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FESTIVE PARADE LIGHTS UP MARSING



As per tradition, Santa pulled up the rear of Friday's Marsing night light parade that attracted dozens of entries and several Main Street spectators despite frigid temperatures.



M&W Market manager Scott Campbell rode as grand marshal in Friday's Marsing night light parade.

Joshua Kudlo (right), son of Chamber of Commerce treasurer Tom Kudlo, was decked out in his best Dickensian top hat to serve coffee and hot chocolate at the fire station for the Marsing Chamber's chili feed fundraiser.

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Homedale council tackles upcoming growth scenarios

Jackson's Corner, airport, Pioneer subdivision on tonight's docket

Future development in Homedale takes center stage at tonight's city council meeting.

The meeting starts at 6 p.m., inside the council chambers at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

A hearing on the Jacksons Food Stores application for a commercial subdivision split will give community members an opportunity to speak up about the plans for the former

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Grand View Christmas parade lights the way

Businesses, community ready for Saturday's Main Street event

by **Flavio Landeros Ronquillo**

Rimrock Journalism

Grand View's annual Christmas parade will be held at 5:30 p.m., on Saturday.

The procession will go through downtown on Main Street. Lineup and the parade

start takes place at the former American Legion Post 134 Hall (now the Lions Club community center).

There will be floats representing businesses and community members including

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Open house celebrates longtime HSD clerk

Faith Olsen is calling it a career after nearly 35 years with the Homedale School District.

A community open house is planned for her retirement party. It'll take place from 4 p.m., to 6 p.m., on Tuesday at the school district office, 116 E. Owyhee Ave.

"We invite the community that has worked with her through the years to stop by and congratulate Faith," the school district wrote in a release announcing the event.

Olsen was the district's business manager/clerk for 12 years

before scaling back to a job description of financial specialist/clerk in 2020.

She joined HSD in 1991 after 13 years with

the Middleton School District. Her first job with the Homedale district was assistant clerk/treasurer, a position she held for 17 years until being promoted to business manager/clerk in 2008.



Faith Olsen



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Quilt raffle to benefit Homedale library’s Aldrich Building

The mission to enliven the Aldrich Building on the Homedale District Library campus has begun.

Proceeds from the library’s holiday quilt raffle now underway at the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library will help furnish the original 1921

museum building, which is located behind The Gathering Place (the 1980 library).

There are two quilts — an adult covering and a child’s spread — up for grabs. Tickets cost \$1 and will be on sale until the end of this week at the library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave.

Austen raffle underway

The library has launched a raffle to celebrate classic author Jane Austen’s birthday.

Entry is free, but there is only one entry per person. Stop by the library to enter.

The drawing will be held on Monday, which is the 249th anniversary of the author’s birth in Steventon, U.K.

Austen is known for novels “Sense and Sensibility,” “Pride and Prejudice,” and “Emma.”

The Gathering Place (formerly known as the Homedale Community Room at the old library), 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Parent and child will team up to make Christmas sugar cookies. All ingredients and decorations for the goodies will be supplied.

Stop by the library or call (208) 337-4228 to reserve a spot.

Other events

- Santa Claus will be at the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library from 10 a.m., to noon on Saturday.
- Parents can bring their children to the library to meet the

big guy and take photos.

- The Adult Book Club discussion on Emily Bronte’s classic tale “Wuthering Heights” has been pushed back to January.

The rescheduling makes room for the Let’s Talk About It book club. A Let’s Talk About It scholar will lead a discussion on the Geraldine Brooks’ novel “March,” at 4 p.m., on Friday.

- The library will play host to an adult beginning modern calligraphy class from 1 p.m., to 3 p.m., on Friday, Jan. 10.

Students will learn a skill that can be used for creating greeting cards and more.



Homedale Friends Community Church Ninth Annual Christmas Bazaar!!!!

Dec. 14th, 2024 9:00 a.m. To 3 p.m.
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17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder, ID

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Photo Booth!	Bags and Blankets
Home Decorations	Jams and Jellies
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OHR residents’ gift drive enters final week

Karen Hollywood and her son, William, dropped off a slew of gifts for Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center residents to help with The Owyhee Avalanche’s annual Christmas drive for the Homedale care center. The Hollywoods live between Homedale and Wilder, and William is a 2021 Homedale High School graduate. An updated wish list for the OHR gift drive appears on **Page 20** this week, and next Wednesday is the final day to drop off gifts at the Avalanche office.



Dinner, children’s play slated in Jordan Valley

Integra sponsors free event, plans DeLamar update

Schoolchildren from the surrounding area will provide entertainment for the Integra DeLamar free community Christmas dinner.

The dinner will be held from 5 p.m., to 6:30 p.m., next Wednesday inside Jordan Valley High School’s old gymnasium.

A Christmas play will follow

the dinner with children from Arock, Pleasant Valley and Jordan Valley Elementary School rehearsing together for the presentation.

In addition to the dinner and the play, the Integra leadership team will provide an update on the company’s DeLamar mine activities and what to expect in the year ahead.

Integra continues developing the DeLamar project, and officials are working on Bureau of Land Management permitting, among other tasks currently.

✓ Homedale: U.S. 95-Pioneer post-subdivision layout to be discussed

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Amalgamated Sugar Co., beet receiving station at the corner of U.S. Highway 95 and East Idaho Avenue.
Through Boise-based Ahlquist Development Co., the landowner is seeking a development that will turn the 15 acres north of Industrial Road into a commercial development featuring a Jacksons gas station and convenience store, a D&B Supply store, and a McDonald’s restaurant with

a drive-through. Two other commercial buildings would be constructed, too.
There is no indication that councilmembers will make a decision on the application after the hearing. No “discussion/action” designation is listed on the agenda.
Prior to the public hearing, POW WOW LLC representatives are scheduled to discuss the proposed layout of Pioneer Road and U.S. Highway 95 as the development

company continues to plan for a residential subdivision on the southeast corner of the intersection.
The city finalized annexation of a piece of property developers had said was crucial to the proposed housing development with the publication of a legal notice in a recent edition of The Owyhee Avalanche.
Councilmembers also could make decisions regarding Homedale Municipal Airport tonight.

During the meeting, Councilpersons Steve Atkins, Aaron Tines, Kim Murray and Mike Aebischer will learn about what was discussed when city and Federal Aviation Administration officials met on Nov. 13.
Once the council is brought up to speed on the meeting’s content, discussion will be held and possible action taken.
Officials wouldn’t disclose the substance of the airport meeting to the Avalanche.

The possibility of creating a private road name application form will be covered during the mayor and council member report portion of the meeting.
The usual reports from Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller, public works supervisor Jake Hyer, city engineer Andrew Kimmel, and City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram (Planning and Zoning information and other monthly statistics) also will be presented during the final council meeting of 2024.

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Homedale Senior Center

Served at noon

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- Dec. 11: Deli meat (sandwich), fries, broccoli
- Dec. 12: Chicken breast, roasted potatoes, carrots
- Dec. 17: Chicken, cooked spinach, mashed potatoes
- Dec. 18: Tuna, California blend vegetables, pasta
- Dec. 19: Ham, sweet potatoes, green beans

Sandbar Community Room, Marsing

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

Milk available each day

Suggested donation: \$5 (60 and older), \$8 (59 and younger)
\$8 (take-out meal, any age)

- Dec. 11: Sweet and sour pork over brown rice, California vegetables, coleslaw, whole wheat roll, peaches
- Dec. 13: Cheese topped fish over rice pilaf, green beans, green salad, whole wheat roll, spiced pears
- Dec. 16: Breaded chicken with country gravy, mashed potatoes, dill carrots, 9-grain bread, peaches
- Dec. 18: Mushroom Swiss burger, roasted potatoes, winter vegetables, whole whet bun, banana
- Dec. 20: Baked ham with Cumberland sauce, cheesy potatoes, mixed vegetables, citrus salad, dinner roll, holiday dessert

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

- Dec. 12: Loaded baked potato bar, potato fixings, cottage cheese, Mandarin oranges
- Dec. 17: Ham and cheese sandwiches, tomato soup, hard boiled eggs, fruit, pudding
- Dec. 19: Christmas dinner: turkey, ham, green beans, stuffing, potatoes, rolls, fresh fruit salads, pudding

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

- Dec. 12: Baked chicken
- Dec. 17: Beef roast
- Dec. 19: Potato bar



Young Bible students prepare Christmas program

Children from Grand View-area Bible clubs will appear in “Don’t Miss Out,” a Christmas program that will be performed at 5 p.m., on Sunday at Valley Christian Fellowship, 37866 Hwy. 78, in Grand View. Everyone is invited, and a dinner will follow the program. **Back row, from left:** Paislie Florian, Adyson Piñeda, Spade Cowdell, Titus King-Gunning, Harper Rice and Obadiah King-Gunning. **Front row, from left:** Olivia Florian, Annika Waterlander, Ada King, Renee Piñeda, Enoch King-Gunning and Elliot Piñeda. Submitted photo

✓ Grand View: Plenty of festivities planned

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representatives from Commercial Tire, Agri-Lines, Cindy’s Café, Grand View Gas, Simplot Farms, Simplot, and B. Wolfe Trucking.

Additionally, community members will drive decorated pickups, cars, and tractors in the parade.

Queens from different rodeos in the surrounding areas will be present.

Rimrock High School students and graduates will carry flags to lead the parade.

After the parade, a community dinner of soups and stews will be served at Cindy’s Café. Stop by for a bite of something warm and photos with Santa.

Other highlights include:

- Castle Creek Pizza selling treats and hot beverages on Main Street just before the parade commences.
- Students from Rimrock High School and other groups

will sing or play instruments at the park starting about 6:15 p.m.

The Grand View Community Center is sponsoring the parade, and lifelong Grand View resident Amanda Snyder is the event director.

Call Snyder at (208) 580-8724 for more information on the parade and how to get involved.

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Believe it or not, winter is time to look for sunscald in trees

Any homeowner or landscaper might have seen or noticed minor or major damage on trunks of some of their landscape, fruit or ornamental trees. Most notably this physiological damage — called sunscald — is located on the southwest aspect of the trunk. This type of physiological damage — a k a “southwest disease” because of its location on the trunk — usually has a severe impact on younger landscape and ornamental trees and can lead to tree death.



Brad Stokes



Deciduous tree in downtown Caldwell shows signs of a serious physiological sunscald injury on the southwest-facing trunk. Photo by Brad Stokes / UI Extension

Sunscald is caused by rapid fluctuations in temperature, most notably right under the bark of the tree in the cambium layers (xylem and phloem, the “veins” of the tree). During winter months these areas are typically frozen in time, but can be rapidly heated by direct exposure of the sun, which can thaw this tissue. The rapid cycle of thawing and freezing expands the tree’s bark, leading to the physiological injury to the tree. Because the damage ruptures cambium tissue cells, the injury can be extensive.

Ironically the name of this “disease” might persuade some individuals to believe it is a summer-caused issue. In reality it typically does occur from December to February in southern Idaho.

Sunscald may affect a number of landscape, fruit or ornamental trees, such as: maple (*Acer*), linden (*Tilia*), ash (*Fraxinus*), honey locust (*Gleditsia*), oak (*Quercus*), apple (*Malus*), pear (*Pyrus*), peach/apricot (*Prunus*) and other valuable trees in the landscape.

Sunscald is typically diagnosed a few feet above the soil level on the trunk. It typically presents as vertical “split” bark or discolorations always on the southwestern facing portion of the trunk. In more severe cases the trunk may also “bleed” from the damaged area.

As stated above, younger trees — typically 5-7 years old or younger age — are much more susceptible to sunscald and should be monitored or protected over the next few

months. Several commercial options are available to protect young trees from sunscald/southwest “disease.”

- Corrugated tree guards, paper tree wraps and breathable fabrics can be purchased locally or online at multiple retailers.

- White non-latex paint is also available to potentially protect trees from sunscald as well. It is important that this material is white or light-colored, as dark-colored material would only enhance the potential of sunscald on trees.

If protecting trees from sunscald, it is important to not strangle or constrict the tree’s cambial tissue, e.g. leave it loosely wrapped or leave enough space (at least one inch) so the trunk may still be able to grow and transport water/nutrients in spring, summer and fall.

With any additional questions, email Brad Stokes directly (bstokes@uidaho.edu).

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Calendar

Today

- Ladies coffee group**
9 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Food distribution**
9 a.m. to 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
- 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.
- Marsing Chamber of Commerce meeting**
12:30 p.m., Sandbar Community Room, Marsing City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave.
- Jordan Valley Ambulance meeting**
6 p.m., ambulance hall, 706 Main St., Jordan Valley.
- Homedale Highway District meeting**
6 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale.
- 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.
- Marsing School Board meeting**
7 p.m., school district office boardroom, The HUB, 301 8th Ave W, Marsing. (208) 649-5411

Thursday

- 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.)
- Therapy Dog visit**
9:30 a.m., to 11 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale.
- Bingo**
10 a.m., free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168
- Fit and Fall Proof exercise class**
10 a.m., to 11 a.m., free, old high school gym, 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
- Owyhee Conservation District meeting**
Noon, Owyhee Conservation District office, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., Marsing. (208) 880-6284
- Owyhee Gardeners Meeting**
1 p.m., Sandbar Community Room, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 250-0943. Information: info@owyheegardeners.org
- Christmas movie and cooking making**
1 p.m. to 3 p.m., free, Melba Valley Sr. Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168
- Marsing Elementary Christmas Program**
1:15 (doors open), 1:30 p.m. (program begins), Marsing Elementary School cafeteria, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing.
- 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
- Teens and Tweens**
5 p.m., to 6 p.m., ‘IDPTV Visit – STEAM with Brady Kissel,’ Homedale Library The Gathering Place, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.
- Marsing City Council meeting**
7 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 896-4122

Friday

- Pie making class**
1 p.m., to 3 p.m., adults, \$10 (refunded upon class completion), registration required, The Gathering Place, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228
- Community food pantry**
4 p.m., Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd., Melba.
- Let’s Talk About It book club**
4 p.m., ‘March by Geraldine Brooks,’ Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.
- OCHS Christmas Party**
6 p.m., bring a gift, and dish to share, Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy.
- Alcoholics Anonymous**
7 p.m., Sandbar Community Room, City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 860-9674

Saturday

- Christmas bazaar**
9 a.m., to 3 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder. hfccchritmasbazaar@gmail.com
- Santa Claus at the Library**
10 a.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.
- Catholic Mass**
10 a.m., Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Oreana. (208) 466-7031
- Grand View Christmas Parade**
4:30 p.m. (float/vehicle line-up), 5:30 (parade begins), downtown on Main Street, Grand View. (208) 590-9724.

Sunday

- Children’s Christmas Program**
5 p.m., ‘Don’t Miss Out,’ Valley Christian Fellowship, 37866 Hwy 78, Grand View.

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., Steve Belknap reading, Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228
- After School Program**
4:30 p.m., ‘Christmas Party’ elementary and middle school-aged children, Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228
- Creative writing group**
5 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing.

Tuesday

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

Obituaries

William Wallace “Bill” Deal

Dec 7, 1936 - Nov 20, 2024

William Wallace “Bill” Deal was born in Boise, Idaho on December 7, 1936 to Nell Matthews Deal and Homer Steeves Deal. Bill spent the summers of his youth in McCall boating, working, golfing, and waterskiing. Homer and Nell purchased one of the first speed boats on Payette Lake. Bill, his brother Steve, and friends skied every day on waterskis they created and baked in Nell’s oven. He won the McCall waterski tournament two times and was offered a spot at the Cypress Gardens Water Ski Show in Florida.

Bill graduated from Boise High in 1955, served as Senior Class President and played on many BHS sports teams with golf being his favorite. Bill was a scratch golfer, a sport he enjoyed his entire life.

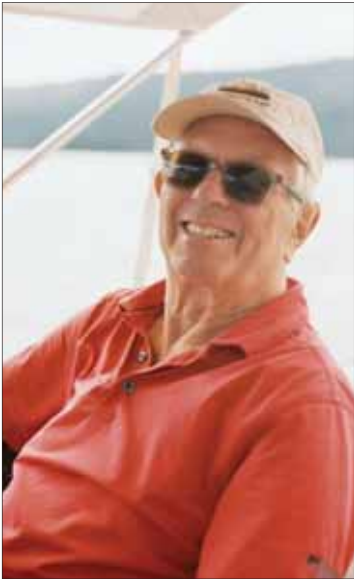
In the fall of 1955, Bill became a University of Idaho Vandal, pledged Beta Theta Pi and met Joanie Ferris. They both say it was love at first sight. Joan and Bill were married December 22, 1958 in Joan’s hometown of Lewiston and graduated later that year. U of I was where many of their lifelong friendships were made.

Bill and Joan began their life together with adventure, driving across the country to Fort Benning, Georgia and later Fort Jackson, South Carolina, for service in the U.S. Army.



During their Army tenure, historic world events were underway, construction of the Berlin Wall, the Bay of Pigs Invasion, the beginning of U.S. engagement in Viet Nam and the Civil Rights movement.

A love for Idaho and family brought Bill and Joan back home. Bill began his insurance career as a Division Agency manager moving from Boise to Coeur d’Alene to Provo, Utah. A growing family and a desire for community led Bill and Joan to purchase the W.W. Deal Agency in Nampa from his Uncle Edson Deal founded in 1932 by his father Homer Deal. For forty-six years, Bill was a leading insurance agent and agency principal in Idaho. He advocated for insurance standards as President of the Big I, Chairman of the Board



for the Idaho State Insurance Fund and was appointed by Governor Butch Otter as the Director of the Idaho State Department of Insurance. Bill served as Director for eight years and was proud of his department and their commitment to superior service.

In 1991, Bill was elected to the Idaho State House of Representatives and served sixteen years including service as Chairman of the State Affairs Committee, a “go to” member of the Business Committee, Co-Chair and founding member of the Healthcare Task Force, High Risk Pool Board, Member of the Idaho Endowment Board and The PERSI Board (Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho). He was instrumental in passing Workmen’s Compensation legislation for Idaho

Agricultural workers. Bill was committed to helping Idaho work well for Idahoans.

Bill and Joan valued the community of Nampa and our State of Idaho. Bill was a past President of Rotary and honored with the Rotary Club Paul Harris Fellowship on 2 occasions, honored with NNU’s Emerson Award, U Of I Alumni President, Member of the Arid Club (4th-longest tenured member) He was a lifelong Methodist. He and Joan headed the MYF group in Boise and Bill was Finance Chairman for the Nampa Methodist Church.

Bill gave thirty-three years of time and energy to the Snake River Stampede and its Board of Directors. Serving as President three times and helping to envision and create the Ford Idaho Center where the Snake River Stampede moved after its long tenure in the “Green Queen” near Lakeview Park. The Deal family loved the western way of life and bought horses to ride in Treasure Valley horse parades, this led to 4-H club membership and then showing horses around the West.

Many summers were spent traveling by motor home and horse trailer to Tulsa, OK for the Junior World AQHA Finals representing Idaho.

In retirement, Bill and Joan have kept very busy enjoying grandchildren, card games,

water aerobics and communities they love in both McCall and Desert Hot Springs.

Bill is survived by Joan Deal, his wife of 66 years, brother, Steve Deal (Dolora) of Sun Valley, brother-in-law, John Ferris (Mindy) of Ashland, Ore; brother-in-law, Frank Keenan of Pocatello, daughter, Ferris Deal Goul (Ashley) of Boise, sons, Bill Deal III (Tirana) of Nampa, Shawn Deal of Middleton and Burke Deal (Kathy) of Homedale. Grandchildren Paxton Deal (Jakobee), Katie Ann Deal, Jake Deal (Robin), Harley Goul Brinkman (Cole), Kelton Deal, Drew Deal, great-granddaughter, Josie June Deal and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Bill was preceded in death by his sister Margaret Deal Keenan.

Memorials: Please donate to a favorite charity or to the following family favorites: PEO Chapter House-Caldwell, Boys & Girls Club of Nampa, Homedale Baseball, The Rock-Homedale.

A Reception to Celebrate Bill Deal’s Life will be held Friday, Dec. 13 from 2pm to 5pm, at the Arid Club Boise. Arrangements by Nampa Funeral Home Yraguen Chapel where an online guest book and full obituary is available at www.nampafuneralhome.com

Marlin Leon Gaines

Marlin was born on April 27, 1945 in Nampa to Kermit Gaines and Beulah Pfost of Kansas. He died at Sunny Ridge skilled nursing facility on November 27, 2024 in Nampa after a battle with Parkinson’s disease.

Marlin graduated from Marsing High School in 1963. He attended Idaho State University and the Utah Trade Technical Institute before serving in the U.S. Army Reserve.

He married his wife Evelyn of Notus on September 2, 1967. For several years, Marlin owned and operated the Union 76 Service Station in Marsing. After he sold that business, he had a Quick Lube service in Nampa. In 1980, he went to work at Boise State University and remained there until his retirement in 2007.

He is survived by his wife Evelyn Gaines; a brother Verlyn (Sherry) Gaines of Bakersfield, CA; a sister

Jeanette (Roy) Graybeal of Marsing; a daughter Andrea (Al) Alvarez of Nampa; a son Keith Gaines (Dan Everhart) of Boise; a grandson Joseph Alvarez (Washington, DC); a granddaughter Amelia Alvarez (Madison, WI); a cousin Sandy Gaines (Tacoma, WA); and several nieces and nephews.

Marlin loved his pet dogs and goats and had a passion for cars. He will be missed. A celebration of life will be scheduled at a later date.

Jennifer Redford

Jennifer Redford suffered an asthma attack the morning of November 14. In spite of the help of the Canyon County Sheriff’s department and numerous paramedics, she didn’t recover. She was born June 17, 1964 to Rodney and Linda Redford in Hayward, California.

When she was young, she competed in the Golden Gate water ski club and won several first-prize medals. She graduated

from Hayward High in 1982. Jennifer worked in the clerical field and made many friends.

She is survived by her mother Linda Redford, sister Kate Chavous, husband John Sullivan, 2 daughters: Rachel Mustic, Libby Duggin; and son Kyle Weiser.

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Marsing High School marching band musicians take a short breather between playing Christmas songs in Friday's parade.



Longtime Marsing residents Neal and Ashley Mays were the honorary Christmas tree lighting officials after Friday's parade. City council president Chris Even introduced his friends before they flipped the switch.



The high school choir was all smiles during its chilly trip to Island Park to sing carols at the tree lighting.



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Homedale church bazaar scheduled Saturday

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A donation-based soup lunch will be offered during the holiday sale.

Handcrafted items such as wreaths, bags, blankets, jewelry, woodworking, biscotti, metalwork, aprons, furniture, home décor, woolen mittens, greeting cards, crocheted items, and other unique gifts will be sold.

Vendor set-up will be available between 5 p.m., and 7 p.m., on Friday and from 7:30 a.m., to 8:45 a.m., on Saturday.

Vendors must clean up and vacate the building by 4:30 p.m., once the bazaar concludes.

Marsing Elementary concert set

Marsing Elementary School’s annual Christmas concert takes place Thursday.

The show starts at 1:30 p.m., inside the school district cafeteria on 8th Avenue West. In past years, the concert was held at night.

Music teacher Liz Lacer has led rehearsals for each grade level at the school.

Kindergarteners through fifth-graders will take the stage to sing 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.”

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Dec. 11: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, sliced pears **Lunch:** Chicken fried fingers, mashed potatoes, country gravy, buttered corn

Dec. 12: **Breakfast:** Texas toast, dried cranberries **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, pineapple tidbits, garden salad, Jello

Dec. 16: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, applesauce **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, buttered carrots, whole grain roll

Dec. 17: **Breakfast:** Sausage breakfast pizza, sliced pears **Lunch:** French toast sticks, sausage patty hash brown patty

Dec. 18: **Breakfast:** Buttermilk pancakes, syrup cup, Yami yogurt, sliced peaches **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, curly fries

Homedale Middle

*Choice of milk and juice, yogurt or string cheese
Cereal option, vegetable and fruit choices offered daily*

Dec. 11: **Breakfast:** Texas toast, sliced peaches **Lunch:** Chicken fried steak, country gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered corn, whole grain roll

Dec. 12: **Breakfast:** Croissant breakfast sandwich, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, pineapple tidbits, seasoned green beans, Jello

Dec. 16: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, Yami yogurt, applesauce **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken, buttered carrots, whole grain roll

Dec. 17: **Breakfast:** Frudel or mini bagel, grapes **Lunch:** French toast sticks, sausage patty, hash brown patty

Dec. 18: **Breakfast:** Cheesy scrambled eggs,

blueberry muffin, diced pears **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, Tater Tots

Homedale High

*Choice of milk and juice, yogurt, string cheese or hard-boiled egg
Vegetable and fruit choices, cereal option, Grab ‘n’ go items daily*

Dec. 11: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Corn dog, curly fries, Jello *Grab ‘n’ go:* BBQ chicken wrap

Dec. 12: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, iced coffee **Lunch:** Mini pepperoni pizza, garden salad *Grab ‘n’ go:* Ham and cheese sub

Dec. 16: **Breakfast:** Sausage and cheese biscuit, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Garlic cheese French bread pizza, crinkle fries, snickerdoodle cookie *Grab ‘n’ go:* Turkey bacon sub

Dec. 17: **Breakfast:** Texas toast, sausage patty, iced coffee **Lunch:** Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, curly fries *Grab ‘n’ go:* Berry chicken salad

Dec. 18: **Breakfast:** Cheesy scrambled eggs, blueberry muffin, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Glazed ham slice, sweet potatoes, seasoned green beans, whole grain roll, apple crisp

Marsing

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

Dec. 11: **Breakfast:** Glazed donut, string cheese,

sliced apples **Lunch:** Orange chicken, steamed rice, spring roll, steamed broccoli **Cold Grab-n-go:** Chicken bacon salad

Dec. 12: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, string cheese, whole wheat toast, oranges wedges **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza ripper, tossed salad, pineapple tidbits, Jello with topping **Hot Grab-n-go:** Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, curly fries

Dec. 16: **Breakfast:** Texas toast, string cheese, applesauce **Lunch:** Burrito-enchilada style, refried beans **Cold Grab-n-go:** Chicken bacon ranch wrap

Dec. 17: **Breakfast:** Sausage patty, biscuit, country gravy, dried cranberries **Lunch:** French toast sticks, sausage patty, hash browns, strawberry cup **Hot Grab-n-go:** Garlic French bread pizza, crinkle fries

Dec. 18: **Breakfast:** Sausage breakfast pizza, string cheese, mixed fruit cup **Lunch:** Glazed ham slice, holiday potatoes, green beans, roll, frosted sugar cookie

Bruneau-Grand View

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

Dec. 11: **Breakfast:** Muffins **Lunch:** Corn dogs, French fries, cauliflower

Dec. 12: **Breakfast:** Strawberry mini bagels **Lunch:** Chicken fried steaks with gravy, mashed potatoes, corn

Dec. 16: **Breakfast:** Waffles **Lunch:** Teriyaki chicken with rice, stir fry vegetables, fortune cookie

Dec. 17: **Breakfast:** Chocolate donuts **Lunch:** Beef and bean burritos, salsa and sour cream, romaine salad, broccoli

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Homedale wrestler Matti Bidiman and Trojans assistant coach Ryan Nash (background) look to the referee for a decision on a possible pin Saturday against Nyssa, Ore.'s Kiera DeLeon in the Ardis Nash Memorial Tournament. Photo by Chardee VanDerhoff / CV Photography

HHS wrestlers 2nd in two tourneys

Girl grabs silver in Nash; boys runners-up at Capital

Matti Bidiman didn't have to go too far to bring home hardware from the Ardis Nash Memorial Tournament.

The 126-pound wrestler captured a silver medal Saturday in the all-girls tournament held in her team's Homedale High School gymnasium.

Bidiman lost the championship match when

Garden Valley's Caddy Tverdy pulled off a pinfall in 45 seconds.

The season-opening tournament named for the matriarch of a Homedale wrestling family attracted 38 teams from Idaho and Oregon.

Bidiman fought through the championship bracket with two decisions and two pinfalls after receiving an opening-round bye.

Bidiman reached the championship bout with a 4-minute, 50-second pin of Nyssa, Ore.'s

— See *Wrestlers*, page 12

Dugger's return pushes Marsing girls

Huskies hang tough with Declo, Wendell

Jake Dugger is at it again.

His return to the Marsing High School girls' basketball coaching position was marked

with another winning streak.

After serving three years as coach a few seasons ago, Dugger returned to his alma mater for a second stint leading the Huskies, who recently saw a four-game win streak end.

"The Marsing community has always held a special place in my heart," he said. "I love

coaching and look forward to having a positive impact on the players both on and off the court."

The positive impact showed up immediately with Marsing (4-3) beating Payette, 53-43, on Dec. 3 for the team's fourth

— See *Girls*, page 13

Rimrock teams off and running

Seniors, veteran coaches lead both boys and girls

by Oli Prow

Rimrock Journalism

Rimrock High School's basketball players are ready for the new season.

The boys are led by Wylee Aquiso, who has been coaching for 10 years. He is joined by second-year varsity assistant Pedro Varela, who has coached

the junior varsity three years.

Of Rimrock's 19 players, senior returners are Ronaldo Gomez, Rocky Aquiso, Carson Raymond, and Adam Meyers. Key players are juniors Morgan Field, Kolten Jewett, and Kas Bachman and sophomores Hays Black, Dylan McNeley, and Adrian Farfan.

Wylee Aquiso believes his team will be a top finisher in the 2A Western Idaho Conference if the Raiders can stay healthy. He adds they'll be hard to beat if they play "team together."

Rimrock girls' coach Kyla Jewett has been coaching for

— See *Rimrock*, page 19

Boys' basketball previews

Huskies buy into new coach's philosophy, capture home opener

Strong defense and rebounding helped Marsing High School build and keep a lead in its boys' basketball season opener Friday.

Three scorers reached double figures and different players got hot at different times to hand new coach Lamon Loucks a 67-61 non-conference victory over Wendell in his varsity debut.

"I like to focus on maximizing each player's potential while fostering a team-first mentality," Loucks said prior to the opener against the visiting Trojans. "It's about enjoying the journey together, improving as a group, and making the team's success the priority over individual

— See *Huskies*, page 14

Trojans look for first win in home debut

Football success stunts early-season cohesion again

Cam Long has been around the game of basketball enough to not get caught by surprise.

His Homedale High School boys are off to another slow start, but the sixth-year coach isn't one to panic just three games in to a season.

Most of his key players once again competed deep into the football state playoffs, so the non-conference season will serve as a tune-up for the important, new-look 4A

Snake River Valley conference campaign.

"This is the toughest the conference has been since I have been here," Long said. "Outside of Payette, I could see (newcomer) Cole Valley (Christian), McCall-(Donnelly), Fruitland and Weiser and us all beating up each other all season."

The Chargers' former Western Idaho Conference foe, The Ambrose School, handed the Trojans a 59-52 non-conference loss in the season opener Dec. 3 in Meridian.

Homedale's opening week

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Senior Ronaldo Gomez dribbles toward a Tri-Valley defender during Rimrock's home-court win Thursday. Photo by Osten Browne / Rimrock Journalism

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Sports

✓ Wrestlers: Full complement of athletes start season

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Kiera DeLeon from Nyssa, Ore.

Bidiman edged Thunder Ridge’s Kaydence Landers, 7-5, in the quarterfinals. She pinned Middleton’s Kyra Moore in 3:06 after opening with a 10-4 win over Weiser’s Madisyn Fletcher.

Three Trojans wrestled in the 114-pound bracket.

Elizabeth Harper collected two victories by pinfall during the tournament. She dispatched Payette’s Lillinna DeCaney in 40 seconds in the second round of the championship bracket. Harper pinned Filer’s Ella Schroeder in 1:32 in the consolation bracket.

Mikaiala Aberasturi reached the fourth round of the consolation matches while going 1-2. She pinned Payette’s Carlie Gepford in 3:40.

Kylee Montenegro needed just 23 seconds to pin Diascia Combs from Canyon Ridge in a consolation bracket bout.

HHS boys second in pod

The Trojans’ boys’ squad battled to a runner-up in its pod but couldn’t gain much traction in the championship bracket

of the two-day Golden Eagles Duals at Capital High School in Boise.

Homedale finished second in Pod A behind Meridian’s A team. There were five teams in the pod.

On Saturday, the Trojans were unable to win any dual meets.

During the pool play portion, the Trojans won three of their four matches, losing only to Meridian A.

Homedale def. Boise, 55-24 — The Trojans opened the tourney in dominating fashion with nearly every bout decided by pinfall or technical fall.

Porter Swan got a pin in 3 minutes, 24 seconds at 106 pounds, and Trevor Paynter posted a 19-3 tech fall at 113.

At 120, Gibson Price pinned Max Ellis in 5:03.

Braelyn Arredondo also got a third-round pin at 126, taking down Dylan Dahl in 4:27.

Lane Zehr delivered a technical fall at 132, beating Dean Hoskovec, 16-1.

Gerardo Vargas (138) posted a 13-4 major decision against Braydi Hopper.

Nathan Marston (157)

also had a tech fall with a 17-0 decision against Henry Sorenson.

Peyton McCarney pinned Connor Woods at 4:58 at 175.

Grady Walgamott (215) won by injury default when Dallan Sutterfield retired 50 seconds into the second round.

Homedale def. Canyon Ridge, 63-17 — The Trojans rolled past the Twin Falls team with four opening-round pinfalls.

Swan (106) beat Joshua Ferrin by technical fall, 15-0.

Walgamott delivered a pin of Joshua Crivelli in 22 seconds at 215.

Paynter (113) pinned Ali Jabbar in 36 seconds.

Peyton McCarney (175) pinned Kobe Akau in 38 seconds.

Arredondo ended his match at 126 by pinning Brock Gorringer in 81 seconds.

Bidiman (144) finished off Xander Barker in 22 seconds.

Nathan Marston (157) pinned Jayden Borrayo in 1:47.

Meridian def. Homedale, 68-18 — Pins by Paynter, Bidiman and Jakobe Valle were the Trojans’ only points.

Valle stopped Bodee Williams in 3:19 in the 98-pound bout.

Paynter (113) pinned Adam Ostoja in 5:02.

Bidiman (144) put Xyler Coleman on his back in 2:48.

Homedale def. Mtn. Home, 58-30 —Valle made quick work of Adrian Olivares (59 seconds at 98) for one of five Trojans pinfalls.

Paynter pinned Camden Kuntz in 3:17 at 113.

Arredondo (126) stopped Lukas Walker in 2:27.

Black (132) pinned Cole Kuntz in 1:24.

Bidiman (144) ended his bout against Landen Horvath in 31 seconds.

Technical falls came from Gerardo Vargas (138; 17-1 over Wyatte Boyden) and Marston (157; 15-0 over Jaden Owens).

Rocky Mtn. def. Homedale, 41-36 — The Trojans built up points in the lower weights but couldn’t maintain the momentum.

Jakobe Valle wiped out Rocky Mountain’s 98-pounder with a 14-2 major decision.

Swan pulled off a 17-1 tech

fall against Cody Carpenter at 106.

Paynter pinned Isidro Castro in 2:47 at 113.

Rice (120) pinned Pax Russo six seconds before the end of the first round.

Arredondo (126) posted a 12-0 major decision over Sebastian Castro.

In the remaining 10 bouts, the Trojans managed only a forfeit at 144 and Wylee Bidiman’s 15-0 technical fall over John Henington at 150.

Nampa def. Homedale, 42-33 — Swan tagged Teagan Navarro in an 11-3 major decision at 106.

Asa Black (132) posted a 15-0 technical fall over Austin Spano.

Bidiman (144) pinned Korbyn Sena in 2:49.

Ty Cooper (157) got a pin late in the opening round (1:54) against Tristan Begay.

Nathan Marston (165) pinned Lykin Williams in 1:44.

Eagle def. Homedale, 51-36 — Paynter (113) blitzed Jackson Cruise in 31 seconds.

Bidiman needed just 36 seconds to win the 144 bout against Owen Cutler.

Arredondo (126) pinned Sean Poole in 2:26.

Homedale Trojans

Athletes of the Week



Boys' basketball
Lukas Hall, jr., P
12 points, 8 rebounds in opener
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Girls' basketball
Belen Asumendi, jr., G
Averaged 4 points, 5 rebounds, 2.5 steals in 2 games
Inspired Portraits by Kyla



Wrestling
Nathan Marston, jr., 157
Four victories in season-opening tournament

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Girls' basketball Varsity Thursday, Dec. 19 at Nyssa Christmas Tournament Friday, Deco. 20 at Nyssa Christmas Tournament Saturday, Dec. 21 at Nyssa Christmas Tournament Junior varsity Thursday, Dec. 19 at Nyssa Christmas Tournament Friday, Deco. 20 at Nyssa Christmas Tournament Saturday, Dec. 21 at Nyssa Christmas Tournament Frosh-soph Friday, Jan. 3, home vs. Gooding, 4:30 p.m.	Boys' basketball Varsity Friday, Dec. 13, home vs. Gooding, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17 at Nyssa, Ore., 7:30 p.m. Junior varsity Friday, Dec. 13, home vs. Gooding, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17 at Nyssa, Ore., 6 p.m. Frosh-soph Friday, Dec. 13, home vs. Gooding, 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17 at Nyssa, Ore., 4:30 p.m.
Wrestling Coed Wednesday, Dec. 11, home vs. Adrian, Marsing and Nampa Christian, 5:30 pm. Friday, Dec. 13 at Calhoun Classic, Nyssa, Ore., 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13 at Calhoun Classic, Nyssa, Ore., 9 a.m.	

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Sports

✓ Girls: Quick hands on defense a hallmark in non-conference contests

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consecutive victory.

The Huskies dropped back-to-back road games to end the week, losing 49-40 to Declo on Saturday and falling to Wendell, 56-47, on Friday.

“It was very physical. It was a great learning weekend vs. two very competitive opponents,” Marsing assistant coach JW Chadez said. “You can’t replicate those type of minutes in practice.

“Even though we lost both games, we had an opportunity to win both games late in the fourth quarter. That’s all you can ask for as a coach.”

Marsing opened the 3A Western Idaho Conference season Tuesday after deadline against new conference member Parma.

“I want to build a winning program that Marsing High School and the community can be proud of,” Dugger said. “My goal is to improve each players basketball skills, from mastering the fundamentals to understanding strategies.

Dugger decided to return

to the program, succeeding Aidrie Voile, who left the post after one season.

“I was greatly influenced by the encouragement and support from my family and friends. They understand the passion I have for the game and the enjoyment I get from mentoring young athletes,” Dugger said.

“My friends, who share a love for sports, gave me advice and encouragement, reminding me of the positive impact I’ve had on players in the past. I’m ready to give my best to the team.”

After several years coaching basketball at several levels, Dugger brings wisdom to his second go-round with the Huskies, too.

Since his first term as Huskies coach, Dugger has juggled his busy work life with coaching junior high school boys’ basketball.

“I’ve learned the importance of treating each player as an individual. I have learned that each player has specific strengths, weaknesses, and motivation,” he said. “It is important to understand what

each player needs for encouragement and growth. A personalized approach helps build player confidence and develops a solid and motivated team.”

He admits that his shop foreman job with Coastline Equipment in Meridian makes it difficult to devote time to coaching, too.

But he’s ready to bring stability to the Marsing program while focusing on his day job and life with his wife and dog in Caldwell.

“Frequent coaching changes can disrupt the continuity and stability of a team. Changes in coaching can lead to shifts in strategy, philosophy and team dynamics which can hurt the development of players,” Dugger said.

“Each coach brings their own systems and approach. Stability in coaching is crucial for long-term success.”

Saturday: Declo 49, Marsing 40 — Spread-out scoring helped the visiting Huskies hang with a Hornets squad that has ended the past two seasons

in the state tournament.

“Our main goal is trying to find consistency,” JW Chadez said. “We have great moments, and we have bad moments.

“The girls are working very hard; now we just have to start stringing our good moments together and minimizing our bad moments. It’s definitely a process, and I think we are slowly starting to understand the importance of the small details.”

Bailey Daugherty led Marsing with 11 points, and Lily Thoene added eight points and 10 rebounds. Daugherty snagged six of her nine rebounds on Declo’s end.

Raylynn Vanosdall gobbled up six of her seven boards on defense, and Adyson Chadez also had six rebounds.

Vanosdall scored nine points, and Josie Showalter chipped in seven.

Daugherty led the team with four pass deflections, while Chadez had three steals.

Friday: Wendell 56, Marsing 47 — The host Trojans ended the Huskies’ win streak

despite 20 points and nine rebounds Chadez.

Chadez missed on only one of her nine free-throw attempts, and she grabbed eight defensive rebounds.

Daugherty posted eight points and six rebounds. Vanosdall added seven points.

Daugherty led the Huskies with four steals, and Showalter picked up three thefts.

Dec. 3: Marsing 53, Payette 43 — Chadez went 8-for-9 from the foul line and led the way with 17 points as the Huskies played the first of three consecutive games on the road.

Chadez and Smith both connected on three-point goals.

Daugherty logged a double-double with 11 points and a team-high 12 rebounds.

Chadez and Showalter corralled six boards each.

The Huskies’ defense stifled Payette with Smith deflecting six passes and Daugherty knocking away five.

Vanosdall had three steals, and Chadez disrupted two passes and had two steals.

MARSING HUSKIES

Athlete of the Week



Boys' basketball
Juan Molina, jr., G
9 points, 3 rebounds vs. Wendell



Girls' basketball
Kaitlyn Smith, sr., G
3.5 points, 2.5 rebounds, 3.5 pass deflections in 2 games

THIS WEEK'S SPORTS SCHEDULE

Girls' basketball
Varsity
Thursday, Dec. 12, home vs. New Plymouth, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 14, home vs. Fruitland, 2:30 p.m.
Junior varsity
Thursday, Dec. 12, home vs. New Plymouth, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 14, home vs. Fruitland, 1 p.m.

Wrestling
Coed
Wednesday, Dec. 11 at Homedale with Adrian, and Nampa Christian, 5:30 pm.
Friday, Dec. 13 at Calhoun Classic, Nyssa, Ore., 2 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 13 at Calhoun Classic, Nyssa, Ore., 9 a.m.

Boys' basketball
Varsity
Wednesday, Dec. 11, home vs. Liberty Charter, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 13, home vs. New Plymouth, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 14 at Small School Showcase vs. TBA, Mtn. View H.S., Meridian, 8:30 a.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 17, home vs. The Ambrose School, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity A
Wednesday, Dec. 11, home vs. Liberty Charter, 6 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 13, home vs. New Plymouth, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 14 at Small School Showcase vs. TBA, Mtn. View H.S., Meridian, 10 a.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 17, home vs. The Ambrose School, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B
Wednesday, Dec. 11, home vs. Liberty Charter, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 13, home vs. New Plymouth, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 17, home vs. The Ambrose School, 4:30 p.m.



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Sports

From page 11

✓ Huskies: Clutch shots, athletic rebounding sends coach to debut win

achievement.”

The philosophy rang true loud and strong Friday with different players picking up the Huskies banner at different times in the contest.

Levi Aristizabal, a 6-foot, 3-inch post playing his first season of varsity ball, stepped up in the first quarter with hustle that belies his wide frame. He scored 10 of his 12 points in the first half with a combination of athleticism and tenacious rebounding. Ten of his points came in the first eight minutes as Marsing pushed through a herky-jerky quarter to an 18-14 advantage.

“Levi is a defensive powerhouse in the paint. With his size, strength, and relentless work ethic, Levi is going to be a key force on both the boards and in the paint,” Loucks said.

The senior was co-leader in rebounding with five of his eight boards on offense.

Aristizabal is part of a solid group of seniors and juniors whose quickness and athletic ability will be key in replacing Dustin Engle and scoring contributor Eli Ankeny, two guards who graduated in the spring.

“On offense, Levi is just as impactful. His physicality allows him to establish deep post position, where he can finish strong around the rim,” Loucks said.

Teagan Kinney, a 6-3 guard, made his return to the Huskies with a steady 13 points that included a 3-for-4 performance at the free-throw line. He grabbed four of his five rebounds on defense and was one of three Marsing



Senior Teagan Kinney takes a shot early in Friday’s win over Wendell.

players with two steals each.

Loucks said the senior “excels in every aspect of the game.”

“His all-around athleticism allows him to seamlessly transition between positions, making him a constant threat on both ends of the floor,” the coach said. “Teagan has the skill set to contribute in any situation. His ability to grab boards and dominate the glass, combined with his scoring power, makes him a standout player.”

Kinney’s jump shot off a rebound after **Juan Ponce** had muscled in to rebound his own missed shot gave Marsing the fuel to build an 8-2 lead before Wendell used a 9-0 run to claim an 11-8 advantage just past the midway point of the

opening quarter.

Before fouling out, Ponce collected three of his four boards on the offensive end and also posted two steals and knocked away two passes.

Wendell used a flurry of foul shots to gain control briefly, but 5-8 senior guard **Jace Chadez** knocked down free throws of his own in the first quarter. He ended a game-wide second-quarter drought with a three-point goal that capped Marsing’s 11-3 spurt to a 21-14 lead with 6 minutes, 12 seconds left in the first half.

“Jace Chadez is an exceptional point guard known for his court vision and basketball IQ,” Loucks said. “He has outstanding ball control and is a true floor general, always making the right play.”

“A selfless player, Jace excels at setting up teammates while also being a reliable scorer when needed.”

Chadez was the Huskies’ leading scorer against Wendell, nailing a pair of treys and converting eight of 10 free-throw attempts for 16 points.

Six of Chadez’s co-team-high eight rebounds came on defense, and he three steals despite four fouls.

Players on both sides didn’t seem prepared for the hectic pace of the season opener, but Marsing turned a corner after the defense held Wendell in the backcourt for 10 seconds and Wendell junior Jordon Swainston was called for his fourth foul on a charge midway through the second quarter.

“My strategic philosophy focuses on playing fast and with purpose. I believe in

pushing players to make quick decisions while staying intentional in every action,” Loucks said. “While on defense, I want my players to be quick on their feet and make smart decisions, always staying focused on what needs to be done.”

Thirty seconds before drawing his fourth foul, Swainston had pulled Wendell to within three points, 23-20, in a three-point shot.

Juan Molina, a 5-8 junior guard, helped Marsing hold Wendell at bay after regaining the lead with a superb athletic move to get a steal on the Trojans’ end of the floor.

Offensively, Molina was quiet until knocking in a three-point goal as part of a five-point third quarter. He finished with nine points after connecting on four of five chances from the line in the final period.

“Molina is a standout perimeter shooter with a deadly three-point shot,” Loucks said. “His exceptional shooting range and accuracy make him a constant threat from beyond the arc.”

Moe Montes, a 5-6 junior guard, immediately cashed in on Molina’s takeaway when he hit a floater on the baseline for a 23-17 Marsing lead.

“We’re not just relying on our starters,” Loucks said. “Our bench is a powerhouse in the making.”

Montes is one of those strong reserves along with 5-11 senior forwards **Ryen Walker** and **Mason Conger**, and 5-7 senior guard **Jayden McFarland**.

“These players are just as important to the team as anyone else, and we expect

them to contribute big minutes and deliver when it matters,” Loucks said.

Conger, Walker and Montes all hit big free throws in the fourth quarter as Marsing fought to contain the suddenly explosive Trojans.

Swainston somehow avoided disqualification, and he and his brother Jonathan helped lead Wendell’s 27-point surge in the fourth quarter.

Jordon woke up after hitting just the trey in the first half, scoring 10 points in the fourth quarter to finish with 14.

Jonathan led all scorers with 24 points. He drilled three treys and scored seven points in the fourth quarter.

Ponce, a 5-10 returning guard, helped Marsing get out of the gates early with a first-quarter three-pointer for a third of his scoring on the night.

“Ponce brings a wealth of basketball experience to the court,” Loucks said. “He has the ability to create his own shot from anywhere on the floor, making him a constant scoring threat. The kid can shoot the lights out.”

“Defensively, Ponce’s quick hands and anticipation allow him to disrupt passing lanes and create turnovers.”

Ponce’s early contribution and the rise of the bench players later in Friday’s game is exactly what Loucks likes.

“We will focus on making every minute count, not just counting the minutes,” he said. “Every moment on the court is an opportunity to give our best, push our limits, and work towards greatness.”

— JPB

✓ Trojans: Plenty of returners from 3A state squad

on the road continued Thursday with a 49-35 setback to Class 5A Caldwell.

The Trojans (0-3) dropped a narrow 44-41 decision on the road in Gooding on Saturday and will open the home portion of the season Friday night against the Senators.

Even with the waiting game that comes with another Milk Bowl football team, Long has to be optimistic with four starters among seven returning players who played for the 3A Real Dairy Shootout state tournament consolation title last winter.

Another returner, Alex Sotelo, has been installed as the team’s starting point guard.

“People ask me who our best player is, and I reply that we don’t really know,” Long said. “All these guys are capable of being it every night.”

In the season-opening loss, three returners — Luke Henry, Lukas Hall, and Keaton Sorenson — scored in double figures.

The Trojans fell behind early, but played even with the Archers throughout the rest of the contest.

Henry led the team with a pair of three-point goals to highlight a 6-for-9 shooting night and 16 points despite playing with four fouls.

Hall paced the Trojans’ defensive rebounding, grabbing six of his team-high eight boards on Ambrose’s end

of the floor. He scored 12 points.

Sorenson scored 10 points while dishing three assists and snagging five rebounds. He also swiped two steals.

Sotelo’s debut at the point resulted in three points, three assists, and three of the Trojans’ 14 turnovers.

Returning starter Angel Contreras posted four assists, four steals and three rebounds.

Long said his team would struggle with its shooting this season, and he wasn’t wrong on opening night. The Trojans connected on just 20 of 59 field-goal attempts (33.9 percent). Homedale only managed nine offensive rebounds.

— JPB

Marsing Soccer Club seeks players ages 10-12

More than a year after starting, the Marsing Soccer Club seeks to expand its offerings to youth athletes.

The club has fielded teams with players ages 13-18 in the spring and fall of the Nampa Premier Soccer Club’s recreational division.

Now, organizer Sergio Aristizabal is looking to build a 10-12 age group team.

“I have had parents show interest, and I wanted to see if I can expand (the program),” Aristizabal said.

Anyone interested in the soccer program can call (208) 320-3255.

The club started in the Nampa league in the spring of 2023.

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

December 15, 1999



Float winner...

The best overall prize for the Homedale holiday parade was awarded to Homedale Floral with their float of large candy canes, a decorated Christmas tree, complete with Christmas presents, and sugar plum elves handing out foil-covered chocolate rose buds.

Homedale may get new, larger post office

More parking space would reduce congestion
Officials from the U.S. Postal Service met with the Homedale City Council last week to discuss plans for the construction of a new, larger post office.

The current post office has been located on Main Street since 1959. John Walters and Dave Smith, Postal Service real estate specialists, told the council the facility is outdated and no longer meets the needs of the community.

“It has a small lobby, the counters are run-down and the box lobby is cramped,” Walters said.

Traffic congestion on Main Street has also become a problem as population continues to increase. Postal patrons frequently make illegal U-turns when parking in front of the building.

Homedale’s post office was targeted for replacement some years ago, but the issue was bogged down by politics.

Local teen-age lass makes first solo flight

Kelse Williams, a senior at Homedale High School and the daughter of Cheryl and the late Richard Williams, has had a lifelong dream of being licensed to fly. Williams’ dream took one step closer on the afternoon of Nov. 2 when she was surprised with a solo flight.

“They don’t tell you before you solo that that is what they are going to have you do,” Kelse said.

“I think they don’t want you to get nervous thinking about it before it happens.”

Williams was flying with her instructor Randy Strickland during what she thought was a normal class run when he told her of her solo flight.

“We landed and he told me to get back in the plane and fly it,” Williams said. “I was so excited. I had a feeling earlier that day that he may let me fly alone, but I wasn’t sure. It was the greatest thing I have ever experienced to be up there all by myself.”



50 years ago

December 12, 1974



A DIGITAL WRISTWATCH and a clock radio are awarded to Robert Yamashita, second from left, by Nolan Taggart, activities director at Homedale Junior High School. Yamashita was the top salesman in the recent junior high magazine sales drive in Homedale, selling a total of \$259.14 in subscriptions. Second place winner is Valerie Nash, who sold \$246.86 worth of subscriptions; and third place went to Brenda Root, right, who sold \$189.27 worth. Both girls received ball radios as their prizes.

Historical society rescues Silver City area cabin

Located in the mountainous area northeast of Silver City, the unoccupied cabin was falling apart from decay and the unceasing ravishes of the elements. To those few who had observed its sad state of destruction, partially hidden in a tangle of giant sagebrush and willow growth, it stood as a symbol of an era, a reminder of a time when homes could be constructed through the efforts of muscle and sweat only. Inflated material costs, mortgages and high interest rates were then no handicap.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Nettleton, owners, generously donated the cabin to the Owyhee County Historical Society. Interested members spent a chilly but pleasant Sunday in a group effort to disassemble and load the logs for the haul from the Nettleton ranch to the museum complex at Murphy. Two hauling trips were necessary. All the logs were stamped with identifying numbers to assure identical reconstruction.

This is the first of four Owyhee County log cabins donated by owners to the society. One was originally built over 100 years ago. Modern progress has placed all in danger of annihilation.

Trojan cagers warm up to stop Wildcats

Return games will be on the docket for the Homedale Trojans here this week end when the Payette Pirates arrive Friday night seeking a second victory over the Trojans, and the Wilder Wildcats follow on Saturday night with revenge in mind. Payette spoiled the Trojans’ opener at Payette Nov. 29 with a 66-48 trouncing. The Trojans finally got in the win column Friday night at Wilder by taming the Wildcats 63-50.

Matt Paxton and Bryan Zatica led the way with 16 and 13 points, respectively. Gregg Sweet totaled 18 for Wilder.

Paxton, Pearson spark Trojan win

HOMEDALE — Homedale dominated the boards against Nampa Christian and, led by the scoring of Matt Paxton and Gerald Pearson, rolled to a 66-47 non-conference basketball victory over Nampa Christian Tuesday night.

Paxton hit 18 points while Pearson, a freshman and brother of former Homedale star Paul Pearson, had 16 and Bryan Zatica added 13 as the Trojans ran their season record to 2-2.

153 years ago

December 9, 1871

CHRISTMAS BALL!

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Brigadier Gen. Thos. W. Bennett, Governor of Idaho

A SKETCH OF HIS LIFE AND SERVICES.
[From the Richmond (Indiana) Herald.]

Gen. Thos. W. Bennett was born Feb. 16th, 1831, in Union county, Indiana, and spent the early years of his boyhood upon his father’s farm. At the age of sixteen he was invested with the command of a six-horse team and for nearly two years followed the road between this city and Cincinnati, long before the introduction of railroads amongst us. He then entered Asbury University, in Sept. 1850, at Greencastle, Ind., and graduated in 1854. He began the practice of law at Liberty, the County Seat of his native county, in 1855, which he continued until the breaking out of the rebellion. In 1858 he was elected to the State Senate from his district, and was re-elected to the same position in 1864. In that body he was chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs and also a member of the Judiciary committee, as well as several important and special committees.

On the memorable day that President Lincoln made his first call for volunteers, Mr. Bennett enlisted as a private and was elected Captain and commissioned on the 18th of April, 1861, in which capacity he served with distinction in the 15th Regiment, Indiana Volunteers, in Western Virginia, until he was commissioned as Major of the 36th Indiana Regiment, which he joined and done gallant service during the whole of Gen. Buell’s campaign. He was at the capture of Nashville, and siege of Corinth, and in all the skirmishes of Gen. Nelson’s division and the marches of that army including the famous retreat from the Tennessee to the Ohio river and the subsequent pursuits of Bragg.

On the 18th of Oct., 1862, Gov. Morton commissioned Major Bennett Colonel of the 69th Regiment then in camp at Richmond, when he immediately joined Sherman’s army, in its campaigns against Vicksburg, and was in the great battle at Chickasaw Bluff, Dec., 1862, and was also at the capture of Arkansas Post, Jan., 1863.

The President in consideration of “gallant and meritorious service in the field,” did, on the 5th of March, 1863, brevet him Brigadier General, and he was detailed subsequently, as one of the escorts to accompany the remains of the President to their final resting place at Springfield, Ill.

Commentary

Religious Expression
The True God

Humans inherently form views to serve their interests. Every world view that doesn't begin with the True God necessarily replaces Him with some imagined being or physical thing that serves man's felt needs. Sadly, while the path of the false god seems good, it is really the way of death. (Proverbs 16:25.)

The Bible guards us against false gods, emphatically stating; "But the Lord is the true God; He is the living God" (Jeremiah 10:10) and "I am the LORD (Yahweh, Jehovah) and there is no other; besides Me there is no God." (Isaiah 45:5) Making distinction between true and false; "All the gods of the peoples are idols, but The Lord made the heavens (Psalms 96:5)" Indeed, there is but one True God Who made all, yet many imposters.

As we think on this subject, we should begin with the foundational truth: The True God is the source of all. All physical things like matter and energy, all spiritual things like minds, souls and spirits are from God. All things that exist were made by God. Colossians 1:16 states: "By Him (Christ) all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible."

Here we see only two categories for everything: The created and the uncreated. Only God belongs to the category of the uncreated. All else is created, emanating from God, and therefore subject to God. The uncreated, self-existing God is distinctly separate and radically superior to everything else. We should test ourselves at this point. If we imagine anything to exist prior to or independent from God, we worship amiss.

A second point we should test ourselves on is this: Does my understanding of God and the worship path I follow primarily serve my interests or God's? The apostle Paul grieved over his "converts" who kept the profession of Christ but departed from a life for Christ; "I tell you even weeping, they are enemies of the cross of Christ, whose end is destruction, whose god is their appetite, who's glory is in their shame, who set their

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Nate Good
Valley Christian Fellowship pastor

A 1977 Melba High School graduate, Nate Good moved to Grand View in 1977. He attended Hesston (Kan.) College in 1978-79 and returned to Multnomah School of the Bible in Portland, Ore., from 1994 to 1998. He was ordained by the Evangelical Free Church of America in 2001 and began pastoring at the Valley Christian Fellowship in Grand View in 1992.



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.

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.

Protecting rural schools
Reject bad idea of sending public money to private schools

Here in Owyhee County, we take pride in our schools. They're more than just buildings where kids learn — they're the heart of our community. Whether it's cheering on our sports teams, celebrating student achievements, or coming together to support kids with special needs, our schools are where we show up for each other. That's why ideas like "education savings accounts" (ESAs), vouchers, and refundable tax credits — what some call school privatization programs — are so troubling.

These programs, pushed by groups from outside our area, would pull tax dollars away from our public schools and send them to private schools. That might work for big cities, but out here, where Owyhee County spans nearly 8,000 square miles, we have just one private school. For most families, sending a kid to private school isn't realistic, not with gas prices and the distances we're talking about. And let's be honest: These programs wouldn't create new private school options for our rural towns. Instead, our tax dollars would go to help families in urban areas — while leaving our public schools short on funding.

Public schools are the backbone of our communities. They welcome every child who walks through our doors, whether they're local kids, migrant students, or children with special needs. We provide meals, transportation, and the resources our kids need to succeed. Private schools, on the other hand, don't have to take every student. They can pick and choose, and they don't answer to taxpayers. If these privatization programs move forward, we'd lose the accountability and protections that parents and kids rely on in our public school system.

Jason Sevy
Chair, Marsing School District board of trustees

Jason Sevy is the Zone 1 representative and chair of the Marsing School District board of trustees.

He also is the president-elect for the Idaho School Board Association after voting during November's annual conference in Boise.



We've seen it happen elsewhere. Out-of-state dollars flow in from special interest groups pushing that this will "save taxpayers money." In reality, once these programs are in place, private tuition raises the cost of the voucher, then public schools lose funding, and the hardest-hit areas are small, rural districts like Marsing, Bruneau-Grand View, and Homedale. That's not a risk we can afford to take — not when our kids' futures are on the line. It also benefits private schools in poaching athletes, instead of giving a scholarship to the quarterback, now he is coming with state tuition payment.

Rural kids and families deserve the same opportunities as anyone else. We deserve strong, well-funded public schools right here in our own communities. Let's not let outside interests take that away from us. Let's stand up for our kids, our schools, and our way of life. This January, tell our lawmakers that public money should not go to fund private schools.

Commentary

Financial management

Use good money market account to grow house-buying fund

Dear Dave,

My wife and I are completely debt-free, and we're saving up for our first house. We currently have about \$140,000 in savings, and we'd like to buy a home with cash when the time is right. Where should we put our money, so it will work for us while we save more?

— Andy

Dear Andy,

If I were in your shoes, and maybe looking at a window of three or four years, I'd just park the cash in a good money market account. You won't make a lot off it, but your money will be safe. I mean, all you're looking for is a smart place to stash it for a little while.

When it comes to long-term investing, I'm a big fan of growth stock mutual funds. The problem with that in your situation would be the volatility of the market. By the time you've saved up more money, and spent time deciding on a house, the market may be down.

You two are in a great place financially right now. With the path you're on, just imagine how incredible it will be in a few years to have a new home and be debt-free!

— Dave

place in your Baby Steps plan for it?

— Jules

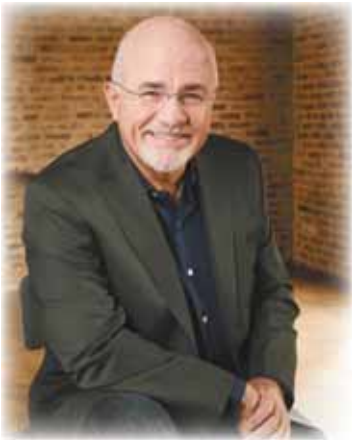
Dear Jules,

I hope you have a nice, large income with which to fight that big pile of student loan debt. I've seen even worse situations, though. I've talked to people who went \$200,000 into debt for a four-year degree in a field where they'll make \$45,000. Yes, that kind of thinking and behavior is out there, and it's ridiculous.

The fact that it's a large amount of student loan debt doesn't change anything. Baby Step 2 is where you pay off all debt except for your home. So, don't let this student loan debt hang around for years and years. You've got to get focused and intense about getting control of your money. That means living on a strict, basics-only monthly budget. After that, start throwing every nickel and dime you can scrape together, and save toward paying off those student loans as fast as possible.

Your income is your largest wealth-building tool, Jules. You can't save, and plan for the future, when all your money is flying out the door to pay off debt.

— Dave



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From the Statehouse

Agreement has Idaho's water future flowing in right direction

To spend one's life in agriculture is to be an optimist.

As a lifelong rancher, I try to greet each day with a positive mindset and a firm belief that I can handle whatever the day throws at me. I also firmly believe that there are virtually no problems, no conflicts, no disagreements that are beyond a solution.

Idaho's newly minted, farmer-crafted water agreement is a case in point. As Gov. Brad Little said, "... the goal all along was to avoid the heavy hand of government by bringing farmers to the table ... and keep crops wet this year and into the future."

After a summer full of numerous meetings with many frank and honest discussions, I am pleased that Idaho now has an updated Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer (ESPA) mitigation plan that has been signed by both our senior surface water and junior groundwater users. This is a noteworthy accomplishment for many reasons:

- It puts to bed the decades-long conflict between our water users.
- It helps preserve and protect our most valuable resource.
- It shows that even the thorniest problems can be solved through honest negotiation and relentless effort.

The honest negotiation and relentless effort came from farmers, ranchers, irrigators, and producers who came together under one roof to hash out their major point of contention: water availability. Gradually they all were able to set aside their own interests and realize that they shared a common goal: To protect our state's agricultural prosperity and ensure a sustainable water supply into the future.

We can no longer act like water is an unlimited resource. We live in the arid West, where water is always going to be in short supply. It's unfortunate

Lt. Gov. Scott Bedke
R-Oakley (term expires 2026)

Bedke was elected Idaho's 44th lieutenant governor in November, and he took office on Jan. 6. He's a fourth-generation Idahoan.

Contact Bedke through the lieutenant governor's website, lgo.idaho.gov



we had to get as far as a potential curtailment to really address our water crisis. But water is a property right, and it is the state's responsibility to ensure that property rights are protected. And while Idaho may be the fastest-growing state and one of the top crop and dairy producers in the nation, we only have so much water to go around. The harsh reality of facing a possible curtailment made senior and junior water right-holders realize that it was time to work together and find a solution.

Now, Idaho has an updated mitigation plan that we can all be proud of. The ESPA Mitigation Plan lays out achievable goals for all parties. Among its provisions:

- **No more fighting** — All parties have agreed to cease all pending litigation in this matter.
- **Fairness** — Groundwater districts will now be evaluated individually and not collectively. The 2015 Mitigation Plan had said that if one of the nine groundwater districts failed to comply with the plan's agreed-upon terms, then all nine districts were jointly at fault. The 2024 plan makes each groundwater pumper responsible for themselves only.
- **Averaging** — Rather than having annual allotments, farmers using groundwater will now take their water share in four-year increments. This empowers the farmers to make management decisions that fit their crop rotations.

- **Conserving the water** — Collectively, groundwater districts must conserve 205,000 acre-feet of water annually to help preserve the health of the aquifer. The districts can also now include private recharge, not only as a tool to meet conservation efforts but also as a means to increase their water allocations.
- **Measurement** — Accurate, timely measurement practices are now required of all water users. It's impossible to administer anything that we're not accurately measuring.

The ESPA Mitigation Plan is a binding legal agreement. We think it is well-crafted and durable enough to stand the test of time, but the water users and the state will review the plan in four years to see how it has fared.

I am very grateful to Jeff Raybould, chair of the Idaho Water Resources Board, whose help in these critical negotiations was invaluable. I especially commend our water users for their determination and their willingness to set aside their own preconceived notions in order to understand the needs of their regional neighbors. I am thankful that all parties involved were able to cooperate in developing a path forward that puts the long-term health of our state and our people first.

This is the true Idaho way. We may still have some obstacles to overcome, but these past few months of negotiations have proven to me that by listening to each other and finding common ground, we can balance the needs of our agricultural producers, our communities, and our future generations.

The age-old saying remains true: We are stronger together.

✓ True God: True Christians embrace a life for Christ not the material

From Page 16

minds on earthly things." (Philippians 3:18,19)

What an awful deception, thinking of themselves as Christians but in reality, their old sinful self was still their god! Jesus Christ came to save us from our sins and from our sinful nature! His words of invitation are: "If anyone wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself and take up our cross and follow Me." (Mark 8:34) After all, in order to belong to The True God we must abandon our idols!

So we ask: Has my pride died? Am I still trying to promote myself while using Christ as my cover? The True God wants us broken, repentant, letting go of self, empty of ourselves so we can be filled up with Him. Those who come to Christ on His terms become lost in Christ. He becomes our real focus. He is the perfection of beauty! (Psalms 50:2) In His presence is fullness of Joy! (Psalms 16:11) His praise becomes our purpose now and for all eternity! We know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding that we may know Him who is true and we are in Him who is true in His Son Jesus Christ.

This is the True God and Eternal Life. Little children guard yourselves from idols (I John 5:20,21).

Public notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE STATUS OF FUNDED ACTIVITIES

Owyhee County received an Idaho Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$500,000.00 from the Idaho Department of Commerce. This funding is allocated to the State of Idaho from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. These funds are being used to make improvements to the Bruneau Water and Sewer District wastewater facilities.

The hearing will include a review of project activities and accomplishments to date, a summary of all expenditures to date, a general description of remaining work and any changes made to the scope of work, budget, schedule, location, or beneficiaries.

The hearing has been scheduled for Monday, December 23, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., at the Owyhee County Court House, 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650. Verbal and written comments will be accepted prior to and at the hearing.

The hearing will be held in a facility that is accessible to persons with disabilities. Special accommodation will be available, upon request, five (5) days prior to the hearing in a format that is usable to persons with disabilities. For more information, contact Angela Barkell, County Clerk, at (208) 495-2421.

This Notice can be provided in a format accessible to persons with disabilities and/or persons with limited English proficiency upon request.

Al ser solicitada, ésta notificación puede ser proveída en un formato fácil de usar para personas con discapacidad y/o personas con conocimientos limitados del Inglés.

Jerry Hoagland, Chairman
O w y h e e C o u n t y
Commissioners
12/11/2024

ORDINANCE NO. A - 236
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSING, IDAHO DESIGNATING THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE MARSING CITY COUNCIL; REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Idaho Code 50-705, the City Council of the City of Marsing has the authority to set the time and place for regular meetings of the Marsing City Council by ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSING, COUNTY OF OWYHEE, IDAHO, as follows:

Section 1: The regular meeting of the mayor and city council of the City of Marsing, Idaho, shall be held in the Marsing City Hall on the Second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m., commencing in the month of November, 2024.

Section 2: In accordance with Section 67-2343(1), Idaho Code, the City Clerk shall cause to be posted a copy of this ordinance at or near the main door of the office of the City Clerk, in Marsing, Idaho, which posting shall constitute the annual meeting notice required for regular meetings of the City Council.

Section 3: Ordinances,

resolutions, orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed, rescinded, and annulled.

Section 4: This ordinance shall be published once in the official newspaper for the City and shall take effect immediately upon its passage, approval, and publication.

APPROVED by the City Council this 14th day of November, 2024.

CITY OF MARSING
Owyhee County, Idaho
/s/:Christopher Even
Council President
ATTEST:
Jolyn E. Thompson
City Clerk/Treasurer
12/11/2024

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT DUE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ACCORDING TO SECTION 43-707, IDAHO CODE, assessments for the Grand View Irrigation District 2024 irrigation season are due and payable and will become delinquent at five o'clock p.m. on the twentieth day of December 202. Payment must be made in lawful money of the United States, negotiable bank draft or cashier's check. Payment may be made in person at the Irrigation District Office or mailed to the District.

Dixie McDaniel
Secretary
P.O. Box 9
Grand View, Idaho 83624
12/11,18/2024

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

NOTICE OF PENDING ISSUANCE OF TAX DEED

GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT
P.O. Box 67
Homedale, ID 83628
Owyhee County, Idaho

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Title 43, Chapter 7, of the Idaho State Code, on January 14, 2025, the period of redemption for delinquent entries, shall expire. Idaho law authorizes the Board to take back the water from the land so that it is no longer appurtenant to your property. The Board decided at its October board meeting to take back the water rights appurtenant to the property described below and leave you with title to the property without any water rights I.C. §43-716. The property described below may be redeemed on or before January 14, 2025, by paying to the Gem Irrigation District at its office in the City of Homedale, County of Owyhee, the delinquent assessments for which the delinquent entries were made, plus a penalty of two percent (2%) thereon, interest on the total at the rate of one percent (1%) per month from the day said delinquent entries were made until the day of redemption, and recording and publication costs. Direct any inquiries to Gem Irrigation at the above address.

Person Assessed	Property Description
Forest & Sharon Abbott	Part NESE, 3N5W Sec. 7,
German Martinez	Pt.SWSW, Sec. 4-2N-4W
Chasm I LLC	Sec 15 T3N R5WPT. NW¼ NE¼
Ignacio & Martha Castillo	Pt. W1/2 NWNE, Sec. 15-3N-5W

Delinquent Year Assessed	Delinquent Assessment
2021-2024	\$ 861.46
2016-2024	\$2,602.73
2021-2024	\$3,651.27
2019-2024	\$6,593.93

Dated this 26th day of November 2024

GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Sherry Maxwell, Treasurer
12/04,11,18,25/2024

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

Russell G. Metcalf, ISB No. 7024
122 W. Idaho Avenue
P.O. Box 385
Homedale, Idaho 83628
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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 DEVEISESS 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:

1. The title and number of this case.
2. 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.
3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.
4. 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

Public notice

LIEN SALE
Unit # M-6, Will Pryor, 4030 River Resort Dr. #22, Homedale, ID 83628. Unit includes misc. household items, fishing gear, and small furniture
Unit # M-15, Brittany Bailey, 58 Hoadley Dr., Wilder, ID 83676. Unit includes misc. household items
Silent auction will be held at Highway 95 Self Storage located at 3685 Highway 95 in Homedale on Saturday, December 21st. Bidding opens on Wednesday, December 11th at 9am and closes on Saturday the 21st at 1pm
12/11,18/2024

✓ **Rimrock**
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nine years. Trevor Lawson is her assistant coach this year.
Key senior returners include Jade Reisinger at post and Alia Aquiso at point guard. Other key players are junior Paisley Prow, and sophomores Ruby Lisle and Laine Raymond.
Jewett’s squad of 13 makes having enough players on the court a struggle, especially when there are two games scheduled. But all the girls bring great positivity and leadership, she said.
The players move fast up and down the floor and keep the ball moving quickly and efficiently, the coach said.
“This is probably the most drama-free, fun group of girls I’ve ever coached, and they are so receptive to us coaches,” Jewett said.

Boys’ results so far
The Rimrock boys (3-0) beat host Hansen, 60-44, on Dec. 3 before knocking off Tri-Valley, 56-37, in Thursday’s home opener and beating visitor Murtaugh, 39-27, on Saturday.
Hays Black scored 17 points and pulled down nine rebounds against Tri-Valley. Ronaldo Gomez scored 15 points, and Carson Raymond added 11.

Girls’ results so far
Rimrock opened 2A WIC play Saturday in Nampa with a 45-21 win over Victory Charter.
The Raiders (2-4, 1-0 in conference) broke a three-game losing streak with a 46-37 triumph over Garden Valley in Bruneau on Nov. 25 behind double-doubles from Ruby Lisle (18 points and 23 rebounds) and Paisley Prow (12 points and 10 rebounds).
Alia Aquiso led the way with 11 points in a 45-27 loss to Glens Ferry on Nov. 21.
In a narrow 42-39 road loss to Richfield on Nov. 23, Laine Raymond connected on three of four three-point goal attempts on the way to 11 points.



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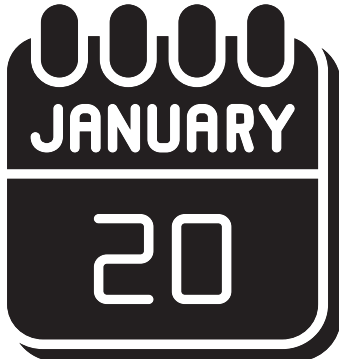
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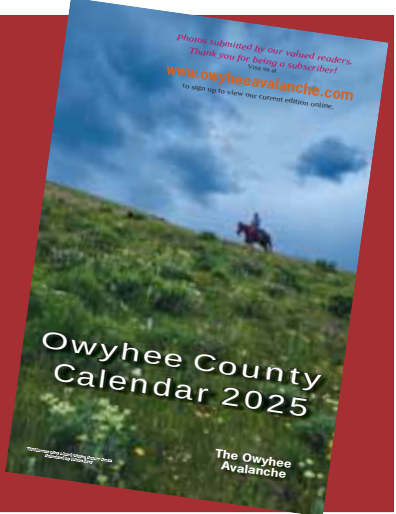
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Annual Owyhee Avalanche Christmas Gift Project for residents of Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center

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

Last Chance! 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 clippers~~, 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 8X, sweatpants~~, blouses/shirts, non-skid socks, dresses, nightgown, ~~Size 7 1/2 - 8 clippers~~, 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 32x32 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 child socks~~
- Female #11 - ~~Ladies electric razor, Size XL blouses, elastic waist 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.