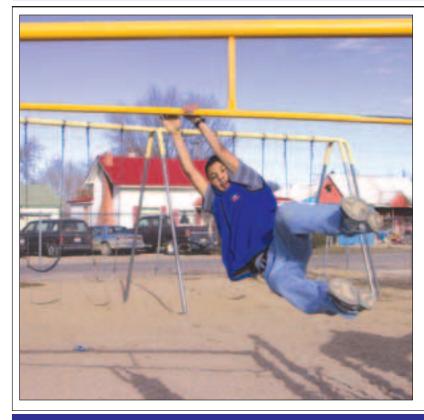
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### Spring or winter?

Angel Ramos plays in the sun during recess at HomedaleElementary School Friday without a coat, as temperatures climbed to nearly 50 degrees. By Sunday, temperatures had again dipped into the 20s and nearly three inches of new snow blanketed the ground. (Right) A pickup travels down a snowblown Highway 51 Sunday afternoon near Riddle where nearly eight inches of new snow fell.



# Tolmie re-elected commission chairman

The Owyhee County Board of commissioners, approval of the clerk's Commissioners re-elected Chairman Harold Tolmie of Homedale at the January 14 in Murphy. Tolmie returned to active participation on the board two weeks ago after a brief absence due to illness.

Other business completed by commissioners Tolmie, Reynolds and Salove included approval of the purchase of replacement hazardous materials equipment requested by Sheriff Aman, conditional approval of the Eslick subdivision subject to a variety of safeguards outlined by the

financial report and approval of county redistricting maps which changed very little in accordance with small population shifts.

The commissioners signed a letter to Jenna Whitlock, Owyhee Field Manager of the BLM requesting more information and clarification of the proposed permit for the Catherine Freer Wilderness Therapy Expeditions. The commissioners cited this case as one more example of the recurring problem of the BLM not providing "sufficient information or technical data to allow for meaningful comment." The commissioners' letter stated that the issuance of this permit "could have a very dramatic and detrimental effect on the health and safety of the people and property in this county and could have a significant adverse effect on the budget of the Sheriff's department. Yet your letter fails to provide the most basic information necessary for an informed and appropriate response."

Though not included in the missive to the BLM nor confirmed as fact, it was nevertheless discussed that the

Idaho Dept. of Fish and Game had reportedly objected to the group therapy expeditions because they were timed to interfere with the Bighorn Sheep lambing season.

The board also informed Jennifer Fenwick of the Owyhee Watershed Council that they were not sufficiently knowledgeable about the experience and qualifications of Mr. John Ross, whom the council has recommended as an additional member, and therefore concurred with the recommendations of the Malheur County Court. -RB

### Avalanche exclusive interview

# Helen Chenoweth-Hage: "Don't ever, ever, ever give up!"

interview by Robert Boatman

Former U.S. Congressman Helen Chenoweth-Hage needs no introduction to the people of Owyhee County. Owyhee voters were instrumental in electing her to three illustrious terms in the U.S. House of Representatives beginning in 1994, and would have helped elect her to more had she chosen to run. But Helen honored her pledge to limit herself to three consecutive terms and now carries on the fight for private property, grazing and water rights and individual liberty as a private citizen.

We met Helen for lunch in downtown Boise and continued a few days later in the offices of Stewards of the Range in Meridian, where she and her husband Wayne Hage awaited a court decision – due at any moment – that could finally end a famous 10-year legal battle and change the relationship between the

people and federal agencies like the BLM for good.

### On The BLM

Helen had returned from a visit to Mike Hanlev in Jordan Valley immediately after the BLM's devastating Trout Springs decision had come down and, as always, she had Owyhee on her mind. She was especially anxious to talk about the "BLM cop" issue which the Avalanche has covered over the past few weeks.

Helen explained, "I held four hearings on their [the BLM's police] authority and they weren't given any authority whatsoever for law enforcement activity outside their own internal investigations. The BLM was simply supposed to investigate their own organization when something internal was going

"Congress never gave them authority outside that

sphere until the President signed, under the terrorism scare, a new law on August 12 that gave them [Department of Interior law enforcement] authority over all Bureau of Reclamation projects and all Bureau of Reclamation lands which includes almost all irrigated lands in the 17 Western states."

I asked Helen, "So the bill that was stopped – the "BLM cop bill" – was just a distraction, a red herring. It

was protested, by the Owyhee County Commissioners among others, and now that it is dead people think







### Winter wonderland

Snow blankets the Owyhee Mountains near Owyhee, Nevada Sunday afternoon. Partly cloudy skies and temperatures in the lower 40s are expected by Friday.

# Sheriff's office seeks information on recent burglaries of ATVs

Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman said last week nearly 10 incidents of thefts and burglaries have occurred in the last three weeks, but said he was uncertain yet if the incidents were related.

"I don't want to make a big deal out of it because these kinds of thefts are much worse in the surrounding areas," Aman said. "But this is a high amount of thefts reported in a short period of time."

Several four wheel ATVs have been stolen in the area and officers interrupted what seemed to be another four wheeler theft last week.

John Turner reported suspicious vehicles in the area of his farm on River Road near Homedale last week.

"Turner said two vehicles were seen driving in the area for nearly one and a halfhours," the dispatcher reported Friday. "When the Owyhee County officer arrived on the scene he encountered a small red sporty type vehicle with Texas plates leaving the area at a high rate of speed. He reported the vehicle went past him at over 100 miles per hour. Malheur County Sheriff's office was notified that the car was traveling in their direction but officers were unable to locate

A second vehicle, a Chevy Blazer, was reported as parked in the Turner driveway with its lights turned off.

"Homedale Police Officer Jamie Austin called the dispatch center and reported he was parked on West Idaho Street before Johnstone road and saw a vehicle leaving the area with its lights turn off," the dispatcher continued. "He said the vehicle turned on its

Owyhee County Sheriff lights farther down Highway ary Aman said last week 19."

An area check found a four wheeler on the side of a ditchbank and the officer said he thought the ATV was in the process of being stolen.

Thieves accomplished what they were after at the home of Debbie and Greg King near Homedale and stole a 2000 2x4 Polaris Scrambler valued at over \$4,000. Debbie said the machine was her son's and was a "racing bike."

"It had a FMF pipe and silencer with fly handlebars," King stated Monday. "It was taken from our home the night of Jan. 14 or during the day of the 15th."

King said she has spoken to a few people who have had ATVs stolen.

Farm Burearu Insurance Agent Wayne Hungate said he has received three claims for stolen four-wheelers in the last two months in Owyhee County alone.

"They have been averaging between \$5,000 and \$7,000 each," Hungate explained. "These guys seem to know what they are doing and what they want. I had one claimant tell me they had two four wheelers side by side and the thieves only took the Polaris. It is crazy how many four wheelers and dirt bikes these guys have stolen. One lady told me they took her four wheeler right past her bedroom window. It is frightening to think of what might have happened if she had woke up and caught them."

Hungate said he has had two reports of stolen dirt bikes valued at over \$7,000. He said he has had several claims of stolen bikes from Canyon County

Bonnie Kent near Marsing reported a stolen four wheeler to Canyon County Sheriff's office last week. Kent said the ATV was a 1998 500 Polaris and was parked near other valuable items, but nothing else was missing.

"They cut the fence and drove it right up the hill," Kent said Monday. "The officer from Canyon County told me he has covered nearly 10 cases of stolen four wheelers in the last few months. I wish we had known we would have locked things up better."

Like King, Kent also only carried liability insurance through her homeowners insurance on the vehicle. Hungate said the price of full coverage insurance for fire, theft, vandalism, collision and roll over was approximately \$12 per month. CP

# Jordan Valley sophomores feast for funds

The Jordan Valley High School sophomores held their annual fundraiser on Saturday, January 12. This year a spaghetti feed boosted coffers for prom and the senior trip. Advisor Larry Michaels said the event raised approximately \$160 for the class of 2004.

The event was held in the Jordan Valley High School gym, and students brought in the spaghetti and other treats from home to good response from the community, Michaels said.

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# Interior Secretary "absolutely, totally and utterly" opposed to concept

Gale Norton, Secretary of the Interior, has responded to the strong letter sent to her by the Owyhee County Commissioners and Sheriff Gary Aman protesting the proposed "Department of Interior Law Enforcement Clarification Act."

The controversial draft bill would have greatly expanded the BLM's investigative, arrest and detention authority, allowing even desk-bound DOI officers to carry firearms, execute and serve federal warrants, make arrests without a warrant, investigate federal offences, and aid in enforcing state as well as federal laws

The commissioners told Norton that "The draft bill would turn the federalist concept of law enforcement on it head. It would attempt to transfer primary law enforcement authority from local to federal personnel in most of the rural western counties."

Norton's response was conveyed to the commissioners early last week through Assistant Secretary Lynn Scarlett's Deputy Chris Kerney, who offered assurance to the board and the sheriff that both Norton and Scarlet were "absolutely, totally and utterly" opposed to the concept of expanding law enforcement authority of the BLM, and that they "completely supported" the concept of local law enforcement as the pirmary line of enforcement.

Kerney said that the "BLM cop" bill had not been authorized, and that as a result of the aftermath, he didn't believe that any such unauthorized effort would again be made." -RB



# Smorgasbord ticket sales said to be "sluggish"

## Down \$1,500 from same period last year; 30% of goal

By Melanie Hoyt

The  $41^{\,st}$ Annual International Smorgasbord is quickly approaching, but organizers say that ticket sales are sluggish compared with the

The goal for ticket sales before the event is \$6,000, and currently the Homedale Middle School sixth-graders have sold \$2,006 in tickets as of last Friday. This is \$1,500 less than they sold within the same time period last year. The public can get tickets from any sixthgrade student in Homedale, and Matteson's Owyhee Motors is selling tickets beginning today through Feb. 6.

Organizers hope that people will open their wallets, enjoy the feast and help the schools.

"It's of the utmost importance. It's for the kids. All of the money goes back to the schools," one of the Smorgasbord co-chairs Dave Freelove said.

Dave and Amy Freelove and Joe and Teresa Troxel are cochairs of the event that will take place from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Feb. 9 at Homedale Elementary School.

The event is a fundraiser for the Homedale School District and offers a wide variety of

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food booths with an international flair. This year the booths include: salad chaired by Melanie Harper, Idaho chaired by Michelle Mashburn and Teresa Gibson, Mexican chaired by Paula Huddleston, Oriental which has no chairperson, Basque organized by John and Gloria Lejardi, European chaired by Loretta Hopkins and Leanda Uranga, bread organized by Kim Mackenzie, beverage chaired by Steve Zatica and Dave Freelove and dessert chaired by Sue Vanderhoff. There will also be an art show during the event.

A family ticket to event covers two adults and children for a maximum of eight people and costs \$26. Junior High through age 59 tickets are \$6 each. Senior citizens who are 60 years or older can get tickets for \$5 a piece. Tickets for students in first through sixth grade are \$3.50 and there are tickets for preschool age children for \$2.

Each week the top selling student in each of the sixth grade classes is honored with a prize. During the first week of sales Jan. 1-4, Kara Jenkins, Elizabeth Davis, Rio Woodhall and Luz Escustia were the top sellers, and the high selling class was Mrs. Warren's class.

Driskell, Taryn Corta, Francisco Obregon and Lynlee Lord sold the most tickets, with Mr. Hann's class taking high

During Jan. 7-11, Jarrod selling class honors. For Jan. 14-18, Lynlee Lord, Jarrod Driskell and Katie Lucero (Jones) were the high sellers, and Mrs. Eidemiller's class was

first in sales.

The organizers are stilling looking for volunteers, contact Dave or Amy Freelove at 337-3926 to lend a hand.



### DARE graduates...

One student from each sixth grade class at Homedale Middle School were honored with a DARE medal and certificate for their essay's on the DARE program. Nearly 200 students graduated from the Program last Wednesday night. Pictured are from l to r: Homedale Mayor Harold Puri, Elizabeth Davis, Emily Martin, Judge Thomas Ryan, Homedale School District Superintendent Bob Lisonbee, Alejandra Ramos, CC Ventura, Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller, Owyhee County Commissioner Hal Tolmie and Owyhee County DARE Officer Troy Tarter.

## **Marsing FFA sends** members to conference

The Marsing FFA chapter is sending six members to the Made for Excellence conference on Friday and Saturday. The conference is made to motivate and inspire the members into learning leadership skills and use them in the future.

The members who have been selected for the event include Nick Usabel, Shannon Ineck, Rochelle Brooks, RJ Crosland, Jason Miller and Scott Roeser. The conference will be held in Boise this year instead of at the University of Idaho.

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### **Homedale School Board extends** superintendent's contract

The Homedale School Board approved extension of Superintendent Bob Lisonbee's contract for two another years. The action was taken at the regular meeting of the Homedale School Board of Trustees last Monday, Jan. 14.

Lisonbee started with the district on July 1, 1996.

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### Park additions...

Homedale City Maintenance worker Scott Mahler puts the finishing touches on one of six picnic tables the Homedale crew built last week. The new tables will be divided up between the three parks in Homedale and added to the grounds later this spring.

# Female mountain lion season closed in Unit 39

As of Wednesday, January 9 the female portion of the mountain lion hunting season in hunt unit 39 has been closed by order of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

"Either sex lion hunting in this unit was scheduled to remain open until March 31, or until ten female lions were harvested, whichever came first," Fish and Game regional wildlife manager Jon Rachael stated. "This unit has reached the quota of ten female lions; hunters may now harvest only male lions in this unit." The male lion season remains open through March 31.

Mountain lion hunting rules require successful hunters to bring the skull and hide with evidence of sex attached to any Fish and Game conservation officer or Fish and Game regional office within ten days of the kill for tagging.

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# Owyhee County groups receive ICF grants

The Bruneau American Legion Post #83, the Marsing School District and the Owyhee County Juvenile Probation Department were among the recipients of grants from Idaho Community Foundation that were honored last Monday, January 14.

The Idaho Community Foundation (ICF) awarded grants totaling \$105,000 to 27 Canyon and Owyhee County organizations at a luncheon held on Monday, January 14, at Mercy Medical Center in Nampa, which hosted the event. ICF board members, donors, grant recipients, and local dignitaries were in attendance.

The Bruneau American Legion Post #83 was awarded \$4,000 to help replace the electrical wiring in the Legion

The Marsing School District received \$3,000 through the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Foundation Education Foundation to help purchase library materials. Pam Herman, the Marsing School District's district librarian, said the grant funds will purchase materials for media centers at all three schools such as books, videos and software. She added such grants are helpful, especially in this time of budget holdbacks, and can make the difference between a good lesson and an exciting lesson.

ICF awarded the Owyhee County Juvenile Probation Department \$2,500 through the Steele-Reese Foundation to help fund an adolescent outreach program to educate youth about the impact of drugs and alcohol. The funding will help boost the department's Fatal Vision program that creates awareness about the effects of drugs and alcohol and the impairment that accompanies their use.

Probation Officer Doris Jewett said such grants are extremely helpful for the department.

The Idaho Community Foundation is a statewide, tax-exempt, nonprofit organization composed of over 280 individual funds which are pooled for efficient management. Return from the endowment is distributed to charitable organizations as grants aimed at enriching life's quality throughout Idaho communities. —MH

# Keep informed

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# Hay heist begins three-county burglary spree

A simple hay investigation for Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Jim Bish turned into a three-county burglary spree late last month and netted three juveniles, one 15- and two 14-year-old males from Mountain Home, who are now charged with felonies.

The investigation began when Bruneau rancher Eugene Tindall called the sheriff's dispatch and reported he was missing a ton of hay. Tindall's son Jason reported to his father later that evening that he had seen a pickup in the area with a flat tire and he knew one of the juveniles in the vehicle.

"They went back out and looked where the pickup was and the tire tracks and foot prints matched the ones around the stolen hay," Bish explained. "I had a name then and decided I would go out the next day and have a talk with this young man. So while I am on my way to Mountain Home to get this teen, I received a call that another ton of hay had been stolen during the night. Same tire tracks, same footprints and same place. No one had touched the hay stack before midnight because that was the last time we were out there."

An Elmore County Deputy, Donny Labelle accompanied Bish to the first teen's residence and he was questioned. Bish said the teen denied all his questions but had hay on his pants.

"He said he had been hauling some hay, but it was with a friend," Bish continued. "He said he was helping a friend haul hay for his horses."

After a little more pressure, Bish said the young man finally admitted to being at the Tindall ranch. He claimed he had been at the ranch with a friend; and the investigation continued.

"He finally said yes he had been out at the ranch but he went with another kid," Bish explained. "So we went out to suspect number two's residence. The second juvenile fully admitted to being involved in the theft, which at this point was only a misdemeanor crime. The boys told us who they sold the hay to and we got verification that the hay had been sold to a lady in Mountain Home."

The investigation still didn't add up for Bish, who still did not have the vehicle involved in the theft.

"Suspect number one said he didn't have a pickup, suspect number two said he didn't have a pickup, things were not adding up. We ran drivers' license checks and license plates checks and they were not coming back to the vehicle described in the crime."

At this point Bish said he told Labelle "we have a stolen pickup here."

"Finally they (the boys) tell us who suspect number three is. The people at the home tell us who the three boys were that delivered the hay and we went and found him," Bish continued. "He gave a full admission to everything, but said it was suspect number one who had the pickup. I told him we knew it was stolen and he finally admitted the pickup had been stolen. Now we know of the stolen pickup but we don't have the vehicle and we don't have a victim. So we called all the car lots and asked them if they were missing any vehicles. Dennis Dillon found out at that time they were missing a 2000 black super-cab pickup. And it matched the one that was identified in the hay theft."

Bish said after further interrogation, one of the juveniles finally told the officers where the vehicle was. The officers went to the scene and found the pickup, which was later identified.

"So Dennis Dillon comes down and says 'yup, that's our pickup, it was stolen off our lot,' then he tells us the boys were in the store earlier looking at the pickups," Bish explained. "In between times of stealing the first load and stealing the second load of hay, they had about six and a half hours to play. That is when they went to Valley County. In the pickup was a bunch of guns and they had burglaries in Valley County."

Bish said the youths are charged with misdemeanor petty theft in Owyhee County, but Elmore County and Valley County be able to charge them with felony crimes.

Dective Eric Littlejohn from the Valley County Sheriff's office said no charges have been filed in Valley County, but the case is still under investigation. He said several rifles and one handgun had been stolen in connection with the crime and charges were pending.

"They stole the pickup to steal the hay to make some money. And the rest of it was all just juveniles running all over with nothing better to do. They went on a 48-hour crime spree and we caught them." —CP

# Payne sentenced to 10 years, still facing charges in Ada County

Owyhee County judge rejects motion to dismiss guilty plea

by Cheryl Peterson

Sentencing didn't go quite as planned for a local man accused of sexually molesting a 14-year-old girl last year as he was sentenced to up to 10 years in a state prison after pleading guilty to felony aggravated battery.

Scot Payne, of Marsing, was arrested by Owyhee County Sheriff's office last April and was charged with lewd and lascivious conduct with a minor under 16. He later worked out a plea agreement Owyhee County Prosecutor Ed Yarbrough, but tried to back out of that plea bargain last week. Payne was sentenced in an Owyhee County courtroom last Friday after pleading guilty to felony aggravated battery.

Payne's attorney Alan Coffel filed a motion to withdraw Payne's guilty plea when Ada County Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Jean Fisher had him indicted by the grand jury for two counts of lewd and lascivious conduct. Judge Morfitt didn't accept the motion. Yarbrough said Payne claimed as part of the plea agreement that he was promised no other charges would be filed against him. Yarbrough said the agreement was never a promise.

"He was sentenced Friday," Yarbrough said Tuesday. "He filed a motion to withdraw his guilty plea because he is afraid now since he is also facing charges in Ada County.

"I only promised I would contact Ada County and to see if they would agree to not file charges. I can't make the promise that no one else will file charges. I don't have authority over what they do in Ada County. I never pressured them to do anything. I only said this is my situation and this is what we are asking. They didn't want to do that and I told them that was fine with me. They have a case over there and they should prosecute."

Payne was sentenced to three plus seven for ten years, Yarbrough continued to explain, "with the court retaining jurisdiction," which means Owyhee County can enforce up to 10 years in prison if Payne does not meet the terms of his agreement. Payne is currently serving six months at the Department of Corrections and could be eligible for parole in as little as three years.

"What's unique to a sexual offense is that the only way you will ever get out of prison or get probation once you are convicted is if you do the sexual abuse programs, and they are out of this world. He (Payne) has to disclose every sexual thing he has ever done and freely admit his actions. If he is in denial he will never get out of prison."

Though Payne convicted of felony aggravated battery, Yarbrough says the conviction will still place him in sexual abuse treatment programs.

"He was not convicted of a sexual abuse crime in this county," Yarbrough continued to explain. "But as part of the felony agreement he has to do the sexual abuse program. The only difference between that and, for instance, sexual abuse of a minor, is he does not have to register as a sexual offender.

"I suspect he will have to do that anyway, because once he pleaded guilty over here now Ada County has a great case. Now he is in a "catch 22" situation. If he goes to prison and confesses to all his sins then he really has no Ada County case because all those things can be used against him. If he goes to treatment and he doesn't confess to all those sins he will never get his go; he will go straight to prison. He will never be able to complete the treatment, because the primary goal to the treatment is for him to confess all his sins.

"I have basically set him up to where he will be going to prison, probably, unless he fully confesses and some Ada County judge decides to give him ample opportunity or probation."

Ada County Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Jean Fisher said her county will continue to seek a full conviction for lewd and lascivious conduct against Payne.

"If Fisher wants to go to trial then that is her decision," Yarbrough contended. "My decision was to avoid a trial and send him to prison. Either way he will end up in prison, my way is guaranteed."

## Kathy Chick receives 4-H award for 10 years' service

Kathy Chick of Grand View has received a plaque, certificate and a 10-year pin for her years of service.

Chick began her time with 4-H as a leader of the High Spirits

4-H Club at C.J. Strike Dam. She then led the J.A.G.S. 4-H Club in Grand View and has continued to bring 4-H to the youth in Owyhee County through nontraditional after-school and school enrichment projects. She worked with the Extension Nutrition Program and non-traditional 4-H programs for the past three years. Kathy led projects ranging from aerospace, survival and wildlife to photography, citizenship and foods and nutrition.



The Chick family is currently sponsoring a 4-H LOBO exchange student from Japan until June.

Chick participated in 4-H for nine years as a youth in Gooding County, completing two years in cooking and sewing projects and seven years in the forestry project.

"It has been a really rewarding experience to work with youth and extension through 4-H," Chick said. "I encourage parents to get involved with youth in 4-H, not just sports. It's been a really good time."



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## bituaries

### Elizabeth A. "Bette" Churruca,

Elizabeth A. "Bette" Churruca, 78, of Marsing, passed away Friday, January 18, 2002. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:00 AM Monday, January 21, 2002 at St. Mary 92s Catholic Church, 616 Dearborn, Caldwell. Interment will be at 2:00 PM Monday at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery. A vigil service will be held Sunday at 7:00 PM at-the Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell.

Bette was born January 29, 1923 in Malverne, Pennsylvania and adopted by Everett and Jane Jones Willin. She lived in Delaware until she was five years old. Bette and her mother moved to Oregon and the to Idaho in 1939. While attending Marsing High School, Bette went to live with Johnnie and Alma Muldoon. She graduated from Marsing High School in 1942. She married Joe Churruca on January 30, 1943, making her home in the Marsing area till the time of her death. Bette was active in the Marsing community, a member of the Jump Creek Club and the Good Shepherd Catholic Church. She enjoyed being a domestic engineer; she always made cookies and cakes for friends and family. She also took pleasure in all family gatherings such as birthdays, holidays, weddings and picnics. She loved taking care of her yard, riding her lawn mower and working in her flowers. Bette was well known for her love of animals by bringing home stray cats and dogs.

Bette is survived by her husband, Joe, three daughters and their spouses; JoAnn and Kenny Morrow of Nampa, Judy Kay Welty of Ely, NV and Jennifer and Jim Barrett of Viola, ID.; a son and daughter-inlaw, Phillip and Julie Aranzamendi of Moscow; foster sisters and brother, Alpha Percifield, LaVila Johnstone, Helen Harris, Dorothy Ihli, Joyce Shorb and Jack Muldoon; step-sisters, Vineta Thomsen and Kar Dova Shimmin; along with ten grandchildren and eight greatgrandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews and distant family. Bette was preceded in death by her parents, Everett and Jane Willin, a son, Jack, a daughter, Joyce, step-father John Conrad, son-in-law Harrison Welty, foster brother, Don Muldoon and step-brother Alton W.

Friends may call Sunday from 2:00PM until 5:00PM at the Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Marsing Legion. P.O. Box 606, Marsing, ID 83639.

### Jim R. Miller

Jim R. Miller, 52, of Homedale passed away Sunday, January 13, 2002 at a Nampa care center. A Memorial Service was held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, January 18, 2002 at the American Legion Hall in Homedale. Following the service will be a potluck dinner at the Hall. Services were under the direction of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale.

Jim was born on July 9, 1949 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin to Mae Tomasino and Richard Miller. He married Linda in Milwaukee and they had one son, Wayne. Jim proudly joined the Army in 1969 and served three years during the Vietnam War. He later moved to Idaho and married Donna Nelson on May 13, 1975 in Winnemucca, Nevada. They moved back to Wisconsin and had two daughters, Leslea and Lacie. In 1979, Jim and his family returned to Idaho and made their home in Homedale.

Jim enjoyed fishing, coin collecting, and having a drink with his friends. He was very patriotic and spent many years as a member of the American Legion in Homedale. He will be remembered for his great sense of humor and will be missed by many.

Jim is survived by his mother Mae Kelley and her husband Bill of Caldwell, his two daughters and sons-in-law, Leslea and George Basterrechea of Caldwell, and Lacie and Kelsey Kent of Tucson, Arizona, his son, Wayne Paczesny of Milwaukee, WI, and his grandson, Kyle Kent. Jim was preceded in death by his father; two brothers, Wayne and Russell: and Peter and Amanda Tomasino.

### James L. Yamamoto

James L. "Jim" Yamamoto, age 48, died while steelhead fishing with his brother, Steve, at his favorite river on January 18, 2002. Graveside services will be conducted Wednesday, January 23, 2002, at 11:00 AM at the Parma Cemetery; followed by Funeral services at 4:00 PM at the Central Assembly Christian Church, 11280 Fairview Avenue, Boise, Idaho, with Pastor Thomas Devers officiating. The family will greet friends from 6:00 – 8:00 PM on Tuesday, January 22, at Cloverdale Funeral Home, 1200 North Cloverdale Road, Boise, Idaho. Arrangements are under the direction of Cloverdale Funeral

Jim was born in Pocatello, Idaho, October 23, 1953 to Frank and Mary Yamamoto. He was raised and educated in Homedale. Idaho and graduated from Homedale High School in 1972. He attended the University of Idaho and earned his Accounting degree from Boise State University. Jim married a devoted and loving woman, Cindee Kawahara, on November 24, 1984; and was a dedicated father of two sons, Tommy and D.J., whom he loved more than words can describe. Jim was a generous man who always had time and energy for anyone; particularly for his sons. His most cherished times were spent fishing, skiing, golfing and camping with Cindee and the boys. He began working at Micron Technology in 1986, starting at entry level, worked his way to Financial Manager at Micron Construction, and was currently Senior Financial Accountant at Micron Technology. No matter where he was, everyone knew his smile and recognized his contagious laugh. He always had something to say that made his friends and co-workers feel supported and liked. Jim has guided us to consider others before ourselves; he hopes he has taught us well.

Jim is survived by his wife, Cindee; sons, Tommy and D.J. of Meridian; his siblings, Peggy Yamamoto of Nampa; Gary and Chong Yamamoto of Riverside, CA; Steven and Mary Rita Yamamoto, and their children, Jill, Adam and Angela Yamamoto of Caldwell; Cindy Yamamoto of Nampa and numerous family and friends.

Memorials may be made to the Boise Noon Optimist Club.

# Homedale community members discuss parent organization

group of parents, teachers, formed. These reasons community members and administrators came together last Wednesday to discuss the possible formation of a parent organization to help increase communication between the community and the schools and the school board.

The meeting was organized by Benita Miller and held at the Homedale Elementary School library. Nearly 30 people filled the available seats in the library and came to a consensus that they would like to see an organization formed, though the structure and officers remain to be established.

Many people offered their reasons for being at the meeting and their interest in seeing some kind of parent organization

included to help them be further involved in their children's schools, to become more aware of the needs within the schools and help meet those needs, and to provide a unified voice that could have a representative at the school board meetings to address issues or problems or offer congratulations for good

Homedale Elementary School Principal Scott Freeby and Homedale High School Principal Mike Williams attended the meeting, offering suggestions on how they felt the group might go about organizing and potential meeting places.

"The biggest area we are weak in is we really haven't had a format for parents to

speak to us," Freeby said. He added that he is a firm believer that people should have the opportunity to explain their reasoning behind the decisions they make and that a parent organization could provide a platform for further informal communication.

There was much discussion about the potential structure of the parent organization and whether those at the meeting felt they should follow an already existing organization such as a PTA or set up their own bylaws for the group. They are going review some examples of organizations including those within the Vallivue School District.

The next meeting is set for 7:30 p.m. February 4 at Homedale High School. —MH

# **Coming events**

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### Wednesday, Jan. 23

10:00 a.m. Portland Opera "American Flute" at Jordan Valley grade school

10:00 a.m. Women's bible study at Homedale Friends Church

10:30 a.m. Linedancing at Homedale Senior Center

2:45 p.m. Homedale Middle after-school School program from 2:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m. Grand View Elementary School Dare Graduation

7:00 Homedale p.m. Presbyterian Church choir practice

7:00 p.m. Men's Bible study at Homedale Friends Church

### Thursday, Jan. 24

1:00 p.m. Bruneau-Grand View School Board meeting at Grand View Elementary

2:00 p.m. The shopping bus to Homedale will be at the Homedale Senior Center

4:00 p.m. Jordan Valley Middle School basketball v. Harper

4:15 p.m. Homedale Middle School grade 7 basketball v. Marsing

4:15 p.m. Homedale Middle School grade 8 basketball at Marsing

4:15 p.m. Rimrock Junior High School boys basketball at New Plymouth

4:45 p.m. Homedale High School boys basketball at Nampa Christian

6:00 p.m. Rimrock High School boys basketball at Glenns Ferry

6:00 p.m. Rimrock High School girls basketball at. Greenleaf

6:15 p.m. Marsing High School boys basketball at New Plymouth

7:00 p.m. Homedale City Council meeting

Music will be offered at Marsing Senior Center

### Friday, Jan. 25

3:00 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 6:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Cove at Jordan Valley

4:45 p.m. Homedale High School girls basketball v. McCall

6:00 p.m. Rimrock High School boys basketball v. Notus

6:15 p.m. Marsing High School girls basketball at Melba

6:30 p.m. Homedale High School Wrestling at Marsing

Youth Drug Free Assembly at Rimrock High School

### Saturday, Jan. 26

10:00 a.m. Homedale High School JV wrestling tourney at Homedale High School

2:00 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:00 p.m., and 6:30 p.m. Jordan Valley High School basketball at Powder Valley

6:15 p.m. Marsing High School boys basketball v. McCall

7:00 p.m. Homedale High School wrestling at Weiser Homedale High school girls basketball JV/Frosh tourney TBA

### Sunday, Jan. 27

11:00 a.m. Worship followed by Annual Congregational Meeting at Homedale First Presbyterian Church

7:00 p.m. Rimrock High School girls basketball at All Conference meeting at Gem State

### Monday, Jan. 28

9:30 a.m. Owyhee County Board of Commissioners meeting at annex in Murphy

2:45 p.m. Homedale Middle School after-school program from 2:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Rimrock Junior High School JV girls basketball tournaments **TBA** 

Homedale High school girls basketball JV/Frosh tourney

### Tuesday, Jan. 29

4:15 p.m. Homedale Middle School grade 7 basketball v. Parma

4:15 p.m. Homedale Middle School grade 8 basketball at Parma

4:15 p.m. Rimrock Jr. High boys basketball at Vale

5:00 p.m. Owyhee County Probation Department G.E.D. Class from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. Rimrock High School boys basketball v. Cole Valley

6:15 p.m. Marsing High School boys basketball v. Nampa Christian

7:00 p.m. Grand View Elementary Kindergarten Dream Snow Play

Homedale High School girls basketball tourney at TVCC TBA

Music, bingo and bridge at Homedale Senior Center

To have your event included in the Coming Events Calendar, call Melanie at 337-4681.

# From page 1: Helen

through without one negative vote in both the House and the Senate and it's unfortunate that the President signed it into law. It's the beginning of the establishment of a national police force. This must be challenged in the Supreme Court because it is utterly unconstitutional."

As everyone who knows Helen is well aware, behind her glamorous smile and flashing eyes is a mind of steel. She was always famous for actually reading and understanding bills thoroughly before voting on them, a surprisingly unusual practice in the U.S. Congress. I recall many times when constituents and lawmakers alike questioned why she voted for or against a bill despite the conventional opinion on it, and Helen would immediately point out the fine print in the proposed new law that made it a potential disaster to Constitutionally guaranteed freedoms.

"As Commander-In-Chief," she said, "the President can call up any of his administrative agencies to do whatever he needs to do in time of war, but these [DOI law enforcement] laws go on ad infinitum and they apply to citizens engaged in peaceful activities during peacetime. So it's extraordinarily dangerous, and I think that once the representatives and senators realize what they are recorded as voting for many of them will be very disturbed.

"The agencies under Bureau of Reclamation include Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service and Bureau of Land Management, so it is a bill authorizing the entire Department of Interior – all of these agencies can be stumbling over themselves trying to enforce all federal law on these lands and facilities. And they actually do not have jurisdiction so there is a very interesting jurisdictional question here that needs to be answered by the highest court in the land."

### On Gale Norton, Secretary of the Interior

I reminded Helen that Gale Norton had answered the protests of Owyhee County Commissioners and others by saying that she is "absolutely and totally against expanding DOI law enforcement powers."

Helen smiled. "Bob, have you seen a copy of the bill that passed? As it reads — and it is now law — it actually allows DOI officers to engage in what the CIA engages in, the FBI, all law enforcement because it applies to all federal law.

"The new draft bill, the bill we were able to get stopped, instead of being confined to Bureau of Reclamation facilities and land—and, believe me, the federal government will get into watersheds and every other thing to expand their authority—applied from the east coast to the west coast over all lands. [The bill that actually passed] has been viewed by several attorneys as being extraordinarily expansive. I'vereviewed it and I agree that something must be done.

"Bob, you're the first person who has sat down and interviewed me on this. Until the media get a hold of this, the people aren't going to know. I speak about it whenever I give speeches, I hand out copies of the bill to people and they're very shocked and surprised. I think many times when 'fad' bills are passed people just hope someone will forget and it won't effect them. But, believe me, this will."

Helen then went over the bill with me line by line, along with supporting correspondence and other materials.

She explained, "This is correspondence from Gale Norton. She said she didn't know anything about it – there's her name [signature]. Reclamation lands are all lands irrigated. They can say it's only lands owned by Reclamation but it can still be expanded to all lands affected by Reclamation

"There are criminal penalties for anyone knowingly violating any regulation, and the regulations have yet to be published – published by the Secretary of the Interior – she's now publishing what criminal law is, Bob! That's a prerogative of the states!

"Any person charged may be tried and sentenced by any United States Magistrate Judge – now that takes criminal law, which has been the sole prerogative of the states, and puts it into federal courts. It federalizes criminal law. It gives law enforcement officers from Department of Interior – it doesn't just say Bureau of Reclamation – the authority to enforce all federal laws and regulations, not just Reclamation laws.

"It authorizes law enforcement personnel of any federal agency or state or local government, including Tribes, when deemed economical by the federal government and in the public interest, whatever that is, through agreements or contracts to act as law enforcement officers to enforce federal laws. So now we can contract with the county sheriff to enforce federal laws on behalf of the federal government instead of working for the people who elected him. Pretty serious. And they can operate with such enforcement powers as may be assigned to them by the Secretary of the Interior. Now state law, and the Constitution, lays out what the responsibilities of a local sheriff are—that comes from the people. But now we've federalized it. See, this has all of the parameters of federal law enforcement agencies like the FBI, the DEA, and the ATF.

"The Tribes have been defined by the Supreme Court as separate nations, dependent on this federal government. But the courts have said over and over again that they don't have law enforcement authority out-

side their own trustlands. This law gives them that authority. It is wide open, Bob!

"They now have authority to conduct investigations of any federal law and any federal regulation if the federal law enforcement or cement agency with jurisdiction over the offense declines to investigate."

I had to interject, "That means that if the FBI doesn't want anything to do with a case, the BLM will take it. Right?"

"Sure," Helen answered. "Is that a story or not? Nobody has written about this. This is horrible. And Gale Norton says she doesn't want law enforcement authority. Her staff, that she is not controlling, got this slipped through. And I don't think most people realized what they were voting on. How can they defend it, Bob?

"And the legal status of state and local law enforcement officers changes. Law enforcement officers of any state or local government, including Tribes, authorized to act as federal law enforcement officers, shall not be deemed to be a federal employee subject to the provisions relating to federal employment – that means labor law – they don't get the labor benefits. So they [the feds] can contract to pay our sheriff's deputies minimum wages to carry out their [federal] law enforcement activities. And you can't sue them. [They] are taking jurisdiction that has not been given to them by the people through the Constitution. Law enforcement personnel means an employee of the federal state – it could be anybody. All they have to do is go through training that the Secretary of the Interior deems necessary.

"You're the first one to catch on to this, Bob. This is a law that applies to American citizens in peacetime. When people know what the facts are, then they begin to know how to fight."

I asked Helen if Gale Norton, who inherited all of Clinton's people, all of his bureaucrats and policy-makers, knows what she has to deal with and realizes the problems she faces?

"It's hard to say," Helen answered. "I don't think she even knew the [Reclamation cops] bill was going through, which is unfortunate. Because if a policy is being enacted that the Secretary does not agree with then she needs to get better control of her departments and her top people immediately.

"We've learned from a long time back that actions speak

> louder than words. worked really hard for Gale Norton's appointment, I pulled some strings that normally I would not pull. I was in on a lot of the meetings about her appointment and I was very hopeful. But, while she's a nice lady, I think it's a big job to adminis-

ter that large a department and you've got to be able to put forth a strategy and plan throughout the department that reflects what the President wants.

"I am extraordinarily disappointed in what I've seen [of Gale Norton] so far. I think that not much has changed in the West. The Western ranchers are still under siege and are being ignored by an administration that received their overwhelming support. George W. Bush needs the West and I think it's a great disappointment that people in the West are feeling that there's not an ear in Washington for them."

### On Recently Confirmed BLM Director Kathleen Clark

Helen was cautiously hopeful. "How she'll perform remains to be seen. There's a lot of work she needs to do in this department."

### On Former Idaho BLM Director Martha Hahn

Helen's response was characteristically understated: "I don't think she fit very well in Idaho."

### On Helen's Future Political Plans

I specifically said to Helen, "Many Owyhee voters consider you the only hope for a conservative governor, whether Mr. Kempthorne eventually perfects his bullet-proof traveling hamburger stand or not. Are you open to discussing the possibility of running?"

Helen's response was, "I would never run against a Republican governor in a primary.

And I've so enjoyed this year with my new husband. I love being on the ranch, I love being able to work up here. I've had a great rest. If I'm supposed to go again sometime in the future, we'll look at it and we'll pray about it."

She added, "We have two good senators, and Butch Otter is doing a good job in the first district."

### On Owyhee People

"The Owyhee cattlemen are very, very important to me, always have been and always will be. And I don't like what I see happening to them. When I say those guys are worth fighting for, I mean it. I walked over some pretty hot coals because they were right and they were worth the fight. They're special down here in Owyhee County.

"The Owyhee cattlemen have been very aggressive in knowing what they want, and being inclined to go from point A to point B in a straight line and not wander around in the politically correct world too much. I have been absolutely amazed when I work with these people at their degree of intellect and their understanding of history. They have a deeper understanding than most lawyers do of Western land law and water law. They have my deepest respect. These people down here in Owyhee County are especially strong, great Americans."

### **On Compromise**

"Even criminals realize you can't break your word, and that's the problem with trying to negotiate with federal agencies. They have absolutely no moral restraint. The word is out about what they're doing—it's written in red letters across the horizon. They're driving the rancher off the ranch.

"All of our original wealth is contained in the land, and the federal agencies are working hand-in-hand with people like the Nature Conservancy who are acquiring more and more property. The Constitution states that before the federal government can acquire property they have to have the authority of the state legislature and they have bypassed that. Whether the legislature is inclined to do it or not, somebody in government should enforce that issue. We give the Constitution the worthiness it deserves when we demand that it be followed. It's not an antiquated document."

## On The Future Of Freedom

"You know, we just can't give up the fight. Remember, Bob? I always used to say in my speeches — Winston Churchill got the British through World War II by continuing to say,

Don't ever, ever, ever give up!"



## Around the world with hot chocolate

Dear Betty,

The other day in the supermarket I saw a package of Mexican hot chocolate. What's Mexican hot chocolate like? Do other countries drink hot chocolate?

Bad Axe, Mich.

What a great time of year to be thinking of hot chocolate! And Mexican hot chocolate is a deliciously different warm-up on a winter's day. The chocolate is blended with cinnamon, almonds and vanilla and is much more grainy than other chocolate. It's crumbled up and stirred into milk and heated. Right before serving, it is whipped with a wooden tool called a molinillo until frothy. But you can use a wire whisk too. If you can't find Mexican chocolate, you can create a similar flavor by combining one ounce of semi-sweet chocolate, 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon and 1 drop almond extract.

By the way, we have our South-of-the-Border neighbors to thank for hot chocolate. A favorite drink of the Aztecs, it was carried to Europe by the Spaniards. Drinking "chocolate" became wildly popular throughout Europe. It was considered as stimulating as coffee or tea, although at first it was served cold, not hot. Chocolate houses—much like today's coffee shops—began popping up in England during the mid 1600s. Folks gathered there to read the papers, discuss the day's events and relax over cups of rich, dark chocolate. Sound familiar?

Just about every country in Europe has a chocolate-drinking tradition. European hot chocolate often is made with rich, dark or bittersweet chocolate. The French drink it piping hot along with their breakfast croissants or baguettes. The Austrians drink it garnished with a dollop of whipping cream and chocolate shavings to accompany an afternoon sweet. Thick, sweet hot chocolate also is a favorite in Spain and northern Africa. And hot chocolate is gaining popularity in Japan as a health food.

Here are some tips for making the best-ever cup of hot

Heat the mixture just to boiling. Boiling spoils the flavor and texture.

Use a wire whisk to whip the hot chocolate just before serving. Not only do you get an attractive foamy topping, beating also enhances the flavor.

Add any flavoring extracts, such as vanilla, almond or peppermint, just before serving to retain their flavor.

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### Don't rock your child's boat unless he's ready to founder

**OUESTION:** discussing adolescence, why do you often focus your comments on parents? It's the kids who do crazy things.

DOBSON: I'm particularly concerned about idealistic and perfectionistic moms and dads who are determined to make their adolescent perform and achieve and measure up to the highest standards. In so doing, they rock a boat that is already threatened by the rapids. Perhaps another child could handle the additional turbulence, but the unsteady kid — the one who lacks common sense for a while and may even lean toward irrational behavior — could capsize if you're not careful. Don't unsettle his boat any more than you must!

I'm reminded of a waitress who recognized me when I came into the restaurant where she worked. She was not busy that day and wanted to talk about her 12-year-old daughter. As a single mother, she had gone through severe struggles with the girl, whom she identified as being very strong-willed.

"We have fought tooth and nail for this entire year," she said. "It has been awful! We argue nearly every night, and most of our fights are over the same issue."

I asked her what had caused the conflict, and she replied: "My daughter is still a little girl but she wants to shave her legs. I feel she's too young to be doing that, and she becomes so angry that she won't even talk to me. This has been the worst year of our lives together."

I looked at the waitress and said, "Lady, buy your daughter a razor!"

That 12-year-old was paddling into a time of life that would rock her canoe good and hard. As a single parent, Mom would soon be trying to keep this rebellious kid from getting into drugs, alcohol, sex and pregnancy, early marriage,

school failure, and the possibility of running away. Truly, there would be many ravenous alligators in her river within a year or two. In that setting, it seemed unwise to make a big deal over what was essentially a non-issue. While I agreed with the mother that adolescence should not be ushered in prematurely, there were higher goals than maintaining a developmental timetable.

I have seen other parents fight similar battles over nonessentials such as the purchase of a first bra for a flat-chested preadolescent girl. goodness' sake! If she wants it that badly, she probably needs it for social reasons. Run, don't walk, to the nearest department store and buy her a bra. The objective, as authors Charles and Andy Stanley have written, is to keep your kids on your team. Don't throw away your friendship over behavior that has no great moral significance. There will be plenty of real issues that require you to stand like a rock. Save your big guns for those crucial confrontations.

Let me make it very clear, again, that this advice is not relevant to every teen-ager. The compliant kid who is doing wonderfully in school, has great friends, is disciplined in his conduct and loves his parents is not nearly so delicate. Perhaps his parents can urge him to reach even higher standards in his achievements and lifestyle. My concern, however, is for that youngster who could go over the falls. He is intensely angry at home and is being influenced by a carload of crummy friends. Be very careful with him. Pick and choose what is worth fighting for, and settle for something less than perfection on issues that don't really matter. Just get him through it!

QUESTION: We have a 7year-old son who has been doing some pretty awful things to dogs and cats in the neighborhood. We've tried to stop him but not successfully. I wonder if there's anything to be more concerned about here.

DR. DOBSON: Cruelty to

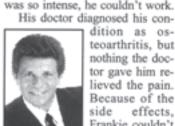
animals can be a symptom of serious emotional problems in a child, and those who do such things repeatedly are not typically just going through a phase. It should definitely be seen as a warning sign that must be checked out. I don't want to alarm you or overstate the case, but early cruelty is correlated with violent behavior as an adult. I would suggest that you take your son to a psychologist or psychiatrist for evaluation, and by all means, never tolerate any type of unkindness to animals.

Dr. Dobson is president of the nonprofit organization Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, CO. 80903; or www.family.org. Questions and answers are excerpted from "The Complete Marriage and Family Home Reference Guide," published by Tyndale House.

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### Movie Star Fights Arthritis

HOLLYWOOD --- Frankie Avalon almost didn't make the movie Back to the Beach with Annette Funicello. Frankie was experiencing pain in his fingers that



dition as teoarthritis, but nothing the doctor gave him relieved the pain. Because of the side effects, Frankie couldn't take steroids or

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### The quilt couple

Luther Oliver and his wife, Iola (Hopkins), were to receive a quilt from their family members, but the squares were never put together.

# Quilt mystery gets solved

By Melanie Hoyt

The quilt blocks bearing mysterious names, found and resurrected by the Sages Hens into a beautiful quilt, no longer remain a mystery.

Lois Adams, Sage Hen president, said a phone call came into her shortly after articles ran in local papers detailing the 21 names listed on the quilt blocks, which had been found at an auction by Sage Hen member Carol VanHall on Oct. 4,1997.

The man at the other end of the line identified himself to Adams as 87-year old Caldwell resident Luther Oliver. The quilt blocks were meant to be put together as a quilt for as a wedding present for his wedding to Iola Hopkins. Each one of the quilt blocks contains the name of a relative of Luther or his wife, Iola.

The tale begins in 1917, when Luther moved to the Sunny Slope area of Idaho. Iola made her way to Sunny Slope in 1925, and they met at school when they were 11 years old. They began going together at age 17 and were married in 1934. The blocks were meant to be a wedding day quilt for them. Cousins, aunts, and sisters from as far away as Nebraska toiled on the blocks, but they somehow never got stitched into the quilt. The blocks were given to Iola, but they were put away and forgotten for a time.

Iola had a stroke in her later years, and Luther fought to take of her at home by himself. But she had more strokes and the difficulty in taking care of her increased. A decision was made to sell some things and move into the Autumn Wind Care Center in Caldwell where Iola could get the care she needed. Luther and Iola had been married 64 years and four days when she passed away on Dec. 8, 1998. They never had any children.

An auction was held in their back yard on Oct. 4, 1997, where VanHall purchased the quilt blocks. VanHall had a quilt made with part of the blocks and that was auctioned off. The rest of the blocks were donated to the Sage Hens and the group cleaned the blocks and created a quilt which was donated to the Melba Auction to take place on Jan. 26.

Luther is going to the auction with his nephew, Alvin Horrace, the son of Luther's sister Ruby, in hopes of keeping the quilt within his family.

"It's turned from a mystery quilt into a quilt of love," Adams said.

Here are the names which appeared on the quilt blocks and their relation to Luther and Iola: Sister Cleo, Iola's sister; Hattie Case, Iola's great aunt; Sister Ruby, Luther's sister; Aunt Bertie, Iola's aunt; Grandmother Orendorf, Luther's grandmother; Lula Close, Iola's cousin; Lois was a sister to Lula Close; Mrs. Armstrong, the wife of the pastor that married them; Mother Oliver, Luther's mother; Cousin Ethel, Aunt Bertie's daughter; Aunt Ethel was Iola's aunt; Ruth Barnes, Luther's cousin; Cousin Alice, Iola's cousin; Ora Pirnie, sister to Mother Hopkins and Iola's aunt; Kathryn L. Barnes, cousin to Ora; Mother Hopkins was Iola's mother; Sister Pearl, Luther's sister; Aunt Sarah, Iola's aunt; Yetive Barnes Fuller, Iola's cousin; Thelma Ward married Iola's cousin; and Cousin Mae was Iola's cousin and is the only one alive out of the people whose names mark the quilt. She resides in a rest home in Coeur d'Alene.

# **Three Creek**

Lola Blossom

We are well on our way into the New Year and hoping for a good 2002. Bert and Paula Brackett hosted a New Year's Eve poker party and had a good crowd and good eats.

Chet and Kim Brackett, Ruby and Levi trailered three longhorn bull to California and sold them and then spent New Years at Disneyland. They stayed two and one half days at the Disneyland Resort hotel and really had a ball.

They spent Christmas with Kim's mother, Carol Stennet in Melon Valley where they had a family reunion. Kim's brothers from Ketchum and Hawaii were there and her sister from Illinois and their families were there.

Bert and Paula Brackett's family were all home for Christmas. Marc and Kristin Brackett and little daughters, Rayelyn, Morgan and Mary spent Christmas in Weatherford, Texas with Kristin's mother.

Joe and Paulette Elsner and daughters, Jessica, Amanda, Emily and Arena spent the Christmas week visiting relativeds in the Boise, Melba and Jordan Valley country. Rolly Patrick went to his daughters at Boise.

Bob and Debbie Emery and family of Filer made the lives of Harvey and Lola Blossom and Rick Morris merry on Christmas Day.

Charley and Carla Liesens guests were Brannen and Bambi Fowler and family.

Carla Liesen is recovering

from knee surgery and Bert Brackett from gall bladder surgery.

The later part of 2001 took away some old timers-Christena Ann Beaton Row, age 89 passed away at her home southwest of Filer on November 25, 2001. She was born April 7, 1912 in Twin Falls, Idaho to Neil and Blanche Estes Beaton. She was brought home as an infant to her parents home ranch on Cherry Creek. She spent her life there until marrying Mearl Row on August 6, 1951 in Elko, Nevada. They moved up the creek on their own ranch and was there until 1999 when they moved to Filer. She was taken care of by Mearl until the very end, Christena is survived by her husband, Mearl, son, Neil (Donna) Row of Buhl, sister Myrtle Jane Stanley of Twin Falls, grand daughters Tina Row Lowe, Viki Ruhter and Bandette Row and grandson Brannen Row, and seven great

She was preceded in death by her parents and sisters, Edna Blick and Ruby Beaton ad brothers Alex and Clarence Beaton.

grandchildren.

Memorial services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday Nov. 29, 2001 at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls with Rev. Dean Gridstaff officiateing. Bill Clark sang two songs "Home on the Range," and "Beyond the Sunset." Eulogys were given by Charley Liesen, George Elsner and Bob Ramsey.

Ruby (Colleen) Dunn Lowe

69 of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls passed away Dec. 6, 2001 at Willow Park Assisted Living Center in Boise.

Colleen was born May 28, 1932to pioneer ranchers Alvaro and Opal Butler Dunn of the Three Creek area. She attended school at House Creek and Three Creek and graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1950. She was a 1955 graduate of the University of Oregon School of Nursing. She worked as a nurse in Portland and Seattle before returning to Twin Falls.

In the early 1950s she was married to Ferrell Bell and they had two sons, Richie and Terry. They later divorced. She married Leon Lowe who passed away in 1996.

She is survived by her son Ritchie Lowe of Boise, her mother Opal (Dunn) Brown of Twin Falls, two granddaughters, Kira Gomez and Stephanie Lowe, a grandson Trevor Lowe and a brother Jack Dunn and his wife Wanda of Boise, Idaho and several neices and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband Leon Lowe, son Terry, father Avvera Dunn and sister Betty Walton.

Funeral services were held Dec. 12, 2001 at the White Mortuary Chapel with Bishop Brent Hyett officiating. Graveside services were held at Sunset Memorial Park.

Pat Chapin, mother of Kevin Chapin of Diamond T Ranch passed away recently at Battle Mtn., NV.



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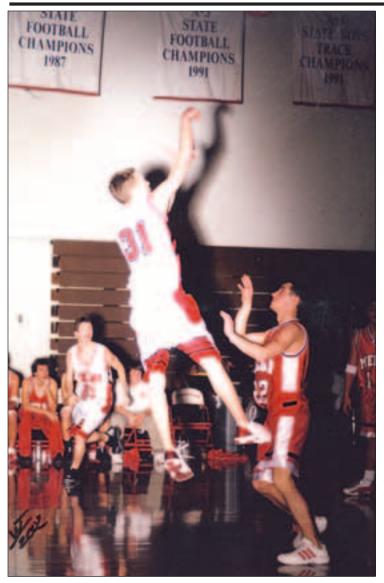
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### Flying...

Kevin Overton of Homedale flies through the air for a basket during their game against Melba.

## **Mustangs overpower Homedale Trojans**

The Homedale Trojan ladies found themselves dismissed by the Melba Mustangs as they rode over the Trojans to a 53-27 win in last Thursday's 2A Western Idaho Conference game.

The first half of the game came to a close with the score being 18 to 11, favoring Melba. The Mustangs blew open that close game with 21 in the third quarter and kept the Trojans down to just four points in that quarter. The Trojans fought hard in the fourth quarter tallying 12 points against the Mustang's 14, but they still couldn't recover from the earlier setbacks.

Angie Silver helped fuel the Mustang's third quarter assault with a pair of three-pointers early on. Silver was one of the teams high scorers with 12 points. Suzy Bangerter tallied 13 points and nine rebounds for a near double-double.

Homedale was led in scoring by Taci Morris who finished with 10 points. Jill Cooper scored nine for the Trojan offense and pulled down six rebounds.

## Pilgrims shut down Homedale 78-58

didn't need to pray for victory The Pilgrims had a little help in their match against the Homedale Trojans. The powerhouse Pilgrim steamrolled over the Trojans 78-58 in 2A Western Idaho Conference boys action last Tuesday, January 15.

"We got beat. They're very good. They're probably the favorite to win the state championship," Homedale Coach Randy Potter said. "We were disappointed in the first half, but came out more aggressive in the second half".

Ending the first quarter ahead 22-11, the Pilgrims kept up momentum through the evening, ending every quarter ahead of the Trojans. It was 44-29 at half-time, 60-41 in

The New Plymouth Pilgrims the third and 78-58 at the end. from Tyrone Kerby's 22 night. Billy Lamitina tallied 14 for the Pilgrim attack.

> High scorers for the Trojans included Spencer Batt who had a 20 point game and Kevin Overton who racked up 16

## Raiders edge out Wildcats

The Rimrock Raiders proved easily victorious over the Wilder Wildcats, defeating them 70-30 in Class 1A Western Idaho Conference girls action last Tuesday, January 15.

The match was a return to winning after a close loss to Marsing on Monday in which the Huskies triumphed 50-49. During the Tuesday game the Raiders outscored the Wildcats by margins of 17-4 in the first quarter and 23-6 in the fourth.

Annalise Field tallied up 15 points for the Raiders. Michelled Hipwell had a night of double stats in which she added 13 points and 13 rebounds to the Raider's total.

Jenny Waters fronted the Wildcat offensive with nine points and seven rebounds.

## **Marsing** defeated by Parma **Panthers**

The Parma Panthers pounced on the Marsing Huskies hope for victory and took it down at a 2A Western Idaho Conference match last Tuesday, January 14.

Parma lept ahead to a 22-4 lead after the first quarter and didn't stop. They ended the night with a 58-45 victory over Marsing.

The high scorers for the Huskies were Will Caldwell who got a double-stat night with 13 points and 12 rebounds and John Fromm who also doubled with 12 points and 12 rebrounds.

### New 4-H Club forming

Bruce and Terry Reuck will be forming a new 4-H horse club in Homedale. They will hold their first meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesday.

Members must be at least 8 years old as of Jan. 1 and in the third grade, on up to age 19. For more information call 337-5914.

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# **Marsing Huskies** scrap by Raiders

The Marsing Huskies ladies took down top-ranked 1A Rimrock 50-49 in a non-conference game last Monday, January 14. The hard fought game was closely matched at the end of the second quarter with score 21 to 22 in favor of the Huskies after a powerful second quarter during which the Marsing Huskies scored 16 points over the Rimrock Raider's 11.

As the third quarter ended the score sat at 31 to 41 favoring the Huskies, and the Raiders rallied to bring in 18 points in the fourth quarter to Marsing's nine.

Amie Vanek and Amanda Stewart each tallied 24 points for the Huskies and Jamie Lynde pulled in two.

The high scorers for the Raiders were Michelle Hipwell with 17 points and Adrea Thomas with 11.

Rimrock High School Coach Bob Delle said, "Obviously you have to give Marsing a lot of credit. They came to play...They played very well defensively and did what they had to do."

He added that he was proud of the team and the fourth quarter rally which gave them a shot of pulling off a winning game.

The Raiders will play at Green leaf Friends Academy at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

## Trojans seek water sponsors

The junior class at Homedale High School continues to seek sponsors for a bottled water fundraiser the class has formed

"Trojan Fuel" will be sold to the public as a class fundraiser soon, but first the class must finish selling sponsorhips for the venture junior class representative Randee Garrett said.

"The students have designed a label that will be on the front of each bottle," Garrett continued. "On the inside of the label will be the list of sponsors."

A sponsor's logo may be used as well as an individual sponsor. Each sponsorship will cost \$40 per line for up to 18 characters, including spaces. More than one line may be purchased.

The group plans to print 6,000 labels and the cost of a fiveline ad will be three cents per label.

Each label will be high quality, four color, waterproof labels professionally designed by a graphic arts company with the school's logo. The water is bottled by Oregon Trail Mountain Spring Water and the water will be sold at athletic functions.

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### Hunter education class registration scheduled

Although hunting seasons remain several months away, spring hunter education and bowhunter education classes are now forming. Because of high interest and limited space, participants are urged to register during upcoming registration sessions.

On Wednesday, January 23, Nampa/Caldwell area hunter education class registration will be held at Fish & Game's Southwest Region office, 3101 S. Powerline Road in Nampa. Register for classes from 12:00 noon to 2:30 p.m. and 5:00 to 7:30 p.m.

On Wednesday, January 30, Boise/Meridian area hunter education class registration will be held at the Hunter Education Center, 109 W. 44th Street in Garden City. Register for classes from 12:00 noon to 2:30 p.m. and 5:00 to 7:30 p.m.

A course will be offered in Homedale in February by instructor Walt Rost. The course will begin on Feb. 19, 21, 23, 26 and 29 and March 2. On most days, the course will run from 6 p.m. till 8:30 p.m. at the Homedale Armory, 432 N. Nevada Ave., Homedale., but on Feb. 23, the course runs from 9 a.m. till 3 p.m. Students will qualify shoot on March 2 from 9 a.m. until all students have completed the course.

The cost of the course is \$8. To sign up contact Walt Rost at 337-3535.

By state law, persons born after January 1, 1975 must attend and successfully complete a hunter education course before purchasing an Idaho hunting license. Hunter education course fees are \$8.00 per person and participants must be at least 11 years of age to attend. "Parents do not need to bring their children to the registration," Fish and Game wildlife educator Dan Papp said. "For registration purposes, we will need the child's date of birth, social security number, address and phone number."

Although not required, parents are encouraged to attend classes with their children and participate in the entire program. For more information, contact the Fish and Game Southwest Region office, 465-8465.

# **Center looking for donations**

The Marsing Resource Center is celebrating its third anniversary with a yard sale in February. The center is looking for donations and volunteers for the event.

The public can bring items to the Resource Center or call 896-5185.

# Huskies almost taste first win

Despite a hard fight, the Marsing Huskies could not defeat the Melba Mustang offense in Class 2A Western Idaho Conference play last Thursday night.

The game started out looking like it could lead to the first win for the boy Huskies as they closed the first quarter at 16 points against Melba's 17. They kept pace with the Mustangs during the second quarter as well ending the first half with the score 31 to 26 favoring Melba. Melba shut down the Huskies during the third quarter, limiting them to just nine points. Marsing rallied to score 18 points against the Mustang's 17 in the fourth quarter, but it wasn't quite enough as the game closed with the score being 67-52 for the Mustangs.

Melba had three players reach double figures, led by Shawn Spence's 15 points. Matt Riste added 11 points and Robert Johnson tallied 10 for the Mustangs.

Marsing's fight was led by John Fromm's double-stat night as he racked up 22 points and 13 rebounds. Gabriel Quebrando was on task tallying nine points and six assists for the Huskies.



Going for the shot

Gabriel Quebrado of Marsing goes for a shot during the varsity game against Melba last week.



Looking for an opening

Tristan Uria of Homedale looks for a chance to steal the ball from her Marsing opponent at Saturday's game.

# Marsing girls overtake Homedale

The Marsing girls had a 56-29 victory over the Homedale ladies in a Class 2AWestern Idaho Conference game last Saturday.

A powerhouse first and second quarter gave Marsing a lead the Homedale Trojans couldn't catch. In the first quarter Marsing led 15 to 8. In the second quarter the Huskies scored 24 points and held Homedale to seven. Homedale faired better in the second half, but it wasn't enough for a victory.

The Huskies saw three players score double figures with senior guard Brandi Chadez taking the lead with 18 points.

Amie Venek had 17 points and sophomore post Amanda Stewart had 13.

On the Trojan side, Jill Cooper had an 11 point night with seven rebounds.

Read all about it in the Avalanche!



# Commentary

# **Front sight**

Robert Boatman

### Well, excuuuse me

Whenever it was that we started teaching boys to behave like girls and girls to behave like California Democrats, it has got to stop. A normal person these days can't take a step without squishing one of these hypersensitive creatures between his toes.

Given a good pair of boots, the hypersensitives are not so much a problem unto themselves. They are so easily offended that, if you are a person who is reasonably precise and straightforward in your use of English, they have learned to cover their ears and stay well out of range so that you need never know they exist.

The biggest problem with hypersensitives is that they have bred a new mutant race of hyperpolites. Among other things, hyperpolites are the most dangerous drivers on the planet. They spend hours on end parked at four-way-stop-sign intersections giving way to someone, anyone. They travel one mile an hour below the speed limit, stand on the brakes when a mouse crosses the highway, and slow to allow a dozen cars to pull in front of them at every opportunity. Politeness apparently does not apply to anyone unlucky enough to be driving behind rather than in front of one of these hyperpolites, so many of them suffer chronic and well-deserved neck problems from being constantly rear-ended.

Politically, hyperpolites are the nonpartisans of the world. It must have been one of them who, in an overwhelmingly Republican state, appointed exactly as many Democrats as Republicans to the redistricting committee. We now hear, not surprisingly, that the nonpartisan committee has blown it again, coming up with a plan even more illegal than the first which was unanimously rejected by the supreme court and which will undoubtedly go through the same rigmarole and never get done until the Republican legislature takes it out of the committee's shaky little nonpartisan hands or until a new committee composed of all Republicans and no Democrats is formed to better reflect the character of the state.

Hyperpoliteness is also one of the many selfdefeating facets of political correctness. By using

language which does not offend your enemies and which is therefore untrue, you end up encouraging them to your own detriment. For example, politely telling some environmentalist that you respectfully disagree with his position makes him think that you actually respect his unrespectable stance and that it is therefore valid in your eyes and can therefore logically



prevail over your own position which he does not respect in the slightest and is unafraid to say so. This despite the self-evident fact that the subversive positions of environmentalists are not worthy of anyone's respect, nor are the people who hold such anti-social positions.

Calling a spade a spade has always been a hallmark of truth-seeking. And if a spade should wake up one morning and decide it wants to be called a pointy shovel, and considers anyone who fails to do so impolite, that's just too bad for the confused implement. Because calling a spade a pointy shovel is silly, and flies in the face of the yearning of sophisticated languages to be concise and precise.

Conservatives, who are inherently the most honest political thinkers in our culture, relatively speaking, also seem to be the only ones who are polite. The fear of offending their offensive enemies forces many conservatives into taking dishonest positions or at least making dishonest noises despite themselves.

What they all need is some insensitivity training. A good hard-core insensitivity training regimen would remind them that boys will be boys and girls will be girls and California Democrats will be, well, whatever; that all people are not the same; that some are way more stupid than others; that stupid people who are so stupid they do not even know they are stupid deserve to be treated like dirt; that idiotic ideas do not deserve respect; that people who hold idiotic ideas do not deserve respect; that sincerity means nothing (if you are wrong you are wrong no matter how sincere you are in your mistaken belief that you are right); that old-fashioned communism is alive and well and living in a variety of politically correct incarnations in modern American life; that school teachers and college professors and mainstream media people are dead wrong about life, politics and the human condition about 90 percent of the time and should be reminded of their poor job performance at every opportunity; that the objective of the parasitic Left is, always has been and always will be to sap the life out of its host country; that the enemy is there not simply to be defeated but to be destroyed; that traitors should just be taken out and shot; and that a spade is, indeed, a spade.

Insensitivity training, like the currently popular liberal-invented touchy-feely sensitivity training for which it is intended to be an antidote, should be restricted to conservatives. It's frankly naive to expect that liberals are capable of learning anything from any training regimen whatsoever.

Robert Boatman may be reached at The Owyhee Avalanche or directly via email at interboat@aol.com

# Letters to the editor

## Headline misleading

Your headline in last week's paper "BLM cops not welcome" is very misleading. It has damaged 6 years of my work and several years of ex-sheriff Nettleton's work. The letter sent by the Commissioners and myself was NOT an attempt to stop BLM from having law enforcement powers. It was designed and meant to advise Secretary Gale Norton that a draft bill written in her office without her knowledge, for INCREASED powers and an attempt to get around what limited powers Congress has given DOI in law enforcement matters.

We, (and I take credit for some of it) pounded Bruce Babbit under the Clinton administration when he tried to push a similar bill through several years ago and we beat them. Some staffer with that same political agenda is still in Norton's office and under the guise of national security because of Sept. 11, tried a go at it again. Again with our letter and help from others we have stopped it.

The current setup is when a BLM Law Enforcement Ranger comes into Owyhee County they contact my department. He stops in my office and we discuss what issues he is working on. He does NOT have any state or county police powers. He does have federal law enforcement powers. A lot of the time I will write state violations instead of him writing federal, ie littering. On one occasion, they wrote a federal citation on a situation so we could recover our costs (\$7,000.00) to mitigate an incident. The aforementioned draft bill would have given them greater authority than what Congress originally allowed. Whether we believe BLM has law enforcement authority is beside the point in this issue. The BLM Ranger is not the one out measuring

stubble height or cattle trespass issues. He investigates with my knowledge things like destruction of an archeological site, littering, persons tearing up ground, springs etc with ATV's or 4x4 vehicles. He has sat with me trying to catch people leaving gates open so the rancher gets in trouble. We do not always agree on issues but we work together. He recognizes my authority and abides by it.

Gary Aman, Owyhee County Sheriff

# Article inaccurate, misleading

This e-mail is directed to Melanie Hoyt who wrote an article in the Avalanche regarding the Owyhee Lanes, issue Jan. 9, 2002.

I believe Ms Hoyt's research was inaccurate or nil to say the least. I was born and raised in Homedale and currently live in Alaska. I receive your weekly paper as a gift. It should be corrected to say that the bowling alley was constructed by Marshall and Pat Packer in 1957, not Virginia Tolsma Josephson. I was 10 years old (now you know how old I am) and was taught to bowl by Marshall and Pat. The Tolsmas did not come along until much later. Oh and by the way, my husband used to own the Owyhee Lanes. This error should be clarified and it should be by many local bowlers.

Jan Kirstine Via email

## A porcine parable

When I read that certain legislators were again attempting to subvert the will of the people in the matter of term limits, my mind flashed back some 40 years to reading Orwell's Animal Farm.

In this book the animals take over the farm and the hogs make the rules and the dogs enforce them.

Over the years the rules change but the final rule becomes: "All animals are equal, but some are more equal than others."

It would appear that the only things these old timer legislators have accomplished are an increase in state bureaus, high paid executive positions, a plethora of stupid regulations for business and people, and an unconscionable increase in their own perks.

The results are higher taxes and headaches when complying with the regulations. What they seem unable to comprehend is that when you put a parasite on the public payroll, you deprive the private sector of a producer. Let's let term limits stand, perhaps we can get some intelligent thinkers in the legislature.

James Morrison Sr. Grand View

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# Commentary

# Letter

## Response

to Shoot First And Ask Questions Later by Robert Boatman:

As a commentator, Robert Boatman shows familiarity with firearms history and terminology. Regrettably, the crux of his December 26 column attacking Idaho Senators Larry Craig and Mike Crapo, is absolutely unfounded.

This summer, the NRA and other pro-gun organizations, along with those representing military vehicle museums, historic aircraft collectors, and surplus equipment dealers, became aware of a provision (Sec. 1062) in the Senate defense authorization bill that would have allowed the Defense Department to require "demilitarization" (an elaborate word for destruction) of former military guns and other equipment. Naturally, we recognized its serious implications for gun owners — well laid out in Mr. Boatman's column.

As always, we consulted with our congressional allies before taking action. It was their measured opinion that rather than squandering time on pointless floor debates, the provision could, and would, easily be deleted by a conference committee, reconciling the House and Senate versions of the bill. Ninetynine senators - all but the unavoidably absent senior Senator Strom Thurmond - voted for the bill, which provides a much-needed framework for the entire national defense policy of the United States.

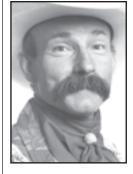
Their judgment proved precise. As the conference committee met, the NRA worked to mobilize opposition to the "demil" language. Thirteen senators-including both Senators Craig and Crapo-signed a letter to the Senate leaders in the conference committee opposing Sec. 1062 and urging its removal. Others questioned the conference committee leaders personally about the provision. When the conferees finished their work, Sec. 1062 was deleted.

Senators Craig and Crapo are among the strongest Second Amendment supporters in the Congress, and in this case, as on many other occasions, have played indispensable roles in defending the rights of gun owners. Idahoans can certainly be proud of these principled men and their efforts in the United States Senate.

James Jay Baker Executive Director, National Rifle Association, Institute for Legislative Action

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We threw ourselves into the melee. We stayed up all night makin' hay. We lived our life up to the fullest Then borrowed against the new day.

We fell in the groove like ol' pardners Who had one another down pat. We knew every lick, every turn in the road Every trap door and tip of the hat.

We brought ourselves back from the ashes, Set Phoenix's tail on fire, We reran the race for old time's sake And finished it under the wire.

So don't tell me it can't last forever 'Cause where there's a will there's a way But, in fact forever don't matter Much as makin' it last one more day.

# **Farm Bureau**

# Term limits battle presents major dilemma at statehouse

by John Thompson Director of Information

During his two-year tenure as governor, Dirk Kempthorne has sometimes had difficulties with the Idaho Legislature. Don't expect things to get better anytime soon.

Governor Kempthorne reiterated his position on term limits this week. The Governor has squared off with House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, threatening to veto legislation to repeal term limits on Idaho's elected officials.

In reference to Newcomb's bill to repeal term limits, Kempthorne says he is standing in support of the voters who enacted term limits through the initiative process and that he cannot in good faith alter that process. The position is commendable but not practical.

Through the initiative process Idaho voters were misled by a group of well heeled, out-of-state term limits zealots. Now we have a bad law in place that requires us in most cases to boot good people out of important jobs.

Ask yourself how many qualified people there are in your county who could step in and run the sheriff's office or could take over for the county assessor. Even in our larger population counties the number of qualified people who could take over these important positions are few and those willing and able to run for election are even fewer. Now think about how this law will affect our smaller counties like Clark or Owyhee or Clearwater County.

During just about every election cycle we hear voters criticizing politicians for seeking office to feather their own nests and having lost their sense of public service, but these same voters elect incumbents time after time. In addition, we have many uncontested elections in Idaho. In part, these problems relate to Idaho's relatively small population. But if the Legislature passes this bill and the Governor vetoes it, these problems are going to get worse.

This issue is a political tar baby and Governor Kempthorne has gotten himself into a sticky spot. The Governor has had some run-ins with the legislature in past sessions. A veto of Newcomb's bill is likely to compound this problem.

The Governor has also absorbed a recent beating in the newspapers over measures taken to protect the Statehouse from terrorists. Through all this, he has become a target and to some his credibility has suffered. In light of these matters it may be wise for the Governor to rethink his position.

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# School menu

### **January 28 – February 1, 2001**

### **Homedale Elementary**

Monday: Lasagna or shepherd's pie, corn, pears, apple turnover and choice of milk.

Tuesday: BBQ chicken strips or burrito, green beans, cinnamon breadstick, mixed fruit and choice of milk.

Wednesday: Enchilada or corn dog, scalloped potatoes, peaches, frosted brownie and choice of milk.

Thursday: 1/2 ham and cheese or turkey sandwich, yogurt, celery sticks, applesauce, granola and choice of milk.

Friday: Chili or fish nuggets, fries, honey corn bread, pears and choice of milk.

#### **Homedale Middle**

Monday: BBQ chicken strips, hot roll, vegetable and fruit or salad bar and choice of milk.

Tuesday: Sloppy joe or weiner wrap, green beans, fruit and dessert or salad bar and choice of milk.

Wednesday: Pizza or deli sandwich, tossed salad, fruit, cookie and choice of milk.

Thursday:

Chicken fajita, corn, fruit and dessert or salad bar and choice

Friday: Hamburger or hot dog, fries and fruit or salad bar and choice of milk.

### **Homedale High**

Monday: Pizza, fajita or rib-b-que, salad, fruit, dessert and choice of milk

Tuesday: Chicken fillet or beef nuggets, roll, mashed potato and gravy, fruit and choice of milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti, burrito or toasted cheese and soup, French bread, salad, fruit and choice of milk.

Thursday: Chicken patty, hamburger or deli sandwich, fries, fruit, dessert and choice of milk.

Friday: Crispito/taco salad or pizza, corn, fruit and choice of milk.

### **Marsing School District**

Monday: Corn dog with fixings, fruit variety, garden vegetables, chocolate pudding, variety milk, submarine sandwich, fresh salad bar 4/12, and fresh baked roll.

Tuesday: Chicken Alfredo and noodles, peas, fruit variety, variety milk, baked potato with or without chili, fresh salad bar 4/12 and fresh baked roll.

Wednesday: Rib-b-que on a bun, baked potato wedges, fruited jello, golden corn, variety milk, nachos with toppings, fresh salad bar 4/12 and fresh baked roll.

Thursday: Soup and sandwich, fruited jello, variety milk, Red Baron pizza, fresh salad bar 4/12 and fresh baked roll.

Friday: Weiner wrap, cherry crisp, garden vegetables, variety milk, burrito with choice fixings, fresh salad bar 4/12 and fresh baked roll.

## Senior news

### Homedale Senior Citizen Center

Linedancing will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 23. Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, veggies, jello with fruit, roll and cake will be served on Thursday, Jan. 24. The shopping bus will be in Homedale at 2 p.m.

Breakfast, including sausage, eggs, hashbrowns, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, toast and juice will be served from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 25.

Meatballs in cream sauce, potatoes and gravy, veggies, salad, roll and fruit will be served on Tuesday, Jan. 29. There will also be music, bingo and bridge.

### **Marsing Senior Citizen Center**

Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, carrots, tossed salad, pudding and bread will be served on Thursday, Jan. 24. There will also be music.

Sloppy Joe Hamburgers with bug and trimmings, rolls, salad and fruit will be served on Monday, January 28.

Bacon or sausage, eggs, hot cakes, juice and coffee will be served for breakfast on Wednesday, Jan. 30.

## HMS announces second quarter honor roll

honor roll students for the Preuss, Jessica Anne Small, second quarter of the 2001-02 Belen Vega, Samantha Warren, school year have been announced.

Honor roll students in the eighth grade with a 4.0 GPA are: Faith Brasher, Jennifer Joanne George, Ian Lootens, Stuart Miyasako, Jessica Rae Mooney and Wendy Sheets.

3.0-3.99: Richard James Eidemiller, Jessica Lynn Hansen, Zachary Lootens, Patrick Aaron Vega, John K. Hurich, Brett Jacob Hopkins, Levi G. Huntsinger, Robert Edwin Seamount IV, Tyler Christoffersen, Hailey Rose Hall, Wade W. Hyer, Michelle JeNae Uria, Andrew Theodore VanDerhoff, German Sotelo, Nicole Adele Celaya, Emilie Jean Huckins, Samuel John Ensley, Kalon Lord, Jesus DeLaTorre, Hailee Renee Garrett, Ricco J. Gonzalez, Francisco Sotelo, Amanda Crosland, Jessica Lynn DeWeese, Rene Hurtado, Jessica Danielle Quinn, Misty Marie Richmond and Shaunna Lea Vaughan.

Honor roll students for the seventh grade class are: 4.0 GPA: Sarah Black, Shanae Amanda Galloway, Ryan D. Johnson, Joshua Myers, Bonnie Price and Mark L. Vance.

3.0-3.99:

Rachel N. Seamount, Jordan Warwick, Jared Dean Brockett, Chanda Lynn Cox, Jamie Alex Frost, Seyainet Guerrero, Scott David Thatcher, Andrea Aguilera, Amanda Audrey Bahem, Cory Wayne Uria, Kaylee Marie Celaya, Becky L. Thomson, Jessica Lorence Ferguson, Matson Lee Lyon, Jacob Rey McRae, Kayla Rose Bertagnolli, Elizabeth Calderon, Caleb Dean Johnson, Kyle T. Miyasako, Jessica Morris, Andres Vasquez, Jennifer A. Compton, Trevor JT Krzesnik, Vanessa Morales Lopez, Jared Michale Haskett, John Abel Slawson, Jennifer Hall, Joshua Ryska, Andrew Gordon Bingham, Johnny Fredrick Butler, Manuel DeLaTorre, David Lawrence Liddell, Kevin Nettleton, Rachel Shenk, Jacob Arturo Anthony, Vanessa Brown, Jorge Louis Gaspar-Cruz, Janina Joset Lomeli, Michelle Oviedo and Kayla Rochester.

Honor roll students for the sixth grade class are: 4.0 GPA: Mandy Brasher, Luz Maria Escutia, Silvino Jimenez, Klug, Joshua Mark Klug,†Alejandra Ramos, Kelsey Silva and†Zach Tolmie.

3.0-3.99: Andrew Eubanks, Mathew Hansen, Yeraldin Juarez, Jerrica Lloyd, Mary Richmond, Samuel Sanchez, Sarah Scarratt, Esmeralda Cardenas, Marisol Gonzalez,

Homedale Middle School Alysha Bahem, Nathaniel Jeanette Albor, Roxanne Barroso, Sarah Garcia, Eduardo Jose Villanueva, Kortney Bahem, Elizabeth Davis, Irma Benitez, Perla Gonzalez, Jason Rangel, Jaime Uriarte, TaraLynn Gluch, Brandy Potter, Jessica Ryan, Ashley Benavidez, Katie Cammack, Jarrod Driskell, Gage Keith Egurrola, Emily A. Martin, Bryan M. Stutheit, Amanda Andaverde, Jonnie Burns, Samantha Cuellar, Austin Ferguson, Kara LeAnn Jenkins and Challen Lootens.

Honor roll students in the fifth grade class with a 4.0 GPA are: Ryan Garrett, Hannah Gibson, Esmerelda Jimenez, Mitch Quintana, Annamaria Salas, Jessica Sotelo, Kelsey Thatcher and Ryan Vance.

3.0-3.99: Sierra Louise Aberasturi, Whitney A. Asbury, Cache Gluch, Joshua Holcomb, Mikal Mackenzie, Trevor Meligan, Erika Shanley, Ashley C. Thomson, Austin Emry, Haylie C. Freelove, Rowdy Lair, Kali McRae, Abdencio Sanchez, Brandon Brockett, Cody Leon Gardner, Rye Hyer, Cortnee Krzesnik, Daniel Rodriguez (Zenor), Andrea Vega, Danielle Erbe, Gregory Ferguson, Jesus Gonzalez, Nestor Machuca, Evelyn Willams, Chase Christoffersen, Marcos Gaspar, Kevin Mercado, Chelsie Stansell, Daniel Vega, Kevin Abels, Chance Bohr, Angelica Cuellar, Luis Escutia, Tyler Gibson, Ashli Kesler, Charles A. Larson, Daisy Orozco (Prado), Patricia Ramos and Miguel Vasquez.

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### **PERMIT FOR** APPLICATION

57-11606 CHARLES S HIGHTOWER 7655 GREEN ACRES **BOISE ID 83709** VICKY L HIGHTOWER 7655 GREEN ACRES **BOISE ID 83709** Point(s) of Diversion SESE S9 T02S R02W OWHYEE COUNTY Source GROUND WATER Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 To 11/15 0.1 CFS Total Diversion: 0.1 CFS Date Filed: 11/30/2001 Place Of Use: IRRIGATION T02S R02W S9 NESE Number of Acres 5

Remark: Applicant agrees to mitigate consumptive use in the future as needed.

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho

Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 02/04/ 2002. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J. DREHER, Director 1/16 & 23/02

### **APPLICATION** FOR PERMIT

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho:

57-11597 JOHN P ROMERO HC 88 BOX 1045 MURPHY ID 83650 CATHERINE A ROMERO HC 88 BOX 1045 MURPHY ID 83650

of Diversion Point(s) NENWNE

S25 T02S RO4W **OWYHEE County** Source SPRING Tributary To REYNOLDS

Use: STOCKWATER 0/1 To 12/31 0.02 CFS Total Diversion: 0.02 CFS Date Filed: 09/19/2001 Place Use: of

STOCKWATER T02S R04W S25 NWNE

Remark: Original application published on December 5 and 12, 2001, included .78 cfs and 9 af of storage for irrigation and wildlife uses in Section 24 and 25. Amended application is for 1200 range cattle. Source locally known as Big Spring.

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho Code.

Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water

Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 02/04/ 2002. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J. DREHER, Director  $1/16 \dots 23/02$ 

### APPLICATION FOR **PERMIT**

57-11608 TED SHERBURN PO BOX 41 MURPHY ID 83650 CHARLOTTE SHERBURN PO BOX 41 MURPHY ID 83650 Point(s) of Diversion NENW S26 T02S R02W OWYHEE Source GROUND WATER Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 To 12/31 0.02 CFS Use: DOMESTIC 01/01 To 12/31 0.04 CFS Total Diversion: 0.06 CFS Date Filed 12/28/2002 Place of Use: STOCKWATER T02S R02W S26 NENW Place of Use: DOMESTIC T02S R02W S26 NENW

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho

Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 02/04/ 2002. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J. DREHER, Director

1/16 & 23/02

### **APPLICATION FOR PERMIT**

57-11607 LONNIE WRIGHT PO BOX 55 MURPHY ID 83650 BARBARA WRIGHT PO BOX 55 MURPHY ID 83650 Point(s) of Diversion SWNW S26 T02S R02W **OWYHEE County** Source GROUND WATER Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 To 12/31 0.02 CFS Use: DOMESTIC 01/01 To 12/31 0.04 CFS Total Diversion: 0.06 CFS Date Filed: 12/13/2001 Place Of Use: DOMESTIC T02S R02W S26 SWNW Place Of Use: STOCKWATER T02S R02W S26 SWNW

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho

Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region,

2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 02/04/ 2002. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J. DREHER, Director 1/16 & 23/02

### **PUBLIC NOTICE** BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY PLANNING AND **ZONING COMMISSION**

On February 7, 2002, beginning at 7 PM in the Commissioners' Annex on Basey Street in Murphy. Idaho, the Owyhee County Planning and Commission will hear public testimony on the following matters:

**VIEW CROSS** SUBDIVISION -The Commission will review the Preliminary and Final Plat for the Cross View Subdivision presented by Les and Lavada Loucks. Subject property is located northwest of Marsing on North Bruneau Highway in Section 27, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

JACK BIRMINGHAM -Mr. Birmingham has filed a Conditional Use Permit application requesting residential use on a 9 acre parcel located off of Highway 78 on Birmingham Road west of Given's Springs in Section 6, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

THOMAS BARTLETT -Mr. Bartlett has filed a Conditional Use Permit application as authorized by owner, property McMasters, for residential use on a 6 acre parcel located off of Highway 78 on Birmingham Road west of Given's Springs in Section 6, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County. Idaho. 1/23/02

### PUBLIC NOTICE **BEFORE THE** OWYHEE COUNTY **BOARD OF** COMMISSIONERS

On February 11, 2002 in the Commissioners' Annex on Basey Street in Murphy, Idaho, the Owvhee County Board of Commissioners will hear public comment on the following matters at the times listed.

### **ROYAL VISTA ESTATES 2 PM**

The Board will review the recommendation of the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission regarding the request for Variance of requirements imposed by Article IV, Section B.7. of the Owyhee County Subdivision Ordinance filed by Skinner Land Survey on behalf of Rick Kushlan. Approval of this request would allow construction of longer cul-desac streets than set forth in the ordinance. Subject property is located west of Homedale off of Highway 19 in Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

#### **CROSS VIEW** SUBDIVISION - 2:30 PM

The Board will review the final plat of the Cross View Subdivision presented by Les and Lavada Loucks. Subject property is located northwest of Marsing on North Bruneau Highway in Section 27, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. 1/23/02

### NOTICE OF **MEETING**

The Southwest District Board of Health will hold a Board Meeting on Tuesday, January 29, 2002 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Southwest District Health, Room 200, 920 Main Street, Caldwell, Idaho.

01/23/02

#### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-MS-26611

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, ALLIANCE TITLE & ESCROW CORP, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on April 17, 2002, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, CORNER OF STATE HIGHWAY 78 AND HAILEY STREET, MURPHY, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United Stated, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, to-wit:

LOT 7 OF BLOCK 3 OF THE ORIGINAL TOWNSITE OF MURPHY, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 110 RABBIT CREEK RD, MURPHY, IDAHO 83650, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said 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 executed by CLINTON L. BEATEY AND TREVA E. BEATEY, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to ALLIANCE TITLE & ESCROW, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of HOMEQ SERVICING CORPORATION, F/K/A TMS MORTGAGE INC, DBA THE MONEY STORE, as Beneficiary, dated 4/27/1999, recorded 5/4/1999, under Instrument No. 228442, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by HomEq Servicing Corporation, formerly known as TMS Mortgage, Inc. dba The Money Store.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 4/27/1999, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 9/1/2001 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH.

> Amount due as of December 11, 2001

Delinquent Payments from September 01, 2001

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Late charges: 231.35Beneficiary Advances 200.03 TOTAL: 1,585.98

All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$32,030.41, together with interest thereon at 9.600% per annum from 8/1/2001, until paid.

The Beneficiary elects to see or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

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NOTICE OF
SPECIAL SCHOOL
PLANT FACILITIES
RESERVE FUND
LEVY FOR SAFE
SCHOOLS
ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Section 33-804A, Idaho Code, and a Resolution of the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 363, of Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho (the "District"), adopted on January 8, 2002, a special school plant facilities reserve fund levy for safe schools election will be held in the District on

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2002

between the hours of 12:00 o'clock Noon and 9:00 P.M. for the purpose of enabling the qualified and registered voters of the District to vote on the following question:

following question: SHALL THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363 AUTHORIZED, PURSUANT TO SECTION 33-804A, IDAHO CODE, TO CERTIFY TO THE BOARDS OF COMMISSIONERS OF OWYHEE AND CANYON COUNTIES, IDAHO, A SCHOOL PLANT FACILITIES RESERVE FUND LEVY FOR SAFE SCHOOLS, IN ADDITION TO ALL OTHER LEVIES, IN THE AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$175,000 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2002, AND IN THE AMOUNT TO EXCEED NOT\$175,000 FOR EACH SUCCEEDING FISCAL YEAR THROUGH AND INCLUDING THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2021, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE COSTS OF ABATING, REPAIRING, OR REPLACING SCHOOL FACILITIES WITH UNSAFE UNHEALTHY **CONDITIONS AND FOR THE** PURPOSE OF PROVIDING BUILDINGS COMPLYING WITH CODES DEFINING SAFEANDHEALTHY CONDITIONS REQUIRED BY APPLICABLE LAW, AND REPAYING LOANS FROM **INSTITUTIONS EXTENDED** PAYFOR THECONSTRUCTION **PLANT** SCHOOL FACILITIES.  $\operatorname{ALL}$ AS THE PROVIDED IN RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON JANUARY 8, 2002?

The assent of two-thirds (2/3) of the qualified registered electors voting in this election is necessary to approve the amounts proposed to be levied and collected.

Qualified electors shall vote at the following polling places: Marsing High School Library Highway 78 Marsing, Idaho

Marsing Elementary School Library

Highway 78 Marsing, Idaho Sprint Boat Race Track (east end of Snake River Bridge, Highway 55)

Bridge, Highway 55) Canyon County, Idaho

Only qualified and registered electors eighteen (18) years of age or older who have resided in the State of Idaho and in the District for at least thirty (30) days next preceding the election, and no others, will be permitted to vote at the special election. No person so qualified and registered and offering himself or herself at the polling place at which he or she is entitled to vote will be denied the privilege of voting at the special election.

Any person who is eligible to vote may register on election day by appearing in person at a polling place established for the special election, by completing a registration card, making an oath on the form prescribed by law, and providing proof of residence in the manner provided by section 34-408A, Idaho Code, as amended.

Any qualified elector who expects to be absent from the District on the day of election, or who will be unable, because of physical disability or blindness, to get to a polling place, may vote by absentee ballot in the manner provide by law. Applications for absentee ballots shall be made to the District Clerk not later than one (1) hour prior to the opening of the polls.

If at least two-thirds (2/3) of the qualified and registered electors voting at the special election vote in favor of the school plant facilities reserve fund for safe schools levy as set forth in the ballot question, the Board of Trustees of the District will certify the school plant facilities reserve fund for safe schools levy in the amount of not to exceed \$175,000 (to be determined by the Board of Trustees at the time of certifying the levy) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2002, and in the amount of not to exceed \$175,000 for each succeeding fiscal year through and including the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021, to the Boards of Commissioners of Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho.

DATED the 8th day of January, 2002. JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363

Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho Deborah Holzhey, District Clerk

1/9,16 ... 23/02

### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Wednesday, the 8th day of May, 2002, at the hour of 10:45, o'clock a.m. of said day (recognized local time), at Owyhee County Courthouse located at Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Michael L. Schindele, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of the sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

LOTS 1 AND 2 OF BLOCK 6 OF THE AMENDED PLAT OF THE TOWNSITE OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF FILED AUGUST 9, 11911 AS NO. 7284 ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 211 W. 6th N., Homedale, ID 83628 may sometimes be associated with said real property.

Said 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 executed by Lloyd Schoonover and Sherry Schoonover, husband and wife, as Grantor(s), to Pioneer Title, as Trustee, Michael L. Schindele, as Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of Associated Home Equity, as Beneficiary, said Deed of Trust dated September 25, 2000, and recorded September 27, 2000, as Instrument No. 233843, Mortgage Records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A) IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed

of Trust Note dated September 25, 2000, the monthly payments for principal, interest and impounds of \$603.14, for the month(s) of March 5, 2001, through the current month and year, and all subsequent payments until date of sale or reinstatement with all accrued interest, late charges and expenses. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$55,692.81, plus accruing interest. All delinquent payments are now due, together with accruing late

charges and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

DATED this  $8^{\rm th}$  day of January, 2002.

MICHAEL L. SCHINDLELE Successor Trustee P.O. Box 1990 Boise ID 83701 Telephone (208) 342-2241 1/16, 23, 30 & 2/6/02

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# **Public notices**

**OWYHEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** MINUTES FOR MONDAY, **DECEMBER 24, 2001 COMMISSIONERS'** ANNEX, MURPHY, **IDAHO BEGINNING AT** 10:00 AM

Present for the meeting were Commissioner Reynolds, Commissioner Salove, Clerk Eaton, Treasurer Wright, Assessor Bahem, Sheriff Aman, Robert Boatman, Jim Desmond, Bret Endecott and Larry McDaniel.

Commissioner Dick Reynolds is Acting Chairman the absence Commissioner Tolmie.

Sheriff Aman requested that a new vacuum cleaner be purchased for the detention center. Commissioner Reynolds requested that the Sheriff bring in cost comparisons on a commercial vacuum cleaner to replace the old one.

Elected Officials The present requested that the Board clarify the policy for Christmas Eve. Commissioner Reynolds stated that the decision was to maintain the essential services and offices to remain open but that any approval of leave would be left up to the department heads.

The Treasurer requested tax cancellations for LR07501W031200 for \$18.30 and \$20.00 solid waste because the cabin has been destroyed; RPA00000092460 for \$291.74 because this is railroad property assessed to service in error; and, MH04S01W250001 for \$31.96 and \$10.00 solid waste because the true owner of the mobile home is unknown and Mr. Stahle paid the 1st half because the mobile was on his property and has since been The Board destroyed. reviewed and approved the cancellations.

The Board approved payment of a bill from Trebar Kenworth for the amount of \$3,899 for repairs on a road and bridge account to be paid by demand.

Jim Desmond reported on activities of the Natural Resources Committee. A meeting with Steve Allred resulted in modification in the WAG process that enabled the WAG members to review the public comments and participate in the drafting of TMDL reports. The unfounded premise that grazing is the primary cause for 303D listings should be curtailed. Some of the speakers and agency representatives use this as a cause without any scientific basis. OHV Trail designation is being discussed by the BLM for the Owyhee Front. Bruce Zolack is going through the process to close riparian areas even though trail designation has been explained as only an inventory of access rather than for the purpose of road closure. Keith of the Soil Grizwald Conservation has observed improvements in riparian areas. It has been suggested that such improvements be identified on both public and private lands, however, documentation by private owners on improvements on private land come under question and it is difficult to report an improvement without identification of the private land and without releasing other information about that private land. DEQ will provide training on taking water samples and may be willing to supply a quantity of the "Hobos" used to do the monitoring and to help establish a program for monitoring local water. Recommendations are being

sought for committee members to implement juniper removal. The BLM has provided information on the botanical studies but has not provided information archeological studies that will be contracted for the proposed Landfill site. The Board reviewed and authorized signature of a letter to become involved in the Owyhee Watershed Counsel. The Board recommended changes to the MOU with the Air Force; and, these changes will be reviewed by Air Force Officials before a final decision.

Larry McDaniel reported that the chipper jointly owned by Road and Bridge and the Glenns Ferry Highway District is valued at approximately \$20,000 with the Owyhee County's portion to be half or \$10,000. The Board determined that Mr. McDaniel should obtain some cost estimates for replacement of the chipper and also the cost of hiring the chipping done.

\*The Board moved into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. The Board moved and approved returning to Regular Session. The Board moved and approved a leave of absence for an employee.

INDIGENT AND CHARITY 01 - 31additional information indicates that the applicant is a county citizen and therefore a lien was signed by the Board.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

The Board verified this action on January 14, 2002. Commissioner Salove, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds moved to correct the minutes to show that the Commissioner moved and approved moving from Executive Session into Regular Session and then moved and approved the leave of absence.

1/23/02

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1/23 1tc

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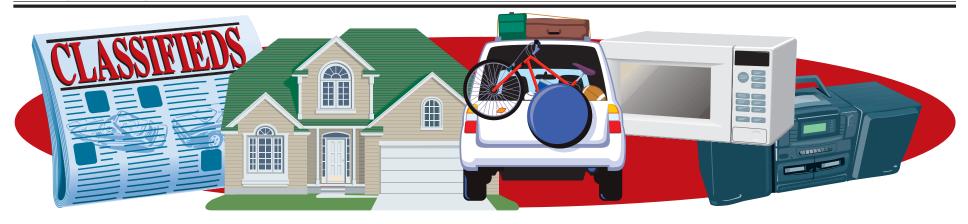
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