue South, Nampa, Idaho 83651, telephone No. (208) 461-3667.

A copy of the Summons and Complaint to Quiet Title can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the attorney for Plaintiff.

If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.

DATED: 3/30/2023
Angela Barkell
Clerk of the District Court
/s/:Cheylah Volkers
Deputy Clerk
04/12,19,26;05/03/2023

Read all about it

in

The Owyhee Avalanche

337-4681

Sports

Huskies’ Mangum performances flirt with history

When Braden Ankeny hung out with his basketball-playing brother during the Easter weekend, you can bet he had four words for Jacob: “I’m coming for you.”

The younger Ankeny, a Marsing High School junior, crept closer to his brother’s 100-meter dash record with a personal-best and winning time of 11.69 seconds at the Dave Mangum Invite in Melba.

Jacob set the record at 11.03 in 2021 before he embarked on his college basketball and academic honors career at Montana Western.

Braden also won the Mangum 200 in 23 seconds flat. That’s .06 of a second off his personal best from earlier this season, which is the second-fastest 200 in school history. You guessed it: His brother holds the school mark at 22.45.

Two sophomores — Ashlyn Porter and Elley Shelton — and seniors Vanessa Freeman and Emily Vanosdall teamed up to win the girls’ sprint medley relay in 2:06.58. It was the fifth-fastest time for the Huskies in the past 15 years.

Porter and Shelton ran the 100-meter legs, and Freeman took the baton for the 200 portion before Vanosdall finished with the 400.

Jordan Blas finished eighth in the boys’ 200 at 25.26.

Junior Nate Delaney collected a personal-best with his sixth-place shot put performance of 35 feet, 3½ inches.

Freshman Brody Bowers was seventh in the 1,600 at 5:30.95, while sophomore Alex Christiansen attained career bests in the 3,200 (13th, 12:16.43) and the 1,600 (5:49.92).

Sophomore Matthew Ramirez attained a personal-best time of 1 minute, 5.78 seconds in the 400.

Senior Robert Salazar posted a PR of 85-5 for eighth in the discus, while junior Diego Margarito notched a ninth-place distance of 84-10¼.

Girls’ sprinter Vanessa Freeman took fifth in the 100 at 14.09 and was sixth in the 200 at 30.44.

Sophomore Sydney Nelson finished fifth in the 200 (30.3), and she PR’d in the triple jump with a sixth-place distance of 28-9¼.

Freshman Breann Dickerson finished 14th in the 800 meters with a PR at 3:17.05.

Junior Trinity Stimmel took fifth in the girls’ discus at 69-1½.

Vanosdall was fifth in the long jump at 14-4¼.

Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
TS No: **ID-23-955119-RM**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **8/17/2023**, at the hour of **9:00 AM**, **In the Lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, located at 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650**, the trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of **OWYHEE**, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:
LOT 7 AND 8 OF BLOCK 20 OF THE AMENDED TOWN SITE PLAT OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF FILED AUGUST 9, 1911 AS NO. 7284 ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.
The Current Trustee is **Robert W. McDonald, Esq.**, whose address is **108 1st Ave. South, Suite 450, Seattle, Washington 98104** and who can be reached by telephone at **(866) 925-0241**. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-described real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of **413 WEST MONTANA AVE, HOMEDALE, ID 83628** may be associated with said real property.
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Dated this 3rd day of April, 2023. By: Robert W. McDonald, Esq., Trustee TS No: **ID-23-955119-RM** IDSPub #0185061 4/12,19,26;05/03/2023

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE (Adult or Emancipated Minor) CASE NO. CV37-23-00087
IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
IN RE: JOSILYN RHEA GIVEN
A petition to change the name of Josilyn Rhea Given, 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 Arthur Ridley Griffin. The reason for the change in name is: Dislike of current name.
A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 9:00 o’clock a.m. on May 1, 2023 at the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, ID 83650. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.
Date: March 17, 2023
Clerk of the District Court /s:/Jamie Eubanks, Deputy Clerk 03/29;04/05,12,19/2023

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE (Adult or Emancipated Minor) CASE NO. CV37-23-00091
IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
IN RE: ELVIN DEAN KNOWELS JR.
A petition to change the name of ELVIN DEAN KNOWELS JR., now residing in the City of Marsing, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to ELVIN DEAN JONES JR. The reason for the change in name is: I have been going by Elvin Dean Jones JR for 56 years, ever since I was in the military.
A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 9 o’clock a.m. on April 24, 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: March 22, 2023
Angela Barkell Clerk of the District Court /s:/Catie Canaday, Deputy Clerk 03/29;04/05,12,19/2023

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE (Minors) CASE NO. CV37-23-00093
IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
IN RE: AMELIA ELIDA MALACARA
A petition to change the name of Amelia Elida Malacara, now residing in the city of Marsing, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to Amelia Elida Mendoza. The reason for the change in name is: Child’s name being changed so she has the same name as her mother.
A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 11:00 o’clock a.m. on May 17, 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: March 22, 2023
Clerk of the District Court /s:/Aiesha Zenor, Deputy Clerk 03/29;04/05,12,19/2023

✓ Trojans: Boys beat field by eight strokes in Weiser

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the host squad. Homedale coach Raymond Smith said Swallow missed two putts and “chunked” a chip on a par-5 hole for his only bad shot.

The sophomore birdied his final hole.

“(Swallow) started out very good and ended super good,” first-year HHS coach Raymond Smith said. “(This was an) awesome performance by McCoy.”

The HHS boys cleared the field by eight shots. Weiser was runner-up at 173, and Tate Ova’s 41 paced McCall-Donnelly to 177. Parma was fourth at 205.

Parker posted a five-stroke victory over Piper Lamm (47), who plays for McCall-Donnelly. The Vandals were the only complete girls’ team to compete last week.

“(Parker) was making good contact with her irons and hybrid. She never got into a sand trap and never lost a ball,” Smith said. “It was mostly fairways.

“She missed a few good-looking putts and short chipping, but she held strong from the first tee box to the last.”

Stella Heck was the only other HHS girl to make the show in Weiser, carding a 65.

“She played pretty well most of the game and had some struggles with her chipping,” Smith said. “She did awesome out of the box with her tee shots and I was very impressed with her and she felt great about her performance today.”

Lamm’s teammate Lexi Larson and hometown golfer Lucy Hickey tied for third with 48s.

The other three HHS golfers who were counted in the boys’ team scoring broke 45 during their day:

- Luke Henry sank a 15-foot birdie putt on the second hole. Smith said Henry struggled with mistakes before he “calmed himself down and was able to get his focus back” over the tournament’s final two holes.
- Another sophomore, Tyler Erickson also came in at 42, but,” could have been better if the golf gods had cooperated on one hole.

“He smashed a drive and lipped out for birdie,” Smith said.

Erickson achieved par on the par-5 holes and “finished off pretty good,” his coach said. “A good effort from Tyler today.”

After a rough start of two double-bogeys and a bogey, Kinley Balkovetz hit a stretch of four consecutive pars and finished at 44.

“He wasn’t really happy about (the start) and made a few adjustments and came back to par four holes in a row,” Smith said. “His chipping didn’t help him on a few holes, so he finished out with another double and a bogey.”

Senior Levi Jamison also got off to a slow start before ending with a 50.

“He didn’t do very good to start out. He was thinking too much about it,” Smith said. “Then he calmed himself down but he had two holes left to try a comeback.”

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✓ **Marsing:** Storage facility owners want property annexed into the city

a proposed food truck park on property at 722 Main St.

Lodge wants to create a space that will feature food trucks in a park-like setting with an indoor dining option inside the existing buildings on the property.

As with the annexation application, documents on the CUP request are available for review at City Hall.

- A public hearing postponed from March should be taken up tonight as well. The Marsing Housting Authority/ Ag Labor seeks a CUP and a possible rezone to accommodate the addition of a

new office building.

The organization recently purchased the old Bureau of Land Management Owyhee Field Office building from a private party, and the plan is to move it to the 8th Avenue West location for new offices.

The old office building at the labor camp, construction on which began 50 years ago this month, could be converted back into a housing unit.

The new office will be located south of the current office in open space near the middle of the development.



A self storage venture wants to annex this property into the Marsing city limits ahead of development.

✓ **Homedale:** Canyon resident to fund city water user feasibility study

corner of Industrial Road and East Colorado Avenue.

- Travis Milburn seeks a permit for a duplex at 14 W. Kansas Ave.

Council decisions are scheduled immediately after each hearing closes.

A third housing topic is actually a redux of a discussion from March 2022.

Martin Maestrejuan, who lives off Ustick Road in

Canyon County, wants to tap into Homedale’s Ustick well to provide water for planned houses on property he is subdividing.

The developer wants to construct 11 homes on a parcel at the corner of Batt Corner Road and Boehner Road.

Thirteen months after his initial appearance before the council, Maestrejuan returns to discuss a possible water model

to be conducted by Homedale city engineering firm Great West Engineering.

City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram said Maestrejuan will pay the \$3,000 for the study which will help determine the feasibility cost of adding homes to the Ustick well infrastructure and — thereby — the Homedale water system.

The Mountain View Church

of the Nazarene already utilizes Homedale municipal water through a line running down Ustick Road from the city well, Pegram said.

After residential development talk, discussion will shift to developments at Homedale landmarks.

Homedale Lions Club members will be on hand to discuss the Fourth of July celebration, which for more than 40 years has included a demolition derby at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds rodeo arena.

The council also could

possibly take action of the municipal airport master plan.

During his report, Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller could ask the council to surplus a 2002 GMC Sierra ¾-ton animal control pickup with kennels.

The council also is expected to schedule the Fiscal Year 2024 budget public hearing for Aug. 9.

A planned executive session to discuss the city-owned buildings adjacent to the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library was postponed.

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