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MAKING FRIENDS ON HALLOWEEN



Above: Espyn Thurston, 3½, says hello to fellow unicorn, 15-year-old Stormy, at the Owyhee Veterinary Clinic's petting zoo near Homedale City Hall. Espyn is the daughter of Josh Thurston and Cortney Dayton of Homedale. **Left:** Travis and Della Hipwell enjoyed the Oreana Community Hall Trunk or Treat. Submitted photo **Below:** The Marsing Ambulance crew dressed as pirates for the Trunk or Treat and greeted trick-or-treaters. Crewmembers who participated included Jodie Callison, Betty Ackerman, and Deon Wynia and (not pictured) Tim Gregory. Photo by Breeana Lootens / Breeana Lootens Photography

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No business like gnome business

Owyhee Candle Co., part of Bruneau Cowboy Christmas

If you're looking for the Owyhee Candle Co., booth this weekend in Bruneau, don't look for candles.

Look for gnomes.

Lots of gnomes.

Nikki and Vance Barowsky's Homedale-based business sells candles, sprays, beard oil and pump soaps, but the biggest attraction at the Bruneau Cowboy Christmas (see story **Page 11**) has been the stuffed versions of the mythical

creature known for magic and alchemy.

Something certainly magical happened when Nikki's husband and her daughter, Cijae, were flying solo at an earlier Bruneau Cowboy Christmas.

"I was at a show in Salt Lake and was looking at their sales on Square," Nikki said. "I called, and they wouldn't answer."

There was good reason Nikki's calls went unanswered: Vance and Cijae were inundated. They sold 45 gnomes in 45 minutes.

There's no Guinness world record for gnome

— See **Business**, page 10

County fights to keep trails open as BLM plays catch-up

Long-overdue plans inch toward completion

On the heels of the Bureau of Land Management completing one travel management plan, Owyhee County commissioners have delivered a comprehensive comment on the environmental assessment for another of the

TMPs mandated by a law passed nearly 15 years ago.

The BLM touted finalization of the Canyonlands East TMP as the result of collaboration with local community members and the Board of County Commissioners, among other entities.

The plan designates nearly 1,500 miles of routes, including

— See **Trails**, page 4

Property tax bills may be late, but they could be lighter, too

New laws meant to bring relief to land owners

Property tax bills may be a little late arriving in mailboxes this year.

New legislation has put the state's 44 counties in limbo as the Idaho State Tax Commission figures out the Homeowner Tax Reduction and the All Tax Reduction, Owyhee County Treasurer Annette Dy-

gert said.

The new wrinkles may delay that information getting to the counties. The tax commission data is supposed to arrive in Murphy and other county seats by the first Monday in November.

But the delay could mean bills will be late, although the deadline to pay the bills is still Dec. 20 for the first half and June 20 for the rest. The deadlines are set in statutory stone.

— See **Tax**, page 10



Nikki Barowsky hangs out with some popular pals in her West Idaho Avenue shop.



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TOP LOCAL LOOKS FOR HALLOWEEN

A diverse group of trick-or-treaters showed up for the Oreana Trunk or Treat in the parking lot between the community hall and Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church. Submitted photo



Above: WICAP Head Start Early Start was the first-place Marsing Chamber of Commerce Trunk or Treat business entry. Below: The Huber family won for the family division.



Homedale City Hall costume winners will have their photos displayed in the City Hall lobby for the next year, and the Bowling Alley in Homedale provided prizes of \$25 gift cards. Submitted photos. Clockwise from above:

Family division: The Browns — Nathan, Kristi, Hadlee, Harper and Hudson — put together a Smokey and the Bandit ensemble to win the family award in the city’s Safe-n-Sane Halloween costume contest.

Boys’ division: James Purdom, son of Homedale resident Caitlin Purdom, was dressed up as a John Deere tractor, complete with working headlights, to win the boys’ award.

Girls’ division: Rohm Kongchalyantr, an exchange student living with Zac and Megan Lowder of Adrian, won the girls’ title for her Mystique from X-Men costume.

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From left: Henry Ryska, 5, dressed as the Black Panther, his mother Alicia was dressed as Mae Mordabito from the movie “A League of Their Own,” and her daughter Bambi Ryska, 12, dressed as Dottie Henson from the movie. Homedale Police School Resource Officer Clayton Cart hot-dogged it in a photo at HPD’s Safe-n-Sane location.

County assessor dispatches blue-clad appraisal crew

Appraisers wearing blue safety vests, hats are in Marsing

Marsing-area property owners needn't be alarmed if they see folks walking around in blue safety vests and ballcaps these days.

Appraisers from the Owyhee County Assessor's Office are on the ground carrying out the reappraisal process, and the Marsing area is this year's target.

State law requires counties to appraise all properties at least every five years, Assessor Tiffany Nettleton explained.

"We have the county divided into five yearly areas, so we can cover the entire county every five years," she said.

"This year, we are in the Marsing area. We will be out to all parcels in that area, if we haven't been already, by April of 2024."

Appraisers are highly visible in their blue safety vests and hats, so they'll be easily identifiable when they visit properties.

The Marsing appraisal process began in the summer.

"They have been picking up new homes and buildings at various times throughout the year," Nettleton said.

— JPB



A gray cap and a blue safety vest help Owyhee County Assessor's Office personnel stand out when they visit Marsing-area properties to carry out the five-year reappraisal task mandated by state law. Submitted photo

Marsing trustees could make COSSA decision in January

Consortium's former CEO speaks at town hall

The future of Marsing School District's relationship with the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency could be decided early next year.

Board of trustees chair Jason Sevy told a town hall audience that the board could make an official decision during its January meeting, according to district superintendent Norm Stewart.

The board examined options and shared information with patrons during a second town hall on Oct. 23 inside the boardroom at The HUB/school district office building.

As with the first town hall in September, the discussion and presentation at the second meeting focused on the district's involvement in COSSA and gave community members a chance to voice concerns and ask questions.

The district's presentation on Oct.23 recapped information from the September town hall and provided more information.

Potential resources and affiliations the district could use in a future without COSSA were also shared, including ways to cater to Marsing students' career and technical education (CTE) needs.

Stewart said CTE opportunities could come from the College of Western Idaho or Idaho Digital Learning Academy.

"Additionally, there was mention of the possibility of locally offered programs, contingent upon the recruitment of qualified staff and the approval of programs, recognizing that such initiatives would necessitate time for implementation," Stewart wrote in an email.

During the question-and-answer portion of the town hall, audience members raised concerns and sought clarification about working with CWI and IDLA and how the changes would impact incoming students and those already enrolled in COSSA CTE programs.

After the presentation, parents and one high school senior shared their experiences with the CTE program. Marsing school staff, a COSSA CTE instructor and retired COSSA CEO Harold Nevill also addressed the board.

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From page 1

✓ Trails: County says BLM has the power to settle RS 2477 in the TMPs

1,226 miles authorized for motorized use, to provide access to about 663,000 acres of public land.

The TMP also closes 187 miles of trails and roads that will be returned to their natural state, according to the BLM, as part of the wilderness process.

In its press release, the BLM said the routes were “collaboratively” inventoried with partners before the decision was rendered.

“We appreciate our partners and the public helping BLM analyze these routes to ensure we maintain access and provide areas for motorized and non-motorized use, while still protecting from overuse,” BLM Boise District manager Tanya Thrift said.

“Collectively, we created a sound, sustainable travel management plan that reduces user conflicts, all while supporting multiple use on public lands for generations to come.”

The final plan and decision record are available on the BLM National NEPA Register.

The Canyonlands East TMP is the third plan to be revised since the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 required establishment of travel and recreation plans throughout Owyhee County.

But, as pointed out in the county commissioners’ 60-page comment letter on the Canyonlands West TMP environmental assessment, the plans are slow in coming.

In fact, the omnibus law required the Owyhee Front TMPs to be completed within a year of the OPLMA’s enactment on March 30, 2009.

The rest of the county’s plans were to be finalized by 2012.

The entire process didn’t begin until 2017, and in their Canyonlands West comment letter commissioners demanded that the federal agency ramp up efforts to comply with the law.

Only the Wilson Creek and Murphy TMPs have been completed.

Besides Canyonlands West, the BLM has yet to produce TMPs for the southern portion of the Morley Nelson Birds of Prey National Conservation Area, Silver City and public lands around Grand View.

The agency has a goal to complete all plans by spring, which would be nearly 15 years after the bill prompted by the Owyhee Initiative became law.

In a scathing 14-page comment on Canyonlands West (the remaining 46 pages were historical evidence and maps highlighting BLM’s proposed actions), the county disputed the agency’s plan to close roads that are actually subject to RS 2477 rights-of-way.

Among the proposed closures that cross RS 2477 rights-of-way are administrative routes ranchers use to trail livestock.

Commissioners also pointed out that BLM hasn’t followed the coordination process as required by the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA). The county also claims BLM violated a 2006 memorandum of understanding that solidified the concept of coordination during land use planning.

To that end, the commissioners once again demanded the agency confer with the county on such matters.

The county urges BLM to adopt Alternative A (no action) for Canyonlands West and points out that road closures proposed in other alternatives actually violate rights-of-way agreed upon by the federal agency nearly 40 years ago and reiterated by the county’s own RS 2477 assertion from 2020.

In the EA, according to the county’s interpretation, BLM said that TMPs are not vehicles to address RS 2477 assertions, and stated plans would be adjusted accordingly once right-of-way decisions are made.

Commissioners are skeptical that roads would remain open despite language in the BLM EA because the agency’s document didn’t consider or assess roads as having legal or factual status.

The county cites Idaho Supreme Court case law and the BLM’s own regulations regarding rights-of-way in its comment.

“Notwithstanding, BLM takes the curious and disingenuous position in the (Canyonlands West EA) by simultaneously acknowledging the existence of the RS 2477 interests held by Owyhee County, yet stating this travel management process is not the time and place to speak to such interests,” the county comment letter states.

The county asserts the BLM has the power to disclaim interest in rights-of-way on public lands, and already has done so within the Canyonlands West planning area. Owyhee officials also claim the federal agency has no policy preventing it from validating public rights-of-way in the Canyonlands West EA.

According to the county’s comment letter:

“Owyhee County urges BLM to enhance the management of the public lands within the planning area of the CWTMP-EA, and not to defer it or kick it down the road. The public demand certainty, not uncertainty, as to the management of its public lands. Management will be clearly enhanced by BLM considering, assessing, and implementing an Alternative that validates the several public rights-of-way within the planning area of the CWTMP-EA under RS 2477 and Idaho State law.”

— JPB

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Managing bulls after breeding season

Following the breeding season, managing bulls can be a challenge. They aren't actively contributing to the bottom line and can be hard on fences and facilities. They do, however, represent a significant investment, and managers should plan to meet their needs while attempting to keep costs at a minimum.



Scott Jensen

As bulls complete the breeding season, they should be evaluated and sorted. Mature bulls in good condition will be of the least concern and shouldn't require any special attention. Old bulls and any others with physical defects (crippled, bad eyes, etc.) should be sorted off and marketed. Young bulls and thin bulls should be sorted into a third group where they can receive the additional feed and attention necessary to prepare them for the next breeding season.

It is important for all bulls to have access to a high-quality mineral mix. This mix should be high in phosphorus as phosphorus is critical for reproduction and is usually present in inadequate amounts in dry or harvested forage. It is often necessary to mix it with salt to ensure consumption. Vitamin A is also important in the bull diet and should be included in the mineral supplement. It is possible to use an injectable form of vitamin A as it can be stored in the body for up to six months.

Mature bulls can generally winter well on an all-roughage diet. They should be fed about two percent of their body weight on a dry matter basis per day. The goal should be to have the animals maintain a moderate body condition of 5 to 7. If needed, they can be supplemented with protein to compensate for any protein deficiencies in lower-quality hay

or straw.

Young and thin bulls should be placed on high-quality forage. This could include some fall regrowth of alfalfa fields, planted annual forages, or high-quality hay. Young bulls are still growing. Besides restoring any lost body condition, they are still putting on additional muscle and bone structure. Condition gained during the off-season can help increase their breeding longevity. Concentrates fed should be high in protein. A high-energy diet is not desirable as getting them too fat tends to impede their reproductive activity.

If possible, bull pastures should be isolated away from the cows. Bulls pastured away from the cows will be quieter and fight less. There should be plenty of room to encourage adequate exercise and reduce fighting among animals. About two acres per bull is recommended for space during this time.

Salvage bulls have considerable value in today's cattle market. High salvage values might encourage you to replace older or less productive bulls with younger, higher-genetic-quality bulls.

No matter how you choose to winter your bulls, don't scrimp on a breeding soundness exam for each bull by your veterinarian 30 to 60 days prior to the start of your breeding season next year. This will help ensure that you have a successful breeding season next year. Proper care and management of bulls after the breeding season will help prepare them to pass the breeding soundness exam and be ready for future use.

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

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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

Bingo

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

Story Time

10:30 a.m., to 11:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Public Library, 111 S. 3rd St. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Labor Dept. bilingual employment services

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Marsing Chamber of Commerce meeting

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

CWI Computer Basics Course

4 p.m., to 6 p.m., registration necessary. Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. Information/registration: (208) 337-4428

Homedale City Council meeting

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

Jordan Valley Ambulance meeting

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

Grand View City Council meeting

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

Marsing City Council meeting

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

Jordan Valley school board meeting

7 p.m., Jordan Valley Elementary School library, 604 Oregon Ave., 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

Veterans Day program

9 a.m., (8:40 a.m., doors), Marsing School District Cafeteria, 8th Avenue West, Marsing.

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. Information: info@owyheegardeners.org

Flags for Veterans graves

3 p.m., volunteers welcome, Marsing-Homedale Cemetery, 4410 Cemetery Rd, Marsing. Sponsored by Phipps-Watson American Legion Post 128. (208) 350-3915

After School Bible Club

4 p.m., to 5 p.m., ages 5-11, Eastern Owyhee

County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 585-7694 or (208) 599-2790

Teens and Tweens

5 p.m., to 6 p.m., 'Game Night,' Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

Friday

Lady Tros Volleyball Camp

8:30 a.m., to 11:30 a.m. 6th through 8th graders; noon to 2:30 p.m., 3rd through 5th graders. \$30 per player. Homedale High School, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. Information: Lexie (208) 899-3333, Isana (208) 337-1417.

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Saturday

Christmas Bazaar & Bake Sale

9 a.m., to 3 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. 208-337-3020

Catholic Mass

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

Marsing Food Drive

10 a.m., to noon, The HUB food pantry, Marsing School District office building, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing.

Homedale Food Drive

10 a.m., to noon, El-Ada Community Action Partnership, 15 W. Colorado Ave., Homedale.

Bruneau Cowboy Christmas

10 a.m., to 4 p.m., admission: non-perishable food item, American Legion Post 83 Hall, Community Park, Bruneau Elementary School, Cowboy Alley, and Collins Art Barn, Bruneau. Information: BruneauCowboyChristmas@gmail.com

Marsing Lions Bingo

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

Sunday

Rimrock Trip benefit breakfast

7 a.m., to 9 a.m., \$10, The Cowboy's Pastime, 32524 Belle Ave., Bruneau. Benefits Rimrock Jr./Sr. High School student trips.

Bruneau Cowboy Church

8:30 a.m., Bruneau Emergency Center, 32531 Belle Ave., Bruneau.

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

Homedale district library board meeting

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

Children's After School Program

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

Homedale judicial confirmation would be just in case

Council holds hearing on petition tonight, but grants could cover cost

Homedale residents will have a chance to weigh in on the city’s plan to rehabilitate a drinking water well. A public hearing will be held shortly after the city council convenes its regular meeting at 6 tonight at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave. The city is following through on a public notice that advertised an October public hearing to discuss seeking a judge’s permission to bond for more than \$6.1 million to pay for a water well improvement project. The public hearing wasn’t held in

October, but is on the agenda for this month’s meeting. During their Oct. 11 meeting, council members explained to concerned citizen Mike Simpson exactly what the judicial confirmation and project entailed. If the money is secured, a second well would be drilled across the Snake River in Canyon County at the city’s Ustick well location. An arsenic abatement system would be installed, too. Although the council could seek judicial confirmation to sell bonds — and collect property taxes — to build the well and treatment system, council members said last month that the judicial confirmation is just a necessary first step before they go after government grants and other funding

vehicles. Even if the council approves the judicial confirmation petition tonight, it’s possible that no tax levy would be established if enough funding can be picked up elsewhere. Any construction project won’t get off the ground until the end of September, according to the council’s conversation with Simpson last month. Council president Mike Aebischer said the work is necessary to keep the city in compliance with tightening federal drinking water regulations. The city’s water isn’t out of compliance at present. The plan is to drill a second well and blend water from the new well with water from the existing well. Apparently, water from the older well has elevated arsenic levels, but blending

and treating the water before sending it across the Snake River will keep the water within federal Environmental Protection Agency guidelines. Mayor Gheen Christoffersen said the work will allow the city to be ready when EPA guidelines tighten. The city’s water currently meets federal guidelines. The mayor also said it’s too early to figure out what the tax implications would be if the city was forced to levy for the work. • A lot split for the new Shady Lane RV Park property will be discussed and possibly executed. City clerk and treasurer Alice Pegram said the lot split would allow the developers to separate the retail buildings from the RV park area. — JPB

Marsing switches up water system, saves money

Changing operations could reduce annual cost by 50 percent

It appears an emergency situation will actually save the City of Marsing money in the long run. The city council called a special meeting last Wednesday after the drinking water chlorination system began to fail. During a discussion in front of one of the largest council audiences of the year, public works superintendent Philip Gibson gave elected officials two paths to repair — either stay the course and repair the failing system or go in a new direction that will require new equipment. The council decided unanimously to bring in a different treatment system, the start-up cost and annual maintenance expense for which are a fraction of repairing the existing system. Gibson said the city’s chlo-

rine generation system was “shot.” The two MIOX cells that are used to create chlorine by adding salt are failing simultaneously. The council learned that replacing the cells would cost \$18,000. The cell system was originally installed in 2010, but each cell had been replaced shortly after — one in 2013 and the other in 2016. “Both failed at the same time this time,” Gibson said. The total annual cost of the system, when it works, is \$10,875 — \$8,670 for a year’s supply of salt and \$2,205 to replace a brine pump each year. A complete new system with only one cell would cost \$100,000, Gibson said. Councilperson Elizabeth

Wahl bristled at the idea of replacing cells every three to six years at a contemporary cost of \$9,000 apiece. She also mentioned that Gibson has to “baby” the current pump because the chlorination readings can vary. The new treatment system would provide more consistency in the readings, Wahl said. So the council chose a system that Boise-based OXARC Inc., would provide at initial cost of \$8,011. The price includes a one-time cost for a smaller chlorine pump (\$3,118) and the yearly chlorine delivery subscription (\$4,893). Going forward, the city could pay only the chlorine delivery fee each year. Part of the cost for the pump could be recovered when the city sells an existing pump that was recently purchased, Gibson said. He surmised the city could recover most of the

\$5,000 spent, which could pay for the new pump completely. He said the city has a backup pump that can be used with the new system until the new, smaller pump can be delivered in a couple weeks. The city could either surplus the pump or sell it outright to another government entity, city clerk and treasurer Jolyn Thompson said. Gibson said Marsing has used a similar system for the wastewater treatment plant for 12 years with no issues. He also reported that Melba and Greenleaf use the OXARC system with no problems. The city is required to chlorinate its drinking water. Seven citizens showed up for the meeting, which lasted about 20 minutes. The Sandbar Community Room wasn’t configured for a formal meeting because officials weren’t expecting many folks to show up.

Those that did had questions about why the water system is chlorinated and how the change might affect water bills. Thompson said citizens’ bills wouldn’t change. Another audience member worried that chlorination failure would make the city’s water unsafe. “The drinking water is still perfectly safe,” Gibson said. Before the decision was made, Mayor Hayzen Corder assured the citizens that the town would have safe water. “Either way, we’re going to make sure we’re up to speed,” he said. The City of Marsing still has two general obligation bonds that paid for previous water system rehabilitation and upgrades. Thompson said one bond has seven years left, and the city will make payments for another 12 years on the other. — JPB

Marsing hearing to examine revamped dog pound fees

Texts for citizen communications to be considered

Dog owners could pay to house their stray pets differently if the Marsing City Council approves a fee change tonight. A public hearing will be held once the regular meeting begins at 7 inside the Sandbar Community Room adjacent to City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave. Currently, the city charges \$40 to house an animal for five days. Under the proposed change, the new dog pound fees would be \$20 per day plus a \$25 administrative fee. The daily fee and the administrative

cost would be levied for each incident per dog. • How long someone can reside temporarily in a recreational vehicle could be limited. Currently, there is a three-day limit, but Ordinance A-233 has no language on how many times an RV can be used for temporary residence in a calendar year. The amendment would cap the number of days per year to 15 days and prevent people from staying in town for three days, leaving for one, and then returning for another three-day stint continuously. If the council accepts the amendment, the revamped ordinance would go into effect after publication in The Owyhee Avalanche. The proposal was set in

motion after a discussion with code enforcement officer Karis Young at last month’s meeting. • Further transparency in government and more efficient information-sharing between City Hall staff and elected officials are the goals with a proposed investment in new web-based systems. The council will consider two purchases, including a TextMyGov citizens communication portal and another computer application for web-based meeting/agenda and website hosting. TextMyGov would allow citizens to opt-in to a text-messaging service to stay abreast of City of Marsing government goings-on. To participate in the app, the city would pay a one-time setup fee

of \$4,000 and a \$2,000 annual maintenance contract. The TownCloud proposal would cost the city more than \$5,500 to get off the ground. That includes \$3,754.80 for a three-year contract and about \$1,800 to purchase six tablets for city council members and city staff for the cloud-based meeting format. • The council will also consider a set-up cost of \$8,800 and yearly maintenance fee of more than \$2,100 to add timekeeping and Human Resources applications to the Caselle program City Hall staff already uses for accounting. • Kirby Cook from Civil Dynamics will bring the Child Pedestrian Safety grant bid to the council for acceptance. The grant will help the city

build a safer crosswalk near the Marsing High School ag building and add a sidewalk on the east side of 8th Avenue West linking Labor Camp housing to the crosswalk. • The Wine Region RV Resort on Main Street is one step closer to opening. The council will consider approving rules and regulations for the short-term RV park. The park’s conditional use permit requires the rules, city clerk and treasurer Jolyn Thompson said. Thompson said the RV park operators plan to open for business as soon as regulations are accepted. • The council will consider putting Marsing Elementary School principal Tim Little on the Marsing Housing Authority board of directors. — JPB

Marsing sets sewer facility plan grant try in motion

A day before an emergency meeting about the water system, the Marsing City Council met to launch planning for the future of the wastewater system.

On Oct. 31, the council adopted Resolution A-165 to move forward with plans to develop a wastewater treatment facility plan.

Earlier in October, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality awarded the city a facility planning grant.

The project cost is estimated at \$80,000, including \$70,000 for engineering services.

The city’s engineering contractor, Civil Dynamics

PC, will work on the plan and the companion environmental document, both of which will be submitted for DEQ approval.

Civil Dynamics has set a Nov. 30, 2024 deadline to have the planning work complete and the draft submitted to DEQ.

The plan will look at current environmental conditions and try to line out future needs for expansion and upgrades to handle growth and maintain regulatory compliance.

The planning process will include a pair of public hearings to obtain community input.

Veterans Day salutes slated at schools

Izmael Ortiz-Ponce’s senior project is one of the events to honor those who served in the military on Thursday.

Many local schools have Veterans Day programs planned.

Ortiz-Ponce has organized the assembly at Homedale High School.

It’ll start at 1:30 p.m., inside the main gymnasium.

Other assemblies planned Thursday:

- **Homedale Middle School** — 10:30 a.m., in the gymnasium, featuring special music and student speakers
- **Bruneau-Grand View School District** — The Mountain Home Air Force Base color guard will present the colors at 8:30 a.m., in the Grand View Elementary School gym, and at 9 a.m., in the Bruneau Elementary gym.

No program is planned at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, but the importance of the day will be acknowledged during morning announcements.

- **Adrian** — 9 a.m., in the new gymnasium for elementary school and middle school students

No assemblies are planned in Jordan Valley, Pleasant Valley or at the W. W. Jones School in Arock, Ore.

Attempts to get Veterans Day assembly information from Homedale Elementary, Melba, Adrian High School and Three Creek School were unsuccessful.

Oreana community events ongoing

Last week’s Trunk or Treat was just the beginning of the community events in Oreana.

On the heels of the second annual Halloween event, residents are organizing the next meetings for the community Kids Club and book club.

The Kids Club will meet at 3:30 p.m., on Friday.

The book club meets at 3 p.m., on Sunday.

Both programs will be held at Oreana Community Hall.

Government offices close Friday for Veterans Day

Veterans Day falls on a Saturday this year, so government offices will be closed on Friday for the federal holiday.

Although all Owyhee County offices will be closed, the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office dispatch center will be operational to ensure law enforcement, firefighters and emergency medical personnel can make it to any calls for assistance.

The county Division of Motor Vehicles offices in Murphy and Marsing are closed. The Grand View DMV office is only open on Wednesdays.

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

School districts that serve Owyhee country children — Homedale, Marsing, Bruneau-Grand View, Jordan Valley and Melba — are always closed on Fridays.

Adrian usually has Friday school a couple times each month, but is closed this week for the holiday.

Senior centers in Homedale and Grand View (Rimrock) are always closed on Fridays, too.

Albertsons in Homedale and M&W Market in Marsing as well as Homedale Drug and Matteson’s are open regular hours. The state liquor stores in Homedale Drug and M&W Market are open as well.

Also open regular hours is the Sav-On Pharmacy inside Albertsons.

US Bank is closed.

U.S. Post Offices are closed, and there is no mail delivery.

Republic Services is on its regular garbage pick-up schedule in Homedale and Marsing.

The Owyhee Avalanche also will be open regular hours (8 a.m., to noon; 1 p.m., to 5 p.m.) on Friday. All deadlines remain the same: Noon Friday for legal notices, display advertising and Commentary submissions; and noon Monday for classified advertising.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Choice of milk and juice

PB&J sandwich, vegetable and fruit choices daily

Nov. 8: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Orange chicken bowl, mixed vegetables

Nov. 9: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, blueberry muffin, apple **Lunch:** Chicken Crispito, buttered corn

Nov. 13: **Breakfast:** Raised donut, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Chicken sandwich, crinkle fries

Nov. 14: **Breakfast:** Sausage patty, buttermilk biscuits, country gravy, sliced pears **Lunch:** Mac-n-cheese, seasoned green beans, whole grain roll

Nov. 15: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, applesauce **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, pineapple tidbits, garden salad, Jello

Homedale Middle

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt or string cheese

Cereal option and PB&J and string cheese daily

Vegetable and fruit choices daily

Nov. 8: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Orange chicken bowl, seasoned green beans, egg roll

Nov. 9: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza, orange slices **Lunch:** Crisпитos, buttered corn

Nov. 13: **Breakfast:** Raised donut, string cheese, applesauce **Lunch:** Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, curly fries

Nov. 14: **Breakfast:** Buttermilk biscuits, country gravy, sliced peaches **Lunch:** Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, buttered corn, whole grain roll

Nov. 15: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, pineapple tidbits, seasoned green beans, Jello

Homedale High

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt, string cheese or hard-boiled egg

Vegetable and fruit choices daily

Cereal option, grab ‘n’ go items each day

Nov. 8: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, Tater Tots **Grab ‘n’ go:** BBQ chicken salad

Nov. 9: **Breakfast:** Croissant breakfast sandwich, Yami yogurt, iced coffee **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, garden salad **Grab ‘n’ go:** Club sub sandwich

Nov. 13: **Breakfast:** Raised donut, Yami yogurt, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Meatball sub, crinkle fries **Grab ‘n’ go:** Chicken Caesar wrap

Nov. 14: **Breakfast:** Buttermilk biscuits, sausage patty, country gravy, iced coffee **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, Tater Tots, chocolate chunk cookie **Grab ‘n’ go:** Asian chicken salad

Nov. 15: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, garden salad **Grab ‘n’ go:** Ham and cheese sub

Marsing

Each meal includes choice of milk, fruit juice, fresh fruit & vegetables

Elementary School breakfast: Cereal option

Middle/High School: PB&J sandwich option

Cold Grab-n-go line: Wrap, sub sandwich, salad

Hot Grab-n-go line (varies): Cheeseburger, chicken dish (reg./spicy sandwich; nuggets; bites),

Pizza (varies), chicken rice bowl, potatoes (varies), bread (varies)

Nov. 8: **Breakfast:** French toast bites, Yami yogurt, applesauce **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice, spring roll, green beans, fortune cookie **Hot Grab-n-go:** Mozzarella and garlic pull-apart, French fries

Nov. 9: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, toast, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Mozzarella breadsticks, mixed vegetables, chocolate chunk cookie **Cold Grab-n-go:** Southwest chicken salad

Nov. 13: **Breakfast:** Glazed donut, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Chicken Alfredo, steamed carrots, garlic toast **Cold Grab-n-go:** Turkey bacon sub

Nov. 14: **Breakfast:** Biscuit, pork sausage patty, country gravy, sliced pears **Lunch:** Super nachos, refried beans **Cold Grab-n-go:** Chicken bacon ranch wrap

Nov. 15: **Breakfast:** Buttermilk pancakes, Yami yogurt, pineapple tidbits **Lunch:** Glazed chicken drumstick, mashed potatoes, buttered corn, roll **Cold Grab-n-go:** Taco salad

Bruneau/Grand View

All meals: Milk and fruit offered daily

Jr.-Sr. high school: Pizza offered daily

Nov. 8: **Breakfast:** Apple frudel **Lunch:** Nachos and whole wheat chips, refried beans/salsa, corn

Nov. 9: **Breakfast:** Muffins **Lunch:** BBQ pulled pork on a bun, fries, celery sticks

Nov. 13: **Breakfast:** Waffle **Lunch:** Pizza, tossed romaine salad, baby carrots

Nov. 14: **Breakfast:** Biscuits and gravy **Lunch:** Taco salad, whole grain tortilla chips, refried beans

Nov. 15: **Breakfast:** French toast **Lunch:** Spaghetti with meat sauce, garden spinach salad, peas, breadstick

Obituary

Lucas Ysedro Bicandi

Lucas Ysedro Bicandi, age 20, of Middleton, Idaho passed away on Sunday, October 29, 2023. Lucas was born on March 30, 2003, to Tom and Alison Bicandi at St Luke’s hospital in Meridian, Idaho. Lucas lived his first year in Nampa before moving to a 10-acre property just outside of Middleton that his parents purchased. On that small Middleton farm Lucas grew his love for the outdoors, learning to ride horses and take care of the farm animals including participating in the 4H program where he raised and sold pigs. Five years after his birth Lucas and his family welcomed Lucas’ first sibling Colton Tomas Bicandi (2008), followed 4 years and 4 months later by his second sibling Grace Amaia Bicandi (2012).

Lucas was a very proud big brother who loved his brother and sister with all his heart and loved spending time supporting their athletics, playing card games, board games, hide and seek, snowboarding, wake surfing and his favorite game, foot square. Sports was a huge part of his life growing up and Lucas was a tremendously blessed athlete who excelled in everything he did. Starting at the age of 5 he played basketball, football and baseball every year right up to High School where Lucas was fortunate enough to be pulled up to play varsity baseball his freshman year and was part of the state championship team. He would then be called up to the varsity football squad his sophomore year where he would immediately make a big impact. His physical abilities and relentless drive were only outshined by his off-the-field work ethic and the love he had for his teammates, coaches and the game.

Lucas was loved by his teachers, coaches and community. He was so loved by his classmates that he was voted both homecoming prince his freshman year and homecoming king his senior year.

Lucas had a great love for the Lord and was baptized in August of 2017. He was involved with both Young Life and Wyldlife programs and spent time as a Young Life leader where he continued to grow his love for the Lord while helping others to cultivate their own personal relationships with Jesus. Lucas had an



unwavering dedication to his family and his friends and was someone who could always be counted on when times were tough. Known to many as a gentle giant, to know Lucas was to love him. His friendship was extended to everyone regardless of their age or social status. The incredible impact he left on so many people was a testament to his character, grace and kindhearted soul.

During the spring of his junior year of high school Lucas and his family would receive the devastating news of his cancer diagnosis; despite this heartbreaking development Lucas never gave up hope. With the aid of his mother’s unbreakable dedication and the love and support from his Middleton community, Lucas fought through major surgeries, radiation and chemotherapy sessions all while attending high school when he could. Over Lucas’ 3½-year battle with cancer he never lost his faith and he continued to push himself to live life to the fullest. In that 3½ years Lucas learned to play guitar, went skydiving, surfed the waves in Hawaii and San Diego, traveled alone to Spain to spend time with friends and family. He also spent countless days with friends and family at the family cabin in Donnelly, surfing the lake and snowboarding the slopes, and was selected for a very special youth hunt where he harvested a trophy bull elk in Oregon. During his battle with cancer Lucas was briefly healthy enough to complete one semester at GCU University in Phoenix, Arizona where he loved being involved with humanitarian work and received honors, making the University Dean’s List.

Lucas fought with every ounce he had and wanted to make sure that he set an example for his friends and family that life is a gift worth fighting for. Lucas spent his

final days with his friends and family where he was nothing short of brilliant in how he handled himself. No child could ever make a parent prouder than what Lucas did in his final days. At 10:22 pm on Sunday October 29, 2023, with close family in his room, his beloved dog Bailey on his lap, and holding the hands of his parents and siblings Lucas drew his last breath and returned home to bask in the infinite love of his Heavenly Father for eternity. Although cancer took Lucas’ life, it did not define who he was nor is it how he should be remembered. The true legacy Lucas leaves behind is not how his life was taken but rather how it was lived. His courage, grace, strength and love are engraved in the memories of his friends and family and will live on through them forever.

Lucas was preceded by his grandparents Ysedro Bicandi, Calvin and Bonnie Walker, his 1st cousin Private Mason Price, and his aunt Brenda Walker. He is survived by his parents Tomas and Alison Bicandi, brother Colton Bicandi, sister Grace Bicandi, Grandmother Candice Bicandi, aunts and uncles Jennifer (Kent) Miller, Tony (Christina) Bicandi, Romana (Bryce) Mosekian, Vance Walker, Melanie Walker, Sarah (Tom) Nothnagel and Great aunt Charlene Barlow. He is also survived by many other great aunts, great uncles, cousins and dear, dear friends.

We would like to extend a very special thanks to the family, friends, coaches, Middleton schools, Middleton community, medical teams and everyone who has supported Lucas and our family over these difficult years. Rest in peace, our beloved Lucas. Our hearts are broken, but our love for you is eternal.

A viewing for friends and family will be held at Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Caldwell on Friday, November 10, 2023 from 5:00 p.m., to 8:00 pm. His funeral service will be held on Saturday, November 11, 2023 at 10:00 am at the Middleton High School auditorium. Interment will follow at Middleton Cemetery in Middleton. Condolences and memories can be shared at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com

Death notice

RANDALL LLOYD HUNTER, 76, of Marsing, died Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2023. Arrangements: Dakan Funeral Chapel, 504 S. Kimball Ave., Caldwell. (208) 459-3629

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Served at noon; milk and roll/bread available each day

Nov. 8: Potato and sausage casserole, country trio vegetables

Nov. 9: Salisbury steak with mushrooms and onions, mashed potatoes and gravy, California blend vegetables

Nov. 14: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, sautéed cabbage

Nov. 15: Ham and cheese croissant, roasted potatoes, broccoli with cheese

Sandbar Community Room, Marsing

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

Suggested donation: \$5 (60 and older), \$8 (59 and younger) \$8 (take-out meal, any age)

Nov. 8: Creamy chicken tortellini soup, green beans, cauliflower, Baci roll, fruit cup

Nov. 10: BBQ beef on whole wheat bun, corn, coleslaw, spiced apples

Nov. 13: Sherry mushroom chicken over garlic rice, Catalina vegetables, carrots, 9-grain bread, fresh fruit

Nov. 15: Herb salmon over rice pilaf, peas, cauliflower, whole wheat roll, fresh fruit

Rimrock Senior Center

All meals are served with milk & fruit juice
Curbside pickup from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or delivery only.
Call (208) 834-2922 as early as possible to place order

Nov. 9: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes/gravy, green salad, Texas toast, pudding, mandarin oranges

Nov. 14: Beef goulash, green salad, roll, cottage cheese, berries

Nov. 16: Pot roast, potatoes/carrots, yogurt, roll, peaches

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

Nov. 9: Chicken and dumplings

Nov. 14: Meatloaf

Nov. 16: Open faced turkey sandwich

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Many items in this display will be available at the Owyhee Candle Co. booth in Bruneau.

✓ Business: Post-retirement endeavor has blossomed

sales, but if there were, the medallion would be hanging in a little shop overrun by gnomes at 126 W. Idaho Ave.

The Barowskys outgrew their craft show lifestyle some time ago, and now only hit the biggest shows — Bruneau, and the Christmas shows in Nampa and Boise, for example.

And they have the storefront in the old Allendale Produce office in Homedale. They opened the shop in November, and operate between 10 a.m., and 4 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

The couple has been in business for six years. The dream became a reality after Vance took early retirement from Schwanns.

“He wanted to take some time off and figure it out, and here we are,” Nikki said.

“We said ‘Let’s do something our way and have fun.’ And it’s fun.”

The Bruneau Cowboy Christmas will be held from 10 a.m., to 4 p.m., on Friday and Saturday at five venues in the Owyhee County village.

— JPB

✓ Tax: State Tax Commission working on several tax relief vehicles

“We are hoping to have the bills out by Thanksgiving, but it all depends on the next process in our tax drive,” Dygert said.

The new environment was created when the Idaho Legislature passed property tax relief based on the state’s Fiscal Year 2023 surplus.

The Legislature passed House Bill 292 and HB 258 and made other changes to the Property Tax Reduction Program (formerly known as the “Circuit Breaker”), according to a press release from the Idaho Association of County Treasurers.

Through the changes, the Legislature tried to reduce the property tax burden without shifting costs between types of property.

HB 292 will provide three

types of property tax relief this year:

- School District Facilities Fund (SDFF) monies will be paid to eligible school districts’ bonds and temporary supplemental levies using State money to contribute to a reduction in property tax.

Relief will be reimbursed based on average daily attendance. Not all school bonds will be eligible, but those that are will be reflected as a savings on the tax bill. This money is reimbursed directly to the schools with bonds or levies that are eligible for this relief.

- Homeowner Tax Reduction (HTR) provides a relief to the property of taxpayers who own and occupy their home. This tax relief credit is applied only to parcels with a Homeowner’s

Exemption (HOE) and will be paid by the state as a credit on your tax bill. This is a percentage of the home’s tax and is calculated using the sum of the HTR lists provided statewide divided by the amount allocated in the Tax Relief Account held by the State.

Property owners who have applied for the exemption by July 10 will be eligible for the credit.

Applications after July 10 may still receive a homeowners exemption, but not the additional HTR credit.

Homeowners already qualified for an exemption don’t have to reapply, and the HTR won’t apply to newly built homes completed in 2023.

- Additional Property Tax Relief (ATR) is for all property owners based on a percentage

of the property tax. After \$50 million from the State Tax Relief Account has been applied to HTR, 50 percent of the remaining funds will be allocated to all properties and will be allocated to urban renewal agencies, if applicable.

This will also be reflected as a credit on your tax bill that will be paid by the state directly to the county on your behalf.

- HB258 provides property tax reduction benefits to veterans with 100 percent service-connected, permanent disabilities. This bill allows for a one-time application rather than annual re-qualification.

- Changes to the PTR program include increasing the income and property value thresholds and making the tax reduction program more acces-

sible to seniors and disabled property owners. The SDFF, HTR, and ATR will reduce the tax amount owed prior to applying the PTR payment.

The State of Idaho will disburse these credits directly to county governments, to then be distributed to the local taxing districts similar to other state replacement money. Any property tax relief that your property is eligible for will automatically be applied to your tax bill and will be reflected as a credit.

The Idaho Association of County Treasurers (IACT) and the Idaho Association of Counties (IAC) have provided answers to frequently asked questions regarding this tax relief that can be found at idcounties.org/resources/hb292-property-tax-relief/.

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Marsing Veterans Day to feature VFW women

Two women with connections to the armed forces will speak at Marsing Elementary School's Veterans Day program.

The annual musical salute takes place at 9 a.m., on Thursday inside the school district's cafeteria/multi-purpose room on 8th Avenue West. Doors open at 8:40 a.m.

"A big change for us is the morning performance," MES music teacher Liz Lacer said. "We normally perform in the afternoon but decided to give this a try this year."

Each grade—kindergarteners through fifth-graders — will perform for veterans on hand.

After the performances, retired teacher Jan Drennan and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4000 Cmdr. Tammy Clement will address students and vets.

Drennan's husband Chuck served in Vietnam from 1967 to 1968 and is a 100 percent disabled veteran. He's also a member of Meridian-based VRW Post 4000.

The senior vice-president of the VFW Auxiliary 4000, Jan Drennan retired from teaching in 2007, but she's still involved at the elementary school.

"I am very thankful to have a part-time job as an aide at Marsing Elementary," she said.

Clement is a VFW lifetime member. The 1982 Meridian High School graduate served 27 years in the Idaho Air National Guard, enlisting on July 28, 1982.

Clement served in Saudi Arabia during Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm, Italy during the Kosovo campaign, and Kuwait during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

She retired from service on May 17, 2010 as a senior master sergeant (E8).

"After the military, I sought to pursue a career as a special education teacher," she said.

She received an Associate of Arts degree from the College of Western Idaho on May 17, 2013.

Although her military career ended more than 13 years ago, Clement continues to serve that community.

"I have always had a passion and a sense of compassion for others, which drives me to be in service to those in the community," she said.

For five years as a hospice volunteer, Clement and her pet therapy dog Max were part of the "Vet to Vet" program "to honor and recognize comrades who gave so much."

— JPB



Owyhee County has six young fiddlers involved with the Junior Jammers. **Back row:** Jessica Hipwell and Emeline Hipwell. **From row, from left:** Andy Hummel, Rio Hummel, Kya Hummel, and Colt Hipwell. Submitted photo

Young county fiddlers ready

Siblings from two Owyhee County families will rosin up their bows for the 41st annual Country Harvest Hoedown.

Idaho Junior Jammers director Roberta Pearce announced the group's concert will take place at 2 p.m., on Sunday, Nov. 11 at the Kuna Performing Arts Center, 637 Deer Flat Rd.

Murphy fiddlers Jessica, Emeline and Colt Hipwell and Homedale musicians Andy, Rio and Kya Hummel will be part of the performance.

The Hipwell siblings are children of Doug and Tiffany Hipwell, while MikiAnna and Drew Hummel are the parents of the Hummel children.

The doors open at 1:15 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and students, and \$5 for 12 and younger.

Proceeds help buy championship belt buckles for National Old Time Fiddlers Contest.

For more information, contact Pearce at (208) 407-2967 or juniormjammers@aol.com

The Junior Jammers are fiddlers ages 6-18 that perform at local community events as well as the Festivals of Trees in Boise and Nampa. The group also performs each year at the National Old Time Fiddlers Contest in Weiser in the third week of June.

The Jammers will open the Veterans Day show by honoring service men and women with a medley of songs from each branch of the military. The set will end with "God Bless America."

There will be old-time traditional fiddle music and Celtic music.

The final set will feature songs with "blue" in their titles — "Blue Eagle," "Florida Blues" and "Blue Skies," among others.

Pearce's beginning fiddlers (ages 3-12), the Hoedowners, will fiddle and sing "Buffalo Gals," and they'll play "Red Wing."

Champion fiddlers will be featured, too, including:

- Chloe Nicolayeff, Northwest Junior champion
- Jaidynn Lee, Northwest Junior champion
- Libby Rogers, Northwest Young Adult champion
- Jetta Brooks, Idaho State Junior champion
- Brooks and Makaela Ruggs, National Twin Fiddle Champions. Ruggs is also a past Young Adult national champion.
- Katrina Nicolayeff, who is a six-time national champion and four-time grand masters champion

Post 128 to adorn vets' graves again

Community members who want to honor those who served are invited to help decorate veterans' graves at Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

American Legion Post 128 members will post flags at veterans' graves beginning at 3 p.m., on Thursday.

"We welcome anyone who wants to come assist in honoring our fallen heroes," Post 128 Adjutant Kathy Barton said.

The Post 128 Legionnaires visit the cemetery off U.S. Highway 95 midway between Homedale and Marsing twice each year to place flags.

In recent years, members of the Owyhee Gardeners have helped place flags prior to Memorial Day.



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Plenty of gift ideas at Bruneau Cowboy Christmas

The town of Bruneau becomes a holiday shopper's delight again this weekend.

More than 185 local small business owners will fan out over five venues Friday and Saturday for the 24th annual Bruneau Cowboy Christmas.

The doors open at 10 a.m., each day, browsers will visit the American Legion Post 83 Hall, Bruneau Community Park, Bruneau Elementary School, Cowboy Alley on Benham Avenue, and Collins' Art Barn.

Vendors will sell their products until 4 p.m., each day.

The admission price is a non-perishable food item, a donation to the community food drive, or a donation to the Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School students' New York/Washington D.C. trip fund.

Food trucks, coffee trailers and a mobile bar will provide refreshments, too. Shoppers can choose from barbecue, Indian fry bread, Pacific BBQ, pizza, and Mexican.

Folks on hand selling their items include Three Creek-area author Gus Brackett and boutique owner Kayla Tobias of Oreana.

Ole What's Her Name's Bakery out of Bruneau, which is operated by an Owyhee

County native, will sell cinnamon rolls made with Virginia Black Miller's famous recipe.

Another Bruneau native, Crista Sellman, will man her Starlet Satin booth.

Nikki and Vance Barowsky will bring their Owyhee Candle Co., products and in-demand gnomes from their West Idaho Avenue shop in Homedale.

Other products available include artwork, antiques, hand-made items, baked goods, silver, leather, quilts, iron creations, artisan cheese, local wine, organic soap, furniture, and more.

A cowboy church will be held at 8:30 a.m., on Sunday inside the Bruneau Emergency Center on Belle Avenue.

The Cowboy's Pastime, 32524 Belle Ave., will play host to the Rimrock trip benefit breakfast from 7 a.m., to 9 a.m., on Sunday, too.

For \$10, folks can enjoy a breakfast of two sourdough pancakes, bacon or sausage, scrambled eggs, and bottled water. The breakfast will be served in a to-go box.

Proceeds will help students and their adult chaperones take summer trips to Washington, D.C., and New York City next year.

Irrigation directors return to daytime meetings

Clocks changed to Mountain Standard Time early Sunday morning, and that means the men who govern the Homedale-Marsing irrigation water systems are falling back to afternoon meetings.

All three meetings will be held Tuesday.

The Ridgeview Irrigation District board of directors convenes its November

meeting at 1 p.m.

The Gem Irrigation District directors meet at 1:15 p.m.

The South Board of Control irrigation board meets at 1:30 p.m.

All three meetings will be held inside the boardroom, 201 W. Wyoming Ave.

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Marsing Chamber eyes growth

The Marsing Chamber of Commerce plans a business mixer at one of the town's newest businesses.

The networking event will take place between 4:30 p.m., and 7 p.m., on Tuesday at The Eddy, 722 Main St.

Interested business owners are asked to RSVP by Friday by calling (208) 896-4122 or emailing marsingchamber@gmail.com.

"We want to welcome all new members and would love to recruit some of our past members," Chamber president Steve Derricott said in the mixer announcement.

"This will be a stop-at-any-time and meet the Marsing Chamber board and see what we are all about."

Derricott said the Chamber was grateful to The Eddy owner Ed Lodge for hosting the mixer.

There will be adult beverages and snacks and prizes.

The Eddy hosts the Chamber's regular meeting at 12:30 p.m., today.

Marsing Trunk or Treat winners

The Marsing Chamber of Commerce awarded the top decorated vehicles during its second annual Trunk or Treat.

Organizers reported 350 children flocked to the Oct. 27 event in the Marsing Jr.-Sr. High School parking lot.

The top entries were:

Family — 1. Adaline Huber; 2. Cindy Huber; 3. Jose and Serena Ramirez

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To emphasize: our beautiful and unique area IS being developed. The development and passing of the 2030 Canyon County Comprehensive Plan provided a blueprint to preserve and enhance our unique environment. Your involvement will be for all our benefit, and this POLL is a step in that direction. This POLL specifically identifies THE TRIANGLE. We have passed this +- 9 acres every time we drive over the new Marsing Bridge.

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Please complete the following poll and place it in the drop-box in the Sand Bar Room at the Marsing City Hall by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 17, or mail it to PO Box 3953, Nampa, Idaho 83653.

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Swimming on a whim gets HHS senior to state meet

Johnson 15th in preliminary heats

Brock Johnson caved to peer pressure this year and took a dive. Breaking away from his usual fall sport — cross country — the Homedale High School senior’s dip into swimming landed him in last week’s 4A state championship meet. Competing for the Canyon County Unified cooperative in the 50-yard freestyle, Johnson wiped out his previous personal best with a 25.33-second effort in his preliminary heat Friday at the West Valley YMCA in Boise. He finished 15th, which was three spots away from the last automatic qualifier into the state semifinals. He was 0.3 of a second slower than the 12th-fastest swimmer in the preliminaries, and he missed the second alternate position (14th place) by .12 of a second. Johnson reached the state meet after a fourth-place finish in the 50 freestyle in the District III championships. The 17-year-old son of Karlin and Sonya Johnson dived into the pool after his fellow lifeguards at the Treasure Valley YMCA in Caldwell talked him into going out for the team.

— See *Swimming*, page 16



Brock Johnson

Defense delivers Trojans into semis

Homedale meets Teton on Saturday

Homedale High School’s defense posted a dominant shutout Friday to start the 3A state playoffs. The Trojans blanked Snake River, 28-0, in a quarterfinal played at Deward Bell Stadium. Second-seeded Homedale (10-0) allowed only four first downs and 100 yards total offense to dispatch the seventh-seeded Panthers and earn a home game in the semifinals against No. 3 seed Teton. Teton (9-1) beat Buhl, 41-28, in a quartefinal played at Holt Arena on the Idaho State University campus in Pocatello. The teams face off at 1 p.m., Saturday at Deward Bell Stadium. A win sends Homedale into its fifth 3A Milk Bowl state championship game in the past six seasons. The title game will be played on the weekend of Nov. 17-18. The Timberwolves’ only loss this season is a 41-14 setback to top-ranked and top-seeded Sugar-Salem, which has beaten Homedale in four of the past five state finals and lost to Weiser in the other state championship in that timeframe. The Oct. 13 game was played on Teton’s home field in Driggs. Teton has won three consecutive games since the loss, but gave up the third-most points in a game this season against Buhl.

— See *Trojans*, page 17



Homedale High School receiver Rafael Cuenca out-leaps Snake River’s Justin Wray for a reception early in Friday’s game. Photo by Joshua Gray / GrayHawk Photography

Other state playoffs Melba, Adrian reach football quarterfinals

Antelopes end season with volleyball state tournament defeats

Melba High School avenged a loss at the end of the regular season to reach the 2A football state semifinals. The No. 5 seed Mustangs outlasted fifth-seeded Nampa Christian, 37-21, in Friday’s quarterfinals. The game between 2A Western Idaho Conference rivals was played in Nampa. Melba (8-2 overall) has won two consecutive games heading into a state semifinal against Declo at 7 p.m., on Friday on the Hornets’ field. Top-seeded Declo (10-0) beat Grangeville, 37-14, on Saturday. Nampa Christian beat Melba, 36-22, on Oct. 21 in a decision that would essentially decide the conference title. Both Melba and Declo lost in the state quarterfinals a year ago.

Adrian football advances

Adrian High School won its 1A Oregon football state playoffs opener Saturday at Ward Field. The sixth-seeded Antelopes took down No. 11 Camas Valley, 58-36. Adrian (7-3) hits the road to face No. 3 Myrtle Point on Friday, according to the OSAA.org bracket. Myrtle Point (7-1) had a first-round bye after winning the 1A Skyline League championship.

— See *Quarterfinals*, page 15



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Sports

Homedale volleyball player picked for Spain tourney, trip

A local volleyball player has earned a spot on team heading for Spain.

Charity Pate, a Homedale High School freshman, will be part of Idaho One's 14 National Team.

During a showcase camp, the 14-year-old was chosen to play on a team traveling to Europe this winter.

The showcase camp was part of Charity's summer ritual of doing one-on-one training with Idaho One's head coach and traveling to invitation-only camps.

Charity was chosen to play in an international tournament in Spain by a college coach. Loyola women's volleyball head coach Jesse Zabal will lead the team in Spain.

Charity and her mother Christi will make the 10-day trip to Spain.

"(The trip is) jam-packed with practice, tournament games, and as much sight-seeing as we can squeeze in," Christi said.

Charity has been playing volleyball since she was a 7-year-old third-grader, and she plays year-round. After the end of the HHS junior varsity season, Charity began playing club volleyball that will stretch through winter and spring.

She was a setter on the Trojans' JV squad, and she also plays defensive specialist and outside hitter.



Charity Pate

Homedale youth volleyball camp scheduled for Friday

Former Homedale High School volleyball players Isana Larzelier and Lexie Heck was to pass on their all-star experience.Two Homedale High School volleyball

The girls have organized a youth volleyball camp as their senior leadership project.

The Lady Tros Volleyball Camp will be in two phases inside the HHS gymnasium on Friday.

Sixth- through eighth-graders will attend camp from 8:30 a.m., to 11:30 a.m.

The third- through fifth-grade training will be held from noon to 2:30 p.m.

Camp cost is \$30 per player.

For more information, text Lexie at (208) 899-3333 or Isana at (208) 337-1417.

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Quarterfinals: Streaking football teams look for wins

Both teams enter the quarterfinals on three-game winning streaks.

Adrian volleyball bows out of 1A state tourney

The Antelopes' volleyball team lost both of its matches in the 1A Oregon state tournament at Ridgeview High School in Redmond, Ore.

Coach Aimee Esplin's squad (20-10) ended its season with a hard-fought 26-24, 27-25,

25-16 loss to No. 5 Joseph on Saturday morning.

The eighth-seeded Antelopes lost to top-seeded Crane in Friday's opening round, 25-11, 25-23, 25-20.

The Mustangs beat No. 6 St. Paul, 25-22, 21-25, 25-12, 26-24, in Saturday's state championship match.

Seniors represent HHS on All-3A SRV

Four Homedale High School athletes ended their volleyball careers as all-conference selections:

Landing on the All-3A Snake River Valley conference rolls for coach Heidi Nash's squad were:

Zayne Hall — First-team outside hitter

Kinlee Garrett — Second-team middle blocker

Olivia Asumendi — Honorable mention setter and outside hitter

Isana Larzelier — Honorable mention libero

The four all-conference players joined Lexie Heck to represent Homedale in the 2A-3A District III Senior All-Star match.

The final prep volleyball action in the area was held in Payette on Tuesday after deadline.

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Read Calendar each week
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Homedale Trojans

Athletes of the Week



Football
Michael Rose, sr., DE
4 tackles, 2 TFL, QB sack
vs. Snake River



Swimming
Brock Johnson, sr., 50
freestyle
Finished 15th in 4A state
meet preliminary heat



Volleyball
3A District III senior all-stars
From left: Isana Larzelier, Kinlee Garrett, Zayne Hall, Lexie Heck, and
Olivia Asumendi

THIS WEEK'S SPORTS

Football- Varsity
3A state semifinals
Saturday, Nov. 11, home vs. Teton, Deward Bell Stadium, 1 p.m.

Girls' basketball
Varsity
Friday, Nov. 10 at Marsing, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 14, home vs. New Plymouth, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Friday, Nov. 10 at Marsing, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 14, home vs. New Plymouth, 6 p.m.

Frosh
Friday, Nov. 10 at Marsing, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 14, home vs. New Plymouth, 4:30 p.m.



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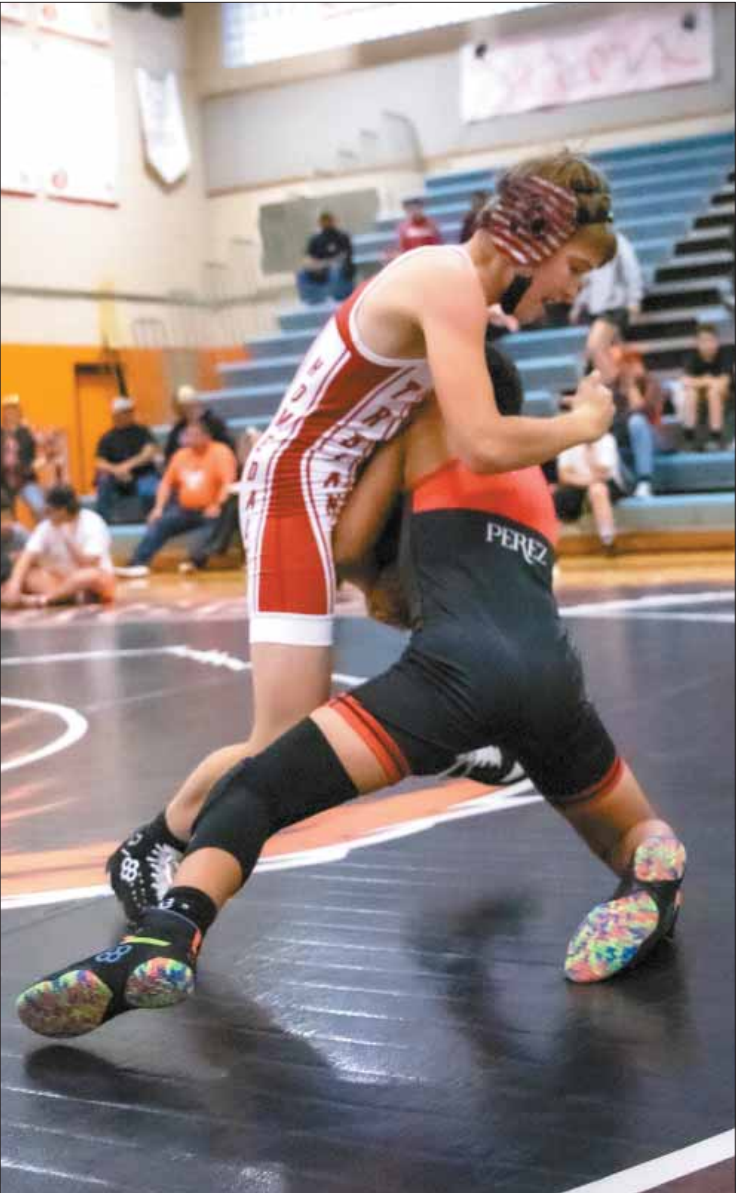
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Sports



Homedale Middle School wrestler Wade Ingram, an eighth-grader, competes against a Fruitland athlete during last Wednesday's tri-meet against the host Grizzlies and McCain Middle School from Payette. Photo by Joshua Gray / GrayHawk Photography

Homedale 7th-graders capture volleyball title

Winter sports underway for girls, wrestlers

Homedale Middle School parlayed the tournament top seed into a volleyball championship.

The Trojans' seventh-graders won the 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament title inside the Homedale High School gymnasium on Oct. 7.

Homedale ran the table during the season, finishing unbeaten in both conference and tournament play.

The eighth-grade team qualified for the conference tournament, too. That tournament was played the

same day as the seventh-grade tourney but in McCall.

Winter sports are now underway.

The eighth-grade girls' basketball teams continue their season Tuesday at home against Parma.

The seventh-graders are in action Tuesday in Parma.

The A team basketball games start at 4:15 p.m., each outing. The B team follows.

The wrestling team sees its first home-mat action at 4:15 p.m., today against McCain and Payette Lakes from McCall.

The team travels to North Junior High School for the Boise Duals on Saturday, and takes on Ontario, Ore., and Weiser on the Wolverines' mats on Tuesday.

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✓ Trojans: Offense rallies from slow start to bury Panthers under 300 rushing yards

In the common opponent category, Teton beat Fruitland, 47-14, in at state play-in on Oct. 26. Fruitland was one of Homedale's three shutout victims this season. The Trojans rolled, 33-0, in 3A Snake River Valley conference play earlier this season.

Like Snake River, Teton has 18 seniors on its roster this season.

The second-ranked Trojans posted their second shutout in as many games in Friday's quarterfinal matchup against Snake River.

Homedale has allowed more than 14 points in a game only once this season.

The shutout loss created bookends on Snake River's season. The Panthers opened the campaign with a 28-0 setback on the road against Richfield, Utah.

Trojans assistant head coach Tony Uranga's defense has given up only a touchdown to McCall-Donnelly in the past 12 quarters.

Snow River's longest drive of the night was a six-play, 36-yard excursion that ended in a punt. The Panthers held the ball for eight plays on their last possession of the game, but covered only 23 yards before punting again.

Snow River (6-5) never committed a turnover, but Homedale didn't need the help.

The Trojans' defense-by-teamwork approach broke the Panthers' will as Sebastian Larzelier and Alex Sotelo posted six total tackles apiece, including nine of Homedale's 31 assisted tackles.

There were only 17 solo tackles with Angel Nolasco leading the club with three to go with two assists.

Senior Michael Rose provided some of the most devastating defensive moves of the season with two tackles for loss and one of three sacks of Snake River quarterback Payton Williams.

Shrine All-Star Brodie White posted a solo sack and three assists.

Caden Layne also took down Williams for the team's third solo sack.

Snow River snapped the ball 36 times, while Homedale ran 60 plays.

The fact that the Trojans scored only four touchdowns while running 60 plays is evident of the late-season idea of milking the clock to keep potent opposing offenses at bay.

After a rocky start (Homedale had minus-3 offensive yards after two possessions and six plays), the Trojans began to click.

Senior quarterback Dillon Fine sprinted 26 yards to convert a 4th-down-and-3 situation and get Homedale on the scoreboard in the first quarter. The drive covered 70 yards in six plays.

Homedale took a 14-0 lead on the first of Andrew Marston's two, six-yard rushing touchdowns later in the second quarter.

Marston was a workhorse late in Homedale's



Senior quarterback Dillon Fine (left) hands off to junior running back Andrew Marston in Friday's 3A state quarterfinals victory. The Homedale duo accounted for all but 70 of the Trojans' 308 rushing yards. Photo by Joshua Gray / GrayHawk Photography

third scoring drive. Capping the Trojans' first possession of the second half, the junior rolled up nearly half of his team's yards in an 83-yard march capped by his second six-yard TD run.

Homedale used a trick play to score the fourth touchdown early in the fourth quarter.

On a 3rd-and-1 play, Fine tossed the football to Luke Henry, who fired a 23-yard touchdown pass to Rafael Cuenca. Lukas Hall booted his fourth PAT kick in as many attempts Friday.

Homedale converted two of three fourth-down conversions and was 6-for-11 on third-down efficiency.

Marston rolled up 154 yards on 22 carries. His longest run of the night was a 54-yard gallop to set up 1st-and-goal for the Trojans on their second scoring drive.

Fine racked up 84 yards on nine carries to help highlight 308 rushing yards for the team.

Fine completed eight of 12 passes for 125 yards, spreading the ball to five different receivers.

Cuenca had 46 yards on four receptions, and East-West Shrine All-Star tight Brock Walker caught two balls for 52 yards.

Walker also had a 30-yard reception during Homedale's second scoring drive.

Two-sport Raider among All-1A WIC volleyball picks

Ashten Moore had a busy fall as a Rimrock High School athlete.

The senior reached the 1A state meet in cross country and still found time to compete at a high level for the Raiders' volleyball team.

Moore has been selected as Rimrock's lone representative in the 1A District III Senior All-Star volleyball match.

The 1A Western Idaho Conference all-stars faced off with the 1A Long Pin Conference all-stars on Tuesday in Payette after press time.

Moore was one of four players from coach Karlee Aquiso's team to make the All-1A WIC volleyball team, too.

Junior Molly Mulberry was the

Raiders' lone first-team selection, and Moore was placed on the second team.

Seniors Kailee Martinez and Rhyllan Burbank were honorable mention picks.

Commentary

Jon P. Brown,
managing editor



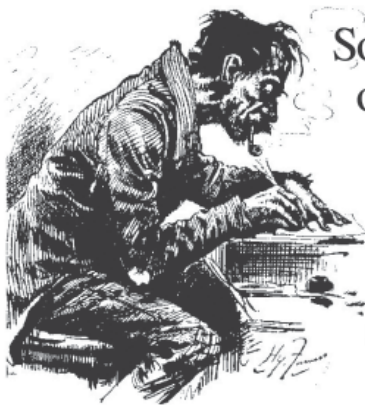
Eyes on Owyhee

The way it should be

Government worked right in Marsing last week. Rather than kicking an issue down the road or burying their heads in the sand — as it could be said other elected officials in Owyhee County have done — Marsing City Council members huddled in special meetings to solve a problem and get prepared. Then, last Wednesday, they stood for questions from a surprising number of citizens given the meeting had only been announced a few hours earlier. In fact, it seemed city staff was caught off-guard by the number of folks who showed up for a hastily called meeting. Expecting the typical apathetic electorate, the people who set up the Sandbar Community Room as council chambers didn’t move tables around to create a configuration typical for a regular council meeting. Council members, Mayor Hayzen Corder, city clerk and treasurer Jolyn Thompson and public works superintendent Philip Gibson huddled around one round table.

Seven audience members and two other city workers sat at other round tables positioned in other areas of the room — and nowhere near the action. A vacuum roared in the City Hall offices beyond a double door that had been left open a crack. Thompson had to ask for the cleaning to cease so the audience could hear the proceedings. Another byproduct of an emergency meeting: No configuration to help with acoustics or help

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Something
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The Owyhee Avalanche

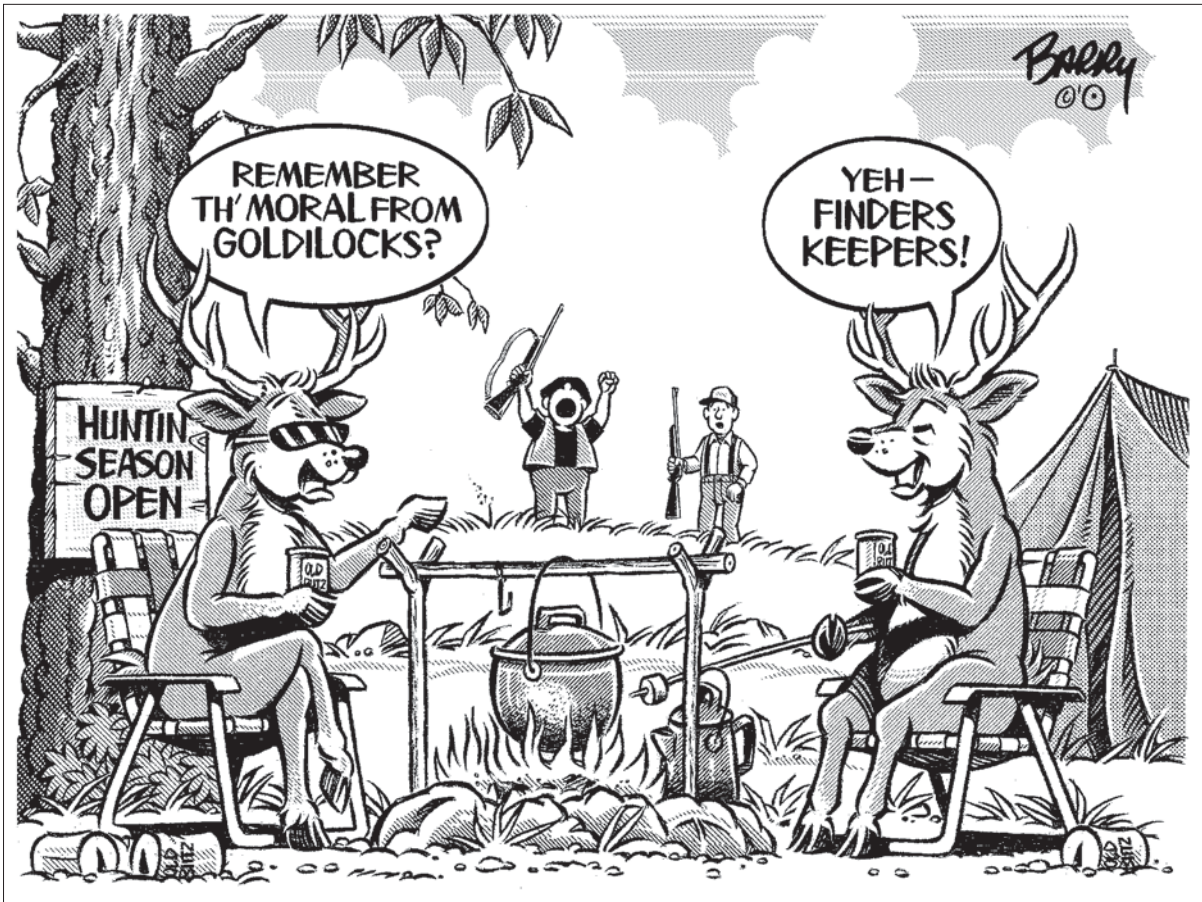
Letters to the editor

All letters to the editor submitted to The Owyhee Avalanche must be no longer than 300 words, signed and include the writer’s address and daytime phone number. The deadline for submitting letters is noon on Friday. Letters can be submitted in these ways:

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

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

JP Doodles



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

From the Statehouse

Quagga mussel threat lessened, but we must remain vigilant against invasive

Water is invaluable. This finite resource is the lifeblood that supplies nearly everything we need in life. It irrigates our fields and generates our power, creating a lush and fruitful landscape where arid desert previously stood. However, there is one thing we need to remember about this precious commodity: In order to be useful, water must be clean. The state of Idaho understands the significance of maintaining and preserving our freshwater systems. I have been a part of this effort since I decided to run for elected office more than two decades ago because water, and its management, matters. Today, it matters more than ever.

If you were out enjoying one of our rivers or lakes in the past month, you’ve probably seen the signs: “Clean, Drain, and Dry.” While this is good advice for all water recreators at any time, it is of the utmost importance right now because an invasive species has been detected in Idaho — and we need your help to keep it under control. In mid-September, the Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) announced the finding of quagga mussel veliger, or larvae, in the Snake River just outside of Twin Falls. Quagga mussels are found in freshwater and can easily move to new locations by attaching to watercraft that travel to and from different waterways. But the real issue is how quickly and aggressively these mussels can spread if left unchecked. Quagga mussels are a serious threat. A single mussel can produce between 30,000 and 1 million veligers a year — or roughly 82 to 2,740 every single day. These small mussels can quickly multiply, piling

Scott Bedke
Idaho lieutenant governor (R-Oakley)

An Oakley rancher, Scott Bedke was sworn in as Idaho’s 44th lieutenant governor in January. The Twin Falls native is a former Speaker of the Idaho House. Elected to the Legislature in 2000, he served on several key committees.



on top of others, until they take over the waterway. They can clog entire pipes that deliver drinking water to our households and irrigation to our fields, and they can completely shut down the turbines that power our hydroelectric systems. Quagga mussels have the potential to affect the entire Columbia River Basin, eliminate Idaho’s diverse ecological landscapes, and cause hundreds of millions of dollars in direct and indirect costs to the state and taxpayers. Luckily, ISDA, Gov. Brad Little’s Office, and other state agencies detected the mussels early and within days, initiated a two-phase rapid response treatment plan. On Oct. 3, the first batch of the chemical Natrix was added to a six-mile stretch of the Snake River near the Centennial Park, Pillar Falls, and Shoshone Falls areas and the Twin Falls deep pool area. Natrix is a copper-based product that is EPA-approved for aquatic applications. It was administered at a rate that

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Commentary

Financial management

Betrothed better off waiting to buy home after wedding

Dear Dave,

My fiancée and I plan to get married in May, and we are preparing to buy a house. We both work in sales, and combined we bring home about \$7,400 a month before commissions. Our average commissions usually boost that to \$12,000 a month. I'm worried that the house we're looking at doesn't fit our budget, though. The home costs \$350,000, and we're looking at monthly payments of \$2,840 with taxes and insurance figured in. Do you think this scenario will work for us?

— J.T.

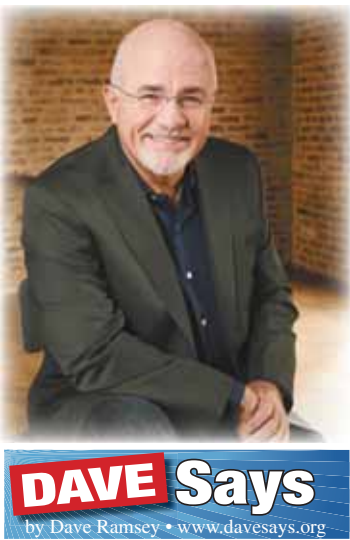
Dear J.T.,

Are you doing this on a 15-year fixed-rate mortgage? If you're not, you need to change

that right away. That's the only kind of mortgage loan I recommend. With the numbers you've given me, you two can afford that on the shorter terms I mentioned.

Now, let's move on to the next thing. You're speaking about buying a home as if you're already married, and you're not. I will not advise you to buy a house with someone to whom you're not married. You're talking to a guy who has been doing this for 35 years, and I've heard all the horror stories that go along with, "We bought the house together, but we didn't make it to the altar together." Talk about an ugly breakup!

You two have a bad case of house fever right now. Believe it or not, you aren't required by



law to run out and buy a home just because you're planning to get married. Please, wait until after the wedding to buy a home. And even then, wait another year or so. Buying a home is the biggest — and most

expensive — life decision most people ever make. Take some time to just enjoy being married and getting to know each other even better for a while.

Listen, if you've already jumped the gun, if you already have this house under contract or anything like that, I would *not* close the deal. I'd talk to the sellers and tell them they can keep my earnest money, but I'm walking away. And get ready, because if you do this, your fiancée is liable to look at you like you've got snakes coming out of your ears. Make sure to communicate with her about where you're coming from and why you're doing it. It's the best, and smartest, thing you can do in the long run, J.T.

I'm not predicting you two are going to break up or anything. I hope with all my heart nothing like that happens. But I'm begging you, buddy. Don't buy a home with someone you're not legally married to. The potential downside is just too great.

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people take control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

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the audience hear the proceedings better.

The scramble was evident in other ways.

Council member Marie Herman had to phone in, and council president Chris Even showed up in his Malheur County Sheriff's uniform — after driving to the meeting in his patrol car.

But the bottom line was pretty clear and pretty neat to see during what appeared to be a mildly frustrating meeting for citizens who wanted to know what was going on:

There were citizens at the meeting who wanted to know what was going on.

Although the seven audience members at a 5 p.m., emergency meeting on a Wednesday comprised only a sliver of the town's population, those folks were on hand for the right reasons. They had concerns about how whatever emergency had unfolded was going to affect the quality of their water, the safety of their water, and their financial bottom line.

They didn't clamor. They didn't rail on Facebook (although there were some snide comments when the city announced the special meeting online).

They showed up. They listened. They asked questions. They learned about the problem and the solution and possible impacts.

And they found out that the council was doing something that would save money both now and in the future. It may not show up on water bills as a rate reduction, but it is a small piece of the puzzle to keep costs from rising unnecessarily.

It's not every day that a government has the opportunity to save money and make operations more efficient.

But the Marsing City Council did just that, and the day before the elected officials got together in another special meeting and set in motion planning for the wastewater treatment plant's future.

Meanwhile, Grand View continues to play catch-up with its sewer system and water system. Homedale is in the midst of an overdue infrastructure reconstruction that's costing residents through higher sewer bills, and the city is making plans for another multi-million-dollar upgrade for a well to keep pace with tightening drinking water regulations.

Government isn't supposed to run like clockwork. In fact, in many regards it's deliberately messy to ensure missteps are minimized.

But when something works in a pressurized situation, and citizens show up to witness the success, government can be a wonderful thing to behold.

✓ Vigilant: Three steps every time out can keep mussels out of Idaho

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eradicates the mussels but is well below the standard set for safe human usage or consumption. ISDA incrementally added the treatment to different areas of the river every 96 hours for two weeks with the goal of eradicating every mussel at every stage of life.

Thanks to the tireless efforts of the ISDA, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Idaho Fish and Game, and myriad partnering organizations, the treatment for the quagga mussel in the Snake River has been successfully completed.

While this is good news, it does not mean the threat from this aggressive species is gone.

Quagga mussel veligers are microscopic, free-swimming larvae. They can latch onto your boat, jetski, or kayak, and you would never know until it's too late. This is why the state of Idaho needs your help to keep this invasive species out of our waterways.

Next time you are out enjoying our waters, remember to use these three simple and effective strategies before you leave:

- 1) CLEAN all watercraft or equipment used before you leave any body of water. This includes watercrafts, anchors, trailers, waders, shoes, life jackets, and scuba equipment.
- 2) DRAIN the water from all equipment, including motors, live wells, sea strainers, wakeboard ballast tanks, boat hulls, bait buckets, waders, and boots.
- 3) DRY all equipment and compartments before using it in a different body of water.

Also, be sure to adhere to any watercraft inspections. These could help stop the spread of a number of invasive species before it even begins.

We must remain vigilant. While the rapid response and treatment of the Snake River shows signs of being successful, the threat is not over. Every single person, animal, and plant in the state of Idaho depends on clean water — but it is up to all of us to help keep our shared water clear of invasive species.

So, for the betterment of Idaho, its vast waters, and our way of life, please remember to Clean, Drain, and Dry.

Contacting county commissioners

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

November 11, 1998

In honor of Veterans Day...

Paul Fisher stops to honor the American flag at the Marsing/Homedale cemetery in remembrance of Veterans Day. Fisher is a veteran of the Korean War and the Adjutant for the American Legion in Homedale.



911 advisory measure passes by 2 to 1 margin

Sixty-seven percent of Owyhee County voters indicated at the polls last week they want a 911 emergency telephone service. The ballot measure passed by 1,727 to 861. The \$1 surcharge would apply to every telephone line in the county, and includes cellular phones. The fee would bring in \$96,000 a year to help cover the total cost of implementing and operating the system, estimated by Sheriff Gary Aman to be about \$102,793 for basic 911. An enhanced 911 system would cost about \$30,000 more.

Trojans slam Miners; will meet Declo at semis

The Homedale Trojans hammered the Wallace Miners, 55-6, in an A-3 state playoff opening game last Saturday. The Miners lost possession of the ball after a fourth down to the Trojans, on the Wallace 43 yard line. The Trojans (8-1) took advantage with Andrew Endicott running for a 30-yard touchdown. Darren Uranga spun to the right and threw to Nick Shanley in the end zone for a touchdown. At 7:14 left in the first quarter, the Trojans led 14-0. Later, Endicott scored a 48-yard touchdown. Uranga made the first score in the second quarter with a nine-yard run. Troy Tiddens received a 10-yard pass from Uranga for a 34-0 lead. The Trojans took control by picking up a fumble from the Miners. Uranga, seeing an opening, ran up the middle for a 35-yard TD to finish the first half with a 41-0 lead.

Jordan Valley Mustangs head to state for first time

The Jordan Valley Mustang volleyball team will head to their first 1A state tournament Friday at Lane Community College in Eugene, Oregon. The Mustangs, 19-4, defeated Crane in a championship match 15-11, 15-9. Marcia Lequerica made five kills and one stuff block against Crane. In the semifinals the Mustangs beat the Powder Valley Badgers in two games, 15-10, 15-13. Anita Stanford led the attack with five kills and three blocks. Lequerica made three kills with Misty Tuttle adding seven assists.

50 years ago

November 8, 1973



OUTSTANDING VARSITY football players for the Homedale High Trojans were selected recently as “Players of the Week.” Left to right, George Hyer, a 170-pound senior selected for his outstanding performance in the Fruitland game; Steve George, 165-pound senior selected during the Payette game; Kirk Haylett, 155-pound junior, Player of the Week during the Weiser game; and Albert Lopez, 145-pound junior, Player of the Week for the Vallivue game. Photo by Bette Uda

Manning new member elected to Homedale council

Ed Manning will join the Homedale City Council as a new member, and Norman Tolmie and Mike Kelly retained their seats in Tuesday’s election. Manning, who is retired after managing the Morfitt Store here for many years, was the biggest vote-getter, polling 183 for a 4-year term, in a six-way race. Tolmie polled 84 for the other 4-year berth. Young Mike Kelly, who was recently appointed to the council after the resignation of Jay Ray Jackson, polled 146 votes to win the two-year term over Mrs. Dora Upton’s 118. Other candidates for the 4-year term were David Turnmire, 73, Herbert Fritzley, 72, Robert Troxel, Jr., 61, and Terry Maybon, 38. A total of 269 votes were cast out of 360 registered, according to Mrs. Vivian Lillie, city clerk.

Trojans to host Wendell in Veteran’s Day classic

Homedale will host a Veteran’s Day Classic here Monday, Nov. 12 at 1:30 with Wendell of the Little Five conference. Wendell is champion of the Magic Valley after beating Glenns Ferry 13-0. Last year Wendell and Homedale played here for the mythical Southern Idaho runner-up spot, with the Trojans winning the postseason game 41-13. Since this is an inter-district play-off, the season passes cannot be honored at this ball game. Admission will be adults \$1.25, and students 75¢. Middleton will be playing Valley High School located between Hazelton and Eden for runner-up spot on the same day. McCALL — The field was cold and covered with a couple inches of snow, and Homedale’s Trojans took a while to warm up Friday afternoon. But after being down 16-7 with eight minutes left in the first half, the Trojans turned on the heat and seared the McCall-Donnelly Vandals 43-16 to capture the undisputed title to the Southwest Idaho League championship.

Kirk Haylett blazed his way to three touchdowns on runs of six, 18 and 44 yards for Coach Daryl Kellum’s Trojans, who finished SWIL play with a perfect 5-0 record and now stand 8-1 for the season with only a 19-11 non-loop loss to Vallivue.

Succor Crik Sam Sez:

“Looks like a really cold war headed fer the U.S. — no oil.”

155 years ago

November 7, 1868

Valedictory.

Our connection with the OWYHEE AVALANCHE has ceased, and with this number we bid our readers adieu. We have sold the establishment to Mr. John McGonigle. He is a gentleman of ability and experience in the newspaper business and will not fail to give full value to his patrons. As he is well known here, it is unnecessary to say more. Pecuniarily we wish him unbounded success. Upon assuming proprietorship of the AVALANCHE fifteen months ago, the prospect was anything but encouraging. Business of almost every description was in a prostrate condition, consequent upon financial failures of the previous Autumn and Winter. But our faith has remained unshaken in the bright future of Owyhee, believing it to be the richest and most promising mining locality in the world, and recent developments have shown the correctness of our views. We leave the paper in a prosperous condition; it has a fair circulation and the advertising patronage will speak for itself. Yours truly, W. H. HILL, H. W. MILLARD

Salutatory.

In assuming the position of a public journalist, I enter upon the performance of its duties with a due sense of their importance and the weight of obligation resting upon me. “The pen is mightier than the sword,” is a maxim the truth of which has been accepted in all ages; the fame of individuals, the renown and glory of nations, peace, prosperity, ruin, misery, sorrow, and desolation, have been wrought by its secret and powerful influence — the evidences of which, are clearly manifest in every page of the world’s history. The newspaper has in this connection asserted its sway in moulding public sentiment, by its appeals to the passions and prejudices as well as to the finer and nobler attributes of mankind. The social, moral, religious and political condition of a people depends, in a great measure, upon the truth or error, honesty or perversion of principles as disseminated through that universal vehicle of intelligence, the public press. As we compose but a small mite of creation and reside in a region somewhat remote, possessing our share of natural and acquired information, with perceptive faculties sufficiently pointed as to enable us to readily discriminate between good and evil, without the aid of a monitor, it may be assumed that there is no imminent danger of either good or harm being effected. However this may be, I take this occasion to assure you, that I will endeavor to the best of my judgment and ability defend and pursue the right and condemn and eschew the wrong, at all times, and if, through the natural weakness and frailty of human judgment, I err in these respects I can only ask a generous public to ascribe it to the head and not the heart. With a fervent hope that our social and business relations shall be of the most friendly and satisfactory character, I have the honor to subscribe myself. Your obedient servant, JOHN MCGONIGLE.

ELECTION NEWS!—The election news, up to the hour of our going to press is very meager. From Mr. Hill Beachey we learn that San Francisco gives Seymour 3,000 majority — State doubtful. Storey County, Nev. gives Grant 300 majority; Reno gives Grant 75 majority; Humboldt County elects her entire Democratic county ticket — gives Grant 10 majority, State doubtful. Jordan Valley Precinct, Baker County, Oregon, gives Grant a majority. Well, that elects him.

Public notices

NOTICE OF LETTING
Idaho Federal Aid Project No. A022(703), in Owyhee County, Key No. 22703; for the work of sealcoat SH-19 from the Oregon State Line to the junction of US-95.

Sealed proposals will be received only at the office of the IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT, 11331 WEST CHINDEN BLVD. BLDG #8, BOISE, IDAHO 83714 or PO Box 40, BOISE, IDAHO 83707-0040, ATTN: ADVERTISEMENT AND AWARD. Bids may also be submitted electronically through Bid Express (www.bidx.com). All bids must be received by two o'clock p.m., on December 5, 2023.

A D D I T I O N A L
INFORMATION CONTACT: RESIDENT ENGINEER DAN GORLEY at (208) 334-8938 for any design related questions.

Digital copies of the Plans, Proposals, and Specifications must be downloaded for a fee of \$22.00. Bidders must appear on the plan holders list for their proposal to be accepted by the Department. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdninfo.com for assistance in downloading and working with this digital project information.

General Bidding information and Specifications may be obtained from the Idaho Transportation Department website at <http://itd.idaho.gov/business/>

In an effort to achieve ITD's DBE Annual Participation Goal (APG) of 10.0% utilization, ITD requires responder to utilize certified subcontractors and suppliers listed on its DBE Directory located at: <https://itd.dbesystem.com/>. For this project, it has been determined that there is a DBE availability of 16.0% or more. For more information regarding ITD's DBE Program please go to <https://itd.idaho.gov/civilrights/>

This contract requires full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which protects persons from being denied the benefits of or excluded from participation in programs or activities; or subjected to discrimination based on race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, Limited English Proficiency or economic status. The Contractor is encouraged to utilize the goods and services of disadvantaged firms in accomplishing the tasks or providing the services of this agreement, and to provide equal opportunity to all sub-bidders and suppliers.

11/08,15/2023

LIEN SALE
Unit J-28, Donald Cobb, 17191 US Hwy 95, Wilder, ID — New queen mattress and box spring, bed frame, misc. household items

Silent auction will be held at Highway 95 Self Storage. 3685 Highway 95 in Homedale. Auction will close at 1pm on Saturday, November 11th, 2023.
11/01,08/2023

LIEN SALE
Unit F-3, Louise Vigil, 616 W. Oregon Ave., Homedale, ID 83628. Washing machine, misc. household items, clothing, and misc. camping equipment..

Silent auction will be held at Highway 95 Self Storage located at 3685 Highway 95 in Homedale.

Viewing and bidding opens as of this posting on November 8th and will close at 1 pm on Saturday, November 18th.
11/08,15/2023

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
CASE NO. CY-37-23-00287 (I.C. 15-3-801)
In the Matter of the Estate of: LITA MIRIAM BOTELHO, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jerrold Lawrence has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. Mr. Lawrence's address is Jerrold Lawrence, c/o Michael Duggan, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 26, Caldwell, Idaho 83606-0026. All persons having claims against the decedent, or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated below and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED: this 17th day of October, 2023.
/s:/MICHAEL E. DUGGAN
Attorney for Personal Representative
P.O. Box 26
Caldwell, ID 83606-0026
10/25;11/01,08/2023

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
Case No. CV37-23-00265
IRVIN E. GLINESKI, JR., also known as IRVIN E. GLINESKI, and GLORIA J. GLINESKI, husband and wife, Plaintiffs,
v.
DEBORAH A. BLACKBURN, a daughter of RUTH M. NARVER, and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF RUTH M. NARVER, MARIE L.

CORBARI and MESSEC GALYAN, MESSEC GALYON and MESSEC GALYON VAN SLYKE, if not one and the same person as MESSEC GALYON, and a spouse of MESSEC GALYAN, all deceased and whose true names are unknown, Defendants.

TO: DEBORAH A. BLACKBURN, A DAUGHTER OF RUTH M. NARVER, AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF RUTH M. NARVER, MARIE L. CORBARI AND MESSEC GALYAN, MESSEC GALYON AND MESSEC GALYON VAN SLYKE, IF NOT ONE AND THE SAME PERSON AS MESSEC GALYON, AND A SPOUSE OF MESSEC GALYAN, ALL DECEASED AND WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN.

You have been sued by IRVIN E. GLINESKI, JR., also known as IRVIN E. GLINESKI, and GLORIA J. GLINESKI, husband and wife, the Plaintiffs, in the District Court in and for Owyhee County, Idaho, Case No. CV37-23-00265.

The nature of the claim against you is an action to quiet title to approximately seventy (70) acres of real property located in the West Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 6 South, Range 5 East, Boise, Meridian, in Owyhee County, Idaho.

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 No., and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at P.O. Box 128, 20381 Idaho State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650, telephone number (208) 495-2421, and served a copy of your response on the Plaintiffs' attorney at Jay R. Friedly, Friedly, Ward & Peterson, 340 East 2nd North, Mountain Home, Idaho 83647, telephone number (208) 587-4412.

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

Dated: 8/31/2023
Angela Barkell
Owyhee County District Court
/s/ Deputy Clerk
11/01,08,15,22/2023

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
On Thursday, the 29th day of February, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m. of said day

at Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Ryan M. Fawcett, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, 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:

LOTS 10 AND 11 IN BLOCK 78 OF HOMEDALE TOWNSITE AS SHOWN ON THE AMENDED PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF OWYHEE C O U N T Y , IDAHO.

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 114 E. Montana Ave., Homedale, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by TYLER JAMES KNIGGE, an Unmarried Man, Grantor, to Ryan M. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., recorded November 5, 2021, as Instrument No. 310167, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on September 14, 2023, as Instrument No. 315975, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506 (4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT HE IS, OR IS NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

Said sale is a public auction for which the bid price must be paid immediately upon close of bidding by certified funds in the form of cashier's checks, certified checks, or valid money orders only. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason whatsoever, the successful bidder's exclusive and sole remedy shall be the return of actual monies paid to the Successor Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no

further recourse.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated November 1, 2021, in the amount of \$1,211.00 each, for the months of April through September, 2023, inclusive. All delinquent payments are now due, plus accumulated late charges, plus all escrow advances, plus any costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure. The accrued interest is at the rate of 2.625% per annum from March 1, 2023, and the Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$221,555.76, plus accrued interest at the rate of 2.625% per annum from March 1, 2023.

DATED This 31st day of October, 2023.
/s:/RYAN M. FAWCETT,
a Member of the Idaho State Bar,
SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE
11/08,15,22,29/2023

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT TRANSFER NO. 88483
DAVID LAHTINEN, 29516 SUGAR VALLEY RD, BRUNEAU, ID 83604-5069 has filed Application No. 88483 for changes to the following water rights within OWYHEE County(s): Right No(s). 51-2129, 51-4093, 51-4095; to see a full description of these rights and the proposed transfer, please see <https://research.idwr.idaho.gov/apps/waterrights/querynewtransfers>. The purpose of the transfer is to change a portion of the above rights as follows:

Add point of diversion, change point of diversion and place of use. The points of diversion are in NESE and SESE, Sec 13, T7S, R4E; and Lot 4 (SWSW), and two in SESW, Sec 18, T7S, R5E for 4.37 cfs from ground water. The place of use is in Sec 13, T7S, R4E and Sec 18, T7S, R5E, for 245 acres within a 440 acre permissible place of use. For additional information concerning the property location, contact the Western Region office at (208)334-2190. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-222. Any protest against the proposed change must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 W AIRPORT WAY, BOISE ID 83705-5082 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 11/20/2023. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

MATHEW WEAVER, Director
11/01,08/2023



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Sports

College catch-up

Football

University of Idaho

Hayden Kincheloe, No. 37

Redshirt freshman RB

Spencer Fisher, No. 27

Redshirt freshman LB

Saturday: Kincheloe saw action in the Vandals’ 27-13 win over Northern Colorado in a Big Sky Conference game played in Moscow. Fisher wasn’t listed on the participation list in the Vandals’ official statistics.

Oct. 28: Kincheloe got on the field, but his fellow Homedale High School graduate Fisher wasn’t shown on the participation list for the No. 9 Vandals’ upset of second-ranked Montana State. Idaho prevailed, 24-21, in the Kibbie Dome in Moscow.

Vandals’ next game: Idaho (7-2 overall, 5-1 Big Sky) takes a two-game winning streak to Ogden, Utah to take on Weber State in another conference matchup. TV: Noon on Saturday, ESPN+



The College of Idaho

Willie White, No. 40

Sophomore LB

Oct. 28: The HHS graduate didn’t appear on the participation list for the Coyotes’ wild 42-38 Frontier Conference victory against Eastern Oregon at Simplot Stadium in Caldwell.

Oct. 21: White posted two solo tackles and two assists as the Coyotes beat Carroll College, 35-21, in a Frontier Conference game played in Helena, Mont.

White has 10 solo tackles, eight assists and two quarterback sacks in six games in 2023. He has 11 solo tackles for his seven-game career.



Mason Strong, No. 89

Freshman WR

The HHS grad’s redshirt season continues.

Coyotes’ next game: After a bye last week, C of I (8-1 overall, 6-1 in conference) is in Ashland, Ore., on Saturday to face Frontier Conference rival Southern Oregon. Kickoff is set for 2 p.m. MDT



The next level

Scott Matlock, No. 99

Los Angeles Chargers defensive tackle

Season: Through nine games, the Homedale High School graduate has five tackles, including two solo tackles.

Monday: The Chargers flew cross-country and routed the New York Jets, 27-6, on Monday Night Football. It marked the first time in three games that Matlock didn’t record a tackle.

Oct. 30: Matlock made a solo tackle and an assist in the Chargers’ 30-13 victory over the visiting Chicago Bears.

Oct. 22: Matlock came up with a solo tackle in the Chargers’ 31-17 loss to AFC West Division foe Kansas City on the road.

Oct. 16: Matlock assisted on a tackle in the Chargers’ 20-17 loss to Dallas on Monday Night Football.

Next game: The Chargers (4-4) play host to the Detroit Lions at Sofi Stadium. Kickoff is set for 2:05 p.m., MST. TV: CBS



Men’s basketball

Montana Western

Jacob Ankeny, No. 32

RS sophomore C

Nov. 4: Montana Western 61, Dickinson (N.D.) State 44 — The 6-foot, 8-inch Marsing High School graduate drained one of two free throws, grabbed a defensive rebound and dished three assists in the Bulldogs’ home win in Dillon, Mont. Ankeny missed two field-goal attempts and was called for two fouls.

Nov. 3: Montana Western 70, RV Eastern Oregon U. 67 —

Playing his first game under new head coach Pat Jensen, Ankeny scored three points on 3-of-5 free-throw shooting in a home-court victory. Ankeny also snagged two rebounds and was whistled for three personal fouls in 12 minutes on the floor.

Bulldogs’ next games: Montana Western takes on Southern Oregon on Friday, and Northern New Mexico College on Saturday (both 5 p.m., tipoffs) in the Montana Tech Tip-Off Classic in Butte, Mont.



Women’s wrestling

Hastings (Neb.) College

Kaydince Turner, no weight class listed

Savannah Turner, 130 pounds

Juniors

Nov. 1: The HHS graduates and sisters didn’t get on the mat as the Broncos split their season-opening dual meets, beating Dakota Wesleyan, 34-9, and falling to Southeast Community College, 30-19.

Broncos’ next meet: The Broncos are in action at the Eagle Madness Duals on Friday and Saturday in Marietta, Ga.





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