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Marsing schools retirees recognized

Five Marsing School District employees who will retire this week were honored during Thursday's Celebration of Success. **From left:** High school teacher Mary Beth Prince (nine years), bus driver Rose Brooks (31 years), third-grade teacher John Barenberg (37 years), middle school teacher Teresa Draper (13 years), and bus driver Barb Battaglia (30 years). The City of Marsing declared May 16, 2024 as John Barenberg Day, and Marsing City Council president Chris Even read the proclamation during the event. Photo by Lennie Freeman

Leaving home

Marsing grad ends his career sending off Marsing grads

John Barenberg hasn't always been in love with third grade at Marsing Elementary School.

He has spent nearly four decades as a teacher at the school, but when he was on the other side of the classroom dynamic, things were much different.

"I pretty much hated it," the retiring teacher said. "I felt that I was not smart enough or bright enough to do the work. I'd even tell my Mom that I was sick just to get out of going to school as a third-grader."

"If someone would have told me that I would be the third-grade teacher in that very same school some day, I would not have believed it."

His days as a Marsing third-grade teacher are down to a precious few.

He has 37 years as a third-grade teacher and a few as a substitute

Graduation schedule

COSSA Academy — 5 p.m., Thursday, Wilder H.S. gymnasium

Homedale — 7 p.m., Thursday, Deward Bell Stadium

Marsing — 6 p.m., Friday, junior/senior high school gym, 8th Avenue West

Melba — 7 p.m., Friday, Potter Gym

Rimrock — 2 p.m., Saturday in gym

Adrian — 6 p.m., Sunday, Gene Mills Court (gym)

teacher under his belt, teaching — at his estimation — about 1,000 children.

"I've been in my room since it was built, so it's like leaving home in a way," he said.

But Barenberg, one of five retirees honored at last week's Celebration of Success — along with middle school teacher Teresa Draper, high school teacher Mary Beth Prince and bus drivers Barb Battaglia and Rose Brooks —

won't leave without another return to a familiar stage.

He has been selected as guest speaker for Friday's Class of 2024 commencement ceremony, which is set for the junior high-senior high gymnasium on 8th Avenue West.

"When the graduates leave the building for what may be their last time, it will also be mine," he said. "I will have turned in my keys and

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Local PAC ran ads before state registration was finalized

Group has until June 10 to report May activity

A group of Owyhee County citizens backing candidates in Tuesday's Republican primary may have run afoul of election law.

The group "Make Owyhee County Great Again" bought two full-page advertisements supporting appointed Sheriff Larry Kendrick and prosecuting attorney candidate Trenton McRae in the May 8 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche.

Garron Cassidy, an elections compliance specialist with the Idaho Secretary of State's Office, said in a May 14 email to the Avalanche that the local political action committee registered with Phil McGrane's office on May 11. PACs are also required to register with the Federal Elections Commission.

"A political committee is required to register with our office prior to receiving contributions or making expenditures," Cassidy wrote.

The registration date is also listed on the PAC's information page posted to the Secretary of State's new "Sunshine Portal" that details campaign financing.

Grand View Gas store owner Sandy Skinner, who is listed as the PAC's treasurer, paid for the ads on May 3, according to the Avalanche's records.

Former Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Scott Snyder, who continues to work as a reserve deputy, was listed as the director of "Make Owyhee County Great Again" on both advertisements.

According to the Sunshine site, Make Owyhee County Great Again hasn't reported any contributions or expenditures. Skinner has until June 10 to report the group's financial activity during May.

The Secretary of State's Office began an inquiry after County Clerk Angie Barkell requested an investigation on May 17. Barkell said she made the request after receiving a citizens' complaint alleging a possible PAC law violation.

— JPB

Results online

The Owyhee Avalanche published results from Tuesday's election at www.owyhee.com after the polls closed. Information also is available on our Facebook page.

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U.S. 95 crash claims Post Falls man's life

A 60-year-old man died at the scene of a head-on crash Saturday three miles from the Idaho-Oregon border.

Idaho State Police reported that the Post Falls resident was driving southbound on U.S. Highway 95 in a Dodge Ram late Saturday night.

Owyhee County Coroner Aaron Tines identified the man as Terry Blamires after next of kin was notified Monday morning.

A Jeep Cherokee driven southbound by a 32-year-old Boise woman crossed the center line and collided head-on with the Ram after 11 p.m. The Ram's driver succumbed to his injuries at the scene.

The accident occurred at milepost 3 in Owyhee County.

The woman was transported to a local hospital by ground ambulance.

The southbound lane of the highway was blocked for approximately three hours as emergency responders handled the incident.

GOP county committee to reorganize, elect delegates

With the primary election complete, the Owyhee County Republican Central Committee has scheduled its reorganization meeting.

The meeting will take place from 7 p.m., to 9 p.m., next Wednesday at the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Hwy. 78, Murphy.

The meeting is required by state law to reorganize the committee after the Republican primary election in which 10 of the 12 precinct committee positions were contested.

After reorganization, the committee will elect six Owyhee County delegates to attend the 2024 Idaho GOP Summer Convention, which is set for June 13-15 in Coeur d'Alene.

For more information, call county GOP chair Tammy Payne at (208) 590-4203.

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John Barenberg's first class at Marsing Elementary School. The boy dressed in blue in the middle row is Jason Sevy, who is now school board chair. Jason's daughter is a third-grader this year. "What a cool thing is that!" Barenberg said. Submitted photo

✓ Marsing: Four decades spent on campus

no longer be an employee of the Marsing School District."

The keynote speech comes on his very last day in the school district. He had another last day in the school district — or so he thought — 44 years ago.

"When I crossed the stage back in 1980 at my own graduation, I would not have imagined that 44 years later I would be up on the stage again giving a keynote speech in the very town that I graduated from," Barenberg said.

He may not have liked his third-grade year in Marsing, but he has tried to make third grade enjoyable for several years of students since returning.

"It's been an honor to work with so many kids and the community of Marsing," he said.

Barenberg's own experiences have helped him shepherd students through the elementary school.

"This profession found me. It really did," Barenberg said. "My struggles as a third-grade student helped shape me to be understanding for my third-graders who also struggled through the years."

"I even tell the kids that struggle is a good thing and that the struggle makes us stronger. I tell them about the power of 'Yet'. If they don't know something, they just don't know it yet."

Watching the "light bulb" come on for students is incredible to Barenberg.

"My proudest moments are those times that struggling kids came out of their shells and opened up to embracing their learning path. Seeing the light go off in their head when they finally could do something that they felt they could not do," he said.

"Also when I am approached by adults that I once taught and they tell me what a difference I made. One student even became a teacher because of me."

Barenberg's compassion goes beyond the walls of his classroom. He and his third-grade teaching teammates — Janet Anderson and McKenzi Baggett — just completed the school's 15th annual pop-tab drive to benefit Ronald McDonald House.

But it always circles back to the children. His students.

Barenberg also has taught summer school for middle school and elementary school students. He also has spent 32 years as an after-school instructor and spent time with third- through fifth-graders during the district's Friday school program.

And the students will be the focus for his Friday night address.

"I have been working on my speech for months now," Barenberg said. "I want to make it a memorable one. To help me do that, I'm going to talk about the time spent through the years in their educational journey."

He plans to discuss how the nine years to graduation seem "like a lifetime away" for third-graders.

"Then I'll transition to how nine years have come and gone, and here they are moments away from the finish line," he said.

He also plans to use an hourglass to measure those final moments as the sand passes.

That visual aspect harkens Barenberg's embrace of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. He was one of two recipients in Idaho of the 2018 Industry's Excellent Educators Dedicated to STEM (INDEEDS) Award.

He has been instrumental in spreading Khan Academy around Idaho. He appeared in TV commercials about the program and — with the help of a J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Foundation grant — visited several schools throughout the state to showcase the academy.

Once the sand runs out of the hourglass Friday, Barenberg will look forward to sleeping in and playing with his grandchildren.

He wants to "work out more, take random drives, go camping, even binge some Netflix," he said.

But school won't be far from him.

"I now live in Caldwell, coincidentally, right across the street from an elementary school," he said.

— JPB

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Groomer Has It makes it official

Brittney Gaudreau (with scissors) does the honors as her husband, Alex (to her right), and Homedale Chamber of Commerce president Leslie Griffith (to her left) join several Chamber members, city officials and community members to celebrate last Wednesday's ribbon cutting at Groomer Has It, 2 W. Main St. Formerly called The Dog Spa, the pet grooming space has been under the Gaudreaus' ownership since January. Brittney began pet grooming in Washington state before the couple moved to Caldwell two years ago. Groomer Has It is a full-service pet salon for all sizes of dogs. Brittney offers hair coloring, specialty cuts, nail trims and gland expressions. Drop-ins are welcome, but appointments can be made by calling (360) 210-9732. The location is open from 9 a.m., to 3 p.m., Monday through Saturday. "We're just excited to get this new opportunity started," Brittney said. Alex, who is an electrician, added: "We just want to thank everyone for this opportunity."

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Served at noon. Milk and roll/bread available each day

May 22: Scalloped potatoes with ham, California blend vegetables

May 23: Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas

May 28: Pork chop, mashed potatoes and gravy, broccoli

May 29: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans

Sandbar Community Room, Marsing

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

Milk available each day

Suggested donation: \$5 (60 and older), \$8 (59 and younger)

\$8 (take-out meal, any age)

May 22: Sausage Alfredo spaghetti, snap peas, mixed vegetables, Baci roll, pears

May 24: Cheesy fish over rice pilaf, beets, succotash, whole wheat roll, fruit cup

May 27: Closed – Memorial Day

May 29: Herb salmon over rice pilaf, baby carrots, green beans, whole wheat roll, peaches

Rimrock Senior Center

Served at noon. All meals are served with milk & fruit juice

Curbside pickup from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or delivery only.

Call (208) 834-2922 as early as possible to place order to go

May 23: Roast beef, broccoli and cheese, roll, fruit salad

May 28: Sweet and sour chicken, rice, carrots, muffin

May 30: Chef salad (ham/turkey, beets, eggs), corn, bread

Melba Valley Senior Center

Meals served at noon (Salad bar at 11:30 a.m.)

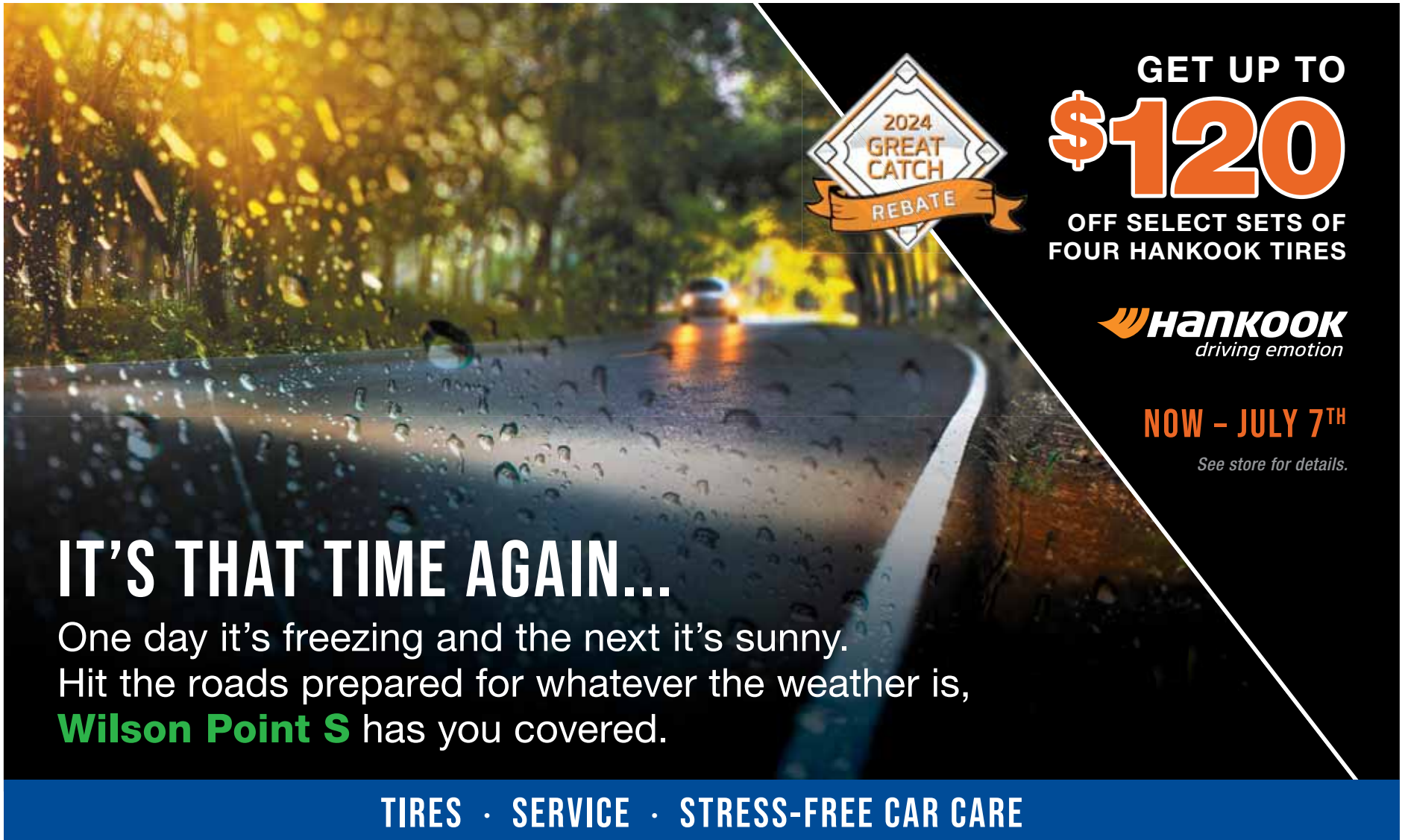
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Even with focus on range, not much will change

Change is in the air! Just over 20 years ago, I started working in the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office. On May 12, 2024, I began a new Extension position as an Area Educator



Scott Jensen

focused specifically on range work. In that transition, I am no longer working in the Owyhee County Extension (OCE) office. The University of Idaho has made it a high priority to fill my position there, and the search is currently underway.

First, what isn't changing.

- We are not moving anywhere. My wife, Sharla, and I will continue to live in the Marsing area. I will continue service as an Owyhee County Planning and Zoning commissioner (at least for the remainder of my current term). I also anticipate continuing to write for the Extension column in The Owyhee Avalanche although my topics are likely to be more range-focused.

Owyhee County has been an incredible place to work!

University of Idaho Extension

When I transferred to the OCE office, the county commissioners were Chris Salove, Hal Tolmie, and Dick Reynolds. I received outstanding support from them and all of the county commissioners since then. Our current board of county commissioners, Jerry Hoagland, Kelly Aberasturi, and Cindy Bachman, value the Extension work and resources that we bring to the citizens of Owyhee County. This support is truly appreciated!

I have enjoyed strong support and developed some amazing friendships from the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association leadership and membership. I've had the privilege of working closely with 20 different OCA presidents and many different board members. Because of these relationships, it has always been easy to find support for Extension programs and willing collaborators on applied research projects. I look forward to continued association with OCA members as all of the work in my new position will have direct application with Owyhee County ranchers.

- Fair! In the Extension world, fair is oftentimes a four-letter word in more ways than one. With that said, the Owyhee County Fair is one of the very best! We had some very young children when we moved out here. It seemed like we had little to worry about with them running around the fairgrounds. Everybody knew whose kids they were and kept an eye on them. Joe and Verla Merrick showed them where their camper was and more importantly, that there were popsicles in their freezer and our kids were welcome to them anytime. They definitely took advantage of Joe and Verla's kindness. Joe and Verla called them "fair orphans" because at that time my wife and I were both busy helping put on the fair.
- There are many acts of generosity and kindness that we have received over the years. I will name just a few. Early on, when we still had a lot of kids at home and money was tight, I got a call from David Rutan telling me that he had a steer that had an injured shoulder and asking if we could use the beef. The next day, he was dropped off

- in our corral. David and Ann have been especially good to us over the years.
- George and Donna Bennett have allowed me to set up camp and elk hunt out at their place for many years. George has given me cow tags on years I was not fortunate enough to draw one. He even called to check up on me after a horse wreck a few years ago!
- Scott and Debbie Bunderson are great friends.
 - Tiffany Bachman and her amazing cookies.
 - Paul and Chad Nettleton letting me ride/gather cows with them.
 - Brad and Mary Huff finding my dogs when I lost them up Reynolds Creek and collaborating on several research projects on their ranch.
 - Steve Boren taking me ice fishing out at the Josephine Creek Ranch.
 - Tony and Brenda Richards hosting us for some range monitoring workshops among other things.
- These are just a few of so many good people! The list goes on and on.
- Finally, the amazing ladies I have worked with in the Owyhee County Extension office. The current office team

of Suriñe Greenway, Laura Anglin, Madi Anderson, and Kelly Ineck have been outstanding to work with and extremely supportive of my work. While I have promised not to become a stranger, I will certainly miss the close association that we have had over the past several years!

— Marsing resident Scott Jensen is the former University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension educator. His new role is Area Extension Educator-Range, and he now works out of the College of Natural Resources, IWC 242, 322 E. Front St., Boise, and can be reached at (208) 364-4623. He probably still welcomes questions on livestock care and he can still be reached by email at scottj@uidaho.edu.

OCSO offers boater safety class

The Owyhee County Sheriff's Office is ready to help watercraft users stay safe as the weather warms up.

A boater safety course will be held from 9 a.m., to 4 p.m., on Saturday, June 8.

The class will be held inside the Marsing School District HUB on 8th Avenue West.

Clarification

Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Chris Topmiller clarified the extent of Melba resident Nathaniel D. Wibberg's punishment after he entered a guilty plea to a misdemeanor charge of trespassing on cultivate property. In addition to jail time (or sheriff's inmate labor detail, probation, fines and court costs reported in the May 15 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche, Wibberg's Fish and Game license was suspended for two years, Topmiller said.

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Religious Expression

God is love

On college campuses all across our country we are witnessing the sudden onset of anti-Israel, anti-American, pro-Marxist protests. These protestors — students and agitators — are tearing down the American flag and making it clear they hate the United States and the principles upon which it was founded.

The United States is one nation, under God, founded on Christian principles. This foundation is crumbling before our eyes. Our only hope lies in standing firm on our Christian principles. Prayerfully seeking God’s love and guidance will help us to stand up for and embody our Christian values.



fore, take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.”

— **Ephesians 6:10-13**

Though the world would like to divide us by race, religion, gender, class, etc., the Apostle Paul assures us that we “are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.”

— **Galatians 3:26-29**

Paul also assured us that our suffering would not be in vain.

“For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.”

— **Romans 8:18**

Thankfully, we serve a loving and merciful God. He forgives us and gives us the strength to forgive others.

“Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts. Let them turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will freely pardon.”

— **Isaiah 55:6**

Jesus Christ paid the price for us to enter heaven. We need to submit, surrender, believe, repent, follow Him and serve Him. When we surrender to Christ, the Holy Spirit comes to live within us. He will give us power that we don’t have now and produce the fruit of the Spirit which includes “love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.”

— **Galatians 5:22-23**

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

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School menus

Homedale Elementary

Choice of milk and juice
PB&J sandwich, and vegetable and fruit choices daily
May 22: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, mixed fruit
Lunch: Orange chicken bowl, mixed vegetables
May 23: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, blueberry muffin, sliced pears
Lunch: Chicken Crispito, buttered corn
May 27: No school – Memorial Day
May 28: **Breakfast:** Raised donut, string cheese, applesauce
Lunch: Chicken sandwich, crinkle fries
May 29: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, sliced pears
Lunch: Mac-n-cheese, seasoned green beans, whole grain roll
May 30: **Breakfast:** Waffle sandwich, mixed fruit
Lunch: Pepperoni pizza, garden salad, pineapple tidbits, Jello

Homedale Middle

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt or string cheese
Cereal option and PB&J offered daily
Vegetable and fruit choices offered daily
May 22: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, mixed fruit
Lunch: Orange chicken bowl, seasoned green beans, fortune cookie
May 23: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza, sliced pears
Lunch: Crisпитos, buttered corn
May 27: No school – Memorial Day
May 28: **Breakfast:** Raised donut, string cheese, applesauce
Lunch: Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, curly fries
May 29: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, string cheese, sliced pears
Lunch: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, buttered corn, whole grain roll
May 30: **Breakfast:** Croissant breakfast sandwich, Yami yogurt, apple
Lunch: Pepperoni pizza, seasoned green beans, pineapple tidbits, Jello

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
May 22: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza, string cheese, fruit smoothie
Lunch: Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, Tater Tots
Grab ‘n’go: BBQ chicken salad
May 23: **Breakfast:** Croissant breakfast sandwich, string cheese, iced coffee
Lunch: Cheese pizza, garden salad
Grab ‘n’go: Club sub sandwich
May 27: No school – Memorial Day
May 28: **Breakfast:** Raised donut or bagel and cream cheese, Yami yogurt, fruit smoothie
Lunch: Meatball sub, crinkle fries
Grab ‘n’go: Chicken Caesar salad
May 29: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, fruit smoothie
Lunch: Cheeseburger, Tater Tots, chocolate chunk cookie
Grab ‘n’go: Asian chicken salad
May 30: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, string cheese, iced coffee
Lunch: Pepperoni pizza slice, garden salad
Grab ‘n’go: Ham and cheese sub

Marsing

Meals include choice of milk, fruit juice, fresh fruit & vegetables
Elementary each day: Breakfast: Cereal option
Middle/High School each day: PB&J option
Cold Grab-n-go line: Wrap, sub sand., salad
Hot Grab-n-go line (varies): Cheeseburger, chicken dish (reg./spicy sandwich; nuggets; bites), Pizza (varies), chicken rice bowl, potatoes (varies), bread (varies)
May 22: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, Yami yogurt, banana
Lunch: Hot Grab-n-go: Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, crinkle fries
Cold Grab-n-go: Italian salad
May 23: **Breakfast:** Texas toast, string cheese, fruit smoothie
Lunch: Ham and cheese or turkey and cheese sandwich, Sun Chips, baby carrot sticks with ranch

Bruneau/Grand View

All meals: Milk and fruit offered daily
Jr.-Sr. high school: Pizza offered daily
May 22: **Breakfast:** Muffins
Lunch: Orange chicken, oriental rice, stir-fry vegetables
May 23: **Breakfast:** Breakfast bar
Lunch: Hamburger on a bun, fries, baby carrots

Death notices

MARCIA ANN BAIN, 82, of Homedale, died on Monday, May 20, 2024 at home after a long and courageous battle with Alzheimer’s. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date at Ten Mile Christian Church, Meridian. Arrangements: All Valley Cremation, 1538 11th Ave. N., Nampa. (208) 899-9361

TIMOTHY “MATT” HAROLD MATTERN, 74, of Wilder, died Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at home of natural causes. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapels, Caldwell. (208) 459-0833

RONALD L. ROEDER, 81, of Mountain Home, a former Owyhee County resident who was a longtime teacher and counselor in the Bruneau-Grand View School District, died on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at a Boise care facility. Arrangements: Rost Funeral Home, 500 N. 18th E., Mountain Home. (208) 391-7108

VIRGINIA “GINNY” R. ROEDER, 78, of Mountain Home, a former Owyhee County resident who served as Bruneau Boosters Club treasurer and Bruneau Valley Library board secretary, died on Sunday, May 12, 2024 at a Boise care facility. Arrangements: Rost Funeral Home, 500 N. 18th E., Mountain Home. (208) 391-7108

Outsized Marsing comes up big at Academic Decathlon nationals

Jared Bowers will accept his diploma Friday night as a nationally recognized essayist.

The Marsing High School senior placed second in the Academic Decathlon Scholastic Division essay competition during a highly successful trip to the national convention last month in Pittsburgh.

Bowers finished in the top 10 in eight of 10 contests with recognition for his efforts in literature, music, mathematics, economics, science, speech and interview.

Also placing in the top 10 for Marsing, according to a press release posted to the Marsing School District website, were:

- Jack Marshall for Honors music and mathematics
- J Ayala for Honors music
- Alex Christiansen for Honors economics
- Hailey Andrus for Scholastic literature, music, interview and essay



Jared Bowers

- Taylor Callison for Scholastic interview
- Zoey Fisher for Varsity mathematics and economics
- Chloe Meyers for Varsity science
- James Christiansen for Varsity mathematics

Marsing competed in Division V, which included schools with populations from 7,321 students to Marsing’s 227.

Each student competed against at least 39 other students in their category (Honors, Scholastic or Varsity).

“To be this competitive against students from much larger schools while being the smallest school in the competition says a lot about the work the students and coach Lennie Freeman put in this year,” Idaho Academic Decathlon state director Nick Hoffman said.

“The community has every right to be proud of these kids.”

The Marsing team would like to thank the community for their support in allowing them to represent the state of Idaho during the national competition and our community throughout the Academic Decathlon season.

25th annual Breshears kids fishing day on horizon

Organizers are preparing for a milestone Leroy Breshears Memorial Kids Fishing Day.

The 25th annual fishing day for boys and girls up to the sixth grade takes place on Saturday, June 1 at Island Park in Marsing.

Kids First Cast will provide bait, and Owyhee County Sheriff’s Posse members will have a few loaner rods and reels available.

The children will also receive a free hot dog lunch.

Adults are allowed to only help the children. No adults can fish during the event.

The Posse and Idaho Department of Fish and Game

sponsor the event, which features a planting of large trout from Riverence Fisheries in Hagerman.

There are rod-and-reel prizes in boys’ and girls’ categories for first fish caught, first limit caught and largest trout caught.

The park will be closed to fishing Friday, May 31 in preparation for the event. All ages can begin fishing again after 1 p.m., on Saturday, June 1. Licenses for anyone 14 years old or older will be required after the kids day concludes.

Registration will be held at the event, which runs from 9 a.m., to 1 p.m. About 150

children are expected to show up to try their hand at catching rainbow trout from the pond.

The event is named for Marsing resident Leroy Breshears, who died in 1999. Breshears was a well-known youth advocate and he was one of the first volunteer IDFG hunter education instructors when the program was initiated. He also was a Posse member.

Kids First Cast also refurbishes old rods and reels, and staff will be collecting unwanted fishing equipment for that mission again at this year’s event.

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.

Thursday

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

Fit and Fall exercise
10 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

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

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

Friday

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

Gem Highway District meeting
6 p.m., 1016 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4581

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

Tuesday

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

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

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0847

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

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

Summer reading program
11 a.m., to 12:30 p.m., ‘Nature Scavenger Hunt/ Survival Escape Room,’ Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

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.

Opaline Irrigation District meeting
7 p.m., 7300 Opaline Rd., Melba.

Owyhee County GOP committee meeting
7 p.m., post-election reorganization, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 590-4203

Thursday, May 30

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

Fit and Fall exercise
10 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

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

Prime Time Swingers perform
11 a.m., to noon, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho 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, May 31

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

Saturday, June 1

Outpost Days
8 a.m., Owyhee County Historical Museum complex, 17085 Basey St, Murphy. (208) 495-2319

Leroy Breshears Memorial Kids Fishing Day
9 a.m., to 1 p.m., free, boys and girls up to sixth grade, Island Park, Marsing.

Snake River Country Market
11 a.m., to 3 p.m., ‘Art in the Park,’ London Park, Main Street and 4th Avenue West, Marsing. Information: SnakeRiverCountryMarket@gmail.com

Free lunch
11:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 303-7414

Monday, June 3

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

Tuesday, June 4

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

Fit and Fall exercise
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U of I Smoking & Grilling Foods class
6 p.m., to 9 p.m., June 4-5, \$50 per person (\$80 for two). Owyhee County Community Center (fairgrounds), 432 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. Information: (208) 896-4104 or owyhee@uidaho.edu. Registration: bit.ly/24smoking foods

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



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Courthouse report

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

May 9
Edwin Hernan Arevalo-Martinez, Aventura, Fla.
— Misdemeanor commercial freight regulations, false logbook: \$43.50 in fines, \$160.50 in court costs

Weather

	H	L	Prec.
May 14	81	51	.00
May 15	78	51	.00
May 16	80	43	.00
May 17	88	50	.00
May 18	86	50	.00
May 19	74	39	.00
May 20	72	45	.00

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Refurbished Marsing depot ready for Outpost Days debut

Folks turning out for the 55th annual Outpost Days celebration next month in Murphy will get a fresh look at a historic site.

Owyhee County Historical Museum director Eriks Garsvo finished hanging new signs on the refurbished Marsing train depot building last week. The front of the building reads “Marsing,” but the destination sign hung on the rear of the building in Murphy has the unusual spelling “Erb.”

Erb was the original name of the Union Pacific railroad stop that became known as Marsing. The stop was named for a railroad executive, and remained on the train depot until 1937.

The Marsing depot has been reworked inside and out, including returning the original paint scheme to the century-old building that traditionally has hosted Outpost Days musical acts on its stage.

Outpost Days will take place Saturday and Sunday, June 1-2.

There will be a pie shop, breakfast and vendor booths in addition to the Lost Arts and the Old West encampments. Craft vendor booths are available for \$85 each. Set up will be available on Friday, May 31 and before 9 a.m., on Saturday, June 1.

Call the museum at (208) 495-2319 for more information on vendor booths or serving as a volunteer during the weekend.

This year’s festival is sponsored by 101.9 The Bull radio station.

Some of the highlights include:

- **Buckaroo breakfast** — 8 a.m., on Saturday; 10:30 a.m., on Sunday
- **Noon on Saturday** — Cattle drive by the Owyhee Wrangler 4-H club. Wilson Creek Cattle Feeders will provide the livestock.
- **6 p.m., Saturday** — Chuckwagon beef dinner, and Idaho Junior Jammers and Fiddle Express musical entertainment on the new Marsing Depot stage. Dinner tickets are \$15 and are available by calling the museum.
- **9:30 p.m., Saturday** — A drone show produced by Skyworx of Boise and featuring 200 lighted drones in flight
- **Sunday** — Performances



Owyhee County Historical Museum director Eriks Garsvo affixes the Marsing destination sign to the refurbished Marsing train depot in Murphy. Submitted photo



Above: The Marsing train depot has been restored to its original color scheme, and a sun shade added to cover the stage that will be used for Outpost Days musical performances on Saturday and Sunday, June 1-2. **Below:** Garsvo also installed an “Erb” sign to pay tribute to the original name of the railroad stop. Union Pacific schedules listed the depot as Erb, named for a railroad executive, until 1937. Submitted photos

by the Oinkari Basque Dancers and Painted Horse Drum Group from the Shoshone-Paiute Duck Valley Indian Reservation in southern Owyhee County.

- **4 p.m., Sunday** — World Famous Horny Toad Race

Other highlights planned for this year’s festival:

- Lost arts, including

blacksmithing and gold panning

- A classic car display
- Pony rides
- Online auction with items available for viewing and bidding now at www.outpostdays.afrogs.org. The auction committee continues to accept lot donations, too.



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Homedale student
wins JV all around

Martin’s triple helps Adrian to girls’ state title

JV’s Tuttle earns
shot put silver medal

Two famous families continued to build Adrian High School’s track and field tradition at the 1A Oregon girls’

state track and field championships. Addy Martin swept the sprint titles at Hayward Field on the University of Oregon campus in Eugene, Ore., and Adrian alum Reagan Shira finally collected a state championship as a coach.

The Antelopes’ title came despite a small girls’ contingent on hand. Junior Colten Bayes and sophomore Silvestre Rico went 1-2 in the boys’ triple jump. Bayes won the state championship with a personal-best 13.3-meter mark.

Rico reached 12.83. Silvestre was runner-up in the long jump at 6.32 meters as the Antelopes finished seventh in team standings. Shira, who took over the program

— See *Adrian*, page 18A

TROJANS AT THE 3A STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Golfers repeat as runners-up

Third-place Henry leads three juniors in top 10

Golfers on a hot streak are always looking for the next chance to get on the course. The Homedale High School boys will have to wait until next spring for the next shot to break through in the 3A state tournament.



Backed by three juniors in the top 10, including Luke Henry’s third-place finish, the Trojans were runners-up in the state tournament for the second year in a row last week at the Twin Lakes Village Golf Club in Rathdrum. “It’s a great experience for this group of juniors as they are well-connected and respect each other to go out there and perform as a unit to prove they can compete at this high level,” second-year HHS coach Raymond Smith said. “I’m proud of them and their accomplishments this year.”

— See *Golfers*, page 11A



Homedale baseball players show their disappointment after Saturday’s 10-9 loss to Sugar-Salem in the 3A state championship game in Nampa.

Late rallies derail diamond championship aspirations

Baseball: Familiar foe foils hopes

Burke Deal paused several times during Saturday’s 3A state championship game post-mortem. Who could blame him? The baseball coach was probably trying to prolong one of the most satisfying seasons in the 18 he has spent at the Homedale High School helm. The Trojans certainly tried to extend the season with a seventh-inning rally Saturday at Elmore W. Vail Field on the Northwest Nazarene University campus in Nampa. But an all-too-familiar thorn in HHS fans’

— See *Baseball*, page 13A

Softball: Top seed denies Homedale

The 3A softball state tournament ended the way the experts figured it would, just not the way Homedale High School fans wanted. Top-seeded Kimberly beat the second-seeded Trojans for the second time in as many days Saturday morning, 9-6, to win the state championship at Community Fields in Moscow. After losing, 11-0, to the Bulldogs (24-5) in Friday’s winners’ bracket final, the Trojans (19-7) needed two victories in the championship round to claim another

— See *Softball*, page 14A

Boys’ relay team takes 2nd in Middleton



Alec Campos

Frosh collects three medals in boys’ meet

A Homedale High School boys’ relay team finished second in the state Saturday. The 4x200-meter relay team’s runner-up status Saturday

Delaney delivers silver

Marsing High School senior Nate Delaney closed out his track and field career with a second-place performance in the 2A boys’ shot put, **Page 12A**

highlighted six medal-winning performances during the two-day 3A track and field state championship meet at Middleton High School.

Freshman Alec Campos closed out the 1-minute, 31.25-second silver medal effort after taking

— See *Relay*, page 18A

Rimrock athletes complete historic weekend

1988 triple jump mark among records that fall

Upperclassmen solidified their place in Rimrock High School athletics history during the weekend. Three seniors accepted multiple medals and shattered school records during the 1A track and field state championship meet at Middleton High School. Loyd Boren broke three of his own Raiders records, including a runner-up finish in the boys’ 1,600-meter run on Saturday with a time of 4 minutes, 27.86 seconds. He also bettered his 3,200 record on Friday, taking the bronze medal in 10:05.15. The Oreana resident’s third

— See *Rimrock*, page 18A



Loyd Boren

Sports

From page 10A

✓ Golfers: Swallow ties for eighth after second-place score during Day 1

Kimberly's Wyatt Williams beat Day 1 leader Hudson Reinke of Filer on the second playoff hole for the individual championship on May 14.

Filer outpaced Homedale by 18 strokes for the team title. The Trojans were in second place, 12 shots behind Filer, after the first 18 holes on May 13.

"Our team did awesome and were engaging and adjusting quite well to the course," Smith said. "The weather was nice and a perfect day for a golf tournament."

McCoy Swallow was in second place three shots behind Reinke after an opening-round 5-over-par 77. Henry was No. 3 on the leaderboard after a first-day 78.

"(Swallow) had an awesome game on Monday," Smith said. "He really dialed in and played better than ever in a tournament."

The 11th-grader slipped back to finish tied for eighth, while Tyler Erickson charged up

the board, gobbling up four spots on Day 2 finishing with an 81 and tied for 10th. He shot 88 in the first round.

"He was struggling on Monday, especially on the greens," Smith said of Erickson's uncharacteristic start. "Second round, he had some miscues on the tee box and sent him out of bounds, but he played a lot better."

Homedale was steady throughout the tournament, losing just four shots off its first-round 340 during Day 2. Filer, however, delivered another solid round to widen its advantage.

Hampered by some out-of-bounds shots on Day 2, Henry regrouped to eagle the final hole for an 83. He finished at



Tyler Erickson

17-over-par 161 after a 6-over 78 to open.

"His irons and wedges carried him on both days. He missed a few critical putts here and there, but overall, he was doing awesome," Smith said.

"I spoke to him after, and he said he's just proud of his teammates. I'm proud of this kid and looking forward to what he brings back for next season."

Knocking in a birdie on his final hole, Swallow carded a 90 in Round 2 to finish at 167.

Smith said Swallow's consistent drives from the first round disappeared on Day 2. He also helped his opening-round play with "on point" approach shots.

Junior Kinley Balkovetz finished 23rd at 187. He used good putts to mitigate a spat of



McCoy Swallow

Rimrock freshman golfer takes 3rd at State

Dylan McNeley's first season at Rimrock High School ended in the stratosphere at the 2A state tournament.

The freshman was just four shots off the pace at the end of the 36-hole tournament at Circling Raven Golf Club.

McNeley finished tied for third at 11-over-par 155.

Priest River's Palmer Coleman won with a 151.

McNeley was in second place, trailing Coleman by two strokes after 18 holes.

OB shots in the first round then shaved seven shots on Day 2 to score 90.

"The second round, he figured out his long clubs, and he played a lot better than the first round. He hit some amazing drives straight down the middle with distance, but the OBs were hurting his scores on the tourney," Smith said.

The lone senior in the HHS quintet, Jackson Kerbs broke 100 on the second day to finish

38th at 200.

Kerbs' irons were unreliable, Smith said, but the 12th-grader made some Day 2 corrections.

"We wish 'Jack' all the best on his new endeavors after high school," his coach said.

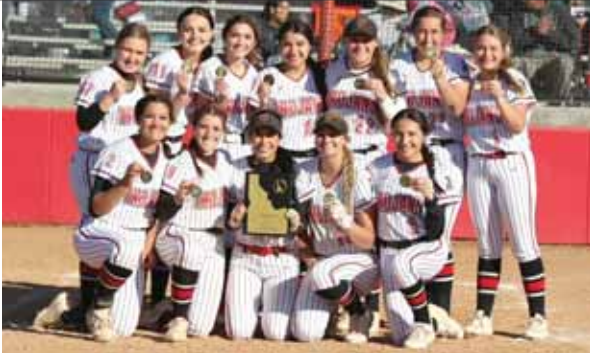
Another junior, Breken Frank, made the trip as an alternate.

"We're looking forward to Breken teeing it up next year as a full-time varsity golf player," Smith said. — JPB

Homedale Trojans Athletes of the Week



HHS Baseball team - 3A state runner-up CV Photography



HHS Softball team - 3A state runner-up CV Photography



Track and field

Boys 4x200 relay - 3A silver medal

Kade Hall, so., Brock Johnson, sr., Rafael Cuenca, jr., Alec Campos, fr.



HHS Golf team 3A state runner-up for second year

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Sports

Delaney’s silver leads slew of Marsing medalists

Nearly every Marsing High School athlete who traveled to Middleton came home with a 2A track and field state medal.

Nate Delaney captured a silver medal in the boys’ shot put Friday at Middleton High School, and he followed it up with a medal performance in the discus Saturday.

The senior was one of four athletes from coach Isaiah Ponce’s squad to post a dual-medal performance during the final meet of the season.

Delaney heaved the shot put 50 feet, 4½ inches, finishing 2½ feet behind state champion Daniel Sandoval of Aberdeen.

One of two Marsing athletes qualified for the discus, Delaney took sixth at 130-7. Fellow 12th-grader Diego Margarito finished 10th at 121-6.

Junior Raylynn Vanosdall collected the first of her medals Friday with a personal-record 33-3½ in the girls’ triple jump, which landed her in sixth place.

On Saturday, 11th-grader Sydney Nelson ran a 1:02.31 in the girls’ 400 meters for a sixth-place medal.

Vanosdall and Nelson were also part of the Huskies’ sixth-place 4x100-meter relay team Saturday.

Vanosdall anchored Marsing’s 51.92-second effort with Nelson taking the baton from leadoff runner and fellow junior Katelyn Sevy. Freshman Bethany Steinmeyer covered the third leg.

Steinmeyer PR’d and medaled in Friday’s long jump with a 16-3 effort.

Vanosdall took ninth in the long jump with a PR of 16-1, and sophomore Joey Prescott finished 16th in Friday’s girls’ discus with an 87-04 effort.

Owyheean’s championships help Melba girls to state trophy

Owyhee County senior Brooklynn Dayley collected two gold medals and a silver medal as Melba High School brought back a trophy from the 2A girls’ track and field state championships.

Dayley won the 800-meter championship Saturday at Middleton High School with a personal-record time of 2 minutes, 19.51 seconds.

On Friday, she took the baton from fellow Owyheean — sophomore Hayden Higgins — and ran the final 400 meters in the Mustangs’ championship turn in the sprint medley relay.

Higgins ran the 200 leg, and seniors Ella Stosich and Emma Dillbeck covered a pair of 100-meter sprints in the Mustangs’ 1:53.14 effort.

The two championships helped the Mustangs finish fourth in the girls’ meet and bring home another trophy.

The boys finished eighth.

Dayley finished third in Saturday’s 300 hurdles with a PR of 46.99.

Dillbeck took silver with a 5-0 effort in the girls’ high jump Friday. Sophomore Nyah Richardson was fifth at 4-10.

Dayley and Higgins ran the second and fourth legs, respectively, of the 4x200 relay as the Mustangs finished a half-second behind state champion Aberdeen.

Stosich and freshman Reese Harp also carried the baton during Melba’s 1:47.75 effort.

The top six finishers in each event earn medals.

Stosich PR’d at 9-6 for a bronze medal in the pole vault.

Higgins was fifth in Saturday’s 200 final at 26.88.

Raivio Manzer wrapped up his high school career in the boys’ meet, starting with his third-place time of 9:55.56 in Friday’s 3,200 final.

He also ran the anchor leg of the Mustangs’ fourth-place sprint medley relay team during Day 1. Manzer’s 800 meters helped Melba post a 3:38.8 time. Juniors Carsten Volkers (first leg) and Rylan Frank (third leg) and senior Noah West also carried the baton.

Manzer and Volkers each picked up a pair of bronze medals Saturday.

Manzer had PRs in the 800 (1:59.92) and the 1,600 (4:25.04).

Volkers was consistent in the hurdles, running 15.82 at 110 meters and 41.02 at 300.

West finished sixth in the 400 with a PR of 52.5.

Juniors Isaac Orias (opening leg) and Korey Magdaleno (third leg) teamed with West in second position and Volkers on the anchor for a fifth-place time of 1:33.45 in the 4x200.

MARSING HUSKIES

Track & Field 2A State Meet Medalists



Nate Delaney, sr.
2nd in shot put, 6th in discus



Raylynn Vanosdall, jr.
6th in triple jump, 6th in 4x100 relay



Bethany Steinmeyer, fr.
6th in long jump, 6th in 4x100 relay



Sydney Nelson, jr.
6th in 400, 6th in 4x100 relay



Katelyn Sevy, jr.
6th in 4x100 relay

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Sports

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Homedale players cheer during one of Saturday’s rallies against Sugar-Salem in the 3A state championship game. Photo by Chardee VanDerhoff / CV Photography

✓ **Baseball:** Trojans reach championship game for fourth time since '18

sides — Sugar-Salem — made a four-run rally in the top of the seventh inning stand up for a 10-9 come-from-behind championship victory.

“I’m disappointed. I’m brokenhearted,” Deal said after the Trojans’ fourth state championship game appearance since 2018. “This is just a really, really special team, and they are a team.

“They wanted this so bad, and we had it right in our clutches.”

The Trojans’ (24-5) championship hopes were alive in the team’s final at-bat Saturday even after Sugar-Salem rallied in the top of the seventh to take the lead.

Trailing by three runs, Homedale’s tight-knit seniors put the squad on course for a dramatic comeback.

After Andrew Marston’s pinch-hit double to the center-field wall, Andres Garcia scored from third when Diggers reliever Ryker Jones balked. Then shortstop Dillon Fine ripped a one-out RBI single.

With two outs and Fine in scoring position, his twin brother, Payton, smoked a pitch that took the glove off Jones’ left hand. But the shortstop was able to field the ball and first baseman Hank Carter apparently kept his foot on the bag to snare a drifting throw for the title-clinching out.

Top-seeded Sugar-Salem (21-4) rallied against reliever Payton Fine in the top of the seventh to set up the Diggers’ 17th consecutive victory.

“We had a couple of spots there (when) we could have had an out,” Deal said.

Instead, some of the same Sugar-Salem athletes who were part of the football program that won four state titles against HHS in recent years found



Homedale senior shortstop Dillon Fine prepares to put the tag down on Sugar-Salem’s Tate Cutler as he tries to steal second base late in Saturday’s title game.

a way to break the hearts of Homedale again.

Fine took the mound with a 7-6 lead and got two strikes against the first four batters he faced.

But Sam Chappell tied the game with an RBI single to center field, and Carter drove in the winning runs with a sinking fly ball that turned into a two-run double when Homedale left fielder Carson Fine could come up with a diving catch.

Tragen Mattson’s two-out RBI single turned out to be the most important hit of the inning because it brought home the all-important 10th run.

Homedale’s 12-game winning streak ended.

The championship game started just as wildly as it ended when the Trojans scored four times in the bottom of the first to erase the 2-0 lead the Diggers forged against Lukas Hall.

Jayden Wutherich started his 2-for-3 day by bouncing an RBI double over the third-base bag, and Hall tied the score with a single that brought in Carson Fine. Chance Martell reached out and poked a single into right field as Wutherich scored to give HHS the lead, and Oklin Carson smoked an infield single

to the shortstop to bring home Hall.

The Trojans had to tie the score again in the bottom of the second when Carson Fine scored when Carter sailed a throw to third base on Payton Fine’s sacrifice bunt.

After Dillon Fine laced a perfect hit-and-run single, Homedale took the lead in the bottom of the fourth when Oklin Carson scored on Carson Fine’s safety squeeze bunt and Dillon came home on Wutherich’s sacrifice fly.

Friday: No. 1 Homedale 3, No. 5 Kimberly 1 — Bulldogs ace Jakob Cummins looked unstoppable in his second showdown of the season with Dillon Fine. Kimberly had won the first meeting, 13-3.

But bouncing pitches ruined the day for the Kimberly right-hander who would finish with a no-hitter and a loss in the state semifinals.

Dillon Fine tied the score, 1-1, in the bottom of the first inning when Zayien Ford mishandled Payton Fine’s grounder at third base.

While Dillon Fine baffled the Bulldogs’ batters on his way to a 15-strikeout two-hitter, Trojans hitters worked through their

own frustration with Cummins, who would wind up with four strikeouts.

Homedale broke through in the third inning when Cummins’ control disappeared.

Marston was hit by a pitch and scored the go-ahead run on three consecutive wild pitches.

The senior slid head-first across the plate with the crucial run when catcher Hudson Flameling couldn’t find the ball following Payton Fine’s swinging strike.

Carson Fine, who had walked, made the score 3-1 on another wild pitch as Flameling lunged in vain toward home plate for the tag. After the umpire called Fine safe, Flameling erupted in frustration and was ejected.

Dillon Fine, meanwhile, was practically unhittable. He started the top of the third with his sixth consecutive strikeout then showed off hustle racing to the bag to get first baseman Andres Garcia’s toss on River Chadwick’s weak grounder.

Garcia made a scoop save on third baseman Chance Martell’s throw across the diamond to end the inning with runners on second and third.

Thursday: No. 1 Homedale 16, No. 8 Parma 6 (6) — After

3½ innings, it looked like the top-seeded Trojans’ 25-year state title drought would drag on.

Then 11 runs came. Then 16.

Then the Trojans cruised into the state semifinals for the second year in a row by pinning a 10-run rule on eighth-seeded Parma.

The upstart Panthers greeted starting pitcher Payton Fine with seven hits in the first three innings and took a 6-1 lead when Jacob Mikelson tagged reliever Lukas Hall’s pitch to deep center field for a two-out, two-run double in the fourth.

But Hall, showing signs of the two strikeouts he got before Mikelson solved him, allowed no other hits in his three innings and struck out two more batters.

That stinginess allowed the Trojans offense to wake up.

Homedale drilled started Kaden Cole, who had looked like Gerrit Cole early on, to start the comeback.

Reliever Braxton Heffelfinger surrendered seven unearned runs to take the loss. Parma wound up committing six errors.

Homedale erased the deficit in one inning, piling up 11 runs in the fourth inning, then forced the 10-run rule with a two-run rally in the bottom of the sixth.

Senior first baseman Andres Garcia, whose sacrifice bunt scored courtesy runner Xavier Uranga with Homedale’s first run in the second inning, wound up with four RBI. He was 2-for-4 with a double.

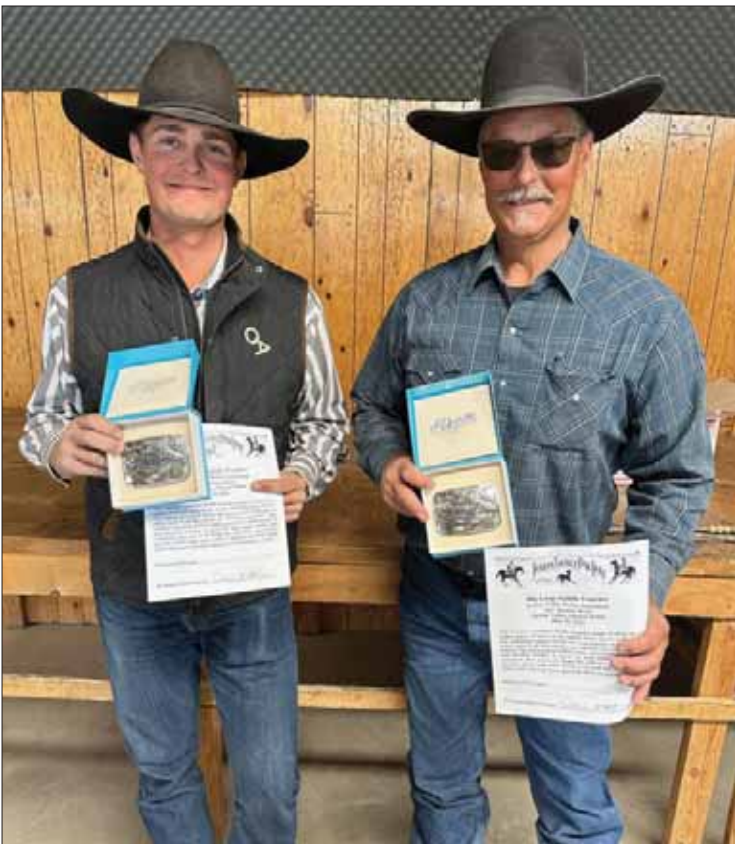
Dillon Fine, Payton Fine and Chance Martell also ripped doubles with Payton and Hall knocking in two runs each.

Hall finished 3-for-4 with two runs scored. — JPB

Sports



Jordan Valley Big Loop rodeo all around champion Trey McFarlane of Wilder, a Homedale High School student, (center) accepts his prize from Wyatt Stanford (left) and Ada Stanford. The rifle was donated by Jim and Mary Sue Davis in memory of Lee Stanford.



Father-and-son team Cleve (left) and Quentin Anseth won the Big Loop championship in Jordan Valley this year. Submitted photos

Jordan Valley Big Loop results

Friday-Saturday at Jordan Valley Rodeo Grounds
Big Loop champions — 1. Cleve and Quentin Anseth, 16.01; 2. Ryan Bruce and Ben Rhoades, 16.34; 3. Drew Elsner and Ryan Steeler, 17.17; 4. Cole Hode and Boden Truman, 18.46
All around — Trey McFarlane
Bull riding — 1. Justin Wilken, 77 points; 2. Trey McFarlane, 75; 3. Bryce Williams, 68; 4. Kobie Olson, 66
Saddle bronc — 1. Trey McFarlane, 66 points; 2. Trell McFarlane, 55
Team roping — 1. (tie) Brody Jones and Brock Borkman, 8.6 seconds;

Devon McDaniels and Sam Saunders, 8.6; 3. Nick and Birch Eiguren, 8.9; 4. (tie) Robb Webb and Daxton Jim, 9.2; Ross and Mike Eiguren; 6. (tie) Jared Parke and Marlow Eldridge, 9.7; Zane Taylor and Dally Taylor, 9.7; 8. Bobby Alexander and Beau Patske, 10.3
Stock saddle bronc — 1. Warren Johnson, 75 points; 2. Cooper Williams, 72; 3. Quinton Adkins, 71; 4. Junior Harney, 70
Tie-down roping — 1. Ryan Bothum, 10.34 seconds; 2. Cole Eiguren, 10.58; 3. Range Martin, 10.77; 4. (tie) Trey McFarlane, 11.18; and Justin Parke, 11.18; 6. Rob Webb, 11.44; 7. Zane Taylor, 11.95; 8. Sam Saunders, 19.62; 9. Ridge Martin, 24.05
Breakaway roping — 1. Candida Eldridge, 2.18 seconds; 2. Shelby Logan, 2.25; 3. Josie Taylor, 2.40; 4. Desi Dotson, 2.41; 5. (tie) Kimberly Williams, 2.42; Eryn Maddox, 2.42; 7. Sloan McFarlane, 2.43; 8. Mecati Martin, 2.89; 9. Courtney Webb, 2.90; 10. Shailee Rutan, 3.40; 11. Brittany Truman, 3.68; 12. Mate Heppner, 3.77
Barrel racing — 1. Jamie Gee, 17.184 seconds; 2. Angie Powell, 17.187; 3. Kelsey Gluch, 17.209;

4. Donna Fowler, 17.241; 5. Amber Alsterlund, 17.269; 6. Gwen King, 17.422; 7. Steph Wilkins, 17.494; 8. Amanda Parke, 17.459; 9. Toni Miller, 17.531; 10. Shawny Telford, 17.581
Jr. barrel racing — 1. Ella McConnell, 17.436 seconds; 2. Claire Walker, 17.579; 3. Hailey Zollinger, 17.621; 4. Gladys King, 17.794; 5. Elyn Vasquez, 18.447; 6. Jocelyn McConnell, 18.549; 7. Mesa Mackenzie, 18.633; 8. Lettie Powell, 18.726
Jr. steer riding — 1. (tie) Colby Carson, 81 points; Reese Carson, 81; 3. Stetson Mackenzie, 80

✓ Softball: Large contingent of seniors reach championship game again

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state crown.

Instead, it was Kimberly that came up with a second consecutive championship.

Saturday: No. 1 Kimberly, No. 2 Homedale — The Trojans rolled out to a 4-0 lead, but the Bulldogs snapped a 5-5 tie with four runs in the bottom of the sixth inning against senior right-hander Olivia Asumendi.

Kimberly scored six unearned runs on four Homedale errors and stopped the Trojans’ comeback try in the top of the seventh inning.

Homedale’s hitters carried heavy bats in the championship showdown. Six of the team’s eight hits went for extra bases,

including a triple and double from Dani Sitts and doubles by Lily Trescott, Asumendi, Stephanie Quezada, and Isana Larzelier.

Sitts was 3-for-4 with two runs scored from the top of the batting order.

Asumendi and Trescott drove home a pair of runs each.

Conversely, Kimberly piled up six singles against Asumendi, who logged nine strikeouts in her final high school game.

Saturday: No. 2 Homedale 16, No. 8 Timberlake 12 — The Trojans scored four runs in the bottom of the third inning to snap a 6-6 tie then managed to maintain tenuous control and make it to the state final round.

Zayne Hall went 3-for-4 with a home run, double and four RBI to lead Homedale’s 11-hit attack.

Asumendi doubled and scored two runs. She struck out six in four innings to get

the win. Sitts struck out four in 2 2/3 innings.

The Trojans survived another shaky defensive outing in which they committed five errors.

Arlett Quezada scored two runs while going 2-for-3. Sitts knocked in four runs and scored twice while going 2-for-3 from the top of the order.

Isana Larzelier scored three runs.

Friday: No. 1 Kimberly 11, No. 2 Homedale 0 (5) — Arlett Quezada’s triple was the loudest of only two hits off the Bulldogs’ Addi Clark in the winners’ bracket final.

Asumendi singled for Homedale’s other hit, and Stephanie Quezada and Hall walked for the Trojans’ only other baserunners.

Kimberly, meanwhile, took advantage of seven errors to score seven unearned runs against three Homedale pitchers — Asumendi, Sitts and Hall.

The Bulldogs blew the game open with back-to-back five-run rallies in the second and third innings.

Friday: No. 2 Homedale 7, No. 3 Gooding 3 — The Trojans rallied for four runs in the bottom of the sixth to snap a 3-3 tie and run their winning streak to six games in the semifinals.

The Senators held a 3-1 lead when Homedale knotted the score with two runs in the fifth inning. Homedale scored that game’s final six runs.

Asumendi and Sitts struggled with their control while combining on a one-hitter. Sitts allowed the single, and the pair walked 10 batters while amassing 19 strikeouts.

Asumendi went 3-for-4 with a double and two runs scored, and Trescott knocked in three runs. Arlett Quezada tripled and collected two RBI.

Thursday: No. 2 Homedale 15, No. 7 Teton 4 (5) — The Trojans ripped extra-base

hits at will to throttle Teton in the opening game of the tournament.

Senior Olivia Asumendi went 2-for-4 with a double and four RBI. She also scored twice.

Another 12th-grader, Arlett Quezada, doubled twice while driving in two runs.

Isana Larzelier scored four runs and drove in two more while smacking a triple.

Sophomore Stephanie Quezada also drilled a triple while scoring two runs.

Senior Zayne Hall was 2-for-4 with two RBI, and fellow upperclassman Dani Sitts scored three times while picking up a double.

Junior catcher Lily Trescott also drove in a pair of runs.

Homedale blew the game open with a seven-run uprising in the second inning.

Sitts got the win with 11 strikeouts. She scattered five hits and dodged two unearned runs and four walks.

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Looking back...

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25 years ago

May 26, 1999

A-3 State Champions...

Homedale High School head baseball coach Jason Cagle shares his excitement with assistant coach Stan Hoyt after the team's 7-6 victory over the Nampa Christian Trojans last Saturday. The team ended its season with a 24-1 record, including four victories over Nampa Christian.



Homedale completes the battle of the Trojans

The Homedale Trojans toppled the Nampa Christian Trojans, 7-6, for the A-3 State Championship title in baseball last week.

Homedale, 24-1, posted a comfortable 10-3 victory over Clearwater Valley in the first round of tournament play on Thursday.

Homedale's Darren Uranga pitched the first five innings, striking out 12 and walked four.

Homedale grabbed a 5-0 lead in Friday night's semifinal against Teton, the beginning of the team's 15-7 victory.

The battle of the Trojans for the state championship title turned into a battle to the end. In front of a record crowd at Rodeo Park Saturday afternoon, the drama unfolded with the score tied, 4-4, after seven innings.

Homedale led the top of the eighth inning pulling away from Nampa Christian 7-4. But NC battled back and closed the score to 7-6 with one out and the bases loaded. NC's Daniel DeCloss hit a ground ball into the waiting mitt of Homedale's top pitcher, Uranga. Uranga scooped it up and tossed it to Dusty Bauer at home plate forcing out Peter Troyer. Bauer turned and launched the ball to Troy Tiddens on first base to get the force out on DeCloss on a game-ending double play.

Area Memorial Day services planned

The American Legion will hold Memorial Day services at the Wilder Cemetery at 9 a.m., at the Homedale Bridge at 9:30 a.m., the Homedale-Marsing Cemetery at 10 a.m., and at the city park at 10:30 a.m.

There will be a memorial breakfast at Legion Hall in Homedale from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations will be accepted.

Unit #32 of the Legion Auxiliary is active year-round in service to veterans and young people.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, V.F.W., will also hold Memorial services beginning at 10 a.m. at Centennial Park in Wilder and at 11 a.m. next to the Marsing Fire Station in Marsing.

Legislators present county seat bill at Outpost Day

Plans are shaping up for the Owyhee County's Historical Society's annual fundraiser, Outpost Day, Sunday, June 6, in Murphy.

State Rep. Sher Sellman and State Sen. Robbi King will arrive before the auction and quilt raffle to present the "Murphy is County Seat" bill that was recently enacted into law. There will also be jail tours, an exhibit from the Snake River Birds of Prey, horned-toad races and the always-popular sheepdog demonstration by Tish Lewis and her prize-winning dog, Teal.

40 years ago

May 23, 1984

Crystal Chazel comes in ahead of Danielle Taggart in the 50-yard dash at the Homedale Grade School track and field day last Thursday. About 350 parents came out to watch their children race in the inter-grade competition.



Seniors honored at awards banquet

Several Homedale High School Seniors were honored with awards for athletic and scholastic achievement at the annual Spring Awards ceremony held Thursday night.

The Academic Letter Award was bestowed upon three seniors this year. A student must maintain a cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.70 throughout their High School years to get the letter. Winners include Ann Akichika, 4.09; Arlene Burman, 3.70; and Holly Grow, 3.92.

Three other awards, one of which includes a scholarship, were given to two seniors.

The Bryan Tolmie Memorial was won by Terry Uda. The Century III prize was given to Ann Akichika, who was the local winner in the competition and second statewide. Akichika also won the Daughters of American Revolution award by finishing second statewide.

Several of the Trojan Baseball team members were honored for their performance. They were Fred Bruneel, most improved; Rich Cook, most inspirational; Dan Turner, Golden Glove (given to best fielder); Chris Landa, Golden Bat (best hitter); and Larry Corta, most valuable player.

Five players were selected for All League team: Larry Corta, first team designated hitter and League MVP; and Dan Turner and Chris Landa, first team infielders. Dan Breach and Randy Jewett won honorable mention.

Special distinction was awarded to several members of the track team: Outstanding senior and most inspirational, Terry Uda; outstanding runner, junior, overall, and coaches award, Randy Shanley; and Dan Hyde, most improved.

Women track stars honored were: Kellee Patterson, outstanding junior, outstanding field event, best overall, and coaches award; Kristi Anderson, outstanding senior and runner; Juanita Chandler, most improved; Tahmina Rahman, most inspirational.

4-H news

Fourth meeting of the Future Achievers 4-H Club was called to order by Vice President Sharon Huter on Monday, May 7, at the home of Teresa Uranga. Five members, a leader, and a guest, Charlene Uranga, were present. Roll call topic was "My Favorite Sandwich."

Demonstrations were given by Sharon Huter, "What Clothes are Right for You?" and Tracy Leavitt, "Super Salad."

Mrs. Huter, leader, explained a project to raise money for improvement on the restrooms at the Homedale Fairgrounds. The Club will sell tickets on a quilt that was donated by the Homemaker's Council.

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May 20, 1871

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back Uncle Dan with any amount of twenties, if
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EDITORIAL VISIT.—Yesterday our sanctum
was illuminated with the pleasant countenances
of Jno. M'Gonigle, Esq., and his amiable spouse,
who are over from the Capital on a visit. Mac still
has a sort of a hankering for the pure and bracing
atmosphere of Owyhee and will spend several days
among his old friends and acquaintances here. He
gets up a tip-top paper and we are glad to know
that the *News* is in flourishing circumstances. "Old
Hill's" latch string is at the service of Mr. and Mrs.
M'Gonigle, as long as they choose to tarry with
us.

BOUND TO CELEBRATE.—The *Boise News*
did not make its usual appearance last Tuesday, the
reason for which, neighbor M'Gonigle gives in the
previous issue:
Owing to the partial failure of St. Patrick's Day,
because of the inclemency of the weather, and
being unwilling to wait until the Fourth of July to
give our heels a chance to frolic, the *News* office,
editor, editress, boss printer, devil, dog Dave and
all, are going to turn out to the Turner's Pic-nic
on Monday. So our patrons in town will only
receive two papers next week. We are sorry for
you, folks, but we can't help it — we're bound
to celebrate.

THE MAHOGANY SUIT.—On the 11th inst.,
while the fourth trial in the forcible entry and detainer
case of the Mahogany G. & S. M. Co. against Ben.
Cook and others, was in progress before Justice
Lynam, Judge Hollister granted an injunction to
stay further proceedings in a Justice's Court. On the
16th a motion to vacate the injunction was filed, and
argued before Judge Hollister at Chambers in Boise
City. The motion was overruled on the 17th, the
Judge ordering that the injunction be continued in
full force and authority until further order be made in
the premises. As the matter now stands, it will remain
in *status quo*, at least, till next October, when, if the
Mahogany Company desires to prosecute the case
further the question of title to the mine can be tried
in the District Court.

Commentary

Mtn. States Policy Center Visa reform awaits to help farmers

American farmers feel like the little red hen working alone to grow the wheat, mill the flour, and make the bread, as they struggle to meet labor demands across sectors. Few domestic workers find agricultural employment attractive, and our nation’s visa program to hire foreign workers for agricultural work simply does not work for employers or employees. From spring pruning to fall harvest, farm labor demands go unmet across every crop and region, as workers both unwilling and willing sit idly by wondering who will grow the bread.

Farmers and ranchers in the United States have grown reliant on the H-2A visa program to hire temporary foreign workers because of the absence of American workers willing to take farm jobs. H-2A visas grant a pathway for farmers to address labor shortages, and the reliance on the program is only growing. H-2A visa participation grew by 226 percent from 2010 to 2019. Despite an increase from 79,000 workers in 2010 to 258,000 in 2019, farms are still short on workers, and some farms needing year-round employees, like dairies, are barred from the program.

As for the farms feeling like the little red hen, those operations have had to wait for decades as legislation designed to make H-2A workable for agriculture go unapproved by the U.S. Senate. Instead, the most recent government effort to “fix” the ag labor market came from the Biden administration in the fall of 2023 in an obscure grant program that promises financial relief if farm operations are willing to adopt costly employment practices.

The Farm Labor Stabilization and Protection Pilot

— See *Farmers*, Page 17A

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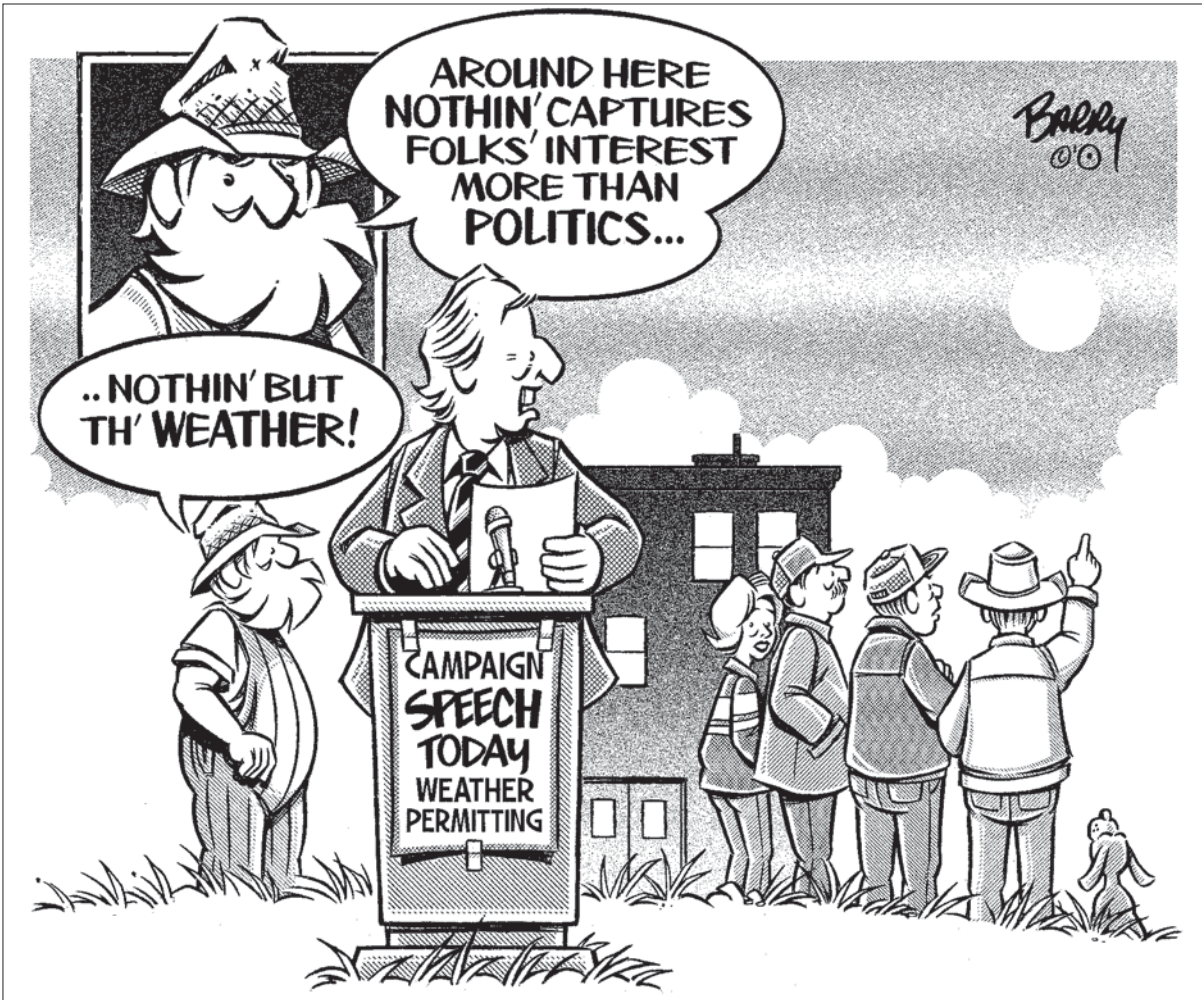


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Homedale resident Oscar Evans is on the board of directors.

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JP Doodles



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

County RV ordinance Recreational vehicle residency illegal without ordinance revision

Due to many calls, texts, social media posts and newspaper comments, I want to clarify misinformation and confusion about the purpose of the replacement RV Ordinance that County officials had been working on.

Current Owyhee County Code 9-18-3 states: “Except as otherwise provided herein, it shall be unlawful to park or place any recreational vehicle actively in use as sleeping or living accommodations within Owyhee County for any period of time, unless said vehicle is located in an RV park.” The ONLY exception is if the property owner has a building permit.

Commissioners Hoagland and Bachman voted to abandon the Code revision project, retaining the most restrictive code possible, allowing no options to meet the needs of our citizens. This means that currently all RV residences are simply illegal, subject to fines and penalties. This does nothing to help our citizens or property owners. I vehemently voted against abandoning the process as we have a dire need to create a less-restrictive ordinance.

I am committed to protecting private property rights. I do not like government telling me what I cannot do on my property. I do not like the current, restrictive RV Code. Regardless of my personal opinion, commissioners are required to abide by and enforce laws that are in place. It is this personal conflict and input from property owners, via the survey, that encouraged me to revisit the existing RV Ordinance. Allow for exceptions, hardship needs, reinstate property rights, yet hold those accountable that operate an RV park without proper hook ups or

Dist. 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi
R-Homedale (term expires 2026)

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licensing, or violate other environmental or public safety rules.

To each process, there is a starting point. The draft was never intended to be a final version. I believe the draft itself was too restrictive. So public meetings were held to address concerns, understand needed exceptions, modify to accommodate based on community input. How do we modify that draft to allow for those needs in this time of severe financial hardship? I heard (and agree with) a lot of things that need to be addressed. Instead of offering modifications to the draft, many were simply anti-ordinance without understanding the existing restrictions, and they wanted nothing to do with the “ease of regulation” that was intended, after community input and draft revisions.

— See *Ordinance*, Page 17A

Commentary

Financial management

Stay home, focus on school to stay debt-free

Dear Dave,

I'm in college full-time right now, and my parents have been generous enough to pay for some of my school expenses. In addition, they let me live at home while I complete my degree. I work some nights and most weekends so I can go to school debt-free, but I'm trying to figure out how to move out on my own and continue working, while remaining a full-time student and attending career-related campus events. The cost of living is high in our area, so I'm having trouble figuring out how to make it all work. Do you have some advice?

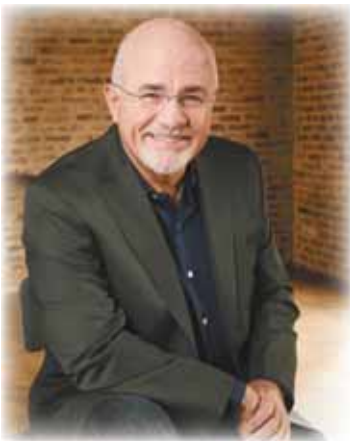
— Will

Dear Will,

You sound like a very

driven and mature young man. Congratulations on everything you've been able to accomplish so far. I'm glad you're working hard in school with an eye toward the future. First off, out of the three considerations you mentioned — school, work, and cost of living — I think you need to decide which is your No. 1 priority. If I were in your shoes, school would come first.

Now, to go to school without borrowing money, you're going to have to keep working. But finishing school on time, while attending some of the extracurricular events that will move you toward your career, might pre-empt work. You'll have to work enough to pay for things, but if you can finish school and hit your academic



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and graduation goals while staying at home just a little bit longer? That sounds like a winner to me. It's a pretty nice deal your parents are offering, but I can understand

your desire to be out on your own, too.

I want you to be out on your own as soon as you can, as well. But if you do that right now, you're going to have extra bills and be forced to work even more. That's going to throw your entire school process out of whack. Guess what your No. 1 priority was in that scenario? Right, moving out. If it's the tail that's wagging the dog, it has become the No. 1 priority. If it's disrupting work, and thereby disrupting your academics, then in my mind you've put your focus on the wrong thing.

Your No. 1 goal should be finishing school on time, while attending as many connected events as possible. Meanwhile, keep working enough so that you're able to continue doing all this debt-free. If that means you're staying at home a little bit longer to pull it off, I'd do it!

— Dave

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

✓ Farmers: Hundreds of ag groups stand ready to support legislation

From Page 16A

Program throws \$65 million of taxpayer money at an issue that in the real world requires actual labor to solve the problem, not dollar signs. Throwing hard-earned taxpayer money at a government-created issue isn't solving the problem but only masking the consequences.

In the story of the little red hen, money by itself cannot grow the wheat, to make the flour, to make the bread. It took the physical hard work of the hen. That is the solution American food security needs today. We need legislation that allows the physical hard work of agriculture to continue unhindered by complex and redundant bureaucracy.

That is exactly what the Farm Workforce Modernization Act (FWMA) allows. The FWMA favors work solutions over monetary bandages, aligns closely with recent recommendations of a congressional working group on ag labor, and is supported by more than 250 agricultural groups and organizations.

But redundancy on this issue is becoming the norm. Not only has the U.S. House of Representatives successfully passed the FWMA multiple times, these 250 groups and members have spoken about ag labor reform for years, and nothing has changed. For decades farms have sought improvements to the H-2A program without success, and out of necessity have adopted expensive new technology, increased human resource costs to navigate the H-2A system, outsourced hiring to farm labor contractors, or gone out of business. Additionally, the skyrocketing wage rate used in the H-2A program that the

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Adopting policy reforms, like the Farm Workforce Modernization Act, would begin much-needed and long-awaited reform for agricultural labor, bringing stability to farmers, improving food security, and providing good jobs to those willing to put in the actual work to produce and harvest America's crops.

— Congressman Mike Simpson is currently serving his thirteenth term in the House of Representatives for Idaho's Second Congressional District. Mike serves as Chairman of the House Interior and Environment Subcommittee on Appropriations. Madi Clark is a Senior Policy Analyst for the Mountain States Policy Center, an independent free-market research organization based in Idaho.

Letters to the editor

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

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

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

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

✓ Ordinance: Work must begin on health, safety rules compliance

From Page 16A

Once the county begins the process of dealing with complaints and violations of the current code, anyone that has an RV on their property being used as a residence (other than under the building permit exception) may receive notification to remedy, explanation of penalties and fines, etc. This is not what is in the best interest for all. It is what we have, with no current path forward. I will personally do

whatever necessary to ensure that no one is made homeless, regardless of this situation. I hope to be able to work with property owners to ensure that health and safety concerns, as well as compliance with other state regulations are addressed and remedied as needed. However, it is still illegal to reside in an RV as your primary residence, with the existing ordinance.

Thank you to all who participated in the process

of completing the survey and attending our public forums on this topic. I think the result did not address any of the concerns that were brought to the attention of the commissioners by anyone participating.

— Republican Kelly Aberasturi of Homedale has been the District 2 official on the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners since 2011.

Public notices

INVITATION TO BID
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of GEM HIGHWAY DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS invites bids for the following:
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Bids should state the cost per mile.
Work to be completed before September 1, 2024.
All bids must be filed with the Secretary of the Board of Gem Highway Commissioners, P.O. Box 453, Marsing, Idaho 83639-0453, on or before 5:00 PM the 10th day of June 2024.
The right is reserved to reject all proposals, or to accept the proposal or proposals deemed best for the Gem Highway District, and to waive any technicality. Bid packets are available by calling KEITH BERENDS, Road Superintendent, (208) 896-4581, Office or (208) 860-6918, Cell.
Dated May 15, 2024
Nancy Bush
Secretary-Treasurer
05/22,29/2024

PUBLIC NOTICE
US Ecology Idaho Inc. (USEI) is hereby providing notice of a recent Class 2 Permit Modification and Request for Temporary Authorization in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR Part 270.42. The purpose of this modification request is to update the facility Contingency Plan and allow USEI to add additional designated storage areas to aide operations at the Grand View, Idaho facility.
The required 60-day comment period shall begin on the date of publication of this notice. All comments should be addressed to:
Department of Environmental Quality
1410 North Hilton
Boise, Idaho 83706-1255
Attention: Mr. Bo Norton

A Public Meeting shall be held regarding this Class 2 Modification request at Rimrock Jr./Sr. High School in Owyhee County at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 26, 2024.
Copies of the request for modification and supporting documentation are available for viewing and copying at the following locations:
State of Idaho Depart of Environmental Quality
1410 North Hilton
Boise Idaho

US Ecology Idaho Inc.
20400 Lemley Road
Grand View, Idaho

Eastern Owyhee County Library
Grand View, Idaho

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) contact for request for permit modification is Bo Norton at 208-373-0425. USEI’s compliance history during the life of the permit being modified is available from the IDEQ contact person. If you have any questions regarding

this Permit Modification, please feel free to contact USEI’s contact person, Ms. Rebecca Hogaboam at (208) 834-2275, or Mr. Bo Norton with the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality for further information at (208) 373-0425.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
Magistrate Division, Murphy Section
[Idaho Code § 15-3-801(a)]
Case No. CV37-24-00115
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
EDWARD F. CHADEZ,
a/k/a EDWARD CHADEZ and EDWARD FELIX CHADEZ,
Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CHARLES E. CHADEZ has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent, EDWARD F. CHADEZ. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. **Claims must be both (1) presented to the personal representative of the estate at the law offices of White, Peterson, Gigray & Nichols, P.A., 5700 East Franklin Road, Suite 200, Post Office Box 247, Nampa, Idaho (ID) 83653-0247, and (2) filed with the Clerk of the Court.**
DATED 6th day of May, 2024.
Philip A. Peterson
Attorney for:
Charles E. Chadez
Personal Representative
05/15,22,29/2024

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Magistrate Division
[Idaho Code § 15-3-801(a)]
Case No. CV37-24-00152
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
REBECCA E. QUIRK,
Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MICHAEL E. MAYES was appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must both be presented to the undersigned and filed with the Clerk of the Court.
DATED May 15, 2024.
Todd A. Rossman, ISB #4023
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Sports

From page 10A

✓ Relay: Senior hurdler takes third in 300

the baton from junior Rafael Cuenca. Sophomore Kade Hall started the race, and senior Brock Johnson ran the second leg.
The team was less than two seconds off the championship pace set by Marsh Valley.
The 4x200 silver medal was one of two medals earned by HHS boys’ relay squads Saturday.
Campos, Johnson and Cuenca joined forces with junior Alex Sotelo for a fourth-place time of 3:32.96 in the 4x400 relay.
Carlie Moore pulled off the best Trojans finish in the girls’ state meet, capturing the bronze medal in Saturday’s 300-meter hurdles final at personal-record clip of 46.05 seconds.
Fellow senior Kinlee Garrett just missed the podium with her seventh-place time of 49.38, more than a second slower than sixth-place Mimi Marshall from McCall-Donnelly.
Garrett did come away with a fifth-place medal in the 100 hurdles at 16.08.
Sophomore Morgan Nicoletti finished fourth in the girls’ pole vault, clearing the bar at 9 feet, 6 inches. Freshman Teague Taylor cleared 9-0, but missed out on a sixth-place medal in a jump-off.
Alec Campos PR’d for fifth place in the boys’ 400, finishing in 51.99. Cuenca ran to seventh place. His 52.24 was .17 of a second out of the medals chase.
Ninth-grader Brody Johnson’s personal record of 42.55 was good for sixth and the final medal in the 300 hurdles.
Senior Bobby Christensen didn’t win a medal in his high school finale, but he did set a personal record with a 10th-place time of 2:03.27 in the 800 meters.

✓ Rimrock: Boren takes down 3 records

school record came with a fifth-place time of 2:00.5 in the 800 on Saturday.
Senior Ashten Moore broke Rimrock’s 36-year-old girls’ triple jump record and accepted her second medal of the meet Saturday. She placed fourth after attaining a mark of 33 feet, 6½ inches.
Moore posted a personal record of 16-5 on Friday to place sixth in the long jump.
Goya Lemus finished her prep career with two milestone times and three top-10 placements.
On Friday, she took seventh in the girls’ 3,200 with a time of 12:32.58.
She attained a personal-best time of 2:27.8 in Saturday’s 800 meters, placing 10th.
Lemus finished ninth in the 1,600, running her fastest race of the season at 5:42.53.
Sophomore Morgan Field posted the 14th-best mark of the meet in the boys’ discus Friday, flinging the apparatus 115-10.

✓ Adrian: Senior closes career with gold

from Aimee Esplin, led the Antelopes to runner-up showings in 2022 and 2024.
Last weekend, the Adrian girls edged Imbler by four points for the championship Saturday.
And Martin was a big part of the program’s first state championship since 2019.
The junior beat teammate Kiara Rios in the 400-meter run. Martin completed the lap in 1 minute, 0.99 seconds. A sophomore, Rios’ runner-up time was a personal record (1:01.35). Senior Rylee Ready finished eighth in 1:05.14.
Martin and Rios both PR’d in the 200 dash with Martin winning at 26.01. Rios was sixth at 27.6.
The younger sister of former Adrian standouts Conley and Jace Martin, Addy’s third gold came in the 100 with a 12.82 time.
Senior Presley Speelmon won the girls’ 1,500 at 4:58.63.
Kenzie Tuttle, one of two Jordan Valley state meet qualifiers, was runner-up in the girls’ discus. The junior attained a personal-best throw of 32.87 meters, which is nearly 108 feet.
Adrian’s Ready, Rios, Speelmon, and Martin — in that order — covered the 4x400 relay with a runner-up time of 4:12.86.
With only four girls competing, Adrian edged Imbler, 68-64, for girls’ state title.
Bayes finished seventh in two other boys’ events.
He ran a 16.44 in the 110-meter hurdles, and was part of the Antelopes’ seventh-place 4x100 relay team. Rico, junior Rance Jordan and senior Octavio Bautista sprinted the first three legs before Bayes carried the baton to a 45.48 finish.
Adrian sophomore Keegan Johnston was eighth in the boys’ 400 at 53.95.
Jordan Valley sophomore Lane Jewett was 11th in the boys’ shot put at 12.95 meters.
Adrian freshman Trey Bayes took 11th in the boys’ javelin at 38.25 meters.



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Graduation

Idaho State University

Julia Gomez graduated from Idaho State University on Saturday, May 4, 2024, receiving a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing and a Minor in Psychology.

The 2020 Homedale High School graduate compiled a 3.92 grade-point average in college.



Utah Tech

Hannah Beus of Melba was among nearly 3,000 students to receive degrees during the May 3, 2024 graduation ceremony at Utah Tech University.

Utah Tech's 113th commencement ceremonies took place at the Greater Zion Stadium on the St. George, Utah, campus.

Scholarship

Ag magazine salutes 2024 HHS graduate

Morgan Fuhriman, who is graduating from Homedale High School on Thursday, has received an Ag Proud – Idaho scholarship.

The Parma resident has been involved in 4-H and FFA. She has exhibited show cattle in the American Hereford, American Angus and American Simmental junior associations.

Growing up on a cow-calf operation, Morgan acquired a Simmental heifer in sixth grade. As a freshman, she began to explore genetics, nutrition and marketing strategies. She has earned her artificial insemination (A.I.) certification and applied technologies like embryo collection and in-vitro fertilization (IVF) in her family's and her own herds.



Morgan will attend college in Kansas, competing on scholarship on a livestock judging team and studying graphic design and marketing. Her long-term goal is to major in agricultural business, and she plans to market her own cattle and support fellow producers in their marketing endeavors.

Morgan joins Bodie Lierman of Filer and Izaak Krohn of Mountain Home as Ag Proud – Idaho scholarship recipients.

Ag Proud—Idaho is a monthly publication that spotlights individuals and families who drive agriculture in the state while providing information to better their businesses. Visit agproud.com/idaho for more information.

Children's free meals begin next week

With the school year nearly complete, free meals for children 18 years and younger will be served in Marsing and Homedale this summer.

The Marsing School District program begins Tuesday at two locations. Meals will be served on weekdays.

Meals will be available at the Marsing School District, 209 8th Ave. W., until June 6.

Breakfast will be available for an hour beginning at 7:45 a.m., and lunch will be available for an hour beginning at 11:15 a.m.

Lunch will be available between 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 p.m., at Marsing City Park, corner of 2nd Avenue and 2nd Street North, until June 27.

Meals must be eaten on site.

Both locations will participate in the Cultured Meals Passports program. For one meal each week, children will have the opportunity to “visit” a new country and try foods featured in that country.

Free lunches will be served at the Homedale Community Center, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., beginning Tuesday.

Lunch will be served for an hour beginning at 11:45 a.m., and meals will be available through June 27.

Breakfast and lunch will be available at Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., between June 3 and June 13.

Breakfast will be served at 7:45 a.m., and lunch will be available at 10:45 a.m.

Meals at both locations will be available for an hour, and must be eaten on site.

The Homedale Elementary School meals will be served during summer school, and the meal program will offer the Cultured Meals Passports program.

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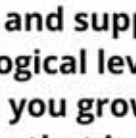






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Homedale High School’s honor graduates include: **Front row, from left:** Brock Johnson, Bobby Christensen, Andrew Marston, Danny (Jose) Lomeli, Melani Whitehead, Mylisa Barrett, Dani Sitts, Cadence Nicoletti, Katie DeVice, Jocelynn Roseborough, and Kaylee Schlotterbeck. **Middle row, from left:** Trinity Neeser, Heather Reynolds, Noah Bowen, Abagale Hall, Heidi Heng, Brodie White, Isana Larzelier, Olivia Asumendi, Lexie Heck, and Kinlee Garrett. **Back row, from left:** Grant Waltman, Corey Romriell, Elijah Belnap, and Gabriel Vega. **Not pictured:** Kinsey Blankenship. Submitted photo

Honor graduates embark on varied paths to success

Twenty-six Homedale seniors will be recognized as honor graduates during Thursday’s Homedale High School commencement ceremony.

Twelve students from the Class of 2024 amassed a grade-point average of 4.0 or higher during their four high school years.

Students to receive a Highest Honors Medallion during a ceremony with their

parents at the commencement are:

Melani Whitehead, 4.105 grade-point average — The daughter of Allan Whitehead and Marci Crans will attend Boise State University and pursue a degree in Nursing. Melani wants to earn her Master’s degree and become a nurse practitioner.

Jocelynn Roseborough, 4.1 — The daughter of Kenny and Kristie Rose-

borough will attend Brigham Young University-Idaho in Rexburg to pursue a degree in Psychology. After getting her Bachelor’s degree, she will attend law school to pursue a career as a lawyer.

Katie DeVice, 4.097 — The daughter of Luanne and Dana DeVice will attend Grand Canyon University and pursue a degree in Pre-Law with plans to be-

come an Agricultural Attorney.

Brock Johnson, 4.097 — The son of Karlin and Sonya Johnson will attend BYU-Idaho and pursue a degree in Bio-medical Science. He plans to earn his Bachelor’s degree then attend medical school to become a doctor.

Lexie Ann Heck, 4.087 — The

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<i>Olivia Asumendi</i>	<i>Deonna Barnard</i>	<i>Mylisa Barrett</i>	<i>Elijah Belnap</i>	<i>Sydney Biehl</i>	<i>Kinsey Blankenship</i>
<i>Noah Bowen</i>	<i>Addison Brixey</i>	<i>Oklin Carson</i>	<i>Bobby Christensen</i>	<i>Cooper Christiansen</i>	<i>Yesenia Cornejo</i>
<i>Kaleb Coronado</i>	<i>Emario Cuellar</i>	<i>Kaitlyn DeVice</i>	<i>Savannah Erickson</i>	<i>Samuel Escutia Hurtado</i>	<i>Terrance Farris</i>
<i>Dillon Fine</i>	<i>Payton Fine</i>	<i>Morgan Fuhrman</i>	<i>Andres Garcia</i>	<i>Kinlee Garrett</i>	<i>Bella Goettling</i>

When: 7 p.m., Thursday, May 23	Flower ceremony song: “Slipping Through My Fingers” by Declan McKenna
Where: Deward Bell Stadium	Class song: “You’re Gonna Go Far” by Noah Kahan
Number of graduates: 92	Class motto: “Out the door! Class of 2024”
Guest speaker: Shane Wetzel, ag teacher, FFA chapter co-advisor	Class colors: Red and white
Diploma presenter: Rob Sauer, district superintendent	

HOMEDALE HIGH SCHOOL



Abagale Hall



Zayne Hall



Lexie Heck



Heidi Heng



Mia Hernandez



Brandon Hurt



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MARSING HIGH SCHOOL

Decision on top graduates comes down to the wire

As the year winds down at Marsing High School, the top seniors in the Class of 2024 are still waiting to find out who the honor graduates will be.

Counselor Robin Simpson said last week that co-Valedictorians Marcela Diosdado Correa and Kally May Sevy will join either Emily V. Richling or Elijah (Eli) Jackson Ankeny as the honor graduates for Friday’s commencement ceremony.

Either Richling or Ankeny will be announced as class Salutatorian on Thursday once final exams wrap up.

Both Diosdado Correa and Sevy have compiled 4.0 grade-

point averages during their four years at Marsing High School.

The 18-year-old girls are lifelong residents of the Marsing community and have done their part for their hometown through the annual community cleanup.

Diosdado Correa also volunteers at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church in Caldwell and she helps the sick and the elderly.

The daughter of Ryan and Cecelia Sevy, Kally Sevy plans to complete optometric technician training for her post-secondary education.

She was her school’s year-book editor, but has an even

bigger feather in her cap now.

“I’m proudest of becoming Valedictorian,” she said. “I worked hard all of high school, and I’m glad it paid off.”

Sevy enjoys hiking and walking, and her favorite quote comes from Sonia Ricotti, a best-selling author (“Un-sinkable”) and motivational speaker:

“Accept what is, let go of what was, and have faith in what will be.”

Sevy may have been all business in attaining the co-Valedictorian title, but she did let her hair down during her



From left: Salutatorian candidate Emily Richling, co-Valedictorians Kally Sevy and Marcela Diosdado Correa, and Salutatorian candidate Eli Ankeny.

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Audrey Adams



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Hailey Andrus



Elijah Ankeny



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Jared Bowers



Tyson Campbell



James Christiansen



Marcela Diosdado Correa



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Nathan Delaney



Dustin Engle



Dakota Farrens

Graduation information

When: 6 p.m., Friday, May 24
Where: Marsing Jr./Sr. High School gym, 209 8th Avenue West
Number of graduates: 44
Guest speaker: John Barenberg (retiring third-grade teacher)

Diploma presenter: Sean Porter, principal
Senior class trip: Leaving for Lagoon amusement park in Farmington, Utah, on Saturday, May 25

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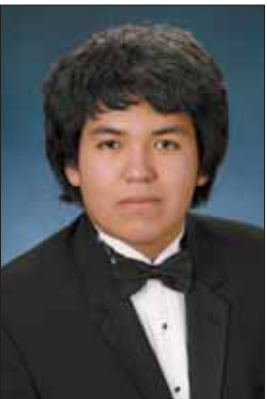
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RIMROCK HIGH SCHOOL

Top grads make big impacts in short time

Rimrock High School’s honor graduates haven’t lived in the area very long, but both have made big impacts on their community.

Class of 2024 Valedictorian Josie Jean Lisle and Salutatorian Thomas (TJ) Gonzalez have been fixtures in community service projects and Raiders athletics throughout their time on the Rimrock campus.

Lisle, the 17-year-old daughter of Jess and Brandi Lisle, finishes her Rimrock tenure with a 3.8 grade-point average. She was president of the school’s National Honor Society chapter as well as Student Body president.

Next up for her is studying on foreign soil to help enhance equine health.

Lisle plans to attend Helen J. Woods Equine Studies in British Columbia, Canada, to pursue a horse chiropractor license.

She’ll leave her home area temporarily after just five years of residency.

When she graduates from high school Sunday, she’ll also receive an Associate’s of Science degree from the College of Eastern Idaho through dual-credit online classes.

Part of her community service was also related to equine sports. She volunteered at the Bruneau Rodeo, and after her senior project roping event Lisle donated nearly \$10,000 to cancer research in the names of her uncle Pat Stanford and grandfather Nick Pascoe.

Her favorite pastimes are helping on the family ranch and rodeoing with friends in

the summer.

“My proudest achievement is when I won the 2022 Senior All Around at the Elmore County Junior Rodeo Series because it was when all of my hard work paid off after starting a new horse to use for the season and it led to my winning my first trophy saddle,” she said.

During school, she was active in FFA and a Sources of Strength leader. She also captained the girls’ basketball team.

Her time on the court produced her favorite high school memory in Febtuary’s 1A, Div. I District III championship game on Feb. 7 against Liberty Charter. The Raiders won by three points, 33-30, after losing to the Patriots, by 22 points, 42-20, on Jan. 19 during the 1A Western Idaho Conference season.

“That win secured us the conference champs title and sent us to State,” she said.

Other community service work included cleaning up after community funerals, weddings and the Bruneau Boosters Auction. She also has spent time in the kitchen making cookies for the folks who gather at Grand View’s Rimrock Senior Center.

No wonder her favorite quote is Dr. Wayne Dyer’s “Go the extra mile. It’s never crowded.”

Like Lisle, Gonzalez has had a diverse existence during just 5½ years in the community.

The 18-year-old’s parents are Laura, Elias and Anita Gonzalez.

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Rimrock High School’s Class of 2024 honor graduates are Valedictorian Josie Lisle (right) and Salutatorian Thomas (TJ) Gonzalez. Photo by Lainee Raymond / Rimrock Journalism

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Graduation information

When: 2 p.m., Saturday, May 25

Where: Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School gymnasium, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau

Number of graduates: 14

Guest speaker: Haden Griggs, high school History teacher and class advisor

Diploma presenter: School board chair Scott McNeley

Class song: “Don’t Stop Believin’ ” by Journey

Class theme: Slay Queens

Class flower: Yellow rose

Class colors: Pink

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Josie Lisle



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Vivyana Villarreal

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After attaining at 3.76 GPA at Rimrock, he will be leaving home and heading north as well.

“After graduation, I will spend this summer as an intern for mechanical engineers in Mountain Home before heading to Moscow to attend the University of Idaho in pursuit of a degree in Mechanical Engineering,” he said.

Gonzalez said the internship that developed because of his senior project is his proudest achievement.

He has been a leader on campus as a student and athlete and in the region as part of his work with the Rimrock FFA chapter.

“My favorite high school memory is going to the dance

this year at the State FFA Convention in Twin Falls, where I finally figured out how to dance,” Gonzalez said.

He also is a member of the National Honor Society.

His determination is evident in his large quantity of extra-curricular activities as well as his favorite quote from Jordan B. Peterson:

“You should be better than you are, but it’s not because you’re worse than other people. It’s because you’re not everything you should be.”

Gonzalez has a solid agricultural activities background with participation in FFA and 4-H.

He recently received the

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From the superintendent

Dear Rimrock Senior Class of 2024,

Graduation is an extraordinary achievement that marks the end of one chapter and the beginning of another. It has been a privilege for me to be a part of your final steps on this journey. Let me be one of the first to give you wholehearted congratulations on completing your course work and graduation requirements. It is with great pleasure to announce that you have earned the right to stand on the podium to receive your diploma on May 25th.

Upon receiving your diploma, you can be confident that you have been prepared to move on to the next chapter of your lives, whether that means immediately entering the workforce or pursuing a post-secondary education at a college, university, or technical school.

After the pomp and ceremony passes, I want to encourage you to take time and reflect on your experiences and successes you encountered from kindergarten through high school. The Bruneau-Grand View School District’s mission doesn’t end at graduation; it will continue to guide you as you move into your next adventures in life.

Always set your goals high and never be afraid to pursue your dreams and aspirations. Know that your family and the community who walked with you over the past decade are the same folks that will be cheering you on in your future endeavors.

Again, congratulations on your hard-earned achievement. I am confident you will achieve great things in your lives. I wish you all the very best.

Jeff Blaser
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JORDAN VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL



The Jordan Valley High School Class of 2024 seniors received their diplomas in a May 9 ceremony. **From left:** Class salutatorian Elise Stoddart, Ryley Hawker, valedictorian Shailee Rutan, Kale Gooch, and Kaitlyn Stoddart. Photo courtesy Jordan Valley H.S.

Valedictorian, salutatorian plan careers with animals

It’s no surprise that Jordan Valley High School’s honor graduates are looking to continue life with animals.

Both Valedictorian Shailee Rutan and Salutatorian Elise Anna Stoddart have grown up on ranches, and both plan to maintain a connection to the ranching lifestyle in their careers.

Senior Class President and a Student Council member, Rutan is the 18-year-old daughter of Douglas and Michelle Rutan.

A member of Jordan Valley’s District 2 rodeo team, she’ll begin her post-secondary education at the University of Arizona where she will study veterinary science and continue to rodeo.

After receiving her Pre-Veterinary Bachelor’s degree with minors in Biology and Animal Science, Rutan

hopes to complete her Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine at the Tucson university’s Veterinary School.

She plans to apply for an internship at the Four Sixes Ranch in Guthrie, Texas for the summer of 2025.

Rutan’s life in agriculture has included FFA participation and showing beef and sheep at the Owyhee County Fair each August.

She played volleyball and basketball for the Mustangs.

Stoddart is completing her first and only year of public education. The 18-year-old daughter of David and Tamara Stoddart compiled a 3.86 grade-point average.

“I suppose my proudest achievement has been to go out and try something completely new by attending public

school, even though it was terrifying at first, and I’m proud that I was blessed with such honors as Salutatorian,” she said.

“But what I am most proud of is the accomplishments, memories and the friends I have made along the way.”

Practically a lifelong resident of the Jordan Valley area, Stoddart will work on the family ranch this summer while always working for the High Desert Strategies wild horse population control program.

“In the fall, I hope to attend college in pursuit of a ranch management/business degree,” she said.

Stoddart was part of the Jordan Valley FFA chapter and track and field team. She participated in the school’s drama class and was part of the yearbook staff.

“My favorite high school memory will forever be attending the Oregon FFA State Convention this year. I had an amazing time, met some amazing people and learned so much from them,” she said.

“The ride home will especially be one to remember, as the whole bus was singing at the top of our lungs much to the annoyance of our supervisors.”

Stoddart’s hobbies include riding and roping and working with horses. She also likes to read, draw, play piano and dabble in wood-burning artwork.

Her favorite quote from Lemony Snicket — the pen name for author Daniel Handler — reflects advice to not procrastinate: “If we wait until we are ready, we will be waiting the rest of our lives.”

Congratulations on your graduation!

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State FFA Degree, and he is the current Boise Valley District treasurer while serving as Rimrock’s chapter president. He was Rimrock FFA’s treasurer in 2022-23.

He has been a Bruneau Canyon 4-H club officer for the past three years, including current club president. He was vice-president in 2023, and in 2022 he served as a treasurer and was a state horse judging contest participant.

Gonzalez’s community service included helping with five Bruneau Canyon 4-H Easter egg hunts.

He also has done his part to fight hunger, helping with the honor society’s “March to End Hunger” food drive for the Boise Rescue Mission this year and helping out at the Grand View community food bank in 2022.

Gonzalez captained the Rimrock football team and boys’ basketball team as a senior.

In his last season of football, he played in the El Korah Shrine District III Senior All-Star Eight-Man Game and was a two-way first-team All-1A WIC lineman.

He also was a first-team offensive lineman in 2022 as a junior.

He played varsity baseball, too.

When he’s not in school, Gonzalez likes to read as well work with his steer and mug calves at brandings.

HOMEDALE HIGH SCHOOL

From the superintendent

Homedale High School Senior Class of 2024,

On behalf of the entire faculty, staff, administration, and board of trustees, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to each and every one of you on reaching this significant milestone in your lives. Graduating from high school is a momentous occasion that marks the culmination of years of hard work, dedication, and perseverance. Today, as you stand on the threshold of a new chapter, remember the challenges you’ve overcome and the friendships you’ve forged along the way.

Your journey doesn’t end here; it’s just the beginning of an exciting adventure filled with numerous possibilities and opportunities. As you embark on this new phase of your lives, remember to continue pursuing your passions, embracing new experiences, and striving for excellence in everything you do.

Your resilience, determination, and commitment to success have not gone unnoticed. You are the future leaders, innovators, and changemakers of tomorrow, and I have no doubt that you will continue to make us proud in your future endeavors.

As you celebrate this occasion with your loved ones, take a moment to reflect on how far you’ve come and the bright future that lies ahead. We have faith in your abilities, and we cannot wait to see the incredible contributions you will make in our world.

Wishing you all the success and happiness in your future endeavors.

With warmest regards,
Rob Sauer
Homedale School District superintendent

From the principal

Seniors:

Thank you for your commitment and dedication that you have shown to this school and to this community over the years. Whether it be your commitment from your early years here in the Homedale School District or your commitment to us more recently. Your commitment has been key to carrying the strong tradition of Homedale High School and for that, this school, this community and this school district will always be grateful to you. You have shown over the years that hard work, commitment, and determination truly does pay off.

Thank you for your loyalty. You have done everything the staff has asked of you and then some. No matter how big or small your involvement has been over the years, I can’t fully express my appreciation for your commitment to the journey that you have been on and for your dedication to finishing strong. Thank you for your positive attitude and working to be the best you can be.

My hope for you is that you are a better, more well-rounded person today having been a part of our school and district. I hope that all the talks about being respectful, being responsible, safe, having a positive attitude and Grit are all characteristics that you will remain committed to and that you will carry with you all the days of your life.

Your faces will be missed for sure, but the mark you have left on Homedale High School will remain forever.

Thank you!
#HTPride #Family
Matt Holtry
Homedale High School principal

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daughter of Jason and Camille Heck will attend BYU-Idaho to pursue a degree in Biomedical Science. After attaining her Bachelor’s degree, she plans to attend medical school and pursue a career as a doctor of medicine.

Andrew Marston, 4.084 — The son of Derek and Chris Marston plans to attend the University of Idaho for an electrical engineering degree. He wants to follow in his father’s footsteps as an electrical engineer.

Bobby Christensen, 4.076 — The son of Bobby and Edene Christensen will attend The College of Idaho and pursue a Biomedical Science degree. He plans to run cross country and track at the Caldwell liberal arts college. Once he attains his Bachelor’s degree, he’ll go on to medical school and become a physical therapist.

Isana Larzelier, 4.068 — The daughter of Matt Larzelier and Michelle Shaffer will attend BSU to pursue a Nursing degree then become a nurse.

Brodie White, 4.055 — The son of Josh and Monica White will pursue degrees in Business and Music at C of I. He plans to make a lot of money.

Olivia Asumendi, 4.022 — The daughter of Jared and Diana Asumendi will attend C of I and pursue a Bachelor’s degree in Accounting. She plans to graduate college and have her own accounting business.

Abagale Hall, 4.016 — The daughter of Jared and Aimee

Hall will seek a degree in general business at BSU.

Mylisa Barrett, 4.011 — The daughter of Derik and Brandi Barrett plans to attend BSU to pursue a degree in Radiology. She wants to pursue a career as a radiologist specializes in orthopedic radiology.

Corey Romriell, 3.971 — The son of Clint and Sherri Romriell plans to serve a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints then attend BYU-Idaho. He envisions a career as a seminary teacher.

Kinsey Blankenship, 3.912 — After college, the daughter of Keri Smith and Lee Blankenship plans to become a nurse then become a cosmetic injector and open her own studio.

Danny (Jose) Lomeli, 3.905 — The son of Gloria Lomeli plans to attend the U of I to pursue a degree in Accounting. He plans to own his accounting business.

Heather Colleen Reynolds, 3.902 — The daughter of Brian and Holly Reynolds will pursue a Bachelor’s degree in Dental Hygiene at Idaho State University in Pocatello. Her career plan is to work in a dental office.

Cadence Rae Nicoletti, 3.888 — The daughter of Paul and Shelby Nicoletti will study at Grand Canyon University for a degree in Small Business Management. Her career plans are to someday open a barre and pilates studio with her mom.

Grant Michael Waltman, 3.887 — The son of Mike and

Shilo Waltman will pursue a degree in music education and instrumental at the U of I. After spending some time performing, he plans to be a band director at a small school.

Kaylee Schlotterbeck, 3.852 — The daughter of Janel Trimble and Travis Schlotterbeck will pursue a Nursing degree at BSU. She plans to become a Registered Nurse and then a Nurse Practitioner in a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

Danielle Sitts, 3.825 — The daughter of Mike and Missy Sitts will attend Hastings (Neb.) College to pursue a degree in Biology and minor in Agri-Business.

Heidi Elizabeth Heng, 3.818 — The daughter of Sarah and Jamie Goettling will get Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST)-certified in Communications by starting

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From left, Sugey Beltran Lopez, Lucy Martin, Mylie Zimmerman, Ismael Aguirre, Delanie Sheets, Trey Johnston, Gerret Schoorl, Daniel Skerjanec, Octavio Bautista, Mason Fullmer, Jace Bateman, Jordin Business, Breanna Morford, Presley Speelmon, and Ashlee Dudley. **Other graduates (not pictured):** Edgar Amaral-Carrillo, Landon Bayes, Kaiden Epperson, Anjila Kennington, Evalyn Nuñez, Bailey Ready, Rylee Ready, Misael Robles Huitron, Carlos Robles Sanchez, Crayton Schulthies, and Kaley Walter. **Exchange students (not pictured):** Enrique Febrero Lorca (Spain), Rocio Fernandez Garay (Chile), Margot Noel (Belgium), and Igor Olejniczak (Poland). AHS Photography

Sisters part of valedictorian triumvirate

As twin sisters, Bailey Jo and Rylee Elaine Ready have done a lot of things together over the years.

On Sunday, the 17-year-old daughters of Michael and Jackie Ready will graduate as Adrian High School’s co-Valedictorians along with Ashlee Michelle Dudley.

And they will continue their education as Idaho State University students.

The eight-year residents of the Adrian area both compiled 4.0 grade-point averages in high school and they performed as student-athletes in track and field and were members of Adrian’s chapters of FFA, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and National Honor Society.

Bailey served as historian and vice-president of the National Honor Society chapter. She also played golf as a cooperative athlete with Nyssa High School.

She said playing for the Bulldogs while getting support from the Adrian community and school district was her best high school memory.

Bailey also served as a contributing photographer for EasternOregonSports.com.

Her connection to ISU is also her proudest achievement. She was accepted into the Pocatello public university’s



Bailey Ready
Honors program.
“It shows how well hard work and dedication to your education pay off,” she said.



Rylee Ready
In addition to plying golf and snapping photos, Bailey enjoys art and playing the piano in her free time.
Her favorite quote is from Corrie ten



Ashlee Dudley
Boom, the 20th-century Dutch watchmaker, Christian writer and public

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Graduation information

When: 6 p.m., Sunday, May 26
Where: Gene Mills Court, Adrian High School gymnasium
Number of graduates: 30
Class flowers: White roses and white peonies

Class song: “You’re Gonna Go Far” by Noah Kahan
Class motto: “Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.”
— Aristotle

Class colors: Green and gold
Class night: 6 p.m., Tuesday, May 21, Adrian High School gym

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Graduation information

When: 5 p.m., Thursday, May 23

Where: Wilder High School gymnasium, 419 Huff Road

Number of graduates: 16

Honor graduate: Timothy Springer, 3.41 GPA

Student speakers: Wanda Taylor, Robert Raymond, and

Sonia Marcial-Flores

Diploma presenters: Patricia Frahm, superintendent, and Sara Bartles, board of trustees chairperson

Class song: “Buy Dirt” by Jordan Davis and Luke Bryan

Class colors: Green and grey
Special event: Student Flower

Ceremony as an expression of appreciation for those who have helped the graduates get to this moment.

Class motto: “Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, and today is a gift, that’s why it’s called the present.”

— Bill Keane

HOMEDALE HIGH SCHOOL

✓ Homedale

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in the military in July. She plans to attend the College of Southern Idaho and become a law enforcement officer.
Noah Bowen, 3.79 — The son of Mark Bowen and Dnette Terry will take a gap year to get his CNA certificate

then study computer programming at BSU. After earning his degree, he plans to become a software developer.
Elijah Brant Belnap, 3.774 — The son of Kelly Brerman and Brant Belnap will attend the College of Western Idaho and earn a Computer Science

degree. His career plans are to get his CISCO certification and work in the technology field.
Kinlee Garrett, 3.77 — The daughter of Kasey and Keri Garrett plans to attend U of I and earn a degree in Agricultural Economics. Her career plans include pursuing a job

in agriculture and being successful.
Trinity Catrese Neeser, 3.757 — The daughter of Kenneth Neeser and Cara Whitney will pursue Welding and Horse Production degrees at Treasure Valley Community College. She plans to own a horse train-

ing facility and while building her mobile welding business.
Gabriel Vega, 3.75 — The son of Gabriel and Teresa Vega plans to pursue an automotive technology certification through the NAPA Apprentice Program to become a full-time automotive technician.

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ADRIAN HIGH SCHOOL

✓ Adrian

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speaker:

“Worry does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow, it empties today of its strength.”

Rylee will attend ISU to pursue a degree in the Allied Health field.

In addition to track, she played volleyball at Adrian and serve on the Associated Student Body and the Leadership class.

She said her proudest achievement was making it to the 1A Oregon state track meet with her teammates only a few months after being cleared to run following surgery to repair her anterior cruciate ligament.

“I have also been able to go back to competing in sports and doing the activities I love,” she said.

Those activities include exercising, fishing and hiking as well as traveling and spending time with family and friends.

Dudley is the daughter of Mark and Michelle Dudley.

“My proudest accomplishment is being one of the individuals that finished top of my class,” Dudley said. “Through 13 years of hard work, I have been able to get the most out of my education.

“There were times that I wanted to give up because I was surrounded by pressure and stress to get my grades

From the principal

Dear Adrian High School Class of 2024,

On May 26, 2024, you will begin a new chapter in your life. You will no longer walk through the doors of Adrian High School as students, but you will as proud alumni.

Some of you are off to continue your education, some of you are off to begin in the workforce, but all of you will be successful in your chosen path if you work hard, save money, and work for a better future.

We are all very proud of you — the student body, the staff, and the community.

I want to thank you for your commitment to Adrian High School in academics, athletics, and activities.

Sincerely,
Bill E. Wortman
Adrian High School principal



John School

Salutatorian this year.

Like Dudley, he has lived in the Adrian area his entire life. Both also were track and field athletes.

School also played baseball for the Antelopes during his junior year.

He plans to attend a trade school or studying abroad after first attaining and Associate’s degree from Treasure Valley Community College.

School’s favorite quote, proudest achievement and best high school memory all reflect his sensitivity.

Marcus Aurelius said, “You have power over your mind — not outside events. Realize this, and you will find strength.”

His proudest achievement is “Being kind and humble towards those who did not deserve it at the time. Being able to show care, even if it is just as simple as not snapping back at them, towards those who dislike you is something I believe we should all strive for. Do not stoop to their level.”

He best high school memory involved driving around with a friend who was having a hard time in life.

“It taught me to better understand and help others in unstable states,” he said.

School likes to play video games or go to the gym.

back up. I learned through my failures and have found success. I am proud to say that I am a Valedictorian for the Class of 2024.”

Dudley will spend a year at Brigham Young University-Idaho in Rexburg to begin her major in Elementary Education with a minor in Special Education. After the first year, she plans to serve a Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints mission before returning to continue her education.

In addition to her track endeavors, Dudley also played basketball and volleyball for the Antelopes.

She participated in drama and honor choir and was a leader as part of the Student

Council.

“My favorite high school memory is doing The Little Mermaid Jr musical. I got the role as Flounder and worked side-by-side with my older sister, who played Ariel,” Dudley said.

“I was able to work with some of my favorite older classmates and show my talents by singing my own song. I loved doing this play and am grateful for the experience.”

Dudley was inducted into the National Honor Society, and she was part of the school’s Sources of Strength chapter.

Her favorite quote is from Og Mandino: “Failure will never overtake me if my determination to succeed is strong

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MARSING HIGH SCHOOL

✓ Marsing

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high school career.

“My best high school memory would have to be Senior Sneak,” she said. “It was a lot of fun, and it gave me a chance to get to know my classmates better before graduation.”

In some instances, valedictorians are asked to address their commencement audience. If that’s the case Friday inside the junior high school/senior high school gymnasium, Diosdado Correa won’t worry because her proudest achievement — making her senior project presentation — “helped me lessen my fear of public speaking,” she said.

Another public performance — singing at a festival in California as part of the Marsing choir — is the top high school memory for the daughter of Fidel Diosdado and Leovigilda Correa.

“I love traveling and sharing my love of music,” she said.

Diosdado Correa was also active in Marsing’s National Honor Society chapter.

She has an affinity for writing short stories, singing and drawing.

“I’ve been doing art for over seven years,” she said.

Her love of drawing will dovetail nicely with her plan to attend the University of Idaho for a Bachelor’s degree in Architecture.

Diosdado Correa also ascribes to Bernard M. Baruch’s

From the superintendent

Dear Marsing School District Senior Class of 2024,

Congratulations on successfully completing your graduation requirements at Marsing High School! This is a significant milestone, and you should be proud of your hard work and dedication.

As you embark on the next chapter of your life, whether it involves starting a job, joining the military, or continuing your education in college, I wish you all the best. This is an exciting time filled with new opportunities and challenges, and I am confident you will make the most of them.

In the future, as you pursue your individual paths, remember to stay true to yourselves, work hard, and always strive for excellence. Success is built on a foundation of effort, determination, and persistence, and you can achieve anything if you are willing to put in the work.

Once again, congratulations on this remarkable achievement. You are all exceptional young people, and I believe you will go on to do great things. Remember to carry with you the values you’ve learned at Marsing High School: be Respectful, Responsible, and Ready. These principles will serve you well in all your future endeavors. Best of luck in your future endeavors.

Norm Stewart
Superintendent

quote about walking your own path without worrying about others:

“Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don’t matter, and those who matter don’t mind.”

Marsing’s Salutatorian candidates, Ankeny and Richling, cite perseverance as a big part of their path to being two of the top students at their soon-to-be alma mater.

Richling’s biggest achievement is “not giving up every time I had the opportunity to. I could have chosen to quit and instead I didn’t. I pushed myself to be the best that I could be, and I am proud of that.”

Ankeny knows how the first 18 years of his life have shaped him.

“My proudest achievement is becoming who I am today,” the son of Andrew Ankeny and Kate Hill said.

That includes being a young man who doesn’t back down as could be implied in his favorite quote “If it is humanly possible, consider it to be within your reach.”

Ankeny has spent 11 years in the area.

Richling and her parents

Paula and Josh have been in the area for nine years.

She plans to attend The College of Idaho in Caldwell and study Pre-med.

Richling posted a 3.94 grade-point average in high school and became National Honor Society member.

She also was a College of Western Idaho honor student, earning 50 college credits while attending high school.

She played varsity volleyball and was drum major for the Huskies marching band.

The 17-year-old daughter of Josh and Paula Richling

excelled in music, holding down first chair clarinet in the Treasure Valley Honor Meets and taking part in the Boise State University honor marching band.

She also was an Armada Corp. WGI Guard member and a guard for the Boise Gems group and the Battalion. Both the Battalion and Boise Gems are part of Drum Corps International (DCI).

In the musical field, Richling apparently took her favorite quote from Steve Martin to heart — “Be so good they can’t ignore you.”

Richling enjoys reading and listening to music.

She already has had some experience on The College of Idaho campus with her community service of weeding the Caldwell school’s pollinator garden. She also took part in Marsing’s community cleanup.

Ankeny’s hobbies include spending time with friends, being outdoors and playing sports.

“My best high school memory is all the times where I can’t stop laughing in class and playing basketball,” he said.

He has compiled a 3.9 GPA and he’s a member of the National Honor Society.

During his high school years, Ankeny has competed in basketball, track and field, and tennis.

He plans to attend the University of Idaho for a Civil Engineering degree.

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