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VETERANS DAY SALUTES



Marsing, Homedale students show their appreciation

Above: Marsing Elementary School first-graders wave flags as they sing "Let's Hear It for America" during the Veterans Day program Thursday morning. **Right:** Students thank military personnel for their service as they file out of the Homedale High School gymnasium following Izmael Ortiz's Senior Project presentation. More photos, **Pages 10-11**



Marsing event stresses caring for veterans when they get home

Two women with a lifetime of service served as keynote speakers during Thursday's Veterans Day salute in Marsing.

Tammy Clement, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4000 commander, and retired

Marsing educator Jan Drennan, who is involved with the Unit 4000 auxiliary and the wife of a Post 4000 member, provided poignant thoughts about military and civic service during the event inside the Marsing School District

cafeteria.

Marsing music teacher Dawn Sandmeyer closed the proceedings by playing "Taps," and the dozens of people in attendance sang

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Coin toss crowns new Marsing councilperson

Former HES secretary ousts Muir in school board race; Homedale, Grand View council lineups steady

Two incumbents lost, including one in dramatic fashion, when a slim number of registered voters went to the polls last week.

About 23 hours after the Nov. 7 polls closed, incumbent Marie Herman lost her Marsing City Council seat by the flip of a coin.

Herman and challenger Lynette Enrico both garnered 45 votes in the Nov. 7 election, and city clerk and treasurer Jolyn Thompson performed a coin toss during last Wednesday's regular council meeting.

In one of the first items on the amended agenda, Herman called "heads," and the coin came up tails.

Enrico was confirmed as the new member of the Marsing City Council during a canvass of the votes by the Owyhee

County commissioners Monday.

"It was a cross between deer-in-the-headlights shock and elation that I'd actually won the coin toss," Enrico said later. "I'm so grateful for the support of my friends and family."

Election Day was an anxious time for Enrico to begin with. Then the tie added to the nerves, which dissipated once the coin toss was complete.

"All the butterflies I'd had all day started to go away, and the first thought going through my head was, 'Now the real work begins' and looking forward to getting to know and working with the other council members and the mayor."

Last week, county elections clerk Audra Yoshikane said

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Marsing City Clerk and Treasurer Jolyn Thompson flips the coin that decided the second-seat election last Wednesday.

Drivers must go slower on part of Hogg Rd.

Johnstone culvert work will inch forward Thursday

The speed limit has changed on a short stretch of Hogg Road after highway commissioners granted a citizen's request.

Motorists are advised that the speed limit on the road between East Thompson Road and U.S. Highway 95 is now 25 mph.

The Homedale Highway District board of commissioners granted Tony Martinat's request to lower the speed limit from 35 mph during last Wednesday's meeting.

Martinat voiced concern that motorists were speeding past his home on the road. The speed limit was changed and new signs put up on Thursday.

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state law spelled out how to break the tie, adding that neither candidate had requested a recount, which is the only way a re-examination of votes could take place.

Council president Chris Even was the top vote-getter (56 votes) and earned re-election to the other four-year term that was up for grabs.

Shawn Bales was fourth in the Marsing balloting with 24 votes.

Hayzen Corder will be sworn in for his own four-year term as mayor when the council convenes in January. Corder was unopposed in his attempt to get the interim tag removed from his title after his appointment to succeed Chad Sevy, who had resigned.

Marsing voters had the second-highest turnout in the election, second to Grand View's electorate.

Four people registered at the polls Nov. 7 in the North Marsing precinct, and 22.1 percent of all voters (56 of 253) cast ballots in that precinct.

The overall Marsing turnout was 19.2 percent (89 of 464), and 33 of 211 voters (15.6 percent) participated from South Marsing.

Five county precincts were in play Nov. 7, and 22 people registered at the polls. Overall, voter turnout was 18.5 percent



Above: Lynette Enrico signs the poll book at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center. **Right:** Chris Even casts his Marsing City Council ballot.

(307 of 1,663 people), but that number was inflated when nearly half of Grand View's electorate visited the ballot box.

Gibbens wins Homedale school trustee role

Shane Muir's tenure on the Homedale School District board of trustees will end in January.

Former Homedale Elementary School secretary and current Homedale Library District trustee Pam Gibbens collected three times as many votes as Muir in the Zone 5-only election, winning 34-11.

Muir is the current board vice-chair.

Zone 1 Trustee and board chair Kurt Shanley won another four-year term in an uncontested election.

Yoshikane said incomplete poll book-reading instructions to poll workers at the Homedale precincts polling place at the Owyhee County Community Center led to some confusion on which voters were to get which ballots.

Because the North Homedale

precinct is the only precinct in which Trustee Zone 5 voters resided, but also had some city council-eligible voters, some people received the wrong ballots.

Yoshikane explained there were four different "ballot faces" because of the different combinations of voting.

Some voters who were eligible for the school district election received only a city council election ballot, Yoshikane said.

She said about 11 voters were given incorrect ballots, and she tried to call each voter to get them back to the polls to correct the mistake. Yoshikane said she was able to reach a couple of the voters so they could re-cast their ballot in the correct elections.

Homedale turnout was not broken down between the two district elections, but a paltry 7.9 percent (33 of 420) of South Homedale registered voters (the city council only precinct) visited the polls.

The North Homedale precinct, which included Zone 5 trustee voters, rose to 10.6 percent (56 of 526 voters). Two



people registered at the polls on Election Day.

Incumbents win in Homedale election

Two long-serving Homedale city councilmen will continue their time on the board for another four years.

Aaron Tines, who is in his 15th year as a councilmember, and Steve Atkins, who has been around since 2012, were the top vote-getters in a three-way race for two seats.

Challenger Nathan Raabe finished third for the second consecutive election cycle. He picked up 35 votes.

Atkins earned the most votes, doubling Raabe's total, while 60 voters picked Tines.

No changes in Grand View elected positions

Former city councilman Jon Pennington earned his own

four-year mayoral term, and both council incumbents won handily in Grand View.

Voters turned out in relative droves at the Grand View Community Center. Sixteen people registered to vote on Election Day, accounting for more than 10 percent of the 120 voters who cast ballots.

Grand View's turnout was 47.4 percent (120 of 253), and Pennington beat Jaz Zimmerman, 81-37, for the chief executive. Pennington left the council to take the interim mayoral position when Danny Martinez resigned after moving out of the city limits.

Micheal Smith (80 votes) and Tom Payne (74) will remain on the council after coming out on top in an election for a pair of four-year terms.

Mel Bybee was third with 46 votes, and Nola Boone received 34 votes. — JPB

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Avalanche deadlines change for holidays

Season starts with Murphy tree lighting

The looming holidays will have a big effect on deadlines for upcoming editions of The Owyhee Avalanche as the year winds down.

For the post-Thanksgiving edition (Nov. 29), deadlines will be altered because the Avalanche office in Homedale will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 23 (Thanksgiving) and Friday, Nov. 24.

The office will re-open at 8 a.m., on Monday, Nov. 27.

Deadlines for the Nov. 29 edition will change because of the holiday:

- Display advertising must be received by 5 p.m., on Wednesday, Nov. 22.
- The deadline for letters to the editor, calendar items and non-breaking news is noon on Wednesday, Nov. 22.
- The classified advertising deadline (non-display) remains noon on Monday.
- Deadline for legal notices also remains noon on Friday.

Christmas

The Avalanche office will close at 2 p.m., on Friday, Dec. 22 and will be closed on Monday, Dec. 25 for Christmas.

Deadlines for the Dec. 27 edition are:

- Noon on Thursday, Dec. 21 for display advertising
- 5 p.m., on Thursday, Dec. 21 for letters to the editor, calendar items and news
- Noon on Friday, Dec. 22 for classified advertising and legal notices

New Year's

The Avalanche office will close at 2 p.m., on Friday, Dec. 29 and will be closed on Monday, Jan. 1, 2024 for New Year's Day.

Deadlines for the Jan. 3, 2024 edition are:

- Noon on Thursday, Dec. 28 for display advertising
- 5 p.m., on Thursday, Dec. 28 for letters to the editor, calendar items and news
- Noon on Friday, Dec. 29 for classified advertising and legal notices

Call the Avalanche office at (208) 337-4681 for any questions about advertising or news submissions.

Chambers lead Homedale, Marsing parades

Community holiday plans are coming together throughout Owyhee County.

Chambers of Commerce in Homedale and Marsing have announced their night-light parades and associated activities.

But the festivities kick off Friday with what's billed as Owyhee County's Christmas Tree Lighting in Murphy.

The event to mark the lighting of the town's official Christmas tree will start at 6 p.m., at the Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St.

Eriks Garsvo, who recently marked his fifth anniversary as museum director, has loaded up the player piano with Christmas music, and several other attractions are planned.

The Christmas tree on the museum grounds will be lit at 6:30 p.m.

There will be hot drinks and food served as well as free horse-drawn carriage rides.

Call (208) 495-2319 for more information.

Homedale parade set

The long-standing Homedale for the Holidays parade will be held on Saturday, Nov. 25.

During the October Chamber meeting, president Gavin Parker said — as usual — there is no pre-registration for the parade.

Community members and business owners are invited to line up for the parade in the first block of East Owyhee Avenue (in front of Tolmie's Ace Hardware) beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The parade will begin at 6 p.m., and move west down Owyhee Avenue before turning north on 3rd Street West and then east on Idaho Avenue.

There is no theme this year, so participants are just encouraged to show up with festive decorations on their vehicles and floats.

The parade precedes the lighting of the city Christmas tree and decorations in Bette Uda City Park. Public works crews have already begun putting up decorations in the park.

Chili, cocoa in Marsing

Marsing Chamber of Commerce members hashed out details for the Candy Land

Christmas Parade during their meeting last Wednesday at The Eddy.

The night-light parade will proceed from the high school down Main Street to Island Park on Friday, Dec. 1.

Late last week, the Chamber's executive committee selected the Marsing Beautification Project board and its president, Julie Franklin, as parade grand marshals.

The event will run from 6 p.m., to 10 p.m., and typically culminates with the lighting of the city Christmas tree in Island Park. No specifics on the Christmas tree lighting were discussed during last week's meeting.

Floats will begin lining up near the high school football field at 4:30 p.m. Anyone interested in participating can sign up at www.marsingchamber.org.

The Chamber will sell chili and cocoa at the fire station on Main Street, and children can get their photo taken with Santa for a donation.

Chamber officials will judge storefront holiday decorations on Thursday, Nov. 30. The three best themes will receive prizes.

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Poll to help owner decide how to develop near Marsing

“The Triangle” is located in Canyon County near the Snake River

A Sunny Slope couple is seeking community input on what they should do with a prominent piece of land east of Marsing once they get it rezoned.

Bill and Gina Werhane own a parcel of land that they’re calling “The Triangle.” The parcel, about nine acres in size, lies just over the Snake River from Marsing in Canyon County.

The point of the triangle is where Churruca Lane and Idaho highway 55/Sunny Slope Road intersect just east of the Marsing bridge.

Churruca Lane is on the south side of the triangle, and Idaho 55/Sunny Slope Road is on the north side of the triangle.

The triangle’s eastern border

is Marsing Road.

Bill Werhane said he has been trying to get a conditional rezone of the parcel “for years.” The land is in an agriculture zone, but Werhane is asking the Canyon County Planning and Zoning Commission to consider rezoning it C-2. That’s a commercial zone with limited allowed uses.

Werhane plans to submit his rezone application on Dec. 1, but until then he’s taking input from community members on what they’d like to see on the land that is near some historical sites. The Canyon County Development Services Office confirmed that Werhane has two applications “on hold” that have been filed with the agency.

He has developed a

survey, which is available at <https://forms.gle/uBibUckiAQ1ymYXMA>. Folks can fill out the survey online, or the completed poll can be dropped off in the Sandbar Community Room at Marsing City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., by 4 p.m., on Friday.

Werhane will be available to answer questions and provide more information at the Sandbar Community Room in the afternoon today and Thursday.

Werhane began circulating the survey on Oct. 30, and he said he had received 150 responses in two days.

According to Werhane’s handout “Shaping the Future: Community Poll for the Triangle Parcel,” the survey aims to “identify possible development ideas for the Triangle that would emphasize our special location in Southwest Idaho.”

Later in the handout, Werhane writes: “In order to emphasize our uniqueness and

support agriculture, your input is requested.”

Werhane is working with Elizabeth Allen of Bristlecone Land Use Consulting on the survey and development process.

The survey lists several development options, all of which are allowed in C-2 Zones, and asks community members to rank each as “Preferred,” “Acceptable,” or “Less Acceptable.”

The development possibilities include:

- Animal hospital
- Auction establishment
- Equipment rentals
- Farm implement sales and service
- Farm supply sales
- Landscape business
- Mini storage and/or RV storage
- Retail
- Personal services shops such as a barbershop or beauty salon
- Offices

- Bank
- Small motel
- Microbrewery
- Restaurant
- Telecommunication facility
- Gas station and convenience store
- Automobile service shop
- Other, which enables people to make suggestions

The survey also asks people to rank the top three preferred uses and share their thoughts on the future development of the Triangle.

Providing a name and contact information is optional.

Werhane’s handout acknowledges the history of the area, including the prisoner-of-war camp that housed Germans during World War II, the old Churruca Service Station that stood near the site for four decades between the 1940s and 1970s, and Froman’s and Henderson’s ferries on the Snake River.

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South Board manager passes away

John Eells, who has served as South Board of Control manager for more than eight years, died Sunday. The longtime SBOC employee was 61.

Eells announced his retirement from the irrigation organization’s top job last month, and was going to leave the position when his

contract expired at the end of the year.

Eells spent more than 28 years with South Board, rising from a crew member, to a ditch

rider, to water master and finally manager.

Funeral services are planned for 10 a.m., today at the Dry Creek Cemetery in Boise.

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In the current reality where budgets are tight, finding meaningful ways to express your love and appreciation for friends and family can be challenging.



Suriñe Greenway

This year, you can embrace the holiday spirit without breaking the bank with the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension’s “Sip, Create, Celebrate: Mocktails and Holiday Crafting” class.

At this one-time class, participants will have the opportunity to get festive as they make and sip mocktails, while snacking on holiday-themed treats and making their own holiday-themed decorations. If this isn’t the perfect way to welcome in the holidays, then I am not sure what is.

The purpose of this class will be to help participants learn about Mocktail Mixology and provide the opportunity to see how they can create delicious and alcohol-free beverages perfect for holiday gatherings to elevate their experience.

Holiday Crafting: Get cre-

ative with DIY holiday crafts that you can replicate again! Whether it’s making personalized ornaments, wreaths, or holiday cards, crafting allows you to express your unique style and sentiment while staying within your budget. A craft will be made in the class, but many ideas will be shared that could easily be made in the home.

“Mocktails and Holiday Crafting” provides opportunity to celebrate the season in a more thoughtful and cost-effective way.

This year, take a step back from the frenzy and embrace the warmth and joy of the holiday season in a budget-conscious manner. Whether through heartfelt gifts or festive gatherings, remember that it’s the thought, effort, and moments that make this time of year special.

If you are looking to join the fun at this class open to adults and youth, contact the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 or owyhee@uidaho.edu.

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BGV delves into science of student success

The next Bruneau-Grand View School District School Talks forum will address tools for student success.

Principals Alex Meyers (elementary) and Jonathan Waterlander (secondary) will lead the discussion from 6 p.m., to 7 p.m., on Wednesday, Nov. 29.

The primary topic will be how schools use data to improve every student’s learning.

During their monthly professional development meetings, educators examine how they can use evidence about student learning that is generated in the classroom each day, including the most efficient way to collect it and how to use it to increase learning for every student every day.

Teachers share the gathered data to create more opportunities to get more information on what students have learned (or not learned) and to provide effective feedback to students.

Assessment results can benefit students greatly, according to the forum primer, as long as the data are used to make instructional adjustments that produce evidence of learning.

Parents will learn from Meyers about the data collection process and how Bruneau and Grand View Elementary educators use the information.

Waterlander will share about types of data collected and how he and staff are beginning to use it to see junior and senior high school students learn.

Calendar

Today

Ladies coffee group

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

Food distribution

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

Blood pressure clinic

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

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

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

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) 337-4228

Thursday

Fit and Fall class

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

Fit and Fall Proof exercise class

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

Fit and Fall exercise

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

Food bank drop off

12:30 p.m., to 2 p.m., (weather permitting; holidays could change date), Jordan Valley Lions Hall, 902 Bassett St. (U.S. Hwy. 95), Jordan Valley. (541) 889-9206 or (541) 586-2562

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., ‘STEM Night with Brady Kissel from PBS,’ Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

Community movie night

7 p.m., free, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Post 128 Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing.

Friday

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Marsing FFA donkey basketball

7 p.m. (doors open 6:30 p.m.). Advance tickets: \$10/adults, \$8/7th- through 12th-graders, \$6/ kindergarteners through 6th-graders (at the door: \$15/\$10/\$8). Old Marsing High School gymnasium, 800 Main St., Marsing.

Saturday

Food bank distribution

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

Integra DeLamar appreciation dinner

5 p.m., game; 6 p.m., dinner; Jordan Valley High School, 501 Bassett St., Jordan Valley. Information: community@integradelamar.com

Sunday

Marsing Gun Club shoot

11 a.m., Marsing Gun Club, 7598 Trap Shoot Rd. (off Hwy 95), Marsing.

Owyhee Gardeners meeting

1 p.m., Sandbar Community Room, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 546-1829. Information: info@owyheegardeners.org

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., ‘Thanksgiving.’ Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

Children’s After School Program

4:30 p.m., ‘No Bake Cooking Class,’ elementary and middle school children, Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Creative writing group

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

Tuesday

Foot clinic

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

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Region III assistance assessments

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

EOC Library board meeting

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

Friends of the Library meeting

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Wednesday

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Friday, Nov. 24

Food bank distribution

8 a.m., to 10 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale. (208) 473-9331

Food bank distribution

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

Rimrock Sr. Center gears up for Thanksgiving dinner

Facility’s name will change by end of year

*by Mandi Boren
For The Owyhee Avalanche*

With a name change on the horizon, the Rimrock Senior Center is gearing up to celebrate the holiday season with its annual community Thanksgiving dinner in Grand View on Saturday.

Lunch will be served from noon to 3 p.m., on Saturday at 525 Main Street in Grand View.

Senior center board secretary Sandy Skinner said everyone young and not-so-young is invited to attend. The traditional turkey dinner with all the fixings is free of charge, but donations are greatly appreciated.

Skinner said the board of directors voted at an October meeting to change the Rimrock Senior Center name to the Rimrock Center.

“It’s amazing when you think of how many people there are here that won’t come to the center because they don’t identify as seniors,” Skinner said.

“We think this name change will help us reach a lot more people.”

Skinner said the senior center will continue to use its old name until word is out and the new signage is complete, which she estimates to be around the end of the year.

— Mandi Boren, an Oreana resident, covers the Grand View-Bruneau-Oreana area for The Owyhee Avalanche. Send news tips to her at mandi@owyheeavalanche.com

Homedale woman wants to make truckers feel at home on Christmas

Homedale resident Teresa Nott is ready to hit the road for her second annual Christmas with Truckers.

Once again this year, the owner of Dusty Trucks Dispatching LLC will have some help when it comes time to get holiday cheer out to the truck drivers who are away from home on Christmas Day.

Brandon Hurt has selected Christmas with Truckers as his Homedale High School senior project.

Nott has created a non-profit for the annual drive, and donations can be presented to “Christmas with Truckers” at Zions Bank branches. There is a Zions branch in Wilder.

The cash donations help Nott purchase gift cards or warm meals for the truckers.

Donations of cookies are in great need, and business swag is also accepted.

The second annual outreach will see Nott and Hurt traveling to local truck stops to hand out the donations on Christmas Day.

Contact Nott at (707) 365-8418 or christmaswithtruckers@gmail.com for more information.

Marsing HUB pantry alters hours

With Thanksgiving break looming for area schools, the Marsing HUB pantry has altered its hours next week.

With the school district’s Thanksgiving holiday beginning next Wednesday, The HUB will shift its pantry hours to 9 a.m., to 1 p.m., on Tuesday.

The HUB is located at 205 8th Ave. W., inside the Marsing School District office building.

The pantry is typically open on Wednesdays for Marsing community members to get the food items they need.

HUB coordinator Becky Barkell announced last Wednesday that the pantry received 200 hams, and she expects to receive some turkeys as well.

She also mentioned that the influx of holiday meats is too much for the pantry’s freezer to handle. Barkell asks that community members call ahead before bringing more frozen food to the pantry.

“I am overwhelmed at the generosity of this entire community,” Barkell wrote in a post on The HUB’s Facebook page. Call (208) 649-5411.

Jump Creek fee comments taken

The community can comment on the Bureau of Land Management’s proposal to collect day-use fees to improve Jump Creek Recreation Site southwest of Marsing.

The federal agency wants to enhance the visitor experience at the popular area in light of an explosion of usage in the past six years.

The proposal would create a day-use site and eliminate camping as a permitted use.

Jump Creek, which is seven miles from Marsing, is known for its 60-foot waterfall. Visits to the site have almost doubled since 2017 as the area’s population has exploded.

The BLM says day-use fees would provide resources needed to cover increased operational, maintenance and emergency response costs associated with increased use.

The Jump Creek Recreation Site Business Plan includes a proposed day-use fee of \$5 per vehicle, or \$25 annual pass that would remain fixed for 10 years. The fee was determined by comparing costs at similar public and private facilities in surrounding counties.

“These fees will enable BLM to improve services, add amenities desired by visitors and help offset costs incurred to administer the site, as well as for our partners at Owyhee County, who assist with enforcement patrols and search and rescue efforts,” BLM Boise District manager Tanya Thrift said.

Operational and maintenance costs for Jump Creek include trash removal, vault toilet pumping, improving picnic site amenities, graffiti removal and road and trail maintenance. Much of this work is done through independent contract services.

The plan can be viewed online at <https://on.doi.gov/3qfe3I0>, or at the BLM Owyhee Field Office, 101 S. Bruneau Hwy., Marsing.

The comment deadline is Wednesday, Dec. 6, and comments can be submitted by:

- **Email:** BLM_ID_OwyheeOffice@blm.gov
- **Fax:** (208) 896-5940
- **U.S. Mail:** BLM Owyhee Field Office, 101 S. Bruneau Hwy., Marsing, ID 83639

Religious Expression

God is the author of the Bible

The God of the Bible states unequivocally:

“Before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me. I, even I, am the Lord; and beside me there is no saviour.”

— Isaiah 43:10-11

Nothing in our lives is more important than identifying the one true God. There is no greater blasphemy than suggesting that God is someone or something He is not.

“As for God, His way is perfect; The word of the Lord is proven; He is a shield to all who trust in Him.”

— Psalm 18:30

The God of the Bible identifies Himself as the One who accurately foretells the future and makes certain that it unfolds as He said it would. God points to prophecy as the irrefutable evidence of His existence and the authenticity of His Word.

The Bible’s prophecies concerning the Jews, Jerusalem, and Israel are very specific. These Bible prophecies seem to be impossible and preposterous, yet they are being fulfilled to the letter. How could anyone doubt that God is the author of the Bible, the Jews are His chosen people, and Israel is the land God gave them. Woe to those who seek to frustrate the promises which God has given to Israel, His chosen!

“Now the LORD said to Abram, ‘Go forth from your country, and from your relatives, and from your father’s house, to the land which I will show you; and I will make you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great; and so you shall be a blessing, and I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth will be blessed.’”

— Genesis 12:1-3

“No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you a father of many nations.”

— Genesis 17:5

God’s word declares repeatedly and undeniably that Israel is His specially chosen people and that they will never lose that singular status. The dominant theme of Bible prophecy is Israel’s unique destiny, ordained by God to fulfill His will for mankind. The prophecies concerning the Messiah are inextricably linked with His people, Israel. It was to Israel, and through her to the world, that the Messiah, Himself a Jew, was to come. Israel is the Land where God walked as a man.

“And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.”

— Romans 13:11-14

— Jack Muldoon is a longtime Marsing resident who has been instrumental in the non-denominational prayer breakfast staged at the Nazarene church as well as the annual Marsing High School all-alumni picnic in August.



Religious Expression

We encourage religious leaders to email their writings, of no more than 500 words, and a photo plus personal information and information about their church and its services. Contact managing editor Jon P. Brown at jon@owyheeavalanche.com or (208) 337-4681, ext. 102.

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✓ Slower: Hearing set on road vacation ask

The Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office also alerted motorists of the change on Facebook after the meeting.

Homedale Highway District officials also received an update on the construction timeline for the South Canal culvert under Johnstone Road. The road has been closed at the crossing south of Mule Springs Road outside Homedale since the corrugated metal pipe (CMP) culvert began to fail and the roadway flake away.

Owyhee County continues to direct residents with tipping station needs to the Republic Services facility on Industrial Road in Homedale because

the county tipping station off Johnstone Road is closed because of the culvert issue.

Highway district secretary Kimberly Hotchkiss said the crane and some materials could arrive on site Thursday.

But as for the actual start of the project: “It will depend on weather conditions and when Idaho Precast can deliver (the series of box culverts),” Hotchkiss said.

During last Wednesday’s meeting, the highway board — Subdistrict 2 Commissioner and chair John Demshar, Subdistrict 1 Commissioner Dennis Uria, and Subdistrict 3 Commissioner Scott Salutregui — also heard a request from

Doug Burgess and Michelle Wallace to consider vacation of Mule Springs Road, which intersects with Johnstone Road south of Cemetery Road.

Burgess is the only person on Mule Springs Road, and he wants the stretch vacated to avoid people dumping trash down the road.

Burgess said he would maintain the road if it is vacated, Hotchkiss said.

A public hearing on the possible vacation is scheduled for the commissioners’ next meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 13. The commissioners’ meeting starts at 7 p.m.

— JPB

BLM plan aims to bolster slickspot peppergrass

Comments are sought on an environmental assessment for a threatened plant found in part of Owyhee County.

The Bureau of Land Management will accept comment on the slickspot peppergrass habitat EA until Nov. 26.

The white-flowering plant is a threatened species that grows in sagebrush steppe in southwestern Idaho.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recently designated slickspot peppergrass critical habitat in southwestern Idaho, including public lands managed by the BLM Four Rivers Field Office, and the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area.

The BLM study examines treatments, such as aerial and ground spraying to remove in-

vasive grasses and reseed with slickspot peppergrass. Treatments would be focused adjacent to existing slickspot peppergrass populations and could be part of wildfire emergency stabilization and restoration activities.

“The BLM is committed to conserving slickspot peppergrass habitat through this proposed restoration plan,” BLM Boise District manager Tanya Thrift said.

Written comments can be submitted via the BLM National NEPA Register at <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2023055/510>.

To learn more about slickspot peppergrass, visit <https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4027>.

For more information, contact Gillian Wigglesworth at (208) 384-3300.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center
Served at noon
Milk available each day
Roll/bread available each day

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

Nov. 16: Goulash with meat sauce and mixed vegetables, beets

Nov. 21: Turkey with stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy, sweet potatoes

Nov. 22-23: Closed — Thanksgiving

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

Nov. 17: Thanksgiving meal

Nov. 20: Chicken cordon bleu with cheese sauce, scalloped potatoes, peas, whole wheat roll, pineapple

Nov. 22-23: Closed — Thanksgiving

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

Nov. 21: Fried chicken, baked potato, green salad, roll, ice cream, peaches

Nov. 23: Closed — Thanksgiving

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. 16: Open faced turkey sandwich

Nov. 21: Thanksgiving dinner

Nov. 23: Closed — Thanksgiving

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School menus

Homedale Elementary
Choice of milk and juice
PB&J sandwich, and vegetable and fruit choices daily

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

Nov. 16: **Breakfast:** Waffle sandwich, Yami yogurt, pineapple tidbits **Lunch:** Roasted turkey, turkey gravy, mashed potatoes, stuffing, buttered corn

Nov. 20-23: No school — Thanksgiving break

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

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

Nov. 16: **Breakfast:** Croissant breakfast sandwich, Yami yogurt, apple **Lunch:** Roasted turkey, turkey gravy, mashed potatoes, stuffing, whole grain roll, pumpkin pie

Nov. 20-23: No school — Thanksgiving break

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

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

Nov. 16: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, Yami yogurt, iced coffee **Lunch:** Corn dog, curly fries, fruited Jello **Grab ‘n’ go:** BBQ chicken wrap

Nov. 20-23: No school — Thanksgiving break

Nov. 27: **Breakfast:** Sausage and cheese biscuit, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Mozzarella bread sticks, crinkle fries **Grab ‘n’ go:** Chicken Caesar wrap

Nov. 28: **Breakfast:** French toast bites,

sausage patty, iced coffee **Lunch:** Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, curly fries **Grab ‘n’ go:** Berry chicken salad

Nov. 29: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Pulled pork sandwich, Tater Tots **Grab ‘n’ go:** Chicken bacon salad

Nov. 30: **Breakfast:** Breakfast burrito, Yami yogurt, iced coffee **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, curly fries **Grab ‘n’ go:** Buffalo wrap meal

Marsing
Each meal includes choice of milk, fruit juice, fresh fruit & vegetables
Elementary School: Breakfast: Cereal option **Middle/High School each day:** PB&J option **Cold Grab-n-go line:** Wrap, sub sand., salad **Hot Grab-n-go line (varies):** Cheeseburger, chicken dish (reg./spicy sandwich; nuggets; bites), Pizza (varies), chicken rice bowl, potatoes (varies), bread (varies)

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

Nov. 16: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, muffin, string cheese, grapes **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza ripper, tossed salad, pineapple tidbits, Jello **Cold Grab-n-go:** Chef’s salad

Nov. 20: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** **Cold Grab-n-go:** Chicken Caesar salad **Hot Grab-n-go:** Meatball sub, Tater Tots

Nov. 21: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, Yami yogurt, banana **Lunch:** Roasted turkey, turkey gravy, mashed potatoes, stuffing, buttered corn, roll

Nov. 22-: Closed — Thanksgiving break

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

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

Nov. 16: **Breakfast:** PB&J sandwich **Lunch:** Roast turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, steamed broccoli, wheat roll and jelly

Nov. 20-23: Closed —Thanksgiving break

Obituary

Dee (Dolores) Jayo

Dee (Dolores) Jayo, a beloved resident of Grand View, passed away on Monday, November 6, 2023, at St. Luke's Magic Valley in Twin Falls. She was 90 years old.

Dee was born on March 28, 1933, in Monroe, Wisconsin, to William and Florence Roth. She grew up on a Wisconsin dairy farm, where she took pride in working alongside her dad and brothers. Keeping up with them was never a problem, as she had a deep love for outdoor work.

After graduating, she attended the University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, where she earned a degree in Secondary Education. Following her college years, she embarked on a remarkable journey, touring across Europe on a bicycle not once but twice. Upon her return, she took her first teaching job just outside of Chicago. It was not long before she sought a way out of the big city and found her

calling in Twin Falls, Idaho, where she aspired to learn how to ski on the famous Baldy hill in Sun Valley.

While teaching in Twin Falls, she attended a dance in Silver City, Idaho, with some teaching friends from Owyhee County. It was there that she met a rambunctious bachelor named Fred Jayo. On June 6, 1964, Dee married Fred, and together, they began a life of farming and ranching in Little Camas, Oreana, and Grand View. Dee also took a job at Grand View High School, which eventually became Rimrock High School. Over the course of 40 years, she dedicated herself to teaching and coaching multiple generations of students in the valley.

During her active life, Dee never sat still. You could see her each morning riding her bike nine miles to school, waving to her sons passing by in their pickups. She



loved coaching high school sports, riding her horses in the Owyhee Mountains, playing softball, bowling, sharing coffee with friends, and, of course, golfing, which she continued well into her late eighties. She achieved her goal of visiting all fifty states, with a memorable trip with Randall's family to Hawaii in 2013, the last state on her list. One of the small highlights of her active lifestyle was watching her Green Bay

Packers secure a victory alongside her grandson the day before she passed.

Dee faced challenges in her life, including the early loss of her husband, Fred, her battle with cancer, and the heartbreaking loss of her youngest son, Dean. However, her competitive spirit and unwavering determination kept her moving forward.

Dee cherished her family through thick and thin, taking pride in their accomplishments and sharing activities with them until the end. Words cannot adequately express how much she will be missed.

Dee was preceded in death by her husband, Fred, her son Dean, her parents William and Florence Roth, her brothers Bud and Jim, and her sisters Jean and Caroline. She is survived by her brother, Ned of Broadhead, Wisconsin, her son Randall and his wife Launa of Eden, her grandson Nic Jayo of Fruitland, her granddaughter

Natalie Lammers and her husband Garret of Jerome, her granddaughter Brittney West and her husband Dusty of Stanton, Texas, her granddaughter Freddi Jayo of Worland, Wyoming, two great-granddaughters, Ryanne and Harper Lammers, daughter-in-law Heather Gifford-Kelly of Morgan, Utah, and numerous wonderful nieces and nephews.

The family would like to express their gratitude to Dr. Aaron Brown for his guidance, support, caring, and love for Dee.

A celebration of Dee's life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 18, at the Oreana Community Hall in Oreana, Idaho. A potluck lunch will take place after the graveside service in the hall. Memorials and donations can be made to Desert Canyon Junior Golf in Mountain Home or The Oreana Community Hall.

Homedale library's adult reading challenge ends today

Youth programs ongoing; candle class set Dec. 8

Today marks the final hours of the Adult Reading Challenge at the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., in Homedale.

The challenge ends at 6 p.m., after which time raffle winners will be named.

- Idaho Department of Labor personnel will be on hand again from noon to 4 p.m., today to help community members with career-related needs, including job searches, creating résumés, filing unemployment, and applying for job training.
- Teen Book Club members are reading "Wonder" by R.J. Palacio. The next meeting is at 5 p.m., on Friday, Dec. 1.

The award-winning book tells the story of a disfigured boy who perseveres in a mainstream school setting despite bullying from classmates.

- Brady Kissel from PBS will lead the Teens & Tweens participants through a STEM Night beginning at 5 p.m., on Thursday inside the Homedale Community Center, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Teens & Tweens is open to boys and girls ages 10-17.

- Retired schoolteacher Steve Belknap, a member of the Friends of the Homedale Library group, will read to preschoolers at 10 a.m., on Monday for the weekly Opal Nash Story Time.
- Children of elementary school and middle school age are invited to the library for the After School Program at 4:30 p.m., on Monday.
- In a "no bake" cooking class, the youth will learn how to make Cool Whip Pumpkin Dip.
- A candle-making class for people 14 and older will

be held at 5 p.m., on Friday, Dec. 8.

Call the library to sign up and learn the basics of candle-making and get the chance to decorate a candle jar to take home.

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

The library is open from noon to 6 p.m., Monday through Wednesday, from noon to 7 p.m., on Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., on Saturday.

The library is closed on Sunday.

Death notices

PETE A. ECHEVARRIA JR., 75, of Delhi, Calif., a 1966 Homedale High School graduate, died on Friday, Aug. 18, 2023. A private graveside service was held on Saturday, Nov. 4, 2023 at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

JOHN EELLS, 61, of Marsing, longtime South Board of Control employee and SBOC manager since 2015, died on Sunday, Nov. 12, 2023 at home. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2023 at Dry Creek Cemetery, 9600 Hill Rd., Boise

GERALD ROBERT PROUD, 81, of Homedale, died Sunday, Nov. 12, 2023 at a local care facility of natural causes. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapels, Homedale. (208) 337-3252



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VETERANS DAY SALUTES

Homedale



Guest speaker Oscar Evans (right), a veteran of the Navy and the Air National Guard, stands for the National Anthem along with Veterans Day coordinator Izmael Ortiz, fellow veterans and Homedale High School principal Matt Holtry during Thursday’s ceremony.



U.S. Navy reservist Mark Thatcher (middle), a Homedale High School science teacher, presented Homedale School District superintendent Rob Sauer (left) and high school principal Matt Holtry with Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (EGSR) certificates of appreciation because of the flexibility Thatcher has had to serve his country overseas and at home.



Izmael Ortiz organized the Homedale High School Veterans Day assembly Thursday afternoon as his senior leadership project. Izmael is the 17-year-old son of Freddy and Cassondra Ortiz.



Lt. Col. Oscar Evans (ret.) shared all the call signs of his fallen comrades while speaking to the Homedale High School student body Thursday. He also urged people to make sure to let veterans know they aren’t alone in fighting the demons they bring back from war. “Let them know that they matter,” he said. “Let them know we care. ‘We need you. We want you.’ It’s not a shame or a bad thing to have those scars and ask for help.”



Homedale High School music director John Zieske (left) conducts the joint middle school-high school band during the Veterans Day assembly Thursday morning inside the middle school gymnasium.



Middle school students Allie Smith (right) and Selena Badiola shared the poem “The Unknown Soldier” by Melvin B. Tolson.

VETERANS DAY SALUTES

Marsing



Above: The audience stands, some with hands over their hearts, as Dawn Sandemeyer closes Thursday’s assembly by playing Taps. **Right:** Adeline Buhler and Wyatt Percifield bring in the U.S. flag and State of Idaho flag prior to the ceremony.



American Legion Post 128 in Marsing coordinated placing flags at veterans’ graves Thursday at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery. Placing a flag at Alvin Woodburn’s grave are, from left, Mary Ann Simpson and Sue Cassidy, Daughters of the American Revolution, Idaho Pocahontas Chapter, and Cheryl Mort from the Owyhee Gardeners. Submitted photo

Right: Guest speaker Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4000 Cmdr. Tammy Clement (left) addresses the audience as retired Marsing educator Jan Drennan, a Unit 4000 auxiliary member, waits to speak.

Below: Attendees read some of the veterans’ stories on the rear wall of the cafeteria. Many of the showcased veterans are related to elementary school students.



✓ Veterans: Women talk about the importance of serving military vets

From Page 1
Lee Greenwood’s “God Bless the USA.”

On the wall opposite of the stage in the cafeteria, photos and information on dozens of veterans with ties to Marsing schoolchildren and the community were on display so people could learn more.

A delegation of Marsing Elementary students took turns at the microphone to talk about the history of Veterans Day and how sentries guard the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier 24 hours each day at Arlington National Cemetery.

- Musical selections included:
- “Yankee Doodle” by kindergarten-ers
 - “Let’s Hear It for America” by first-graders
 - “This Land is Your Land” by second-graders
 - “The Heart of America” by third-graders
 - “Where the Stars and Stripes and the Eagle Fly” by fourth-graders
 - “All American Me and You” by fifth-graders

Elementary school music instructor Liz Lacer led the children through their performances.

Clement is a retired senior master sergeant from the Idaho National Guard. She visited the town’s fourth- and fifth-graders before Thursday morning’s assembly.

Clement established the District 5 VFW Honor Guard in January 2017 when she discovered that only 20-year military veterans receive full military honors at their funerals.

“In my terms of service, I have realized more attention is needed for our fallen comrades and their families,” she said.

“In these final moments more must be done to provide for the veteran with dignity and the honor they deserve.”

She witnessed funerals at which “the flag fold and Taps were heartfelt, but there was no honor guard,” she told the audience.

“It is with great honor and compassion that I continue to work diligently,” she told The Owyhee Avalanche. “I help provide not only funeral services, but community outreach programs such as flag raising, and the presentation of the colors.”

Clement also believes that the families of veterans are important, too. She introduced Drennan, who got

emotional when speaking about her husband Chuck. He’s a 100 percent disabled veteran, and Drennan is his caregiver.

“They need to know that we support them and no matter what condition they come home in, we will love and care for them,” Drennan said.

“I thank the veterans from the bottom of my heart for the freedoms we’ll pass on to our children.”

Clement began service in VFW Post 4000 as junior vice-commander before ascending to post commander.

Clement has been married for 20 years to her husband Michael. The couple has three grandchildren and another on the way.

Clement’s military decorations include:

- Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
- Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
- Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster
- Joint Meritorious Unit Award
- Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with valor device with one oak leaf cluster

- Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal with eight oak leaf clusters
- National Defense Service Medal with one service star
- Southwest Asia Service Medal with one service star
- Kosovo Campaign Medal with one service star
- Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
- Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
- Air Force Overseas Ribbon Short
- Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border
- Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon
- Air Force Longevity Service with five oak leaf clusters
- Armed Forces Reserve Medal with three “M” devices with one hourglass device
- Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon (rifle)
- Air Force Training Ribbon
- NATO Medal
- Kuwait Liberation Medal Government of Kuwait

Avalanche Sports



Left: Homedale High School senior running back Andrew Marston leaps over Teton sophomore Joker Joyce during Saturday’s 3A state semifinal at Deward Bell Stadium. Photo by Joshua Gray / GrayHawk Photography **Right:** Coach Matt Holtry makes the final postgame speech of his 15th season with the Trojans, speaking of family and the legacy the players continue to build.

HEARTBREAK IN HOMEDALE Trojans can’t sustain comeback in semifinals loss

In the eyes of many, the 90th chapter of the Homedale High School football family album is missing a couple pages. The story ended Saturday when Teton senior Jack Nelson scored on a 25-yard quarterback scramble, snapping a tie with 13 seconds left in a 3A state semifinal.

The No. 3 seed Timberwolves beat the second-seeded Trojans, 49-42, to reach the 3A Milk Bowl state championship game against top-seeded and top-ranked Sugar-Salem. “I knew there was going to be a lot of scoring,” 15th-year Homedale coach Matt Holtry said. “I knew they had the potential to put points up.”

The Trojans’ season ended in the state semifinals for the second time in the past three seasons. During the postseason huddle, the HHS coaches spoke of family and the unique bond that the players and their mentors forged during the fifth season of at least 10 wins in the Holtry era. Homedale teams have reached the state

semifinals for six consecutive seasons and eight times in the past decade. “It’s a different group. No big personalities. Just a bunch of guys just playing together, playing family football, and they did everything we ever asked them to do,” Holtry said of the 2023 squad.

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Historic signings in Homedale, Marsing

Above: Homedale High School senior Dillon Fine (seated, center) signs his letter of intent surrounded by his family. **Seated, from left:** Father Kevin Fine, Dillon, and mother Amy Fine. **Standing, from left:** Brother Payton Fine, sister Ramsey Fine, and brother Carson Fine. **Right:** Marsing High School senior Braden Ankeny (center) smiles as he completes his signature on a letter of intent to attend the University of Montana and compete with the track and field program. Father Luke Ankeny (left) applauds and his mother and Huskies coach Heidi Ankeny looks on. For more on the two Div. I collegiate signings, read **Page 16**



Sports

Homedale spreads scoring around in opening victory



Tiana Sorenson pulls up for a jumper over Marsing's Josie Showalter in Homedale's win Friday. Photo by Joshua Gray / GrayHawk Photography

Olivia Asumendi returns after one year absence with double-double

Tiana Sorenson scored 17 points in her varsity debut Friday, and Homedale High School won its girls' basketball season opener.

A sophomore guard/forward, Sorenson was one of four Trojans to score in double figures in a 52-38 non-conference victory over host Marsing on Friday.

Second-year coach Benji Sorenson's daughter led all scorers and drained Homedale's only successful three-point goal of the night. She also corralled four of her five rebounds on Marsing's end of the floor.

Fellow sophomore Kierstley Roseborough, a forward, added 16 points and collected eight rebounds.

Senior Olivia Asumendi recorded a double-double with 13 rebounds and 10 points in her return to the hardwood after a year's absence.

The intra-county rivals played to a 22-22 halftime tie, and the Trojans inched ahead after three quarters before putting the game away with an 18-8 run over the final eight minutes.

Roseborough scored six points in the first quarter, and Tiana Sorenson closed with eight points in the fourth quarter. Asumendi and Stella Heck each went 2-for-4 from the free-throw line down the stretch.

Heck led the Trojans with four assists.

Marsing's Adyson Chadez missed once in six free-throw attempts and paced the home team with 15 points.

Raylynn Vanosdall dropped in a second-quarter three-point goal and posted seven of her 11 points before halftime.

Ashlyn Porter added four points in the second half for the Huskies.

Melba girls drop openers

Football state title quest ends

Melba High School's reigning Class 2A state championship girls' basketball team returned to the hardwood with three games in four days.

Coach Dave Lenz's squad ended the busy start to the season Tuesday after press time against Class 4A Columbia inside Potter Gymnasium.

The Mustangs started the 2023-24 campaign with back-to-back losses on the road, but plenty of offense from Owyhee County resident Brooklyn Dayley and Tariah Carter.

The team is back in action at home at 7:30 p.m., on Saturday against Class 3A Parma.

Saturday: Lapwai 76, Melba 50 — Dayley continued a hot start to the season with 20 points, six assists, six steals and five rebounds.

Carter posted her second double-double of the season with 15 points and 11 rebounds in the non-conference game.

Friday: Grangeville 65, Melba 56 — In the season opener on the road, Dayley poured in 19 points to lead three Mustangs in double

figures.

Carter collected her first double-double with 18 points and 13 rebounds. She also blocked three shots.

Ellie Johnson chipped in 13 points.

Dayley filled up the stat sheet with seven steals, five boards and four assists.

Melba ran the table for the title a year ago, going 26-0 with a roster that featured five seniors — Keylee Wilson, Hallie Arnold, Kendall Clark, Meya Young, and Melina Helm.

Football: Declo 38, Melba 16 — The Mustangs' football season ended on the road Friday with a 38-16 setback against the Hornets.

Melba finished the year 8-3, while Declo plays West Side for the 2A Milk Bowl state championship at 8:15 p.m., on Friday inside Holt Arena on the Idaho State University campus in Pocatello.

Mustangs seniors, according to a roster posted to IdahoSports.com, included Cutter Beus, Noah West-Baranco, Chade Franklin, Sylvan Spence, Isaac Arrington, Nate Wellington, Justin Anderson, Evan Michaelson, Daniel McPherson, and Trevor Rhoades.

Homedale Trojans

Winter Sports Coaches

Boys' basketball
Head coach —
Cam Long, 5th season
JV coach — Clint Thomas
Frosh-soph coach —
Angel Cardenas

Girls' basketball
Head coach —
Benji Sorenson, 2nd season
JV coach — Kaylee Brown
Frosh-soph coach —
Mike Frank

Wrestling
Head coach —
Jake Levinski, 8th season
Assistant — Luke Crockett
JV coach — Joe Egusquiza

Athletes of the Week

Football
Third place in 3A state playoffs
10-1 record - Season Complete

THIS WEEK'S SPORTS SCHEDULE

Girls' basketball
Varsity
Thursday, Nov. 16 at Caldwell, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 17, home vs. Marsing, 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 21 at New Plymouth, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Thursday, Nov. 16 at Caldwell, 6 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 17, home vs. Marsing, 1 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 21 at New Plymouth, 6 p.m.

Frosh
Thursday, Nov. 16 at Caldwell, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 21 at New Plymouth, 4:30 p.m.

Boys' basketball
Varsity
Tuesday, Nov. 28 at Emmett, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Tuesday, Nov. 28 at Emmett, 6 p.m.

Frosh
Tuesday, Nov. 28 at Emmett, 4:30 p.m.

Wrestling
Girls
Friday, Dec. 1, home for Ardis Nash Tournament, 1 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 2, home for Ardis Nash Tournament, 9 a.m.

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Sports

Young coach ready to mentor young Marsing squad

Aidrie Voile arrives as Huskies continue program rebuild

Youth is the keyword around the Marsing High School girls' basketball team this season.

And with youth comes the malleability that first-year coach Aidrie Voile may be counting on.

"Due to this young program with many first-year young varsity players, there will be many opportunities for different players to step up into standout roles," the 23-year-old first-year varsity coach said.

The former The College of Idaho player began her coaching career as an assistant, spending two years at her alma mater New Plymouth and one season at Meridian.

Having played her high school ball in New Plymouth, Voile had a familiarity with the Huskies' program when she took over from three-year coach

Michael Swanson.

"I am familiar with the (2A Western Idaho) Conference and the 2A classification and appreciate the talent that takes place at this level," she said.

"I love the small community feeling and the support that Marsing provides to its athletics."

Having fought back from a knee injury and joining the Marsing district as elementary school counselor, she also knows a thing or two about the psychology of an athlete and how to tap into the potential that she sees with the young Huskies squad.

"(The team has) the ability to grow exponentially due to being a young program," Voile said.

The Huskies lost the program's third consecutive game Friday with a 52-38 setback at home to non-conference rival Homedale. But the contest also marked the third consecutive game in which the team scored in the 30s.

With consistency comes a foundation on which to build.

"I have a great group of girls that

are a lot of fun," the coach said. "They have a ton of 'try' and willingness to learn."

And Voile may just be the right architect.

"My philosophy focuses on adaptability, player development, and leaning into our strengths and continuously developing our weaknesses," the four-year coach said.

"Strong communication and accountability with a player-centered approach helps support student-athlete performance."

Voile inherits a program that has finished sixth in the conference in three consecutive seasons. The Huskies went 17-45 under Swanson.

"I believe we will be a competitive team in a very tough conference this year," Voile said.

There are only 15 players in the 2023-24 program spread across two teams, so — as Voile alluded — that means a lot of youth and a lot of opportunity.

The Huskies' top returners are all juniors:

Raylynn Vanosdall — Voile calls the 5-foot, 4-inch point guard quick, gritty and talented.

Ashlyn Porter — "A great lefty shooter with great range," Voile said of the 5-4 guard.

Lily Thoene — Voile says the 5-10 player is a "tough post" with a good midrange shot.

Four sophomores are tabbed as newcomers, but three of them have varsity experience from the recently concluded volleyball season.

Addy Chadez — Voile says the 5-6 athlete is a talented and quick shooting guard and ball handler.

Brooklyn Roadenbaugh — The 5-8 guard/post is a "quick, long player with the ability to play in multiple positions," the coach said.

Josie Showalter — At 5-9, she's a strong, powerful post, according to Voile

Bailey Daugherty — Voile says the 5-10 guard/post is a flexible player with height and guard skills.

— JPB

Boosters launch gun raffle JV, Adrian all-league players named

Proceeds from an AR-15 raffle will help the Marsing Booster Club support the town's youth sports programs.

There are only 200 tickets available in the drawing, and each chance to win costs \$50.

The winning ticket will be drawn during the Dec. 21 boys' basketball home game between Marsing and Payette.

To reserve a ticket, interested folks can message the booster club on Facebook or contact board members Brandie Campbell, Adam Percifield, Ginger Loucks, Amanda Corta, or Megan Astorquia.

A handful of volleyball players from Adrian and Jordan Valley received postseason accolades recently.

The Antelopes picked up the sportsmanship award for their conduct during the 1A Oregon state tournament in Redmond, Ore., according to EasternOregonSports.com.

The media outlet also shared the All-1A High Desert League volleyball team. Locals include:

- **First team** — Addy Martin, jr., Adrian
- **Second team** — Rylee Ready, sr., and Lucy Martin, sr., Adrian; and Kenzie Tuttle, jr., Jordan Valley
- **Honorable mention** — Meg Eiguren, jr., and Jalee Maestrejuan, so., Jordan Valley

MARSING HUSKIES

WINTER SPORTS COACHES



Boys' basketball
Head coach — Tim Little,
11th season
Assistant — Daryl Lemos
JV A coach — Isaiah Ponce
Frosh-soph coach — Johan Jimenez



Girls' basketball
Head coach — Aidrie Voile,
1st season
JV coach — Shelby Logan



Wrestling
Head coach — Juan Garcia,
4th season
Assistant — Jake Ryska

This week's schedule

Girls' basketball
Varsity
Wednesday, Nov. 15, home vs. Payette, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 17 at Homedale, 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 21 at Payette, 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity
Wednesday, Nov. 15, home vs. Payette, 6 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 17 at Homedale, 1 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 21 at Payette, 6 p.m.

Boys' basketball
Varsity
Monday, Nov. 20 at Melba Jamboree
Saturday, Dec. 2, home vs. Parma, 5:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Saturday, Dec. 2, home vs. Parma, 4 p.m.
Junior varsity B
Saturday, Dec. 2, home vs. Parma, 2:30 p.m.



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Sports

Determined duo realizes Div. I dreams

Dillon Fine officially cements his Utah future

Dillon Fine hopes he's not done making Homedale High School history.

The right-handed pitcher became the first Trojans baseball player in the Burke Deal coaching era to sign with a Div. I college program Wednesday.

After missing his shot at guiding the HHS football team into another state championship game Saturday, the senior is now focused on completing his diamond to-do list.



Dillon Fine

"I just try to focus on myself and going out and winning a state championship this year," he said. "And I've got to do everything I can to make that happen."

Kevin and Amy Fine's son signed a national letter of intent to attend the University of Utah last Wednesday with his coaches and teammates (from both football and baseball) and family members looking on.

"I've always dreamed of playing college-level baseball, but I never knew how high I could play," the 2023 3A Snake River Valley conference co-player of the year said.

"As a little kid, I always dreamed of playing at a Div. I school, and I'm just very lucky and thankful to the people around me that helped me accomplish this goal."

Deal is among those instrumental in getting Fine to this milestone.

Fine said his fastball clocks in the low 90s and his fastest pitch was 92 mph.

The longtime Trojans coach has been such a presence in Fine's training that the young pitcher talked about the signing like a team accomplishment.

"It means a lot to me and Coach Deal because we've worked a lot in the offseason to get where I'm at today," the 18-year-old said.

"He's helped me get to where I could throw at a high velocity. I'm very lucky that he's been there for me and helped me."

Good fortune is a common theme for Fine and the Trojans with Fine on the mound.

As a junior, he helped the Trojans win the 3A District III championship and finish fourth

in the 3A state tournament last spring.

That championship season also saw him strike out 100 batters in 48 1/3 innings pitched and post a 0.57 earned-run average and a 0.84 walks and hits to innings pitched (WHIP) ratio during the regular season.

He helped the Trojans to the state tournament as a sophomore, too. And he earned the conference's pitcher of the year award after striking out 121 batters in 73 innings

and posting an 0.86 ERA and a 1.00 WHIP.

In 2021, Fine made the All-3A SRV first team after a freshman season in which he went 3-0 with a 1.06 ERA and a 0.87 ERA. He struck out 40 batters in 32 1/3 innings.

In addition to Deal's mentorship, Fine said his father and brother, Carson, have also contributed to his success.

"I've always been competing with my brother since I was little," he said. "And my dad has always been beside me pushing me to do the best that I can do."

He also has another baseball-playing brother, Payton, and a 15-year-old sister Ramsey.

Fine has one more spring to excel for the Trojans then he is off to Salt Lake City and a chance to work with Gary Henderson, the 2018 National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association National Coach of the Year who was hired to skipper the Utes in June 2021. He was hired after Bill Kinneberg retired after 18 seasons.

Henderson led Mississippi State to the 2018 College World Series.

The coach is known as a mentor to pitchers. At Oregon State more than two decades ago, he coached eight players who were drafted by major league teams.

"I really appreciate the way Coach Henderson treated me through the process," Fine said. "I feel really lucky and excited to get the chance to work with Coach Henderson. He's one of the best coaches in the country."

Fine plans to study Business Management in college.

— JPB



Braden Ankeny (center) signs on the dotted line last Wednesday, the first day of the national letter of intent signing period, as his parents look on inside the Marsing High School library.

Ankeny: From Marsing to Montana

Braden Ankeny's road to the University of Montana track and field team kicked into high gear in May of his freshman year at Marsing High School.

He was falling behind in the 2A District III 400-meter championship race when his older brother passed him and uttered some advice:

"You have to go right now!" Jacob Ankeny implored.

Braden did go. He finished fourth with a season-fast time of 53.87 seconds and wound up eighth at the state meet.

His brother's challenge bolstered a dream Braden had since he was a little boy and paved a determined route that brought the family to the high school's library last Wednesday.

With his father Luke and his mother and track coach Heidi on either side of him, and older brother Sam looking on, Braden signed a letter of intent to compete for the Grizzlies in Missoula.

He became only the third Marsing athlete in the past two decades to sign a letter of intent with a Div. I college program, joining Shea McClellin for football with Boise State University and Breeana Chadez for track and field with the University of Idaho.

Heidi Ankeny pointed out how rare her son moving on to Div. I collegiate athletics is.

She said about seven percent of high school athletes go on to play in college. Only two percent will play Div. I athletics.

"This is a big deal, and we are all so proud and excited for his accomplishment," Heidi said.

Braden told the story of his brother pushing him during his freshman year, but he doesn't call his older sibling — who

plays basketball at Montana Western — an inspiration.

"It's not an inspiration as much as a competition as it is with most brothers," Braden said.

The competition continued after Jacob became a three-time Class 2A state champion.

"He bet me \$1,000 that I couldn't do it," Braden said.

Last spring, Braden won his wager, winning the 100-, 200-, and 400-meter sprint state championships at Middleton High School.

In fact, he broke two of his brother's records in the process — running 22.33 seconds in the 200 and 49.51 seconds in the 400.

He's still waiting for the pay-off.

"He's paid about \$30 of it so far," Braden said.

Although he has broken his brother's school records, Braden hasn't been chasing his brother's coattails.

Heidi Ankeny told the well-wishers assembled last week that her youngest son used to show up at her Homedale High School track practices with spikes and ready to work out with the big boys — at the age of 4 or 5.

Braden has been focused on the specifics of the path, too, which Heidi said could be inspiring for the Marsing athletes who have watched his success up close.

"As a coach, one thing I appreciate about Braden as a student-athlete is he stays focused and controls what he can control," she said. "Yes, he has natural ability, but he never relies solely on ability to reach his goals. He dials in and is sure to eat well, sleep well, recover properly and challenge himself to learn more."

"He moves from one goal to

the next, never getting stuck in a setback or disappointment but keeping his focus on those things he can control."

Heidi urged the students to focus on what they control, and she also thanked them for supporting her son on his journey.

"He hasn't done this alone. You have been there, cheering, congratulating him in the hallways, pushing yourselves at practice not only to better your performance, but to push him a little more," she said.

"You have all played a part in his success."

Braden singled out a couple of people from that community of supporters, too.

"I don't even know where to start," he said. "My mom has been a track person her whole life, and she's been a big influence."

"(His parents have) let me make my own decision to do what I feel I am supposed to do. They've always supported me and gave me what I needed to get here."

Braden said Montana's coaches recruited him to run the 200 and the 400, and he has been told he could make an immediate impact. In fact, the staff's feeling is he could place in the Big Sky Conference meet in his first year as a college athlete.

The Grizzlies' head coach, Doug Fraley, handles the sprinters, too.

Braden said he chose Montana because of the abundance of outdoor recreation opportunities and he is impressed with Fraley's vision.

"The coach there is building a great team," Braden said. "He is building a family instead of a number on a roster."

— JPB

Sports

Small senior nucleus leads young, fast Trojans

Transition game may be key to success

Three standout players were lost to graduation, but Homedale High School entered the new girls’ basketball season Friday with a new player who is pretty familiar to Trojans fans.

Olivia Asumendi decided to play her senior year after taking time off as an 11th-grader, and second-year coach Benji Sorenson is happy to see the three-sport athlete give it another shot.

“We are so excited to have her back in the fold, and she provides a tough attitude in the paint,” Sorenson said of the 5-foot, 7-inch post/wing.

“(She) is a great rebounder, she can use her strength to get to her spots and can shoot from the outside as well.”

Asumendi joins senior point guard **Arlett Quezada** and sophomore post/wing **Kierstley Roseborough** as key returners to a team that lost the services of All-3A Snake River Valley conference players Jacy Parker (post) and Sydney Davis (guard) to graduation in the spring. Post Kambell Garrett, whom Sorenson said was key in building the team’s chemistry and culture, also graduated.

“We look for Arlett and Kierstley

to lead us as the returners who played last year,” Sorenson said. “Having an experienced point guard is always a plus, and Kierstley is a talented post with high basketball IQ.”

Now a two-sport athlete at The Evergreen State College in Olympia, Wash., Parker was the Trojans’ leading scorer a year ago, putting in 13.1 points per night. Davis collected 6.4 rebounds per game.

Quezada and Roseborough are holdovers from a Trojans team that went 7-15 a year ago, including winning just three of 10 conference contests and bowing out of the 3A District III Tournament after two games.

“The SRV is always tough,” Sorenson said. “Parma in my mind is an unquestioned favorite to win the conference, but I feel after that it could be wide open.”

Sorenson is cognizant of the youth on his roster, but he is emboldened by Asumendi’s return and the potential of the underclassmen.

“We see Olivia Asumendi as a big part of what we want to do, as she has two years of varsity experience under her belt,” the coach said. “Any of the young sophomores could take the next step as well and be key pieces for us.”

Among those sophomores are:

Tiana Sorenson — At 5 feet, 11 inches, the coach’s kid will see time at wing and post. Benji Sorenson calls last year’s junior varsity leading scorer “a talented addition.”

“Offensively she can score from anywhere, and defensively she is a long presence that could frustrate opponents,” the coach said.

Belen Asumendi — Sorenson sees the 5-4 wing/point guard as a key to compensating for the Trojans’ lack of size.

“She’s another quick, young player who will help us on both ends of the court,” the coach said. “She can shoot the ball well, is a skilled offensive player, and rebounds well for a small guard.”

Stella Heck — The 5-foot point guard will help the Trojans maintain ball control.

“We are excited to have another great ball-handler in the mix at point who knows our system and works as hard as anyone,” Sorenson said.

Stephanie Quezada — Sorenson calls the 5-2 athlete “another tough wing who plays much bigger than her size due to her relentless effort.”

Another key newcomer is freshman **Teague Taylor**. The 5-7 post/wing was called up to the varsity during the

volleyball season after early injuries.

“Teague has impressed us through the summer and our early practices as one who will give consistent effort,” Sorenseon said. “She is a natural rebounder who has a nose for the ball.”

The coach understands the team’s lack of size could be a detriment, but he is confident that the players’ quickness, basketball IQ and pure skills will help compensate.

With a young squad, of course depth and inexperience are concerns.

“Our lack of size is another reason we will have to use our quickness to our advantage,” Sorenson said.

“Being a young team, there may be some bumps along the road early, but our ceiling is high. If we put in the work to develop throughout the year, we could be a very dangerous team down the stretch of the season.”

Youthful enthusiasm and frenetic speed may be just what the Trojans need.

“We want to play fast and get up and down the court and hope to turn our defense into offense,” Sorenson said. “We want our offensive system to be less predictable and allow the kids some freedom to just play as they know how to do.”

— JPB

College catch-up

FOOTBALL

University of Idaho
Hayden Kincheloe, No. 37
Redshirt freshman RB
Spencer Fisher, No. 27
Redshirt freshman LB

Saturday: The Homedale High School graduates both got on the field in the Vandals’ narrow 31-29 Big Sky Conference loss to Weber State in Ogden, Utah.

Vandals’ next game: Idaho (7-3 overall, 5-2 Big Sky) closes the regular season at home inside the Kibbie Dome against Idaho State in a conference finale. TV: 5 p.m., on Saturday, ESPN+



The College of Idaho
Willie White, No. 40
Sophomore LB

Saturday: The Homedale High School graduate logged two assists as the Coyotes closed the regular season with a 31-16 Frontier Conference loss to Southern Oregon in Ashland, Ore.

Oct. 28: The HHS graduate’s father, Homedale junior varsity head coach Josh White, provided a correction to the official box score that appeared on the

C of I website (where the Avalanche gets its updates for this feature). Willie White actually started at linebacker in the Coyotes’ 42-38 conference victory over visiting Eastern Oregon at Simplot Stadium in Caldwell. He doesn’t appear on the participation list or the list of starters in the C of I box score.

With possible incomplete statistics from the Oct. 28 EOU game, White has 10 solo tackles, 10 assists and two sacks in seven games in 2023. He has 11 solo tackles for his eight-game career.



Mason Strong, No. 89
Freshman WR

The HHS grad is redshirting.

Coyotes’ next game: Seeded 11th for the NAIA national playoffs as an at-large selection, C of I (8-2 overall, 6-2 in conference) has earned a first-round bye. The Coyotes won’t start their second NAIA postseason until Saturday, Nov. 25 when they play host to a second-round game at Simplot Stadium. This will be coach Mike Moroski’s first trip to the postseason since 2019 when the Coyotes went 1-1.



Frontier Conference champion Montana Western is the No. 8 seed and also has a first-round bye. Montana Tech earned an at-large bid into the 20-team field and opens the playoffs at home against Dickinson State (N.D.) on Saturday in Butte, Mont.

MEN’S BASKETBALL
Montana Western
Jacob Ankeny, No. 32
Redshirt sophomore C

Nov. 11: Montana Western 76, Northern New Mexico College 55 — The Bulldogs opened the Montana Tech Tip-Off Classic in Butte, and the Marsing High School graduate played 17 minutes and scored a season-high nine points on 4-for-4 field-goal shooting and a 1-for-2 showing from the foul line. He also snagged six rebounds (four on offense).



Nov. 10: Southern Oregon 74, Montana Western 56 — Ankeny played 12 minutes, knocking down his only field-goal attempt. He collected an offensive rebound and finished with four fouls.

Bulldogs’ next games: The Bulldogs hit the road for La Grande, Ore. They’ll play hometown Eastern Oregon University at 5:30 p.m. MST on Saturday and take on Walla Walla University at 3 p.m. MST on Sunday.

WOMEN’S WRESTLING
Hastings (Neb.) College
Kaydince Turner, 136
Junior

Nov. 10: Life University 31, Hastings 12 — The HHS graduate lost her season-opening bout with a 12-2 technical fall against Riley Dalrymple in the first day of the Eagle Madness Duals in Marietta, Ga.



Savannah Turner, 130
Junior

The Homedale graduate, and Kaydince’s sister, wasn’t listed in any results posted from the Eagle Madness Duals either on TrackWrestling.com or on the Hastings website.

Broncos’ next meet: Hastings College visits Marshall, Mo., on Friday and Saturday for the Missouri Valley Open.



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Commentary

Mtn. States Policy Center Albertsons-Kroger merger could mean needed competition

Before you head over to the produce department and grab a few tomatoes to hurl in my direction, hear me out: the Albertsons-Kroger merger could be a very good thing for consumers.

Why? Because, like it or not, the way we shop has dramatically changed. More Americans are doing their shopping online or at a discount warehouse. Fewer go inside the grocery store. For many, that weekly trip to the market is becoming a thing of the past. Online and warehouse competition has changed everything — and it has helped lower the cost of many goods.

Walmart, Amazon and Costco are now the major players in the grocery marketplace. Chances are you’ve purchased an item at one of the three in the past 30 days.

In fact, Walmart/Sam’s Club make up nearly a third — 30 percent — of the U.S. grocery market share. Costco tallies another seven percent. Amazon is moving quickly and accounts for more than five percent. And consider this: Amazon Prime, Walmart+ and Costco have more than 250 million subscriptions.

Even if the Albertsons-Kroger merger proceeds, it would account for just nine percent of nationwide sales, according to the International Center for Law and Economics. But what it would do is get the attention of the big three — increasing competition with their 42 percent of the current market share.

Kroger and Albertsons are cognizant of criticisms of the deal. The chains say they will sell 413 stores and eight distribution centers to address any questions about a monopoly in certain communities.

In fact, a review of all of the Albertsons and Kroger locations throughout the country shows very few places where the two stores both have locations.

The Federal Trade Commission is now reviewing the proposal and could rule sometime next year. Kroger-Albertsons says its prepared to fight in court

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Chris Cargill
Mountain States Policy Center, president and CEO

About Mountain States Policy Center

Founded in 2022, Mountain States Policy Center is based in Boise and Coeur d’Alene, and is an independent think tank that believes in providing research and recommendations to lawmakers, the media and the public, based on facts — not emotion. Harnessing the power of publications, conferences and video events, MSPC brings forward free market solutions to our region’s biggest challenges and will be a watchdog to improve government transparency and effectiveness. Our mission is to empower those in the Mountain States to succeed through non-partisan, quality research that promotes free enterprise, individual liberty and limited government.

Homedale resident Oscar Evans is on the board of directors.

Learn more at mountainstatespolicy.org.



JP Doodles



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

From Washington More questions than answers with Biden’s ambiguous tax audit directive

President Biden has hit the campaign trail touting the so-called victories of “Bidenomics.” However, for most Idahoans, Bidenomics has meant record-high grocery bills, soaring housing costs, a \$33 trillion national debt and a higher tax burden. Despite these negative economic conditions, the Administration is steadfast in its campaign to convince low- and middle-income taxpayers that this economy is working for them. But, the facts do not support the spin. Take, for example, Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen’s directive that tax audits will not increase on households making under \$400,000 annually. Beneath the comforting simplicity of this directive lurk questionable details raising concerns as to how it may affect Idahoans and all American taxpayers.

This includes, what does “making under \$400,000” truly mean? When my Republican colleagues and I asked IRS Commissioner Danny Werfel, he responded that audit rates would be tentatively benchmarked to audits for 2018 tax filings and the income threshold would be \$400,000 of “total positive income” (TPI). Unfortunately, Commissioner Werfel’s answers create more questions. To most Americans, what they “make” means what they take home after paying expenses and incurring losses. But, TPI is defined by the IRS as “the sum of all positive amounts shown for the various sources of income reported on the individual tax return, and losses are treated as \$0.”

This could impact many taxpayers who in reality make far less than \$400,000. How would this affect an Idaho small business owner whose gross sales generate more than \$400,000, but after expenses and losses, takes home much less? TPI appears to

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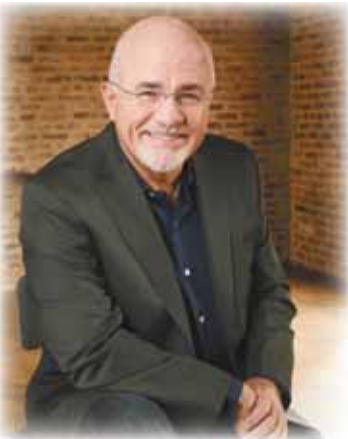
be an extremely broad measure that will catch many unsuspecting taxpayers in the IRS’s audit dragnet. This is not the only tax trap set by the directive. The directive also appears to include a marriage penalty,

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Commentary

Financial management

Too much risk for live-in house flip while renting space



DAVE Says
by Dave Ramsey • www.davesays.org

Dear Dave,

My husband and I want to do a live-in and flip real estate purchase. The idea is to buy a fixer-upper and rent out the basement to help with the mortgage payments. How do you feel about ideas like this?

— Erin

Dear Erin,

In a situation like this you need to do a basic business analysis. You’ve got to have a plan in place, and you’ve got to figure out the worst-case scenario. Part of this is determining whether you can

survive if things fall apart. In this case, the worst case is that you can’t get a renter, and the house doesn’t sell. It puts your family in jeopardy, so to me it’s not an option.

Want my honest opinion? I think you’ve both got a case of house fever right now. The possibility I just mentioned isn’t a rare occurrence. Lots of people have had the same idea, with the best of intentions, and still wound up in a big mess. I love real estate. I mean I really love real estate. And I’ve flipped more than a few houses in my day. But the particulars of this deal make

me a little nervous. If you and your husband are willing to accept the possibility of things not working out like you planned — and the fact you might have to take additional jobs for an unknown length of time just to make ends meet — then it might be a play. But for me? Nope. I don’t like putting myself into these kinds of situations.

When I was much younger, I was willing to do all kinds of dangerous stuff and ignore the risk. But going broke decades ago knocked that kind of thinking out of me in a hurry. Any deal that runs the risk of

leaving you bankrupt, or the victim of a foreclosure, just isn’t worth it, Erin.

— 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.

Letter to the editor

Federal agency’s mining withdrawal corrects error

The recent Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announcement of withdrawing 311 acres of land in Silver City from new Mining Claim entries is nothing new.

This area was withdrawn back in 1980 for a period of 25 years. It was done at the same time titles to properties in Silver City were being transferred to homeowners.

The withdrawal only applied to property within Silver City. It expired in 2005 without notice to anyone other than in the Federal Register. The BLM has admitted that it was an error on their part to let the withdrawal expire.

I have spent the last two to three years pushing to get a new withdrawal enacted. BLM could not re-enact the old withdrawal.

I have talked with Intregra Mining about this, and they support it.

A public hearing is not required in this process. The proposed area to be withdrawn is currently frozen from new mining claim entries for two years while this process is completed.

The withdrawal does not affect existing claims.
Clarence Orton
Silver City property owner

Letters to the editor

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

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

- E-mailed to jon@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.

✓ Merger: Proposal could “level playing field”

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to ensure the merger goes through. No supermarket mergers have been litigated since 1988.

It is likely the largest dispute will be over what defines the term “supermarket.” Does it have to be a traditional brick-and-mortar location? Will online supermarkets be counted? If not, why? It is clear that Amazon, Walmart and Costco directly compete with Kroger and Albertsons, so why wouldn’t they be included in any merger analysis?

Nearly 30 years ago, supermarkets accounted for 81 percent of retail sales. That dropped to 61 percent a decade later, and today, it’s near 50 percent. Where have all of the customers gone? Online and warehouse

stores.

An economist with the Strategic Resource Group recently told Yahoo Finance “Kroger’s acquisition of Albertsons is the last, best, and final chance to level the playing field.”

As with any proposal, there is fear of the unknown. But we shouldn’t let fear destroy an opportunity to increase competition and improve the outlook for the consumer.

— Area Albertsons officials have said that it’s highly unlikely that the Boise-based chain’s Homedale store will be among the more than 400 locations expected to close.
— Ed.

✓ Audit: \$400K threshold may not be enough

From Page 18

as the \$400,000 threshold applies to a single individual, while couples must share it.

A closer examination of what freezing audits at the 2018 level means for taxpayers reveals more reason for concern.

- IRS statistics show 485,074 individual returns reporting less than \$200,000 had their 2018 tax returns audited. Does this mean that moving forward, we should expect nearly half a million hard-working Americans making less than \$200,000 to undergo audits annually, while IRS’s customer service remains deficient?

- Because the directive is unenforceable and has no accountability mechanism, how will taxpayers know if the IRS breaks its promise by auditing more under the \$400,000 threshold than it did in 2018, and how will the Administration compensate those who should not have been audited?

- The directive’s 2018 audit standard could be short-lived. When asked how long 2018 audit levels would last, Commissioner Werfel said, “We’ll revisit that in a few years and see where we are.” This tracks with what the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office has said, which is that in a few years a significant

number of newly trained IRS auditors will be ready to examine taxpayers.

The Administration’s \$400,000 directive is not designed to just narrowly target “millionaires and billionaires.” Rather, the directive’s ambiguous wording would enable the IRS to target the largest part of the tax gap (the difference between taxes owed and taxes paid), underreporting by those making less than \$400,000 a year.

I introduced legislation that would make the directive meaningful by replacing the ambiguous income standard and vague timeframe with a clear, taxable income standard effective during the 10 years the IRS will spend its super-sized enforcement budget. Putting the Administration’s directive into law, in contrast to nonbinding statements of intention or unenforceable, vague Treasury Department edicts, will truly protect low- and middle-income taxpayers from the coming wave of IRS examinations.

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

We welcome letters to the editor
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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

November 18, 1998



Rimrock receives new look...

Glen Macy, left, and Jim Dawson, right, plant trees that were donated by A to Z Lumber at Rimrock High School. Amanda Dawson, center, approving editor of the “Raider.”

Donated trees start a new tradition at Rimrock

Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School is home to two new spruce trees thanks to A to Z Hardware, Renter Center, and Mountain View Garden Center of Mountain Home.

The donation was the idea of A to Z’s manager, Jace Prow, a former Raider. Prow mentioned the idea to yearbook staff members selling ads.

Jim Dawson and Glen Macy, maintenance crew at the school, planted the trees by the student parking lot, a corner of the campus that had no trees.

“Many thanks to Jace,” Yearbook advisor Cheryl Whiteside said. “He has started a tradition that will benefit Rimrock for many years to come.”

Homedale next goal: state championship

With a 49-27 victory over the Declo Hornets last Saturday, the Homedale Trojans again will travel to the Holt Arena in Pocatello.

The No. 3 ranked Trojans, 9-1, will defend their A-3 state title against the No. 1 ranked Firth Cougars. Homedale beat Firth 30-21 last year to gain the state championship title.

Dist. announces school closure

Homedale School District has announced closing schools on Friday, November 20. The school district, at a meeting Monday, decided to close the schools for the day due to the state championship football game in Pocatello. School will resume on Monday.

Block grant hearing in Homedale tonight

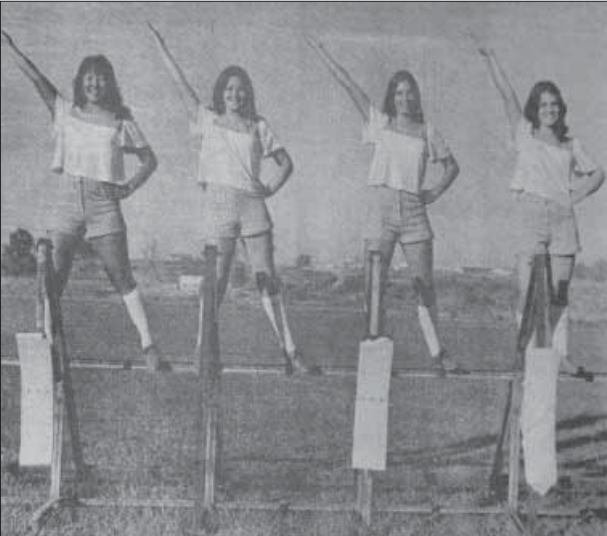
The city of Homedale will hold a public hearing Wednesday to consider applying for two Idaho Community Development Block Grants, one for downtown revitalization, the other to make improvements to the city’s water system.

The hearing will be held before the Homedale City Council at 6 p.m. at city hall.

The total project costs are approximately \$1,150,000 with \$145,000 in local match for the revitalization project; and \$1,250,000 with \$275,000 in local match for the water system improvement project. Both applications will be submitted to the Idaho Department of Commerce.

50 years ago

November 15, 1973



JUNIOR VARSITY cheerleaders chosen at Homedale High School pose atop a football practice gate: From left, Robin Arima, a sophomore; Julie Waite, a sophomore; Korene Kent, a freshman; and Kelly Murray, a freshman. Photo by Bette Uda.

Arvin Millwork plant ripped by freak windstorm

Damage estimated at \$20,000 was suffered at the Arvin Millwork plant southeast of Homedale when a freak south wind struck the plant, tearing off about one-third of the main plant roof, and damaging the whole roof.

The near cyclone wind hit about 9:15 a.m. Monday, snapping off a huge power pole like a match stick and ripping out a 1½-inch gas line to the pre-finish plant, as well as damaging the power line.

Pieces of the roof fell onto the parking lot, damaging automobiles.

Tom Arvin, owner-manager, said the plant was shut down for the balance of the day, but the main plant was reopened Tuesday, and will be able to operate unless rain hinders until the roof is repaired.

The pre-finish plant will be closed for about 10 days while the gas line is being repaired, Arvin estimated.

Owyhee Highway extended to Hammett

The Idaho Board of Highway Directors has approved a 15.9-mile extension of S.H. 78 (The Owyhee Highway) from the junction of S.H. 51 northeast of Bruneau to a junction with U.S. 30 Business Loop at Hammett effective Dec. 1, subject to approval of local road units involved.

S.H. 78 would extend from Marsing to a connection with I-80N via a junction north of Hammett.

Blaze damages school shop when trash ignites

The Homedale Volunteer Fire Department responded on the double shortly before 10 o’clock Wednesday morning when a fire was reported in the shop room at the high school.

Smoke and flames were pouring from windows in the southeast corner of the building when firemen rolled up with two tank trucks and doused the blaze.

School Supt. Deward Bell said the fire originated in a refuse barrel standing in the corner near the paint room. Shavings in the barrel caught fire, either from sparks from a welding torch, or when some hot metal was thrown into it.

The fire went up the wall and burned lumber, burlap sacks and other material stacked atop the paint room, but did not penetrate into the paint room itself, nor through the ceiling.

153 years ago

November 12, 1870

Mining Items.

Chariot stock has gone up to \$68 per share and, in a day or two, will undoubtedly be quoted at \$70. Even at the latter figures it is a safe investment, because the stock will most likely go up to \$100 inside of 90 days. It is estimated that 1,250 tons of ore will be taken from the mine this month. The Company have wood enough at the mine to last eighteen months, and lumber enough on hand for more than a year.

About 400 tons of ore will be taken from the Ida Elmore this month that will yield between \$40 and \$50 per ton. Elmore stock is looking up.

Operations have been resumed on the Potosi, the tunnel of which is being extended into the hill.

Jim Miller has discovered a quartz ledge at Fairview, and asks a thousand dollars for his interest therein.

A PLEASANT PARTY.—H. B. Eastman, of the Idaho Hotel, treated a number of his friends to a social dance last Monday evening. A splendid supper was provided, and the light-footed dancers kept time to the merry music of guitar and violin till one o’clock in the morning.

Local Hints and Happenings.

Whoever stole the broom from the District Schoolroom during vacation, had better return it or the schoolmarm will get after him with a sharp stick.

J. M. Wilson is back from San Francisco.

Splendid Tom and Jerry can be had at the Shade saloon.

Thanks to Joe Short for favors on press night a week ago.

Catalow has a fine lot of bologna-sausage at his meat market.

The most difficult punctuation is putting a stop to a gossip’s tongue.

All the young men in town with red mustaches are talking of dying for love.

C. S. Miller returned from San Francisco and went over to Flint this week.

A New York agent has been in town several days buying up Oregon War scrip.

Inasmuch as no person can avoid his own company, it would seem important that he should make it as good as possible.

Col. Fogus, T. B. Pheby and G. W. Grayson, got back from San Francisco last night.

“The deadliest spot on earth” has been found out to be the store that does not advertise.

We should more seldom take offence at each other if we looked oftener at the *why* than the *what*.

Mrs. Orendorff’s Fair is in operation yet, and will probably continue till all the articles are disposed of. Try your luck.

Bob. Drummond got back from the Snake river mines this week, and says that he is Snake bitten enough to last him some time.

Rush up to the AVALANCHE office and buy your tickets for the Nevada lottery. Only \$2.50 each, with a chance of winning the \$10,000 prize.

Johnny Nevison, for a long time in the employ of Huelat & Co., has gone to Portland, Oregon, where he intends to reside permanently.

The total amount of Golden Chariot bullion received at the Company’s office in San Francisco, during the month of October was \$78,576.30.

Public notices

BOARD OF OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
October 2023 Synopsis
October 2
-Approved the claims report as presented: Current Expenses-\$159,540; R&B-\$2,109; Dist. Court-\$170; Probation-\$124; I&C-\$12,000; Revaluation-\$566; Solid Waste-\$7,425; 911-\$4,583; Waterways-\$1,227; Off Hwy Vehicles-\$6,649; Capital Project Fund/ARPA-\$15,187.
-Approved the M2 Quote – Homedale Justice Center Cameras, Badging System, and Controls in the amount of \$74,343.10 with the Chairman’s signature for the Board.
-Approved the minutes from the September 25, 2023 meetings.
-Approved the Allied Business Solutions Printer Agreement for the Sheriff’s Office in the amount of \$440 per month for 63 months.
-Approved the Civil Science Change Order #2 for the North Fork Boulder Creek Bridge Project, with a decrease in the amount of \$4,500.00, for a new total in the amount of \$23,490.00.
-Approved the Idaho GeoComm GIS Services Contract for the Sheriff’s Office in the amount of \$37,873.00, with the Chairman’s signature for the Board.
-Approved the Medical Services FY2024 Contract between Sawtooth Correctional Medicine with Eric Wells and the Sheriff’s Office in the amount of \$35,220.00 per year or \$2,935 per month.
-Approved the Polling Locations for November 7, 2023 Election.
-Approved the Succor Creek Construction Pay Application #1 for architecture work done on the Owyhee County Justice Center located in Homedale, Idaho in the amount of \$85,821.90.
-Approved the Twin Falls Highway District Fiscal years 2024, 2025, & 2026 Road Maintenance Agreement with an annual payment of \$1,500 (County budget allowing).
-Approved the University of Idaho FY2024 memorandum of understanding with all three Commissioner signatures on page five (5) and the signature of the Chairman on page seven (7).
-Approved the certificates of residency 2023-08 & 2023-09 for College of Southern Idaho and certificate of residency 2023-20 for College of Western Idaho.
-At 9:43 a.m. went into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206 (c) interest in real property. Open session was resumed at 9:51 a.m. No action was taken.
-Approved County Resolution 2023-37: Road Name Update - Pleasant Valley Rd / Trout Creek Rd - Yturri Rd / Will Become Trout Creek Road.
-Approved the proposed County RV Ordinance from the County Planning & Zoning Commissioners, to proceed with enforcement of the current provisions as ascribed in Title 9 of County Code regarding RV being used as long-term dwellings on private property, and to set a public hearing date for November 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the County courthouse in Murphy, Idaho.

October 4
-Approved County Resolution 2023-38 - Owyhee County Resolution Closing a certain area for a controlled burn - Johnson

Draw. Seconded by Commissioner Hoagland. Motion carried.

October 10
-Approved the claims report as presented: Current Expenses-\$12,094; R&B-\$7,791; Fair-\$3,871; Probation-\$1,743; Health Dist.-\$9,316; Historical Society & Museum-\$224; I&C-\$19,083; Revaluation-\$320; Solid Waste-\$16,431; Waterways-\$302; Elections-\$476; Capital Project Fund/ARPA-\$87,053; Self-Insurance-\$3,150.
-Approved the minutes from the October 2, 2023 meetings.
-Approved the catering permit for Y Knot Winery November 10-12 for the Bruneau Cowboy Christmas event.
-Approved the DataTel Cloud Phone Service (contract number 39041) for the Owyhee County Justice Center in Homedale for the amount of \$621.60 per month.
-Approved the Probation Department Support Services Coordinator Contract with Donnie Harkins at \$35.00 per hour.
-At 9:35 a.m. went into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206 (a) personnel. Open session was resumed at 10:00 a.m. No action was taken.
-At 10:02 a.m. went into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206 (f) possible litigation. Open session was resumed at 10:15 a.m. No action was taken.

October 16
-Approved the claims report as presented: Current Expenses-\$67,158; R&B-\$8,767; Dist. Court-\$156; Fair-\$1,415; I&C-\$830; Solid Waste-\$94; Elections-\$1,391; Capital Project Fund/ARPA-\$37,172; Self-Insurance-\$3,150.
-Approved the minutes from the October 4 and October 10, 2023 meetings.
-Approved the Ada County FY2024 Pathology Agreement.
-Approved the catering permit for Gem Lounge on November 4, 2023 for the Froadn Fabrication Fox Hunt.
-Approved the City of Homedale Land Purchase for the parcel on Nevada Street in the amount of \$118,500.
-Approved the County Comment Letter to Twin Falls Dist. BLM re Proposed Shooting Ranges.
-Approved the Digital Voice Technologies audio and visual estimate for the Homedale Justice Center courtroom in the amount of \$74,605.01.
-Approved the Chairman’s signature for the Board on the Digital Voice Technologies audio and visual estimate for the Homedale Justice Center courtroom.
-Approved the Owyhee County Juvenile Corrections 2023 Annual Report with the Chairman’s signature for the Board.
-Approved the new hire of April Binford for the County Community Rental Manager, at the pay rate of \$18.27 per hour, effective October 16, 2023.
-At 12:37 p.m. went into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206 (a) personnel. Open session was resumed at 12:57 p.m.
-Accepted the resignation of Ginger Loucks as County Fair board Secretary.

October 23
-Approved the claims report as presented: Current Expenses-\$99,606; R&B-\$89,968; Dist. Court-\$219; Fair-\$1,415;

Probation-\$236; Historical Society & Museum-\$601; I&C-\$900; Pest-\$3,500; Revaluation-\$75; Solid Waste-\$757; 911-\$13,014; Off Hwy Vehicles-\$77; Elections-\$53,485; Capital Project Fund/ARPA-\$45,917; Self-Insurance-\$3,150.
-Approved the minutes from the October 16, 2023 meetings.
-Approved the catering permit for Grant’s Grill for Owyhee County Historical Society for the Christmas Tree Lighting on November 17 from 4:00 – 9:00 p.m.
-Approved the Certification of levies – 2023 L1.
-Approved the Succor Creek Construction Change Order #1 for the roof on the County Justice Center in Homedale, changing from an asphalt roof to a metal roof, with a price increase of \$12,503.68.
-Approved the County Comment re Canyonlands West Travel Management Plan-Environmental Assessment.
-Approved the Homedale Hwy request for funds in the amount of \$12,932.56 towards the new South Canal Culvert on Johnstone Road.
-Approved the Idaho Council on Domestic Violence & Victim Assistance Subgrant (No. VC3927), for the County Victim Witness Coordinator position, in the amount of \$56,580, with the Chairman’s signature for the Board.
-Approved the Idaho Power quote in the amount of \$1,101.00 for the removal of power pole at 8 N 2nd St W, Homedale with the Commissioner signature for the Board.
-Approved the Solid Waste new hire of Holly Hernandez for part-time, as needed help, at \$13.32 per hour, effective on October 20, 2023.
11/15/2023

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
OWYHEE COUNTY
JOINT MEETING BEFORE
THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS &
PLANNING & ZONING
COMMISSION
On November 15, 2023, at 6:30 pm, the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners will meet jointly with the Planning and Zoning Commission to hold a fourth public meeting to take additional comments and input on the proposed Recreational Vehicle (RV) Ordinance. The public meeting will be held in courtroom 1 of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 20381 State Hwy 78 Murphy, Idaho.
Beginning at 6:30 pm, a public comment meeting will be held to get input on the proposed RV ordinance for Owyhee County. The proposed ordinance outlines regulations regarding living in RVs and sets out a process for temporary use.
Additional information about this meeting is available at owyheecounty.net under Public Hearing Documents on the Community Planning page. Copies of the ordinance are available for review in the Community Planning office, or on the webpage listed above. For additional information please call 208-495-2095 ext. 2.
10/18;11/01,15/2023

ORDINANCE NO. A- 233
AN ORDINANCE OF THE
CITY OF MARSING, IDAHO
AMENDING CHAPTER 8 TO

TITLE 5 OF THE MARSING CITY CODE; PROVIDING REGULATIONS FOR THE PARKING OF CAMPERS, MOTOR HOMES AND TRAILERS IN THE CITY OF MARSING; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
WHEREAS, City of Marsing desires to amend its regulation for the parking of campers, motorhomes, and trailers within the City of Marsing for the benefit of its citizens,
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSING, IDAHO:
Section 3 shall be amended as follows:
Campers, motor homes and trailers may not be occupied for more than three consecutive nights and may not be occupied more than a total of fifteen days in any calendar year unless parked in a designated RV park.
This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval, and publication in the official newspaper of the City.
APPROVED by the Mayor and City Council this 8th day of November, 2023.
CITY OF MARSING
Owyhee County, Idaho
/s/ Hayzen Cordon, Mayor
ATTEST:
/s/ Jolyn Thompson, City Clerk
11/15/2023

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 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.
11/01,08/2023

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
SOUTHWEST DISTRICT
HEALTH
COMMERCIAL CLEANING
PROJECT
Southwest District Health is seeking Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for commercial cleaning services for three locations. The RFP will open Wednesday, November 29, 2023 and will close Friday, December 8, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. Mountain Time. The full RFP document is available for viewing at <https://swdh.id.gov/contract-opportunities>. The RFP lead is Brian Mohr, Southwest District Health, Brian.Mohr@phd3.idaho.gov.
Proposals must be received by 11:59 p.m. on the RFP closing date of December 8, 2023 and may be submitted in person between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell, Idaho, electronically to the RFP lead, Brian Mohr, at Brian.Mohr@phd3.idaho.gov, or by mail to 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell, Idaho, 83607.
Sealed proposals will be opened Monday, December 11, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at Southwest District Health, Canyon Room, 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell, Idaho, 83607.
11/15,29/2023

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

TS No: ID-23-968567-SW

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on 3/20/2024, at the hour of 11:00 AM, In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, the trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

IN TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, BOISE MERIDIAN, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, SECTION 35: A PARCEL IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, BOISE MERIDIAN, AND BEING THE CENTER LINE OF THE COUNTY ROAD THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING;

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 35, A DISTANCE OF 405 FEET TO A POINT;

THENCE NORTH 89°58’ WEST A DISTANCE OF 107.56 FEET TO A POINT;

THENCE SOUTH PARALLEL TO AND 107.56 FEET WEST FROM THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 35 A DISTANCE OF 405 FEET TO A POINT;

THENCE SOUTH 89°58’ EAST A DISTANCE OF 107.56 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

The Current Trustee is Robert W. McDonald, Esq., whose address is 108 1st Ave. South, Suite 450, Seattle, Washington 98104 and who can be reached by telephone at (866) 925-0241.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-described real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of 8691 CLARK RD, MARSING, ID 83639 may be associated with said real property.

The 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 made and entered into on 4/29/2001, by and among DOROTHY J BURTCHETT, A MARRIED WOMAN, AS HER SEPARATE ESTATE AND ALLEN J BURTCHETT, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SEPARATE ESTATE, as Grantor, and FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY, as Trustee, and OPTION ONE MORTGAGE CORPORATION, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust having been filed of record on 5/10/2001, as Instrument No. 235838 Official Records of OWYHEE County, Idaho. The naming of the above Grantor(s) is done to comply with Idaho Code Sections 45-1506(4)(a); no

representation is made as to the responsibility of Grantor(s) for this obligation.

The default for which foreclosure is made is grantor’s failure to pay when due the following sum: TOTAL REQUIRED TO REINSTATE: \$3,885.06 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$41,347.59 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day-to-day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. It will be necessary for you to contact the Trustee before the time you tender reinstatement or the payoff amount so that you may be advised of the exact amount you will be required to pay.

Dated this 6th day of November, 2023.

By: Robert W. McDonald, Esq., Trustee

TS No: ID-23-968567-SW
IDSPub #0189309
11/15,22,29;12/06/2023

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 COUNTY, 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

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Idaho State Bar No: 1479
Attorneys for Plaintiffs

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho:

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DERCK INVESTMENT CORP
1444 N KNIGHTS DR
BOISE, ID 83712-6557
Point of Diversion L1 (NENE)
S34 T01S R02W OWYHEE County
Source SNAKE RIVER
Tributary COLUMBIA RIVER
Use: IRRIGATION
03/01 to 11/15; 3.32 CFS
Total Diversion: 3.32 CFS
Date Filed: 04-26-2023
Place Of Use: IRRIGATION
T01S R02W S34 SWNE, NESW, SESW, NESE, NWSE, SWSE, SESE
T02S R02W S3 L1 (NENE), L2

(NWNW), SWNE, L3 (NENW), L4 (NWNW), SENW
Total Acres: 166

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property location, contact the Western Region office at (208)334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s), please see <https://idwr.idaho.gov/apps/ExtSearch/WRAApplicationResults/>. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of this application 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 12/4/2023. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

MATHEW WEAVER,
Director
11/15,22/2023

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT

TRANSFER NO. 88232

DERCK INVESTMENT CORP, 1444 N KNIGHTS DR, BOISE, ID 83712-6557 has filed Application No. 88232 for changes to the following water rights within OWYHEE County(s): Right No(s). 2-7017B, 57-192, 57-193, 57-2194; to see a full description of these rights and the proposed transfer, please see <https://research.idwr.idaho.gov/apps/waterrights/querynewtransfers/>. The purpose of the transfer is to change a portion of the above rights as follows:

To change the place of use for water right 2-7017B by reconciling differences between the recorded places of use and the actual places of use for 434 acres of irrigation from the Snake River. In addition, a 600-acre permissible place of use (PPU) for irrigation will be created through the combined use of ground water rights 57-192, 57-193, 57-2194 and 2-7017B. Water will be used at the current place of use near the intersection of Hwy 78 (Marsing Murphy Highway) and Guffey Lane, approximately 4 miles north of Murphy, ID, in Owyhee County.

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 12/4/2023. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

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SOUTH BOARD OF CONTROL (SBOC) is looking for a manager for the South Board of Control irrigation delivery system. The Manager of SBOC administers and implements the policies, programs and rules adopted by the South Board of Control, Board of Directors. The Manager is responsible for the day-to-day management of operations and successful leadership of the SBOC. — While working under the general policies and objectives of the South Board of Control, Board of Directors, the Manager leads the executive management with responsibility for the delivery of water to the irrigation district patrons that compose the SBOC. The Manager is responsible for the planning and successful completion of all projects, including employee output, moral, adhering to operational procedures and rules adopted by the SBOC. — A full job description can be found at <http://www.southboardofcontrol.com> — If you have any question please contact Steve Clapier, Chairman, South Board of Control (208) 249-4372 — Applications can be picked up at the SBOC office 118 S 1st ST W. Homedale, or requested by email. — Please send applications, cover letter and resume to Office@southboardofcontrol.com Or by mail to South Board of Control, P.O. Box 67, Homedale, ID. 83628. — This is a full time, full benefit position. Salary will be determined based on experience. All applications need to be in by November 30th. The person selected should anticipate beginning employment January 1st, 2024

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Colleagues recognize Barkell’s willingness to help

County clerk brings home IAC Mills-Adler Award

Owyhee County Clerk Angie Barkell was among seven elected officials to earn a prestigious award at the Idaho Association of Counties annual conference.

Barkell and the others were given the Mills-Adler Award in recognition of their dedication and significant contributions to the counties they serve.

“I was so honored to be considered for the award, but even more grateful to be selected,” Barkell said.

“The selection committee is made up of previous recipients of this award, so I was humbled that they chose me. It was a very wonderful surprise for sure.”

Barkell became county clerk in 2011.

In addition to her job at the courthouse in Murphy, Barkell chairs the Idaho Association of County Recorders and Clerks

(IACRC) Ad Hoc Committee and serves on the IACRC Budget / Auditing and Judicial Committee.

Over the years, she has participated on numerous IAC committees and also had stints as president for the IACRC and the Idaho Association of Commissioners and Clerks.

“Angie’s positive, no-nonsense personality, always cheerful, and leadership of her employees has made a good working environment,” Board of County Commissioners chair Jerry Hoagland said. “That same attitude has carried on to her commitment at the IAC where she is highly respected.

“It is an honor for me to be able to work with her. Angie certainly deserves this award.”

Barkell’s nomination said she “will contribute fully and will be a trusted source of in-



Owyhee County Clerk Angie Barkell accepts her award from Idaho Association of County Recorders and Clerks president Doug Miller, who is the Valley County Clerk. Submitted photo

formation” when she is part of a committee or board.

“She is generous with her time and never hesitates to offer guidance or help trouble-

shoot an issue,” according to the nomination.

Her willingness to help even comes through during “extremely busy” budget time,

according to IAC’s nomination letter.

“... if a new clerk needs help with their budget, she will drop everything and walk them through it, including having them send her what they have so she can review it.”

The award ceremony took place during the conference in September at the Riverside Hotel in Boise.

The group’s executive director, Seth Grigg, received the highest honor on the ceremony — the H. Sydney Duncombe Award for Excellence in County Government.

Other Mills-Adler recipients included Jenny Rosin, Lemhi County Assessor; Philip Lampert, Benewah County Commissioner; Craig Rinehart, Cassia County Coroner; Bruce Withers, Lemhi County Prosecuting Attorney; Chris Goetz, Clearwater County Sheriff; and Sabrina Young, Washington County Treasurer.

— JPB

Shaping the Future Community Poll for the TRIANGLE parcel

The purpose of this POLL is to involve us, the residents of the City of Marsing, Owyhee and Canyon Counties, and the greater Sunnyslope area, to identify possible developments for the TRIANGLE that would emphasize our special location in Southwest Idaho. We have highlighted the area’s history below, followed by a short poll.

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.

Have you ever thought, “I wonder what will happen there and Churruca Lane”? Well, You are traveling through an area that has been a ‘crossroads’ for centuries. Beginning with the Bonneville Flood, shaping the Snake River plains, aboriginal peoples living along the Snake (Celebration Park), the pioneer migration along the Oregon Trail (mid-1800s), settlers and discovery of gold in the Owyhees (1862), commercial ferries across the Snake in 1887 (Froman’s and Henderson’s Ferries), the WW II POW camp, Churruca Lane and Churruca Service Station through the 40s, 50s, 60s and into the 70s, and finally the construction of the ‘new’ bridge’ at Marsing and rerouting of Hwy 55 in 1955. The current phase of Marsing and Sunny Slope has continued to morph agriculturally into the premier wine region of Idaho and the Northwest. In order to emphasize our uniqueness and support agriculture, your input is requested.

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.

The poll can also be filled out online using the QR code & at <https://forms.gle/uBibUckiAQ1ymYXMA>

Classic hoops rivalry added to Integra community dinner

Integra DeLamar’s third annual Community Appreciation Dinner will come with a new twist on entertainment this year.

The Miners & Ranchers Basketball Game will highlight the event, which will take place on Saturday at Jordan Valley High School.

The game starts at 5 p.m., and dinner will be served immediately afterward.

No RSVP is required for the free family event.

Integra will deliver hot meals to folks within the Jordan Valley city limits who are unable to leave home for the event. Call Tara Echave at Jordan Valley High School at (541) 586-2213 to get on the delivery list.

The dinner is provided in partnership with Kershner Custom Meats and the Jordan Valley High School Student Council.

Email community@integradelamar.com with questions.

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