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Gardeners commence spring sprucing

Leah Mathews (foreground) and Loni Driscoll spent part of Friday morning clearing dead vegetation, spraying for weeds and planting new growth at the Welcome to Homedale gateway sign near the intersection of U.S. Highway 95 and East Idaho Avenue (Idaho highway 19).

BGV schools forum looks to the future

Community members are invited to join the conversation as the Bruneau-Grand View School District starts its long-term planning.

The April School Talks forum, scheduled for 6 p.m., next Wednesday at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, will address the 10-year facilities plan and the ad hoc levy committee's recommendation to consolidate to one campus.

District superintendent Jeff Blaser

— See *Schools*, page 7

New trustee hears about Marsing SRO

The Marsing School District Board of Trustees is back to full strength after the mother of two student-athletes was sworn in last week.

Cassee Daugherty was appointed by a unanimous vote from the four existing trustees during the April 9 meeting inside The HUB.

— See *Marsing*, page 2

County DMV offices to close for training

With annual Idaho Transportation training coming up, the Owyhee County Division of Motor Vehicles branches will have closures.

The DMV locations in Marsing and Murphy will be closed on Thursday, April 25 as the staff goes to DMV classes.

The two branches will close again on Thursday, May 2 for driver's license training.

The Grand View DMV branch, which is located at 420 Boise Ave., is open only on Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m., to 3 p.m. Written exams

are available until 2 p.m. Call (208) 834-2060.

The Murphy DMV branch, 20381 State Hwy. 78, is open from 8:30 a.m., to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. The office closes at noon for a half-hour lunch, and written exams are available until 3 p.m., each day. Call (208) 482-3090.

Marsing's DMV office is located at 15 Reich St. The doors are open from 8:30 a.m., to 4 p.m., on Monday through Friday. Exams are offered until 3 p.m. Call (208) 896-4210.

Tragedy to life-saving transplant

OCSO dispatcher recovering after receiving new kidney

Inez Larrusea is accustomed to dealing with tragedies and emergencies as an Owyhee County Sheriff's 911 dispatcher.

On Easter Sunday, the Arock, Ore., native underwent an emergency of her own after one family turned its personal tragedy into an opportunity to help people.

The 47-year-old who now lives in Meridian received a kidney transplant at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City. She remains in Utah's capital recovering from the life-saving procedure.

Larrusea lives with a rare autoimmune disease called anti-neutrophil cytoplasm antibodies (ANCA)-associated vasculitides, which affects the kidneys.

— See *Transplant*, page 4



Inez Larrusea (center) on the job with Chief Deputy Steve Crawford (left) and Deputy Noah Duffy. Submitted photo



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✓ Marsing: With grant timeline winding down, board presses sheriff

Once Daughtery assumed the Zone 3 seat to succeed Luke Ankeny, she sat in on a meeting that included a visit from both Owyhee County sheriff candidates and a frank discussion about the current state of the OCSO school resource officer program.

Appointed Sheriff Larry Kendrick was in the middle of his pitch to the board when chair Jason Sevy zeroed in on the fact that the school district currently doesn't have an SRO even though there is a contract with OCSO for the service that is supposed to be paid in part by a grant the school district obtained.

The grant was awarded before the current school year and will provide \$75,000 a year for two years, but district superintendent Norm Stewart told The Owyhee Avalanche that the grant was not used in 2023-24 because the sheriff's office couldn't staff the SRO position.

"We've had funding in



New Zone 3 Trustee Cassea Daughtery (right) recites the oath of office given by Marsing School District clerk Lorraine Simonson before taking her seat to the left of Zone 5 Trustee OJ Barber (far left) and Zone 1 Trustee and board chair Jason Sevy.

place," Trustee OJ Barber said. "Should we be looking elsewhere with private (security)?"

"I wouldn't recommend it," Kendrick said. "You have a secure school."

Kendrick told the board that he has an SRO that he can "plug in," but when Sevy pressed, the sheriff said an SRO would be available in the first part of the next school year.

"So August?" Sevy asked. "That's a long way from plugging in."

Kendrick told Sevy and his board colleagues that the drive to hire qualified patrol deputies elsewhere in the county has affected the ability to fulfill the contract. After the meeting, Kendrick and OCSO Chief Deputy Steve Crawford explained to the Avalanche that the hiring process is lengthy

because of background checks to find ethical and upstanding deputies.

"We are very choosy on the employees we bring on," Kendrick told the trustees.

He added that he would like deputies to live in the county, adding that the man he has in mind for the SRO position — Angel Juarez — is a Marsing resident.

Kendrick also wants the SRO to be trained to handle a K-9 to provide an anti-drug presence in the school hallways. He said a private citizen has offered to provide up to two dogs and finance other aspects of the program, but he doesn't have any deputies qualified as dog handlers.

When Sevy pressed about a timeline to have an SRO in place, Kendrick said a deputy wouldn't be properly trained and available until the fall. The sheriff said two deputies were going through the Idaho Peace Officers Standard and Training (POST) Academy, but that he needs both of those lawmen "on

the street." Marsing resident James Ferdinand received his certification late last week.

The clock is ticking on the grant, which the district has until September 2026 to expend. Stewart said the district now plans to use the grant in the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years, but the original intent was to have the grant in action this school year.

The superintendent added that there is a memorandum of understanding in place between the district and OCSO to staff an SRO with the grant for two years.

Kendrick told trustees that as of April 8, the sheriff's office has a full complement of patrol deputies.

Following Kendrick in presenting to the board, Riha reflected on his time at the Nampa Police Department and gave his input on the role of law enforcement officials in the schools.

"Prior to the SRO program, we as patrol officers had to go to the schools all the time," he

said. "An SRO is important for the safety of the students and staff and anybody who comes on campus. And it makes (deputies' or officers' jobs) easier."

"If I were sheriff, I'd hire someone as soon as possible."

During trustee candidate interviews a half-hour before the regular meeting, board members heard from Daughtery and another applicant, Stacey Sughrim.

The candidates were asked four questions — one from each trustee — that they received in the days before the meeting.

Daughtery has lived in the Marsing district for 10 years. Her daughters, Bailey and Dany, are early in their high school careers.

"I thought this would be a great opportunity with my interest in private life and business life to help the board," she said, adding she also volunteers with the Junior Alliance.

In answering Trustee OJ Barber's question, Daughtery said she envisions an educational environment to give students "the mindset to thrive and become compassionate and productive members of the community now and in the future."

Sughrim said she had three sons, including an eighth-grader and a high school junior. She told trustees that she would apply her 25 years of experience as an office manager and bookkeeper plus her time serving on a non-profit organization board to analyzing school finances and examining policies and procedures.

— JPB

Weather

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April 9	58	32	.00
April 10	67	40	.00
April 11	64	34	.00
April 12	72	34	.00
April 13	75	42	.00
April 14	77	45	.00
April 15	72	46	.06

Note — April 15 precipitation accounts for all weekend rainfall

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HHS seniors stage blood drive today

Three Homedale High School students are teaming up to stage a blood drive for their Senior Project.

Savannah Erikson, Jayden Wutherich, and Salvador Monreal are coordinating with the American Red Cross to present the blood drive.

Donations will be taken from 8:30 a.m., to 2 p.m., today inside the HHS fine arts auditorium (old gymnasium). Visit RedCrossBlood.org for more information. Call the school at (208) 337-4613 for information on making an appointment.

The students produced a PowerPoint presentation to outline the reasons to donate blood and the steps to take before heading to the donation site.

Blood donors help people who have lost blood through traumatic accidents, or need blood transfusions to stay strong to fight cancer.

There are several different blood types, and some are rare, so donations help maintain diversity in the blood bank supplies.

People must be at least 17 years old to donate blood. Boys and girls the age of 16 may do-

nate with parental permission.

To be eligible, donors also must be in generally good health, meet height and weight requirements, and must not have had a tattoo or piercing within the past three months.

Anyone who plans to donate blood must refrain from strenuous exercise before and after donating. They also should get at least eight hours of sleep the night before the donation then eat a breakfast and lunch rich in protein and iron. Drinking water the day before and the morning of the donation will ensure proper hydration, too.

Once at the donation site, a prospective donor will present their ID card or parental consent form, answer health questions, and give a small blood sample to test iron levels. The donor's temperature and blood pressure also will be taken.

A donation may proceed if guidelines are met. An attendant cleans the arm and inserts a sterile needle for the draw.

Donors will receive a snack and a beverage afterward, and they are encouraged to relax as much as possible after the donation.

HES workshops help parents prepare children for school

The current school year doesn't end for another month or so, but Homedale district officials are looking ahead for their new students.

The READY! for Kindergarten parental workshop will be held on three nights beginning Thursday.

The free parent workshops presented by the Idaho Association for the Education of Young Children (IDAEYC) will be held at 5:30 p.m., on Thursday this week, Thursday, May 2, and Thursday, May 16 at Homedale Elementary School., 420 W. Washington Ave. The themes include:

- **Thursday** — Language and literacy
- **May 2** — Math and reasoning
- **May 16** — Social and emotional

A meal and childcare will be provided each night for the two-hour workshops.

Parents and caregivers of children ages 2-5 will learn how to turn everyday moments into learning moments. Through the workshops, attendees will receive free educational tools to make learning at home fun, easy and effective.

Register at www.idahoaeys.org/ready.



Homedale couple launches Caldwell bookstore

Homedale residents George Decker (left) and his wife Dr. Jocene Skinner have opened Shared Stories, a new bookstore at 106 S. Kimball Ave., in Caldwell. The 1,250-square-foot space features several rooms to hold the 6,100 titles of new books in genres ranging



wax melts, pottery and other products created by other Homedale artists. The store offers special orders, and a grand opening is planned Saturday with a ribbon cutting. During Independent Bookstore Day on Saturday, April 27, a patron could win a year of audiobook rentals (12 total) if they find a golden ticket hidden among the store's bookshelves. George and Jocele have two children — Catie, a 2023 HHS graduate who is an Oregon State University freshman, and Jack, who is a junior at HHS.

TRENTON MCRAE



As a lifetime resident of Owyhee County, I have strong conservative, Christian values and a deep love for the Constitution. As a father of six, most of my free time is spent with my family but I also enjoy serving in my church and on the Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee. Since graduating from the U of I - College of Law in 2017, I have spent 6 of the last 7 years as a prosecutor.

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Three Creek teen named new Idaho FFA president

An Owyhee County resident has been named Idaho FFA president.
Will Brackett, who is from a Three Creek ranching family, has been elected state president. The election took place during the state leadership conference in Twin Falls earlier this month.
Brackett attends Castleford High School in Twin Falls County.
Brackett is the son of Three Creek ranchers Gus and Kimberly Williams Brackett.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Served at noon
Milk available each day
Roll/bread available each day except April 24th.
Suggested donation: \$8
April 17: Pasta primavera with ham, California blend vegetables
April 18: Chicken patty, scalloped potatoes, peas
April 23: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots
April 24: Pancakes and sausage, hash browns, spinach

Sandbar Community Room, Marsing

Noon to 12:30 p.m., inside Marsing City Hall

Milk available each day
Suggested donation: \$5 (60-older), \$8 (59-younger)
\$8 (take-out meal, any age)
April 17: Vegetable lasagna, cauliflower, snap peas, green salad, French bread
April 19: Beef pepper casserole, corn, Monte Carlo vegetables, whole wheat roll, fresh fruit
April 22: Baked potato with chili and cheese, broccoli, beets, whole wheat roll, fresh fruit
April 24: New menu item!

Rimrock Senior Center

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

April 18: Beef stroganoff, coleslaw, roll, bananas and oranges, ice cream
April 23: Pork ribs, baked beans, corn, cottage cheese, roll, applesauce/peaches
April 25: Chicken enchiladas, green salad, cottage cheese, tortilla chips, pears

Melba Valley Senior Center

Meals served at noon (Salad bar at 11:30 a.m.)
Phone ahead (208) 495-2168 same day for complete menu
Payment by donation. All ages welcome
April 18: Hamburger gravy
April 23: Chicken Chow Mein
April 25: Shepherd’s pie

Courthouse report

A list of felony and misdemeanor dispositions recently completed at courtrooms in Murphy and Homedale. Infractions are not included:

April 3
Cole B. Kushlan, Homedale — Misdemeanor driving under the influence, under age 21 (plea deal): 2 years supervised probation, 1 year driver’s license suspension, \$797.50 in fines, \$242.50 in court costs
Carl Eugene Hanson, Homedale — Misdemeanor fail to notify of accident upon striking fixtures on highway (plea deal; amended from misdemeanor fail to stop for or leaving the scene of a damage accident): 90 days in jail (suspended), 1 year unsupervised probation, \$3,160.26 in court costs.
Dismissed by prosecuting attorney: Misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession

April 2
Steve Laurence Smith, Melba — Misdemeanor unlawful ranging of hogs or goats in towns or settlements (plea deal): \$300 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs

March 27
William Evan Thompson, Nampa — Misdemeanor fail to provide proof of vehicle insurance, second or subsequent offense: \$165 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs

March 26
David O. Roque, Davis, Calif. — Misdemeanor special fuel permit violation: \$224.50 in fines, \$160.50 in court costs

March 20
Alfonso Martinez Flores, Nampa — Misdemeanor driving under the influence (plea deal): 5 days in jail (served), 12 months unsupervised

probation, 170-day driver’s license suspension, \$1,207.50 in court costs.
Dismissed by prosecuting attorney: Misdemeanor driver consume or possess open alcoholic beverage container, misdemeanor reckless driving
Jason Lane Germann, Marsing — Misdemeanor disturbing the peace (plea deal): 180 days in jail (1 day served, 179 days suspended), 12 months supervised probation, \$300 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs.
Dismissed by prosecuting attorney: Misdemeanor resisting or obstructing officers
David Anthony Cereceres, Fresno, Calif. — Misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession: \$250 in fines, \$197.50 in court costs.
Dismissed by prosecuting attorney: Misdemeanor marijuana possession
Arely RomeroSerrano, Fresno, Calif. — Misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession: \$250 in fines, \$197.50 in court costs.
Dismissed by prosecuting attorney: Misdemeanor marijuana possession

March 19
Steve L. Manley, Stone Mountain, Ga. — Misdemeanor commercial freight regulations violation, no logbook: \$263.50 in fines, \$160.50 in court costs

March 8
Roman Thomas Cordova, Boise — Felony controlled substance possession: 1 to 5 years in state prison (credit for time served; 1-year rider), \$732.50 in court costs.
Not included in final charges: Misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession, misdemeanor driving without privileges
Nicholas Hurst, Nampa — Felony malicious injury to property (plea deal): 1 to 5 years in state prison (9 days served in jail, balance of sentence suspended), 4 years felony probation, \$2,608.84 in court costs.
Not included in final charges: Felony burglary,

misdemeanor malicious injury to property
Jacob Matthew Kennedy, Wilder — Felony malicious injury to property (plea deal): 3 years felony probation, \$595.50
March 6
Marie J. Escujuri, Homedale — Misdemeanor driving under the influence (plea deal; amended from misdemeanor excessive DUI): 180 days in jail (177 days suspended, 3 days or 24 hours community service to serve), 1 year supervised probation, 180-day driver’s license suspension, \$97.50 in fines, \$376.50 in court costs
Michael W. Neeser, Homedale — Misdemeanor excessive DUI (plea deal): 180 days in jail (23 days served, 157 days suspended), 2 years supervised probation, 180-day driver’s license suspension, \$1,000 in fines (\$702.50 suspended), \$352.50 in court costs
Christobao A. Rios Salas, Homedale —Misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession (plea deal): \$347.50 in court costs

Feb. 27
Arquimides Marcial Cabrera, Marsing — Misdemeanor driver possessing or consuming open alcoholic beverage container: \$100 in fines, \$187.50 in court costs
Harutyun Taroyan, North Hollywood, Calif. — Misdemeanor commercial freight regulations, operating without a commercial driver’s license when required; misdemeanor motor carrier violation, fail to stop at checking station or submit to inspection, grading or weighting: \$382 in fines, \$315 in court costs

Feb. 21
Jessica Alexis Berg, Homedale — Misdemeanor driving under the influence: 4 days in jail (1 day served; 3 days of community service in lieu

of jail time), 1 year unsupervised probation, 90-day driver’s license suspension, \$297.50 in fines, \$376.50 in court costs.
Withheld judgment: Defendant can petition to have the case dismissed after successful completion of sentence
Armando Rangel Cendejas, Marsing — Misdemeanor fail to provide information in an accident involving damage (plea deal; amended from misdemeanor fail to stop or leaving the scene of a damage accident): \$142.50 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs
Zachary Jay Landon, Hagerman — Misdemeanor petit theft: \$342.50 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs
Ignacio Margarito Reyes, Marsing — Misdemeanor dogs at-large, second offense: \$200 in fines, \$3 in court costs
Hilario Mata Jr., Marsing — Misdemeanor operating a vehicle without owner’s consent (plea deal; amended from misdemeanor petit theft): 5 days in jail, 1 year unsupervised probation, \$42.50 in fines, \$177.50 in court costs
David Elmer Washington, Roseville, Calif. — Misdemeanor vehicle registration violation, commercial, noncommercial and farm vehicle annual registration: \$118.50 in fines, \$157.50 in court costs
Kail C. Wyman, Marsing — Misdemeanor fail to notify upon striking an unattended vehicle (plea deal: original charge: Misdemeanor fail to stop or leaving the scene of damage accident): \$142.50 in fines, \$307.50 in court costs

Feb. 20
Jordan Trent Ford, Kuna — Misdemeanor Fish and Game violation, fishing without a license (not salmon steelhead, sturgeon or bull trout): \$26 in fines, \$168 in court costs

Obituary

Donna Marie Shenk

Donna Marie Shenk of Ridgeview, Oregon passed away April 1, 2024 surrounded by her loving family. She was born June 23, 1929 in Klamath Falls, Oregon to Raymond Taylor and Winnie Mae Taylor.

She met Art Shenk at a local dance and they were married November 27, 1955 in Boise, Idaho.

They had three children, Janet Shira (Darrell), Pat Shenk (Shawnda), and David Shenk (Shelley).

She and her husband Art farmed and ranched in Ridgeview for over 57 years. After Art passed away in 2012, she stayed on the ranch and maintained her beautiful yard.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Art, grandson Duncan Arthur Shenk and her siblings Dale, Alan, Peggy, Arnie and Gene.

She is survived by her children and their spouses, two sisters Wilma and Joy, eight grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

She was a force to be reckoned with, and we will miss her with all our hearts.

The family would like to thank Owyhee Health and



Rehab for the skilled and compassionate care they gave Mom. It is truly appreciated. Their love for her was obvious and genuine.

A service will be held April 19 at 10:30 AM at the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene in Homedale. Lunch will follow at the church.

A private family service will be held later to spread she and Art's ashes on the family ranch.

In lieu of flowers, the family wishes donations to be made to Love INC Treasure Valley, PO Box 3404, Nampa, ID 83653 or Mountain View Church of the Nazarene Open Heart Ministry, 26515 Ustick Rd., Wilder, ID 83676.

Marsing community meeting focuses on youth well-being

The Marsing school community is invited to attend a youth well-being action team meeting and year-end celebration.

The latest in a series of community meetings aimed at enhancing the well-being of the town's youth will take place from 5:30 p.m., to 7:30 p.m., on Thursday, April 25 inside the Marsing School District cafeteria on 8th Avenue West.

The conversation to support the sound mental and physical

health of Marsing's youth will continue between community members, parents, youth, and school officials.

A free dinner and free child-care will be provided.

The program is presented by the school district, Communities for Youth, and Southwest District Health.

For more information, contact Tara Woodward at (208) 477-4998 or tara.woodward@swdh.id.gov.

✓ Schools: Levy vote May 21

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will lead the discussion, which grows out of the creation of the School Facilities Modernization Fund through House Bill 766.

HB 766 requires districts to submit a 10-year facilities plan in order to qualify for state funding from the School Modernization Fund.

In addition to recommending at two-year supplemental levy to raise \$1.3 million for school operations, the ad hoc committee requested the board of school trustees

draw up a plan to house Pre-K through 12th grade students at the Rimrock campus.

The committee recommended the consolidation proposal "to see if it is a supportable option to consider as decisions are made in the uncertainty of the district's future," according to a press release announcing the latest School Talks.

The committee wants the plans drafted by July 1 and to use fund balance money to create a blueprint of the property to examine the viability.

Death notices

RHONDA KAY DICKSON, 59, of Wilder, died on Monday, April 18, 2024. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., on Monday, April 15, 2024 at 1 p.m., at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Homedale. Interment will follow at Wilder Cemetery before a reception at the church. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapels, Homedale

PATRICIA ANNE "TISH" LEWIS, 92, of Murphy, died Saturday, April 6, 2024. Arrangements: Nampa Funeral Home, Yraguen Chapel

JOLENE MILLER (OLSEN), 79, of Marsing, died on Monday, March 11, 2024. Viewing and funeral took place at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Marsing. Graveside services were held at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens in Caldwell. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapels, Caldwell

HARRY OLIVER PACKWOOD, 81, of Payette, an Adrian native, died on Thursday, April 4, 2024. A funeral will be held at 2 p.m., on Friday, April 12, 2024 at the First Christian Church, 619 12th Ave.S., Nampa. Arrangements: Nampa Funeral Home, Yraguen Chapel

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Choice of milk and juice

PB&J sandwich, and vegetable and fruit choices offered daily

April 17: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, sliced pears **Lunch:** Chicken fried fingers, mashed potatoes, country gravy, buttered corn

April 18: **Breakfast:** Waffle sandwich, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, garden salad, pineapple tidbits, Jello

April 22: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, applesauce **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken, steamed buttered carrots, whole grain roll

April 23: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza, orange slices **Lunch:** French toast sticks, sausage patty, hash brown patty

April 24: **Breakfast:** Buttermilk pancakes, Yami yogurt, sliced peaches **Lunch:** Spaghetti, seasoned green beans

Homedale Middle

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt or string cheese

Cereal option and PB&J offered daily

Vegetable and fruit choices offered daily

April 17: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, string cheese, sliced pears **Lunch:** Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, buttered corn, whole grain roll

April 18: **Breakfast:** Croissant breakfast sandwich, Yami yogurt, apple **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, pineapple tidbits, seasoned green beans, Jello

April 22: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, string cheese, applesauce **Lunch:** Italian pull-a-part, marinara sauce cup, buttered corn

April 23: **Breakfast:** Maple bar, Yami yogurt, mixed fruit **Lunch:** French toast sticks, sausage patty, hash brown patty

April 24: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, blueberry muffin, diced pears **Lunch:** Chicken Alfredo, mixed vegetables, garlic toast

Homedale High

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

Vegetable and fruit choices offered daily

Cereal option, Grab 'n' go items each day

April 17: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, garden salad **Grab 'n' go:** Ham and cheese sub

April 18: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, Yami yogurt, iced coffee **Lunch:** Corn dog, curly fries, fruited Jello **Grab 'n' go:** BBQ chicken wrap

April 22: **Breakfast:** Sausage and cheese biscuit, string cheese fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Mozzarella bread sticks, marinara sauce cup,

crinkle fries **Grab 'n' go:** Chicken Caesar wrap

April 23: **Breakfast:** French toast bites, sausage patty, iced coffee **Lunch:** Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, curly fries **Grab 'n' go:** Berry chicken salad

April 24: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, Tater Tots **Grab 'n' go:** Club sub sandwich

Marsing

Meals include choice of milk, fruit juice, fresh fruit & vegetables

Elementary breakfast: Cereal option

Middle/High School each day: PB&J option

Cold Grab-n-go line: Wrap, sub sand., salad

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

April 17: **Breakfast:** French toast bites, Yami yogurt, orange wedges **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice, green beans, spring roll, fortune cookie **Hot Grab-n-go line:** BBQ chicken pizza, Tater Tots

April 18: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, toast, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Mozzarella breadsticks, mixed vegetables, chocolate chunk cookie **Cold Grab-n-go line:** Southwest chicken salad

April 22: **Breakfast:** Glazed donut, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Chicken Alfredo, steamed carrots, garlic toast **Cold Grab-n-go line:** Chicken Caesar salad

April 23: **Breakfast:** Pork sausage patty, biscuit, country gravy, sliced pears **Lunch:** Super nachos, refried beans **Hot Grab-n-go line:** Malibu chicken sandwich, Tater Tots

April 24: **Breakfast:** Buttermilk pancakes, Yami yogurt, sliced apples **Lunch:** Mini corn dogs, crinkle fries **Cold Grab-n-go line:** Taco salad

Bruneau/Grand View

All meals: Milk and fruit offered daily

Jr.-Sr. high school: Pizza offered daily

April 17: **Breakfast:** Mini Cinnabon **Lunch:** Chicken taco, tossed romaine salad, refried beans

April 18: **Breakfast:** PB&J sandwich **Lunch:** Hamburger on a bun, Tater Tots, baby carrots

April 22: **Breakfast:** Cherry frudel **Lunch:** Little Smokies and whole wheat roll, scalloped potatoes, green beans

April 23: **Breakfast:** Biscuits and jelly **Lunch:** Taco salad and whole wheat chips, refried beans/salsa

April 24: **Breakfast:** French toast **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets and whole wheat roll, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots

Owyhee County Church Directory

<i>Calvary Fellowship Homedale</i> Pastor Rich Wright 711 W. Idaho Ave. Church time is 10 a.m. Sunday & Wednesday at 7 p.m. River Youth Sunday at 6 p.m. (208) 296-7275	<i>Knight Community Church Grand View</i> Pastor Ivan Shetler 630 Idaho Street (208) 834-2639 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Thursday Men's Fellowship 7 p.m.	<i>Our Lady of Tears Church Silver City</i> Mass Summer Schedule TBA All are welcome For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa (208) 466-7031 www.nampacatholic.church
<i>Iglesia Misionera Biblica Homedale</i> Pastor Fernando Gomez 132 W Owyhee • (208) 337-5975 Servicios: Vier - 7 p.m. - Oracion Mier - 7 p.m. Pr edicacion Dom - 10 a.m. Esc. Dom y 6:30 p.m. "Una Iglesia Diferente."	<i>Golden Gate Baptist Church Wilder</i> Pastor Robert Potter, Jr., CLP Corner of Second and "B" Streets Church time is 11 a.m. on Sunday Call (208) 880-4308 for information	<i>Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder</i> Pastor Michael McCormick Hwy 19 & 95, (208) 890-3046 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m.
<i>Assembly of God Church Homedale</i> 15 West Montana, (208) 412-2946 Senior Pastor: Ivar Moore Sunday services, 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. 11 a.m. has nursery, children's program Wednesday and Kidz services, 7 p.m. www.homedaleagchurch.com	<i>Friends Community Church Wilder - Homedale</i> 17434 Hwy 95, (208) 337-3464 Pastor: Scott Morin Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Services: 10:45 a.m. Sundays Christian Life Club (K-4th) 4 p.m., Wednesdays during school at Homedale First Presbyterian www.homedalefriends.org	<i>Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church Caldwell</i> 1122 W. Linden St. (208) 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 p.m. Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon
<i>Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Homedale</i> 621 W. Idaho Ave. Homedale. (208) 337-4248 Pastor Sean Rippey Sunday Services 10 a.m. Adult and Children Sunday School 9-9:45 a.m. Visitors Always Welcome! Call Church for Prayer requests	<i>Homedale Baptist Church</i> 212 S. 1st W., (208) 960-4496 https://homedalebc.org Sunday Fellowship 11 a.m.-Noon Second Sunday soup/meal Noon Fourth Sunday Communion Celebration and shared meal Noon Pastor: Paul Chismar	<i>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale</i> 708 West Idaho Ave Sunday 1st Ward, 11:30 a.m. Bishop David Hann Sunday 2nd Ward, 9 a.m. Bishop Chris Varuska
<i>Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing</i> Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House Welcoming Families, especially those with special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor (208) 896-5366 (208) 896-4673 Sunday Services at 10 a.m.	<i>Wilder Church of God Wilder</i> 205 A St. E, (208) 649-7698 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Service 11 a.m. Sunday Eve. 6 p.m. Wed. Eve. 7 p.m.	<i>Mountain View Church of the Nazarene Wilder-Homedale</i> 26515 Ustick Road (208) 337-3151 Pastor Ryan Schwin www.mvcnaz.org Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wed. 7 p.m.
<i>MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY</i> Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 107 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Jose Gutierrez (208) 880-6172 Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Service 1 p.m. Wednesday Service 7 p.m. Bilingual Services/Español	<i>Iglesia Evangelica Wilder</i> 317 3rd St., Pastor Ramiro Reyes 10 am Sunday School 11 a.m. Service (208) 482-7484 Bilingual	<i>St. David's Episcopal Church</i> 1800 Arlington Ave. Caldwell, ID 83605 (208) 459-9261 stdavids@stdavidscaldwell.org www.stdavid.episcopaldaho.org
<i>Christian Church Homedale</i> 110 W. Montana (208) 319-4650 Don Vander Boegh (208) 867-5418 Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m. Church school 9:45 a.m.	<i>Bible Missionary Church Homedale</i> 501 W. Idaho, (208) 337-3873 Pastor Ron Franklin Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Sunday Evening 7 p.m Wednesday Evening 7:30 .p.m.	<i>Assembly of God Church Marsing</i> 139 Kerry St., (208) 599-2374 Pastor Sergio Aristizabal Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Service 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
<i>Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing</i> Pastor Daniel Swaim 116 4th Ave. W., (208) 603-3063 Sunday worship: Morning: 11a.m-Noon • Evening: 6-7 p.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m-10:45 a.m. Wednesday evening 7 pm-8 p.m.	<i>Nazarene Church Marsing</i> Pastor Jody Hampton (208) 649-5256 12 2nd Avenue West www.marsingnaz.org Worship Services - Sunday 11 a.m. Sunday School - 10 a.m. Sunday Evening 6 p.m.	<i>Trinity Holiness Church Homedale</i> Pastor Samuel Page (208) 337-5021 Sunday School 10 a.m. at 112 N. 4th St. Sunday Evening 5:30 p.m.* Thursday Evening 7:30 p.m.* *Sunday and Thursday evening services held at First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W.
<i>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing</i> 215 3rd Ave. W. Sunday 1st Ward, 10:30 a.m. Bishop Sean Rowley Sunday 2nd Ward, 9 a.m. Bishop Lon McRae	<i>Calvary Holiness Church - Wilder</i> Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave. Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. • Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Sunday: 6:00 p.m. • Wednesday: 7 p.m. calvarypantry@gmail.com Food Pantry hours: 2nd Friday of month 5-7 p.m. 4th Friday of month 12-2 p.m. Calvary Holiness Food Pantry Wilder Idaho	<i>United Methodist Church Wilder</i> <i>Exploring the Bible: Public Invited</i> 2nd & 4th Tuesday: 4-5 p.m. Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. Pastor Dave Raines (208) 880-8751 Sunday Service 9:30 a.m.
<i>First Presbyterian Church Homedale</i> 320 N. 6th W. Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Christian Life Club (K-4th) 4 p.m., Wednesdays during school (Friends church sponsor) Rev. Heidi Smith-Takatori (208) 303-7414	<i>Vision Community Church Marsing</i> 221 West Main St., Marsing, Idaho (208) 779-7926 Pastor Benje Graves Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7 p.m. (Potluck dinner Wednesday at 6:15 before service)	<i>Garnet Seventh-Day Adventist Church</i> 16613 Garnet Rd., Wilder (208) 649-5280 Email: garnetSDA@icloud.com Sabbath School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00-8 p.m.
<i>Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale</i> 711 W. Idaho, (208) 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11 a.m.	<i>Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church - Oreana</i> 2023 Mass Schedule - 10 a.m. second Saturday of month (except April, third Saturday) All are welcome! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa (208) 466-7031	<i>Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC</i> Esquina de 4 y calle B Domingos Servicio: Noon El Ropero (Banco de ropa) Miercoles 12- 2 p.m. Martes y Jueves: 6:30 p.m. Ingles Sabados: Noon Arte Infantil Todo en Espanol, Inf. (208) 989-7508
<i>Valley Christian Fellowship Grand View</i> 37866 State Hwy. 78 Pastor Nate Good (208) 834-2655 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service: 10:45 a.m. Communion & potluck first Sunday each month Potluck only third Sunday each month AWANA Bible Club: 5 p.m., Sunday		

Religious Expression

Looking for that blessed, glorious appearing of our God, Savior Jesus Christ

by Jack Muldoon
“Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. In my father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. And if I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.”



— **John 14:1-3 New King James Version (NKJV)**

“For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.”

— **Thessalonians 4:16-18**

“For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, looking for that blessed hope and glorious appearance of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.”

— **Titus 2:11-14**

“Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I tell you a ‘mystery:’ We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed — in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye at the last trump. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.”

— **1 Corinthians 15:50-52**

“Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may

be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known You; and these have known that You sent Me. And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare it, that the love with which You loved Me may be in them and I in them.”

— **John 17:24-26**

“Grace to you and peace from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

“I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel, which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to ‘pervert’ the gospel of Christ. But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed. As we have said before, so now I say again, if anyone preaches any other gospel to you than what you have received, let him be accursed.

“For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I still pleased men, I would not be a bondservant of Christ.”

— **Galatians 1:3-10**

“The Rapture of the Church,” Dr. David Jeremiah writes, “will be a glorious occasion unlike anything in the history of the world. May the Lord find us ready and waiting.”

Jesus, thank You for Your mercy and grace! Thank You for saving us from the wrath to come. Help us be ready and waiting for the Rapture, which could happen at any moment!

— *Jack Muldoon is a long-time Marsing resident who was instrumental in the non-denominational prayer breakfast previously staged at the Nazarene church as well as the annual Marsing High School all-alumni picnic in August.*

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Extension

Investing rule of thumb No. 1: If it sounds too good to be true, it is

I listen to a lot of sports talk radio on my way to and from work. I have been commuting long enough that I have memorized the lineup of shows/anchors, their schedules, and their little bits that are unique to them. I have also resigned to the fact that I will have to sift through piles of commercials every morning and evening that I tune in.



Andrew Bingham

One of the commercials that I hear the most is one that really irritates me. It is a financial advisor talking about how poor our retirement system is. He references a documentary that supports his statement, and then says he has a better method of saving for retirement that will cost less money and get you to retirement faster, without any risk of loss regardless of what the market does.

Seems like a deal that's too good to be true, right? That's because it is.

Admittedly, I have not ordered this spokesperson's complimentary book to investigate how they can follow through on their claims, but I don't need to for two simple reasons.

- The first reason is logic.

If there was such a way for investors to spend less, get more, and avoid risk, it would not be a secret very long. Investors everywhere would adopt this plan, and hedge

fund managers with their Ivy League degrees and billion-dollar funds would find a way to capitalize with this strategy. Eventually, demand for the financial vehicles driving this retirement method would become so great that it would drive prices up, and the claim that their strategy requires less money is no longer valid.

- The second reason I do not buy into this commercial's claims is because it is too good to be true.

In the world of finance, that is the first rule of thumb: If it is too good to be true, then it is not true. That is because there is inherent risk in investing and retirement planning. There are ways to mitigate it, but that comes at a cost — typically smaller returns — and even then, risk cannot be completely abolished. Anyone who is trying to convince you otherwise is doing some funny math.

Risk can and should be balanced. That is the challenge of every portfolio, and that is the way it should be. Finding a strategy that caters to your age, financial needs, standard of living, and risk tolerance is half the fun of finance.

— Homedale High School graduate Andrew Bingham focuses on personal finance for the University of Idaho Extension. He can be reached at (208) 287-5900 or abingham@uidaho.edu, or you can visit the UI Extension Personal Finance Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/uofi.extension.finance>

Honor roll

College of Southern Idaho

Laythe Jenkins, a 2023 Rimrock High School graduate, was recently placed on the College of Southern Idaho Dean's List.

Jenkins, who is studying Diesel Technology at the Twin Falls junior college, is the son of Oreana residents Dave and Karen Jenkins.

Treasure Valley CC

The following locals were cited as honor students during the Treasure Valley Community College winter quarter:

Thane-Carter LeRoy Bayes, Adrian — President's List (4.0 grade-point average)

Isabella Lizette Bernard, Wilder — Dean's List (3.99 to 3.75 GPA)

Reuben Manzer, Melba — Honor Roll (3.74 to 3.5 GPA)

Owyhee County news online - when you need it
www.owyheeavalanche.com

Calendar

Today

Ladies coffee group

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

Food distribution

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

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.

Mandala Dot earring art class

4 p.m., to 6 p.m., ages 12 and over, \$10 per person (due at sign-up), Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228.

Thursday

Fit and Fall exercise

10:00 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

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

Teens and Tweens

5 p.m., to 6 p.m., 'Popcorn Bar & Game Night,' Homedale Community Center, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

After School Bible Club

4 p.m., to 5 p.m., ages 5-11, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 585-7694 or (208) 599-2790

Friday

Marsing Lions Bingo

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Mobile Food Pantry

7:30 a.m., to 10 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale. (208) 473-9331

Saturday

Food bank distribution

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

Homedale Senior Center thrift store

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Disaster medical response class & potluck

10 a.m., to 6 p.m., instruction by Marsing Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), Vision Community Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. Pre-registration: disaster911@juno.com.

Scones to Sips cooking class

1 p.m., to 3 p.m., \$25 per person/\$40 for two, University of Idaho County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., Marsing. Registration: bit.ly/24sconestosips

Sunday

Marsing Gun Club

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

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting

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

Opal Nash Story Time

10 a.m., 'Homedale High School Drama Club visit', Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

After school program

4:30 p.m., to 5:30 p.m., 'Homedale High School Drama Club visit', Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

U of I Parenting series

5:30 p.m., to 7:30 p.m., free, for families with children ages 5-11, The HUB/Marsing School District Office, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing. RSVP by April 12th to bit.ly/24parenting. Information: (208) 896-4104 or owyhee@uidaho.edu

High Desert Republican Women meeting

6 p.m., Sandbar Community Room, Marsing City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 204-9744

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Region III assistance assessments

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

High Desert Republican Women forum

6 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing.

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Wednesday

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

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EASTER FUN FROM OTHER PARTS OF OWYHEE

12th annual MRW Fire and EMS Chili Cook-off



Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire Chief Chuck Cooley (center) presented the awards on March 30 at the Owyhee County Historical Museum after Cooley, Owyhee County Sheriff Larry Kendrick (right) and other judges completed taste tests.



Rich Monson, People's Choice



Bonnie Foster and the Shady Ladies, chili with no bean



Mark Howe, red chili with beans and People's Choice runner-up



Loni Monson, anything goes



Madi Allison, chicken chili verde



Grand View youth looking at the library

Left: About 100 children fanned out across the grounds of the Eastern Owyhee County Library on March 30 for the annual Grand View Lions Club Easter egg hunt. **Right:** Danny Gomez happily makes his way across the grass looking for prized eggs. Danny is the son of Hilary Ellis.



Murphy Easter egg hunt coincides with big Saturday

Above: More than likely some of the boys and girls who crawled all over the Owyhee County Historical Museum grounds looking for Easter eggs on March 30 were left to their own devices as their parents shopped at the Owyhee County Historical Society spring bazaar or toured the exhibits inside the museum in Murphy. **Below:** A dad takes inventory of his son's Easter egg haul as the Easter bunny looks on near the Marsing train depot building.



These submitted photos were received too late for inclusion in The Owyhee Avalanche's Easter coverage in the April 3 edition, and space constraints limited our chances to publish them last week

Marsing basketball posts vacant

There are three basketball coaching positions vacant at local high schools.

Marsing officials are searching to fill both varsity head coaching positions after the resignation of Tim Little after a long stint as boys' coach and Aidrie Voile after one season as the girls' coach.

Marsing School District superintendent Norm Stewart also confirmed Voile's resignation last week, and added that the New Plymouth High School graduate and former The College of Idaho basketball player plans to leave her post as a school counselor.

Adrian High School is also searching for a new girls' basketball coach after the departure of Anthony Hansen.

— JPB



Aidrie Voile



First-year Rimrock baseball coach Adam Eldridge (left) gives pointers to sophomore Jose Jaramillo during a game against Glenns Ferry. Rimrock Journalism photo

Raiders working hard to build winning tradition

Rimrock whips Wilder for first baseball win of season

by Mia Varela
Rimrock Journalism

Adam Eldridge leads the Rimrock High School baseball team this season.

The first-year coach grew up in Siskiyou County, Calif., playing baseball every year.

He went on to pitch for College of the Siskiyous in Weed, Calif.

In 2015, he moved to the Bruneau-Grand View

area to raise his family.

Although this is Eldridge's first year as Raiders coach, he has coached the sport for six seasons.

Eldridge says he has "big plans to build the program up to a tradition of winning."

Rimrock football coach and physical education teacher Sam Ward is Eldridge's assistant coach, holding down the duties of first base coach, weight training, and helping to keep the team focused.

There are 12 players out for the 2024 team.

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Trojans roll to home title at River Bend

Erickson, Swallow split boys' medal

Homedale High School fully capitalized on its home-course advantage last week in 3A Snake River Valley conference golf.

Tyler Erickson and McCoy Swallow shared medalist honors on April 9 at River Bend Golf Course outside Wilder with each carding 2-over-par 38s.

No HHS golfer, including Jackson Krebs who didn't qualify for the team score, finished lower than tied for eighth as the Trojans rolled to nine-stroke lead over McCall-Donnelly in the nine-hole tournament.

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Tyler Erickson

"Everyone played great and had a great time," second-year HHS coach Raymond Smith said.

Krebs fired a 44 and was tied with five others for eighth place.

Luke Henry continued his hot hand, finishing tied for fifth with teammate Kinley Balkovetz.

Both Trojans shot 42s.

Keaton Swift was one stroke off the medalist pace, firing a 39 to finish third as the runners-up Vandals pulled in at 169.

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HHS wins battle atop 3A SRV softball heap

Trojans hang on vs. previously unbeaten Panthers

Dani Sitts cruised into the seventh inning of a first-place showdown before Parma High School's softball team threw a scare at her.

One of Homedale's two senior right-handed pitchers, Sitts rolled through most of the Trojans' 10-7 3A Snake River Valley conference victory last Wednesday at Homedale Middle School.

But after giving up an initial run while carrying a 7-0 lead, Sitts got hammered in the seventh inning with the Panthers coming through with six more runs, including Zoey Heffelfinger's grand slam. After two outs, fellow senior righty Olivia Asumendi came in to get a strikeout to

end the threat and keep the previously unbeaten Panthers one game behind the Trojans at the conference season's halfway mark.

MaxPreps had Parma (12-1 overall, 4-1 3A SRV) ranked first in the state — and Homedale No. 5 — heading into the game.

The Trojans (8-4 overall, 5-0 in conference before Monday's home game against Fruitland) won their fourth consecutive game.

Sitts finished with 14 strikeouts and a four-hitter. From the top of the batting order, she went 3-for-3 with two runs scored.

Asumendi (3-for-4) blasted another home run and drove in three runs, adding a double and two runs scored.

Isana Larzelier knocked in a pair of runs, and Zayne Hall

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Sports

Top-ranked Homedale rolls past more 3A SRV opponents

Trojans lose showdown with state's No. 2 3A team

Burke Deal witnessed a couple of dazzling 1-2 punches for the Homedale High School baseball team.

The coach's 17th season at the helm is turning into a showcase for one of the best right arms to ever throw a pitch for the Trojans, and last week Dillon Fine had his brother — fellow senior Payton Fine — to help hold down two more 3A Snake River Valley conference opponents.

Homedale (12-4 overall, 5-0 in conference) ended the first half of the 3A SRV season unbeaten with a one-game lead over Fruitland and Payette.

The Trojans lost a showdown between the top two Class 3A teams in the MaxPreps state rankings. Second-ranked Kimberly knocked off visiting

No. 1 Homedale, 13-3, in five innings on Saturday.

Last Wednesday, Dillon Fine, who is destined for the University of Utah, struck out the first nine batters he faced, took a no-hitter into the seventh inning and quite possibly set a school record with 18 strikeouts in a 9-0 win over Parma at John Jackson Field.

From the plate, the Fine brothers' younger sibling Payton and fellow sophomore Lukas Hall provided the pop and the run production April 8 in a 13-3 home-field drubbing of Payette.

Saturday: Kimberly 13, Homedale 3 (5) — The Bulldogs' Jakob Cummins shut down the Trojans' powerful offense on a two-hitter and

seven strikeouts. He also provided the home team's key offense, going 3-for-4 with two doubles and four RBI.

Kimberly built a 3-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning, and Homedale didn't break through until pushing a run across in the fourth inning.

After the Bulldogs exploded for six runs in the bottom of the fourth, the Trojans came back with a pair of runs in the fifth inning. Cummins' only allowed one earned run.

Homedale committed five errors, but four pitchers gave up 11 earned runs.

Dillon Fine doubled for the Trojans, and his brother Carson posted a single.

Xavier Uranga and Dillon and Carson Fine scored runs.

Last Wednesday: Homedale 9, Parma 0 — With the Panthers shackled by Dillon Fine's dominance, the Trojans' bats slumbered until a six-run

explosion in the sixth inning.

The Trojans outscored conference opponents, 46-3, through the first five games of the campaign.

Dillon Fine cruised through the game with Parma senior Sam Hultman's seventh-inning double ending his bid for a second no-hitter in 2024.

Dillon scored two runs, and fellow senior Andres Garcia singled and knocked in a pair of runs from the top of the batting order.

Two other 12th-graders, Oklin Carson (2-for-4) and Jayden Wutherich, and sophomores Chance Martell and Wylee Bidiman picked up RBI.

April 8: Homedale 13, Payette 3 (6) — With Payton Fine constituting part of the Trojans' lethal senior one-two punch from the mound, coach Burke Deal watched Payton's younger brother forge a similar sophomore combination at the

plate in a conference rout.

Carson Fine — the younger brother of the pitching duo of Payton and Dillon — drove in five runs, and Hall knocked in four more in Homedale's six-inning shellacking of the Pirates at John Jackson Field.

Both Hall (2-for-5) and Carson Fine (3-for-4) picked up doubles and both scored with Hall crossing the plate twice.

Payton Fine teamed with Bidiman on a four-hitter. Bidiman struck out one and walked one in a sixth-inning relief appearance. Payton struck out three and issued three walks and all four hits.

The Trojans scored five times in the bottom of the second inning to snap a 1-1 tie. Homedale took advantage of four Payette errors.

Wutherich, Uranga, and Dillon Fine scored two runs apiece.

Homedale Trojans

Athletes of the Week

Baseball
Carson Fine, so., LF
5-for-8 (.625), 3 runs, 5 RBI in 3 games

Softball
Isana Larzelier, sr., 2B
2-for-6, 3 RBI, 3 runs in 2 games

Track and field
Ahna Shaffer, sr., sprints, 4x100 relay
4 wins at Dave Mangum Invitational

Golf
McCoy Swallow, jr.
Shared River Bend medal with teammate

Tennis
AJ Robles, jr.
Helped get Trojans' first doubles win

THIS WEEK'S SPRING SPORTS SCHEDULE

Baseball Varsity Wednesday, April 17, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 5:30 p.m. Monday, April 22, home vs. Weiser, 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 24 at Payette, 5 p.m. Junior varsity Wednesday, April 17, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 3 p.m. Monday, April 22, home vs. Weiser, 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 24 at Payette, 3 p.m.	Softball Varsity Wednesday, April 17 at McCall-Donnelly, 4 p.m. Monday, April 22, home vs. Weiser, 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 24 at Payette, 5 p.m. Junior varsity Wednesday, April 17 at McCall-Donnelly, 6 p.m. Monday, April 22, home vs. Weiser, 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 24 at Payette, 3 p.m.	Track and field Friday, April 19 at Middleton Invite, 1 p.m. Tennis Wednesday, April 17 at Parma, 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 23 at Fruitland, 4:30 p.m.	Golf Boys and girls Wednesday, April 17 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet (9 holes), Rolling Hills GC, Weiser, 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 23 at 3A SRV meet (9 holes), Scotch Pines GC, 3 p.m. Girls Monday, April 22 at Baker Invitational (18 holes), Quail Ridge GC, Baker, Ore., noon
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Sports

Marsing's bats come alive vs. New Plymouth

Huskies end Orofino's 11-game unbeaten streak to start season

There were plenty of salvos in last Wednesday's battle for third place in the 2A Western Idaho Conference baseball standings.

Marsing High School used a seven-run explosion in the bottom of the first inning then withstood New Plymouth's eight-run barrage in the fifth to pull out an 18-12 home-field victory.

The game ended after six innings.

The Huskies (7-6 overall, 2-2 in conference after splitting road games against Orofino on Friday and Saturday) claimed sole possession of third place and stayed one game behind second-place Cole Valley Christian in the standings.

"I felt real good about our week of baseball," Huskies coach JW Chadez said. "We were two bad innings away from going 4-0 on the week, but overall our play improved."

"We are starting to find a little groove."

New Plymouth (6-6-1, 1-3 at week's end) scored an unearned run against right-hander Luke Steinmeyer for a 1-0 lead in the top of the opening frame. Huskies shortstop Jace Chadez showed off his range and his arm to start the last two outs of the inning, including a snappy snatch-and-throw on Ashton Robison's inning-ending grounder in

the hole.

The Huskies wasted little time getting that run back — and then some — by scoring seven times in the bottom of the first inning.

By the end of three innings, Marsing held a 14-3 lead.

The Huskies' junior brigade led a 13-hit attack, including Steinmeyer and Teagan Kinney who each hit their third home runs of the season.

- Steinmeyer went 2-for-3 with four RBI and three runs scored. Steinmeyer now has 17 RBI this season.
- Kinney drove in three runs (he has 13 RBI) and scored three more to push his team-best total to 16. He went 3-for-4 to push his team-best batting average to .526.
- Dresden Wood was 2-for-3 with a double, an RBI and three runs scored.
- Dylan Arnold went 3-for-5 with a double and three RBI.
- Levi Puga didn't get a hit, but he scored four runs, and Chadez crossed the plate twice.

Saturday: Marsing 7, Orofino 4 — The Huskies scored five times in the top of the sixth inning to erase a one-run deficit and end the Maniacs' 11-0-1 start to the season.

Marsing split two games during a non-conference road trip.

Orofino had taken a 3-2 lead with a three-run rally in the bottom of the second inning. Marsing grabbed a 2-0 advantage in the top of the first.

Puga knocked in a pair of runs.

Wood led the Huskies' 10-hit attack

with a 3-for-4 plate performance. He scored a run and logged an RBI.

Kinney also had a run and an RBI while going 2-for-4.

Another junior, Jeremiah Rodriguez, started on the mound and scattered four hits. Only one of Orofino's runs was earned.

"Finishing off the week on Saturday handing Orofino their first loss will be a big boost," JW Chadez said. "Our Pitching held down the fort for most of the week. Jeremiah Rodriguez gave us some huge innings on Saturday to bounce back after a frustrating performance versus New Plymouth."

The coach also said his son, Jace, "pitched great in relief" to help the Huskies maintain the lead into the sixth inning of Game 1.

Friday: Orofino 5, Marsing 3 — The Huskies snapped a 2-2 tie with a run in the top of the second inning, but the Maniacs rallied for the win with three runs on four hits against reliever Kinney in sixth.

Orofino picked up four of its nine hits in the sixth inning. The Maniacs tied the game, 2-2, with a pair of unearned runs off Puga in the first inning.

Jace Chadez struck out four batters during 4 2/3 innings of shutout baseball.

Steinmeyer drove in three runs and doubled. Chadez, freshman Heston McIntyre, and Kinney scored runs for the Huskies.

Wood was 2-for-4, and Chadez singled for the rest of the Huskies' hits.

April 8: Nampa Christian 7, Marsing 4 — The Huskies couldn't shake off their hosts' late six-run rally as a seventh-inning comeback fell short.

The Trojans erased a one-run deficit against the team that beat them for the 2A District III championship last year with a big sixth inning.

Relief pitcher Jace Chadez was stung for all six runs, including three unearned tallies, as he gave up four hits in his only inning on the mound.

The Huskies committed four errors, too.

Teagan Kinney threw five innings of no-hit ball and left the mound with a 2-1 lead. He posted seven strikeouts and walked four batters.

Marsing built a 2-0 lead in the top of the first inning, and Nampa Christian cut the advantage in half with an unearned run in the bottom of the third.

Dresden Wood knocked in two runs for Marsing, and fellow juniors Kinney and Mason Conger roped doubles. Another 11th-grader, Levi Puga, was 1-for-3 with two runs scored.

Luke Steinmeyer picked up an RBI, too.

Marsing resident Colby Ferdinand, a junior, scored a run and drove another one home for Nampa Christian.

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MARSING HUSKIES

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Baseball
Mason Conger, Jr., 1B/3B
4 hits, 3 runs, 3 RBI during week



Softball
Laney Goostrey, Jr., RF
2-2, run, RBI vs. Payette



Track and field
Sydney Nelson, Jr., sprints
Three PRs, three top-six finishes at Mangum meet

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Baseball Varsity

Wednesday, April 17, home vs. North Star Charter, Eagle, 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 20 at Payette, 11 a.m.

Monday, April 22 at Cole Valley Christian, Meridian, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity

Monday, April 22 at Cole Valley Christian, Meridian, 4 p.m.

Softball Varsity

Wednesday, April 17 at Nyssa, Ore., 5 p.m.

Friday, April 19 at Wendell (2), 4 p.m., and 6 p.m.

Monday, April 22 at Cole Valley Christian, 5 p.m.

Junior varsity

Monday, April 22 at Cole Valley Christian, 5:30 p.m.

Track and field Varsity

Friday, April 19 at Middleton Invite, 1 p.m.

Junior varsity

Friday, April 19 at Bishop Kelly Invite, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 20 at Bishop Kelly Invite, 10 a.m.

Golf Boys and girls

Tuesday, April 23 at 2A Western Idaho Conference meet (9 holes), Purple Sage GC, Caldwell, 3 p.m.





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Sports

Shaffer sizzles for champion HHS girls at old home track

Several personal records for Trojans

Ahna Shaffer’s homecoming sent her new team to the top of the standings at Friday’s Dave Mangum Invitational. Returning to the school for which she ran her first three high school track and field seasons, the Homedale senior finally broke through in the big meet, winning three sprints and helping the Trojans girls to the meet championship and a 4x100-meter relay crown. Shaffer won a 400-meter race in Melba for the first time since her sophomore season with the Mustangs, posting one of her three personal records Friday at 1 minute, 1.94 seconds. She swept the shorter sprints with PRs, too. The senior won the 100 in 12.7, and took the 200 in 27.02. Shaffer ran the third leg of the 4x100 for the all-senior HHS relay team as Homedale rolled to a 51.08 time. Shaffer was a 100 and 4x100 champion in

the Mangum meet as a freshman in 2021. Joining her on the podium Friday for the 4x100 medal ceremony were Mylissa Barrett, Kinlee Garrett and Carlie Moore. Trojans girls posted eight event victories and scored 125.5 points, winning the meet championship by 9.5 points over McCall-Donnelly, and outpacing reigning Class 2A state champion Melba by 13 points. Junior Rafael Cuenca set a personal-best time to win the 400 meters, and the Homedale boys (111) finished a distant second to Cole Valley Christian (169). Cuenca crossed the line in 52.34 seconds. Homedale’s boys’ 4x100 relay squad also triumphed. Sophomores Javid Blewett and Kade Hall (first and third legs, respectively) and seniors Danny Lomeli and Izmael Ortiz (second and anchor legs) teamed up for a 44.59 time. The Homedale girls’ championship run included plenty of success in the

field events, too. Junior Tayler Trout PR’d to win the shot put at 31 feet, 7 inches. Sophomore Morgan Nicoletti won the pole vault with a personal-record 10-0 mark. Moore and Garrett split the hurdles championships. Moore posted her fastest 300 meters of the year (48.63), and Garrett won the 100 meters in 16.6. Garrett was third in the 300 (50.59), and sophomore Breydyn Ford (fifth, 54.73) grabbed a personal record. Freshman Aly DeVice was third in the 100 hurdles with a PR of 17.48. Nicoletti also PR’d with her third-place time of 28.18 in the 200. Other top finishes in the boys’ meet: • Hall finished second in the 100 (11.87), PR’d for fourth in the 400 (23.64) and took fifth in the pole vault (10-0). • Senior Conner McCarney took second in the pole vault (11-6), and sophomores Gage Brown (sixth, 9-0)

and Tyler Isham (ninth, 8-0), and freshman Sawyer Nicoletti (10th, 8-0) came up with personal records. • Senior Bobby Christensen was runner-up in the 1,600 (4:49.79), and his personal-record of 2:06.47 garnered third in the 800. Sophomore Domingo Asumendi PR’d in the 1,600 with an eighth-place time of 5:15.04. • Senior Brock Johnson (seventh, 24.16) and Blewett (eighth, 24.29) also had personal records in the 400. • Ninth-grader Brody Johnson corralled PRs with a pair of third-place finishes in the hurdles (17.02 at 110 meters and 43.96 at 300 meters). • Cuenca played a part in runner-up relay showings in the 4x200 (1:35.09 with Blewett, Lomeli and freshman Alec Campos) and 4x400 (3:35.39 with Campos, Brock Johnson, and junior Alex Sotelo). • Sophomore Kayden Barrett finished sixth in the discus (134-0, PR). • Junior Todd Thatcher’s PR of 5-6 was good for third in the high jump.

Marsing softball finds remedy to end losing streak: Payette pitching

Marsing High School ended a four-game softball losing streak Friday with a 19-9 non-conference rout of Payette. The Huskies (6-6-1 overall) scored two runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to end the home game in six innings. Marsing took advantage of inconsistent Pirates pitching resulting in 12 walks. Laney Goostrey and Brooklyn Roadenbaugh knocked in three runs apiece, while Taylor Callison, Ariel Ingersoll and Lily Gluch collected two RBI each. Roadenbaugh singled twice and scored three runs. Three Marsing pitchers – Callison, Roadenbaugh, and Lily Thoene – teamed up on a two-hitter. None of Payette’s runs were earned as Marsing committed nine errors. **Last Wednesday: New**

Plymouth 11, Marsing 0 (6) — The visiting Pilgrims took advantage of the Huskies’ early defensive lapses then scored three runs in the sixth to end the 2A Western Idaho Conference game early. Marsing started the conference season 0-2. New Plymouth tacked four runs on the board in the first as Huskies’ starting pitcher Brooklyn Roadenbaugh uncorked four of wild pitches and the Huskies committed two of their seven errors. Bella Barbee drilled a single for the first of two RBI, and Pilgrims pitcher Jewel Bell helped her own cause with a first-inning RBI single. Bell scored on LeAnn Hartzell’s double to deep center field. The Huskies looked ready to run with the Pilgrims. Taylor Callison sliced a single through second base, and

Bailey Daugherty dumped a base hit into right field with an inside-out swing in the first. But Bell got out of the inning and held Marsing to four hits the rest of the way. Daugherty went 2-for-3 with a double. **April 8: Nampa Christian 11, Marsing 1 (5)** — Lily Thoene’s third-inning double brought home junior Kylie Goostrey with the Huskies’ only run in a conference loss. Sophomore Peyton Shook fired a two-hitter at Marsing, striking out 13 batters and walking no one at home. The Huskies hadn’t played in 12 days. Goostrey got Marsing’s first hit with a third-inning single. Nampa Christian held a 4-0 lead two innings and ended the game via the 10-run rule with seven runs in the fifth.

Huskies record-holder takes 2nd at Mangum

Vanosdall’s PR wins girls’ long jump

Nate Delaney topped 50 feet for the second time in as many weeks, but the Marsing High School senior couldn’t top his record-breaking performance Friday. Delaney finished runner-up in the Dave Mangum Invitational in Melba, reaching 50 feet, 5 inches on Friday, seven days after he set the school record in the event. On April 5, Delaney uncorked a heave of 50-8 to win the Parma Invitational title and shatter Tyson Heller’s 16-year-old school record (50-3½). As the Huskies finished ninth in the team standings, Delaney set a personal record in the discus on Friday, taking third at 138-10. Fellow senior Diego Margarito also PR’d to take seventh at 123-11. On the girls’ side, Marsing took fifth on the strength of several top-five finishes, including Raylynn Vanosdall’s long jump championship. The junior reached a PR of 15-7½, and she also had a career-best mark of 4-4 to finish seventh in the high jump. Vanosdall was runner-up in the 100 meters at 13.39 seconds. Sophomore Joey Prescott

notched a PR in the girls’ discus, finishing runner-up at 87-0. Senior Trinity Stimmel took third (77-3), and junior Erika Frazier PR’d at 74-6 for sixth. Stimmel PR’d for seventh in the shot put (25-11½). Freshman Bethany Steinmeyer also notched a PR for second place in the long jump at 15-5. Kaitlyn Sevy was fifth at 13-9½, and sophomore Olivia Perez finished 10th with a PR of 13-1½. Sevy, Steinmeyer, and Vanosdall joined forces with junior Sydney Nelson to finish second in the 4x100 relay (52.52 seconds). Nelson was runner-up in the 400 meters with a PR of 1 minute, 2.07 seconds and also finished fifth in the 100 (13.78) and sixth in the 200 (28.43). Junior Ashlyn Porter finished sixth in the triple jump (29-4½). Freshman Alec Ecklund led Marsing’s boys in the distance races, posting a PR with his sixth-place time of 11 minutes, 36.33 seconds in the 3,200 meters. Junior Jack Marshall attained a PR in the boys’ 400, finishing 12th in 58.69.

Rimrock runners rule vs. big schools

Athletes who traveled one of the shortest distances picked up victories in some of the longest races of Thursday’s five-team track meet. Rimrock High School senior Loyd Boren won twice. Goya Lemus, a senior distance runner, won the girls’ 800-meter run in 2 minutes, 40.82 seconds in Mountain Home. Like Lemus, Boren also ran his fastest times of the season to win the 1,600 (4:46.85) and 800 (2:05.07) against

athletes from three larger schools (Mountain Home, Ridgevue and Vallivue) and Glenns Ferry. Runners-up included junior Ronaldo Gomez in the boys’ long jump at 18 feet, 8¼ inches and senior Ashten Moore in the girls’ triple jump (30-11). Moore’s personal-best 29.98 took seventh in the 200. Two freshmen — Bryllie Mendoza at 27-1 and Chanelle King-Gunning at 24-4 — posted PRs in the girls’ shot put for

fourth and seventh, respectively. Mendoza PR’d at 74-3 for sixth in the discus. Lemus was third in the 1,600 (6:17.72). Freshman Laine Raymond took fifth in 6:29.88. Three boys collected PRs: • Sophomore Kolton Jewett (1,600, sixth, 5:19.56). • Sophomore Morgan Field (shot put, fifth, 38-0) also finished fifth in the discus (110-5). • Freshman Riley Gonzalez (long jump, sixth, 17-3).

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Looking back...

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Spring cleaning at the museum in Murphy...

Members of the Owyhee County Historical Society spent Saturday cleaning up the grounds of the museum in Murphy and repainting the old train depot.

Authorities consider day use only for Jump Cr.

In the near future, the Jump Creek Recreation Area may become a day-use only facility, and overnight campers will be required to purchase permits.

Located near Marsing, Jump Creek, maintained by the Bureau of Land Management, provides facilities to help people access and enjoy Jump Creek Falls, which flows over a 60-foot cliff in a narrow desert canyon. The site is heavily visited by a wide range of public land users.

Jump Creek has been the site of repeated incidents of vandalism and underage drinking, Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman said.

Concern over these problems has prompted authorities to consider converting Jump Creek to a day-use only area. Aman said he has been working with the BLM on a plan to require campers to obtain an overnight permit to be sold locally.

Campers would be able to purchase permits at Homedale and Marsing city halls, Aman said.

Rodeo events pulling out of county facilities

The Gem State Rodeo Association, Idaho High School Rodeo Association, Idaho Girls Rodeo Association and the Idaho Junior Rodeo club are just some of the competitions Owyhee County may not see at the Owyhee County Rodeo grounds this year.

Speakers for the associations say they will not return to Owyhee County to hold their events because of increased prices to use the grounds, non-refundable deposits and bad upkeep.

Rhoades and Ronny Scott of the Idaho Junior Rodeo and the Gem State Rodeo, said the grounds are not maintained. It is up to rodeo associations who use the grounds to maintain the area.

Greg King, a local 4-H parent participant, said he felt the Owyhee County Rodeo board did not want people from outside the county using the grounds.

Fair board chairman Bill Watterson said the grounds are maintained by a county fund and controlled by the county commissioners.

“We request money for the repairs and they approve or deny it,” Watterson said. “Last fall the fair board decided to increase the fees for the grounds to outside of the county events. We had so many outside people wanting to use the grounds only because of the price. So to keep us up with the other areas we raised our prices for use of the grounds. When they come from all over the state, the \$75 can’t control the shape of the grounds.”

50 years ago

April 18, 1974



PLANNING A DAY-LONG INSTITUTE at the University of Idaho aimed to increase awareness of Chicano people’s needs in Idaho and in the nation are, seated, from left, Rafael Ortiz, Nampa, junior secondary education major; Isabel Garcia, Rexburg, sophomore sociology major; and Hector Galaviz, Idaho Falls, sophomore architecture major; and standing, left, Santiago Estrada, assistant dean for Student Advisory Services, and Juan Rodriguez, Wilder, senior electrical engineering major. The April 18 institute at the Student Union Building will feature speakers, group entertainment and a Chicano dinner.

Ambulance crew receives support from firemen

OPEN LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF HOMEDALE AND WILDER:

Having read with interest and concern the plight of the Homedale Ambulance and its crew, we feel that some effort should be made to ease their difficulties.

It is too bad that this group of men dedicated to this valuable service to Homedale and surrounding communities must resort to all types of pressure to have enough funds to operate.

It is probably true that many people who use their services are unable to pay, but others who can, after their crisis is over, refuse for one reason or another to take care of their obligation.

So, with this in mind, the directors of the Homedale Rural Fire District have initiated steps to have the ambulance funded through Fire District funds.

Succor Crik Sam Sez:

“Kissinger didn’t make much progress with the SALT talks, but he’s doin’ alright in the sugar and honey negotiations.”



Jaycee news

The Homedale Jaycees wish to remind all people in Homedale that this week, April 15-21, has been declared city clean-up in Homedale.

The Jaycees would like to see everyone in Homedale make an all-out effort to clean up our city. All your trash and yard trimmings can be put in front of your homes or in the alleys for pick-up Saturday, April 20, and Sunday, April 21 by the Homedale National Guard unit, city crew, and several Jaycees and other Homedale citizens.

Several organizations and churches have pledged to clean up certain lots. Any civic group, church or any other group of people wanting to clean up areas besides your homes are asked to contact Gary Hastriter so that unassigned groups can be placed in other areas of town.

153 years ago

April 15, 1871

The Mahogany has already commenced to wheel into the line of the assessable mines instead of being a dividend disbursing corporation, as was expected it would be when it was first thrown upon the market. —S. F. Stock Report.

The Mahogany is a good mine, and, if properly worked, would pay handsome dividends. We fear those San Francisco folks are prejudiced. If they could fathom the mysteries of adverse claimants, comprehend the importance of a month’s lawsuit in a Justice’s Court, and discern a \$15,000 debt through the opaqueness of “unqualified opinion,” then they might understand why the Mahogany has wheeled “into the line of assessable mines.”

SLENDER CHANCE.—Of one hundred men who are born, fifty die before the tenth year, twenty between the tenth and twentieth, ten between the twentieth and fortieth, five between the fortieth and sixtieth; therefore, six only live to above the age of sixty.

I. O. O. F. BALL.—The various committees, who have in charge the getting up of the ball to be given by the Odd Fellows on the 26th, are doing their level best to make it the grandest affair of the kind ever had in Owyhee, and we have no doubt that their efforts will be crowned with success. It will be the last ball of the season — no more dancing till the Fourth of July — consequently worshipers at the shrine of Terpsichore are all on the *qui vive*. The Masonic Hall constitutes a magnificent ball room, and, in the hands of Simondi and Bishop and group, will be transformed into a palace of Oriental splendor. The wealth and fashion, and youth and beauty of Silver City will be there, and will dance the merry hours away to the soul-stirring music of the Silver City Quadrille Band. The price of tickets is exceedingly reasonable, being only \$6, including supper, which will be served up in magnificent style at the Idaho Hotel. Invitations and tickets will be printed to-day. Carriages will be furnished free to those who leave their orders at the office of Idaho Hotel.

THE CALICO BALL.—As per announcement, the calico ball came off last Wednesday night, and was really one of the most enjoyable dancing parties that we ever attended. The ladies all wore calico dresses and a majority of the gentlemen sported neckties of the same material. The cold and formal reserve, common to “high-toned” gatherings, was entirely dispensed with, and all seemed to vie in their efforts to promote general jollity and unrestrained sociability. At the sound of the midnight whistle, an elegant lunch was served up at the Idaho Hotel, after which dancing was resumed and was continued till 3 o’clock in the morning. Much credit is due the gentlemanly managers of the Silver City Dancing Club for the highly agreeable manner in which they have conducted the series of social parties just closed.

COUNTY FINANCES.—From Treasurer Gardner’s report for the quarter ending April 10th, we learn that there are warrants outstanding on the General and 45 per cent. funds to the amount of \$42,040.54, exclusive of interest; outstanding Hospital Warrants, \$3,832.14, outstanding Expense Warrants, \$2,113.45 — making a total of \$47,896.13. Deducting \$1,250.47, cash on hand to the credit of the respective funds, the total county indebtedness, exclusive of interest, is found to be \$46,735.66.

Commentary

Center on Representative Government Work to define America’s role in the world continues

President Joe Biden reached back in history in his recent State of the Union address, citing a January 1941 speech in which Franklin Delano Roosevelt called on America to reject isolationism and engage with the world. This was the famous Four Freedoms speech, when FDR laid out his idealistic vision of “four essential freedoms” that were worth fighting for: freedom of speech, freedom to worship, freedom from want and freedom from fear.

Roosevelt’s immediate purpose, the one that Biden embraced, was to rally support for America’s friends. As Biden said, “freedom and democracy were under assault in the world.” World War II was well underway in Europe. Hitler’s forces had conquered Poland, and France, Luxembourg, Belgium and the Netherlands would fall to Germany within months. In the Pacific, Japan was expanding its empire.

Roosevelt’s speech articulated one of the “big decisions” that shaped American history. An ardent internationalist, he argued that the attacks in Europe and Asia would inevitably threaten our freedom, and it was in our national interest to respond. America’s safety was “overwhelmingly involved in events far beyond our borders,” he told Congress.

He had just been elected to an unprecedented third term, and his Republican opponent, Wendell Willkie, also favored support for U.S. allies. FDR said Americans agreed “by an impressive expression of public will and without regard to partisanship.” In fact, there remained a strong strain of isolationism among the public. Many people were still exhausted from World War I, which claimed more than 100,000 American lives. The Great Depression had understandably put the focus on domestic suffering.

Roosevelt wasn’t calling for American soldiers to go to war. Instead, he wanted funds to manufacture military supplies and equipment for America’s allies. The U.S. economy would shift from a peacetime to a wartime footing. Allies didn’t need manpower, he said, but needed billions of dollars’ worth of weapons to defend themselves. Persuaded, Congress passed the Lend Lease Act, which let the president direct aid to the allies without violating the official U.S. position

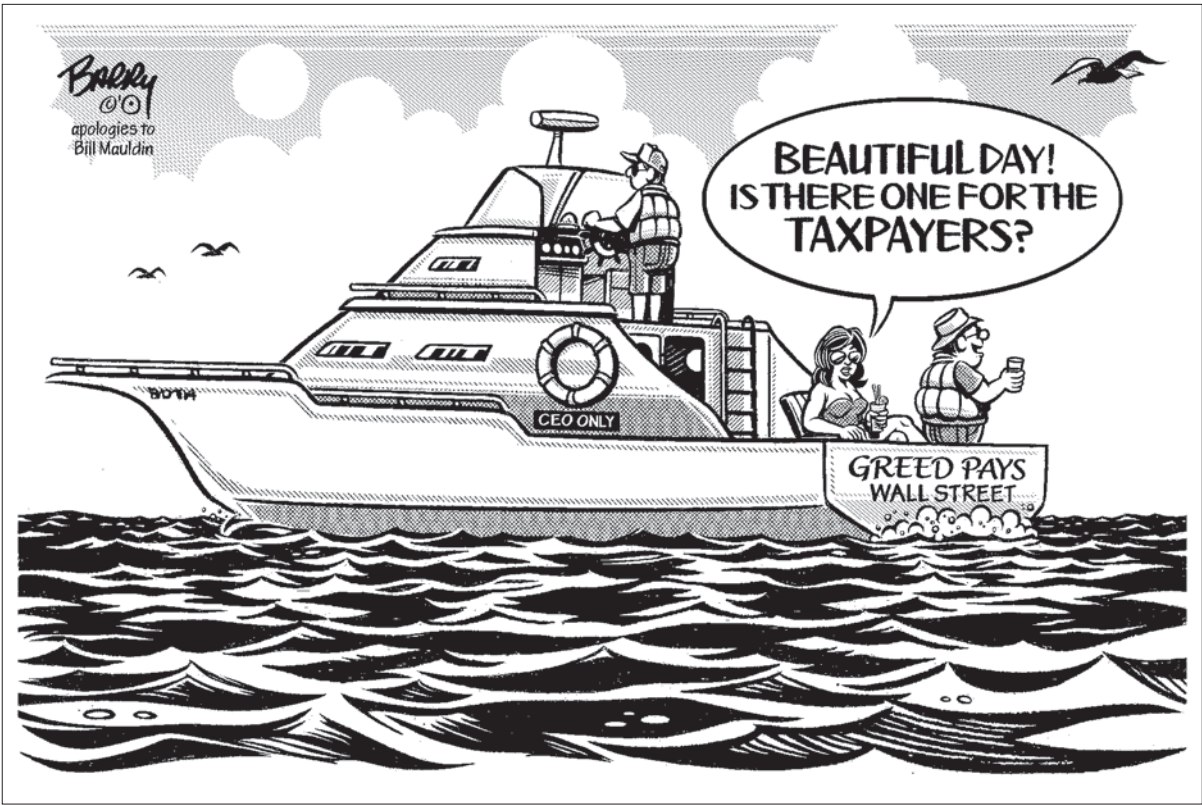
— See *America*, Page 17

Lee Hamilton
Indiana U. Center on Representative Govt.

Hamilton is a senior advisor for the Indiana University Center on Representative Government; a Distinguished Scholar of the IU Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies; and a Professor of Practice, IU School of Public and Environmental Affairs. He was a Democratic member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years. More information on the Indiana University Center on Representative Government can be found at <https://corg.indiana.edu> or on Facebook.



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 Twenty years of promoting financial literacy among Idahoans of all ages

Responsibly managing taxpayer dollars is, and always has been, a bedrock principle of my public service. It also motivates my support for efforts to promote financial education, particularly for young people. Sensible personal finance decisions young Idahoans make now can help set them up for a sound fiscal future.

In April, the U.S. Senate will likely again pass a resolution designating the month as Financial Literacy Month to raise public awareness about the importance of financial education in the United States. This will mark the 20th anniversary of the first designation of “Financial Literacy Month” in 2004. Notably, this was preceded by a 2003 resolution designating April 2003 as “Financial Literacy for Youth Month.”

The resolutions recognize that “increased literacy (1) empowers individuals to make wise financial decisions; and (2) reduces the confusion caused by an increasingly complex economy,” and it also finds that “a greater understanding of, and familiarity with, financial markets and institutions will lead to increased economic activity and growth.” I agree with the need for increased public awareness of the importance of personal financial education and the benefits to individuals, families and our nation, which is why I co-sponsored the initial and subsequent resolutions. However, we should not lose sight of the original resolution and the need for increased financial literacy among young people.

Following passage of the first resolution in 2003, the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act of 2003 was enacted. This important law that protects consumers and strengthened our national credit reporting system also established a Financial Literacy and Education Commission (FLEC) and directed the development of a national financial education website, MyMoney.gov. The federal website includes resources for youth,

U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo
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educators and researchers. Individuals can also call 1-800-FEDINFO for questions about federal agencies, programs, benefits or services related to financial literacy and education.

A bill I sponsored and helped get signed into law, the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act of 2018, directed the FLEC to establish best practices for teaching financial

— See *Literacy*, Page 17

Commentary

Financial management

Rent spike reveals couple's weak career paths

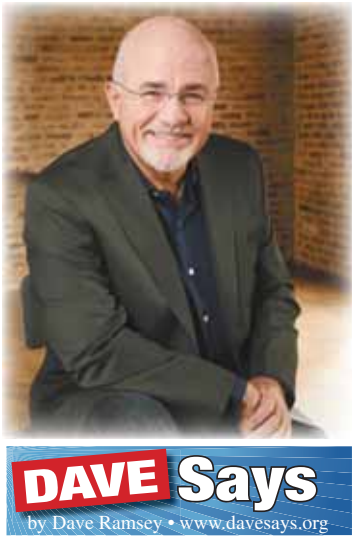
Dear Dave,

My husband and I are in a bad situation, and we're thinking about taking my parents up on their offer to move in with them. We both work two jobs. I'm a medical transcriptionist with a small business on the side, and he's a warehouse clerk who is also trying to get a business off the ground. Combined, we bring home about \$70,000 a year, plus we have \$80,000 in debt between credit cards and a car loan. On top of all this, our rent went up 18 percent at the first of the year, and we can't afford the increase. Should we move in with my folks?

— **Melissa**

Dear Melissa,

I'm not opposed to families jumping into a situation together to solve a problem. That includes grown children moving back home for a short period of time. Sometimes, when the right people are involved (and proper boundary expectations are established and agreed upon), it can work out well for everyone. I just want you to be very careful that you're not using a move like this to mask the real problem. I'm going to shoot straight with you. The real problem isn't an 18 percent jump in rent. The real problem is what that rent increase revealed about you both — the fact that



you have weak careers. You guys are like two hamsters in a wheel right now. Neither one of you is afraid of work. That

much is obvious. And you're working four jobs between the two of you, so there's no lack of effort. But you're not gaining any traction. You're not making a lot of money, and the debt hanging over your heads isn't helping either. Your parents are obviously good-hearted people, Melissa. If you do this, I want you, your husband and your folks to go into it with this mindset — your stay with them is a brief stopover on your way to prosperity. Don't go into this — any of you — with an attitude of the world is mean, rent went up, and we can't make it out there. This is a safety net, not a hammock. Use

this time to begin addressing your financial issues, and take a long, hard look at your career and income situation. If you use this opportunity wisely, you can emerge in a better place with your money and with getting ahead in your careers. God bless you all!

— **Dave**

— *Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show, America's second-largest syndicated talk radio show. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth, and enhance their lives.*

✓ Literacy: Next year's high school curriculum to include financial class

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literacy skills at institutions of higher education and providing information to help students with borrowing decisions. Additional higher education financial education information is available on the FLEC website. Further, information to improve financial literacy is also available from Idaho resources. The Idaho Financial Literacy Coalition, at www.idahoflc.org, has helpful information for improving financial knowledge for kids, as well as their families. University of Idaho Extension also has useful information on family personal finance in many of its publications. Additionally, the Idaho Legislature passed legislation in 2023 to require the

state's high school students to take a financial literacy course beginning next school year.

In the most recent Survey of Household Economics and Decisionmaking report, in 2022, the share of adults who said they were worse off financially than a year earlier rose to the highest level since the question was first asked in 2014. At 35 percent, this share is more than double the 14 percent who reported they were worse off financially than a year earlier in the 2019 report. Increased financial literacy and the associated planning is a bulwark against such dramatic shifts in our economy and economic well-being.

I have read reports Albert Einstein stated that "Compound interest is the eighth wonder of the

world." Actively teaching young people how to manage money from an early age is much like the power of compound interest. The knowledge builds upon itself. Young people armed with this education can build strong financial foundations and avoid crippling financial mistakes. They can be active participants in increasing the economic activity and growth of Idaho and the nation's economies.

— *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.*

✓ America: We should stand by our global friends to lessen threats

From Page 16

of neutrality.

On Dec. 7, 1941, Japan attacked Pearl Harbor, and neutrality was a thing of the past.

Roosevelt didn't use the phrase Four Freedoms until near the end of the speech, but the concept came to symbolize what America and its allies would be fighting for. The artist Norman Rockwell created iconic illustrations, published in the Saturday Evening Post, that represented each of the freedoms, and the Treasury Department sold copies to raise money for the war effort.

Biden cited FDR's speech to appeal for billions of dollars in military aid for Ukraine, which has spent the past two years fighting courageously against an invasion by Vladimir Putin's Russia. Congress has, unfortunately, stalled the aid, with partisanship playing a big role.

The president was on target to point out parallels between FDR's time and our own. Donald Trump, the

almost certain Republican candidate for president, has questioned U.S. support for Ukraine and argued Europe should bear more of the cost. Many Americans today are disillusioned from our wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and focused on domestic problems. Trump's "America First" slogan even shares its name with an isolationist group that opposed U.S. entry into World War II.

But Biden's argument that America should stand by its friends is as true today as ever. It will not serve our national interest to stand by as Russia threatens Europe.

The debate over helping Ukraine is a reminder that our nation's big decisions often are revisited. Do we still believe in freedom of speech, freedom to worship, freedom from want and freedom from fear for all people? Will we stand by our friends? What, exactly, is America's role in the world? Each generation of Americans will have to answer these questions anew.

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the May 21 primary election and Bruneau-Grand View School District supplemental levy election until noon on Friday, May 10.

The usual letters to the editor guidelines apply, including letters must be no more than 300 words and letters must include contact information, including a phone number, of the letter-writer. Submit by:

- Email to jon@owyhee.com
- Mail to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628
- Or drop off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale

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

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Public notices

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City of Grand View, Idaho
General Notice
The City of Grand View, Idaho is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:
Water System Improvements Project
GV23-0300.01

Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at **Grand View City Hall located at 425 Boise Ave., P.O. Box 69, Grand View, ID 83624** until **May 8, 2024 at 10:00 AM** local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. The Project includes the following Work:

Improvements to the City’s drinking water system and includes the construction of a nitrate treatment system, new treatment building, piping and valving, pumps, electrical, controls, site improvements, approximately 4,100-feet of new 10-inch water main, and related improvements as specified in the plans and contract documents. Construction funding includes DEQ American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRF) funds. Davis-Bacon Wages are required for this project. Contractor shall comply with Equal Employment Opportunity requirements.

Bids are requested for the following Contract: **Water System Improvements/Contract Number GV23-0300.01**

Owner anticipates that the Project’s total bid price will be approximately **\$2,561,000**. The Project has an expected duration of **365** days.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents
Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found at the following designated website:

www.questcdn.com
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Download fee: \$25.00 (non-refundable, non-transferrable)

Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the designated website. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project.

All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:
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Prospective Bidders may obtain or examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Printed copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office by paying a deposit of \$400.00 for each set; non-refundable; non-transferrable. Payable by cash or check only. Make deposit checks for Bidding Documents payable to HECO Engineers. Cost does not include shipping charges. Upon Issuing Office’s receipt of payment, printed Bidding Documents will be sent via the prospective Bidder’s delivery service. The shipping charge amount will depend on the shipping method chosen.

Bidding Documents may be purchased from the Issuing Office during the hours indicated above.

Pre-bid Conference
A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on **April 25, 2024 at 2:00 PM at City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, ID 83624**. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required.

Instructions to Bidders
For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

This Advertisement is issued by:
Owner: **City of Grand View**
By: **Kathy Brown**
Title: **City Clerk**
Date: **April 17, 2024**
04/17,24/2024

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STATE OF IDAHO LAND
LEASE OPPORTUNITY
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Notice is hereby given pursuant to Article IX, § 8 of the Idaho Constitution and Idaho Code §§ 58-307, -310 and -313, the State of Idaho, Department of Lands (hereinafter “IDL”), will accept lease applications for public auctions of the leases set forth below. **Lease application deadline for all leases is April 30, 2024, by 5:00 PM.**

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.

Detailed information regarding each lease, including a specific legal description of the property to be leased, rental rates, and instructions to complete application and fee can be obtained by visiting IDL’s website at https://www.idl.idaho.gov/.

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Sports

✓ Softball: Pitching power

From Page 11
went 2-for-4 with a triple and a run scored.

Homedale scored six times in the fourth inning, and the team added three runs in the sixth for a 10-1 lead.

Arlett Quezada went 2-for-4 with a double, a run scored and an RBI.

April 8: Homedale 15, Payette 0 (3) — For the second time in seven days, the Trojans blasted a 3A SRV foe and ended a game in three innings.

First baseman Zayne Hall

plated four runs while drilling a pair of doubles at Homedale Middle School.

Hall and fellow seniors Dani Sitts, Isana Larzelier, and Arlett Quezada scored two runs apiece. Junior Ellie Miller and sophomore Stephanie Quezada also crossed the plate twice.

Senior Olivia Asumendi pitched a one-hitter behind seven strikeouts.

Junior third baseman Ciarah Barnett went 3-for-3 with two RBI and a run scored.

✓ Trojans: Garrett leads girls to third place at home

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McCall’s Charlie Reeder tied for fifth at 42, while the rest of the bunch — Jake Cramblet, Trevor Jue, and Kas Clawson — finished in the logjam at eighth place.

Fruitland finished third, 17 strokes off the pace. Fourth-place Conor Fitzsimmons (41) led the Grizzlies, and Rylan Pierce and AJ Hyatt were part of the group at eighth.

Smith reported that Homedale finished third in the varsity girls’ tournament.

Girls take third

Kinlee Garrett finished fourth with a 51, which was six shots behind medalist Lucy Hickey from Weiser.

Weiser won the team title at 212, and Homedale was third, 21 strokes behind. McCall finished just three shots behind the Wolverines.

Fruitland’s Braidy Schappert took second at 48, and McCall’s Ellie Cramblet (50) was third.

Danielle Price shot a 55 and tied for sixth with Weiser’s Hanna Grace.

Grounding out Homedale’s scorers were Kennedy Kildow (62), Stella Heck (65), and Cadence Nicoletti (74).

Junior varsity boys

Breken Frank was two shots off the lead as the Trojans finished as runners-up to McCall-Donnelly.

Frank was the only HHS golfer to break 50, tallying a 6-over 42 as his team chimed in at 204.

Led by medalist Gus Dyson (40), the Vandals amassed a 15-stroke victory with a 189.

Other Homedale scorers included Matt Riha at 53, Kaleb Coronado at 54, Brodie White at 55, and Keaton Sorenson at 67.

✓ Raiders: Coach sees club full of hard-working athletes

From Page 11
Eldridge says the Raiders’ strength is that they are hard-working, committed, and ready to play.

A weak spot is the roster size. Because of small numbers, the squad is vulnerable to injuries and other factors, the coach said.

The Raiders were 5-13 overall in 2023 and posted a 5-9 record in the 1A Western Idaho Conference.

Eldridge wants to use last season’s experience as motivation and to teach the players to strive for success and work hard.

The team seems to have bought into the outlook, taking down Wilder, 37-4, in a recent conference game.

According to MaxPreps,

the Raiders snapped a three-game season-opening losing streak with the win over the Wildcats.

Rimrock (2-4 at week’s end) was scheduled to play at Gem State Academy in Caldwell on Tuesday after press time.

The Raiders play host to Glenns Ferry on Thursday and entertain Vision Charter from Caldwell on Monday. Both games start at 4:30 p.m., in Bruneau. Next Wednesday, the Raiders visit Wilder for a 4 p.m., contest.

Overall, the Raiders have been working hard to be the best that they can, Eldridge said.

“I have high hopes and aspirations to build this program for the kids and the community,” the coach said.

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Homedale High School’s Business Professionals of America chapter contingent stands by the organization’s sign at the state convention. **Back row, from left:** Addison Cussins, Corey Romriell, Kristie Dorsey, Kennedy Kildow, Hannah Babineaux, Jackie Martinez, Keaton Sorenson, Emily Taylor, Melissa Gonzalez, Sienna Stairs, Tayler Trout, Kinlee Garrett, Lexie Heck, Kim Dorsey, and Rubi Pudilo. **Front row, from left:** Andrea Vega, Lorelei Johnson-Kiriago, Todd Thatcher, Stella Heck, and Lainey Turner-Bowns. Submitted photo

Homedale BPA rep heading to nationals

Sienna Stairs will represent Homedale High School at the Business Professionals of America national convention next month.

Stairs qualified for the national competition with a third-place finish in Ethics & Professionalism during the State Leadership Conference, which was held Feb. 12-13 in Boise.

The national convention takes place May 10-14 in Chicago.

Nineteen Homedale BPA members attended the state

convention with 16 qualifying for state contests after the regionals in Parma. The remaining three went to State to compete in open events.

Homedale chapter members who competed on Feb. 12 included:

- Emily Taylor in Personal Finance Management
- Hannah Babineaux and Stairs in Ethics & Professionalism
- Keaton Sorenson in Presentation Management
- Kennedy Kildow in Fundamental Accounting
- Miguel Albor, Addison Cussins, and Melissa Gonzalez in Podcast Team Presentation
- Lexie Heck in Prepared Speech

The Feb. 12 competitors attended the opening ceremonies that evening while the rest of their teammates prepared for the Feb. 13 competition:

- Taylor and Lorelei Johnson-Kiriago in Payroll Accounting
- Cussins in Health Administration Procedures
- Heck and Kinlee Garrett in Global Marketing Team
- Rubi Pulido in Fundamental Spreadsheet Applications
- Albor and Kildow in Entrepreneurship
- Corey Romriell and Todd Thatcher in Financial Analyst Team
- Jackie Martinez in Integrated Office Applications

Heck and Garrett placed eighth in Global Marketing. Romriell and Thatcher were ninth in Financial Analyst.

Homedale’s BPA chapter will review its accomplishments during a year-end meeting, and the highlights will include:

- Twenty-six regional competitors
- Nineteen state competitors
- The Christmas present wrapping fundraiser
- The Walking Taco fundraiser
- The Caramel Apple fundraiser
- Managing the concession stand for seven sporting events

“We are looking forward to next year on improving our BPA chapter and improving our Business Classes in conjunction,” BPA advisor Kylee Fisher said.

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