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Bagpiper on the butte

Marsing native, former OCSO deputy, to play Easter service

Early Sunday morning, Aron Streibel will walk in his ancestors' footsteps as a bagpiper on a hill.

The Marsing native has been asked to put his new talent to use and provide special music for the 87th annual Lizard Butte Easter Sunrise Service.

"I've always been interested in bagpipes," Streibel said. "Like anybody else, when you hear bagpipes, it strikes a chord."

"It's a curious instrument that has always interested me having Northern European and Scottish heritage."

Streibel will play "Amazing Grace" during the service, and he'll play a collection of traditional Scottish tunes as the congregation ambles down the butte to their vehicles at the end of the service.

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Sheriff's deputy is no stranger to public performances even though he has only been playing Scottish bagpipes for about five years.

He played a mass band event with other pipers and drummers from around the country and five different nations during the Tournament of Roses

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Right: Pipe major Aron Streibel leads the Caldwell Police Honor Platoon during a public appearance. Submitted photo

COSSA first to offer Advanced EMT to high-schoolers

Teacher: Program is first of its kind in nation

The State of Idaho has put renewed emphasis on career and technical education (CTE), and the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency is on the cutting edge to provide opportunities.

The COSSA Regional Technical and Education Center has launched the nation's first Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) course for high school students.

Students can enroll for the fall semester now, but COSSA EMT instructor Scott Webb said the advanced class began in the current school year.

Two seniors — one from Parma and one from New Plymouth — will graduate with

the advanced certification.

Half of this year's EMT students want to come back for the advanced class next year, Webb said.

He is looking for more students from the Homedale and Marsing school districts. There is only one Homedale student in the program this year, and she's a senior.

A third-year COSSA instructor, Webb spearheads the innovative program that will give students a chance to graduate high school with two EMT certifications.

Webb said the advanced class will be available for the full year beginning in

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Emergency medical technician students at the Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency campus in Wilder learn their skills with the help of a high-tech mannequin inside an ambulance simulator. Submitted photo



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Marsing not overlooked in Easter service overlooking town

87th Lizard Butte event set for Sunday

There are some Marsing memories to be had for anyone planning to attend the 87th annual Lizard Butte Easter Sunrise Service.

The service will start at 7:30 a.m., on Sunday atop Lizard Butte above Idaho highway 55 northwest of Marsing in Canyon County.

Former Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputy Aron Streibel, who is now a Caldwell Police officer, will play bagpipes for the ceremony.

A Marsing-area native, Streibel and his wife Janna have three sons.

Since picking up bagpipes, Streibel has joined the Boise Highlanders Pipes and Drums, and he helped establish the Caldwell Police Honor Platoon of pipers and drummers.

Former Marsing High School track and field coach — and teacher — Jim Eisentrager will provide the invocation and welcome.

Now the Nampa Christian High School principal, Eisentrager is also on the Lizard Butte Easter Sunrise Association board of directors.

Marsing Church of the Nazarene pastor Jody Hampton will give this year’s benediction and closing.

The gates for parking open at 5 a.m., and volunteers were being sought via Facebook last Wednesday to help park cars.

This year’s Easter message will be given by the Rev. Grant Miller from Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa.

The event will begin when the Kuna High School Air Force Junior ROTC color guard posts the colors.

Before sunrise, the angels at the cross will take their stations

near the large white cross atop the butte. This year’s angels are Payton Wheeler and Fiona Cayler, who are the grandchildren of association board member Cyndi Rogers, and the great-grandchildren of long-standing board members Fred and Connie Hill.

After Eisentrager’s invocation, Riley and Madeleine Fast will present the congregational guitar-led music of “The Old Rugged Cross” and “Christ Arose.”

Jordan and Nolan Blenker, a brother and sister who attend Nampa Christian High School, will read Scripture from Matthew 28.

The Lizard Butte Easter Sunrise Association welcomes donations to help with the annual production. Visit www.LizardButteSunrise.com for more information on the service or to get involved.



Just like last year, the Kuna High School Air Force Junior ROTC color guard will present the colors prior to the sunrise service Sunday. Submitted photo

— JPB

Several churches offer Easter service, breakfast options

Holy Week Luncheon Friday at Homedale Presbyterian

Churches throughout Owyhee County have several Holy Week events planned.

Homedale Assembly of God, 15 W. Montana Ave. — Pastor Ivar Moore and his organizers plan a free pancake breakfast on Saturday at the church after the Homedale Chamber of Commerce Easter Egg hunt wraps up at Sundance Park.

The Assembly of God will hold a Good Friday service at 7 p.m., and a Resurrection

service at 10:30 a.m., on Easter Sunday. Call (208) 412-2946.

Homedale Calvary Fellowship, 711 W. Idaho Ave. — 7 p.m., Good Friday service; 7 a.m., to 8 a.m., Easter Sunday breakfast; and 8:30 a.m., Easter sunrise service. Call (208) 296-7275

Homedale Ministerial Association — A Holy Week luncheon will be held from noon to 1 p.m., on Good Friday at First Presbyterian Church,

320 N. 6th St. W. Call (208) 337-5021

The Presbyterian church and the Trinity Free Holiness Church (Samuel Page, pastor) are co-hosts for the luncheon. The Trinity Free is located at 119 N. Main St., in Homedale.

Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road — According to administrative pastor Jayson Martindale, the church at the intersection of Batt Corner Road and Ustick Road between Homedale and Wilder will have an Easter Eggstravaganza

for children through sixth grade during Sunday’s Easter morning worship. Worship starts at 10:30 a.m., and the children will participate in crafts and an Easter egg hunt. Call (208) 337-3151

Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho St., Grand View — Pastor Ivan Shetler said there will be a 7:30 a.m., Easter sunrise service followed by an Easter Sunday breakfast at 9 a.m. Call (208) 834-2639

First Nazarene Church, 12 2nd Ave. W., Marsing — Pastor Jody Hampton will lead a 6

p.m., Good Friday service. Easter Sunday will feature an 8 a.m., breakfast, and a 10:30 a.m., service. There will be no Sunday School or Sunday evening service this week. Call (208) 649-5256

First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale — Pastor Heidi Smith-Takatori said the church will hold a 9:30 a.m., Easter Sunday breakfast followed by an 11 a.m., Easter service. An Easter egg hunt for the children will be held after the service, starting at approximately 12:15 p.m. Call (208) 303-7414

Marsing AcaDeca readying for (unexpected) return trip to nationals

A surprise development has put the Marsing High School Academic Decathlon on the road to nationals again.

According to advisor Lennie Freeman, Marsing has the opportunity to return to the national tournament after another school was unable to make a trip happen.

This year’s competition will

be held in Pittsburgh, Pa., on April 25-27.

“We have been fundraising all year, but have a bit more to go,” Freeman said, adding the Academic Decathlon had \$5,500 but another \$3,834 was

necessary to reach the goal of \$425 per decathlete.

Donations can be dropped off at the junior high school/ high school office, or folks can contact Freeman at lfreeman@marsingschools.org.

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Young wrestlers pin hunger in Homedale schools

District’s Angel Fund for lunches benefits greatly

The Homedale Wrestling Club wiped out lunch debt at two schools and set up students in need for next school year, too.

“It is with sincere gratitude that we acknowledge the incredibly generous donation that Homedale Youth Wrestling provided to Homedale Child Nutrition,” the Homedale Food Service, headed up by Teresa Bettleyon, said in an email to The Owyhee Avalanche.

Recently, wrestlers presented Homedale School District child nutrition official Shirley Martinat with a \$1,200 check after a fundraising and cereal drive.

Coach Lance Bell organized the community service project, and the wrestlers far exceeded their goal of \$450.

The money, which is well above the \$450 goal, will not only wipe out lunch account deficits for students in this school year but will build a fund to help those who need assistance with elementary and middle school



Members of the Homedale Wrestling Club presented a \$1,200 check to Homedale School District child nutrition official Shirley Martinat to wipe out this year’s lunch debt and make a fund for the 2024-25 year at both Homedale Elementary School and Homedale Middle School. Submitted photo

lunch accounts next year.

Bettleyon said the donation allowed a one-time credit to all negative accounts.

“Child Nutrition has been very fortunate the past couple years to have received donations to help pay negative meal account balances,” she said. “We would like to sincerely thank all parents and community members who have so kindly donated to our

Angel Fund.”

The Angel Fund is used solely for students who may need help paying outstanding account balances.

The fund is used to pay all negative meal accounts in the school district.

“It is very heartwarming to know there are such caring and humble people within our community that truly care about our students and

their welfare,” Bettleyon said.

“Please know how much we all — including students and their families — appreciate your kindness and generosity and how deeply grateful we are for all you have done for our students.

“It has been a difficult few years for many families in our area, and your kind gesture has made a significant difference in the lives of our students and

their families.”

If a parent needs help with their child’s meal account, they can call Child Nutrition at (208) 974-4871.

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Rimrock students collect food for Rescue Mission

The National Honor Society and Sources of Strength chapters at Rimrock High School are winding down a monthlong food drive.

The March to End Hunger community food drive and canned food castle competition will benefit the Boise Rescue Mission.

The Rimrock students have been collecting items since the beginning of the month.

All items collected by Sunday will be delivered to the Boise Rescue Mission on Tuesday.

Honor society members will also help serve a meal at the Boise Rescue Mission when they make the delivery.

Community members can drop off food items at the high school, Grand View Elementary School or Bruneau Elementary School.

This is the 13th year for the March to End Hunger event. Boise Rescue Mission has four shelters in Nampa and Boise, and the organization served more than 215,000 meals — averaging 500 meals per day — to homeless men and women.

Food items that the Rimrock National Honor Society chapter members are

- looking for include:
- Chips and lunch snacks in individual packages
 - Canned tuna or chicken
 - Canned fruit
 - Canned vegetables
 - Large cans of coffee
 - Applesauce
 - Mayonnaise and other condiments
 - Boxed cereal
 - Pasta or rice meals
 - Sugar
 - Beef broth
 - Cream of chicken soup
 - Salad dressing
 - Jelly
 - Boxed stuffing
 - Soy sauce
 - Yams
 - Fruit cups
 - Juice
 - Dryer sheets
 - Kleenex
 - Bottled water
 - Men’s underwear
 - Ibuprofen
 - Comet cleanser
 - Vitamins
 - Adult cold medicine

BLM prescribed burns target junipers, wildfire risk reduction

The Bureau of Land Management has announced plans to use prescribed burns to reduce hazard fuel accumulation in Owyhee County.

The fires, which will be conducted through June, will burn dry grass, limbs and shrubs and will be conducted depending on weather, staffing and ground conditions.

The ultimate goal is reducing wildfire risk and increase firefighter and public safety. The burns include:

- **Strategic Fence Line** — This operation is planned along fence lines to reduce the risk of wildland fire adjacent to roads within the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area.
- Operations will target the invasive Russian thistle accumulation across 200 acres, equal to approximately 20 miles of fence line. Temporary road closures may be necessary for firefighter and public safety and will be coordinated with the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) to ensure minimal delays.
- **Bruneau Owyhee Sage-Grouse Habitat (BOSH)** — Approximately 6,380 acres of previously cut western juniper will be burned near Trout Creek Road and South Mountain Road, approximately eight miles south of Jordan Valley. Timing of this burn is dependent on cooler, damp conditions.
- **Agricultural Research Services South Mountain** — Roughly 1,102 acres of previously cut and cured juniper will be burned. Coordinated with Agricultural Research Service (ARS), Idaho Department of Lands (IDL), and private landowners, this prescribed burn is near Mud Flat Road and South Mountain, approximately 20 miles southeast of Jordan Valley and six miles east of Cliffs.
- **Spring Creek** — This project will burn approximately 300 acres of cut and cured juniper limbs and scrub near Juniper Mountain, approximately 30 miles southeast of Jordan Valley. These fuels will be hand-ignited, clearing the way for additional larger-scale broadcast burn planned for fall.

Each prescribed burn operation is expected to last up to five days, with personnel and equipment patrolling areas for an additional five to seven days. Road closures could occur.

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Correction

Because of incorrect information provided, the positions for two South Board of Control ditch riders were wrong in the Ag 2024 special edition last week. Daniel Simmons is the No. 24 rider and can be reached at (208) 861-5411. Gerry Milburn rides No. 26 and can be reached at (208) 724-8394.

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Know thy enemy when fighting weeds

Springtime warmer temperatures appear to have arrived. Unfortunately, many weed species are beginning to show up as well. Additionally, winter annuals (annual plants that germinate in the fall such as cheat grass, medusahead, foxtail and shepherd's purse) have already greened up and are actively growing.

One of the most important steps in vigilance is to know your enemy. You need to specifically identify each weed species in order to determine how to best manage them. For example, winter annual grasses are generally best managed with fall pre-emergent treatments. Attempts to treat them in the spring could be compared to closing the barn door after the horses have escaped!

There are some great resources to help with proper weed identification. Weeds of the West is my "most used" resource when trying to identify unfamiliar weeds. Although it is out of print, there are copies available online. I do have a few copies for sale at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office. A pdf version is available online at no cost at <https://wyo-extension.org/agpubs/pubs/wsws-1.pdf>. There are also several apps available such as PictureThis and PlantIn that are available at your favorite app store.

It is also important to understand that many plants found in southwest Idaho pastures and rangeland can be toxic to livestock.

- Some of the more common irrigated pasture weeds that can be toxic in certain circumstances include field bindweed (morning glory), kochia and pigweed.
- Some common rangeland species include Halogeton, lupine and leafy spurge.
- Some species such as poison hemlock are toxic under all conditions, and others such as kochia or sorghum-Sudan grass are only toxic under certain conditions.

Proper identification again is a key step in determining potential risk as well as best management and/or control practices.

One excellent reference that I co-authored is University of Idaho Extension Bulletin 960 titled "Pasture and Range Plants that Endanger Livestock in Southwestern Idaho." It is complete with color photos, plant characteristics, and symptoms of poisoning. The booklet is available online at <https://www.extension.uidaho.edu/publishing/pdf/BUL/BUL960.pdf> or can be purchased at <https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/publications>.

Once weeds are properly identified, an integrated management approach is the best method for long-term control. This involves utilizing all of the tools available, which includes cultural, mechanical, biological, and chemical methods of control.

Cultural control looks at things like planting, crop rotation, irrigation practices, etc. Can we alter some of our cultural practices to reduce or eliminate weed pressure?

Mechanical control practices can include cultivation, hoeing, or simply hand-pulling.

Biological control relies on natural enemies such as predators, parasites, and pathogens.

Chemical control is the use of pesticides/herbicides.

Reality is that no one control method works every time in every situation. Knowing what you have is key to determining what combination of control methods will produce the best, long-term weed control in your specific situation.

If you would like to visit about specific weed control issues, please give me a call. You can also contact your local cooperative weed management area (CWMA).

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



Scott Jensen

Calendar

Today

Massage

8 a.m., to 1 p.m., \$15 for 15 minutes, appointments necessary. Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. Appointments: Jo (208) 337-3020

Ladies coffee group

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

Spring Break Day Camp series

10 a.m., to 2 p.m., \$25 per child, ages 10-14, The HUB, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing. Registration: bit.ly/24SpringBreakDC, Information: (208) 896-4104

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.

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

Prime Time Swingers perform

11 a.m., to noon, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

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

Teens and Tweens

5 p.m., to 6 p.m., Easter Party & Easter Egg STEM, Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

Friday

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Opaline Irrigation District meeting

7 p.m., 7300 Opaline Rd., Melba.

Saturday

Marsing Lions Club Easter egg hunt

10 a.m., ages 2 through 4th grade, Marsing High School football field, 8th Avenue West, Marsing.

Grand View Lions Club Easter egg hunt

10 a.m., toddlers to 5th-graders, City Park and Eastern Owyhee County Library, Grand View.

Bruneau Easter egg hunt

10 a.m., pre-kindergarteners through 5th-graders, sponsored by Bruneau Canyon 4-H, Bruneau Elementary School, 28541 Benham Rd., Bruneau.

OCHS Spring Bazaar

10 a.m., to 4 p.m., inside McKeeth Hall, Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy.

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Homedale Chamber Easter egg hunt

10 a.m., Homedale Chamber of Commerce sponsor, Sundance Park, South 1st Street West, Homedale.

Pancake breakfast

Immediately following Homedale Easter egg hunt, Homedale Assembly of God church, 15 W. Montana Ave., Homedale

Murphy Easter egg hunt

10:30 a.m., ages 10 and younger, Owyhee County Courthouse lawn, 20381 Hwy. 78, Murphy.

MRW Fire & EMS Chili Cookoff

11:45 a.m., public tasting begins, \$5 adults, \$4 seniors (donations), under 12 free, Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy. Information or entry: info@MrwFire.org or (208) 495-2154

Sunday

Lizard Butte Easter Sunrise Service

7:15 a.m., parking opens at 5 a.m., Lizard Butte, off Idaho Hwy 55 and Symms Road, Sunny Slope. Information: lizardbuttesunrise@yahoo.com

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting

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

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Rusty and the Country Jammers perform

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

Region III assistance assessments

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

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Obituary

Alene Phyllis Downing

10.10.1926 - 3.24.2024
Alene Downing passed away peacefully on March, 24, 2024 at Owyhee Health and Rehab with family by her side. At her request, the family will forgo a funeral and will hold a graveside service with interment of ashes at the Homedale-Marsing Cemetery. At a later date, a Remembrance Celebration will be held at the family homestead near Wagon Town.

Alene was the oldest of three daughters born to Walt and Mildretta Adams on October 10, 1926 in La Grande, Oregon. Her childhood was growing up in Homedale and attending all grades of school there. Many of her summers were spent with her parents and sisters, “proving up” on their homestead site at Wagon Town near Silver City.

In her high school years, Alene jockeyed a racehorse owned by Roy Connell on tracks throughout the valley. She completed her schooling in Homedale (as did all her children, grandchildren and some great-grandchildren), graduating from Homedale High in 1944.

She is a fourth-generation Owyhee County descendant, and her love of Owyhee County was deep. She said her “favorite places on Earth were Wagon Town and Silver City where she spent many happy

days, and Homedale where she was raised.”

Alene married Kenneth Downing on October 30, 1946, in Winnemucca, Nevada. Their son, Tim Walter, was born in 1948 and daughters Dani Lee in 1949 and Toni Louise 1951. The family resided in Murphy for a time before moving back to Homedale in 1956 where she has lived most of her life.

The family settled on a small farm west of Homedale. Alene was a devoted and hard-working mom, providing a haven for a menagerie of wild and domestic animals. Instilling in her family an abiding love of nature, of open spaces, and of all creatures great and small.

Kenny and Alene purchased a house in Silver City in 1951 when the location was still a “ghost town.” They had many happy times there, and the house remains in the family.

After her kids were grown, Alene worked 14 years as a seed analyst for Whitney-Dickenson company in Homedale, retiring in 1996.

After the passing of her mother in 1987, she became caregiver for her dad. She spent a number of summers in Silver City caring for “Gramps” and running the museum that her parents had established there. Then caring for him through his last days in Homedale. Alene loved antiques, tracking



historical places and rock hunting. She was gifted at crafts, sewing and music, playing the piano for over a decade for the Homedale Order of Eastern Star. One time playing an improvised instrument for the only meeting of Easter Star held at the Masonic Lodge in Silver City. Our Mom filled our world with love and music at our many cherished family Christmas gatherings.

Alene was independent, adventurous and courageously took on challenges like having her own home built and starting a business in her 60s and early 70s.

Her grandchildren have fond memories of time spent with Gran at her house, at the Homestead, and in Silver City where she could leave even the most energetic little boy in the dust hiking the trails on Florida or War Eagle Mountains. She deeply and unconditionally loved her people, and cherished time with family. She will be remembered for her huge heart and even bigger hugs that got stronger with time.

Her final years were spent at Owyhee Health & Rehab in Homedale.

Alene was preceded in death by her parents, Walt and

Mildretta Adams; a son, Tim Downing; Sister and Brother-in-law Pat and Don Davis; nephews, Bill and Kenny Davis; a son-in law, Steve Ross; special friends, Opal Nash and Shirlene and Richard Ross.

She is survived by a sister, Marilyn (Jack) Burke; daughter-in-law, Deb Downing; daughters Dani Aman and Toni Ross; grandchildren, Erica (Brad) Dines, Marci (Jason) Blandford, Zac (Lisa) Ross, Zeb (Julee) Ross. Twelve great-grandchildren, four nieces, Judy (Bill) McBride, Janie Burke, Holly (Kip) Romans, Mary Burke and a nephew, John (Sherry) Burke and special friend Larry Carlston.

Alene was a very strong, independent and self-reliant individual who took great pride in being identified as a member of “The Greatest Generation.”

Her legacy will be her dedication to her family, her sacrifices made for others, her resolved sense of responsibility and a deep and extreme generosity that will ripple through the generations to come. Our Mom and Gran was a forgiver, a unifier, our fortress and our rock.

Our “Gran” will be in our hearts and memories forever!

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Owyhee County Historical Society.



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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28
BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION STATING
FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND
COMMENDING SPECIAL DEPUTY PAUL
NETTLETON ON HIS FIFTY YEARS OF
EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO THE OWYHEE
COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE AND THE PEOPLE
OF OWYHEE COUNTY.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:
WHEREAS, Special Deputy Paul Nettleton is marking fifty years of service to the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office; and
WHEREAS, in 1973, prior to his service for the Sheriff’s Office, Mr. Nettleton caught the attention of the sheriff by assisting him in a bar fight in the town of Silver City; and
WHEREAS, in 1974, the Sheriff asked Mr. Nettleton to join his office as a special deputy; and
WHEREAS, with only his single-action .22 revolver and his trusty horse, Nugget, Deputy Nettleton answered the call; and
WHEREAS, with limited radio and cell phone connection, Deputy Nettleton and Nugget covered the 7,600 square miles of Owyhee County together, spending days on the trails, answering hundreds of calls, and searching for those who needed to be found; and
WHEREAS, in the early 1980s, Deputy Nettleton and another deputy were sent on horseback in winter to find an escapee from the local prison. They tracked the fugitive to an uninhabited cabin in the back country, but the fugitive initially eluded their search. With his cowboy instincts too dogged to be denied, Deputy Nettleton and his partner continued their search, eventually marching the fugitive out at gunpoint much to the surprise of the other deputies waiting outside; and
WHEREAS, in 1986, Deputy Nettleton was asked to assist in the Claude Dallas case, a man on the F.B.I.’s most wanted list for the killing of two state game wardens who subsequently escaped prison following his conviction. Following his recapture, Claude Dallas’s case became a matter of national interest and local lore in Owyhee County. At a gathering of angry Dallas supporters, Deputy Nettleton was assigned to the rooftop with a shotgun to watch over the crowd, and despite personally knowing many of the angry people below, Deputy Nettleton showed composure and resolve in doing his duty and assisting his fellow deputies; and
WHEREAS, Nugget’s service ended in 1987, Deputy Nettleton’s service continues to this day; and
WHEREAS, in the finest tradition of the West, Special Deputy Paul Nettleton is truly a man “whose deeds follow his words.”
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-seventh Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, that the Legislature commends Special Deputy Paul Nettleton on his fifty years of exemplary service to the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office and the people of Owyhee County.



Dist. 23 Sen. Todd Lakey presents Paul Nettleton (center) with a copy of House Concurrent Resolution 28 as Nettleton’s wife, Tracy, looks on Thursday afternoon. Submitted photo

Rancher has spent 50 years on OCSO Posse

by **Sophie Spanbauer**
For The Owyhee Avalanche

A resolution commending Special Deputy Paul Nettleton for his 50 years of exemplary service to the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office and the county’s people passed unanimously on the Senate floor Thursday.

Dist. 23 Sen. Todd Lakey (R-Nampa) moved for the adoption of House Concurrent Resolution (HCR) 28, leading to a unanimous approval and a standing ovation from senators.

“I very much appreciate the honor and the recognition. I’ve made a lot of friends over the years in law enforcement, and I am proud to have served Owyhee County and the great people living here,” Nettleton told The Owyhee Avalanche. “The Posse has been a big part of my life for these 50 years, and I hope to be able to continue serving in whatever capacity I am able.”

Dist. 23B Rep. Tina Lambert (R-Caldwell) sponsored the resolution in the House.

Nettleton was honored similarly earlier this year during the sheriff’s Posse’s annual banquet in Marsing.

“We get to deal with some kind of heavy and intense issues here in the Senate, but occasionally we also get to recognize some special people,” Lakey said. “We get to recognize and appreciate

special individuals that are uniquely Idaho and that have contributed to our communities and our state and helped make Idaho the great state that it is and that we all love. Special Deputy Paul Nettleton is one of those people.”

Lambert and Lakey supported the resolution after OCSO officials requested special recognition for the Nettleton, an Owyhee County native and longtime cattle producer in the Sinker Creek area.

Taking his cue from the resolution language, Lakey told tales from Nettleton’s past.

The man’s relationship with the sheriff’s office began in 1973 when he assisted the sheriff in a bar fight in Silver City. Shortly thereafter was asked to be a sheriff’s special deputy as a part of the Posse.

Nettleton has served several sheriffs in his career and has been witness to the recent resurgence of the volunteer group.

“I really don’t feel worthy of all this. The last few years under (Daryl) Crandall and (Perry) Grant, the Posse wasn’t called on much, so I had very few hours in,” Nettleton said.

“With Sheriff (Larry) Kendrick, the Posse has been ‘revived,’ and we have more people wanting to join and serve under the new leadership.”

Lakey shared how Nettleton and his horse “Nugget” covered over 7,600 square miles of

Owyhee County on hundreds of search and rescue missions, as well as tracking an escaped fugitive in the 1980s before successfully marching him out of the wilderness at gunpoint.

Lakey relayed Sheriff Larry Kendrick’s characterization of Nettleton.

“Paul knows the Owyhee County mountains like the back of his hand,” Kendrick said. “If you chisel off the side of a big rock in the Owyhee County Mountains, you have Paul Nettleton. He’s rugged, and he’s solid.”

Lakey explained:

“Paul cares deeply about his family, his community, and his state. He has dedicated himself to a life of service to all three. His dedication and commitment are the foundation of his 50 years of service in the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Dept. And (to) the people of the state of Idaho.”

Lakey personally thanked Nettleton for his example of selfless service in his concluding remarks.

“He is really an example of what it means to be an Idahoan,” Lakey said.

After the resolution was adopted, senators quickly rose from their seats to applaud Nettleton.

Before hitting his gavel to put the Senate back in order, Lt. Gov. Scott Bedke made sure to include, “Good on you, Paul.”

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Easter egg hunts easy to find throughout county

Murphy event coincides with bazaar, chili contest

Easter egg hunts will be held in communities throughout Owyhee County on Saturday. But there is more than just Easter egg hunts to attract folks to Murphy. The annual Murphy Easter egg affair will coincide with the Owyhee County Historical Society spring bazaar and the Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire and EMS fundraiser chili cook-off. The Easter egg hunts sponsored

by the sheriff's office will start at 10:30 a.m., in the county seat. It's open to boys and girls ages 10 and younger and will be held on the Owyhee County Courthouse lawn. The bazaar runs from 10 a.m., to 4 p.m., at the Owyhee County Historical Museum. Local radio station 101.9 The Bull is sponsoring the event, which will feature craft vendors, music and food. The chili cook-off will be

held on the museum's east lawn with prizes available in different categories and a People's Choice award. Public tasting starts at 11:45 a.m., and costs \$5 each. Marv's Tire Service in Nampa sponsors the chili cook-off. • The Homedale Chamber of Commerce will hold its Easter egg hunt at 10 a.m., at Sundance Park. The annual egg hunt includes age groups for 2-and-younger, 3- to 5-year-olds, ages 6-8, and ages 9-12. • The Marsing Lions Club

will produce its series of Easter egg hunts, which have staggered starts according to age groups, at 10 a.m., at the Marsing High School football field. The age groups include 2- to 3-year-olds with adult help and all other age groups without adult help – 4-year-olds, kindergarteners, first- and second-graders, and third- and fourth-graders. There will be prize eggs in each age group hunt, too. Holy Oly O's will be have treats and hot drinks available.

• The Grand View Easter egg hunt will be held at 10 a.m., on the grounds of the Eastern Owyhee County Library and at City Park. The egg hunt is open to boys and girls ranging from toddlers to fifth-graders. The Grand View Lions Club also sponsors that community's event. • The Bruneau Canyon 4-H club will present its annual Easter egg hunt at 10 a.m., on Saturday at Bruneau Elementary School. The hunt is open to pre-kindergarteners through fifth-graders.

✓ Bagpiper: Marsing native plays instrument to honor fallen comrades

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Parade in Pasadena on Jan. 1. Streibel spent 10 months studying the music to be played during the 5½-mile march under the California sunshine. The group, which included musicians from the U.S., Australia, Scotland, Northern Ireland, and Canada, rehearsed for two days before playing for millions considering the live audience and the international TV broadcast. "I was just trying to take it all in," Streibel said. "It was a little bit tough to focus on playing and, while you're in the parade, taking in how vast that experience is." Streibel spent months walking at a brisk pace and playing bagpipes on a treadmill in the CPD gym to get into shape to handle the 2-hour, 20-minute task.



Aron Streibel (far left) and the Caldwell Police Pipes and Drums corps he helped create played during Peace Officer Memorial Week in Washington D.C. last year. Submitted photo

but the group also honors fallen comrades at funerals. "It's neat to be able to do something like that," Streibel said. "We've played at a lot of officers' funerals and even though it's a sad and solemn event, I see it as a service to the family." The Caldwell Honor Platoon attended Peace Officer Memorial Week in Washington, D.C., last year. It gave the musicians a chance to play at some memorial events during the week in the nation's capital. Streibel and his wife of 24 years, Janna, live in Caldwell now, moving there about the time he began working on a detail for the Idaho Attorney General's Office. They have three sons — Brennen, 22; Ethan, 20; and Jamison, 16. His parents — Ron and Cathy — still live in the Marsing area, too. He is back on patrol as a CPD officer after 7½ years with the AG's office detail. "This week, I'm back to patrol," he said Thursday. "I'm learning to be a real cop again." The Caldwell Police Honor Platoon can be found on Facebook at "Caldwell Police Honor Platoon" and Instagram under "CPDHonorPlatoon." — JPB

own pipes and drums band at Caldwell Police Department, and he asked for volunteers," Streibel said. "At the time I wasn't playing bagpipes, but I wanted to. So I saw it as an opportunity." It was a new challenge for Streibel, who has spent his life playing stringed instruments. After taking classes with the Boise Highlanders, the two pipers and two drummers on the ground floor for Caldwell were ready to perform. "Once we got to where we could squeak out some noise on the bagpipes, we put the band together," Streibel said. Now the group of sworn peace officers and non-law enforcement personnel has five pipers and four drummers, and it's the largest active band of its kind in Idaho. They've played at funerals of fallen peace officers in Nyssa, Ore., Post Falls, Bonnevill County and Seattle. Streibel is the group's pipe major. The Honor Platoon plays the Caldwell Fourth of July parade and other community events,

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Owyheean wins three times for Mustangs

Local riders shine in Rabbit Creek 100

Avalanche Sports

HHS rides pitching to big win

Trojans show off scoring potential in Buck's Bags

It was just the first step, but it could be a harbinger of a magical season. Making his first start since beginning the year with a no-hitter, Homedale High School's Dillon Fine dominated Fruitland to set up a 1-0 victory in the team's 3A Snake River Valley

conference opener. According to reports, the senior right-hander reached speeds of 90-92 mph on his fastball in the March 19 contest while notching 10 strikeouts and allowing one hit and one walk in 5 2/3 innings. The University of Utah commit also scored the game's lone run. He doubled to deep center

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Senior pitcher Dani Sitts turns to first base after hustling to snag a pop-up bunt in the third inning Friday at Homedale Middle School.

Asumendi crushes 3 HRs vs. Fruitland

Trojans host part of WTP softball tourney

Olivia Asumendi smashed three home runs to help her own cause in Homedale High School's conference softball opener. The College of Idaho drove in seven runs during the Trojans' 18-1 shellacking of Fruitland in a 3A Snake River

Valley conference road game on March 19. The senior right-hander struck out nine and pitched a two-hitter for the victory, too. The Trojans (4-3 overall) owned an 8-0 lead when the Grizzlies scored their earned run in the bottom of the third inning. Homedale set up the shortened game (10-run rule) by scoring 10 times in the top of the fifth inning. Asumendi and first baseman

Zayne Hall, two of the Trojans' senior leaders, both went 4-for-4. Asumendi scored five runs, and Hall crossed the plate three times and smashed a double. Another senior, Dani Sitts, scored four times from the top of the batting order during a 3-for-4 day. Isana Larzelier also doubled and drove in two runs. Emily Taylor came off the

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Georgia King (center) signs a letter of intent as her mother Amanda (left) and father Gene look on. Her 6-year-old brother Gatlin also sat at the table on March 19.

Rodeo lifer chooses Montana Western

Two-time national qualifier, Homedale senior inks intent letter

The only mystery about Georgia King's future was where she would rodeo next. The Homedale High School senior Georgia King will compete in three events for Montana Western. The 17-year-old daughter of Gene and Amanda King signed her letter of intent to attend the university in Dillon, Mont., last Wednesday with the HHS rodeo team looking on. "It's a great opportunity for her and her family, and she gets to continue to represent Homedale in Montana," Trojans athletic director Casey Grove said before turning the spotlight over to Georgia to sign her letter. A lifelong rodeo competitor, Georgia will compete in barrel racing, breakaway roping and goat tying for the Bulldogs. She chose between five colleges that showed interest. "I liked Montana Western a lot more because it had our sport as a varsity sport,"

Georgia said. "I liked the coach (JT Robbins), and they had my events, and they offered a better scholarship." Robbins is in his third year as Montana Western coach. During the fall season, the Bulldogs never finished lower than fifth in any of their rodeos and took third twice. Georgia joins a team that has five other Idahoans on the women's roster. Georgia has been a top competitor in the Idaho High School Rodeo Association, and she has always had her eyes on the goal of competing in college. "I've thought about it for years," she said. "(The dream) just kind of made me want to be better, to go out and practice more and try harder and be more successful in rodeo." It's hard to argue about the formula when looking at Georgia's resume.

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Home runs help Huskies during busy week of softball

With eight runs in the bottom of the second inning Saturday, Marsing High School pulled away from McCall-Donnelly in softball. The Vandals led by a run when the Huskies erupted to set up a 14-7 victory in the

Win The Pitch spring break tournament. Taylor Callison had a big single in the go-ahead eight-run rally, but Marsing took advantage of erratic play from McCall's catcher (four passed balls) and pitcher (four hit

batters and two walks). Marsing (5-2-1 overall) tied the game, 4-4, in the bottom of the first inning in a similarly wild fashion after Lily Thoene led off with a single. Sophomore Mikayla Montgomery had the Huskies'

only other hit during the game, which was halted after four innings. Brooklyn Roadenbaugh got the win with five strikeouts. The Vandals scored only one earned run as Marsing committed a pair of errors.

Friday: Middleton JV 12, Marsing 1 (5) – The Vikings scored nine times in the top of the fifth inning to complete a streak of 12 unanswered runs in the WTP tournament.

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Sports

Bunched Trojans tie for second at 3A SRV opener

Girls take third at TimberStone

With three individuals in the top 10, Homedale High School finished tied for second in the conference golf opener. Tyler Erickson scored a 4-over-par 40 to tie for third place at TimberStone Golf Course outside Caldwell on March 18. “Tyler played an awesome (nine holes),” Trojans second-year coach Raymond Smith said. “He felt very good about his swing from Hole 1. He had some hiccups from his chipping and putting, but overall it was a great nine.” With all four scoring golfers in the top 11 at the 3A Snake River Valley conference meet, the Trojans wound up at 170 and tied for second with

Fruitland. McCall-Donnelly captured the team crown at 159 behind a 1-over 37 from medalist Trevor Jue. Junior Luke Henry tied for seventh at 42. “His tee shots were not lined up as he hoped for,” Smith said. “But overall he was very focused going in and his expectation moving forward is to focus more about his game.” Breken Frank chimed in with a 43, which tied him for ninth place. “His fairway shots out of the tee box were on target on most of the nine,” Smith said. “He had a few hiccups on his approach shots and putting, but overall Breken played well for this short nine-hole (event).” Kinley Balkovetz took 11th after carding a 45. “Kinley was doing great off the box and hit some solid iron shots, putting well,” Smith said. “He got in trouble on short holes but was able to recover.” Jackson Kerbs fired a 47, but as the fifth-lowest scorer was left off the team scoring. “He did great out of the tee box and hit some solid shots down the fairways,” Smith said. “He struggled on the greens with his putting.”

Girls finish third
Danielle Price’s 52 tied for second

overall, and the Homedale girls took third at 234. “Her drives out of the box were perfect and down the fairways,” Smith said. “Her irons were awesome and straight down the middle and got some distance.” Weiser paced the field by 10 strokes, posting a 220 behind medalist Lucy Hickey’s 2-over-par 38. Ellie Cramblet claimed a share of second place, leading McCall-Donnelly to a four-stroke cushion against Homedale for second place. Kinlee Garrett played crisply and scored 55. “Her shots out of the tee box, fairways and short game were on target, and so was her putting,” Smith said. “There were a couple of shots she was not happy about, but she’ll work on it before the next tourney.” Stella Heck carded a 59, showing improvement from her first outing of the season. Heck came away with four bogeys in nine holes. “She had a rough hole on par 3, but the rest were an improvement,” Smith said. “She feels confident to shoot in the low 50s (per side) on the next tourney at Mountain Home.” The Homedale program returns from spring break next Wednesday with an 18-hole meet at Desert Canyon Golf

Course in Mountain Home. Cadence Nicoletti’s 68 was the final qualifying score for the girls’ team last week. “She had a rough start besides hitting some great shots of the tee box,” Smith said. “She enjoys playing golf and working very hard to get better.” Kennedy Kildow also fired a 68, but her score was dropped from team scoring consideration. “Kennedy had so much confidence going into this game, but she did come up short and took more strokes than she had to,” Smith said. “She had some nice drives down the fairway.”

Junior varsity
Boston Garrett and Kaleb Coronado both fired 50s to forge a four-way tie for second place in the boys’ junior varsity tournament as Homedale finished 13 strokes behind champion McCall’s 202 pace. Matt Riha shot a 52 for sixth place in the individual rankings, and Brodie White chimed in with a 63. Homedale’s No. 5 golfer, Keaton Sorenson, came in at 69. On the girls’ side, Sophie North led the way with a 64, and Mattea Dimick fired a 69. Eva Larsen and McKenna Murray both scored 78s.

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Homedale Trojans

Athletes of the Week

Baseball
Lukas Hall, so., P/C
3 RBI in 2 games, 7 Ks vs. Century

Softball
Ellie Miller, jr., CF
3-7 (.429), 3 runs, 3 RBI in two wins

Track and field
Morgan Nicoletti, so., pole vault/relays
Took part in 2 wins at Weiser Invite

Golf
Breken Frank, jr.
Leads Trojans in season opener and return to sport

Tennis
Kayleb Atkins, so.
Played gutsy 2nd set vs. Caldwell No. 2

THIS WEEK'S SPRING SPORTS SCHEDULE

Baseball Varsity Monday, April 1, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, John Jackson Field, 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 3 at Weiser, 6 p.m. Junior varsity Monday, April 1, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, John Jackson Field, 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 3 at Weiser, 4 p.m.	Softball Varsity Monday, April 1, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, HMS, 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 3 at Weiser, 5 p.m. Junior varsity Monday, April 1, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, HMS, 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 3 at Weiser, 3 p.m.	Track and field Friday, April 5 at Parma Invitational, noon Golf Boys and girls Wednesday, April 3 at 18-hole meet, Desert Canyon GC, Mtn. Home, 9 a.m.	Tennis Tuesday, April 2 at Parma, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 3 at Vallivue, Caldwell, 4:30 p.m.
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Sports

Rimrock seniors grab wins at relays

Seniors led the way in Rimrock High School’s annual visit to the Viking Relays.

Ashten Moore logged a pair of personal records in winning the girls’ long jump and triple jump during Thursday’s meet in Hazelton.

Loyd Boren out-paced the field in the boys’ 1,500 with a 4-minute, 44.24-second performance.

Moore had three top-three finishes total.

She won the long jump with a distance of 15 feet, 9¾ inches and captured the triple jump at 31-11¾. She was the 600 meters bronze medalist (1:55.77).

Sophomore Morgan Field was runner-up in the boys’ discus at 108-7.

Junior Ronald Gomez took third in the boys’ long jump at 17-7½.

Senior Goya Lemus finished fourth in the girls’ 1,500 at 5:57.29.

A Raiders quartet took third in the girls’ 4x800 relay in 10 minutes, 25 seconds.

✓ Softball: Senior Hall’s homer helps beat Lewiston in home WTP win

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bench and went 2-for-2 with two runs scored and two RBI, while Ellie Miller went 2-for-3 with three RBI.

Saturday: Mountain View 22, Homedale 2 (5) — The Trojans tried to keep things close, scoring two runs in the bottom of the first, but the Mavericks blew the game open with 10 runs in the second inning.

Homedale played the second day of the Win The Pitch spring break tournament at Homedale Middle School.

The Trojans committed seven errors and were held to four hits.

No other statistics were provided, and the Trojans’ result against Rocky Mountain was not reported.

Friday: Homedale 15, Lewiston 6 (6) — Zayne Hall rebounded from taking a line drive off her leg in the first game of the WTP tournament to send Bengals off licking their wounds at HMS.

The senior left fielder homered to highlight a 3-for-4 outing that included four RBI.

The Trojans scored 11 times over the final two innings as Homedale’s porous defense turned a 4-1 lead after three innings into a high-scoring adventure.

Olivia Asumendi struck out eight and allowed two hits while struggling with her control (seven walks) in five innings. Lewiston scored three unearned runs against the right-hander thanks to five Trojans errors.

Asumendi doubled twice, driving in three runs and scoring three times.

Dani Sitts was 3-for-4 with three runs scored and two RBI and a double.

Friday: Owyhee 10, Homedale 0 (6) — The hard-hitting Storm proved a stingy opponent, holding the host Trojans to singles from Sitts and Asumendi during the WTP opener at HMS.

Sitts struggled with her control with five walks and 10 hits, but Class 5A Owyhee from Meridian didn’t make the game a runaway until scoring six times in the bottom of the sixth to force the 10-run rule.

Samantha Hatzenbeller struck out 11 to get the win for Owyhee, which received home runs from Grace Brooks, McKenna Schab, and Kina Watts.

✓ Huskies: Gluch’s double notches deadlock with Madison JV in WTP

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Bailey Daugherty drilled a solo home run with two outs to give Marsing a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first.

Roadenbaugh doubled right after Daugherty’s homer, but the Huskies couldn’t manage another hit the rest of the game.

Friday: Marsing 11, Madison JV 11 (6) — Daugherty hit another first-inning home run, but the Huskies needed Gluch’s run-scoring double in the bottom of the sixth to secure a tie in the WTP tournament.

Ariel Ingersoll opened the inning on a single and an error, and Gluch doubled with two outs.

Daugherty was 3-for-4 with three runs scored, while Thoene went 2-for-5 with three RBI from the leadoff spot.

Jaci Montgomery scored three runs, while Ingersoll went 2-for-4. Gluch had a couple doubles, while Daugherty, Montgomery and junior Kylie Goostrey also had doubles.

Last Wednesday: Marsing 12, Vision Charter 6 – The Huskies scored the game’s first six runs and pounded the host Golden Eagles with 14 hits in Caldwell.

Roadenbaugh went 3-for-3 and scored four runs. She had the only single in Marsing’s three-run first inning, and she homered to lead off the Huskies’ three-run uprising in the third inning to build a 6-0 lead. She also got on base to start the fourth and seventh innings.

Callison went 2-for-4 and scored three runs. She had a double and a triple.

Thoene did her job at the top of the order, going 4-for-5 with three RBI and a run scored.

Lily Gluch was 1-for-3 with two RBI and a run scored.

MARSING HUSKIES

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Baseball
Levi Puga, jr., OF
6 runs in 3 tourney games



Softball
Taylor Callison, jr., 3B
Went 3-for-6 (.500) with 4 runs, 2 RBI, 3B in 2 wins



Track and field
Raylynn Vanosdall, jr., sprints/jumps
Two top-four finishes at Weiser Invite

Baseball
Varsity
Monday, April 1 at North Star Charter, Eagle, 5 p.m.

Softball
Varsity
Thursday, March 28 at Wendell, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity
Thursday, March 28 at Wendell, 4 p.m.

Track and field
Friday, April 5 at Parma Invitational, noon

Golf
Boys and girls
Tuesday, April 2 at 2A Western Idaho Conference Ambrose meet, Lakeview GC,
Meridian, 3 p.m.



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Sports

Two-time winners lead Trojans girls to third at Weiser Invite

Sotelo PRs for win in boys’ 300 hurdles

Three event championships pushed Homedale High School to third place in the girls’ meet of the Weiser Invitational.

Ahna Shaffer and Morgan Nicoletti were championship constants for the Trojans during the competition, which was held in Payette because the Wolverines’ track is unavailable this season.

A senior transfer from Melba, Shaffer set personal records in the 100 meters, winning the sprint in 12.95 seconds, and the 200, taking second in 27.31.

A sophomore, Nicoletti cleared 9 feet, 6 inches to win the pole vault.

The two athletes also were part of the Trojans’ championship 4x100-meter relay team. They joined seniors Kinlee Garrett and Carlie Moore to win the event in 52.31.

Alex Sotelo’s championship

in the 300 hurdles, and a handful of runner-up showings propelled the HHS boys to fifth.

Sotelo outran teammate Brody Johnson, a freshman, to win the hurdles race in 42.98 seconds. Johnson finished second at 44.71. Both times were personal records.

Johnson finished second in the 110 hurdles with a PR of 17.04.

The Trojans’ 4x200 relay team took second in 1 minute, 39.26 seconds. Sophomore Javid Blewett led off the effort, followed by senior Danny Lomeli, junior Rafael Cuenca and freshman Alec Campos.

Blewett and Lomeli ran the first two legs for the Trojans’ third-place 4x100 team. Sophomore Kade Hall and senior Izmael Ortiz wrapped up the 46.33-second effort.

Hall was fourth in the pole vault at 10-0.

Senior Brock Johnson set a PR with his fourth-place distance of 18-8¼ in the long jump.

Cuenca was fifth in the triple

jump at 38-3.

Garrett finished second in the girls’ 100 at 16.69, and freshman Aly DeVice turned in the sixth-place time of 18.01. Garrett was also runner-up in the 300 hurdles at 52.92, while DeVice was fourth at 56.08.

DeVice and fellow ninth-grader Teague Taylor ran the first and third legs for the Trojans’ fourth-place sprint medley relay team. Sophomore Breyden Ford and senior Katie DeVice also took part as the team finished the assignment in 2:15.96.

Junior Tayler Trout established personal-best marks in the throws. She was third in the shot put at 28-11, and took fourth in the discus at 80-1.

Senior Mylisa Barrett was third in the girls’ pole vault at 7-0, while Melani Whitehead, a senior, was fourth with the same mark.

Barrett’s PR of 31-2 was good for third in the triple jump, and she delivered a 14-0 mark in the long jump for fifth place.

Homedale rider wins Rabbit Creek title

Kaden Binford of Homedale finished a two-loop run as the top B 250cc rider at Sunday’s Rabbit Creek 100.

The motorcycle race in the Owyhee Desert outside Murphy was the second stop on the AMA National Hare and Hound Series this year.

Binford won the B 250cc championship with a time of 4 hours, 45 minutes, 37 seconds.

He finished 73rd overall after making up 12 spots during his second loop in the desert.

Joseph Wasson of Scottsdale, Ariz., was the professional champion, finishing his two loops in 2:43:00. He was running in third place after a 1:34:06 time on his first loop.

Binford was the third generation of his family, all of whom live in Homedale, on the course Sunday.

His father, Jason, finished 19th overall among the one-loop riders while taking fourth in the Trophy class (3:45:04).

Kaden’s grandfather — and Jason’s father-in-law — Mark Bauer was 13th overall among one-loop riders while finishing 10th in the Master’s class for riders 60 and older. He finished in 3:25:23.

Dist. 2 Owyhee County Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi, another Homedale resident, was 11th overall among the one-loopers, taking ninth in the Master’s division at 2:43:06.

German gets HHS’ only win vs. Caldwell

Homedale High School’s exchange student picked up the Trojans’ only tennis victory last week.

Caldwell posted an 11-1 non-conference win on its home courts March 19.

German student Andre Magdea wiped out fellow No. 1 boys’ singles player Aidan Hall, 6-1, 6-0, for Homedale’s only victory in Canyon County.

The rest of the matches were also straight-set affairs with the Trojans putting up a fight in a few showdowns.

Kayleb Atkins rebounded from a quick first set at No. 2 boys’ singles, battling until Jesus Gomez quelled the comeback for a 6-1, 7-5 triumph.

Mila Binford and Emma Olson fell, 6-4, 6-4, in the No. 1 girls’ doubles match to the Cougars’ Gabby Adams and Camilla Yekel.

Paige Van Vliet won two first-set games in a 6-2, 6-0 loss to Caldwell No. 1 girls’ single player Aurora King.

No. 3 Jillian Castro won two games in the second set of her 6-0, 6-2 setback against Guadalupe Gomez.

✓ Rodeo: King riding for third nationals appearance

From Page 11

She has qualified for the National High School Finals Rodeo each of the past two seasons. She finished in the top 20 in pole bending as a junior after competing in the same event as a sophomore.

As Georgia approaches the spring of her final prep career, she’s trying to qualify for her fourth state finals rodeo. She competed in pole bending each of her first three years.

This season, after four fall rodeos, Georgia is atop the District 2 pole bending standings, and she’s third in breakaway roping.

With her father owning King Rodeo Co., Georgia was around the sport even before she could compete.

She plans to earn a business degree in college so she can come home, rodeo as a professional, and run one of her dad’s companies.

Mom and Dad weren’t the only family members watching Georgia sign her letter. Her 6-year-old brother, Gatlin, was at the table, and her grandmother, Debbie King, was in the audience inside the HHS gymnasium foyer.

“They’ve helped me a lot,” Georgia said of her parents. “They gave me a lot of support and a lot of opportunities that a lot of kids don’t have.

“I’m very grateful for what they’ve done for me. They’d drop anything to help me out.”

— JPB

Marsing thrower PRs once again

Veteran athletes notched personal records Friday for Marsing High School at the Weiser Invitational track and field meet.

Senior Nate Delaney posted PRs in both throws during the boys’ competition. The meet was held in Payette because

the Wolverines’ track and field facility was unavailable.

Delaney won the shot put with a 49-foot, 7-inch heave. He collected the runner-up spot in the discus at 130-4½.

Junior Raylynn Vanosdall finished second in the girls’ triple jump with a personal-

record 31-8¾. She was fourth in the girls’ 100 meters at 13.55 seconds.

Junior Kaitlyn Sevy and freshman Bethany Steinmeyer pulled off personal-best distances in the girls’ long jump.

Sevy finished second in 15-¾, and Steinmeyer reached 14-1 for fourth place.

Senior Diego Margarito took fifth in the boys’ discus with his PR of 122-8½.

Junior Sydney Nelson finished third in the girls’ 400 (1 minute, 5.63 seconds).

She was ninth in the 100 in 13.91.

Sevy, Nelson, Steinmeyer and Vanosdall teamed up for fourth in the 4x100 relay, finishing in 54.49.

Freshman Alec Ecklund collected two top-10 finishes in the boys’ distance races. He was fifth in the 3,200 at 11:51.29, and took ninth in the 1,600 at 5:26.64.

Junior Alex Christiansen was eighth in the 3,200 (12:46.29).

Sophomore Breann Dickerson was a top-10 runner in the girls’ distance races, finishing seventh in the 1,600 (7:09.39) and 10th in the 3,200 (16:04.38).

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Looking back...

from the files of *The Owyhee Avalanche* and *Owyhee Chronicle*

25 years ago

March 31, 1999



C.J. Strike Dam flows

Irrigation canals will be filling around Owyhee County this week. Gem Irrigation District released water into the canals Monday, with Grand View Irrigation turning on water into the valley on March 25. An estimated 19,500 cubic feet per second of water is currently being released from the C.J. Strike Dam, southeast of Grand View, in anticipation of high water levels from current snow packs.

Homedale works to fix problems at sewer facility

The city of Homedale, facing penalties as stiff as \$27,500 per day, has taken steps to bring its sewer facility into compliance with federal clean water regulations.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued a warning letter to the city on Jan. 26, saying the city had violated the Clean Water Act because the sewer facility was out of compliance with its National Pollutant Discharge System permit numerous times between March and December 1998.

A follow-up letter, sent to the city March 5, warned that the EPA had documented additional permit violations. The city has been working to correct the problem since January, and Mayor Paul Fink told the Homedale City Council last week that monitoring of the facility needs to be stepped up to prevent future problems.

Frosty Palace slates grand opening

Frosty Palace in Homedale will hold a grand opening celebration on April 7, 40 years after the original opening of the drive-in. The business is under new management as of March 1, with Jan and Greg Roesberry as the new owners.

The event will roll back time with original prices on many items, 25-cent hamburgers, 35-cent cheeseburgers, 25-cent foot-long hot dogs and 20-cent ice cream cones, while supplies last.

The Frosty Palace was built in 1959, owned and operated by Melvin C. Rigby. A contest was held at the local high school to determine the name of the restaurant. Bonnie O’Neal, who was then in the eighth grade, won the contest.

Rigby, Bonnie Ross and Wanda Jesenko were the original crew.

Uranga to receive scholar-athlete award

Homedale High School senior Darren Uranga has been chosen, along with seven other Idaho students, to receive a \$500 scholarship from the Southern Idaho Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame next month.

These scholar-athletes were selected based upon their outstanding academic achievements, school and community leadership and football performance.

Uranga, his parents Dan and LeAnda and retiring football coach Stan Hoaglun will be honored at the third annual High School Scholar-Athlete Scholarship Awards Banquet on April 17 at 6 p.m. in the Double Tree Hotel Downtown located in Boise.

50 years ago

March 28, 1974



HOMEDALE HIGH’S varsity cagers selected for special honors include, from left: Bryan Zatica, most improved; Doug Takasugi, most inspirational; Kelly Vance, best defender; Dan Landa, best offensive player; Gregg Garrett, winner of the coveted Trojan Award.

Gregg Garrett presented ‘Trojan Award’

Gregg Garrett was presented with the “Trojan Award” during a special end-of-season basketball banquet held Tuesday at North’s Chuckwagon in Nampa.

The event was attended by coaches, junior varsity and varsity basketball players, junior varsity and varsity cheerleaders, team managers and parents.

Gregg Garrett, captain of the Trojan varsity team and a senior, had the best field goal shooting percentage for the season. He had a total of 366 points, averaging 14.6 per game. He was also selected to play with the West All-Star team.

Other basketball players selected for honors by votes from teammates were:

Doug Takasugi, a senior, as the most inspirational player and was also selected to play with the West All-Star team; Danny Landa, a junior as the best offensive player and credited with the most assists (65) and also second in making a total of 325 points for the season; Kelly Vance, a senior, as the best defensive player; and Bryan Zatica, a sophomore, for the most improved player.

Marsing clerk to leave office on March 31

The Marsing City Council postponed its regular monthly meeting last week when not enough members attended to comprise a quorum.

Mrs. Mamie Werre, Marsing city clerk for the past two years, has tendered her resignation to be effective March 31. Mrs. Werre is leaving office to assist her husband and son with the family business, Art & Sons Service. She will continue to conduct license plate sales at the station.

In other Marsing city business, the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office assumed the duties of patrolling the city on March 1. Two former city policemen, Don Eggleston and Ken Saffery, are now sheriff’s deputies. Estimated cost to the city this year for law enforcement is \$11,006.33 as compared to last year’s cost of \$18,000.

Sen. Church hits plan to close Owyhee offices

Senator Frank Church said today he strongly opposes the plan of the Nixon Administration to abolish Agriculture Department offices in numerous Idaho farm communities (including Marsing and Grand View) in Owyhee County.

“If the Administration’s reorganization plan takes effect,” Church said, “it will mean that farmers and businessmen will have to travel from their own home towns to the bigger cities to transact their business with the Agriculture Department. This is a prime example of bureaucracy serving itself rather than the people.”

153 years ago

March 25, 1871

Didn’t Jump.

W. J. Hill, Esq.: Under the heading of “More Jumping,” I see it stated in the last AVALANCHE (March 18th) “that O. H. Purdy & Co. have taken possession of what is known as the Minnesota” &c.; also, your comments under the heading of “New Superintendent,” wherein you say: “We cannot approve of this jumping business.” As far as it regards the rights of the Mahogany Co. I do not propose to express an opinion — only so far as your comments are applicable to myself. You will please do me the honor to announce in the next issue of your paper, that your information is untrue, but that I would take that which rightfully belongs to me d—d quick if I had half a chance, which a set of thieves robbed me of a few years ago and the majesty of the law was powerless to restore, or seemed to be, at least. The perplexity and uncertainty of the “law’s delay” may be some apology for the “jumpers” of the Mahogany, if really they need make any.

I have lived on this coast and been a practical miner most of that time, since 1849, but have never “jumped” a foot of ground in my life, neither have I stolen anything during that time, which probably accounts for my pecuniary leanness.

There seems to be, during these latter days, a kind of stigma attached to the characters of *honorable poor* men (I am taking the absurd license of presuming that such a genus *homo* exists) if they dare keep and protect what God Almighty has given to them.

I am no jumper, no thief — want my own, no more, no less.

O. H. PURDY

Cope Items.

[Reported for the AVALANCHE.]

Bert Hooker, late of Silver, takes *Pomeroy’s Democrat* regularly and says he feels a moral revolution progressing within him.

Some of our citizens, who have been to San Francisco attending to private affairs, have returned in good health.

The Sabbath School is in quite a flourishing condition, having lately received several accessions of children of larger growth.

A very rich strike was made this week by Harris & Loverige. They are taking out the richest ore ever found in the camp, and fully equal to the best White Pine rock.

A large number of Copeites are in the Salt Lake country. Letters received from them are very contradictory, some being quite eloquent in praise of it, and others condemning it in language very profane.

Two of our citizens who were on a visit to Elko not long since, came near meeting with a terrible mishap, while rushing to the assistance of innocence in distress.

The members of the Mackerel Club noticed in your last issue that an invitation was extended to them to attend a dinner of the Hungry Brothers. The Macks are exceeding worth and boldly proclaim that the invitation was a fraud, as the H. B.’s must know that the Macks hadn’t time to have their boots tapped and walk to your village.

Several gentlemen have been rushing around town propounding the following conundrum: “Who kettled my dog?”

Commentary

Jon P. Brown,
managing editor



Eyes on
Owyhee

Cooperation
creates compelling
coverage

It was a sight that warmed up this cold-hearted journo.

Ten Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School students walked into The Owyhee Avalanche office on March 13 to learn about a craft and profession that seems to be on the ropes these days.

Locally, The Owyhee Avalanche has gone through its tribulations in the past few months, but contributions from the likes of Brandi Lisle’s journalism/yearbook class on the Bruneau campus has helped keep the vitality of coverage where our readers expect it to be.

It’s unknown what percentage of the Rimrock students will continue on the media path and follow in the footsteps of Sophie Spanbauer to pursue some sort of journalistic career through college and beyond, but the enthusiasm shown during their plant tour earlier this month leaves me thinking the profession will prevail despite what seems to be a slow slide into oblivion.

Spanbauer has been on the Statehouse beat during the Idaho Legislature’s latest session. Although space constraints have prevented the Avalanche from publishing several of her weekly updates, the McClure Center for Public Policy intern — through the University of Idaho mass communications program — has provided a link between our readers and Boise.

She even took on the special assignment of covering the concurrent resolution Dist. 23B Rep. Tina Lambert (R-Caldwell) and Dist. 23 Sen. Todd Lakey (R-Nampa) shepherded through the chambers recently to salute Paul Nettleton’s 50 years as an Owyhee County Sheriff’s Posse member.

Spanbauer turned around the article on short notice and during a particularly hectic week at the Statehouse.

The Rimrock students have turned in some compelling work as well, even if other pressures of high school life have prevented a more robust contribution.

It’s my hope that the students will continue their desire to let folks know what’s going on at their campus — with their sports teams, their drama club, upcoming Class of 2024 graduates and career technical education accomplishments.

As has been put forth in this space before, the vastness of Owyhee County makes it imperative that our readers and the county’s citizens speak up when they think an issue needs to be covered or an outstanding person needs some recognition.

This week, the Avalanche was proud to be able to bring a spotlight to former Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputy Aron Streibel — a Marsing native — and his burgeoning talent as a bagpiper.

Spanbauer, of course, delivered news of Nettleton.

Jason Nettleton and Zack Dygert both provided

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JP Doodles



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

From Washington
Administration urged to beef up Idaho
ag producers’ access to foreign markets

What will the Biden Administration do to increase U.S. agriculture exports in 2024?

This is a critical question 21 of my Senate colleagues and I, as Ranking Member of the Senate Finance Committee, which has jurisdiction over trade agreements, are pressing the Biden Administration to answer as we urge the Administration to immediately act to improve the competitiveness of U.S. agricultural products abroad and reverse the unsustainable trend of a growing agricultural trade deficit.

In a letter to U.S. Trade Representative Katherine Tai and U.S. Department of Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack, we highlighted the following concerns and stressed the need to act now:

- “For decades, the United States steadily increased market access for U.S. food and agricultural products. We accomplished this feat through negotiations of actual free trade agreements, removal of technical barriers to trade, and holding our trading partners accountable to their commitments, all of which has helped strengthen the agriculture economy at home and developed important strategic relationships abroad.”
- “Yet, in the last fiscal year (FY) alone, U.S. agricultural exports declined by more than \$17 billion, and recent forecasts show a further decline by more than \$8 billion in FY 2024. As a result, the

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Commentary

Financial management

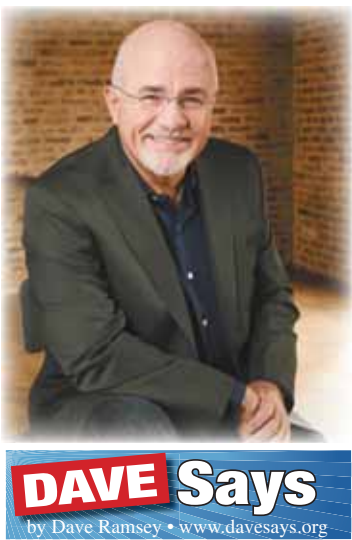
Help brother with prayer, compassionate listening

Dear Dave,
I'm worried about my younger brother, and I need some advice. He's divorced and has a son, and lately, it seems like he only wants to be a dad when it's convenient. On top of this, he's very irresponsible with money for someone in their 30s. Our mom and dad passed away several years ago, so I feel like this leaves me to be the big brother and parent at the same time. I'm not sure how to help him. Can you give me some advice, please?

— Andy

Dear Andy,
You're a good and caring big brother to be concerned and want to help. And it's a tough situation for you, especially with your parents no longer in

the picture.
When I help people on my show, I have the benefit of them calling in and actually wanting help. These folks care about what I think, and in most cases, they realize things aren't working for them. I don't just walk up to people and say, "You know, what you're doing is really stupid. Let me fix you." I think that's kind of the situation you're in right now. So, before anything else, I'd begin to pray for him. Ask God to bring people into his life who will have a positive impact on him.
One of the worst things about these situations is watching people you love do bad things to themselves and the people around them. Honestly, I don't know there's really a lot you



can do without becoming the enemy to some degree. You can always try to hold him to a higher standard, and refuse to tolerate immature, irresponsible behavior when you're around him. You might

even look for opportunities to use yourself as an example. I'm not talking about puffing out your chest and pretending to be perfect. I'm just saying maybe point out areas in your life where you made mistakes in the past and how you fixed the problems. But going out and trying to actively intervene in his life without permission, or shaming him in hopes it'll make him grow up and be a man, would probably do more harm than good.
Approach him in a gentle, caring way. Again, not like some know-it-all, but just let him know you care and you're there to help if he's having difficulties. Take him out to lunch once in a while, or invite him over, and let him know you're there for him if

he needs to talk.
And remember what I said earlier about prayer? Bringing God into the equation is never a bad idea.

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is an eight-time No. 1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 20 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS Mornings, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for the company, Ramsey Solutions.

✓ Coverage: Small-town newspapers can thrive with community's help

From Page 16
information that allowed the Avalanche to bring their efforts with the Rimrock CTE program to the wider public's attention.
There are several more issues and features that the Avalanche would like to bring forward, and we continue to strive to make those stories happen.
The City of Homedale has begun to wrestle with its comprehensive plan and Planning and Zoning ordinance to shift gears and deal with the residential growth that's knocking on the door — all while trying

to preserve what commercial real estate remains in town.
A state grant has opened the door to a project that will bring broadband to a part of the county that has struggled with connectivity, too.
The Marsing School District is on the verge of a new Zone 3 trustee, and the Gem Irrigation District is without a director right now, too.
And, of course, there is a very intriguing Republican primary election coming up in less than a month with contested races in every elected position on the ballot

— from county commissioner (District 1 and District 3) to prosecuting attorney to sheriff.
Even more interesting is the great number of GOP county committee precinct positions that will be contested.
And don't forget that for the first time in a long time, there are three Owyhee County residents trying to secure the nominations of their respective political parties for District 23 legislative seats.
Spring is here, but the heat might be here earlier than summer with the political season upon us.

✓ Markets: UI report says global consumption drives U.S. ag success

From Page 16
U.S. agricultural trade deficit is projected to reach a record \$30.5 billion in FY 2024.”
• “The current sharp decline in U.S. agricultural exports is directly attributable to and exacerbated by an unambitious U.S. trade strategy that is failing to meaningfully expand market access or reduce tariff and non-tariff barriers to trade. While the Biden Administration continually refuses to pursue traditional free trade agreements, China, Canada, the European Union, the United Kingdom, and others continue to ink trade pacts that diminish American export opportunities and global economic influence.”
• “International trade is critical to the continued success of U.S. agriculture.”
• “Diminishing access to foreign markets for U.S. industries creates significant economic headwinds and jeopardizes the livelihoods of more than 1 million

American workers, farmers and ranchers, as well as millions more U.S. jobs throughout the export supply chain.”
Similarly, 22 bipartisan members of the U.S. House of Representatives wrote to Secretary Vilsack expressing concerns with the U.S. trade deficit and concluded that “our nation must be vigorous in efforts to pursue additional market access and expand exports through new trade agreements.”
The Biden Administration must immediately start working to open foreign markets to Idaho's workers, farmers and businesses. The University of Idaho reported, “Growth in U.S. and Idaho agriculture is not tied to growth in U.S. food consumption. An increase in the global population and food consumption has been the stimulus. ... With global income on the increase, diets once based on two skimpy daily meals should shift to more substantial ones that emphasize

animal protein, thus increasing the demand for feed grains and meat. Because it is the largest exporter of food and agricultural products in the world, the United States is poised to meet the demand, as should Idaho.”
Pursuing effective trade agreements that increase opportunities for Idahoans to reach these overseas customers, rather than ceding these markets to China, will maximize growth opportunities for Idahoans. I will continue to press the Biden Administration for better market access and enforcement of our trading rights for Idaho producers.

— 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 he has served 31 years in the U.S. Congress. Prior to that, he served eight years in the Idaho State Senate.

Contacting city governments

Homedale City Hall
31 W. Wyoming Ave., (208) 337-4641
Mayor — Gheen Christoffersen
City council — Mike Aebischer (president), Kimberly Murray, Steve Atkins, and Aaron Tines
Meetings — 6 p.m., on second Wednesday

Marsing City Hall
18 Sandbar Ave., (208) 896-4122
Mayor — Hayzen Corder
City council — Chris Even (president), Lynette Enrico, Elizabeth Wahl and Brandy Johnson
Meetings — 7 p.m., on second Wednesday

Grand View City Hall
425 Boise Ave., (208) 834-2700
Open noon to 4:30 p.m., Mon.-Thurs.
Mayor — Jon Pennington
City council — Terry Nielson (president), Andrea Owens, Tom Payne, and Mike Smith
Meetings — 6 p.m., on second Wednesday

Public notices

**NOTICE OF PENDING
ISSUE OF TAX DEED**
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, AS FOLLOWS: That a delinquent entry was entered as of January 1, 2020, in the records of the County Treasurer as Tax Collector of Owyhee County, State of Idaho, for the following properties:

Parcel RPB0280001013A
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Tax: \$507.56
Late Charge: \$ 10.16
Interest: \$266.72
Costs: \$248.00**
TOTAL \$1,032.44

Parcel RP009200010070
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Property known as Lot 7 Block 1 Canyon Estates Sub 5 2N 5W, or more commonly known as 5791 Johnstone RD, Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho
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Devin Santoro
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Marsing, ID 83639
Property known as Tax 6 21 2N 4W, or more commonly known as 7443 Trap Shoot Rd, Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho
Tax: \$1,117.22
Late Charge: \$ 22.35
Interest: \$ 587.09
Costs: \$ 248.00**
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Parcel RPA0040002004A
David C Ward JR
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Property known as Lot 4 Less the N 80' Block 2 & Adj N 10' of vacated alley Shults Addition, or more commonly known as 109 S 7th St, City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho
Tax: \$ 439.54
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Interest: \$ 230.98
Costs: \$ 248.00**
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Dated this 1st day of March 2024.
Annette Dygert
COUNTY TREASURER
and EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO
03/06,13,20,27/2024

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING
Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the members of the MARSING COMMUNITY DISASTER FUND, an association will be held at seven (7:00) o'clock p.m., Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at the MARSING HUB, 205 8th Ave. West, for the purpose of electing (4) area directors for a term of 3 years. One (1) each from the communities of Lakeview area, Sunnyslope area, Jump Creek area, and North Marsing area. Director-at-large from within the Association boundaries, area directors, for the election of officers for the Association and any other business relative to the Annual Meeting. Jessica Showalter, Association Secretary
03/27/2024

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If more than one application is received for a lease(s), a live auction will take place in the future as determined by IDL. The lease(s) will then be awarded to the bidder who will pay the highest premium bid therefore; annual rental rates have been established by IDL.
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Sports

✓ HHS: Dillon Fine to play summer ball in Caldwell

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field in the top of the fourth inning and eventually crossed the plate when Xavier Uranga pulled off a safety squeeze bunt.

The Trojans (7-1) sewed up the big win against their rivals behind Payton Fine's relief pitching. Throwing 18 of his 22 pitches for strikes, Fine struck out two and scattered a pair of hits over the final 1 2/3 innings.

The Fine brothers' pitching performance was needed. Fruitland starter Landon Bushong went the distance with a three-hitter. Homedale's fourth-inning run was unearned after the Grizzlies committed the game's only error.

Bushong tossed a three-hitter with five strikeouts and one walk.

Batting near the bottom of the order, Carson Fine and Jayden Wutherich picked up singles for the Trojans' other hits.

Friday: Homedale 16, South Fremont 2 (6) — The Trojans rebounded swiftly from their first loss of the season, pushing three runs across in the top of the first inning against the Cougars in the Buck's Bags Tournament.

The game at Lofholm Field at Rodeo Park in Nampa turned out to be Homedale's final game of the tournament. Saturday's game against Taft, Ore., set for Wigle Field at Borah High School in Boise was cancelled.

Oklin Carson and Wylee Bidiman teamed up on a three-hitter Friday, and Homedale scored seven times in the top of the sixth inning to secure the 10-run rule.

Homedale snapped a three-game tournament losing streak to the Cougars, who had beaten the Trojans during spring break in 2022 and 2021 and in the 2018 state tournament. Homedale edged the Cougars, 5-4, in the 2017 state tournament.

Chance Martell erupted with a double, triple and six RBI in a 3-for-4 performance. He scored four times Friday.

Dillon Fine was 3-for-4 with a pair of doubles and three RBI, while Wutherich also knocked in three runs with a pair of singles.

The Caldwell-based Sawtooth Sockeyes summer college league team announced

last week that Fine has signed to play for the squad before heading off to the University of Utah.

Sophomore Lukas Hall drove in a pair of runs.

Friday: Century 2, Homedale 1 (8) — The Trojans had plenty of chances in their first loss of the season, putting runners in scoring position in six of the Buck's Bags Tournament Day 2 game's eight innings.

The Class 4A Diamondbacks from Pocatello dodged bullets as Homedale batters lined into double plays twice at Lofholm Field. A third runner was cut down at the plate while trying to score on a sacrifice fly late in the game.

Despite all those opportunities, the teams ended the regulation seven innings locked in a scoreless duel.

Starting pitcher Hall fired 5 1/3 scoreless innings, striking out seven batters and scattering seven hits while walking one. He hit the strike zone on 60 of 84 pitches.

Homedale took a 1-0 in the top of the eighth inning when Andres Garcia scored an unearned run.

Century fired back in the bottom of the frame against reliever Uranga, notching an unearned run as part of the walk-off two-run rally.

The teams combined for six errors.

Payton Fine was 2-for-4 from the top of the Trojans' batting order to lead an eight-hit attack.

Thursday: Homedale 11, Wood River 3 — Payton Fine's two-run single sparked a seven-run inning to break open a pitcher's duel and send him to victory in the first day of the Buck's Bags Tournament.

The Trojans grabbed a 2-1 lead in the bottom of the third at Lofholm Field at Rodeo Park in Nampa.

Fine scattered four hits and a walk and struck out five batters in five innings of two-hit ball. Martell fired three strikeouts during two innings of no-hit relief.

Martell also went 2-for-3 with an RBI, while Uranga and Andrew Marston both came up with doubles.

Wood River starter Ozzie Scherer went 2-for-3 with two RBI. Luke Hebert scored twice and knocked in a run from the top of the order.

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User group invests in Bruneau Dunes State Park campsites

The group formerly known as the Idaho Chapter of the Good Sam Club is looking out for its interests at the Bruneau Dunes State Park.

In January, the RVers of Idaho presented a \$1,000 check to the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation as a sign of the group’s increasing activity and support for the state agency.

RVers of Idaho president Ken Tetrault said he hoped the money could go to improve the campsite pavilion at Bruneau Dunes State Park in Owyhee County. The park has been identified as a favorite destination for group members.

“The RVers of Idaho are happy to be in partnership with Idaho State Parks, and we look forward to an ongoing relationship,” Tetrault said. “And anyone who is interested in RVing in Idaho should check out our website.”

Tetrault and his wife Monica direct the group, whose website is www.rversofidaho.org.

The RVers group continues to build as a new entity after the Good Sam Club’s recent rebranding as Good Sam, which saw an end to state-affiliate chapters.

Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation director Susan Buxton said the agency appreciates the gesture and RVers of Idaho’s ongoing support.

“We work for the recreating public, and it is wonderful to receive this kind of appreciation from one of our important user groups,” Buxton said. “Thank you, RVers of Idaho.”



RVers of Idaho president Ken Tetrault (right) presents a check to Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation director Susan Buxton. IDPR photo

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✓ COSSA: Instructor wants to bolster Homedale, Marsing student count

the fall. Incoming juniors and seniors can enroll in the class.

The opportunity arose when the National Registry of EMTs eliminated the minimum age requirement for EMTs. Idaho is one of six states that allows youth as young as 16 to become EMTs, as long as they have parental permission.

“There is a nationwide shortage for (Emergency Medical Services) workers,” Webb said.

Webb heard about the advanced EMT opportunity and came up with the idea of offering the class.

“The administration here at COSSA really help out,” he said. “They were behind me 100 percent.”

The COSSA class features a simulated ambulance and a high-tech mannequin to help students with practical applications. The equipment is worth about \$160,000, which Webb secured with grants.

The two seniors in the class this year are already working in the EMS field. One is a volunteer in New Plymouth, and the other works part-time for Treasure Valley Paramedics.

Treasure Valley Paramedics is based in Ontario, Ore., but has licensing in Idaho, too.

The advanced program requires 120 to 150 hours of class time and clinical time.

COSSA students serve 32 hours in the Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center emergency room and the same amount of time with Treasure Valley Paramedics to fulfill the clinical requirement.

The AEMT certification would open a diverse career pathway for students with potential opportunities in emergency medicine, firefighting and allied health professions.

“This groundbreaking initiative underscores COSSA’s commitment to innovation, educational excellence, and the success of its students,” school officials said in a press release.

Located at 109 Penny Lane in Wilder, COSSA serves high school students in Marsing and Homedale as well as Wilder, Parma, and Notus.

COSSA Academy principal Terry Rothamer said that the EMT course benefits from equipment obtained through hundreds of thousands of dollars in grants.

The state-of-art equipment, including an ambulance simulator, provides students with immersive learning experiences through with unparalleled hands-on training in emergency medical care.

The virtual training is unique among even local professional training opportunities, Rothamer said.

For more information about the high school AEMT course at COSSA RTEC, contact Webb at (208) 482-6074 or webbs@cossaschools.org.

Marsing and Homedale students will visit COSSA for a career fair on April 11. Marsing seventh- through 10th-graders will make the trip to learn about all of the consortium’s available career technical education courses.

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