Book Discussion Monday! Library, 6 p.m.!

The Weekly Beaver!

Camas County, Idaho

April showers! ■ April 4, 2019: The Tooth, the Whole Tooth, and Nothing But the Tooth!

Photo: Jon Botz!

Soldier Mountain closed a dandy season Sunday! Next: water on the move!

Spring break ended, too! Thanks to Diane and Matt! Students and teachers headed to D.C. to see the monumental sights! Cherry blossoms, too! Thanks to teachers, parents and family, and staff!

SUMO WRESTLING TOURNAMENT!

WHEN
APRIL 19TH
6:00 PM

WHERE
HS GYM

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN AS WE HOST 3 ROUNDS OF TOURNAMENT FUN:

- Round 1 – Camas County Staff
- Round 2 – Camas County High School Students
- Round 3 – Exhibition: Highest bidders in the crowd take on the Winner of the Staff Round!

To Sponsor or for more information, please contact us at camaswatchdogs@camascountyschools.org or contact any Camas County School's student for an opportunity to sponsor this great event!

ALL AGES EVENT

SPONSORED BY
CAMAS COUNTY WATCH D.O.G.S.

ADMISSION
$5 General
Kids (3 & younger) FREE
Sponsors are FREE

PROCEEDS GO TO
- Watch D.O.G.S. Pizza Night
- Camas Co. School's Work Ethic Elite
- Breaking Down the Walls
- Marketing Committee
- Leadership Scholarship
- Camas Athletics

CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE!

Marypat Fields says "Thanks!"

Wes and family members at his 90th birthday wake!

To the Camas Prairie Community!

Thank you for the prayers, cards, concerns, offers to help, the help you gave, the food you brought to Wes' Celebration of Life, your presence at the Celebration and more. Special thanks to the behind-the-scenes kitchen helpers and servers. And lastly, thank you to Judy Killian for stepping in and pulling it all together.

The Prairie is a beautiful place, but its beauty can't compare with the beauty in the hearts of those who live here. Thanks,

Marypat ❦

Musher track meet schedule this week and next!!!!!

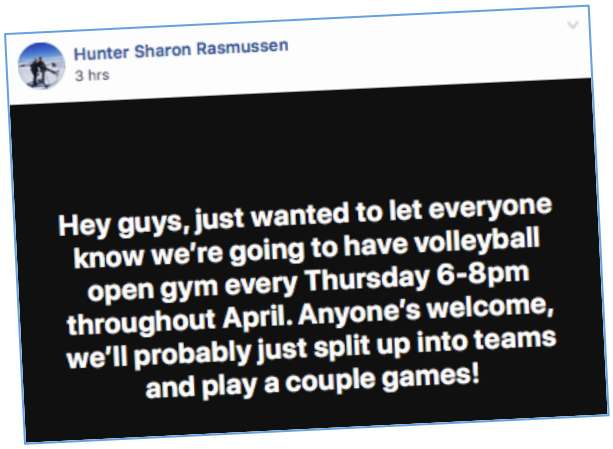
Friday, HS Track, Viking Relays, at Valley (Hazelton), 2 p.m.

Tuesday, JH Track, ISDB (Gooding), 2 p.m.

Wednesday, HS Track, ISDB Invitational (Gooding), 2 p.m.

Legal Notice! *Public Comment Sought on Fairfield City Side Street Setback Requirement on Corner Lots! Hearing on Tuesday,* ***April 9!!!!***

The Planning and Zoning Commissioners of the City of Fairfield are considering amending the residential zone side street setback requirement on corner lots in R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-4 zones from the current requirement of 20 feet to 10 feet in corner lots with an area of 6,250 feet or less! For all of those wishing to voice an opinion on this matter, a public hearing will be held April 9, at 7 pm in the city council chambers. Written correspondence may be sent to Planning and Zoning, in care of the City of Fairfield, P.O. Box 336, Fairfield, Idaho 83327, or email pandzfairfield@frontier.com. ❦



Eligible for property tax relief in 2019??? Apply for the "circuit breaker" program by April 15!!!

To sign up for the circuit breaker property tax reduction, or to get more information, contact the Camas County assessor or call the Idaho Tax Commission at (800) 334-7756.

Idaho's Property Tax Reduction program reduces property taxes on an eligible homeowner's primary Idaho residence and up to one acre of land by as much as $1,320.

> *"Many homeowners think you have to be 65 before you can apply, but that's not the case," says Pam Waters, coordinator of the Property Tax Reduction program for the Idaho State Tax Commission. "You may be eligible at any age if you meet certain criteria."*

To qualify, you must be in one of the following categories by Jan. 1, 2019:

- Disabled
- Widow or widower
- Blind
- Fatherless or motherless child under 18 years old
- Former prisoner of war
- Age 65 or older

The program requires that you have no more than $30,450 in total income in 2018. You also must be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident and own and live in your home by April 14, 2019.

You must file an application with your county assessor by Monday, April 15, 2019. ❦

Camas County gets a traffic light! Hey, *two* traffic lights!

Don't get too excited – they're temporary!

From now till the end of the year, travelers on Highway 20 between Fairfield and Highway 75 will get to slow down and execute the familiar ITD one-lane do-si-do in two spots along the way! If you're heading out on 20, consider leaving a little early!

The Idaho Transportation Department, this week, began work on two simultaneous bridge replacement projects. One project, 12+ miles east of Fairfield, will involve a new bridge over Willow Creek at milepost 164. The other project, located seven miles eastward over the Blaine County line, will replace the bridge over Rock Creek, at milepost 173.

The replacement projects are scheduled to be finished by the end of December.

The new structure spanning Willow Creek will be a 170-foot steel girder bridge. The structure spanning Rock Creek will be a 159-foot concrete girder bridge.

In replacing the venerable and decrepit culvert bridges, ITD advises us that they will also be able thereby to restore the streams to a more natural condition, which in turn – according to ITD -- should have a positive effect on the surrounding ecosystem and improve the fish habitat.

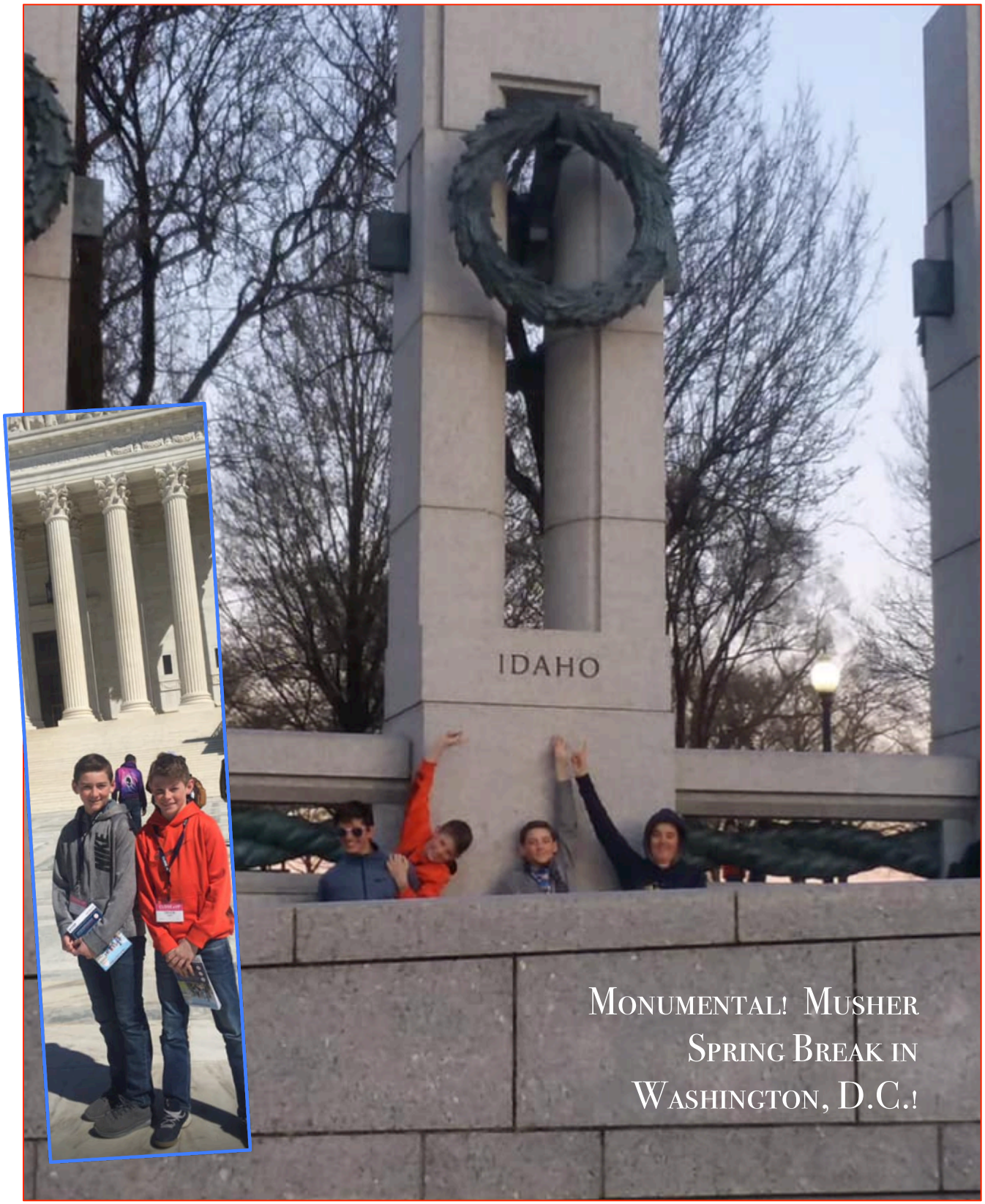
"Due to age and corrosion of the pipelines, both culverts are in need of replacement," said ITD Project Manager Brock Dillé. "We analyzed multiple options regarding these crossings before determining that these bridge designs would have the best long term value for both Willow Creek and Rock Creek."

☛ The Robot Overlords Will Show Us the Way ☚

To achieve the notorious do-si-do cluster event -- an event familiar to many after years of bridge replacement work on 20 -- traffic will be confined to one lane in the construction zone, with width restrictions anticipated and a tortuous path designated by damaged plastic cones.

Through this obstacle course, alternating streams of traffic – east, then west, then east again, etc. – will be directed by humorless robot overlords triggering the temporary semaphores. Meanwhile, impatient travelers trapped by the red lights will scream into their hands waiting, with no opposing traffic in sight, for the light to change! Reduced speed limits will also be in effect! ❦

Watch it, Buster! *ITD and the Idaho State Police advise motorists to slow down and pay attention when driving in work zones, where increased speeding fines and other penalties apply. Motorists are encouraged to plan ahead and dial 5-1-1 or visit 511.idaho.gov for information on the state highway or interstate system.*



Camas Musher spring breakers Emmett Palan, Trevor Tews, Tyson Tupper and Nate Pine found some monumental Idaho in the wilds of Washington, D.C. Photo thanks to Chelsea Robinson Tupper!

Ladies, join us for

Bunco Night!

Monday, April 8

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Community Church

Don't know how to play? It's easy to learn!

Invite a friend AND get ready for some fun!

All are welcome! For more info call Jenna 764-2221

Senior Center Calendar for this week! Rain? Redwing blackbirds baked in a pie?

Breakfast M-F, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.! Lunch Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday!

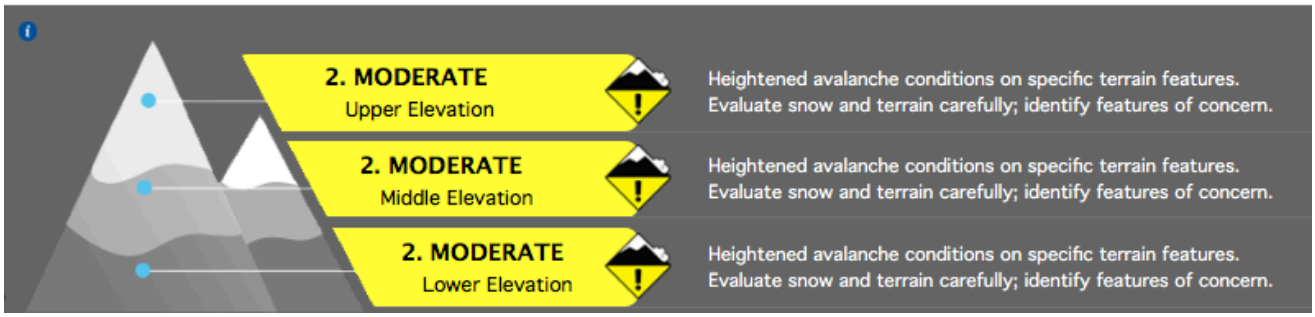
Monday	*Tuesday*	*Wednesday*	*Thursday*	*Friday*	*Saturday*
Camas County Senior and Community Center **129 West Willow Avenue, Fairfield**		**April 3** Breakfast! Beef Rocks! Wiener Wraps and Tater Tots!	**April 4** Breakfast! Art Class 10 a.m.	**April 5** Breakfast! Roast Beef and Mashed Potatoes Book Club 10:30 a.m.!	
April 8 Breakfast!	**April 9** Breakfast! Pizza Bar, Salad Bar Quilting 10 a.m.	**April 10** Breakfast! Beef Rocks, Wiener Wraps, Tater Tots! Board Meeting 1pm	**Lunch Prices** Ages 60+, suggested donation of $5! Ages 10-59, $6! Ages 6-10, $2! Ages 0-5, Free!		

Sawtooth Avalanche Center – the Bottom Line for Today!

Wet stuff! To get up-to-date info, check the site: sawtoothavalanchecenter.com!

Soldier Mountains – Bottom Line

Wet snow avalanches may occur during periods of intense sunshine. These slides are most likely on steeper, rocky, slopes that directly face the sun. Wet snowballs rolling down a slope are signs that the snow surface is weakening. Smaller slides may grow much larger if they gouge into mushy, wet snow at lower elevation.



The Mistress of Spices! Let's Talk About It!

Library group gets foodsy! Monday at 6 p.m.!

Kim Madsen Dill, Ph.D., comes to town! The last **Let's Talk About It** reading and discussion program for the season will be held Monday! The book for this session is *The Mistress of Spices* by Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni. This is a lyric novel written in a style that has been called magic realism; the heroine is Tilo who has been trained on a magical island by a priestess who has a vocation for ministering to others. The discussion will be led by scholar Kim Madsen Dill, a Ph.D. candidate and Professor of English at ISU! The public is invited to attend and enjoy a fun and lively discussion along with an assortment of refreshments, no doubt of the spicy kind! Books are available for check-out at the Camas County Public Library. ❦

gearing up for Kindergarten

SAVE THE DATE!

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration and Screening will be

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24TH

If you have a child who will be in Kindergarten next fall, please call the school at 764-2472 ext. 0 to set up an appointment time between 3:45pm-5:00pm. Screening includes vision, hearing, speech, language and learning.

Please bring your child's birth certificate and updated immunization records. These are required prior to enrollment in August. Child must be the age of 5 on or before September 1st, 2019 in order to enroll.