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Murphy, Idaho- The Owyhee County Board of County Commissioners announce the selection of Mary Blackstock to be Honored on the Commissioners' Roster of Outstanding Citizens.

The Commissioners established the Roster of Outstanding Citizens in 2004 as a recognition program for persons who have made significant contributions to the custom, culture and citizens of Owyhee County.

Mary will be honored posthumously at a presentation on May 20, 2019 at 4 pm in the Owyhee County Historical Society Museum in Murphy for her long service to Owyhee County and its citizens.

Mary Blackstock was all about shaping kids and community. She knew how to make good kids—it was her passion-- and part of her method was involving them in activities that are at the heart of good communities. Mary's mission was to teach and grow kids into productive, community-minded, patriotic Americans-who do not make excuses-they make things happen. She was selfless in giving her time and effort in those pursuits. Her legacy of service to Owyhee County lives on through those she touched and tutored.

Mary's list of involvement included: member of the Owyhee Cattleman's Association, Owyhee County Farm Bureau- Women's Chair, Owyhee Range Land Firefighter, Owyhee County Fair Board, and Beef Superintendent. Mary was also a Coach for Marsing Basketball teams. Mary received the Owyhee County 4-H Distinguished Service Award in 2010.

Ranching and Agriculture are the social and economic heart of our County and Mary's photographs documented and promoted our county's ranching heritage. Her love of ranching is captured by her camera work and lives on in her photographs.

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