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HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

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Volunteers have Wish Trees ready

Wish Trees are back up in Homedale businesses as another effort to make a bright Christmas for children begins.

Volunteers placed trees with wish tags from Homedale schoolchildren at the following locations Monday:

- The Bowling Alley
- Albertsons
- Moxie Java
- The post office
- Snake River Ranch and Lumber

Community members are encouraged to visit the businesses and pluck tags from the trees to fulfill children's Christmas wishes of warm clothing and toys.

The gifts, wrapped or unwrapped, should be returned by Dec. 18 to the place where the tags were retrieved.

First-responders typically deliver the gifts to the children's homes in the days before Christmas.

MUSEUM LIGHTS UP FOR MURPHY CHRISTMAS



Festive Friday starts the holidays at museum

Above: A couple dances as Owyhee County Historical Museum director Eriks Garsvo mans the player piano during Friday's Owyhee County Christmas tree lighting celebration. **Left:** The county Christmas tree aglow. Submitted photos

Property tax bills in the mail

Owyhee County property owners can anticipate their 2024 tax bills in the mail any day now.

The treasurer's office staff hand-stuffed and stamped nearly 4,700 bills that were mailed on Nov. 19.

The first half of the property tax bills are due by Dec. 20. Taxpayers can pay their bill in full by that date, too, but if they want to split payments in half, the second installment is due by June 20.

The treasurer's office can accept payments over the phone or the internet, but there is a 2.5 percent fee for credit/debit card transactions and a \$1 fee for paying by check either over the phone or on the internet.

Call (208) 495-1158 for more information or to pay your bill by phone.

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Another trip to State

Community boosters lined East Idaho Avenue on Saturday morning to give the Homedale High School football team another send-off to the state championship game. Homedale Police officers escorted the buses to Middleton High School for the 4A Milk Bowl. Sugar-Salem captured another state title with another close victory over the Trojans. See story **Page 7A**. Photo by Chardee VanDerhoff / CV Photography



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Bruneau Ladies' Aid president Linda MacDowell sits with the quilt that will be raffled. Submitted photo

Annual Bruneau Ladies' Aid Silver Tea supports community

Century-old organization plans Dec. 7 event

by Jade Reisinger
Rimrock Journalism

The Bruneau Ladies' Aid is gearing up for its cherished tradition, the annual Silver Tea, which will take place from 1 p.m., to 4 p.m., on Saturday, Dec. 7 at the Bruneau Community Church. This group has been a part of the community for more than 100 years, helping raise money to support local families and causes.

The Silver Tea offers guests the perfect opportunity to enjoy a fun afternoon of socializing

over tea or coffee while supporting a great cause. Guests can purchase homemade cookies by the pound, which is perfect for the holiday season. In addition to the baked goods, the event will showcase a variety of handmade craft items, including the Ladies' Aid's well-known scrubbies, dishcloths, and tortilla warmers. Rada knives will also be on display and available for purchase. This year's event also includes an exciting raffle for a beautifully crafted quilt. The quilt has been generously made and donated by Michelle Ward and Nancy Law. Raffle tickets will be available throughout the afternoon, with the winner announced just before the

tea party ends. Contact any Ladies' Aid member to buy tickets ahead of time. Tickets cost \$1 each, \$5 for six or \$20 for 25. The Silver Tea is one of several annual fundraisers hosted by the Bruneau Ladies' Aid. Other events are:

- The Easter bake sale
- Participation in bazaars at the Rimrock Senior Center in Grand View and the South Fork Senior/Community Center in the Pine/Featherville area of Elmore County.

The funds that are raised support various causes, including financial assistance to community members in need, contributing to Christmas food boxes, donations for Bruneau Elementary, and donations to larger organizations like the Boise Rescue Mission and Samaritan's Purse.

This year, the group contributed to Hurricane Helene relief efforts in North Carolina. Ladies' Aid president Linda MacDowell is joined by secretary Patty Jones, treasurer Michelle Ward, and many other members who meet regularly and craft the items sold at the bazaars and the Silver Tea. With Christmas just around the corner, the annual Silver Tea is the perfect opportunity to enjoy the warmth of the season, stock up on gifts, take home delicious homemade treats, and support meaningful causes that make a difference in the Bruneau community and beyond. Call MacDowell at (208) 590-0250 for more information. Come enjoy the holiday spirit, buy tickets and take home some special treats while supporting a great cause.

Marsing fair board slot vacant again

Ousley steps down after only a few months

After only a few months in her appointed position, Anna Ousley has left the Owyhee County Fair Board. Ousley cited personal reasons in her resignation email, County Clerk Angie Barkell said. The county solicited applicants with a Facebook post Friday afternoon. This is the fourth board vacancy since spring. Ed Collett (Murphy/Grand View) and Katie Colyer (Bruneau) were appointed earlier this year to fill those regional positions. Last week's social media post

said "a current opening exists in the Marsing area." Ousley was appointed to replace Jake Astorquia after he stepped down from his Marsing-area seat in the spring. An application is available at www.owyheecounty.net on the Commissioners page. A completed application and a letter of interest should be sent to Owyhee County Commissioners, P.O. Box 128, Murphy, ID 83650 or emailed to County Clerk Angie Barkell at abarkell@co.owyhee.id.us. Ousley's successor will join six other board members, which include chair Lath Callaway from the Wilson area, Doug Rutan from Pleasant Valley, Collett, Colyer, April Binford from Homedale, and at-large director Kent Curtis.

✓ Tax: Payments can be made at office and online

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Visit <https://otc.cdc.nicusa.com/Public2.aspx?portal=id&organization=Owyhee%20County%20Treasurer> to remit payment online. The treasurer's office inside the county courthouse in Murphy is open from 8:30 a.m., to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The office will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center
Served at noon.
Roll/bread and milk available each day (no roll/bread Dec. 4)
Nov. 27-28: Closed - Thanksgiving
Dec. 3: Salmon, scalloped potatoes, peas
Dec. 4: Taco salad, corn, tortilla chips

Sandbar Community Room, Marsing
Noon to 12:30 p.m., inside Marsing City Hall
Milk available each day
Suggested donation: \$5 (60 and older), \$8 (59 and younger) \$8 (take-out meal, any age)
Nov. 27: Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, stir-fry blend vegetables, 9-grain bread, spiced apples
Nov. 29: Closed - Thanksgiving
Dec. 2: Polish sausage with sauerkraut, baked beans, mixed vegetables, whole wheat bun, pears
Dec. 4: Chicken Parmesan pasta, snap peas, carrots, breadstick, tropical fruit

Rimrock Senior Center
Served at noon. All meals are served with milk & fruit juice
Call (208) 834-2922 as early as possible to place order to go
Nov. 28: Closed - Thanksgiving
Dec. 3: Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, pineapple, roll, carrot cake, ice cream

Melba Valley Senior Center
Meals served at noon (Salad bar at 11:30 a.m.)
Phone ahead (208) 495-2168 same day for complete menu
Payment by donation. All ages welcome
Nov. 28: Closed - Thanksgiving
Dec. 3: Open faced turkey sandwich

Owyhee Conservation District

Pesticide Recertification Workshop

Tuesday, December 10, 2024 • 8:45 am - 12:30 pm

Owyhee County Community Center • Homedale Fairgrounds

3 credits • Lunch provided

Register by emailing Ali Brezenski: alib.ocd@gmail.com or call/text (208) 880-6284

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Calendar

Today

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

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

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.

Teen Book Club
5 p.m., ‘The Hatchet, by Gary Paulsen,’ Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228-

Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University
6:30 p.m., to 8 p.m., \$80 per sign-up, advance registration required, Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. Information/Registration: (208) 337-4228, at the library, or message their Facebook page.

Friday

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

Saturday

Card games
Noon to 4 p.m., free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168

Homedale parade and tree lighting
5:30 p.m. (parade line-up in front of Tolmie’s Ace Hardware), 6 p.m. (parade starts), tree lighting following parade at Bette Uda City Park, 204 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. Sign-up/Information: chamber@cityofhomedale.org or Leslie Griffith, (916) 899-0422

Monday

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

Opal Nash Story Time
10 a.m., Laura Aebischer reading, Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

After School Program
4:30 p.m., ‘Puzzle Art activity and Christmas crafts,’ elementary and middle school-aged children, Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Tuesday

Fit and Fall exercise class field trip
9:30 a.m. (pick-up), 10 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. (class), Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (Class held at Wilder Fire Station, 601 Patriot Way, Wilder.)

Fit and Fall Proof exercise class
10 a.m., to 11 a.m., free, old Marsing High School gymnasium, 800 Main St., Marsing. (208) 296-0847

Fit and Fall class
10:30 a.m., free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd., Melba. (208) 495-2168

Early Childhood Learning class
10:30 a.m., to 11:30 a.m., ages 0 through 5 (parents must attend with children), Eastern Owyhee County Library meeting room, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Rusty and the Country Jammers perform
11 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Region III assistance assessments
Noon to 3 p.m., appointments necessary,

Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 495-5688

Card games
1 p.m. to 3 p.m., free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168

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

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

Wednesday

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

Food distribution
9 a.m. to 10 a.m., for school families only; 10 a.m., to 1 p.m., for general Marsing community. The HUB food pantry, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 649-5411

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Christmas in Melba field trip
6 p.m. to 8 p.m. free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168

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Thursday, Dec. 5

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9:30 a.m. (pick-up), 10 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. (class), Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (Class held at Wilder Fire Station, 601 Patriot Way, Wilder.)

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Christmas movie and ornament making
1 p.m. to 3 p.m., free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168

Friends of the Homedale Library meeting
4 p.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

Young Mom’s Bible study
4 p.m., The Rock, 310 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. Information: Kathy Deal, (208) 794-1048

After school Bible club
4 p.m., to 5 p.m., ages 5-11, Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. Information: Cyndi Fullmer, (208) 599-2790 or Amber Good, (208) 585-7694

Christmas light tour field trip
5 p.m., free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168

University of Idaho Extension

Food safety tips for a safe Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving has always been my favorite holiday because I look forward to the food, of course. Still, the genuine opportunity to focus on is the ability to emphasize gratitude for everything we have, including those around us. As you



Suriñe Greenway

gather with friends or family to celebrate Thanksgiving, please know that the joy of your feast can quickly turn sour if food safety is not practiced. According to the CDC, millions of people experience foodborne illnesses yearly, and the holidays often see a spike in cases. This is primarily attributed to improper handling of food. Here’s how you can ensure your Thanksgiving is both delicious and safe.

Turkey handling — Thaw your turkey properly. Never thaw a turkey on the counter, as bacteria can grow rapidly at room temperature. The safest methods are in the refrigerator, in cold water (changing the water every 30 minutes), or in the microwave. Consider the water or microwave method if you have not thawed your turkey for Thursday’s holiday. The microwave defrosting method is the least recommended, and note that if thawing in a microwave, you should immediately cook the item afterward.

When handling raw turkey, wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water before and after. Avoid rinsing the turkey, which can spread bacteria to your sink and countertops. Use a separate cutting board for raw poultry to prevent cross-contamination.

Cooking temperatures — Make sure your turkey is cooked to an internal temperature of 165°F, measured at the thickest parts of the breast, thigh, etc. A food thermometer is essential for accuracy.

Storing leftovers — Don’t leave leftovers at room temperature for more than two hours. Instead, refrigerate them promptly in shallow containers to cool quickly. Consume leftovers within three to four days or freeze them to enjoy later.

Other tips — Keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold. This means that cold foods should be kept at 40°F or below, and hot food should be kept at 140°F or higher. Use separate utensils for raw and cooked foods. Finally, ensure everyone washes their hands before sitting down to eat.

By following these simple tips, your focus can be on making memories with your loved ones instead of worrying about food safety. Have a happy and healthy Thanksgiving!

— Contact the U of I Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 or owyhee@uidaho.edu. The office is located at 238 W. 8th Ave. W., in Marsing.

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Most county offices only closed Thursday

Homedale, Marsing city halls closed Friday, too

Some Owyhee country schoolchildren have been out of class since Monday because of the Thanksgiving break. The rest started their time off today.

Students in all the school districts serving Owyhee County and Malheur County’s eastern edge will be back in class Monday.

There will be no food distribution at The HUB in Marsing today.

Most Owyhee County government offices are closed only on Thursday this year for Thanksgiving.

The county treasurer’s office at the courthouse in Murphy will be closed Friday, too.

All other county offices in Murphy, the Justice Center in Homedale, and the county satellite building in Marsing will reopen on Friday.

The Division of Motor Vehicles office in Grand View is only open on Wednesdays.

City Halls in Homedale and Marsing will be closed on Thursday and Friday.

Grand View City Hall is closed Thursday for the holiday, and the office is always closed on Fridays.

US Bank in Homedale is closed Thursday.

U.S. Post Offices throughout Owyhee County are closed Thursday.

The Homedale Senior Center is closed today and Thursday

for the holiday. The Rimrock Senior Center is closed Thursday and won’t open again until Tuesday.

The Melba Valley Senior Center, which serves senior citizens in the Wilson and Murphy area, is closed Thursday.

Congregate meals won’t be served Friday inside the Sandbar Community Room at Marsing City Hall.

All county public libraries are closed Thursday. The Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library in Homedale will also be closed Friday.

Republic Services trash pick-up in Homedale and Marsing will be delayed one day because of the holiday.

Albertsons in Homedale and M&W Market in Marsing are open limited hours Thursday. M&W Market will be open from 8 a.m., to 1 p.m., and Albertsons may close early.

The liquor store inside M&W Market is closed as is the Sav-On Pharmacy inside Albertsons.

Homedale Drug and its liquor store and the Mattesons convenience store in Homedale are both closed Thursday.

Some of the Owyhee Avalanche deadlines for the Dec. 4 edition will be affected by the holiday, and the Avalanche office will be closed Thursday and Friday.

The deadline for display advertising and community news items is noon today. The legal advertising deadline (noon on Friday) and classified advertising (noon on Monday) remain unchanged.

Nov. 5 election official results

Final results after county commissioners canvassing:

Dist. 23 Senate	Owyhee	Canyon	Ada	Total	Pct.
Todd Lakey	3,992	5,555	9,908	19,455	78.2%
Paul Morgan	640	1,098	2,781	4,519	18.1%
Paul Smith	177	305	548	1,030	4.1%
Total votes — 25,004					

Dist. 23A House	Owyhee	Canyon	Ada	Total	Pct.
Chris Bruce	4,062	5,678	10,186	19,926	80.1%
Wendy Coome	728	1,196	3,024	4,948	19.9%
Total votes — 24,874					

Dist. 23B House	Owyhee	Canyon	Ada	Total	Pct.
Shawn Dygert	4,101	5,748	10,298	20,147	81.1%
Julissa Melendez Castellanos	696	1,130	2,866	4,692	18.9%
Total votes — 24,839					

Homedale School District plant facilities levy	Owyhee	Canyon	Total
In Favor	1,221	101	1,322
Against	717	125	842

Marsing EMS District establishment	
Yes	1,611
No	271

Owyhee County Board of Commissioners	
Dist. 1	
Walt Holton	4,258
Dist. 3	
Cindy L. Bachman	4,335
Sheriff	
Larry Kendrick	4,310
Prosecuting attorney	
Chris Topmiller	4,216

Magistrate retention	
Shane Darrington	
Yes	3,867
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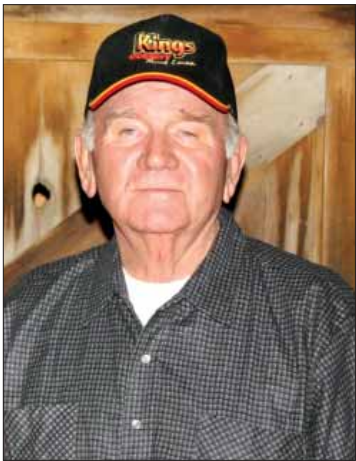
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Obituaries

Robert “Bob” Eugene Sonke

Robert “Bob” Eugene Sonke, 79, passed away on November 18, 2024, in Nampa, Idaho. Born on October 7, 1945, Bob spent his early years working on the family dairy, drove truck for a few years throughout California and later became a lineman for SC Edison. In 1978, he and his wife, Mary, Denise and Michelle relocated to Idaho, where he established Sonke Dairy, which he operated until 2021. Cows and his family were truly his passion.

Bob graduated from Chino High School and had a lifelong passion for sports. He played baseball and basketball through high school and into adulthood and later coached his daughters’ softball teams. He loved watching his girls play volleyball, basketball and softball. He also enjoyed watching his grandchildren participate in various sports. Bob was an active member of the Homedale Lions Club, where he particularly enjoyed serving beer at the annual



Demolition Derby. He was a devout man of faith, deeply committed to his love for Jesus Christ. In his final years, he found comfort and community at Homedale Friends Church.

Bob is survived by his wife of 56 years, Mary Sonke; he was known as “Fun Bobby” to his daughters, Denise Carter, Michelle and Tyler Haylett, Danielle Waldron, and Nicole and Corby Garrett; he was known as “Bumpa” to his grandchildren, Dylan, Ashley, Lindsey, Connor, Garrett

(Madison), Amaya, Paige, Lane, Maximus, Boston, Bradley, and Blake; great-grandchildren, Maren and Cash; sister, Phyllis Indart (Dick Zehr); and brother, Don and Sue Sonke. He had a special affection for John, Marie and Robert Indart. He was preceded in death by his parents, Arthur and Kathryn Van Dyke Sonke, and his brother-in-law, Guillaume Indart.

Services were held on Sunday, November 24th at 3 pm at Homedale Friends Church, 17434 Highway 95, Wilder followed by a dinner at Txoko Ona Basque Center in Homedale. A private burial will take place at a later date for family members.

In lieu of flowers, because Bob was a Christian and supported the youth of Homedale, please make donations to The Rock at 15777 Quartz Lane, Wilder, ID 83676. Memories and condolences can be shared at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com

Sibyl Irene Morris

Sibyl Irene Morris, a beloved daughter, sister, cousin, aunt, and friend, passed away peacefully on November 19, 2024, at the age of 40.

Born on June 5, 1984, Sibyl was a lifelong resident of Marsing, Idaho. She graduated from Marsing High School in 2002. Sibyl was a talented artist, passionate about macramé, beading, drawing, and painting. She also enjoyed watching football, was a dedicated fan of Jeopardy, and loved spending time with her family and friends, often sharing laughter and favorite TV shows. She worked at H&R Block for many years and was known for her love of games and puzzles.

Sibyl is survived by her mother, Leticia (David) Hayes; her brothers, Isaac (Stacey), Adam, Owen (Charlie), Noah, and Seth; her sisters, Katie (Steve) McFadden, and Heidi; and Duane (Sydney) Hayes, Natalia (Kade) Shippy, and Carl (Sharlene) Hayes; her



eleven nephews, her thirteen nieces, and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Sibyl was preceded in death by her four grandparents, Noah and Sibyl Sevy and Abe and Joy Morris; her father, Jamie; her brother, Eli; and countless aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Sibyl will be deeply missed by her loving family and friends. She leaves behind a legacy of creativity, kindness, and unwavering love.

Mark D Stimmel

Mark D Stimmel was born on August 3, 1935 in Homedale, Idaho to Manford M. and Dorothy L. (Evans) Stimmel. He passed on October 21, 2024 at his home outside of Homedale. He attended school in Homedale until the start of his junior year when his dad was injured in a serious farming accident. Mark then took over responsibility for the farm. He met Maxine M. Millspaugh at school and they were married on August 28, 1954.

Mark and Maxine lived in Nampa but moved to Homedale where Mark built their first small home. He worked at Amalgamated Sugar Factory and farmed. Then he and Maxine moved to the Oliver Ranch at Cow Lakes near Jordan Valley. He managed the ranch with his dad for several years, eventually moving back to their house in Homedale. They had four children during these years.

Mark worked several jobs, including for the Homedale Highway District and the South Board of Control. He also began building the family’s next home in Homedale. He was a member of the Homedale Fire Department for 30 years. He continued to be an integral part of his family farming



and cattle operation. When the new house was partially completed, he and Maxine rented their “little” house out and moved into the daylight basement of the new house. Mark later worked for Wade Nichols as a carpenter and then for Boise Cascade as a finish carpenter, eventually promoted to supervisor of his division. The new house was finished and upon his parents’ retirement from farming, Mark and Maxine and family moved to the farm.

Mark then farmed, ran cattle, still worked as a carpenter on different projects and eventually went to work as the building inspector for Owyhee County. He was the board chairman for the Homedale Highway District for many years.

He imparted his love of going to the “desert” in the Owyhees to his family, where many picnics took place along the banks of Succor Creek. He and Maxine enjoyed traveling south to Arizona in the winter. They also drove the Alaskan Highway.

Mark enjoyed going to coffee at the Bowling Alley. When he ate breakfast there, one waitress knew to look for him through the large front window when he got out of his pickup. He would hold up one finger, which meant she should put in his “one pancake” order.

Mark is survived by his wife Maxine of 70 years and four children: Markee (Chuck), Mike (Georgia), Carmen (Steve), and Shelley (Jeff); 10 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren; his brother Monty (Sonnia); brother-in-law Pulia; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in passing by his parents, 2 sisters Doreen and Janis, and 2 great-grandchildren. Donations may be made in his memory to the Homedale Fire Department at P O Box 905 at Homedale, ID 83628. No services will occur at his request, but please enjoy a free cup of coffee at the Homedale Bowling Alley on Nov. 29th.

Death notice

ELLAMAY ZILLIG JORGENSEN, 83, of Jerome, who grew up in Homedale and attended Homedale schools until high school, died on Saturday, Nov. 9, 2024. A viewing and service was held on Saturday, Nov. 16, 2024 at Farnsworth Mortuary, Jerome. A graveside service was held at Jerome Cemetery. Arrangements: Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln Ave., Jerome. www.farnsworthmortuary.com

Marsing Elementary changes Christmas concert time

There has been a change to Marsing Elementary School’s Christmas concert tradition.

Music teacher Liz Lacer announced last week that the annual concert will be held at 1:30 p.m., on Thursday, Dec. 12 inside the school district cafeteria on 8th Avenue West.

The children’s holiday

performance had been held at night previously.

This year’s event will feature kindergarteners through fifth-graders singing Christmas carols such as “Mr. Grinch,” “Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer,” “Jingle Bell Rock,” and some not-so-classic carols like “Este Es La Navidad,” and “The Penguin Polka.”

Rimrock senior to stage January blood drive

A Rimrock High School upperclassman will hold a blood drive as her Senior Project.

Alia Aquiso’s American Red Cross blood drive will take place on Friday, Jan. 10, at the high school.

Anyone who wants to donate blood can register by going online to <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html>/find-drive and entering Bruneau’s ZIP code, 83604, to find the Rimrock blood drive.

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Huskies handle Homedale, two others

Trojans also fall to Parma

Adyson Chadez led Marsing High School's rule from the foul line in Friday's home-court victory over Homedale. The junior padded her career-high 29 points with a 13-for-15 showing from the free-throw line as the Huskies avenged an earlier loss with a 51-45 non-conference triumph Friday.

Marsing (3-1 overall) also held a 45-32 edge in rebounding and took 26 foul shots compared to eight for Homedale.

"When you go on the road especially you better rebound in order to win, and we did not," HHS coach Benji Sorenson said. "I'm still proud of how the girls fought back from a couple different double-digit deficits."

Stella Heck's three-point goal from the right wing with 2 minutes, 55 seconds left in the game gave the Trojans (1-2) a 42-41 lead after the team trailed 10-0 at the start of the game and then 25-13 midway through the second quarter.

The Huskies put together a 10-3 run to close out the game and take their third victory of the week.

"(New head coach Jake

— See *Huskies*, page 9A

Trojans can't bury Diggers' reign

Late fumble recovery gives Sugar-Salem winning TD

As the sky over the football stadium darkened, so did Homedale High School's chances to win a state championship.

On a day when the weather went from downright balmy to torrential rainfall in the matter of a few hours, Sugar-Salem found a way to hold the Trojans at bay — again — and win the 4A Milk Bowl — again.

Snapping a tie with two second-half touchdowns, the Diggers prevailed, 28-14, at Middleton High School.

Homedale (10-2) saw a three-game win streak end. The Trojans rolled to the No. 2 seed in the playoffs after losing to Weiser during the 4A Snake River Valley conference season.

"Honestly the loss at Weiser this year hurt just as bad as the last game of the year. Losing is not something I am good at, and it's not something I ever want our program to be OK with," HHS coach Matt Holtry said.

"Regardless of the opponent, it hurts the same. The life lesson, though, is that we can focus on the loss or we can focus on all the



Above: Senior linebacker Brock Walker (right) consoles running back Kade Hall at midfield as Trojans teammates reflect after Saturday's state championship game in Middleton. **Below:** Rafael Cuenca leaps in front of Sugar-Salem's Ace Clark to break up a second-half pass.

success that we have had throughout the season."

The Trojans rallied from the Weiser loss to make the state playoffs for the 12th consecutive season.

"Our kids have grown immensely this year, and they will move forward in life better men having been a part of this program," Holtry said. "For that, we are the most proud."

The Diggers (9-2) have won all five state

— See *Trojans*, page 12A



HHS girls strive to be class of 4A SRV conference

No starting seniors on basketball squad

Benji Sorenson has an optimistic outlook for his young Homedale High School girls' basketball team. And, after the shuffling of teams with

classification realignment, maybe the third-year coach has good reason to be hopeful.

Parma is no longer part of the 4A Snake River Valley conference, and even with Cole Valley Christian coming up and Fruitland sticking around, Sorenson has enough talent to bolster

his confidence.

"The conference has the potential to be wide open this year," he said. "I like where we are with our experienced returners and look forward to throwing our hat in the ring for a shot at challenging some of the more senior-laden teams in the district."

The Trojans lost three players from last season's squad that lost two games in the 3A District III Tournament as a No. 5 seed and finished at 6-16.

Olivia Asumendi and Arlett Quezada graduated. Asumendi averaged

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Sports

✓ HHS girls: Starting lineup features experience and more time to learn

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9 points and 6 rebounds per game as a senior, and Quezada was steady with 4 points, 4 rebounds, 2 steals and 2 assists per contest.

Homedale also lost one of this season’s would-be junior leaders when another top scorer, Kierstley Roseborough, moved out of the district after a sophomore season in which she posted 9 points and 5 rebounds per night.

A quartet of 11th-graders will provide the leadership this season:

- **Belen Asumendi, 5-foot, 4-inch guard** — Sorenson calls Asumendi “quick and experienced.” “She’s a tough defender who makes the offense uncomfortable.”
- She’ll also provide a spark for the Trojans’ quick offensive scheme.
- “Belen is a good shooter who finishes well at the rim with her off hand.”
- **Stephanie Quezada, 5-3 guard** — Like Asumendi, Quezada is expected to fuel the fast break. Sorenson says she’s “another quick guard

who can space the floor with her shooting as well as her ability to run the court.”

“Stephanie is a good rebounder despite her smaller size, and with a team that is going to run on the small side, we are going to need that from her this year,” the coach said.

- **Stella Heck, 5-1 point guard** — Sorenson admits he sounds like a broken record when he describes Heck as another “quick guard,” but he adds she “will be counted on to set the tone as our point guard this year.”
- “She also can shoot the ball and put pressure on the defense with her ball-handling and ability to beat defenders off the dribble,” he added.
- **Tiana Sorenson, 6-0 post** — The coach’s daughter will provide height in the middle, but she “can space the floor and play on the perimeter as well as posting up almost any defender,” her father said.
- “We will lean heavily on our four returning juniors, especially at the beginning of the season due to their experience at the varsity level,”

Benji Sorenson said.

“They are going to be counted on to take that next step as leaders this year, and I have full confidence they will step up in a big way.”

With speedy backcourt players, it’s fairly obvious Homedale’s strength will be quickness. But Sorenson points out that folks may not want to think that the lack of size will be a detriment.

“We have the pieces to overcome that, and even our smaller guards are capable of playing bigger and stronger than they appear at first glance,” he said.

“To be successful it will take a team effort on the defensive end to finish possessions and be relentless on the boards.”

Tiana Sorenson is only one of two HHS players standing 5-10 or taller this season, and the Trojans will be without the other athlete — 5-10 senior post **Lorelei Johnson-Kiriago** — until the football season is over.

“We are excited to see her out there,” Benji Sorenson said. “Even though this is her

first year on varsity, Lorelei brings basketball experience and a strong presence in the post for us.”

Johnson-Kiriago heads up a large number of varsity newcomers:

- **Whitlee Burch, 5-6, fr., guard/post** — Sorenson said Burch has the experience to fill a big role for the Trojans. “Whitlee works hard on her game and is a skilled offensive player who we can’t wait to watch develop as the season goes,” the coach said.
- **Mila Binford, 5-4, jr., G** — “Mila is a player I am extremely excited to see play this year,” Sorenson said. “She has developed so much through the years and is a testament to what hard work can do.”
- **Evalina Costello, 5-8, sr., G** — One of four upperclassmen playing varsity basketball for the first time, Costello has cultivated experience as a junior varsity player.
- “She is always interested in what she can do to improve and is a very coachable athlete who will be counted on in our rotation,” Sorenson said.

- **Leeya Haas, sr.** — Although this is Haas’ first year out for the basketball team, Sorenson said she has recruited other players so that Homedale can field teams at three levels this season. “She works hard in practice and brings a strong competitive spirit to the team,” he said.
- **Morgan Nicoletti, jr.** — One of the soccer teams top scorers, Nicoletti is battling an injury as the winter campaign begins, but, Sorenson said, “We hope to use her athleticism and competitive drive to fuel our team when she’s able.”
- **Addisun Rosa, sr.** — “She is willing to do whatever is asked and do it with a great attitude,” Sorenson said. “Players like this are an essential part of the program.”

Spanish exchange student **Adriana Gonzalez** will play on the junior varsity and frosh-soph teams, Sorenson said.

“She is a good rebounder who has a great attitude and love for the game,” the coach said.

— JPB

Homedale Trojans

Athlete of the Week



Girls' basketball
Tiana Sorenson, jr., P
Averaged 16.5 points in 2 games
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Football - Class 4A state runner-up

Final record: 10-2 • Fifth second-place finish in state playoffs since 2018

SPORTS SCHEDULE

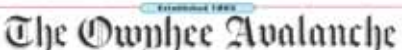
Girls' basketball Varsity Tuesday, Dec. 3, home vs. Parma, 7:30 p.m. Junior varsity Tuesday, Dec. 3, home vs. Parma, 6 p.m. Frosh-soph Tuesday, Dec. 3, home vs. Parma, 4:30 p.m.	Wrestling Girls Friday, Dec. 6, home for Ardis Nash Memorial Invitational, noon Saturday, Dec. 7, home for Ardis Nash Memorial Invitational, 9 a.m. Boys Friday, Dec. 6 at Donnelly Duals, Capital H.S., Boise, 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7 at Donnelly Duals, Capital H.S., Boise, 9 a.m.
Boys' basketball Varsity Tuesday, Dec. 3 at The Ambrose School, Meridian, 7:30 p.m. Junior varsity Tuesday, Dec. 3 at The Ambrose School, Meridian, 6 p.m. Frosh-soph Tuesday, Dec. 3 at The Ambrose School, Meridian, 4:30 p.m.	



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Sports

Trojans’ top-tier talent still impresses SRV coaches

Missing out on the conference championship for the first time in seven seasons didn’t dampen opposing coaches’ views of Homedale High School’s football players.

Three Trojans shared the 4A Snake River Valley conference annual awards, and eight athletes were named all-conference first team.

Luke Henry shared the conference player of the year award with Weiser’s Kash Cobb.

Caden Layne was co-lineman of the year along with the Wolverines’ Karsten Walker.

A third HHS senior, Brock Walker, was one of four conference defensive players of the year. He joined Weiser’s Luke Sariich, McCall-Donnelly’s Peyton Esplin, and Fruitland’s Quinn Hood at the top of the ballot.

Only two of the Trojans’ eight first-team all-conference picks were underclassmen as juniors Javid Blewett and Lukas Hall were cited.

Blewett was picked at running back, and Hall was seen as the conference’s top punter.

Homedale’s other first-team offensive players included Walker as a tight end/

flex player, lineman McCoy Swallow and wide receiver Rafael Cuenca.

Cuenca was Homedale’s only two-way All-4A SRV first-teamer, earning honors as a defensive back, too.

Senior Angel Nolasco joined Cuenca as a first-team DB.

Layne earned first-team defensive lineman honors.

Junior quarterback Xavier Uranga was tabbed as a second-teamer. Other second-team offensive players included senior lineman Diego Cortez and juniors Kade Hall (running back) and Chance Martell (receiver).

Kade Hall was a two-way second-teamer, earning a spot on the defensive line, too.

Three linebackers from three different classes — senior Alex Sotelo, junior Sebastian Larzelier, and sophomore Tyce Fisher — were placed on the second team.

Senior offensive linemen Kevin Andrade and Terry Volk were honorable mention selections as was Lukas Hall as a tight end. Hall also was named honorable mention kicker.

On defense, Swallow and Cortez were honorable mention linemen.

✓ Huskies: Daugherty gets double-double again

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Dugger) and I are happy with progress our team is making,” Marsing assistant coach JW Chadez said. “It was a good week.

“The season hit hard and fast, and to have four games hit as quickly as they did, was definitely hard on our learning curve. We know we have a lot of things to get better at, but are excited with how the girls are responding.”

Bailey Daugherty scored 15 points and grabbed six rebounds for Marsing.

Post player Tiana Sorenson led Homedale with 17 points, but was limited to just three defensive rebounds.

Heck scored 12 points with five

boards, while Belen Asumendi led the rebounding with six rebounds to go with three steals.

Saturday: Marsing 46, Declo 33 — Daugherty scored 16 points and Chadez added 12 to help the Huskies knock off a 2024 state tournament qualifier.

Daugherty also posted seven rebounds, while Chadez dominated on defense with six steals, five pass deflections, and two blocked shots before fouling out.

Nov. 19: Parma 53, Homedale 26 — The Trojans’ former conference rival got off to a fast start and never looked back against their non-conference guests.

The Panthers scored 29 points off 28 HHS turnovers.

Sorenson drilled three three-point goals for the bulk of her game-high 16 points. Asumendi added eight points and eight rebounds.

Rylie Calkins scored 12 points to lead Parma, and teammates Kaidance Kaiser and Aarey Harris added 11 apiece.

Nov. 19 Marsing 49, Payette 44 — The Huskies started a three-game homestand with a narrow victory behind Daugherty’s double-double of 21 points and 10 rebounds.

Chadez added 11 points and eight rebounds. Josie Showalter (eight rebounds) and Kaitlyn Smith scored six points apiece, while Raylynn Vansodall came down with seven boards.

Melba girls win for new coach

Ellie Johnson poured in seven three-point goals last week as Dennis Lenz picked up his first victory as Melba High School’s new girls’ basketball coach.

Johnson scored 24 points on Nov. 19 in the Mustangs’ 58-45 non-conference victory over Class 5A Columbia in Nampa.

Darby Lowber scored 13 points and snagged 10 rebounds, while teammate Tariah Carter had 16 points and five rebounds.

Saturday: Melba 62, Soda Springs 51 — The Mustangs (2-2) closed the week with a non-conference road win behind Carter’s 22 points and seven steals.

Lowber added a double-double of 21 points and 10 rebounds. Johnson scored 12 points and blocked three shots. No statistics were reported from Friday’s 72-23 non-conference road loss to Malad.

MARSING HUSKIES

Athlete of the Week



Girls' basketball
Adyson Chadez, jr., G
Averaged 17.3 points, 7.7 rebounds in 3 wins
Breeana Lootens photo



Girls' basketball
Raylynn Vansodall, jr., G
Averaged 3.7 points, 5 rebounds during week
Breeana Lootens photo

THIS WEEK'S SPORTS SCHEDULE

Girls' basketball
Varsity
Tuesday, Dec. 3 at Payette,
7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Tuesday, Dec. 3 at Payette,
6 p.m.

Boys' basketball
Varsity
Thursday, Dec. 5 at Weiser,
7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Thursday, Dec. 5 at Weiser,
6 p.m.
Junior varsity B
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Commentary

Ailing healthcare system Billing system can make you sick

by Jennifer Stevenson

Can you imagine going to a tire store. The tire salesperson tells you it will be \$500 installed for a new tire, only to then demand \$1,000 because the lug wrench used to mount the tire was not included in the quote. This is the situation with healthcare billing today. It's not fair, and private insurance companies, agents and shareholders are getting very rich.



Medicare and the supplemental plans are a disaster for recipients. For private insurance companies, it's nothing but windfall profits. To receive healthcare today, you don't need a doctor or a primary care provider. Rather, you need a medical coding specialist and a healthcare attorney. Even then, the system is rigged in such a way that the private insurance companies, at any moment, can change what they will and will not cover, leaving the recipients in financial peril.

Where healthcare costs are concerned, nothing is certain and it can bankrupt you. So, who can you turn to for help to determining how much your insurance will cover and how much you will pay? Prepare to be shocked.

The receptionist isn't the coding specialist or part of the billing department. She can mislead you. The coding specialist can check for you, but that's not certain either because the doctor may change a procedure or order a lab that isn't within your plan or refer you to a specialist that is not "in-network." Also, between the time you receive care and the time billing occurs, the insurance company can change your plan and discontinue coverage.

The healthcare provider cannot tell you because they just diagnose and treat patients.

You can call the insurance company directly, but the telephone menu announcement you hear will inform you that the insurance representatives you will talk to cannot be held responsible for advised coverage that turns out inaccurate.

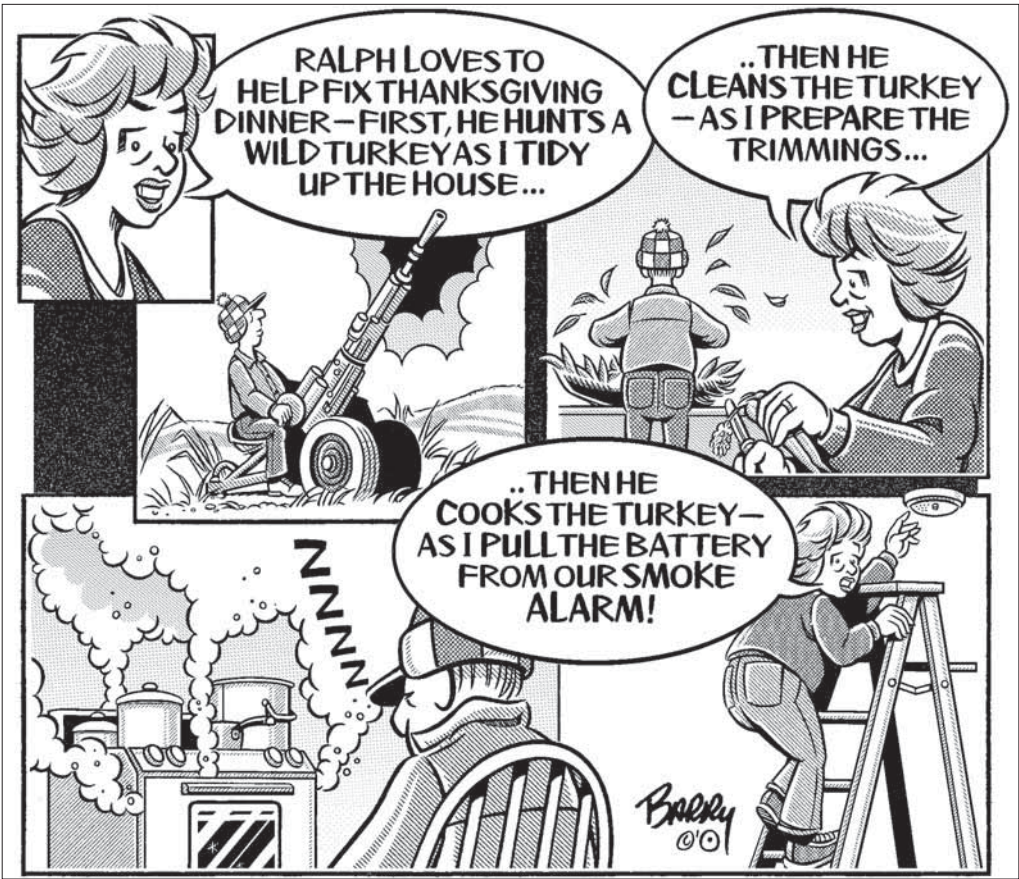
Last, and this is my personal favorite, you can turn to the healthcare insurance agent. But a healthcare agent is no longer your friend. They are friends with and influenced by the private insurance companies. Follow the money and find out for yourself.

For me, I suffered a financial catastrophe over an x-ray machine that wasn't approved. I called the state attorney general's office. I found out I wasn't alone. They transferred me to an insurance advisor at the AG office who told me they are swamped with complaint calls daily about this situation. I scrambled and switched plans on the very last day of open enrollment.

That didn't solve the problem. It's not a matter of selecting the right plan. It's the billing system itself. It's a rigged system and we, the patients, are going without healthcare and getting sicker.

— Jennifer Stevenson is a Homedale-area resident.

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.

Securing election history Honoring the people behind Idaho's historic Nov. 5 election

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Leading up to the election, county election officials worked diligently to ensure that Idahoans had every opportunity to participate. The newly updated VoteIdaho.gov served as a vital resource, providing voters with personalized sample ballots and essential voting information. Early voting and in-person absentee voting were offered in all 44 counties, making voting more accessible than ever. For those registering to vote and casting their ballot on Election Day, Idaho's same-day registration process proved invaluable for more than 120,000 voters.

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Secretary of State Phil McGrane Republican (term expires 2026)

Phil McGrane was elected Idaho's 28th Secretary of State and took office on Jan. 2, 2023. McGrane served as elected Clerk of Ada County from 2019 to 2022. McGrane holds a bachelor's degree in philosophy, a juris doctorate, and a Master of Public Administration. As a fourth-generation Idahoan, Phil has dedicated his career to making elections in the state of Idaho accessible, secure and transparent.



requirements. Even after the last ballot is cast, the work continues. Post-election audits in selected counties will further validate the accuracy of the results, reinforcing public trust in Idaho's elections.

This year's historic turnout is a testament not only to Idaho's robust election process but to the unwavering commitment of the people behind it. To every county clerk, election official, and poll worker: Thank you! Your hard work made this election a success and upheld the integrity of Idaho's democratic process.

Idahoans have every reason to be proud — not just of the record turnout, but of the transparent and secure system that made it possible. As an Idahoan, I am deeply honored to witness such commitment to excellence, and I hope you are proud, too. Together, we've shown why Idaho's elections are a model of trust and transparency for the nation.

Commentary

Financial management

God understands if you can't tithe while wiggling out of debt

Dear Dave,

My wife and I are currently on Baby Step 2 of your plan. We attend church regularly, and we've always made sure we tithed 10 percent to 15 percent in the past. Do you think it would be OK to lower our tithe while we're getting out of debt and working through our debt snowball?

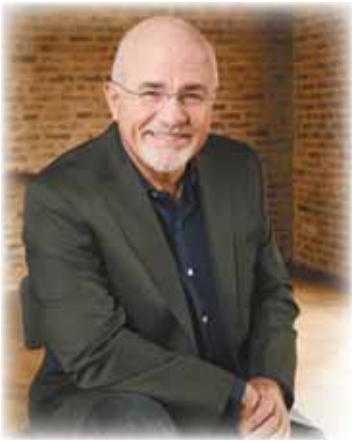
— Karl

Dear Karl,

When you look up the Hebrew word "tithe," it means tenth. Not 10 to 15 percent — a tenth. I've studied Scripture on this subject for about 25 years and taught in Christian settings. But please keep in mind you shouldn't do this

because I gave you a "rule." I'm not the final authority on this. What we're about to get into comes from God.

In Proverbs, it refers to the tithe as first fruits, off the top, before anything else. The book of Deuteronomy says to give a tenth of your net increase. Centuries of protestant Christian teaching has focused on the idea that the tithe goes to the local church, because it's the New Testament representation of the Old Testament storehouse. The storehouse took care of the Levites, which were the priests — or pastors — and the orphans and widows. Today, the New Testament church is supposed to use it for the



same kinds of things: pastor's salaries and helping people who are struggling.

Before we go any further, I want you to remember one

thing. Tithing isn't a salvation issue. God doesn't love you more just because you tithe a larger amount than the person sitting next to you in church. God loves you. Period. You're His child, and He's going to love you even if you don't tithe. But He knows what tithing does for us. It makes us focus on something other than ourselves. Doing it makes us less selfish, and more selfless. It makes us a little more Christ-like. And he wants us to be giving and loving to the people around us.

Do you see what I'm saying, Karl? God doesn't need your money. He doesn't need my money. It was my choice decades ago when I hit bottom financially to continue tithing

all the way into bankruptcy court and all the way out. But if someone literally can't afford to tithe for some reason — or can't hit 10 percent and still wants to attend and support a church — I'm pretty sure God understands.

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is a No. 1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show, which is heard by more than 18 million listeners every week. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

Religious Expression

Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life

by Jack Muldoon

Jesus said,

"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the father except through me."

— John 14:6

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

— John 3:16

"When Christ came into the world," Billy Graham writes, "His primary purpose was to die; to shed His blood as a substitute in your place and my place.

"We must individually and collectively accept the spiritual blood transfusion that only Christ can give," Graham continues. "We must accept Christ's death as our substitute. There is no other way of salvation."

In the November 2024 edition of Decision magazine, Franklin Graham asks that we "pray fervently for our nation." An excerpt:

"The Bible teaches that government is ordained by God to deter evil and defend righteousness (**Romans 13:3-4**). That's why it is imperative that Christians seek to elect political candidates who will govern most closely to the dictates of God's Word, especially when it comes to the Sanctity of human life and our Creator's design for human sexuality, marriage and the family.

"The Bible says 'sin is lawlessness' (**1 John 3:4**). The debauchery of sexual immorality that plagues our land and the drug epidemic destroying our cities is the bitter fruit of a nation that has turned its back on God.

"Let's remember God's promise in 2

Jack Muldoon

Longtime Marsing resident

Jack Muldoon was instrumental in the non-denominational prayer breakfast previously staged at the Nazarene church in Marsing as well as the annual Marsing High School all-alumni picnic in August. He occasionally writes for the Religious Expression column that periodically appears in The Owyhee Avalanche and usually accompanies the newspaper's Church Directory.



Chronicles 7:14 and pray fervently in the days ahead for God to have mercy on our country by ushering in a movement of the Holy Spirit that will lead to national repentance and spiritual healing across our land.

"That will only happen when people profess that Jesus' shed blood on the cross and His victorious resurrection from the grave for the forgiveness of their sins is the only way they can receive God's free gift of eternal life.

"The Bible has so much to say about the blood of Christ. For example, the Bible says that redemption and forgiveness of sin is made possible only through the blood of Christ (**Ephesians 1:7**). The Bible says that we are justified through Jesus' blood (**Romans 5:9**). The Bible says that God's wrath on sin is only satisfied through the perfect sinless blood of Jesus Christ (**Romans 3:23-26**). God's Word tells us that 'the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses

Religious Expression

"Religious Expression" is a way for Owyhee County pastors to deliver a message to our readers.

We encourage religious leaders to email their writings, of no more than 500 words, and a photo plus personal information and information about their church and its services. The hope is to have a regular column rotating among the area's pastors, published occasionally in conjunction with the Avalanche's Owyhee County Church Directory.

Contact managing editor Jon P. Brown at jon@owyhee.com or (208) 337-4681, ext. 102.

us from all sin' (**1 John 1:7**)."

Don't gamble with your soul! Your soul is more valuable than the whole world, and one day it will either be in Heaven or in hell.

God has made a way for you to know Him and spend eternity with Him, through faith in Jesus Christ. What do you need to do? First, confess your sin and turn away from it. Second, receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior, putting your faith in Him alone to save you. You can do that right now. He promises to live in you and transform your life. You can have a new life, a new beginning, if you will surrender to Christ.

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

Sports

Shrine all-star football games cancelled

Coaches association eyes 2025 return

In September when longtime Bishop Kelly coach Jack Parker died, his colleagues said his loss would be felt throughout the high school football community.

The breadth of the shockwaves apparently reached the District III East-West Shrine All-Star Classic.

Homedale High School athletic director Casey Grove, president of the 3rd District Coaches Association, confirmed that the annual senior all-star football doubleheader has been cancelled. Parker, who died of pancreatic cancer earlier this year, was the man who coordinated the 11-man and eight-man senior all-star games each year.

The games, which featured Treasure Valley standouts included from Homedale, Marsing, Rimrock, and Melba, have been played on the Saturday after Thanksgiving for more than a quarter-century.

And this year’s cancellation is really more of a postponement.

“Everyone on the Coaches Board is adamant to keep it going in the future,” Grove said.

The key is to find someone to replace Parker at the top of the organizational chart.

Parker died after the coaches’ association held its September meeting, and the group didn’t get together again until Oct. 23 — five weeks before game day.

The group decided to cancel this year’s classic because of myriad factors, including the system Parker

had perfected to select talent for the annual showcase.

“Turns out we were already 2½ weeks behind the timeline schedule we needed to be on to have the Shrine game during Thanksgiving week, and we did not have anyone who wanted to take Jack’s spot in being in charge of this event, mostly due to the short notice,” Grove said.

“Everyone that did have interest in taking it over was already scheduled to be on vacation during Thanksgiving week this year.”

HHS coach Matt Holtry, who has coaches and/or watched many of his upperclassman players in the all-star game during the past 15 years, wasn’t surprised about the cancellation.

“When Jack Parker passed away, I figured this might be part of the fallout,” the 16th-year Trojans coach

said.

The November classic bringing together players from all classifications has been unique and challenging, Holtry said.

“It was a very difficult event to pull off timing-wise as kids transfer from state football playoffs into winter sports,” he said. “So I wasn’t completely surprised when I heard it wasn’t going to happen this year.”

Other all-star games, such as the Shrine Game in Eastern Oregon, are played in the summer or spring.

Holtry said he is hearing rumblings that a senior all-star game redux in the Treasure Valley could materialize as a spring/early summer event.

“I think spring/early summer would be more appropriate for the student-athletes,” he said.

— JPB

✓ Trojans: Program now has a dozen second-place state trophies in case

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championship meetings with the HHS program dating to 2018.

Sugar-Salem has won six of the past seven state titles, beating Teton last season and losing to Weiser in 2021 after a three-year run of knocking off Homedale. The Diggers also beat the Trojans in 2022.

“I wanted these young men to be able to hold the blue trophy for once,” Holtry said. “The words I shared with the players were that as well.”

The Trojans trotted off the field with heads held high after the loss as a throng of HHS boosters yelled encouragement while exiting the stadium during a downpour that flooded the Middleton High School parking lot in places.

Holtry, who finished his 16th HHS season, stood before his players in the locker room one last time in 2024 after the game, too.

“But I also shared with them that their commitment to being the best, their high expectations for themselves, and their high character are the things that they will carry with them for the rest of their lives. A trophy regardless of color will sit in a case somewhere.”

The runner-up trophy — red in color, again — will join the other pieces of hardware from Homedale’s heritage of November football.

The Trojans’ 12th consecutive trip to the state playoffs ended with the program’s 12th second-place trophy, dating to the start of the modern state playoffs 47 years ago.

Twenty Homedale teams



Homedale’s Sebastian Larzelier (right) hustles to beat Sugar-Salem’s Payton Blaser to Dawson McNelly’s fumble in the second half Saturday.

have played in the state final since 1977. Holtry holds the school record for most state playoff appearances (14), and he also is atop the coaching ranks after his 14th winning season at HHS.

But, as always, Trojans football isn’t about the record books or even the man at the top of the system.

It’s about the players and how they handle adversity and triumph.

On Saturday, the Trojans remained in the contest despite an emotional roller coaster of odd calls, no-calls, dropped balls and lost balls.

“The regular season this year kind of prepared our kids for that,” Holtry said. “We have had peaks and valleys this year, and it has helped to build resilience in our team.”

In the state final, Homedale owned an early lead and fought

back to tie the game before Sugar-Salem exploited a turnover and the Trojans’ worn-down defense for two fourth-quarter touchdowns.

With the score tied, 14-14, Homedale quarterback Xavier Uranga found himself taking a pistol formation snap in the end zone after Diggers punter Dawson McNelly pinned the Trojans at the 5-yard line.

Uranga couldn’t handle the exchange from center and then couldn’t fall on the football as it squirted around on the soggy turf end zone. Sugar-Salem’s Latrell Markle eventually recovered the fumble for what turned out to be the game-winning score.

“I think it was a combination of the weather and nerves of the moment,” Holtry said of the game-turning play. “Regardless, it was unfortunate and at a critical time of the game.”

Jitters seemed to hamper Homedale’s passing game throughout the contest. There were a few dropped balls, and Uranga threw behind senior Luke Henry on one crossing pattern in the first half.

Uranga engineered the game’s first scoring drive, highlighted by strikes of 27 yards and 10 yards (for the touchdown) to Henry.

McNelly scored on Sugar-Salem’s next two possessions for a 14-7 lead as the Diggers exerted control in the trenches.

Holtry said Sugar-Salem used its size and speed to set the tone. Three ball carriers went over the century mark — including Abe Baldwin (164 yards), McNelly (149) and Kooper Mace (130) — as the Diggers racked up 451 yards on 57 rushes.

“No matter how much you scheme and prepare, it’s hard to replicate it in practice when you

don’t have any players on your roster that are the same size as their players,” Holtry said.

“With that said, I am super proud of our men and how they fought all game regardless of who they were up against.”

Homedale’s defense left the door open for the offense, and with three seconds remaining in the third quarter, Uranga connected with Rafael Cuenca on a 62-yard touchdown pass. Lukas Hall’s extra-point kick tied the score, 14-14.

“He has been very efficient and productive all year. He has done everything we have asked of him and then some,” Holtry said of his junior quarterback. “I am super proud of his growth, and I look forward to his senior year campaign already.”

Uranga completed 17 of 28 passes for 222 yards, including 90 apiece to Cuenca (four catches) and Henry (10 receptions).

Cuenca had a hand in stopping Sugar-Salem prior to his game-tying TD. He picked off Jack Gardner’s pass in the end zone as the Diggers were poised to snap the 14-14 tie.

Cuenca nearly came up with a pick-six, too, stepping in front of Ace Clark to knock down a pass and hamper another Sugar-Salem drive.

Angel Nolasco led the Trojans with seven solo tackles, and he had two assists.

“Angel is one of the best defensive backs we have ever had. He has a natural gift of ability and quickness,” Holtry said.

“He made several plays to keep our team alive and in the game, something he has done all season.”

— JPB

Public notices

REQUEST FOR BID
Sealed bids for the Owyhee County Courthouse and Jail Sewer Project will be received at Civil Dynamics, 5605 South 10th Ave, Caldwell, Idaho 83607, until 12:00 pm. Local Time on December 6, 2024. Sealed bids will be publicly opened at 12:05 pm. Local Time that same day. Bids received after the time specified above will not be accepted or opened.

This project will consist of furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, and supplies for the installation of the Owyhee County Courthouse and Jail Sewer Project. Work includes removing existing septic tanks, installing a 13,000-gallon septic tank, secondary treatment tank with lift station pumps inside, and a secondary treatment system control panel with alarms. Additionally, the project includes a 230 LF directional bore under SH78 and Murphy airstrip, 4,550 LF of pressure sewer pipe, two 2.05-acre lagoons with 60 mil HDPE liners, various surface repairs and site work, 6’ chain-link fencing, and all other work as outlined in the plans and specifications.

All bids shall be submitted on the prescribed form and in the manner indicated in the Instructions to Bidders.

A pre-bid conference will be held onsite November 26, 2024 at 11:00 am.

Bidding Documents are available electronically for free. Alternatively, printed Bidding Documents are available either via in-person pick-up or via mail. The non-refundable cost of printed Bidding Documents is \$25.

Civil Dynamics, PC
5605 South 10th Ave
Caldwell, ID 83607
208-453-2028
Attn: Kirby Cook

GENERAL CONTRACTORS:
IF USING A DIGITAL COPY OF THE PROJECT MANUAL, PLEASE CONFIRM YOU ARE ON THE PLAN HOLDERS LIST.

GENERAL CONTRATORS THAT PLAN TO BID MUST BE PLAN HOLDERS.

PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE OF PLAN PICKUP.

Owyhee County reserves the right to accept the bids and award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder regardless of alternative selected; to postpone the acceptance of the bid and the award of the contract for a period not to exceed thirty-five (35) days; or to reject any and all bids received and further advertise the project for bids. Owyhee county may reject any bid not in compliance with all prescribed public bidding procedures and requirements, and may reject, for good cause, any or all bids upon the finding of the County it is in the public interest to do so.

If you need more information, contact Kirby Cook, PE, Civil Dynamics, PC, (208) 453-2028.
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Please be advised that a public hearing will be held before the Homedale City Council on Wednesday, December 11, 2024 at 6:00 pm at Homedale City Hall, 31 W Wyoming Ave. Homedale, Idaho.

The subject matter of this hearing is the application for a commercial subdivision filed by Jackson’s Food Stores for

the property located at 401 US Highway 95, Homedale, Idaho, parcel #RPA001000G000A. They are requesting the 15.0635 acre parcel be subdivided into five (5) separate, buildable lots. A map of the plans is available at Homedale City Hall.

The public is invited to attend and offer input. Written testimony may also be emailed to alicep@cityofhomedale.org.
Alice E. Pegram
City Clerk
City of Homedale
11/27;12/04/2024

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
City of Marsing, Idaho
BRUNEAU HIGHWAY RECONSTRUCTION
General Notice
The City of Marsing (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:
Bruneau Highway Reconstruction
Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at Marsing City Hall, 18 Sandbar Avenue, Marsing Idaho until December 9, 2024 at 4pm local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.
The Project includes the following work:
Furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, and supplies to reconstruct Bruneau Highway from south Marsing city limits to north Marsing city limits. Work includes removal and disposal of existing road full depth, site work, placing gravel material and asphalt mat, striping, signage and traffic control as depicted on the project plans and specifications. All work, materials and installation shall be in accordance with the project plans, specifications, Idaho Standards for Public Works Construction.

The project is not subject to Davis Bacon or Buy American requirements.

All bids shall be submitted on the prescribed bid form and in the manner indicated in the Instructions to Bidders.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents
Bid documents may be obtained by contacting Kirby Cook, PE – kirby@civildynamics.net
Printed Documents are available either via in-person pick-up or via mail. The non-refundable cost of printed Bidding Documents is \$25.

Civil Dynamics, PC
5605 S 10th Avenue
Caldwell ID 83607
208-453-2028

A plan holders list will not be maintained. The Bid Documents and addenda, if any, will be provided on request and posted on AGC website.

Pre-bid Conference
A pre-bid conference will not be held.

Instructions to Bidders
Bids must be accompanied by Bid Security in the form of a bid bond, certified check, cashier’s check or cash in the amount of 5% of the amount of the bid proposal. Said bid security shall be forfeited to the City of Marsing as liquidated damages should the successful bidder fail to enter into contract in accordance with their proposal as specified in the Instructions to Bidders.

The City of Marsing reserves the right to accept the bids and award a contract to the lowest

responsible bidder based on the bid schedule; to postpone the acceptance of the bid and the award of the contract for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days; or to reject any and all the bids received and further advertise the project for bids. City of Marsing may reject any bid not in compliance with all prescribed public bidding procedures and requirements, and may reject, for good cause, any or all bids upon the finding of the City it is in the public interest to do so.

This Advertisement is issued by:
Owner: **City of Marsing**
Date: **November 20/November 27**

If you need more information regarding the project, contact Kirby Cook, PE kirby@civildynamics.net. 208-453-2028
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
City of Marsing, Idaho
ISLAND PARK
General Notice
The City of Marsing (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:
Island Park Shelter
Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at Marsing City Hall, 18 Sandbar Avenue, Marsing Idaho until December 13, 2024 at 4pm local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.
The Project includes the following work:
Furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, and supplies to construct a 30x60 steel structure. Work includes site work, placing gravel base, a concrete pad, relocating an existing playground within park, and installing water spigot. All work, materials and installation shall be in accordance with the project plans, specifications, Idaho Standards for Public Works Construction.

The project is not subject to Davis Bacon or Buy American requirements.

All bids shall be submitted on the prescribed bid form and in the manner indicated in the Instructions to Bidders.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents
Bid documents may be obtained by contacting Amy Woodruff, PE – amy@civildynamics.net
Printed Documents are available either via in-person pick-up or via mail. The non-refundable cost of printed Bidding Documents is \$15.

Civil Dynamics, PC
5605 S 10th Avenue
Caldwell ID 83607
208-453-2028

A plan holders list will not be maintained. The Bid Documents and addenda, if any, will be provided on request and posted on AGC website.

Instructions to Bidders
Bids must be accompanied by Bid Security in the form of a bid bond, certified check, cashier’s check or cash in the amount of 5% of the amount of the bid proposal. Said bid security shall be forfeited to the City of Marsing as liquidated damages should the successful bidder fail to enter into contract in accordance with their proposal as specified in the Instructions to Bidders.

The City of Marsing reserves the right to accept the bids and award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder based on the bid schedule. City of Marsing may reject any bid not in compliance with all prescribed public bidding procedures and requirements, and may reject, for good cause, any or all bids upon the finding of the City it is in the public interest to do so.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE VACANCY
Open to Residents of Vacant Zone
Sections 33-501, 33-504, 74-206(1)(a)

Due to the resignation of Trustee Jones, from Zone 1, on the evening of November 12, 2024, the Board of Trustees of **Bruneau Grand View Joint School District 365** declared a vacancy for Zone 1 on November 12, 2024 and is commencing the process to fill this vacancy.

- Zone 1 encompasses:

TRUSTEE ZONE NO. 1 BEGINNING at State Highway 78 (Marsing Murphy Road) and Mormon Boulevard, thence Southerly then Westerly then Southerly along Mormon Boulevard, thence Easterly along Cattle Drive to State Highway 51, thence Southerly along State Highway 51 to Rowland Route Road, thence Southeasterly along Rowland Route Road to South School District Boundary and the Idaho-Nevada Border, thence Easterly then Northerly along School District Boundary to the thread of the Snake River and the Elmore and Owyhee County Line, thence Westerly along the thread of the Snake River to CJ Strike Reservoir then the Snake River along the Elmore and Owyhee County Line, thence Westerly along thread of Snake River to the left bank of the Snake River, thence Westerly from left bank of the Snake River to the Strike Dam Cut-Off Road, thence Southerly along Strike Dam Cut-Off Road to Black Sands Road, thence Westerly along Black Sands Road to River Road, thence Southerly along River Road to Unnamed Drainage, thence Westerly along Unnamed Drainage to State Highway 78 (Marsing Murphy Road), thence Southeasterly along State Highway 78 (Marsing Murphy Road) to Mormon Boulevard and the **POINT OF BEGINNING**.

- The individual selected to fill this term will serve the balance of the unexpired term, currently ending on December, 2025.
- The Board of Trustees has a period of 90 days from the

declaration of the vacancy to fill this position with a qualified individual who resides within **Zone 1**. If this does not occur, the Board may appoint a person at-large from within the boundaries of the school district. Otherwise, after 120 days, the appointment shall be made by the board of the county commissioners.

- The process that will be utilized by the Board of Trustees to fill this vacancy shall be: Trustees shall fill the vacancy by appointment. The Board will receive applications from any qualified persons seeking to fill the position after suitable public notice. The Board will consider all applications from qualified persons seeking to fill the position in open session. The Board will appoint one candidate to serve for the balance of the unexpired term of office which was declared vacant. In the event the Board of Trustees is unable to appoint a Trustee from the zone vacated after 90 days from the date the Board declared the vacancy, the Board of Trustees may appoint a person at-large from within the boundaries of the School District to serve as the Trustee from the zone where the vacancy occurred. Otherwise, after 120 days of the declaration of vacancy, the county commissioners of the home county shall appoint a qualified person to fill such vacancy.

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NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 365, Owyhee & Elmore Counties, pursuant to Section 33-601, Idaho Code, as amended, has determined that it is in the best interest of said school district to sell the property as identified below. An appraisal of school property as stated below has been duly made.

Description of property to be sold is as follows:
2005 International-Mileage - 344,263

Said property will be sold by sealed bids only for not less than the appraised value.

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Sealed bids will be opened at the regular board meeting on December 10, 2024 at Rimrock Jr. Sr. High School at 7:00pm. Any bids received after the bid opening will not be considered.

The property to be sold may be inspected by contacting Austin Merrick at Merrick Diesel Solutions - in Bruneau or Rita Hall at the School District Office-208-834-2260.

JayDene Aquiso, Business Manager/Treasurer
Joint School District No. 365
Owyhee/Elmore Counties, Idaho
39678 State Highway 78
Bruneau, ID. 83604
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
Bruneau-Grand View Joint School District No. 365
INTERNET ACCESS
Bruneau Grand View Joint School District 365 is seeking bids/proposals for district Wide Area Network and Internet access through the Erate process. The RFP can be found here: www.sd365.us
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Public notices

School menus

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held on Tuesday December 3, 2024, at 6 p.m. at 345 Main Street, Grand View, Idaho, at which time the Board of Commissioners will meet to consider adjusting the Grand View Rural Fire Protection District 2024 Adopted Budget in order to expend necessary funds not known to be required at the time the budget was originally adopted. The additional amount of \$89,504.40 will not result in an increase of anticipated property taxes over the amounts previously levied. Additional revenues (Grant Funds and Donations) and cash carryover will be used to cover the additional expense of capital expenditures.

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LIEN SALE

Vehicles listed will be sold at 328 Hwy 95, Homedale, ID, on December 16, 2024 at 10 a.m.

2003 Freightliner Semi-tractor Columbia 1FUJA6BG63PK57134

2001 Honda Acura 19ULA56872AO11262

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Russell G. Metcalf, ISB No. 7024

122 W. Idaho Avenue

P.O. Box 385

Homedale, Idaho 83628

208-337-4945 (Phone)

208-337-4854 (Fax)

Email: russellgmetcalf@gmail.com

Attorney for Plaintiff

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

CASE NO. CV37-24-00351

TANAGER LAND, LLC, an Idaho limited liability company, Plaintiff,

vs.

JESUS S. BERROSPE (Deceased) and the UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVEISEES OF JESUS S. BERROSPE; MARIA G. BERROSPE (Deceased) and the UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVEISES OF MARIA G. BERROSPE; STATE OF IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, ESTATE RECOVERY, an agency of the State of Idaho; RAUL R. LABRADOR, State of Idaho Attorney General; and CITY OF MARSING, OWYHEE COUNTY, STATE OF IDAHO; GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT, OWYHEE COUNTY, STATE OF IDAHO; Defendants.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE NAMED PETITIONER. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 21 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.

TO: JESUS S. BERROSPE and MARIA G. BERROSPE and UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVEISEES OF JESUS S. BERROSPE AND MARIA G. BERROSPE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed

with the above designated Court, located at 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, ID 83650, within 21 days after service of this Summons on you. If you fail to so respond, the Court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the Petitioner in the Complaint.

A copy of the Complaint is served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice of or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected.

An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10(a)(1) and other Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:

- The title and number of this case.
- If your response is an Answer to the Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Complaint and other defenses you may claim.
- Your signature, mailing address and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.
- Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to Plaintiff’s attorney, as designated above.

To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above named court at (208) 495-2806.

Dated this 31st day of October, 2024.

By:Angela Barkell
Clerk of the District Court
/s/:BGonzalez
Deputy clerk
11/20,27;12/04,11/2024

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

TS No: ID-24-1000613-RM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on 4/10/2025, at the hour of 9:00 AM, In the Lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, located at 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, the trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Parcel I: A portion of the Southwest Quarter Southeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 4 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, and is more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of said Southwest Quarter Southeast Quarter; thence North 00°35’54” East along the East boundary of said Southwest Quarter Southeast Quarter a distance of 639.83 feet; thence North 89°13’58” West a distance of 656.86 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing North 89°13’58” West a distance of 328.43 feet; thence North 00°37’20” East a distance of 684.15 feet to a point on the North boundary of said Southwest Quarter Southeast Quarter; thence South 89°15’20” East along said North boundary a distance of 328.33 feet; thence South 00°36’52” West a distance of 684.28 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. Parcel II: This easement lies in the Southeast Quarter Southeast Quarter and in the Southwest Quarter Southeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 3

North, Range 4 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and is more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of said Southeast Quarter Southeast Quarter; thence North 00°33’48” East along the East boundary of said Southeast Quarter Southeast Quarter a distance of 613.07 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 89°13’58” West a distance of 2106.48 feet; thence Southwesterly 28.91 feet along the arc of a curve to the left having a central angle of 82°49’43”, a radius of 20.00 feet and a long chord which bears South 49°21’27” West a distance of 26.46 feet; thence Northwesterly 275.05 feet along the arc of a curve to the right having a central angle of 262°38’53”, a radius of 60.00 feet and a long chord which bears North 40°43’45” West a distance of 90.12 feet; thence South 89°13’58” East a distance of 2265.85 feet to a point on the said East boundary; thence South 00°33’48” West along said East boundary a distance of 50.00 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

The Current Trustee is **Robert W. McDonald, Esq.**, whose address is **108 1st Ave. South, Suite 450, Seattle, Washington 98104** and who can be reached by telephone at **(866) 925-0241**. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-described real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of **5604 COUNTRY ESTATES DR, MARSING, ID 83639-8170** may be associated with said real property.

The sale will be made, without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust made and entered into on **12/16/2022**, by and among **CHAD B RADA AND KHRISTINA J RADA, HUSBAND AND WIFE**, as Grantor, and **ALLIANCE TITLE & ESCROW**, as Trustee, and **MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**, as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust having been filed of record on **12/21/2022**, as **Instrument No. 314148** Official Records of OWYHEE County, Idaho. The naming of the above Grantor(s) is done to comply with Idaho Code Sections 45-1506(4) (a); no representation is made as to the responsibility of Grantor(s) for this obligation.

The default for which foreclosure is made is grantor’s failure to pay when due the following sum: TOTAL REQUIRED TO REINSTATE: \$8,430.07 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$162,311.89 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day-to-day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. It will be necessary for you to contact the Trustee before the time you tender reinstatement or the payoff amount so that you may be advised of the exact amount you will be required to pay.

Dated this 20th day of November, 2024.

By: Robert W. McDonald, Esq., Trustee **TS No: ID-24-1000613-RM** IDSPub #0225510
11/27;12/04,11,18/2024

Homedale Elementary

Choice of milk and juice

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

Nov. 27-28: No School - Thanksgiving

Dec. 2: **Breakfast:** French toast bites, applesauce **Lunch:** Mini corn dogs, buttered carrots, chocolate chunk cookie

Dec. 3: **Breakfast:** Sausage patty, whole grain toast, Yami yogurt, sliced pears **Lunch:** Super nachos, refried beans, carrot sticks

Dec. 4: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, grapes **Lunch:** Orange chicken rice bowl, mixed vegetables

Homedale Middle

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt or string cheese

Cereal option and PB&J offered daily

Vegetable and fruit choices offered daily

Nov. 27-28: No School - Thanksgiving

Dec. 2: **Breakfast:** French toast bites, syrup cup, string cheese, applesauce **Lunch:** Mozzarella bread sticks, marinara sauce cup, buttered corn, snickerdoodle cookie

Dec. 3: **Breakfast:** Pop Tarts, Yami yogurt, apple **Lunch:** Super nachos, refried beans, carrot sticks

Dec. 4: **Breakfast:** Sausage breakfast pizza, sliced pears **Lunch:** Orange chicken rice bowl, spring roll, seasoned green beans, fortune cookie

Homedale High

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

Vegetable and fruit choices offered daily

Cereal option, Grab ‘n’ go items each day

Nov. 27-28: No School - Thanksgiving

Dec. 2: **Breakfast:** Waffles or bagel and cream cheese, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Home style chicken strips, crinkle fries, whole grain breadstick *Grab ‘n’ go:* Chicken bacon salad

Dec. 3: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, sausage patty, whole grain toast, iced coffee **Lunch:** BBQ chicken pizza, curly fries *Grab ‘n’ go:* Malibu chicken wrap

Dec. 4: **Breakfast:** Sausage breakfast pizza, Yami yogurt, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, Tater Tots *Grab ‘n’ go:* BBQ chicken salad

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 sandwich, salad

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

Nov. 27-28: No School - Thanksgiving

Dec. 2: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, string cheese, peaches **Lunch:** Cheesy mac with nuggets, steamed carrots, garlic toast **Cold Grab-n-go:** Turkey bacon sub

Dec. 3: **Breakfast:** Sausage patty, biscuit, country gravy, orange wedges **Lunch:** Super nachos, refried beans **Hot Grab-n-go:** Cheesy chicken quesadilla

Dec. 4: **Breakfast:** Waffles, banana **Lunch:** Mini corn pups, green beans, chocolate chunk cookie **Cold Grab-n-go:** Taco salad

Bruneau-Grand View

All meals: Milk and fruit offered daily

Jr.-Sr. high school: Pizza offered daily

Nov. 27-28: No School - Thanksgiving

Dec. 2: **Breakfast:** French toast **Lunch:** Finger steaks with garlic bread, romaine salad, baby carrots

Dec. 3: **Breakfast:** Bagels with cream cheese **Lunch:** Pizza, garden spinach salad, celery sticks

Dec. 4: **Breakfast:** Biscuits and gravy **Lunch:** Lil Smokies with rolls, scalloped potatoes, green beans

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WE WOULD LIKE to thank everyone who attended the Celebration of Life for Elaine Lawrence. God Bless you all. ~ Vicky, Myrna, Marilyn, Josie and Faye



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Annual Owyhee Avalanche Christmas Gift Project for residents of Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center

Residents have included several gifts on their wish lists,
but local “Santas” need only to select one item. Gifts may be gift
wrapped and tagged with the number and item selected

Gift Drive Ends December 18

- Male #1 - Size L sweatpants, Size XL t-shirts with pockets, Size L shorts, socks, ~~hat/beanie, beer, cologne~~, body wash, ~~deodorant~~, Size L underwear
- Male #2 - ~~Insulated coffee mug, tumbler for water~~, Size L button up plaid long sleeve shirts, ~~jeans~~, Size L undershirts, socks, baseball hat, small radio, flashlight
- Female #1 - Size S/M thin sweats, stretchy pants, hair ties/clips, hair brush, Size S/M shirts, body spray, body wash, Size S/M blouses
- Female #2 - Size M sweatpants, pull over sweatshirts, long sleeves, Size 8 bootcut jeans, coffee mug, lotion body spray, body wash
- Female #3 - Size S/M comfy clothes/sweatpants/sweatshirts/long sleeves, lotion body spray, body wash
- Female #4 - Size XL elastic waist pants/sweatpants, blouses/shirts, lotion, body spray body wash
- Male #3 - Size L boxers, socks, fingernail clippers, flashlight, insulated mug, cologne body wash, shampoo
- Female #5 - Size 2X, non-skid socks, shoulder length tank tops, ~~adult coloring books, gel pens~~, size 2X leggings
- Male #4 - Size L sweats, Size L sweaters, Size L t-shirts, painting stuff, ~~small Christmas tree for his room~~
- Male #5 - Size L sweatshirts, M/L elastic waist sweatpants, ~~Size 11 slippers~~, non-skid socks, cologne, body wash
- Male #6 - Size XL, basketball shorts, sweaters, sweatpants, non-skid socks, long sleeve shirts, t-shirts, cologne, body wash, Size 13 comfy slip-on shoes
- Female #6 - Size S/M pull-over blouses, Size S camisoles, Size S/M elastic waist slacks, fuzzy non-skid socks (pretty colors), ~~jewelry~~, Size S/J pajamas set
- Female #7 - XL blouses, size 2X elastic waist slacks/sweats, slip-on shoes, non-skid socks, Size XL Pajamas set, body spray, body wash
- Female #8 - Size 3X, sweatpants, blouses/shirts, non-skid socks, dresses, nightgown, ~~Size 7 1/2 - 8 slippers~~, lotions, body spray, body wash
- Female #9 - Size 2X, nightgown, socks, sweatpants, slippers, t-shirts/blouses, elastic waist slacks
- Male #7 - Size 11-2 or XL slippers, ~~Size 22x22 jeans~~, Size M sweatpants, cologne, body wash
- Male #8 - Size M-wide slippers, Size XL pull-over sweaters, non-skid socks, Size XL polo shirts, cologne, body wash, shampoo
- Male #9 - Size 13 or XL-Wide slippers, Size L sweatpants, Size L long sleeve shirts, ~~painting supplies, canvases, color pencils, drawing pad~~
- Female #10 - ~~Size 7/8 pants~~, Size M shirts, ~~black stretchy pants~~, Size S/M red/pink shirts, Size 10 slippers, blush/mascara/eye shadow, ~~adult coloring books~~, chocolate, fluffy non-skid socks
- Female #11 - Ladies electric razor, Size XL blouses, elastic waste pants, make-up, nail polish, ~~Size 7/8 slippers, bracelet~~, non-skid socks, ~~Montego Red 100s~~, hair accessories, ~~Large print word search books~~, body wash, body spray
- Female #12 - ~~Keystone beer~~, Size XL tops, ~~Montego Red 100s~~, blush (not red but darker than light), Size 2X sweatpants (straight legs with pockets), hair dryer, Nexus-Humectress hair conditioner
- Female #13 - Baby doll with accessories, Size SL-wide slippers, Size 2X pajamas set, ~~jewelry~~, socks, matching outfit (Size XL top/Size L bottom), body wash, body spray, ~~hair barrettes/clips~~, Large print word search book
- Female #14 - ~~Size S, fleece jacket, pull over sweatshirt, coffee mug~~, lotion, body spray, body wash
- Female #15 - Fuzzy non-skid socks, ~~knitting supplies (yarn, knitting needles)~~, Nivea lotion, Size S sweatpants, Size M pull-over sweater, body wash, body spray
- Female #16 - Size XL-2X pajamas set, adult coloring books/gel pens, shirts, pants, slip-on shoes, ~~dresses~~, nightgown, body spray, body wash, ~~Large print word search book~~
- Female #17 - ~~Size 10 comfy slip on shoes, Size 2X pajamas set~~, long sleeve shirts, short sleeve shirts, sweatpants, body wash body spray
- Female #18 - Size 2x pull-over sweaters, Size 2X elastic waist pants, Size 2X stretchy underwear, body spray, body wash
- Female #19 - Ladies electric razor, Size XL sweats, ~~Size XL thermal tops~~, Size 9 fleece-lined slippers, Kriss Kross puzzle book (Big Book Ultimate), ~~Large print word search books~~, socks, body wash, body spray
- Female #20 - Beach towel, baby doll clothes (Size Preemie), Size M long, thin sweats, Size M Boise State zip-up hoodie, Size M plain colored zip-up hoodies and matching leggings, Amazon gift cards for books
- Female #21 - Life-like doll, hair brush, Size 2X robe, shampoo, lotion, body spray, body wash, Size 9 comfy slip-on shoes (low backs)
- Female #22 - Body wash, shampoo/conditioner, Size L button-up long sleeves or cotton long sleeves, Size L pajamas set, socks, Size L or 12 elastic waist jeans
- Female #23 - Size XL tops, Size XL leggings, sweatpants, ankle socks, Size XL underwear, adult coloring book, gel pens, ~~colored pencils, notebooks~~, shampoo-conditioner, body spray, body wash, snacks
- Female #24 - Size 9 shoes, knee-length robe, solid-bottom slippers, ladies electric razor
- Female #25 - Size M shirts/blouses, elastic waist sweatpants, Size 7 1/2 simple laced low-top tennis shoes, lotion, body spray, body wash
- Male #10 - Size 4X-5X sweatpants, sweatshirts, Size 5X t-shirts, ~~Coke, diet Pepsi~~, Yeti cup, Dutch Bros gift card, Size 3X basketball shorts, 6 mg Zyn
- Male #11 - Size 5X t-shirts, Size 5X elastic waist shorts, long socks
- Male #12 - Ted hose stockings, Size 36 camo pants, Size 2X Green Bay Packers shirt, ~~RC Cola, Dr. Pepper~~, photo paper for a Canon Selphy 1300 machine, hard Jolly Ranchers
- Male #13 - Size L sweatpants, underwear, t-shirts with pockets, Size 10 tennis shoes, socks, deodorant, cologne, shampoo
- Female #26 - Size XL clothes, Size L knee high pantyhose, ~~Size 9 wide slip on shoes (no sandals), chocolate, Doritos~~, salty crackers/chips, Covergirl red or dark pink lipstick
- Male #14 - Size XL-2X sweatpants, t-shirts with pocket, socks, ~~chew~~, crackers, ~~Pepsi~~
- Male #15 - Size XL-2X elastic waist sweatpants/shorts, t-shirts, socks, slippers, underwear, SF 49ers hat or blanket
- Female #27 - Size 2X pajamas set, matching outfit (elastic waist, pull-over blouse), pull-over sweatshirts, knit sweater Size 10-wide slippers, word search books, ~~fuzzy blanket~~
- Male #16 - Size 2X tops, Size XL bottoms, sweats, long sleeve jersey, Size 10 shoes, Amazon gift card for books, ~~snacks (popcorn, crackers, Fig Newtons)~~, shampoo, body wash
- Female #28 - Verners soda, ~~Size 2X pajamas set, small Christmas tree for room~~, Sudoku books, light pink nail polish, compression socks 15--20s (XL calf)
- Male #17 - Size XL button-up long sleeve flannel shirt. Size XL pajamas set, shoe Size 9 1/2, long white cotton socks, reader glasses (2.0)
- There are 15 beds that are high-turnover in the Rehab Wing. Miscellaneous items for these people that come and go would be appreciated. They could be either male or female when Christmas arrives
- Miscellaneous items: Blankets to take home, lotions, lap tables, reading lamps, gift cards, puzzle books, snack items (candy/crackers), pajamas sets and sweat suits (miscellaneous sizes), gloves

Gifts for residents may be dropped off at the Owyhee Avalanche office,
19 E. Idaho Ave., between 8am-noon and 1pm-5pm Mon-Fri.

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*Ariel C., Tina DuBose's class,
Homedale Elementary*

Ariel C.

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Wednesday, November 27, 2024

Section B



Homedale Chamber of Commerce presents...

CHRISTMAS

NIGHT LIGHT

PARADE

6:00 pm - Saturday, November 30th

THE ME:
OLD TIME FAMILY CHRISTMAS

- Parade Lineup - 5:30 pm
- Parade - 6 pm

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Homedale Chiropractic Center	RehabAuthority
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Homedale Senior Center	Street Dogs
Home Team Real Estate	Tolmie's Appliance
Idaho Power	Uria Pump/Owyhee Sewer
Insurers of Idaho/Intermountain	US Bank
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Homedale Elementary

Marina Brookshire's third-graders

I am thankful for sports. I love soccer and I like football. I like running and kicking the ball. I am thankful animals and pets. I like animals because they are funny. My dog come to me when I get home from school. My Dog lay down with me when am sad.

I am thankful for water. Water is a good drink. You can swim in water, water give you hungry, water awake your brain. when your brain is tired.

Myles A.

I am thankful for these three things: School, my Cousin and my brother.

School makes me feel happy and peaceful. there are good teachers who help you. It is a nice place to be because there is good food.

My Cousin is a very nice teacher. She is also funny. She loves me and talks to me.

When I want to play outside.

I go with my brother. He races me and plays basketball. I really like Spending time with my brother.

Mario A.

I am thankful for My Parents and my bed. My parents keep me safe and give me great food. I am thankful for my bed because it keeps me warm and I feel at peace.

I am also thankful for my motorcycle because I have fun riding and doing wheelies on it.

Isaac B.

I am thankful.

One thing I am thankful for my pets because they are cuddly and playful. Our dog Cain loves to play fetch when he gets the toy he runs so fast and lays and chews on it.

He is cuddly. Cain loves pets he lays and I pet him.

Next, I am thankful for my family. I am thankful because I have my mom and dad, my 2 sisters, and my brothers. One thing, they play with me. One other thing is we go places that are fun.

One last thing I am thankful for is electricity. I am thankful because we can use lights and wi-fi. A thing is we can turn the light on and the we can turn them off. Wi-fi is useful

because lots of things use it.
Brinley B.

I am thankful for Holidays because on Christmas it is Jesus's birthday. We go to our great grandmother house. At her house we eat dinner. Holidays are fun because we celebrate them.

I am thankful for books. You get to read things you might laugh about. Learning how to read is important. You get to learn because of your reading.

I am thankful for the army. They rescued their life for us. Boot camp is where they train. My unkel was in boot camp.

Elsie B.

I am thankful
Something that I am thankful for is the Trojan community because people in the community are nice. And my brother plays on the Trojan football team. People are nice because they give us food. And the people that play on the Trojan football team.

Second, I am thankful for trees. They give us air so you can breathe on earth. So we can live on earth. Trees give us shade to block the sun.

Third I am thankful for a house because when you have a house you have a roof above your head. So you can sleep. And when you have a house to cook. So you can eat.

Leonardo C.

I am Thankful for my dog, Tay, because he is funny. Because He is playful and He loves me. I am Thankful for my mom because She is nice. She loves me and feeds me. I am Thankful for my grand because she loves me. And She is nice. She is funny.

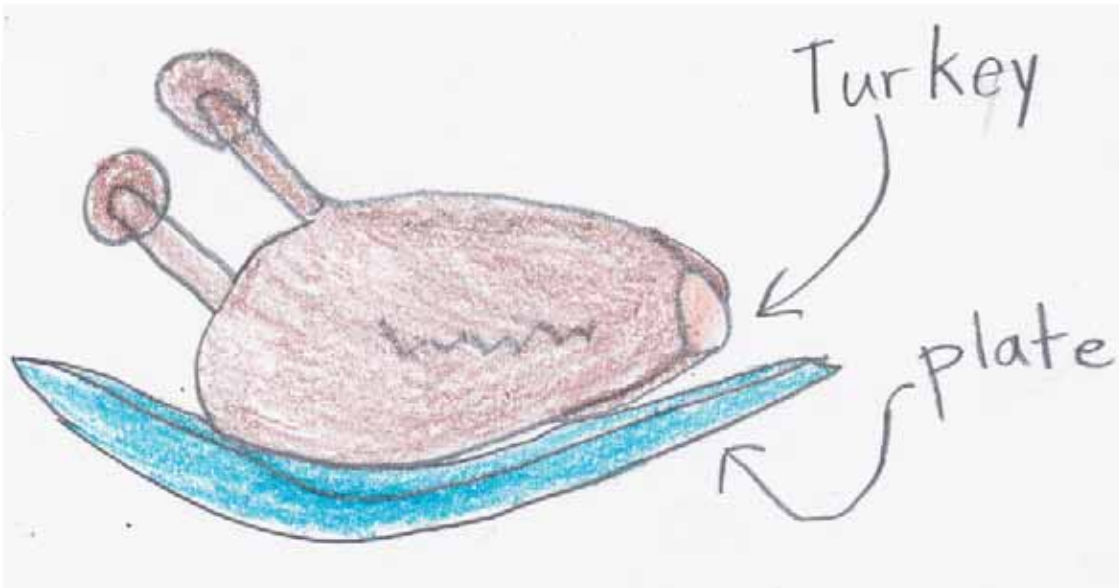
Lavena F.

I am thankful for my three cousins and my family. I have three cousins older than me, and we play tag on Thanksgiving. My family sets the table together and we got food. I love Thanksgiving.

Tylee F.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I'm thankful for and why.

First, I am thankful for Books



Emory K., Marina Brookshire's class, Homedale Elementary

Because there are books called Diary of a Wimpy Kid, the tale of Deseraux.

Second, I am thankful for technology. I get a phone. Also a computer.

Third I am thankful for life. In life I have my family I am so happy because they made me into what I became. I am so happy I have life.

Carter G.

I am thankful
Something I am thankful for is my family because they are funny and sweet. they take care of me and they like to make me laugh when they pretend not to know me.

I am also thankful for my pets. I am thankful for my pets because they make me smile. When they see me they meow also they cuddle me. the third thing I am thankful for is school it also helps me learn how to read I also get to see my teacher she is the best.

Hazel H.

I am thankful to live in America because we have freedom, electricity, and homes. We have food, water, and bedrooms too. We even have bathrooms! We are very lucky to live in America. We have the opportunity to go to school and get educated and go to public libraries and more! A lot, lot more!!!

I am thankful for electricity because we have things that turn like, technology and so we can get educated. Things like, computers and more. I am also thankful for electricity because now we have light switches so that we can see in the dark?

The third thing I'm thankful

for is my great, great family!!

Rio H.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why.

First, I am thankful for my animals because they are cute. Also is that they are playful.

Then, I am thankful for my family because they are helpful. Also when they are hardworking too.

Last, I am thankful for farms because they give us food. Also they have cute animals.

The end. Thank you for reading this.

Emory K.

I am thankful.

One of the things I'm thankful for is electricity. I'm thankful for this because of lights. Lights let us see in the dark. It also lets us see.

I'm also thankful for

technology. Technology also lets us play games. Phones let us search up things to know. It also lets us all people of an emergency.

The third thing I'm also thankful for is trees. Trees also make oxygen. Oxygen lets us breathe and live. Trees also give us shade if we are hot.

Emiliano L.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why.

First, I am thankful for school because we learn to do math. We also learn reading. Second I am thankful for living in America because we have freedom and we're not being attacked. Third, I am thankful for my family who care for me and give me clothes. they also give me a house to live in with

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I’m thankful for my sister because she plays with me. I’m thanful for God and Jesus because they forgive me and love me. I’m thankful for my mom. She takes care of me and loves me.

Valentina A.R.

I’m so thankful. First, I am thankful for my loving Church becaus you are blessing god and it helps alot alot, next

I am really thankful. I am really thankful for trees because they give you oxygen and they are great for wood and go great with christmas!! next

I appreciate my mom and dad becaus they take care of me and feed me, buy me cloths, and love me and they are always there for me ♥ , next

I'm grateful for having a school to lean in cause not all kids like me don't get to go to school like me and that's why I'm grateful for everything thank you for listening.

Ariel C.

I am thankful for my sister because she helps me with my go kart. She is always nice to me and she always helps me with games.

I am thankful for my mom becus she plays football with me

Junior C.

I’m Thankful

I am Thankful for God. I love God because he makes me happy all the time. He keeps me safe and it makes me happy. I pray to him every night and it makes me feel good.

I am thankful for Jesus. I’m thankful for Jesus because he makes me feel good everyday. His bithday was on Chrismas and he was born on Chrismas. He makes me feel brave all the time I love Jesus so much.

I am thankful for my family. I’m thankful for my family I love my family. They care about me so much. They help me when I make a mistake on my math or my reading.

Harlie C.

I am Thankful.

I am thonkful my stuffies because they make me Happy. I am also grateful for my pretty cats, Maple and Sara. They are nice and sleep on my bed with me. I’m thankful for my loving family they take me camping and on exkiting trips I love all these things so much.

Ellie E.

I’m extremely thankful.

First, I’m thankful for my helpfel family. My helpful family supports me we I need help. We also like to celebrate holidays a lot.

Then I’m grateful for my house. It provides Shelter and I feel like I’m safe. Finally I appreciate my wonderful life. I like the trees and the pools and the zoo. That’s why im thankful.

Adrian E.

I’m supper thankful. First, I am thankful for my nice family because When I am sad they cheer me up. Me and my nice family like to celebrate brithday and Hollidays together. Next, I am grateful for my amasing school. my favorite teacher is amasing Mrs. Wilson when I want to learn I can trust my school teachers. last I’m grateful for healthy food. It provides me a hellthy body. Those are just a few things I am thankful for.

Aniyah G.

I am thankful for earth. I am thankful for earth because we can live on earth. We can live on earth because we have food, resorses, water, and homes. We have lots of thing to live on earth school, cars, and lots more.

I am thankful for life. I am thankful life because if we wernt even a thing nothing would be a thing. One thing in my life is playing with dogs and pupies. Something in my life is my friend coming to my house.

I am thankful for water. Water is helthey and water is very important in life. Water helps you stay alive. Water can be in a waterbaloon and make water fun.

Haddon G.

I am thankful for pets. I am thankful for pets because I can play with them. I am thankful for pets besause I can throw the ball and they come back. I am thankful for pets because thay maik me feal safe.

I am thankful for School. I am thankful for School because we practes drels. I am thankful for School because of the food. I am thankful for School because of the teachers.

I am thankful for God and Jesus.

I am thankful for God and Jesus because God made erth and Jesus died on the cros. I



Kimber P., Tina DuBose’s class, Homedale Elementary

am thankful for God because he made life. I am thankful for Jesus because he made water.

Landynn G.

I am thankful for my brother and sisters. My brother plays video games with me and protects me from anything bad. My sisters also protect me and play with me.

James G.

Thanksgiving is a time to thing about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why.

First, I am thankful for my friends because they cheer me up when I am sad, and I can play with them when I am bord or have sleepovers.

Second, I am thankful for God and Jessus because they made earth and the animals on earth. Without God I wouldn’t be alive.

Third, I am thankful for my family because they are the ones I spend most of my time with, and they spend there money on me.

Paislee H.

I’m Thankful for School suplies becase it helps us erase, write, and is used for work. We should not treat them bad becuse the suplies help us do stuff. My favorit supli is a pensile. I can draw with them.

I’m Thankful for Water. If we didn’t have water, we would be driking unhealthy stuff. Water is impotment beacuse it is helthy.

I’m Thankful for God. God made trees and tres give us oxsigin. God’s bithday is on Chrsmas. If we didn’t have a God we wouldent have trees so we wouldent be here to.

Jocelyn H. V.

I am thankful for my family.

I love my family because they play outside with me. I love to watch a movie with

them in my living room. They help me with my homework in the kitchen table.

I am thankful for my dogs. I love my dogs because they protect me from strangers. My dogs like to play with me outside. My dogs love to run and chace me around.

I am thankful for holidays. I love holidays because we spend time with my cousins and Aunts. I love to bake jello with my mom and sisters. I love to play outside or inside with my sisters.

Tiffany J.

I am thankful for dancing, helping in class, and my dad and my mom too.

Addie L.

I’m super thankful. first, I am thankful for my nice family. My nice family supports me when I need help. We also like to celebrate holidays. Next, I’m grateful for fresh food and water. They provide energy. Finally, I’m grateful for God and Jesus. They give me Joy and peace.

Allison L.

Thanksgiving is a time to talk About What We are thankful for. I am going to share three things im thankful for First parents they care about you, they buy you food.

Second Im thankful for Jesus and God. they take care of earth. they made earth.

Third Im thankful for food and water food and water keep you living food and water keep you healthy.

I hope you have a nice thanksgiving. What are you thankful for?

Ryder M.

I’m so thankful. First I’m thankful for my big family they are kind to me I have the best family.

Next I’m grateful for trees i like trees if you don’t have the fruit that comes off trees.

last I’m grateful for water If

you don’t have water then you wont have the ocean snow and the water you drink.

Drexel M.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about Who We are thankful for. I am going to Share With You three things I am thankful for and why.

First i am thankful for a bed to sleep in because if i didn’t have a bed to sleep in I would be sleeping on the floor. Also because my parents paid for that bed. Second I am thankful for my family because they do so much for me. Also because they teach and show me things. I am thankful for my dog because he always cheers me up when I am Sad. He is also the cutest. Those are all of the three things I am thankful for! Have a good Thanksgiving!

Sky O.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share three things I am thankful for and wny. First, I am thankful for my family because they help guid me through life. They also they are loveing, hard-working, and do many thing for me. Second, I am thankful for a safe home because not everyone has a safe home. Also I’m thankful that my home is warm and cozy. Third, I am thankful for resources like food and water. Resources help me survive.

These are the things I am thankful for. I wish you a happy thanksgiving!

Kimber P.

I’m Thankful for my dogs. I’m Thankful for my sister. I’m really Thankful.

First, I am thankful for my nice family. My nice family supports me when I am sad. My mom my dad and my sister we celebrate are birthday. Next, I’m grateful for my sweet dad. He’s my sweet

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I am thankful for my family. I love my family because they are nice, helpful and caring. I love to play games will my family. I love to watch movies with them.

I am thankful for my friends. I like friends because they are nice and helpful. I love to play games outside with them. I lik to walk and talk with them.

I am thankful for my teacher. I love my because she is nice. I like to work with my teacher. I like that she lets us have free time

Taytem A.

I am thankful for my do. When I do not know what to play sometimes I go outside and play fetch whith my dog and I teach him tricks.

And I am thankful for my family. in the morning my mom drives me and my brother to scool. And my dad helps me do math. Also my mom keeps the house clean.

Also I am thankful for my sibling. We play together and my sibling is nice to me. Also my sibling is helpful.

Nova. A

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why.

First, I am thankful for my family because they are so kind to me. They are always there for me when I need them. Second, I am thankful for my teacher Ms. Johnson because she helps me be as smart as I am right now. I am also thankful for her because she is kind and she is a great teacher. Third, I am thankful for my friends because they are really nice to me. Also they help me when I need help I am so thankful for them. These are three things I am thankful for and why. I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving! Thank you for reading this.

Lauren B.

I am thanful for God because he made the whole world. He loves me and he helps me learn in my head.

I am thankful for my parents. Because they love me so much they like. That they take me



Ainara R., Bekah Johnson’s class, Homedale Elementary

to School. They love me so much. I am thankful for my pets. Because they love me so much. They like to play with me and I love them my dogs are Named Patrick and Frank. My mom got them for me.

Tenaya C.

I’m very thankful. First, I am thankful for my caring family. My caring family supports me at my Basketball games. We also like to play games and celebrate birthdays. Next, I’m grateful for my playful pet. My playful pet Ron keeps me safe. Finally, I’m appreciaiva of my kind Basketball teammates. They

help me up when I fall. We like to spend time together. We play together. Those are just a few things I’m grateful for.

Cylee D.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why. First, I am thankful for my family because they provide for me. They help me through hard things. Second, I am thankful for my pets because some people can’t afford pets. I am thankful for my pet also because my mom and dad

bought a dog for me. Third, I am thankful for friends, because they support me. They are nice too. Theese are three things that I am thankful for. I wish you a happy thanksgiving.

Aveline G.

First, I am thanful for my caring sister supports me when I get hurt. We go to the store to get my birth Day stuff. Next, I’m thankful for my warm house. I’m thanful for my warm house becuse it keeps my food warm. Finnly I’m apprecive of my wonderful

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Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why.

First, I am thankful for my dad because he appreciates my talents. He is also a very good coach when it comes to sports.

Second, I am thankful for my grandma because she is very friendly to all people and supports me at all my games and tournaments. My grandma is very kind to me.

Third, I am thankful for my mom because she loves watching me in all of my sports and takes care of me. I am also thankful for my mom because she takes care of me.

These are three things I am thankful for and why. I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving.

Nolan A.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you and shy. First, I am thankful for my mom. Becuase she helps me when somthing is very hard. I am thankful for my dad because he gives me food on the table. Thank you for reading this.

Alexander B.

I am thankful for My mom because She washes My Clothes and she makes me dinner.

I am thankful for My dad because My dad tells me jokes and My dad takes me hunting.

I am thankful for God. He does a lot of things for me. He helped me win a football game.

Remington B.

I am Thankful for my parents and brothers. My brothers because they protect me and take me with them. I am thankful for my parents because they help me and let me watch Youtube.

Omar C.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what i am thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why.

First, I am thankful for my mom because She loves the outdoors Anventrues. She takes care of me. And I sometimes take care of myself.

Second, I am thankful for my dog mylo because he loves to help me throught my homework if i am having a

hard time. He Loves sleeping with me at night even though he gose in a kennel. And he Loves to play with me. Third, I am thankful for my brother. he Loves to play with me outside, he helps me through my homework. And he loves to play games with me. foruth I am thankful for my dad. He helps me with my homework. He Loves how I show my kindness. And he Loves going hunting with me. Thank you for reading this!

Brooklyn C.

I am thankful for Mr. Johnson because he teaches me math. When I come to school, I am happy to see Mr. Johnson. I know that Mr. Johnson is happy for everybody and me.

I am also thankful for my family. They take care of me when I stay at my house. My family is nice and kind to me. Sometimes I get to choose what we eat.

I am thankful for my friends because they are nice and kind to me when I am sad. I respect my friends and they respect me too and they are cool.

Ximena C.

What I am thankful for is my mom. My mom makes sure there is food on the table. And my mom also made sure that there was a roof over my head. My mom helps my with my homework too.

Jax G.

I’m super thankful. First, I am thankful for my kind family. They make sure I have fresh food and water. Also They mack sure I go to school with clean clothes. I’m grateful for my kind dad. He put a roof over my head. He helps me with my math. Finally, I’m thankful for my farm.

I can come home to my animals and I love talk to my them.

These are a few reasons that I am thankful.

Blakely H.

I’m thankful for my Mom. She makes sure that i have food and clothes. And she makes my life Great.

I’m thankful for my Dad. he buys me snaks and toys. And other esenchles.

I’m thankful for my brother he gives me company.

Elena H.

I am thankful for my grandparents and my Elmo puppet. My grandparents love



Blakely H., Toby Johnson’s class, Homedale Elementary

me and take care of me. My Elmo comforts me and makes me feel safe.

Hailey K.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why. First, I am thankful for my friends the reason I am thankful for my friends is because they are loving and cheerful. I also appreciate them all being helpful. Second, I am thankful for my family the reason I am thankful for my family is because I love spending time with them. Another reason I am thankful for my family is because they love me and care about me and love me. Third, I am thankful for my dogs the reason I am thankful for my dogs is because they are kind and sweet. I also love my dogs because they are nice to me when I am sad. These are some things I am thankful for. I wish you a happy Thanksgiving. What are you thankful for?

Harlow L.

I am thankful

I am thankful for my family. My family helps me with practice. My family helps me get through hard times. When I practice getting on bulls I can count on my family.

I am also thankful for my horses. When I ride my horses they bring me good luck and they bring me a lot of joy and hope. When I ride my butiful horses I like to team rope, brake away, and row cut. That is my favorite They bring me joy and hope because I have been riding Horses since I was little and it makes me think I am little again.

The 3rd thing I am thankful for is my goats. I had 49 goats but some of them died because they got really sick and it was not good at all. When I have nothing to do, I go out to my

really big goat roping arena that my dad helped me make and I rope my goats. It is so much fun to rope my goats.

Kash M.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why. First, I am thankful for my friends because they suport me. And are kind to me. Second I’m thankful for special pets because they can cheer you up when your upset. Lastly I am thankful for my family because they made me. They also take care of me and feed me and my sisters.

What are you thankful for. Happy Thanksgiving. God Bless you!

Maddasyn M.

I am thankful for my family. I am thankful for my family because they are nice to me. They love me so much I love them. My family keeps me safe. I trust them.

I am thankful for my dog. My dog keeps me safe. He plays with me. He is funny to me.

I am thankful for my firends. My firends play with me. They make me happy They are funny. They are so nice.

Paisley M.

I am thankful for family. I am thankful for my family because they take care of me. They trust me and respect me. My family provides me a home and loves me.

I am also thankful for my cat. I am thankful fro my cat because it makes my day. My cat is by my side when I am scared. My cat is always there to make me happy. I am also thankful for my friends. They keep me company. They help me if I get hurt. They help me if I fall. They also care a bout me.

Malachi M.

I am thankful for my family. I am thankful for them beacause they cheer me up when I’m sad. They tell me jokes. They make me laugh.

The second thing I am thankful for is my friends. I am thankful for my friends beacause they always help me. If I fell they would ask me If I’m ok and help me up. Also we are nice to each other.

Last but not least I am thankful for my rat. He loves to play and snugle. Also he keeps me entertained I love him beacause he is so loving.

Kenai R.

I am thankful for my dogs. I have two dogs I am thankfull for my dogs because they can sleep with me. They keep me warm. I can play with them one of there names are Thor and the other one is Roper.

I am thankful for my mom and dad. I am verry thankful for my mom and dad because there the ones who made me. And now I am living a good life. My dad is getting all of this money from his job. My mom takes care of me.

I am thankful for my siblings. I have two siblings. I have a little sister, And a big brother. They can be anoying a lot.

Trippi R.

I am thankful for my grandma because she helps me. She helps me read a word. She helps me cook so when I get older I will know how to cook. I am thankful for my granny because she hugs me because she missed me. She loves me because I do a good job. I help her because she has a hard time doing stuff. I am thankful for my Adrin he helps my grandma grab stuff. My grandma helps my Adrin do stuff. Adrin helps my granny walk.

Katy R.

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Janet Anderson's third-graders

Things I'm Thankful for

Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I'm thankful for. I appreciate my family, a house, and food. I'm especially thankful for my family because my family keeps me safe and warm. And they make me feel good and they appreciate me. They give me every thing I need. I also appreciate a house because it keeps me warm and keeps me safe. And gives me a warm place to sleep. Finally, I'm grateful for food because food gives me strenght and keeps me alive. Also it keeps me healthy and happy. As I enjoy this holiday season, I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. For a house, and food and my family are very important to me.

Jackson A.

What i am thankful for.

Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things i am thankful for. I appreciate my house, family, and food. I am especially thankful for family because they take care of me and give me support. I also appreciate my house because it keeps

my dry and keeps me warm. Finally, i'm grateful for food because it Let's me life and it's yummy. As i enjoy this holiday season, I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. My house, food and family are very important to me.

Keegan B.

Thing I am thankful for.

Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things i' thankful for. I appreciate my little sister, Wyatt and David C. I'm especially thankful for my little sister because she is my little sister. She is nice. She is cyoot. I also appreciate Wyat because He is my friend. He plays with me. He is nice. Finally I'm grateful for David C because he is my frenid. He plays with me. He is nice. As I enjoy this holiday season, I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. my little sister, Wyatt and David C. are very important to me

Jackson C.

things i'm thankful for

Wyatt. he is a very good friend and he Plays with me



Jackson A., Janet Anderson's class, Marsing Elementary

all day. roblox it has fun games that I like to Play all day. food. it Keeps me alive., and it tastes good.

fall down protect me and my family a lot and I love them.

Aniah D.

David C.

Things I'm thankful for.

She is sad when I go to school and go to the park when I go home she is happy to see me. My mom is sad when I go to school and sad when she go to work and She is happy when She come back from work. My Dad is sad when He go to work and He is sad when I go to

Rosario C.

Wat I am thankful.

Cuase I am the oner uv
my pets and I allsole Love
my family and I care for my
friends I care for my friends a
Lot and Help Lem up wen they

things I am thankful for.

thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I am thankful for. I appreciate my family, friends and my house. I'm especially thankful for my family because they help me with stuff that I need help with it is nice and kind of them to do that kind stuff for me when I need it. I also appreciate my friends because they Play with me. They encourage me to do new stuff. It is nice of them and it help's me and I have a lot of friends. Finally I am greatful for my house because it keep's me safe from storms and other kind of stuff that could happen. and it stores all my stuff that I

need to have to live my life. to stay alive and have great life. as I enjoy this holiday season I realize I have many reasons to be thankful for my house, family and friends are very important to me.

Gracelynn H.

Thing im Thankful for

dog family friends.

Im especially Thankful for My Dog because He protects me. He barks when I need him to. When I tell him to sit he sits. he wags his tail when he needs to go to the bathroom. I also appreciate My family because My mom takes care of me. She feeds me when Im hungry. My sister helps me with my math. my brother teaches me

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Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things i’m thankful for i appreciate family teacher and dog i’m especially thankful for teacher because they you get getter at stuff like reading math and writing and they’re fun they give you fun stuff to do. the work they give us is fun to do i love work cause good grades. i also appreciate dog because its fuzzy it likes to play Fetch it also likes to chase me its so fun with my dog its so cute ann cozy its so soft. finally i’m grateful for family because they’re fun love so much they play fun they’re funny they love playing

Beckham Q.

thinings I’m thakful for
thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I’m thankful for. I appreciate my mom food and water I’m especially thankful for jesus. Jesus hellp me live and he made the erth and he gave us food. I also appreciate School because it hellps me lorn so I can get Smart and make me be able to rite sententes and read and meny other things School makes you be able to be smart and go in divrant grads and get smarter. Finally i’m grateful for food because food helps me live and it is good for you when you are hungry and if you don’t eat food your Stomach will Probably hurt and you Probably whold not want your stomach to hurt. As I enjoy this holiday season I realize that I have many reasons

Kaydence A.

I appreciate family,electricity and food I’m especially thankful for food because we couldn’t grow and we would die of hunger. we wouldint be alive and we wouldint have plants and trees because no more food. I also appreciate family because how are you gonna celebrate with you with your family in chirismis and more holidays. Your family helps you too.

Julio A.

Things I’m Thankful for
Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I’m thankful for. I appreciate family, my gecko, and my frog. I’m especially thankful for family because they help me with things. they play with me. They make me food, and they buy me toys, clothes, and suplies for school. I also appreciate my gecko because reptiles are one of my favorite types of animals.

I want to protect it from the things that could kill it in the wild. I like to watch it catch crickets.
Finally, I’m grateful for my frog because I love amphibians. It is super cute. I want to make sure it is safe from predators it is smooth and smooth things sometimes calm me down.
James C.

Things I’m Thankful for
My dog and My Phona and It was fun and fufe and she was cuet and she was big and I like to take yoshe outside for a waek and I like to run with yoshe and my Pencil box and My Phona and my toys and My Mom Dad for My Phona. Because I tel her if I can get a Phona and she said yes and I was happy and she got me a Phona and I like my new Phona and my mom got me new toys and My toys back because my brothr bak and I was made and mad and mad I was soupr mad and I tak to my mom and She got me a new toys and my mom got my brothr a toy and my Mom got her gug and she rehat of gug and she hand to go to the stor ugn and she didn not stak ehemad and me and brothr because me and brothr we wr play out side in the gass.
Sofiya H.

Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I’m thankful for. I appreciate mom, Dad, clocks. I’m especially thankful for food because it helps me be healthy and strong it also keeps us alive and so we can live for ever. I also appreciate my brain because it helps me be smart and smartr ich time I raed it also helps me learn helps me raed and helps me thing, it helps me ever day. Finally, I’m grateful for books because they help me read words more easy. Next they help me not litr, like a cookbook and get me smautr. As I enjoy this holiday season I realize that I have many reaons to be thankful. cars, sklool, and mom and dad are very important to me.

David E.

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Ruby D., McKenzie Baggett’s class, Marsing Elementary

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Alexandra R.

Things I’m thankfull for
ThanksGiveing reminds me of all things I’m Thankfull for. I appreciate My Family, my house, and Friends. I’m especially thankfull For my Family becuse they do a lot and work hard. I LOVE them. they help me make my bed. my Mom makes me FOOD. they clean my bedroom When I’m gone. they buy me toy at stores and theyre nice. I also appreciate my house becuse it Keeps me warm and sleep in it it’s very cocy. and I Like to have my own room.

Rocky E.

Things i’m Thankful for
I am tankful for my family because they love me and takes care of me and I Love my family. I live with my family and they love me so much to. I also am thankful for my friends they are kind an helpful and they care a lot about me and I care a lot about them. Some of my friends I have known sense kinder garden and I love my friends. I also am thankful for my house because it keeps me safe and warm and keeps me from getting wet in the rain and keeps me from getting cold in storms. I love my house and

we take care of it to.
Ruby D.

Thing I’m Thankful for.
Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I’m thankful for. I appreciate food, water and cars. I’m especially thankful for food because is healthy for you it is good for you. other why I eat a lot of meat and veg. So I can get strong. The Thank for ne starving. I also appreciate water because it good and healthy and ne starving and you know that 78% of the world is covered in water is The water is so good so good so thaks for water. Finally I’m gateful for a car because it helps us go to place to place The car is so cumpfe and nice As I enjoy this holiday season I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. food, water and car are very important to me.

Tallon K.

Thigs I’m Thankful For
Thanksgiving reminds me of all the thigs I’m thankful for. I appreciate my family, my farm and school. I’m especially thankful for my family because they keep me safe if I am in danger. They also help me when I need it. They cheer me up if I am sad and help me if I am mad. My brother helps me when I’m hurt. I also appreciat my farm because my cows are friendly and when we eat them they give us a reason to get them. I also like playing with my dogs. I like to sleep with my cat. I always want more animals. Finily, I’m grateful for school because I like to learn new things. I also like to read and write but my favorite subsect is math. I’m thankful for teachers too. As I enjoy this holiday season, I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful, my family, my farm, and school are very important to me.

Quinn G.

Things I’m Thankful for.
Family I love them they play with me and when I feal sad they find a way to chear me

up and when I am stuck they help me. Book’s I love to read a lot and when I get stuck on a question I can read a book to help and it helps me with a lot of writing if I get stuck on a word I can look for that word in a book. Learning I love to do work when I do work I can learn it helps me with a lot of things I just like it.

Brionna D.

I am thankful my Dog is kind to me we play with his boll and tag and baseball and with my family and with my Brother and my Dog. I am thuful my brother for my brother he is kind to me and we play with my Brother tag and Play with my Dog and my mom and my Dad. I am Thankful for my mom She is kind to me she giveme food and give me books and toy and shod and School and we go to The Sotd She Bisd me a toy.
Yarrellie M.

It keeps me safe and it helps me up wen I fall. and it is fussy and it is furry thay protect me. tay me and it is cause thay keep me safe and thay are happy family thay help me if im to should and dad yent to get sum them for me at the store. and got me a drink my mom got me a toy becase I listened at home my sister helpt me getup dogs cats kiity pupeys

Riley F.

things I’m thankful for
Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I’m thankful for. I appreciate family food and house. I’m especially thankful for family because they can buy a house so we can sleep inside the house so we won’t get wet outside because the house is protecting us from the rain so we won’t get wet outside. I also appreciate food because I like to cut I like food because I like to eat so I won’t get hungry and my mom cooks amazing food and I like the food because it is so good and I like to eat the

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Aleasa Herman's third-graders

Things I'm thankful for

Thanksgiving reminds me of all the thing I'm thankful for. I appreciate the turkey the food and the people.

I also appreci Family because I LOVE my mom and dad. I like to play with my brother. I love my Dog Rolly. I like to play fech

I'm appreciate thankful for witer becaues its reminds me of fun times I had like the presents and the snow. it also reminds me of ginglebells and the food

Finally I'm grateful for home because I like to sleep, I like to sit and play with toys I'am glad we live in a house.

Henry B.

I love familly because it mkes my heart fussy inside there aslo make me feel good. im grateful for living on this planet.

I aslo appreciate my bed because the one thing i want to do Im grateful for television games on tv Because It is fun the world Because the Planet is grate Books i love to read I'm friends because i love

to play with them my mom and Dad Because i love them im grateful for living on this planet. my Bed Because i Want to sleep tv Because i want

Liam B.

Things I'm Thankful for

Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I'm thankful for. I appreciate Kitties, my dog, and friends. I'm especially thankful for Kitties because Kittys are cute and funny. They love me and protectx me. I also appreciate my dog because she protects me and She plays with me. She is funny and She runs wth me. She hepls me and sleep with me. She love me.

Finally, I'm greatful for friends because my friends

April G.

Thaning I'm thankful for

Tanksgiveing reminds of the things I'm thankful for. I appreciate trees, animals, and nature. I'm especially thankful for water because with out water people will die of thirst and people will not be able to plant crops and there will be no food no bleys, wheat and



Henry B., Aleasa Herman's class, Marsing Elementary

mor food I can't ever say. I also appreciate foo because without food people will die of hunger. I like eating because I'm brother My litt sister can't stop eating everything. I get she eats. She even eat my tote bags. Finally, I'm grateful for mom's because without my mom I wanti be born I wanti be living the life I'm I'm living now. If I was still born it wasint for my mom I will be dead. As I enjoy this holiday season, I realise that I have many reasons to be thankful for water, food and and money are very important to me.

Juan D.

im thankful for...

My mom, earth, Jesus, i Love my mom because She feed me i Love our earth because its a

good enviornment i also Love Jesus because he died for US and Portect us for any harm i Love my mom because She Cuddles with me and She Loves me and my Siblings and im thankul for earth because i Live in it and i Would love thos Stuff forever and ever i Love the earth and my mom and Jesus im so thankful for them i Will never Forget them they are So Sweet i Love my Lord and Savior and our earth and my Mom Forever and i love those stuff Forever and i will never loose them i'll Keep them forever and i would do anything to Keep them to my Side i will Love them them and take Care for them.

Nayelee G.

all the things I'm thankful for. I appreciate animals, places, and family. I'm especially thankful for the world because The world is what we live on and if we did not have a world then were would we live and people need the world so they can live. I also appreciate animals because Animals we need animals so we have meet and so we can have pets. Finally, I'm gratefull for family because if we did not have familys then we would not have people, or friends, or family then how would we then how wold we get to play with someone? As I enjoy this holiday season, I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. Trees, air, and people

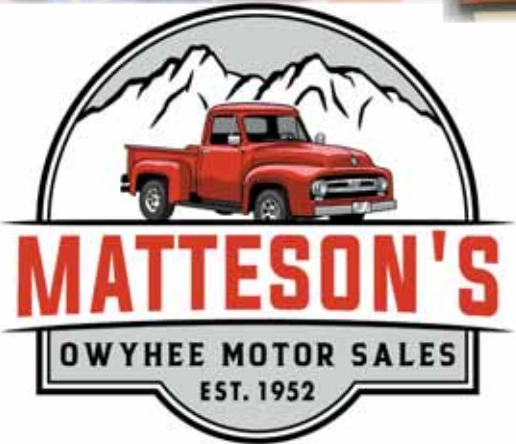
Thanksgiving reminds me of

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I am thankful for my family. my house and my Pet. I am thankful for food.

Hope S.

I am thankful for my family and the Military for protecting me and I am thankful for the universe to.

Macy O.

I am thankful for my home, family, friend, Mom, dad, Brothers, Eath, Shool, teachers, food, Life, the Sun, Weather, seasons, animals, books, water, Gods lights..

Natalee O.

I am thankful for the military fiteing for us and the U.S.A.

Rylee C.

I am thanful for the 6 Branches of the military. I am thankful for all the things

the Lod has given us!

Eli S.

I am THANKFUL for...
mom and dad that cook good food. And my grandma. She is Fun!! And Evrewun in my Famlay.!!! My Grandpa!!!! He got me a modersikel. :)

Blaine H.

I am thankful for the World, and military, and family

Joseph J.

I am Thankful for my family and my pets and my home and The military for fighting for us.

Harper K.

I am thankful for my family because they help me and take care of me.

Ryat B.

Im THaNKFUL for my life, and im thankful for the military and for the rest of them. I thankful for my family. Im



thankful for car's and Im thankful for u Guys and I thankful for the world, and i Thankful for my freinds and my best Freinds.

Charles S.

I am thankful for the universe. I am thankful for life. I'm thankful for my family. I'm thankful for my house and Pets.

Marina G.

I am thankful For the military. I am thankful for Food and water, And my Family. And I am thankful for my Life.

Liam B.

I am THANKFUL for...
My family, food, cozy sweater, chibi (an art style), peace where I live. I'm grateful for life!

Elliana S.

Natalee O., Abby Rice's class, Grand View Elementary

Jordan Valley Elementary

Kim Johnsrud's class

Thankful
Are you thankful for anything? I am thankful for america, God, and my family. I am so thankful.

First, I am thankful for America. There are many good people. All my family lives in America. America is beautiful. The mountains can have pretty flowrrers. I love the waves of the ocean.

Second, I am thankful for God. God loves me. He also loves my friends. God gave me an amazing family. God helps me. He helps me and my family be safe. God helps me be healthy.

Third, I am thankful for my family. I am thankful my mom. She cooks and cleans. She takes good care of us. I am thankful for my dad. My dad helps me go fishing. My dad takes me fishing. I am thankful that my dad mireed my mom this fall. He is a great dad.

I am thankful for america, G, and my family. I can't wiate for thanksgiving. I am blessed.

Kinzlee W., 2nd Grade

people don't hav food.

Third, I am thankful for my family. My mom keeps me safe. My mom helps me with my homework. She is fun. My Dad keeps me safe. My Dad play with me. My Dad prays for us.

I am thankful for my home, food, and my family. I have a lot to be thankful for. I am excited for Thnkssgiving.

Norah W., 2nd Grade

Thankful
What part of the turkey has feathers? The outside! Thanksgiving is coming and I am thankfull for a lot of things. I am thankfull my fair, my teachers, and my health. I am thankfull for fair because it is fun and there are a lot fo animals. I get to play with friends all day long. My friends and I go on rides and look at animals.

Second I am thankfull for my teachers because they are caring. They are fun. They help you with your work. My teachers make sure you are successful. My teachers are fun because they read to you. They also let you play games.

Third, I am thankful for my health. I could not run if I didn't have stamina. I am thankfull for strength to because I need to be strong. I need to be strong so I can play football. I am thankful. I am glad I am not sick.

I am thankful for fair, my teachers and my health. I am looing forward to thanksgiving.

Skyler T., 3rd Grade



Thanksgiving
I love Thanksgiving. I love God, America and family.

Thanksgiving is the best.

I am thankful for God. He is are Savior. God helps when He protect me from evil things. God helps me whin I am in a pickle. God watches over us.

I am thiankful for America. In America the people are sometimes nice or mean. I have friends in America. They are nice, and so is my family. In America the homes are beautiful. Homes are so cozy. Some homes have good horse pens.

I am Thankful for my family. I love my Mom. She is the best mom ever. My mom rides with

me. My Dad is the best Dad in the word. My Dad helps me ride and helps me saddle my horce. I love my Dad.

I love God, America and family. I love America! Do you love America?

Presley Y., 2nd Grade

Thankful for
My family and my friends.

I love Thanksgiving, I am thankful for my family, my friends, and our planet. Those are the things I am thankful for. What are things you are thankful for?

First, I am thankful for my family. My mom is sweet. She helps me clean up. She also takes care of me. My dad is nice. I play catch with him. I

also help him with his work.

Second, I am thankful for my friends. Buster is my best friend. I play football with him. I also like his sense of self. Mrs. Kim is my second friend. She helps me on a question. She also helped me put my thinking cap on.

Third, I am thankful for my planet. We are safe in America. We are free in America. Also, America is our home. Our home is safe. There are many activities to do. We also spend time together in our home.

In conclusion, I am thankful for my family, my friends, Also our planet. When thanksgiving comes I am thankful. I am thankful around the year.

Sam A., 4th Grade

Presley Y., Kim Johnsrud's class, Jordan Valley Elementary

Homedale

Marina Brookshire

From Page 3B

them. They are my brother, sister, mom, and dad. These are three things I am thankful for and why. I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving. Thank you for reading this.

Kya H.

I'm thankful for my cool gaming setup. My setup is so fast. I appreciate fresh food. It provides me proteen. I'm grateful for my helpful five senses they make my life much esyer.

Sid L.

I am thankful for my mom. She makes food for me every day and the food is so good. That is why I am thankful for my mom. I am thankful for my dad. He keeps me safe every day. He is always by me every day.

William M.

Thanksgiving is a time to think what we are thankful for. I'm going to share with you three things that I am thankful for and why.

First I am thankful for animals because they can provide you food. They are also nice.

Second I am thankful for friends because they can play with me. Also, they are nice.

Thirld I am thankful for family because my sisters can play with me. Also, my parents can feed me food.

These are things I am thankful for. Thank you for reading this.

Sienna N.

I'm really thankful. First I am thankful for my caring baby cousin. My caring baby cousin supports me when I am sad. Next I'm grateful for my kind aunt. We like to celebrate birthdays and holidays Chrismis and my kind aunt and beatyful aunt. Finally I'm appreciative of my awsome old teacher. She smiels a lot and she is beatyful and she helps me lean things and helps me spell things and cheers me up when I am sad. These are the three awsome things I am grateful for.

Arieth P.J.

I am thankful for my sister, Kiley. She is so much fun. She plays with me all day and she watches t.v. with me. She jumps with me on her trampolin and she is cute. She runs with me all day. I am thankful for my dog Diva. She is so funny and she plays with

me. She walks with me. We play ball and have adventures. I am thankful for my friends. They are fast and funny and ride bikes with me. They play football with me and baseball. They play with me and watch t.v.. We also go to places and they eat with me.

Elijah P.

I am thankful for my mom and dad. They do my laundry. They cook me food. I have a clean home. They provide me with a bed. KK makes me happy. She mekes me smile. KK is funny and she is nice. Khy is nice too. He is fun and funny Khy makes me happy.

Charleigh M.

I'm very very Thankful. first books are funny and I can learn more stuff. I'm grateful for roofs from mud. Finally I'm appreciaive of freedome, I get to live without war. I'm spuer spuer thakful.

Beau S.

I am thakful for my family. It is when we go on adventures together. I really enjoy cooking with them.

I am thankful for my dog Jane. She is so funny. She playful and smart. cuddling is her favorite.

Jason T.

I'm really thankful. I'm thankful for my cool family. My cool family celebrate our birthday we go to a arcade together. Next, I'm gratful for a cool mom and dad. My mom and dad keep me safe. Finally, I'm apprecive Of my nice friends. We love to talk outside. These are the few thangs I'm thankful for.

Aimee W.

Think about Thanksgiving It's a time where you get to spend time with family and friends. It's where you eat turkey and more. Next, can cook it on a grill. Last, you can eat potatoes and whatever else. And also, many more. That's what I can think of.

Logan V.

I'm So thnkful. First, I am thnkful for my nice dad. My nice dad helps me when I need it. Next, I'm grateful for my kine mom. my mom makes me hunny food. Finally, I'm grateful of my food. My food helps me not get so hungry. thos are just a few things I'm graetful for.

Courtney W.

Marsing

McKenzi Baggett

From Page 8B

food. finally I'm grateful for a house because it protects me from the rain because I am inside of the house so I can't get wet because I am inside of the house so thats why I can't get wet. as I enjoy this holiday season, I realize that I have many reasons to be thunkful. family food and house are very important to me.

Ricardo M.

Thing I'm thankful for

Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I'm thankful for. I appreciate my family, my friend, and my friend David. I'm especially thankful for my family because they support me, they help me do my homework and all that good stuff. Do you know why, because they love sooo much. And I love them sooo much to. That is why I whote about them. I also appreciate David because we have a lot in common. For example, we love to play piggy together at recess. it is very fun to play with David. I also love to play basketball with him. I love to play with David. Finally, I'm grateful for my friends because I think that all my friends are

kind and really nice. I also think that they love to play with me like David. My friends are really important to me. I like all my friends. As I enjoy this holiday season, I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. My friends, my family and David are very important to me.

Silas B.

My family keeps me safe. They are also loving. They buy food and cufurt us. They are so caring. They buy stuff for us like toys, food and clothes. They are the best family you would know. Friends are so fun to play with. Friends are helpful, funny, fun and playful. Friends make up games to play. When you get hurt friends will help. Friends make up funny things or sometimes they are funny all the time. Pets, sometimes can be small or big. Puppies can be so funny. Pets are fun and cute. Pets are sometimes good but sometimes bad. Pets are so fun to have.

Adilyn S.

I'm especially thankful for my parents because they make me laugh Smile and giggle

they are the best people in my life. They are so important to me. I also appreciate Miss Dill because she is kind she is helpful for things like if you need something she will try to help whith what ever it is. Finally, I'm grateful for friends because they listen for what I have to say and my ideas, thoughts and dislikes. They also are kind, greatful, and are just Speshle to me. As I enjoy this holiday season, I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. My parents, friends and Miss Dill are very important to me.

Elizabeth D.

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Tina DuBose’s third-graders

From Page 4B
dad because he helps me a lot. Finally I’m appreciative of my helpful classmates. We love to talk to each classmates. We work together and we have fun because we love each elassmate.

Rocky R.

I’m really thankful.
First, I am thankful for my caring Family. my Family supports me when I need help. We also like to celebrate birthdays and holidays together.
Next, I’m grateful for my nice pets. My pet Dog keeps me safe.
Finally, I’m thankful for are God. he helps us, and supports us and loves us. He gives us Food and water. Thes are the most special things in my life.

Jazmyne R.

I’m Thankful for my fed.

First, I am thankful for my soft bed that i sleep in. My bed makes me feel safe. Neext I’m grateful for my friends. they are so nice to me and malke me happy. Faliy I’m appreciative of my wonderful friends. those are just a few things I’m grateful for.

Melinda S.

I am thankful for my mom and dad. I Love wene she makes me food. And wene she doss my laundry. She help me wene I do my chores my dad. He works for are familie. And somtimes he plays with me. He helps me a lot. They are so nice to me. I am thankful for trees. I love trees becaue, they give us oxygen and shade. I love to see the leaves on the trees. I am thankful for my cat. She Loves to sleep and dreenk milk. I Love to see her every day. I enjoy her so much. I feet her a lot of

food She loves food. We play games like Kack and like that stuf.

India S.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why. First, I am thankful for my family because they are so kind. Also because I love them.

Second, I am thankful for my school because all the teachers are so nice to me and the staff. And my school is so nice. Third, I am thankful for my friends because they are kind. And help me when I need help.

Thank you for reading this.

Ella T.

I am thankful for my mom because She can cook for me. And cleen with me. She can help me do my homework. And teatch me thanegs. And

my is so grate because he can help me fix my dirtbike and he can help my mom clean. My dad can help me land a front flip he can help me fix my dirt bike.

Jack T.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to Share 3 things what im thankful for.

First, I am thankful for trees Because they provide oxegyn And Shade.

Next, I’m thankful for pets Because you are not alone. And there is a sidekick.

Last, Im thankful for relatives because they could cheer you up. And they would always be with you. These were the three things I was thankful for. Thanks for reading.

Mateo U.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are

thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why. first, I am thankful for my parents because they provide food for me. They also love me. Second, I am thankful for veterans because they served for us. they also saved us. Third, I am thankful for water because it gives us hydration. it keeps us healthy. thank you for reading this. I wish you a happy thanksgiving.

Shaylah V.

I’m Thankful for Veterans because they fight for our country and us. Veterans are very brave to be in the army. they sacrificed for us and their own comrades.

I’m thankful for my family because I can play with them. We play cards every two weeks. I love my family so much I like to be around them because they love me.

Ace Y.

Toby Johnson’s third-graders

From Page 6B
I am Thankful for my house. It keeps me warm comfy and safe. my family is there with me all the time. My house procets me and my family from the storm. I am thankful for my mom. My mom cleans the house and does the dishes. My mom is happy and nice. She is awesome and cool.

I am thankful for my dad. He is awesome and cool. My dad goes to work. He some times gives me money.

Francisco R.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for.

First, I am thankful for my family because they help me. They also love me.

Second, I thankful for my dogs because they protect me. They also comfort me.

Third, I am Thankful for my House because it protecs me. My House also has runing water and heat.

These are some things I am thankful for and why. What are you thankful for?

Spencer S.

I am Thankful for my friends and family because they’re kind and nice. We are friends for ever and ever. And my family Tylee and TR and Nova and Jalene. I Love my mom and Dad and Lizzie.

Katrina T.

I am thankful for my family because they do so much for me. They make me food. They will never stop loving me!

I am also thankful for my pets because when I go outside in the cold air they will make me calm. They are really calm. They will protect me.

I am really thankful for our house. Because I’ve had lots and lots of good times in that house. I’t keeps us out of bad weather and it holds all our stuff in it. It keeps all our food safe.

Wynn D.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things that I am thankful for and why.

First, I am thankful for my family because I know that they love me. And the second reason why is because I care about them and they care about me.

The second thing I am

thankful for is my cat. I am thankful for my cat because she is really playful. And when she is sleeping she is really cute.

The last thing I am thankful for is my teacher. The reason why I am thankful for him is because he is funny. And I like to learn from him.

Owyhee W.

I am thankful for my mom. She takes care of me all the time. I am thankful for my dad. He is very cool because he takes me to his werc. We play in his office. We sutims werc at his werc. I am thankful for my friends. My friends are helpful win I get hurt. They help me up. And they are super nice to me. I am thankful for my brother because he plays with me. He helps me with the hard

Beckham Z.

I am very thankful. First, I am thankful for my Aunt Katie. She is special to me because she makes me delicious food. Next, I’m greatful for my tio Chris. He is super funny and very kind. Finally, I am super thankful for my dogs, Lucky, Zeus, and Noodles. They are very loving and playful. These are just a few things I am thankful for.

Amillia F.

Marsing Elementary

Aleasa Herman’s third-graders

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are very important to me.

Siena K.

thanksgiving reminds me of the things that I’m thanful for. I appreciate Bunny family and my Dad I’m especially thankful for my family because If I didn’t have a family I wouldn’t have a dad, mom, sister, or a broter to spend my

life with. I also appreciate my Dad because If I didn’t have a Dad I wouldn’t have a very good life. Because he Taught me how to play Baseball. And Other Sports. Finally I’m grateful for my Bunny because If I didn’t have my Bunny I wouldn’t want to do fair.

Calyn L.

Things I’m thankful for.

Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things i’m thankful for. I appreciate my toys so i am in tert and And happy and a family. I’m especially thankful for. An iPad because i can Watch stuff and so i can play games. I also appreciate food because i will not starve and live. Finally, I’m grateful for a house. because so i am not cold in winter and, so i can stay

dry wehn it rains. As i enjoy this holiday season I realize that i have many reasons to be thankful. For like for a life and like a familly are very important to me The end.

Ashton M.

Things I’m Thankful for

Thanksgiving Reminds me of all the things i am thankful for. I appreciate my mom,

my dad, and my family. I’m especially. Thankful for my friends because There nice to me, and They help me learn, and if i fall They help me up, and they Play with me. i also appreciate Pumckine Pie because it tastes really good, and it brings joy in to my house. finally, i’m grateful for

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Homedale Elementary

Bekah Johnson’s third-graders

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friends. I’m aprecive of my wonderful friends becuse they play with e at recess. Those are just a fuw things I’m thankful for.

Jaylene H.

I’m so thankful. First I am thankful for my kind family. My kind family plays with me. Next, I’m grateful for my nice teacher. My nice teacher helps me. finally I’m appreciative of my playful pet. My playful pet plays with me and my sister. this is what I’m thankful for.

Ryelah H.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thank-ful for. Im going to share three things Im thankful for First, Im thankful for family beccause I enjoy spending time with cousins and my Parents. Second, Im thankful for God because I have faih in God. third, Im thankful for food. it’s fresh and yummy to of couse. thank you for reading good bye!

Krystal J.

I am thankful for my family. My family is nice and kind. I love spending time with them. I love them a lot.

I’m thankfull fo my teacher because she is good, helpful teacher. She helps us learn.

Brinley L.

I am thankful for my mom becaues she makes me food to eat. Alas she takes me to school. She listens to my problems. Aoso, she sigs around the house.

Daniel M.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why.

First, I am thankful for my parents because they provide for me. I am also thankful for my parents because the give me advice.

Next, I am thankful for teachers because they help you learn. I am also thankful for teachers because they are always willing to give up their time for others.

Last, I am thankful for friends because they support you. I am also thankful for friends because they always have your back.

Theese are things I am thankful for. Thank you for reading. I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving.

Sidney M.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankfull for. I am going to tell you three things Im thankfull for and why.

First, I’m thankfull for my family because they help me with hard things. Also they Feed me. Secondley Pets because when Im sad they cheer me up. Third, teachers because they help me with math and learn.

Cole M.

Thanksgiving is a time to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why. First, I’m thankful for Earth because I live here. I have many opportunitys. Second, I am thankful faith because it helps me stay on track I’m also thankful for because I beleave in God. Third, I’m thankful for God because he creaed us. I’m also thankful for God because he made Earth. Happy thanksgiving evryone!!

Parker P.

Thanksgiving is a time

to think about what we are thankful for. I am going to share with you three things I am thankful for and why. First, I am thankful for my parents because they take care of me. They also help me achieve hard things. Second, I am thankful for my family because they love me. They also care for me. Third, I am thankful for school because if there was no school nobody would learn. Also kids wouldn’t know anything.

These are the three things that I am thankful for. I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving. Thanks for reading.

Charlotte M.

I am thankful for my teammates respect me all the time. my teammates are nice. I am thankful my family. My family is nice to me and my family respect me. my family is funny. my family is thankful for each other. My friends my friends are nice and my friend respetful thay are funny and my friens are Max, Zirin, Waylon, Adan. I am thankfull my frends.

Elian N.

I’m extremly thankful. First, I’m thankful for strong faith. My faith supports me when I’m alone. God gave the bible.

Next, I’m grateful for my parents. My parents are kind and caring. Finally, I apprective the wonderful teachers. They teach me how to Multiply. These are the Wonderful things I’m thankful for.

Amos P.

Im thankful for friends. Im thankful because they are nice. and they are awsome. we pretend to be animals. Im Thankful for pets. I am thankful for pets because they are cute. I have a Hamster named rat face. Also I have a

cat. I am thankful for God. I am thankful because he crated us and He is the King. He contrulls our life!

Grant P.

I’m so thankful. First, I am thankful for my responsible siblings. My responsible siblings play with me every day. Next, I’m grateful for my helpful parents. My helpful parents help my sibling and me. Finally, I’m appreciative of my playful pets. My playful pets love to be together. This is a few things that I’m thankful for.

Ainara R.

Thanksgiving is a time to celabrate What were thankful for. I am going to share three things I am thankful for with you.

First, I am thankful for pets. Because they make you laugh and comfort me. Second, I’m thankful for my parents. Because they raise you the way you are and provide a home and food. Last, I am thankful for the Lord. because he made the earth he also made the food he put in our bodies.

These are three thing i’m thankful for. Thank you for reading by Waylon R. The End.

Waylon R.

I am Thankful. Something I’m thankful for is my pet. My pet help me when I’m sad or hurt. When I sprand my enchle she made me feel better by licking me and made me pet her. Next, I’m thankful for is my best friends. They help me git theroow it. They are nice to me. I’m thanful for my teammates. They help me prattes at school. We prattes my dad’s drill at school. We play honds at school

Briella S.

I am thankful for my football teammates. They are speshl because they help me get beter at football. They help me be a good teammate. They help me be a good athleat.

I am thaneful for life. If we did not have life we wouldnt have eningth. If we did not have life this Planit we would not have this Planit.

I am thankful for my animals. I love animals because some are kind. Some animals look cool. My horses are very kind.

Lane S.

I’m thankfal for the life I have. I love school because i have teachers like Mr. J, Ms. J, Ms. Cardenas and mene more teachers. I’m thankfal for the frends I have because the help me wen I get hrte and wen I need help all the time. I’m thankfal for the pets I have beacause he all has chers me up wen I get sad.

Max V.

I am Thankful for my parents and my grand Parents. My parents because they Protect me. They feed me good food. I am also thankful for my grand Parents because they help me and give me hugs.

Gia L.

I’m thankful for my mom because she helps me disguise the turkey so it won’t get ate. my mom maks good food for me and my sister and brother. She also very kind, and nice. I’m thankfull for my dog because it is a girl her name is luna. She is nice. She is so much fun. She i crazy. She will Shack my hand for a treat. She is beautiful. She love me. She is happy to see me when i come home from school and she is a brnees mouten dog. thank you for reading my paper.

Janessa V.

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my iPad because i can watch shows and Play games and so my little brater doesn’t cry

As i enjoy this holiday season, i realize that i have many reasons to be thakful, like my dogs, and my cat, and my family members are very important to me.

William M.

Things I’m thankful for
thanksgiving reminds me of

all the things I’m thankful for. I appreciate water, family and dogs. I’m especially thankful for a family because I can be what i want to be, so I can have a momy, a daddy, and a sister. I also appreciate water because it helps me survie, so you won’t be so thirsty all the time. finally, I’m grateful for a family because I will not be so alone all the time. As I enjoy this holiday season, I realize that I have many reasons to

be thankful. water, family, and dogs are very important to me.

Ashley M.

Things I’m Thankful For

I’m especially Thankful for Family because they give me food and a house to live in and do’t get went and chener me on and help me if something is hadr they tell me a triek and help me if Forget sumthing I also appreciate Friends

because they Can help me with stuff and making me laugh and play tag they can help me with homework and heve sleepover at thary hose.

Finally, I’m grateful for Dogs because thary cute, Fast, smart and Dihthed, but I get exercise by my Dogs and if I’m Sad my Dogs can make he hapey if I’m angry my Dogs can make me hapey and Play Fetch.

As I enjoy this holiday season I realize that I have

many reasons to be thankful Family, Friends, and are very important to me

Josemaria M.

Things I’m Thankful For

Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I’m thankful for. I appreciate my family, food, and my house. I’m especially thankful for my family because they take care of me. Also

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Janet Anderson’s third-graders

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football

Finally, I’m grateful for friend’s Because when Im hurt and they help me up. My friends they help m with my work. they play with me when I want them to.

Wyatt D.

Things I’m thankful for.

Im thankful for my parents because they make me smile and laugh and they give me hugs. Im also Thankful for school because I learn new things in school and I also make a lot of friends and learn different things. Family because they love me and they always make me smile.

I realize that i have many resons to be thankful for my family, my school, my parents.

Izabelle L.

Things I’m Thankful For.

I’m especially thankful for my brothers because Simon is so funny and make me laugh. Kevin helps me when I can’t do something. I also appreciate my mom because she cooks. Something delicious whelh I’m hungry. She makes my lunch when I have School.

Finally I’m grateful for my dad because he picks me up when school is over. He takes me to school. As I enjoy this holiday season I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. my brothers, my mom, and my Dad are very

important to me

Martin L.

Thanks giving reminds me of family friends and house. i’m especialy thankful for family because they take care of you, Protect comfort you so you feels orreana they love you ever sense they saw you so did your brothers and sisters even your cousins. I also appreciate friends because they care for you and help you with stuff. Also they make you feel safe when your scare and any where else. And they help you get stuff off a higher shelf and they play with you. Finally, I’m grateful for my house because it gives you roof so you can sleep. Also you won’t get wet or soggy food. You also have peace and quiet so you won’t be grumpy and mad. As I enjoy this holidays season, I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. My family, my friends and houses are very important to me.

Dominick M.

things I’m thankful for.

thankful for water, my Parent’sand food. Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I’m thankful for. I appreciate water, food, and my Parents. I’m especially thankful for food because it help’s me live and eat. I also appreciate my Parents because they respect me, I feel safe with them. and they feed me. finally, I’m grateful for food because it is

tasty, im never hungry, and I love it. As I enjoy this holiday season I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. water, food, and my Parents are very important to me.

Adrian C.

Things I’m Thankful For

Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I’m thankful for I appreciat friends, My pets, and My family

I’m aspecially thankful for Friends, because they comfort me and make me happy and respect me. I also appreciate My pet’s because they protect me and make me comfortable and very Happy, and love me. they make me feel safe and good Finaly, I’m grateful for Family because they care for me and protect me and respect. Share there kindness with me, they love me and respect me. As I enjoy this holiday season, I realize that I have many reson’s to be thankful. Family, Friend’s and My pet’s are very Important to me.

Berkeley O.

Thigs I am Thankful for

Theksgiving remids me of all The Things Im thankfulfor. I appreciate family, Food, and friends I’m especially Thankful for family becuse feed me, give me a home, and help when needed.

I also appreciate friends because they are nice to me and support me. finally, I am grateful for food because it

ceaps me alive, hethe and strong. As I enjoy this holiday season I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful food family and friends are vyra important to me.

Zachary P.

thing im thankful

im thankful mom and my dad and my dogs. thankful for food and boerd! he can be mad at me but we enjoy. me and him he is fun to play. with but some tiam he can don’t but my sis is tr fahone. i have to be sis i love bint my mo is the da ste

Alarik P.

Things I’m thankful for

Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things i’m thankful for. I appreciate my Dad, friends, water. im especially thankful for my Dad because he is my friend. he helps me. I also appreciate friends.

Ryckar R.

Things I’m thankful For my family, friends, My dog. My family because they keep me safe. I have a brother and sister and the will take me to school and they let’s me to get a dog. friend because they play with me and they make me happy. I feel happy I see them. My dog because my dog plays with me sometimes. when I get hurt and she make me happy and she bit me.

holiday season I realize that i have many reasons to be thankful. For like for a life

and like a familly are very important to me The end.

Ashley S.

Thing I’m Thankful For

Friends they play with me and help me they make me not med they make me fill good the help me with my home work and the sit with me at lunch. Pets they play with me in the back yard they make me not sad or med they make me Happy, but so time they me mad, but moly happy. Family mom make me food dad make mory, mouly for use they do fun suff for use to play with me and walker, play with me we go fun Placie they put me in a home they bot fun fuff.

Corra S.

Things I’m Thankful For

Thanksgiviving reminds me of all the thing I’m thankful for. I appreciate family, cats, and friends. I’m especially thankful for family because they make me feel Safe. they give me food. they are nice to me. I also appreciate Cats because they are so fluffy cats. they are so cut. they are cuttly. Finally, I’m gratefully for friends because they are kind to me I am kind to them. they play Whith me I play Whith them. they are nice to me. As I enjoy This holiday season, I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. family, cats, and friends are very important to me.

Wren S.

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makes me happy when I’m sad. I also appreciate my house because it keeps me safe from danger. Also keeps me warm. Finally, I’m grateful for food because it keeps me strong and healthy. Also food makes it where you don’t starve. As I enjoy this holiday season, I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. Food, my house, and my family are very important to me.

Kerra M.

So you do not starve on thankgiving and spending time whith your family and people and be kind and Safe and it menens a lot like telling jokes and lots mor

Daysen R.

Thanksgiving reminds me of all the things I’m thankful for. I appreciate food, Books, PE. I’m especially thankful for my class because it is fun and I learn lote edowt math. Math it is fun and I can pass my test. Family because my family hleps me with my homework. As I enjoy this holiday season, I realize that I have many reasons to be thankful. frieds, my family and my class are very important to me.

Nova R.

Thankgiving reminds me of all the things i’m thankful for. I appreciate water, a bed, and my mom. I’m especially thankful for a bed because to Rest my eyes. and a comfy Place to Sleep So my back won’t hurt and my eyes won’t

hurt. and bugs won’t come on me. I also appreciate my mom because she gives me food, water, a bed, a house, a room, and many more things

Seleni M.

Things I’m Thankful For

I am thankful for my dads phone, the store, and mom’s food. I’m especially thankful for my book of Dinos because I can draw on it and it has glow in the dark pictures. And it has glow in the stickers and not glow in the dark pictures and I can buy ice ceam and food.

Juan S.

I’m especially thankful for sharing because sharing is good and very kind when I share them they share with me.

Angel G.



Kya H., Marina Brookshire’s class, Homedale Elementary

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

December 1, 1999



All church caroling...

Marianne Park, John Beck and Janet McCornack, members of the Homedale Ministerial Association, will sponsor a progressive caroling party on Dec. 12 beginning at the First Presbyterian Church on 6th street.

Morrison is new county extension agent

Eric Morrison of Big Horn County, Wyoming joined the staff at the Owyhee County Extension Office Nov. 15, replacing Chad Gibson as Owyhee County Extension Agent. Gibson retired from the position earlier this year.

Morrison previously worked for the Extension office in Wyoming for four years before accepting the position in Owyhee County.

"This was my chance to come home," Morrison said in an interview last week. "I was born in Moscow and grew up in Idaho. I have always loved it here."

Morrison received his Bachelor of Science degree from Kansas State University and his Masters Degree from the University of Idaho. He said he has officially worked with Extension for 10 years but has been interested since birth.

"My dad was the county agent and the state specialist in Washington County in Idaho, so I knew what I was getting into," Morrison laughed.

"Everyone I have met here has been very supportive and extremely helpful. I am really looking forward to a future in Owyhee County."

Mustangs take second in 1A volleyball

The Jordan Valley volleyball team took second place to Ione Nov. 13 in the 1A state tournament at Lane Community College in Eugene.

The Cardinals led the Mustangs 15-8, 15-11 to win their second straight state title. Camas Valley defeated St. Paul in the third-place match, while Condon beat Crane for fourth place.

Jordan Valley finished their season with a 14-9 record.

Mustang Anita Stanford finished the match with five kills and four blocks, while Jana Caskey added two kills, one block and five points. Raime Lequerica chipped in two kills and six assists, while Brandi Stanford served for seven points, including one ace serve.

Anita Stanford was named to the all-tournament first team, while Misty Tuttle was selected to the second team.

50 years ago

November 28, 1974



NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS of the Homedale chapter of the Idaho club are, seated from left, Mike Matteson, president and Lisa Larrocea, vice president; and standing: Denise Taggart, secretary; Warren Rutledge, treasurer; Shelly Wilhite, program committee chairman and Mark Thatcher, historian. The fourth grade students who are members of the club chose the name "Idaho Spuds" as their chapter's name. Mrs. Esther Brockmueller, teacher, is sponsor. Photo by Bette Uda

SHEILA HUTER, shown at Marsing 4-H awards banquet as she accepted a watch from Dale Blunk as outstanding 4-H member in Owyhee County, will attend an orientation meeting and recognition banquet at Boise Friday, and along with 24 other Idaho members will leave by plane Saturday for Chicago to attend the National 4-H Congress Dec. 1-5. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Huter, Homedale, and a junior at Homedale High School.



Rimrock will try high school bond Dec. 9

The Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 365 has decided to hold a \$1,430,000 bond issue for a new Junior-Senior high school Dec. 9. This will be the fourth time an election will be held to secure approval for the new school.

The school will be located at the Aslett site eight miles southeast of Grand View and ten miles northwest of Bruneau. The site is bordered on the south by Bruneau-Grand View highway 78; on the east side by the Strike Dam road; on the west by Mrs. Aslett's mainline; and on the north by the Bybee lateral canal.

The \$1,430,000 bond issue will raise taxes approximately 16 mills (.016). This is a projected cost increase of \$130,000 more than last spring.

The building will be the same design as the last election. There are eleven classrooms, two science rooms, a typing room, a Home Ec room, an art room, a music room, an auditorium, a library, a cafeteria, and a standard-sized gymnasium. The total square footage is 46,644 at a projected cost of \$27.50 per square foot.

Succor Crik Sam Sez:

"Don't see how we kin sell cow manure to the Arabs when them Washington politicians is givin' it away fer free."



153 years ago

November 25, 1871

One Hundred Years Ago.

One hundred and ten years ago, there was not a single white man in Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. Then, what is now the most flourishing part of America, was as little known as the country around the mysterious mountains of the moon. It was not until 1767 that Boone left his house in North Carolina to become the first settler in Kentucky.

EFFECTS OF SMOKING.—An investigation of the effects of smoking recently made by a distinguished physician, revealed: Of thirty youths between the ages of nine and fifteen years, 27 presented symptoms of nicotine poison; in 22 cases there were serious disorders of the vital circulation, producing indigestion, intellection dullness, and a very marked appetite for spirituous liquors. In three there was heart affection; in eight a decided deterioration of the blood; ten had disturbed sleep, while four had ulceration of the mucous membrane of the mouth. The above facts are worthy of the attention of habitual "slaves of the weed."

JEFFERSON'S RULES.—A friend sends us some of "Jefferson's Rules," which he says cannot be too often published: 1. Never do to-day what you can put off till to-morrow; 2. Never do yourself what you can get any one else to do for you; 3. Never spend ready money when you can get credit.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

Hon. E. J. Curtis, Acting Governor of Idaho, has issued the following proclamation for a day of public thanksgiving and prayer:

Let it be remembered that, in this, the Ninety-Sixth year of the Independence of the United States, the people thereof, acknowledging the Glory of God, cheerfully endorse the wisdom of that custom which designates one day in each year of the nation's life, as a National Day of Thanksgiving and Prayer:

Therefore, in conformity with and in obedience to the Proclamation of the President of the Republic, I do hereby recommend to the people of Idaho Territory, that Thursday, the 30th inst., be observed as a proper day, on which all should repair to their respective places of worship, and return their thanks to Almighty God for preserving us a free nation; for the blessings secured through a firm, honest and enlightened administration of the Government, and for that protection of life and property so faithfully rendered and guarded in every section of the land.

The steady progress of our great National resources; the high and consistent aim of the Administration in elevating labor, protecting the honor, credit and integrity of the country, while diminishing the burden of taxation, are matters for congratulation by the people.

A deep and sincere sympathy prevails in the hearts of all good citizens, in the Old as well as the New World, for the people of those portions of our country who have experienced the sad visitations of the unpropitious elements, more magnanimously shown in the prompt and voluntary aid extended to the distressed and needy.

And whilst offering up our grateful thanks for the health, progress and general prosperity we have realized as a people, let us unite in petitioning the Ruler of our destinies for a continuance of His benign blessings.



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