

“Just Christmas” parade is Saturday in Marsing

The Marsing Chamber of Commerce will host its annual Christmas parade this Saturday with lineup beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the city park.

This year’s parade theme is “Just Christmas.”

The parade will begin at 11 a.m. and will travel down Main Street to the elementary school where Santa Claus will be waiting to hand out candy and have pictures taken with local children.

There will be awards give for first,

second and third place floats. Children will be able to get their picture taken with Santa for \$3 per children or \$5 per group at the elementary school’s multipurpose room after the parade.

Turkey shoot cards are currently available at local businesses for the turkey drawing. Entrants could have a chance to win a turkey at every business they enter with.

The drawing for the turkeys will be held by each business.

According to secretary, Bill O’Connor, the chamber and area merchants are expected to give out between 40 and 60 boxes of food to Marsing families during the holidays.

The screening process is completed and donations of food have started to arrive at US Bank, Marsing City Hall and Pepe’s Pizza.

Anyone wishing to donate a food item can drop off at one of the above businesses or at the home of Chamber

Vice President and Christmas Chairperson Carol Edwards.

Sharing Trees with the names of needy children will be placed at Mr. B’s Market and the Post Office. Many tags are still available.

For those interested in donating food for the holidays, contact Carol Edwards at 896-4542 and leave message.

Edwards said anyone is welcome to enter a float or just participate in the parade, “the more the merrier.” -CP

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2002

Established 1865

The Owyhee Avalanche

VOLUME 18, NUMBER 49

HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS



Bahem retires from assessor’s office

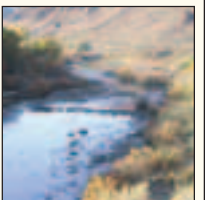
page 3

Community caroling party scheduled for Sunday

page 5

NRCS says drought is not over for SW Idaho

page 2



Zoning ordinance hearing is Monday

The Owyhee County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Dec. 9 at 2 p.m. in Murphy to gather public input on proposed amendments to the county zoning ordinance, which will implement the county comprehensive plan.

The hearing will begin at 2 p.m. in the Annex on Basey Street in Murphy, but the Annex will be open at 1 p.m. with copies of the proposed ordinance and the comp plan available for review.

The proposed zoning ordinance amendment, which will be reviewed, will

— to page 4



Merry Christmas, but who-dun-it?

Up above Poison Creek grade, nestled against the base of Baldwin Butte is this decorated juniper tree. Just who spent the effort to make the desert so cheery is unknown.

Mayor seeks assistance for city’s airport spill

In the long-going process of removing a hazardous waste spill from the Homedale Airport, the mayor has now decided to seek the assistance of the county in funding the removal of that spill.

Over one year ago a spokesman for a private engineering firm, HDR, reported that the levels of Dynoseb, a hazardous waste chemical found in the ground and ground water at the airport, were below EPA standards, except in one section of the grounds that would have to be removed. Earlier this month during a council meeting, Environmental Section Manager, Mike Murray from HDR reported that it would

cost the city approximately \$30,000 to remove about 20 cubic yards of soil.

On May 15, 2001 Puri and the Homedale City Council closed the airport to recreational users and limited access to the airport. Orange safety tape was strung around a section of ground where the tank had been removed and around an empty lot near the river. A skull and cross bones sign was placed on newly installed gates warning those who entered of the possible dangers of the chemical. On Sept. 11, Puri again closed and locked the gates to the airport because “the FAA instructed us to shut down the airport,” due to a terrorist attack in

— to page 4

Marsing man drives hard to the pros

Fast and furious is what drives one Marsing man who has just begun to experience the fast pace life of drag racing and will soon be a part of the pro circuit adding to a dream 22-year old Nate Van Wassenhove thought could not come true.

What started out to be a high school hobby has now evolved into a full time career for Van Wassenhove and last Tuesday night his dream took one more step up the ladder of success.

“I could not believe it, it is kind of happening fast,” Nate said. But fast is what Nate thrives on having competed in many dragraces himself. Beginning in January, Nate will find himself as part of NHRA Pro Stock driver Scott Geoffrion’s crew.

Nate holds two Wally awards; the Oscar of drag

racing. His first is from Firebird Raceway near Star and one a from a race earlier this year in Arizona.

Geoffrion was the first Pro Stock driver to break 7.10-second barrier with a run of 7.099 seconds at the 1992 Keystone Nationals. He made his NHRA Pro Stock debut at the 1987 Gatornationals.

He made history again in 2000 after passing through the Memphis Motorsports Park timing lights at a record-shattering 6.809-second elapsed time during qualifying for the 13th annual AutoZone Nationals.

During the record-breaking run, Geoffrion drove a 10-month-old Hemi engine to its fastest time ever at 201.43 mph.

Nate drives a modified 1968 Chevy pickup with a

— to page 5



Pro circuit

David Van Wassenhove stands next to his 1968 Chevypickup during the Checker, Schuck’s, Kragen Nationals in Phoenix, Arizona earlier this year. Van Wassenhove is holding his first Wally award from the drag racing circuit.

NRCS says drought is not over for SW Idaho

Reservoir levels throughout the state are at or near record low levels this year and remain nearly empty. This and the below normal precipitation over the last few months, is one reason spokesman from the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service says the drought in southwestern Idaho is far from over.

Several Idaho streams are at or near record low flows for early November, according to Ron Abramovich, NRCS water supply specialist. Those streams include the Snake River near Antone, the Weiser, Bruneau, South Fork Payette, Little Wood, Portneuf and Lower Bear Rivers.

“Several wet snow years are needed to fill reservoirs, recharge soil moisture, springs and wetlands,” Abramovich said. “It took three years of below normal snowfall to get to this critical point in the drought, and it may take several years to get us out. Near normal or better snow packs are needed by April 1 to provide adequate irrigation water next summer.”

According to NRCS, melting snow produces over 75 percent of Idaho’s water. The other 25 percent come from spring and summer rains. Some of the spring discharge results from snowmelt.



Water supply
A very small amount of water is being released from the Owyhee Dam in Oregon in an effort to conserve what water remains in the reservoir. Weather predictions report another unseasonably dry winter, which will again hinder irrigation supplies next spring.

Ten inches of new snowfall is needed to equal one inch of snow water. Grand View is considered the least snowy place by the NRCS at 7.2 inches averaged per year. Northern Idaho recorded the driest winter last year.

Abramovich said the minimum April 1 snowpack that has always produced the stream flow needed for next year ranges from 80 percent of average in the Little Wood basin to 120 percent of average in the Oakley and Salmon Falls basins. A snowpack of 113 percent of average or better is needed in the Snake River above Palisades Reservoir to produce the 90 percent of average stream flow needed for adequate irrigation water supplies.

As of Nov. 26, Upper Jack Creek was at 2.8 percent of average, which is 100 percent of average in snow water. Total precipitation is currently at 3.3 percent, average is 5 percent, which is 66 percent of average.

South Mountain snow water levels are at .7 percent of 2.5 percent average for 28 percent of total average. Total precipitation is currently at 2 percent of 5.5 percent average. Precipitation is at 36 percent of total average for the lowest precipitation average in the Owyhee basin.

Basin wide percent is 66 percent for snow water and 53 percent total precipitation.

The NRCS from Oregon last recorded a summary on May 23 that said “despite increases in snowpack during the early part of the year, the southeastern part of the state appears to be in about the same situation it found it’s self last year. Reservoirs storages appear to be down from last year but stream flows seem to be holding up somewhat better in certain areas.

At that time, Owyhee Reservoir had 401,274-acre feet, which was down 32,746 from the same time last year. On November 25, Owyhee Reservoir had 91,680-acre feet and was 13 percent full. -CP

Caldwell man arrested after high-speed chase

A Caldwell man is in custody over the Thanksgiving holiday after leading two county sheriff’s deputies on a high speed chase through Canyon County and ending in Owyhee County Nov. 22.

Nicholas Webb, 25, was arrested in Owyhee County for aggravated assault and is being held in a local jail. Webb was clocked driving over 100 miles per hour across the Snake River Bridge in Marsing. A dispatcher said he traveled into Marsing, turned on Riverview Road then led officers back into Canyon County. She said Webb then turned around and again drove back into Marsing. He was stopped on Bruneau Highway.

Sheriff Gary Aman said Webb backed into a Canyon County deputy’s vehicle before he was detained. He said Canyon County would add additional charges to Webb. Information from CCSO was not available at press time. -CP



Gobble, gobble
Third grade Homedale Elementary School student Kim McAbee puts the finishing touches on a bread turkey she made in class last week. Children in local schools celebrated Thanksgiving in many different ways before being let out for a four day weekend last Tuesday afternoon.

Read all about it
in the Avalanche!

For FAST results... try the
Classifieds!



Homedale Church of the Nazarene presents

Homemade Holidays

Craft and Bake Sale

Proceeds to benefit Women’s Ministries

December 7 10:00 – 3:00

Church of the Nazarene Fellowship Hall

Crafts Baked Goods Wassail Coffee Homemade Cinnamon Rolls

Market Road Christmas Trees

Enjoy the smell of fresh cut pine in your living room!

CHOOSE - Tag Now

CUT - Fresh at Christmas!

All Trees - \$22

MARKET ROAD CHRISTMAS TREES

From Homedale:

South of Homedale on Hwy. 95 2 Miles to Market Road, Left 2 1/2 Miles

337-4432

Sat -Sun 337-4704



Bahem retires from assessor's office, but not the county

After 12 years in the assessor's office, four years as a commissioner and one term as assessor, Ernie Bahem will turn over his title in January to a newly elected assessor, but not because he was voted out of office, but because he says it is time for him to retire.

At 70 years of age Bahem said he has finally decided it is time to quit and let the "younger" people learn the rules of the land. Bahem was appointed to the assessor position after the untimely death of the former assessor, Larry Bachman. He then was elected for one more term. He and his wife Sherry own a ranch in Pleasant Valley, but Bahem said he will continue to live in Murphy.

"When you get to be 70 years old, you better be thinking about doing something else," Bahem laughed last week. "I want to hunt and my wife said

if I begin sitting in the easy chair in the living room, she was going to move it out to the shop."

Linda Charters has worked in the office with Bahem since he was appointed. She said she has known him since before he became assessor. Her parents were witnesses to his marriage.



"I worked here when he was commissioner and when he was in the assessor's office," Charters said. "My parents went to Nevada with him and his wife, Sherry, when they got married."

Chris Salove said as a commissioner he has only known Ernie for two years, but he also knows him from ranching with him.

"I have known him from when we ran cattle in Oreana," Salove said last week. "He is one of the most knowledgeable people about Owyhee County that I know. I think the one thing he brought to the assessor's office was getting out in the county and meeting the people he works for."

Salove said although Bahem is retiring, he may not be retiring from county work all together. He said the commissioners have discussed keeping Ernie on to continue rural addressing.

"Once all the signs are up and everything is done, someone is going to have to continue with the new residences," Salove said. "We have discussed having Ernie do that. He will have to go out to that new residence and GPS it and do all the work. He wants a little something to do. There probably isn't anyone who knows the lay of this land like Ernie does."

Bahem said he has not

decided if he will accept another position with the county because the idea is still in the "talking" stage. He said he would love to continue doing something with the county.

Bahem said the only advice he would like to give the succeeding assessor is to "rely on the crew."

"What makes the job easiest is when you have people who know what they are doing," Bahem said. "Just let them do their job, and stay out of their way. I had mixed feelings about leaving partly because of the crew I work with now. They know what they are doing and will be a huge asset for Brett (Endicott, newly elected assessor)."

"I have enjoyed my stay," Bahem said. "I have said many times that I have had mixed emotions about leaving when I chose not to run again. My wife would like to travel a bit, so we may do that."

An open house will be held at the courthouse in Murphy tomorrow, Dec. 5th to honor retiring County Assessor Ernie Bahem. The celebration will be held from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. The public is invited to attend. -CP



'Tis the season

Local charities have begun collecting food, clothing and toys for the less fortunate in Owyhee County. Sharing trees, such as this one at Paul's Market in Homedale, are popping up all over the area. Next week, The Owyhee Avalanche will provide a complete list of charitable organizations that are accepting donations.

LOSE 2-8 POUNDS EVERY WEEK!

Eat The Foods You Love! - Have More Energy!

Guaranteed - Natural - Safe - Doctor Recommended

LET US HELP YOU LOSE THIS WEIGHT!!

You will have a personal coach to help you achieve your weight loss goals

Call 1-888-218-8250

FALLING LEAVES. COLLEGE FOOTBALL. APPLE CIDER. US. FOUR THINGS YOU CAN COUNT ON EVERY FALL.



It's good to know that, just like the changing season, you can depend on us. And we'll come and check out your furnace. Now. Before you even need it. Whatever it takes.



Residential Commercial Jerry Perkins Homedale • 337-5812 573-1788 • 337-3674

Special Financing Available Now! 24 Hour Emergency Service



Ben & Lori Badiola / Owners

Marsing Hardware's Second Annual

FENTON GLASS SALE!

Over 600 Pieces in Stock!

20% OFF All Aged Fenton -

Over 150 Aged Fenton Pieces to choose from (Produced before 2002, excluding Connoisseur pieces) 40% OFF All Aged Fenton w/ purchase of a 2002 piece of equal or greater value. 50% OFF ALL KUSAK CRYSTAL and PORCELAIN FLOWERS



FULL LINE OF RADIO FLYER BIKES, TRIKES, WAGONS & MORE!

MANY TOOL & HARDWARE GIFT IDEAS & FREE GIFT WRAPPING!

HOURS 8:30 TO 5:30 Monday through Saturday

MARSING TRUE VALUE HARDWARE 222 MAIN STREET, MARSING • 896-4162

From page 1

✓ P&Z

implement the comprehensive plan and identifies the allowed uses in each of the zoning districts by conditional use permit.

Planning and Zoning Coordinator Kay Kelly said citizens are urged to review the proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance so that they will be on notice as to the proposals for uses allowed and permitted in the district in which their property lies, and can offer input at the scheduled hearing.

The county comp plan called for establishment of several different zoning districts throughout the unincorporated area of the county. The proposed ordinance will also set the parameters for siting confined animal feeding operations.

The 53 page document includes many amendments to the current comprehensive plan including coordination with natural resources committee, administration, hearing examiner, procedures in which a public hearing is required, contents of application for variances or conditional use permits, filing requirements and time frames for presentation of applications to the planning and zoning commission, time frame for hearing and decision by commission and zoning districts for agricultural, multi-use, residential, commercial, industrial, historical and open spaces/recreation.

Following the public hearing, the Board of County

Commissioners will consider any written comments received by 5 p.m. Dec. 16. Written comments may be submitted before or after the public hearing and should be sent to Kelly at P.O. Box 128, Murphy, Idaho 83650.

Maps of the designated zones and their legal descriptions which will be set in the zoning ordinance are available for review at the courthouse Annex in Murphy, the Three Creek School, Pleasant Valley School, the libraries in Grand View, Bruneau, Homedale and Marsing and at city hall in Homedale and Marsing.

The zoning amendments are also available for public review at the same locations during their normal business hours. Copies of the proposed zoning ordinance are available at the cost of reproduction. Kelly can be reached at 495-2051.

✓ Airport

Washington DC and New York City.

Since that time, orange caution fencing still lines the runway and around the infected site and a warning sign is still posted on the gate entering the airport.

The county commissioners discussed the letter from the city during a regular meeting last week, but Commissioner Chris Salove said a decision on the matter was tabled until the mayor and/or council could meet with them in person.

“We have some questions that we need to discuss with them,” Salove said last week. “We just want to know where

the money is going. One question Hal brought up was we thought DEQ had some money available and we don’t know if that is still available or not.”

The letter sent to the commissioners requested the county financially support the project in the amount of \$35,000. It says, “we are hopeful that monies contained in the Airport Tax Levy revenues (all property owners in the County pay this tax) or the Hazardous Waste revenues will allow the County to support the City of Homedale in this effort.”

“We would like to know if this thing is done, or is this going to go on, are they going to be coming back again?” Salove continued. “Rather than hand over a check for \$35,000 based on a letter, we would rather have someone come up and just talk to us.”

Salove said the offer to help had been made to the city last year, but the city had not responded. He said at that time, there were not any limitations put on the offer.

“When I first started talking to Gary (Aman, Owyhee County Sheriff) and the commissioners, they said to put our numbers together and submit it when we were ready,” Homedale Mayor Harold Puri said Tuesday. “Gary actually offered it up front with this first started. Gary can’t actually offer it, but he said initially that if it had been a hazardous waste spill the county would take care of it. There is a lot of money sitting down there in the airport fund that theoretically is the Homedale airport’s. The airstrip in Murphy is not an official airport.”

Puri said the reason money has not been taken from the

airport fund is because “you have to beg money to get it out of the commissioners.

“It is money dedicated for the airport,” Puri continued. “We have asked for some from that fund or from the Hazmat fund. The money is there, isn’t that what it is for? It just sits down there and accumulates.”

Puri said the council waited until they had more significant numbers before approaching the commissioners, but he said the city could need more in the future.

“We don’t know if that is the total amount for the clean up or not,” Puri stated. “We still have the monitoring and everything else associated with the thing for the next five or ten years, so it is going to be an ongoing thing for a long period of time until DEQ says ‘you don’t have

to do this any more.”

Puri said that even if the city removes the 20-25 cubic yards of contaminated dirt, if the testing does not show approved levels, more money might be needed.

The letter to the commissioners stated that “to date, more than \$56,000 have been expanded on the Airport clean-up project. Current projections by HDR, Inc. are that the remaining remediation will also exceed \$50,000 and this, of course, is an assumption based upon not running into additional unforeseen problems, which will require more extensive remediation.”

Salove said the subject would be brought before the board again when Puri or the council could meet in Murphy. -CP

Senior news

Homedale senior citizens center

Thursday, Dec. 5, lunch will be pork roast, potatoes and gravy, veggies, salad, and cake

Thursday Dec. 5 Foot and Blood pressure clinic from 9am to 12 pm. Hearing clinic from 11 am to 1 pm.

Friday Dec. 6, Breakfast 7 – 10 am Bacon, eggs, hashbrowns, pancakes, toast, and juice. Shopping bus to Karcher mall 10 am.

Monday Dec. 9 Grandma’s Club meets at 11:30 am.

Tuesday Dec. 10 lunch will be Swiss mushroom chicken, tater tot dish, veggies, salad, muffins and fruit cobbler.

Board Election at 1 pm. shopping bus 1:30pm.

Wednesday Dec. 11 Soup at noon. Snake River Quilters meet at 10 am.

Weather


	H	L
Mon. 25	61	15
Tue. 26	50	13
Wed. 27	50	13
Thur. 28	no	read
Fri. 29	no	read
Sun. 1	50	14

Keep informed

Read
The Avalanche

The Owyhee Avalanche

P.O. BOX 97 • HOMEDALE, ID 83628
PHONE 208 / 337-4681 • FAX 208 / 337-4867
E-mail avalanche@citlink.net



U.S.P.S. NO. 416-340
Copyright 2002—ISSN #8750-6823

JOE E. AMAN, *editor-in-chief and publisher*
CHERYL PETERSON, *reporter*
COLIN MULDOON, *reporter*
JO LYNN WARD, *office*
ROBERT AMAN, *composition*

Published each week in Homedale, Idaho by Owyhee Avalanche, Inc. Entered as Periodical, paid at the Post Office at Homedale, ID under the Act of March 3, 1879. POSTMASTER: send address changes to THE OWYHEE AVALANCHE, P.O. 97, Homedale, ID 83628.

Annual Subscription Rates:
Owyhee County..... \$31.50
Canyon, Ada, Malheur cou..... 36.75
Elsewhere..... 40.00
(Includes sales tax where applicable)

Deadlines

Classifieds Monday noon the week of publication	Display advertising Friday noon the week prior to publication
Legal notices Friday noon the week prior to publication	Inserts Friday noon the week prior to publication

BLM to Discuss Desired Future Conditions

The public is invited to three BLM public meetings. ***Draft Desired Future Conditions*** for the Resource Management Plans addressing the ***Bruneau Planning Area*** and the ***Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area*** will be reviewed, with an opportunity for public input.

Desired Future Conditions portray the resource, social, and economic conditions that would be established over the next 20+ years if management goals are achieved. They will be used to develop the management alternatives that will be analyzed in the ***Environmental Impact Statements*** for the Resource Management Plans.

Dates, Times and Locations:

- **December 9 – Monday, 6:30–9:30 PM,**
Rimrock Senior Citizens Center, 525 Main St., Grandview, ID
- **December 11 – Wednesday, 6:30-9:30 PM,**
Holiday Inn-Boise Airport, Vista Exit off I-84, Boise, ID
- **December 16 – Monday, 6:30-9:30 PM,**
Teed Elementary School, 441 Porter Rd., Kuna, ID
Focusing on Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area

Call Mike O'Donnell at 208-384-3315 for more information

From page 1

✓ Racing

350 small block engine. He said the vehicle used to be the truck he drove to school and was the first vehicle he entered into the racing circuit.

Nate’s dad, David, said he does not have too many concerns about his son racing. He said watching him on the track is a real thrill.

“We told him that he was just going to tear his rig up going out there racing,” David said. “He just told us he was going to do it anyway. When you go out and watch him now, if he isn’t traveling at his top speed you know he is having trouble because it looks like he is going so slow.

“He started out racing his pickup in high school dragraces. He has even raced his mother’s car. His whole life is surrounded around racing. He went through the COSSA program in school. He won the VICA automotive competition for state. He also won state honors in FFA Ag Shop competition.”

David said last summer his wife, Sharon, found an essay Nate had written in school in the third grade. Little did the couple know that the writings of a young child would suggest what he would choose as a profession some day.

“Sharon brought me a letter Nate had written in school,” David recalled. “He wrote then that he wanted to grow up and build a racing truck. He wrote that he was going to take all his

friends for a ride in his race truck.

“He constantly had the little electric motor trucks. When he was little he was continually tearing them apart and fixing them. His friends would even bring him their broken toy trucks and get him to fix them.

“As he started to show his ability, as he grew up and show the seriousness that he put into it, I could see then that he was going to go somewhere. It is a shame that his truck will just sit for a while, but he may have a child someday who will race and the truck will be here.”

David said it would not surprise him to see his son race in the future against famous names such as Warren Johnson or Ted Kauflan.

During Nate’s last race in October, he damaged the engine in his truck so he could not race, but he said he finished second in the circuit for Super Pro. David said this year Nate found out just how expensive his profession can be. The older Van Wassenhove said Nate has put in three motors into his pickup this year at a cost of upwards of \$18,000.

“We had a good season,” Nate explained. “We won best of show in Phoenix and I got a Wally for that. Then I won King of the Track at the Mulligan race at Firebird and received another Wally for the best overall package.”

Nate said the Firebird photographer had some to do

with his meeting with Geoffrion.

“Brian Lawson knows Scott and he knew I wanted to get on a crew,” Nate continued. “I was able to meet Scott in Las Vegas and update my resume. It was great.”

Nate said he will not be able to race himself for awhile because his job will be very full time. But he said the opportunity could open some doors for professional driving.

During the Mulligan race near Star, Nate carded a .531/10.93 (10.91 dial)-132.78 to defeat Steve Carlson who ran .523/8.25 (8.22 dial)-159.20 with his yellow over white Dragster.

The race was just as close as it gets, as the margin of victory at the stripe was a mere .001 of a second. Nate captured the low net number of the four champions (.058) took home a Firebird embroidered jacket, NHRA Wally, King of the Track leather jacket and cap. - CP

Community caroling party scheduled for Sunday

An all community caroling party has been scheduled for Dec. 8, in Homedale. All members of the public are invited to participate.

Participants will meet at the Homedale Presbyterian Church at 5:30 p.m. Carolers will end up at the church for chili and corn bread. Call Marianne Paul at Presbyterian Church 337-3060 for more information.

Sponsors of the event said local talent will be on hand for a Christmas special at the church after the festivities. Each person attending is asked to bring one new lead pencil to be donated to a school at the Duck Valley Indian Reservation.

Irrigation Districts plan meetings

The Ridgeview Irrigation District will hold its regular monthly meeting at 1 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 9 at its office at 118 S. First Street in Homedale.

The Gem Irrigation District will hold its regular monthly meeting at 1:15 on Dec. 9 at the same location and the South Board of Control will hold its regular monthly meeting at the same location at 1:30 p.m. the same afternoon.

For FAST results... try the
Classifieds!

Ask the Physical Therapist



Q: I found out I’m at high risk for developing osteoporosis. What should I do to avoid getting brittle bones?

A: The best way to prevent *osteoporosis* begins in childhood. But it’s never too late to make valuable changes that can possibly reverse bone loss. Development of brittle bones is dependent upon how much bone mass you build between the ages of 25 and 30—called peak bone mass. The greater your peak bone mass the less likely you are to develop *osteoporosis* later in life.

Steps to prevention include getting enough calcium, vitamin D and exercise. Your skeleton contains 99% of the body’s calcium, and a diet low in calcium is a major factor in getting *osteoporosis*. Make sure your diet includes milk, other dairy products and leafy green vegetables—all high in calcium. Vitamin D intake is equally important, since your body requires it for calcium absorption. Fortified milk, cod liver oil, egg yolks and fatty fish (salmon) are great sources for vitamin D.

Also make sure to being an exercise routine that involves weight-bearing exercises (weightlifting, walking, jogging, stair climbing, and pushups). These will increase bone strength. Other easy steps to prevention include: quit smoking, limit alcohol, and avoid fad diets.

Dennis Balmer, PT
RehabAuthority—Homedale— 337-3254

WINTER SAVINGS

RATCHET TIE-DOWN STRAP

- ▶ Ideal for cargo trailers, pickups, and riding lawn mowers
- ▶ Heavy 1-in. yellow nylon strap
- ▶ Strong 1-in. ratchet buckle



TY25227

\$11⁹⁹

Reg. \$17⁹⁹

Sale ends December 31, 2002.

PLASTIC TOOLBOX

- ▶ Heavy-duty construction for long life
- ▶ Lightweight
- ▶ Ideal for tool storage needs



TY25225

\$14⁹⁵

Sale ends December 31, 2002.

JOHN DEERE PADLOCK

- ▶ Zinc die-cast body
- ▶ Hardened stainless-steel shackle
- ▶ Designed to resist sediment build-up



AT116192

\$6⁴⁹

Reg. \$11⁹⁹

Sale ends December 31, 2002.

ORNAMENT

- ▶ Commemorates the introduction of the John Deere 4020 Tractor
- ▶ Number 7 in a series
- ▶ Limited edition



PMDC02002

\$12⁹⁹

Sale ends December 31, 2002.

Winter is a great time to stock up on great savings.
Stop in today and save. “Winter Specials”
on sale through December 31.

CAMPBELL
TRACTOR CO
Homedale, ID • 337-3142



JOHN DEERE

Marsing middle school identified as underachieving

Reports may have mischaracterized school's progress

It was reported in the area media last month that 17 Treasure Valley schools were trailing their peers academically, but the nature and context of those reports have been called into question.

Marsing Middle School was one of those schools identified.

Based on Iowa Basic Test scores, Marsing Middle School students were collectively below the state standard in math. Because of its Title 1 status, the school receives federal money targeted at underachieving students that are identified as disadvantaged due to financial or cultural circumstances.

If a Title 1 school does not meet its adequately yearly progress set by the state, those students

identified are allowed to enroll in another district.

The problem however, with these recent media reports is that they're based on old information. The scores are a year old and measures have already been taken to address those underachieving students at the middle school, according to middle school principal, Rick Gibbs.

Gibbs doubts there will be an exodus of students from the Marsing School District any time soon.

"I don't believe so," Gibbs says. "From this information, I don't believe so.

"That information was based on what they call

adequate yearly progress," Gibbs says. "So, basically they're looking at data from what they had used in the past. It was the IBTS (Iowa Basic Test Scores). That test in the past was given once a year. The information was based on was on those tests.

"It's data that reflects old programs and old ways,"

he says. "We have since changed a few things and are still in the process of looking at other ways to change our schedule to address improving in math."

Gibbs is in his second year as principal at the middle school. He says that as soon as he realized that students were trailing their peers in math, measures were taken were taken to remedy the situation.

"We had to go through a school improvement process last year," Gibbs says. "I filled out a school improvement report, went to all kinds of workshops and basically did everything the state asked and filled out a report for what we were going to do to bring our scores up."

That work included a grant application that was subsequently awarded to the school this year.

"We're doing some things that are just getting into place as we speak," Gibbs says. "The work that I put in last year to address the math issue is in place now.

"It's one of those deal where, yes, we are doing something about it, (but) only time will tell to see if what we're doing will make a difference," he says."

Last year, the school brought

in experts to assist faculty and Gibbs in addressing the needs of the students.

"We worked with the Northwest Regional Lab last year," Gibbs says. "They came in and did some math problem solving activities with some of our teachers. They did some

professional development that way. "They assisted me in writing this grant. Basically the components of that grant just being put in place right now."

With the implementation of the Idaho Standardized Achievement Tests (ISAT) this year, Gibbs says administrators

will be better able to track the progress of students.

"So we're kind of right in the middle of it," Gibbs says. "Time will tell whether this makes a difference. I would say that this time next year, I'll have an idea of what worked and what didn't." – CM

Senior center fundraiser called a "success"

Coordinators of the Homedale Senior Citizen and Community Center are calling its holiday bazaar that was held on Nov. 9 a "great" success.

The center sold raffle tickets for a large sunflower swag and miscellaneous items were raffled during the day's events.

Craft tables, food, toys and gift tables were made available as well as lunch of baked potato with a choice of toppings, beef burgers, hot dogs, cream and fruit pies, punch and coffee.

Over \$724 was raised after all expenses were paid. Six door prizes were given away as well as the sunflower swag, which was donated by Susan Puga.

Coordinator Betty Hetrick said last week that the money collected from the bazaar is used to help keep the center running.

"It could not have been done without the many friends and volunteers who helped put this together," Hetrick said. "We also don't want to forget to thank the consignees from the Homedale community and from around the Treasure Valley area."



JENKINS
INSURANCE
SERVICES

Perry F. Jenkins • Toll Free 1-888-201-6606

MUTUAL OF ENUMCLAW COMPANY
Home • Auto • Business • Farm

Mutual of Enumclaw

365-4488
Emmett

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT To Propose Or Promulgate New Or Changed Agency Rules

The following agencies of the state of Idaho have published the complete text and all related, pertinent information concerning their intent to change or make the following rules in the new issue of the state Administrative Bulletin.

IDAPA 16 — DEPT. OF HEALTH & WELFARE
PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0036

16.03.05 – Rule Governing Eligibility for Aid to the Aged, Blind and Disabled.

16-0305-0203 – Changes requirement for face-to-face interview to telephone interview; adds Medicaid coverage for certain eligible disabled aliens; clarifies definition of "room and board"; participant may require waiver services as a condition of eligibility for Home and Community Based Services; effective 1-1-03, income and resource exclusions for AABD will be used for eligibility determinations for both Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) eligibility and for Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB) eligibility and SLBM III group is being eliminated.

16.03.09 – Rules Governing the Medical Assistance Program.

16-0309-0212 – Clarifies provider qualifications and updates terminology to read consistently with the Traumatic Brain Injury rules and with other Home and Community Based Services Waivers.

16-0309-0213 - Changes comply with recent court ruling that only abortions to save the mother's life or rape or incest cases will be covered by Medicaid and allows that only one physician is needed to certify the need for an abortion. Changes are effective 7/01/02.

16-0309-0214 – Clarifies Medicaid prescription drug program and allows Medicaid to review brand name prescription drugs for medical necessity when there may be a less expensive and therapeutically interchangeable drug that might also be appropriate for the client's medical condition, rather than list excluded drugs and drugs which must be prior authorized by the Department; and, except for medically necessary situations, requires that 75% of the estimated days supply of prescription medication be used before Medicaid will pay for a refill.

16-0305-0215 - Because of reimbursement reductions, relaxes requirements for service coordinators in providing case management services by removing all caseload limit requirements and requirement for availability of a case manager on a 24-hour basis for Targeted Service Coordination (TCS), Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (ESPD), and Targeted Case Management (TCM); reduces ongoing TCM for the mentally ill from unlimited hours to a maximum of 4 hours per month and crisis assistance will no longer be a required core element of TCM; reduces hours available for initial evaluation and service planning to 6 hours; incorporates changes to make requirements more consistent across the different types of case management.

16-0309-0216 - Changes comply with legislative intent language, which defines Medicaid dental coverage for persons 21 years of age or older as "emergency services only", to rely on dentists and oral surgeons for determining when a dental emergency exists that requires immediate dental intervention.

16-0309-0217 – Replaces "Peer Review Organization" with "Quality Improvement Organization" per federal regulation; allows penalties to be assessed when timely review is not obtained from the Department prior to delivery of physician or outpatient procedures, rather than penalties for late submission of review document to the QIO only.

16-0309-0218 – Changes would discontinue Medicaid special reimbursement for care coordination for clients using Clozapine because providers are already reimbursed for managing client care and medications.

16.03.10 – Rules Governing Medicaid Provider Reimbursement in Idaho.

16-0310-0203 - Changes the methodology by which hospital rate and cost reimbursement settlements are set.

16-0310-0204 - Eliminates requirement that ICF/MR facilities must purchase wheelchairs for residents and will provide an incentive to facilities to admit wheelchair bound persons.

16.06.14 - Rules Governing the Prevention of Minors' Access to Tobacco Products.

****16-0614-0201** – Allows Department to refuse to renew a tobacco sales permit to a retailer who has unpaid civil money penalties for violations on the permit until fine is paid in full; adjusts the date used to determine the number of permits or retailers from January 1 of each year to December 31 of the previous year to provide the most accurate accounting of active retail permits during the prior year.

COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE PREVIOUS
DOCKETS ENDS 12/25/02.

IDAPA 39 — IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPT.
PO Box 7129, Boise ID 83707-1129

39.03.41 – Rules Governing Traffic Control Devices.

39-0341-0201 - Updates the incorporation by reference and adopts the most recent MUTCD and identifies 19 specific exceptions that are necessary to bring it in line with Idaho Code, correct errors and accommodate Department operations and local transportation agencies. Comment by: 12/26/02.

39.03.63 - Rules Governing Traffic Accident Memorials.

39-0363-0201 - Changes remove gold star as the only allowable memorial; sets new guidelines for fabrication and placement of memorials; provides for removal on non-conforming memorials; requires adjacent property owners be notified before placement; sets guidelines for participants' safety when on state highways. Comment by: 12/26/02.

****PUBLIC HEARINGS HAVE BEEN
SCHEDULED FOR THIS DOCKET.**

Please refer to the Idaho Administrative Bulletin, **December 4, 2002, Volume 02-12** for notices and text of all rulemakings, public hearing schedules, Governor's executive orders, and agency contact names.

Citizens of your county can view all issues of the Idaho Administrative Bulletin at the county law libraries.

Copies of the Administrative Bulletin and other rules publications are available for purchase. For subscription information and ordering see our website or call (208) 332-1820 or write the Office of Administrative Rules, Department of Administration, 650 W. State St., Room 100, Boise, ID 83720-0306. Visa and MasterCard accepted for most purchases. *The Idaho Administrative Bulletin and Administrative Code are available on-line at: <http://www2.state.id.us/adm/adminrules/>*

Noak will keep Owyhee Medical Clinic open

The Owyhee Medical Clinic will continue to serve the needs of residents in Homedale and Owyhee County.

It was previously reported that the clinic would close in October, but physician John Noak says it will remain open three evenings a week and on Saturdays.

Noak accepted a position as head physician for the Idaho Department of Corrections Oct. 1. He supervises five physicians, seven physicians' assistants and 50 nurses and medics for the state's prison system.

Clinic hours are 6-9 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday for walk-in patients and Saturday mornings by appointment.

Office staff is also available from 9 a.m. until noon Monday through Friday. Calls to the office after 12 p.m. will be routed to Noak's mobile phone. The telephone number is 337-3233.

Established patients may also contact the clinic to ask questions and set up appointments by emailing www.noak@fiberpipe.net.

As has been the case for nearly two years, the clinic encompasses family and emergency medicine. Noak calls his practice "multi-disciplinary" and he partners with Homedale chiropractor, Edward Perkins and Dennis Balmer, a physical therapist who shares the same facility with Noak.

"It's not unusual to have a patient that is taken care of by Dr. Perkins, myself and Dennis Balmer," Noak says.

The clinic can handle a myriad of medical scenarios that one might think only a much larger facility could accommodate.

"We suture lacerations, cast broken broken bones," Noak says. "We treat all forms of skin cancers."

"We do an awful lot with fractures, sprains, back and neck injuries," he says.

If a patient's needs cannot be taken care of at the clinic, Noak says he can refer the person to an area doctor who can.

"We also do sports medicine evaluations, rehab and conditioning programs."

The clinic also has lab and x-ray facilities onsite, another unique facet of a small town practice. In many cases, a patient can receive more

immediate care than if they were to take a trip to a Caldwell or Boise hospital.

"We send the lab stuff out by courier," Noak says. "So, (when) we draw blood on somebody – we draw during the day – those go out to Seattle and we have the results posted by 7 a.m. the next day."

Noak's practice caters to the family. As you walk into the front door, two friendly ambassadors are there to greet patients young and old. They're not of the two-legged, medical scrub wearing persuasion, however; they are Noak's dogs – a German shorthair and a chocolate Labrador-Chesapeake mix.

"Magada and Kodi are here when I'm here and they're always a hit with the kids," he says." – CM



Multi-disciplined medicine
Dr. John Noak and Magda, Noak's German shorthair can be seen roaming the office when the doctor is in.



Ray Hunt
Independent Broker

Learn About True Blue at This Free Seminar!

Reserve your seat to learn more about True Blue at this FREE meeting. We will explain how True Blue can save you time and money through lower premiums, great benefits and less paperwork. Call and register today!

Joining True Blue gives you access to these benefits:

- \$67 monthly premium
- Travel benefit
- Hearing aid and vision benefits
- Preventive dental benefit
- No deductibles or coinsurance
- Worldwide coverage

True Blue
You'll Feel Good With True Blue!

Blue Cross of Idaho
An Independent Licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association

395-8200 or 1-888-494-2583
TDD/TTY for the hearing impaired:
1-800-377-1363


FREE Meeting: Owyhee Lanes Restaurant • Homedale • December 9, 11am

Now Serving: Ada, Boise, Canyon, Gem, Owyhee, Payette and Washington Counties

* Beneficiaries must maintain Part A & B coverage by continuing to pay the Part B premiums while in True Blue. True Blue is a Medicare contracted HMO open to all Medicare Beneficiaries. You must receive all routine care from plan providers. A sales representative will be present with information and applications. Persons with TDD needs or specials needs may get additional information, set up a meeting with a sales representative or obtain accommodations by contacting True Blue. 10/02 MK0324

OUR MARK IN CANYON COUNTY.

At Farmers & Merchants State Bank, our roots run deep. All the way back to 1967, as a matter of fact. Now we're growing with Canyon County, branching out with a new building for our Caldwell location and a new branch in South Nampa. Stop by any of our three convenient locations and see how our commitment to the community, focus on small businesses, and down-to-earth style is changing the banking landscape.

 MEMBER FDIC	Nampa 112 2nd Street, S. 465-6333	South Nampa 1513 12th Avenue Rd. 442-7800	Caldwell 1110 Blaine 454-8800
---	---	---	-------------------------------------



FARMERS & MERCI

WWW.FMSB.COM | YOU'RE IN GOOD HANDS

Endangered Species Act amendment passes house, held in senate

Senate bill 990, also commonly called “Son of CARA,” passed the U.S. House of Representatives in the waning moments of the 107th Congress. The measure was brought to a vote and passed by “unanimous” consent by a mere handful of house members at 2:35 a.m., Nov. 15th. But just as quickly as the bill was passed in the house, the senate put the bill to death, at least for this session.

U.S. Senator Mike Crapo said Wednesday that although he is pleased a hold was put on the bill, he still supports it as a way for private property owners to receive some relief from environmentalist land grabbers.

Title II of the bill amends the Endangered Species Act to include protection for “species at risk,” which would greatly expand the reach of the ESA. Title IV enhances the authority of the Secretary of Interior to enlarge federal ownership of private property. Two sections Crapo said he is opposed to.

An anonymous senator placed a hold on the bill Friday, apparently due to concerns from farming, ranching and property rights advocates who fear the measure will expand the Endangered Species Act to further limit private property rights, while also jeopardizing water rights. Crapo said last week, that senator was not himself.

“The bill has been dead since last Friday,” Crapo said in a phone interview from Washington DC Wednesday. “To go back and recall the history of the bill, you will recall about a year ago this issue came up. At that time S 990 was a bill in the senate, this was one I was a cosponsor of.

“The objective of that bill was to create a mechanism by which we could get some resources to land owners to allow them to do habitat improvements on their lands so the kind of things they are under pressure to do and there are environmental laws in which we do not give them any help in doing.”

The senate originally passed S 990 last December and sent it to the house where it remained until retiring House Resources Committee Chairman James Hansen (R-Utah) brought it to the floor at 2 a.m. Friday. His committee held neither a hearing nor a vote on the legislation. Crapo said the bill had several problem areas he was working on to modify, or omit.

“The concerns that came up the first time were that the program we hooked it into, which is the one that had been underway for a long time for game species and we were moving this to non game species, had the authority for state agencies to purchase property as opposed to passing that money along,” Crapo continued to explain. “That is not what we intended so we said we would fix that in the house if it ever gets going.

“There have been some people who are calling this the ‘Son of CARA.’ I have opposed CARA from the beginning. This is not the son of CARA. It is being called that, but it isn’t.

“The CARA bill was a land acquisition and this one is not. Those who attack this bill have, in my opinion, vastly overstated what the problem was and then tried to hook it into CARA to get the feelings about CARA and tried to transport them over into this bill. But, none the less, they did come up with a point. The point was as a technicality, the fish and game agencies could use this money to purchase land, which I disagreed with. I disagreed with it being used that way. That is not what the bill was about, it is not what it was intended for and we will not let it be used that way.

“Then it died off for about a year and I figured it was gone, but it was used as a vehicle and moved it with a number of bills which I have not looked at closely because I opposed the movement of this once they started playing with it again.

“The vast majority of what was debated about a year ago is not even in this new bill, but they did leave some stuff in the new bill that was problematic. They had some stuff in there that could allow the purchase of land and water in some context. So when the bill came over here to the senate, it immediately got stopped. There is some concern still that it may still go, but it has never been viable since it came over here to the senate.”

Defenders of property rights have stated that species recovery agreements would be another way the government could keep landowners from performing otherwise legal activities on private land in the name of species conservation. S 990, in its current form, would provide money to private landowners for any conservation-minded activity that would help a candidate species and thereby help the species avoid becoming threatened or endangered which helps the landowner maintain his or her property value.

“We took out the entire title of the bill of which was of concern a year ago,” Crapo said. “Once they looked at everything that was left in the bill, it became evident that there were some concerns that needed to be addressed. My feeling was the original objective was to get resources to private property owners, not to authorize the purchase of private property.

“We still have concerns being raised. We have not held hearings on the new stuff that is in the bill that got put in to be sent to the senate. So we need to just slow down. Lets build the consensus necessary so groups don’t feel it is being rushed through without proper evaluation. Lets achieve the objective we started out to achieve. Next year I believe we will take a look at this again. I am going to try very hard to focus on the original objective that we had at the outset. I believe most private property owners in Idaho will strongly support, which is to get them some relief from the environmental burdens they are facing.” -CP

OCHS prepares for new year

The general membership of the Owyhee County Historical Society met, November 15 to elect officers and to share in the vision for the future of the changing society. New and innovative programs and procedures were echoed in the increasing membership and participation in society events.

John M. Larsen was elected president of the OCHS. He says he is excited about the challenge and is looking forward to working with the membership and the committees to promote, preserve and record the legacy of Owyhee County history.


Kenny Jessen, Dorla Stoneman and Chris Collett were elected to the OCHS board as a director, recording secretary and corresponding secretary respectively. Denny Budell, vice President, Barbara Jayo, treasurer, and Joan Bachman, director, were all re-elected for another term. Outgoing recording secretary Carol Haines was thanked for her indispensable work and efforts for the society.

It was reported that involvement in society field trips has grown rapidly during 2002. The event at the Star and Brace ranches attracted 80 members in the heat of the summer and it was decided to schedule a repeat in cooler weather for those who could not attend. The September trip drew another 70 to 80 members. Jim Hyslop introduced a proposed communication system for the rapidly enlarging field trips that will allow members to receive over their car radios historical information as they travel to and observe a site.

Committee reports also indicated that new and innovative projects are on the horizon for 2003. The publication and library committees are combining talents to offer the public out-of-print, hard-to-find, and also new resource books at the museum. Author Don Clark was present at the meeting for a book signing for his new release, “Traveling With the Oregon Trail Pioneers of 1853”. Eleanor Widger elaborated on the novel gifts she has stocked in the expanding Museum Gift Shop and the education committee is now prepared to visit local elementary schools, promoting the OCHS interactive-interpretive student tours.

The evening was topped off with an update report by James McGillon erecting signage for the Utter massacre tragedy, especially in Owyhee County with the help of OCHS participation.

The next general meeting will be January 17 with a presentation on genealogy research.



Learn More About True Blue At One Of These FREE Seminars!

Reserve your seat to learn more about True Blue at one of these meetings and enjoy a FREE buffet meal. We will explain how True Blue can save you time and money through lower premiums, great benefits and less paperwork.

12/09/02 Thawleys, Caldwell at 11 a.m.	12/18/02 Elmers, Boise at 11:00 a.m.
12/16/02 Golden Corral, Boise at 5:00 p.m.	12/23/02 Dutch Inn, Nampa at 11:00 a.m.

Joining True Blue gives you access to these benefits:

- \$67 monthly premium
- Travel benefit
- Hearing aid and vision benefits
- Preventive dental benefit
- No deductibles or coinsurance
- Worldwide coverage

Now Serving: Ada, Boise, Canyon, Gem, Owyhee, Payette and Washington Counties

* Beneficiaries must maintain Part A and B coverage by continuing to pay the Part B premiums while in True Blue. True Blue is a Medicare contracted HMO open to all Medicare Beneficiaries. You must receive all routine care from plan providers. A sales representative will be present with information and applications. Persons with TDD needs or specials needs may get additional information, set up a meeting with a sales representative or obtain accommodations by contacting True Blue. Please contact True Blue for details.

Call and register today!

True Blue

You'll Feel Good With True Blue!

BlueCross of Idaho

An Independent Licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association

395-8200 or 1-888-494-2583
TDD/TTY for the hearing impaired: 1-800-377-1363

MK0331 10/02

Join the Avalanche

Gift Drive
for Owyhee Health
and Rehab
residents

The annual *Owyhee Avalanche* Christmas gift project for the residents of Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center in Homedale continues this week.

Residents have included several gifts on their wish lists, but local “Santas” need only to select one item. Gifts should be gift wrapped and tagged with a 3x5 index card, and dropped off to the Avalanche office before Dec. 20. Gifts will be delivered to Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center on Dec. 21. “Santas” should select a number from the following list.

Seasons greetings to you and yours in this wonderful season of giving.

Thank you.

The Avalanche Staff

LADIES

- 1 Female, Cardigan (med), flannel nightgown (med), lotion
- 2 Female, Crochet basket (yarn & hook), bird house/seed, chocolates
- 3 Female, Sweatsuit (med), camisole (med.), slippers (8)
- 4 Female, Throw, cardigan (lg), lotion
- 5 Female, Long mou-mou (4x), pepsi, cigarettes
- 6 Female, Shoes (9), socks, yarn
- 7 Female, Camisoles (lg), slipper socks, throw
- 8 Female, Subscription to Avalanche, stretchy pants (3x), lotion
- 9 Female, Cigarettes, duster (med), lotion
- 10 Female, Cigarettes, sweatsuit (xlg), CD-country
- 11 Female, Sweatsuit (lg), underwear (10), camisoles (lg)
- 12 Female, Lined wind breaker (lg), camisoles (med), teddy bear
- 13 Female, House dress (14-16), socks, picture
- 14 Female, Throw, stationary, stamps
- 15 Female, Bra (38C), bootie slippers, printed sweat shirt
- 16 Female, White anklets, underwear (7-8), throw
- 17 Female, Candy, perfume, stationary and stamps
- 18 Female, Throw, cristian album, snack food
- 19 Female, Bra (42D), underwear (11), sweatsuit (1x)
- 20 Female, Knee highs, camisoles (lg), make-up
- 21 Female, Knee length underwear (med), stationary, stamps
- 22 Female, Camisoles (xlg), slippers (6-7), lotion
- 23 Female, Music box, nick nacks, lotion
- 24 Female, Sweatsuit (sm), camisole (sm), underwear (5)
- 25 Female, Throw, make-up (pinks), hair gel

MEN

- 1 Male, Western shirt 16 1/2-35, throw, snack food
- 2 Male, Sweatsuit (lg), old spice, chocolate
- 3 Male, Western shirt 16-34, under shirts (med), old western cassettes
- 4 Male, Phin white knee hi socks, cigarettes, diet pepsi
- 5 Male, Sweat pants (lg), polo shirt (xlg), after shave
- 6 Male, Boxers (38-40), cigarettes, throw
- 7 Male, sweatsuit (lg), throw, chocolate covered cherries
- 8 Male, Western shirt (15 1/2-34), after shave, chcolate covered cherries
- 9 Male, CD player, CD's (big band), chocolates

Fruitland slips past Huskies in final seconds

Stewart scores 25 points in Marsing loss

Fruitland took advantage of poor passing by Marsing in the closing minutes and defeated the Huskies 47-45 with a breakaway layup in the final seconds Nov. 26 at Marsing High School.

The Class 3A Grizzlies sweep the season series. The loss drops Marsing to 1-2 overall for the season, as the Huskies begin Western Idaho Conference play this week.

The Grizzlies defeated Marsing 54-47 Nov. 19 at Fruitland.

Marsing led throughout the contest, although not by much. The Huskies maintained a lead of three to five points for most of the third and fourth periods.

Poor passing and costly turnovers, however, doomed Marsing in the final minutes.

With 2:42 left in the game, Husky freshman Tori Kent hit 1-of-2 free throws to give Marsing a 45-40 advantage. On Fruitland's ensuing possession however, Grizzly junior Sara Rowley was fouled underneath her own basket and drained both charity attempts.

A minute later, Grizzly

guard Heather Howard nailed a 3-point shot with :45 on the clock to tie the game at 45-45.

In the closing seconds, Marsing threw the ball away twice – the second time with

just over :10 remaining. Fruitland's Chelsie Debban intercepted a Marsing pass in the Huskies frontcourt and threw the ball downcourt to Rowley, who made the easy layup with :08 and sealed the victory.

Despite the loss, Marsing junior Amanda Stewart had another dominating performance. She scored 24 points and grabbed 17 rebounds. Teammate Amie Vanek added 16 for the Huskies, along with 7 assists, 7 steals and 6 rebounds.

Marsing began conference play Tuesday at New Plymouth. Results were unavailable at press time.

The Huskies travel to Nampa Christian Thursday and Melba Dec. 10. Freshman tipoff is 4:45. Junior varsity

and varsity games follow immediately afterward. – CM



A dominant performance

Marsing junior Amanda Stewart poured in 25 points and grabbed 17 rebound, but the Huskies lost to Fruitland in the final second 47-45.



Stripped

Marsing senior Amie Vanek (left) slips as she drives inside and Fruitland guard Heather Howard grabs the ball as Vanek fall to the hardwood. Despite the Husky loss, Vanek had another solid game with 16 points, 6 rebounds, 7 assists and 7 steals.

Raiders knock off Melba

The Rimrock girls' basketball team improved to 2-1 overall this with a 51-31 win over Class 2A Melba Nov. 26 at Rimrock.

The Raiders played host to Glens Ferry Tuesday. Results were unavailable at press time.

Rimrock will host Cole Valley Christian Thursday in the team's Western Idaho Conference season opener. Junior varsity tipoff is 6 p.m.

The Raiders will then host Gem State Academy Dec. 10 in a boys'-girls' double-header. Varsity girls tipoff is 6:30 p.m. The boys' game follows immediately afterward.



Another year older

Homedale senior Spencer Batt (left), seen here in a game against Parma last year, will play an integral role in the success of the Trojan boys' basketball team in 2002-03. Area teams begin their regular season this week. A complete team-by-team preview will appear next week in The Owyhee Avalanche. Photo by Bill Bruce.

Class of 2003

Make graduation even more special! Choose from the latest in fine stylart® GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACCESSORIES.

The Owyhee Avalanche 337-4681

Homedale falls to Wesier in rematch



Score two for Cooper
Homedale sophomore Jill Cooper picks up a basket for the Trojans. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Trojans begin conference play this week

The Homedale girls' basketball team squandered a 13-point lead in the fourth quarter and fell to Class 3A Weiser 48-44 in overtime at Weiser High School Saturday.

"We blew a big lead going into the fourth quarter," Trojan coach Mark Weekes said Monday. "It was 32-19 going into the fourth quarter.

The Wolverines outscored Homedale (1-1 overall) 21-8 in the final period to force the game into overtime.

In the fourth quarter, the Trojans allowed Weiser 17 free throw attempts, compared to just 6 in the previous three periods.

Weekes said that turnovers plagued Homedale in the second half.

The two teams split the season series. The Trojans defeated the Wolverines at



Homedale senior Jen Anzaldua scored a team-high 15 points in the Trojan loss at Weiser last Saturday.

Homedale 38-32 Nov. 21.

Homedale began Western Idaho Conference play at home against Payette Tuesday. Results were not available at press time.

The Trojans host McCall-Donnelly Friday at Homedale High School. Freshman tipoff is at 4:45 p.m. Junior varsity and varsity contests follow afterward.

Homedale will travel to Payette next Tuesday. Freshman game time is 4:45 p.m.

Weekes figured the Trojans should handle Payette.

"There something wrong with us if we don't win that one," he said.

The Vandals, on the other hand, should be more of a contest, Weekes said. – CM



Driving
Two Weiser players foul Homedale senior Kasey Bruce as she penetrates the key. The Trojans lost 48-44 in overtime at Weiser last Saturday. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Uranga says nod to NNU Hall unexpected

Former Homedale standout will be inducted Saturday

Former Homedale girls' basketball standout, Julie Uranga takes her place in collegiate history Saturday when she enters the Northwest Nazarene University athletic Hall of Fame.

"It's a neat honor," Uranga said last week. "(It was) definitely not expected.

Uranga played for the Crusaders from 1982-86. She compiled 388 assists and scored 509 points during the 1985-86 season, placing her fifth on the all-time list in single-season scoring.

As a junior at Homedale, the 5-9 point guard led the Trojans to the 1980 state championship and holds four individual state tournament records.

"We had a great team that year," Uranga said.

In 1981, Uranga had a three-game point average of 33.7 –



Former Homedale High School basketball standout, Julie Uranga will be inducted into the Northwest Nazarene athletic Hall of Fame Saturday. Uranga played for the Trojans from 1978-81 and still holds four state tournament records.

an all-time girls' high school scoring record that still stands over all school classifications. She also holds records for most free throws made in a game (21) and most points scored in a state tournament (101).

Unlike a lot schools 20 years ago, Uranga said the environment at Homedale bred success in girls' athletics.

"Homedale is a great environment," she said. "You couldn't have asked for a more supportive environment than Homedale High School.

In the two decades since leaving Homedale, Uranga said she has seen great strides made for women's athletics, both at the high school and collegiate levels.

"Positive steps have been made," Uranga said. "(Today) women can still be viewed as feminine and competitive."

Induction ceremonies will take place during NNU's men's game between the Crusaders and the University of Alaska-Fairbanks. – CM

Wilder drops two before Thanksgiving break

Wildcats still looking for first win of season

Wilder's bumpy start to the girls' basketball season continued last week, as the Wildcats dropped decisions to Greenleaf Friends Academy and Meadows Valley.

Fueled by four players that scored in double digits, Greenleaf nipped the Wildcats 58-56 Nov. 25. Wilder (0-4 overall) fell to Meadows Valley 42-38 Nov. 26.

Wilder played host to Adrian, Ore. on Monday.

The Class 1A Wildcats host Gem State Academy Thursday in a Western Idaho Conference game, then travel to Idaho City Dec. 10. Junior varsity tipoff is 6 p.m.

Read all about it
in the Avalanche!



Hail Hailey

Freshman Hailey Hall drives past a Weiser opponent during Homedale's 34-31 loss to the Wolverine freshman basketball team. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



Two points

Homedale sophomore Jolene Maxwell drives the lane for a bucket against the Wolverine's junior varsity team. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Boys' basketball schedules

Wednesday, Dec. 4
Marsing at Rimrock (6 p.m.)
Thursday, Dec. 5
Wilder at Council (6 p.m.)
Middleton at Homedale (4:45 p.m.)
Friday, Dec. 6
Homedale at Weiser (4:45 p.m.)
Monday, Dec. 9
Wilder at Marsing (6 p.m.)
Tuesday, Dec. 10
Gem State at Rimrock (8 p.m.)

Girls' basketball schedules

Thursday, Dec. 5
Gem State at Wilder (6 p.m.)
Marsing at Nampa Christian (4:45 p.m.)
Cole Valley Christian at Rimrock (6 p.m.)
Friday, Dec. 6
McCall-Donnelly at Homedale (4:45 p.m.)
Tuesday, Dec. 10
Wilder at Idaho City (6 p.m.)
Homedale at Payette (4:45 p.m.)
Marsing at Melba (4:45 p.m.)
Gem State at Rimrock (6:30 p.m.)

Subscribe today!

Have the Owyhee Avalanche delivered to your home each week!

337-4681

School lunch menu

Marsing

Wed. Dec. 4, Chicken nuggets and sauce Chocolate pudding, fruit variety, variety milk, Tostada delight fresh Salad bar (4th-12th) fresh baked roll. to go box
Thur. Dec 5, Nachos w/ toppings, fruit crisp, golden corn, variety milk, assorted sandwiches, condiments, fresh salad bar (4th– 12th) fresh baked roll, to go box.
Fri. Dec. 6, Chicken patty on a bun fruit variety, variety milk Chinese egg roll, fresh salad bar (4th– 12th) fresh baked roll. to go box
Mon. Dec. 9, NO SCHOOL
Tues. Dec 10, Corn dog w/ fixings, fruit variety, garden vegetables, chocolate pudding, variety milk, chicken Fajita, fresh salad bar (4th– 12th) fresh baked roll. to go box
Wed. Dec. 11, Soup and sandwich, fruited jell-o, variety milk, Red Baron pizza, fresh salad bar (4th– 12th) fresh baked roll to go box

Homedale Elementary

Wed. Dec. 4, Chicken patty/bun, or rib-b-que/bun potato wedges, orange wedges applesauce cake, choice of milk.
Thur. Dec. 5, Enchilada or corn dog, scalloped potatoes, peaches, frosted brownie,

choice of milk.
Fri. Dec. 6, Fr. Bread pizza or uncrustable peanut butter/jelly sand, tossed salad, pineapple, cookie, choice of milk.
Mon. Dec. 9, EARLY DISMISSAL BBQ chicken strips or burrito, green beans, mixed fruit, cinnamon bread stick and choice of milk.
Tue. Dec. 10, Lasagna or mini corn dogs, corn, pears, apple turnover and choice of milk.
Wed. Dec. 11, Turkey and noodles or tuna sandwich, peas, oatmeal cookie and choice of milk

Homedale Middle

Wed. Dec. 4, Pizza 5-6, French br. Pizza 7-8, tossed salad, fruit, cookie and choice of milk.
Thur. Dec. 5, Enchilada or chicken and noodles, corn, fruit, or salad bar and choice of milk.
Fri. Dec. 6, Hamburger or hot dog, fries, fruit and choice of milk.
Mon. Dec 9, EARL DISMISSAL spaghetti, bread stick, vegetable, fruit or salad bar and choice of milk.
Tue. Dec. 10 Fish nuggets or corn dog, rice, vegetable, fruit or salad bar and choice of milk.
Wed. Dec. 11, Chicken filet or cf beef stk, mashed potatoes and gravy, hot roll, fruit and choice of milk.

Homedale High

Wed. Dec. 4, Idaho haystack, or burrito, salad, fruit, cinnamon roll and choice of milk.
Thur. Dec 5, Chicken patty/bun, or sandwich choice, fries, fruit, dessert and choice of milk.
Fri. Dec. 6, Crispito/taco salad, or rib-b-que/bun, corn, fruit and choice of milk.
Mon. Dec. 9, EARLY DISMISSAL Pizza or hot pocket, salad, fruit, dessert and choice of milk.
Tue. Dec. 10, Beef nuggets or corn do bites, mashed potato, hot roll, fruit and choice of milk.
Wed. Dec. 11, Lasagna or burrito, French bread, salad,

fruit and choice of milk

Bruneau-Grand View

Wed. Dec. 4, Chicken nuggets potatoes and gravy, vegetable, roll/butter, fruit and milk.
Thur. Dec. 5, Baked potato with chili and cheese, salad/croutons, fruit, milk and cinnamon roll.
Fri. Dec. 6, Spaghetti, salad/croutons, fruit, garlic bread and milk
Mon. Dec. 9, Hamb/bun, potato wedges, veggie sticks, raisins cookie and milk
Tue. Dec 10, Beef and noodles, tossed salad, green beans, fruited jello, milk wheat roll and jelly.
Wed. Dec. 11, Pizza, tossed salad, corn pineapple and milk.

It's Your Special Year

2003

GRADUATING SENIORS

Be at the top of the class with classy graduation announcements. come see our wide line of graduation supplies by

stylart®

The Owyhee Avalanche

337-4681

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

December 1, 1977

Chamber elects new officers
HOMEDALE—New officers for the 1978 calendar year were elected by the Homedale Chamber of Commerce, when the organization met last week at the Senior Citizen Center.
Elected as president is Monte Kirstine, manager of Paul’s Food land; public accountant Jim Duncan was chosen to serve as vice president; new directors are Roger Nash and Jay Jackson.
The group voted to again hold the “Great Turkey Giveaway” as it did last year. The promotion will begin in next week’s Chronicle.
The next C of C meeting will be Tuesday, December 6, at Max’s Cafe dining room.

Rimrock faces deficit; alternative outlined
The trustees of Rimrock School District may be looking at either cuts in the staff and program, or an increase in property taxes, Superintendent Brandon told the board at a recent meeting.
According to a report on the meeting, the district is presently facing a possible \$90,000 deficit by the end of the fiscal year.

Three factors are blamed for the shortage of funds, the superintendent said. They are reduction in student enrollment for the current year, increased tuition of border students attending Nevada schools, and loss of a part of the remote sparsity factor funds.
With the exception of emergency items, all purchases by the district have been “frozen”.
The board was to meet again last Tuesday to further study the district budget.

Coach honored
HOMEDALE—Daryl Kellum, head coach of Homedale High School, was presented with the 1977 Coach of the Year Award at a special banquet held Wednesday night at the Golden Pheasant in Caldwell, and attended by coaches of District III and the Coaches Association.
Mr. Kellum was presented a plaque at the banquet. It is the fifth year in a row that he has received this award for District III.

Marsing Lions give away 101 turkeys
The Marsing Lions Club held their regular monthly meeting last week.
Mike Percifield reported there were 101 turkeys given away at the recent turkey raffle, with \$1180.00 taken in and a profit of \$526.76. Ralph Bowman, chairman of the project thanked all who participated for making it the best raffle held.

R. J. Caldwell, Ed Byrne, and Cecil McClintick are heading up the Christmas party which will be held Dec. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Marsing Legion Hall. There will be a gift exchange with the Lions to bring a man’s gift and Lionesses a lady’s gift.
Mr. and Mrs. Julio Churruca attended the Grand View Charter night Nov. 19 with Bob Malmberg returning with the bell.
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Curt attended the Malta Lions wild game dinner in Malta. Some of the menu of the Malta Lions wild game dinner included, wild turkey, pheasant, fried rattlesnake, smoked porcupine, Rocky Mountain oyster, moose, elk, deer and whole roast pig.

NEW ARRIVAL
Gary and Dixie McDaniels are the proud parents of a new daughter. The charming miss arrived the 13th of November on sister Melissa’s second birthday. Amanda Renae was born at 12:06 in the afternoon, weighing 7 lbs. 13 ozs., and measuring 20 inches in length.

50 years ago

December 4, 1952

Program includes Marsing bridge, other projects
Among the projects outlined by the state highway commission for work during the fiscal year of 1953 are a number of projects of interest to Owyhee county residents.
In the construction program for secondary roads is listed 11 1/2 miles, on the Grandview-Bruneau highway, which is to be graded and surfaced in 1953. Also included is 8 miles between Givens and the Walters Ferry Bridge.
Listed among the proposed construction for 1954-55 are a 774-foot bridge across the Snake River at Marsing, and a railroad underpass at 10th street in Caldwell.
Other construction in the near portions of the state will include 1 1/2 miles of U. S. 20 east from Caldwell; a railroad underpass at Nampa; grade and road mix on S.R. 19 from Homedale to Wilder and from Wilder to Greenleaf; 2 miles grade, surface and bridge at Bruneau, south; a 356-foot bridge across the Boise river on U. S. 95 south of Parma, and a 26-foot bridge on U. S. 95 across the Golden Gate canal.

Open House draws crowd at school
A large portion of Homedale’s citizenry turned out to attend the open house at the new grade school on Monday evening. All of the teachers were in their respective rooms and the principal and superintendent were on hand to extend a friendly greeting and explain the work of the students.
The new building is indeed a beautiful and functional place for children to study and play.
The PTA members donated pies to be sold during the evening with the proceeds to go toward paying for the new stage curtain. A total of \$40.70 was taken in and along with the \$100 already on hand, makes about half the amount necessary for the curtain.

Thanksgiving festivities
Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Ott had as dinner guests on Thanksgiving day, Mr. and Mrs. Manford Logan, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Nazworthy and girls.
Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Parker had their family with them for Thanksgiving dinner. Those present for the holiday feast were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Parker and family of Boise, Mr. and Mrs. William Rash of Nampa, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Weible and family of Weiser, Mrs. Kay Newland of Nampa, Mr. Clare Mills of Seattle, and Miss Inez Weible of Boise.
Mr. and Mrs. George Blackwell of Marsing had as dinner guests on Thanksgiving day, Mr. and Mrs. George Blackwell Sr. and Mrs. Margaret Payne of Homedale.
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bergeson and family and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bergeson spent Thanksgiving day with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Traustrum of Meridian.
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schutz were Thanksgiving dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Titmus.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blessing of Hawthorne, Nevada were home over the holidays visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Blessing.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hendry had dinner Thursday with Mrs. J. W. Dakan in Caldwell.
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Moore had as their guests on Thanksgiving day Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. Wally Smith and Vicky.
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Anderson were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Dukes of Caldwell on Thanksgiving day.
Mrs. Jewell Scott and Bonnie entertained Mrs. Owen C. Carson, Bill, Carmen and Beth and Gerald and Rod Graff of Marsing for dinner on Thanksgiving.
Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ike Elliott on turkey day were Mrs. Deborah Brandt and Miss Deborah Davis of Boise. The ladies are aunts of Mr. Elliott.

134 years ago

March 5, 1870

LOST ON THE MOUNTAIN.—On Wednesday John Lenox started from Flint to Silver after a physician to attend Mrs. McAvin, who was on her child-bed. After traveling some distance on the mountain, he broke one of his snow shoes, became bewildered and wandered round all night in the snow. He managed to keep himself from freezing, and arrived safe but completely exhausted at Boonville the next day. Lenox not returning, and no physician forthcoming, the Flint people began to fear that something was wrong. So Mr. McKenzie, who was over there, volunteered to hunt for the missing man. Carefully following his track, he at length found him in Booneville. In the meantime Mrs. McAvin was safely delivered of a bouncing boy without the assistance of a doctor. Although the affair occasioned considerable anxiety, yet it happily resulted in no particular harm to any concerned—except the doctor who was cheated out of his fee.

CAMP LYON was formally delivered to Mesers, West and Westgate, the purchasers, on Thursday last. The detachment of soldiers in charge left the same day. The present owners design to carry on farming and stock rising, for which Camp Lyon and vicinity are eminently adapted. Mr West reports beautiful weather down there—no snow within four miles of the camp.

BULLION SHIPMENT.—Wells, Fargo and Co. shipped from Owyhee during the year 1869, \$835,181 07 worth of bullion, coin value. The total product of our mines for ’69 may safely be put down at a million dollars in coin, as the aggregate carried away in private lands would easily bring it up to that amount. This, be it remembered, is from only two or three mines, and most of the time but two mills were in operation. We challenge the mining camps of the world to equal to equal this under the same circumstances. We confidently look forward to the time, believing it not far distant, when our bullion shipments will foot up a million a month, instead of that per year. Our mountains contain unlimited treasure, which must soon be added to the metallic currency of the world.

YOUNG AMERICA.—On Tuesday evening last, our attention was directed to a puny looking juvenile, named Brickey, who was securely fastened to a large six-shooter. Scarcely “knee high to a toad,” it was with the utmost difficulty the poor little fellow moved about with the ponderous load. People wondered what the boy had been doing at home to merit such cruel punishment.

TOM WALLS, proprietor of Wagontown, got back from California the other day. He says times are lively in Owyhee compared with almost every other place he visited on the outside. All old Owyheeans who can raise the wind are coming back this spring. L.F. Alpy was sold his interest in the Florida Mountain Ditch to Fred Dolberg.

ROBBERY.—A week ago last night Sam Bruce was robbed of \$280. he was somewhat under the influence of liquor at the time and is unable to tell exactly where the robbery took place, but suppose it was in a deadfall on the Barbary Coast.

THE weather has been rather blustering this week. Very cold of nights and snowing every day.

WE read among late fashion reports of a new thing, called the “sachet or perfumed peticoat.” Peppermint in the stockings will be the next announcement.

Commentary

Editor's notebook

Joe Aman

Get on with it

The information last week that the county's emergency communications system is functioning in a way that could actually hamper emergency assistance was not anything new to the commissioners. The phone line problem has been discussed at length for some time now.

Some of the statements made to this newspaper last week by the chairman of the county commissioners creates some doubt as to his understanding of what is going on. Take a look at some of them.

Chairman Harold Tolmie stated that:

"I am not against 911, but the commissioners have never voted to install 911 in the county".

August 13, 2001, the commissioners adopted Ordinance 01-03, titled the "Emergency Communication System", which established the ECS by naming the administrator, setting a telephone user fee, and created the Owyhee County Emergency Communication System board, and authorized planning for an enhanced 911 system. The ordinance was signed by all three commissioners, including Tolmie.

Tolmie also stated in the interview:

If you dial 911, you get another voice on the other end."

This is true most of the time, but not all the time. Any call to 911 is simply transferred to the 337-4222 line, which is on rotation with several other lines. These lines are also used for fax transmitting and receiving and computer modems. On numerous occasions I have called the 337-4222 (again, the line used for 911) number and received the fax or modem signal. I have heard reports from numerous other people who have had the same experience.

Tolmie further stated:

"I told them as a commissioner I am not going to piecemeal this thing together until I know the cost so we can budget for it. I can't spend the taxpayers' money just spending \$20,000 here, \$30,000 here, \$80,000 here, \$140,000 there. I said I want to know what the cost is going to be to install 911.

That's good budgeting. The county needs to have a plan and budget as accurate as possible. It's just good business. However, how many times does the board need the numbers?

In February, 1997, (almost six years ago) the commissioners were given a breakdown of costs, totaling \$115,660.

Again, in November of 1997, the board again was given the list of costs at \$115,660.

In October of 1998, Tolmie stated that the cost would total \$250,000. Sheriff Aman responded at the next meeting that the "real cost" is less than half of Tolmie's figure.

November, '98: Updated estimates from the previous year were at \$102,793 for basic 911, plus an additional \$30,000 for enhanced 911.

A year later, in November of '99, the commissioners made some changes to the plans, which affected the cost estimates. The new estimate was \$162,000, which included contracting the rural addressing, different software, changes in telephone company services, two computer workstations, and a mobile laptop computer.

In April of 2001 the 911 committee updated the overall cost at \$125,195.

The numbers have been consistent with what the commissioners and the committee wanted included in the system.

Further, Tolmie stated:

"They always said the dollar charge we have on 911 from the phone companies would pay for 911. It is not coming close. We have been spending more than that already ..."

It was never intended that the \$1 surcharge would cover the costs of implementing the 911 system. In fact, the ordinance (01-03) specifically states the telephone user fees are "to be assessed and collected for the purpose of maintaining and operating" the system. By ordinance, the user fee cannot be spent to set up and establish the system, only maintain and operate the system. Civil Defense funds were to be used for setting up the system.

It's high time to get on with the program. Get the phone lines installed that are needed. Get on with placing the numbering signs throughout the county. And stop distorting the facts.

Joe Aman may be reached at the Avalanche or directly via email: avalanche@citlink.net

On the edge of common sense

Baxter Black, DVM

Jess's early rodeo days

The National Finals rodeo takes the spotlight every December in Las Vegas, NV. The level of the competition and the animals seem to increase each year. It is easy to get swept up in the glitter and glamour of championship buckles and the full volume extravaganza.

But the painful reminder of rodeo tradition comes back to the old riders every time a cowboy gets bucked off, a roper's loop snags the calf chute or a dogger gets rolled and flattened.

Jess said he was entered in a punkinroller just south of Walsh, Colorado back in the old days. He'd stuck a good ride on a bareback bronc. He was using a brand new riggin' and was pretty proud. As his horse thundered down the arena fence Jess was plotting some way to make a spectacular dismount and land on his feet. The pickup man came ridin' hard up between the galloping bareback and the fence. Jess leaned to the right and grabbed around the pickup man's neck. He then catapulted off his buckin' horse, over the pickup man's horse, thinking to drop lightly to his feet on the off side, tip his hat and wave to the crowd.

But all Jess's planning had not taken into account the proximity of the fence. He hooked a big spur into the netwire and locked up! He pulled the pickup man backwards. The pickup man braced, grasped the horn in a death grip and pulled his horse over backwards in the saddle. Simutaneously the bareback had balked, dove to the right and then jumped the whole train wreck, clearing them by a full ten feet! They still talk about it today around Walsh.

Jess kept talking. One year he'd entered a mule rodeo in Boise City, Oklahoma. Apparently they were more common in the 50's. The wild bareback mule riding event used bull ropes instead of riggin's. Jess was standing over his mule in the buckin' chute. His buddy Wimp was helping him down. Jess dropped the tail end of his bull rope down the side of the mule.

Wimp was waiting for his signal to run the hook between the boards, underneath the girth and snag the bull rope. He tensed. Jess said, "Okay!" The daydreaming gateman heard the cue, thought it was for him and swung chute gate wide open. There was a moment within that fractured millisecond when Jess appeared to levitate above the mule, his legs spreading, his lips forming the shape of an O and holding a bull rope with nothing in it.

He actually did ride the mule the required 8 seconds but managed to slap it multiple times with each and every free appendage including his chin and soles of his feet, which disqualified him.

Jess made a complaint to the stock contractor, casting blame on the inattentive gate opener. The stock contractor considered it, then refused his request for a reride. But he did offer him half the clown's pay.

Something on your mind?

We welcome letters to the editor

The Owyhee Avalanche

P.O. Box 97 • Homedale ID 83628
avalanche@citlink.net

Commentary

Accuracy in media

The ticklish 9/11 money trail

Notra Trulock

For most of the past decade, two countries have enjoyed virtual immunity from close scrutiny by the U.S. Intelligence Community. By the mid-1990s, the Clinton administration had adopted a “see evil, hear no evil” policy on China. No matter how badly China behaved, domestically or abroad, the Clinton White House just didn’t want to know about it. China’s leaders knew they could count on Clinton and his aides to minimize, justify, or simply ignore their misdeeds. Intelligence analysts who refused to go along with the cover-up soon found themselves looking for a new line of work. Nothing much has changed on the China front; for example, China wasn’t even among the nominated topics for discussion panels on national security for an upcoming major national conference.

The other country is Saudi Arabia. Like Iran in the 1970s, collecting and reporting on developments within the kingdom seems to have become taboo. During the 1970s, we relied almost exclusively on the Iranian intelligence services to inform us of developments inside Iran; no wonder Khomeini’s victory over the Shah was such a surprise. Now we seem to be equally gun-shy about Saudi Arabia.

During the late 1990s, the intelligence information that did become available was jealously guarded and tightly controlled. It was released to few even inside the intelligence community. Legitimate into regime stability, the rise of Islamic fundamentalism, or possible links to terrorism were actively discouraged.

But these issues have become a hot topic since 9/11. Saudi authorities confirmed that 15 of the 19 hijackers were from Saudi Arabia, but beyond that, Saudi “cooperation” has followed a pattern established after the Khobar Towers bombing, most commonly characterized as “balky.” The FBI and CIA have uncovered the paths by which the 9/11 plotters obtained their financial support, but a persistent question that has gone unanswered is where did the cash originate. Officials have pointed to Osama bin Laden’s own financial networks, but Congressional investigators have uncovered another potential source, the Saudi royal family.

Equally disturbing is their suspicion that neither the FBI nor the CIA has tried very hard to follow this trail. “Follow the money” is supposed to

be the first law of any investigation, but it seems to have been honored more in the breach by government investigators. Or were they blocked from pursuing potential leads and, if so, by whom? Speaking on the Sunday political talk shows, senators from both parties pointed directly at the Bush White House. That seems justified in light of FBI and Justice Department statements to reporters that “disclosing even a possible Saudi link to the terrorists would further damage U.S.-Saudi relations.”

The CIA had two of the hijackers, Khalid al-Midhar and Nawaq al-Hazmi, on a list of persons barred from entering the U.S. This list was circulated months after January 2001 when they flew in from an al-Qaeda meeting in Kuala Lumpur and settled down in San Diego. Newsweek’s Michael Isikoff, who knows the importance of the money trail, has reported that they were met at the San Diego airport by a Saudi national, Omar al-Bayoumi, who got them a place to live and paid two months rent in advance. He also got a Yemeni student to help them open bank accounts, get social security cards and contact flight schools to help arrange their flying lessons. Newsweek reported that the FBI questioned al-Bayoumi and charged him with visa fraud, but he fled to the U.K. before he was arrested. He is presumed to be in Saudi Arabia now.

Newsweek says that Al-Bayoumi was the recipient of “charity” from Princess Haifa al-Faisal, the wife of the Saudi ambassador to the U.S., Prince Bandar bin Sultan. It says Al-Bayoumi’s wife got about \$2000 a month from Princess Haifa, routed through the wife of Osama Bassnan, who also befriended al-Midhar and al-Hazmi. Congressional investigators have charged that the FBI and CIA didn’t pursue this money trail with much zeal, an allegation that both agencies bitterly dispute. Saudi officials denounced the reports as “untrue and irresponsible.”

Agence France-Presse reports that another Saudi suspected of links to a Michigan al-Qaeda terrorist cell lived in a Washington apartment owned by Princess Haifa in 1997. That suspect, Mansour Majid, was also in Sarasota, Florida, while several 9/11 hijackers were taking flight lessons there. These revelations have increased suspicions of the Saudis and the quality and integrity of the FBI’s investigation of 9/11.



Baxter Black's

newest hardback collection of cowboy poetry

HORSESHOES, COWSOCKS & DUCKFEET

Baxter is back in the saddle with a hilarious new roundup of essays, commentaries and campfire verse that speaks to the cowboy soul in us all. Drawn in part from his wildly popular NPR commentaries & syndicated columns, *Horseshoes, Cowsocks & Duckfeet* offers a generous helping of his tender yet irreverent, sage-as-sagebrush takes on everything from ranching, roping and rodeos to weddings and romance, the love of a good dog, dancing, parenting, cooking up trouble and the weather.

Only \$23.95 each plus \$3.00 for postage.

Name

Address

City State Zip

Send check or money order to:
Coyote Cowboy Company, Dept. OWYHEE P.O. Box 2190, Benson AZ 85602

www.baxterblack.com

265 p. hardback
illustrated
Crown Publishing

Public notices

OWYHEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES FOR MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2002 ANNEX BUILDING, MURPHY, IDAHO 9:30 AM

Present for the meeting were Commissioner Hal Tolmie, Commissioner Dick Reynolds, Commissioner Chris Salove, Clerk Cynthia Eaton, Clerk Elect Charlotte Sherburn, Sheriff Gary Aman, Treasurer Barbara Wright, Assessor Ernie Bahem, Assessor Elect Brett Endicott, Fred Grant, Kay Kelly-Breach, Jim Desmond, Kent Kohring, Ron Race, Pat Engel, and Chris Collett.

The Board added to the agenda the following items: approval for expenditure of \$1850 from Treasurer’s Budget for the purchase of a printer/copier; Private Road name for Dolly Hyer on Hyer Lane; Larry McDaniel clarification for payment of Falcon Butte agreement; letter from Kyle Kawamoto concerning personal property; review and sign letter to Dave Krosting and Jenna Whitlock; sign liquor licenses; and, review of replacement of Juvenile Probation Officer.

The Board nominated Hal Tolmie

as a member from Owyhee County for the Southwest Advisory Group to the DEQ as requested through the Idaho Association of Counties.

The Board approved for the Treasure to expend \$1850 from her budget for a new printer/copier.

The Board discussed a proposal for a land lease with Kent Kohring. The Board will consult with Holliday Engineering and the County Advisor on the proposal.

The Board reviewed and approved the private lane names for Beverly Edwards as Hilltop Lane and a private lane name for George and Dolly Hyer as Hyer Lane.

The Board signed a letter in support of the grants for both the Bruneau and Grand View. The Board approved Sage Community Resources proposal fro planning and administrative services for the grants. The Board approved Pat Engel as the Planning Specialist.

The Board reviewed a letter from Rimrock School requesting road maintenance. The Board assigned Commissioner Reynolds to review the request and assign maintenance according to his findings.

The Board reviewed and authorized payment of the County Bills as presented.

The Board went into Executive Session with the Building Inspector. The Board moved out of Executive Session and directed the Clerk to

seal specified documents and store them in a locked place. The Board further directed that the documents can only be opened upon the direction of the Board.

Fred Grant will provide the Board with written documentation for the agreement between the County and Falcon Butte Farms concerning the road over which the gray water is being hauled. The Board authorized payment of the materials for dust prevention with the amount received from Falcon Butte Farms to be returned to the budget line from which the original amount was paid.

The Board reviewed a letter from Kyle Kawamoto concerning personal property he alleges was not returned to him. The matter was referred to Sheriff Aman.

The Board reviewed and signed a letter to Dave Krosting and Jenna Whitlock discussing the process calling for review with permittees prior to any larger meetings involving other groups. The letter also points out the consistency of prior review with permittees with the Owyhee County Plan. The Board also ratified a letter to State Director K. Lynn Bennett requesting consideration of Howard Hedrick for appointment as the Lower Snake River District Manager.

The Board authorized Jim Desmond to respond to the EPA Water Temperature Standards; and, to address the Slickspot Peppergrass Modifications.

Indigent and Charity Case 02-29 Board denied, 02-42 new case Board authorized lien, 02-33 January 27, 2003 Hearing, 02-16 Board released lien. Case 02-29 Hearing was continued.

Board signed Liquor Licenses Renewals.

The Board authorized replacement of the Juvenile Probation Officer. Frank Hendry will be filling this position as requested by Doris Jewett.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

Signed this 25th day of November 2002.

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT NO. 57-11620

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

57-11620

DEBORAH S EDWARDS
PO BOX 91
MURPHY ID 83650
JOHN D EDWARDS
PO BOX 91
MURPHY ID 83650

Point(s) of Diversion
NWSW S15 T03S
R01W OWYHEE County
Source
UNNAMED STREAM
Tributary To SINKS
Point(s) of Diversion
NESW S15 T03S
R01W OWYHEE County
Source
UNNAMED STREAM
Tributary To SINKS
Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 To 11/150.24 CFS
Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 To 12/12/310.05 CFS
Use: STOCKWATER STORAGE 01/01 To 12/3110 AFA
Use: RECREATION STORAGE 01/01 To 12/31 10 AFA
Use: AESTHETIC STORAGE 01/01 To 12/3110 AFA
Total Diversion: 0.24 CFS
Date Filed: 10/22/2002
Place Of Use: STOCKWATER
T03S R01W S15 NESW SESW

SWSE
Place Of Use: STOCK WATER STORAGE
T03S R01W S15 NESW
Place Of Use: IRRIGATION
T03S R01W S15 NESW SESW
SWSE
Number of Acres 12
Place Of Use: RECREATION STORAGE
T03S R01W S15 NESW
Place Of Use: AESTHETIC STORAGE
T03S R01W S15 NESW

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 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 12/23/02

The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J DREHER, Director

12/4,11/02

Application for Permit No. 57-11622

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

57-11622

DEBORAH S EDWARDS
PO BOX 91
MURPHY ID 83650
JOHN D EDWARDS
PO BOX 91
MURPHY ID 83650
Point(s) of Diversion
SENE S21 T03S
R01W OWYHEE County
Source SINKER CREEK
Tributary To SNAKE RIVER
Use: IRRIGATION
03/01 To 11/15 1.2 CFS
Total Diversion: 1 . 2 CFS
Date Filed: 1 0 / 22/2002

Place Of Use: IRRIGATION
T03S R01W S14
NWSW SWSW
T03S R01W S15
SESW NESE NWSE SWSE SESE
T03S R01W S22
NENE NWNE SWNE SENE
NENW NWNW SENW
T03S R01W S23
NWNW SWNW
Number of Acres 304

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 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 12/23/2002. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J DREHER, Director

12/4,11/02

NOTICE OF EQUALIZATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the Board of Directors of the Gem Irrigation District will meet at their office at 1:15 p.m. on Monday, December 9, 2002 to sit as a Board of Equalization for the purpose of reviewing and correcting its assessments and apportionment of

taxes for defraying the expenses of the District for the year 2003. Any complaint concerning the assessments or any changes desired must be entered with the secretary of the District before the above date to receive proper consideration from the Board.

The 2003 assessment may be seen at the Gem Irrigation District office in Homedale, Idaho.

Connie Chadez, Secretary

12,04,02

LEGAL NOTICE

Be advised, according to the Idaho law, Title 55, Chapter 23, Marsing Storage, Inc. will sell or dispose of stored contents in unit #'s 13 & 17 on December 16, 2002. Goods to be disposed of are listed by unit number, tenants name and last known address

John Morris Unit No 17
HC 79 Box 1125
Melba, Idaho 83641
Terry Newman Unit No 13
PO box 86
Marsing, Id 83639

Disposal or sale of goods stored may be canceled without further notice

12/4/02

NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE Case No. CV 96-01314

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

HARRY SHOWALTER, deceased, by ANITA SHOWALTER, Personal Representative, and ANITA SHOWALTER, Plaintiffs, vs.

SYLVIA OLIVAS, a single person; MATHEW OLIVAS and TRINE OLIVAS, husband and wife; AND any and all other persons unknown, claiming any right, title, lien or interest in the real property, personal property and/or water rights described in the complaint adverse to Plaintiffs’ right, title or interest thereto, Defendants.

By virtue of an execution issued out of this Court in this action, wherein the plaintiffs obtained Judgment against the Defendants which, together with accrued interest, totalled \$483,449.43, I have levied upon the following described property located in Owyhee County, State of Idaho, to-wit:

That property described in Exhibits A and B appended hereto.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on the 12th day of December, 2002, at the hour of 2 o’clock p.m., I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, lawful money of the United States of America, said property to satisfy said Judgment, together with all the costs that have accrued. Said sale will be held at the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho.

The real property to be sold pursuant to this notice is subject to redemption by the judgment debtor(s) or other redemptioners within six months after the sale as provided in Idaho Code 11-401 to 11-407.

EXHIBIT “A”

A parcel of land within the West Half of the Northwest Quarter (W 1/4 NW 1/4) of Section 24, Township 16 South, Range 9 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, and more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at a brass-cap marking the Northwest corner of Section 24, Township 16 South,

Boys' basketball 2002-03 season

Homedale

12/05/02	Middleton	H	4:45
12/06/02	Weiser	A	4:45
12/13/02	Payette	H	4:45
12/19/02	Parma	A	4:45
12/21/02	New Plymouth	H	4:45
01/04/03	Weiser	H	4:45
01/07/03	Melba	H	4:45
01/10/03	Nampa Christian	A	4:45
01/16/03	Middleton	A	4:45
01/18/03	McCall-Donnelly	H	4:45
01/21/03	Marsing	A	4:45
01/24/03	Parma	H	4:45
01/25/03	Payette	A	4:45
01/30/03	New Plymouth	A	4:45
02/01/03	Melba	A	4:45
02/04/03	Nampa Christian	H	4:45
02/12/03	McCall-Donnelly	A	4:45
02/14/03	Marsing	H	4:45

Marsing

12/04/02	Rimrock	A	6:00
12/09/02	Wilder	H	6:00
12/19/02	Melba	H	4:45
12/21/02	Parma	A	4:45
01/07/03	Wilder	A	6:00
01/10/03	New Plymouth	A	4:45
01/13/03	Rimrock	H	6:00
01/16/03	McCall-Donnelly	A	4:45
01/18/03	Nampa Christian	A	4:45
01/21/03	Homedale	A	4:45
01/24/03	Melba	H	4:45
01/28/03	Council	H	6:00
01/30/03	Parma	H	4:45
02/01/03	Council	A	6:00
02/04/03	New Plymouth	H	4:45
02/07/03	McCall-Donnelly	H	4:45
02/12/03	Nampa Christian	H	4:45
02/14/03	Homedale	A	4:45

Melba

12/06/02	Payette	A	4:45
12/07/02	Fruitland	A	4:45
12/10/02	Middleton	A	4:45
12/13/02	Fruitland	H	4:45
12/19/02	Marsing	A	4:45
12/27/02	Kimberly	A	7:00
12/28/02	Wendell	A	1:00
01/03/03	Middleton	H	4:45
01/07/03	Homedale	A	4:45
01/10/03	Parma	H	4:45

01/16/03	Nampa Christian	A	4:45
01/18/03	New Plymouth	H	4:45
01/21/03	McCall-Donnelly	A	4:45
01/24/03	Marsing	H	4:45
01/30/03	Payette	H	4:45
02/01/03	Homedale	H	4:45
02/04/03	Parma	A	4:45
02/07/03	Nampa Christian	H	4:45
02/12/03	New Plymouth	A	4:45
02/14/03	McCall-Donnelly	H	4:45

Rimrock

12/04/02	Marsing	H	6:00
12/10/02	Gem State Academy	H	8:00
12/14/02	Horseshoe Bend	A	12:30
12/20/02	Glenns Ferry	A	6:00
01/07/03	Greenleaf Friends	H	8:00
01/09/03	Notus	A	6:00
01/11/03	Idaho City	H	6:00
01/13/03	Marsing	A	6:00
01/14/03	Horseshoe Bend	H	8:00
01/17/03	Wilder	A	6:00
01/23/03	Cole Valley Christian	H	6:00
01/27/03	Glenns Ferry	H	6:00
01/28/03	Gem State Academy	A	6:00
01/31/03	Notus	H	6:00
02/01/03	Greenleaf Friends	A	5:30
02/04/03	Idaho City	A	6:00
02/11/03	Wilder	H	6:00
02/14/03	Cole Valley	A	6:00

Wilder

12/03/02	Council	H	6:00
12/06/02	Council	A	6:00
12/09/02	Marsing	A	6:00
12/12/02	Horseshoe Bend	A	6:00
12/19/02	Adrian, Or.	H	6:00
12/20/02	Greenleaf Friends	A	6:00
01/07/02	Marsing	H	6:00
01/09/02	Gem State Academy	H	6:00
01/11/02	Notus	H	6:00
01/14/02	Idaho City	A	6:00
01/17/02	Rimrock	H	6:00
01/23/02	Mountain Cove	A	6:00
01/25/02	Cole Valley Christian	A	6:00
01/28/02	Greenleaf	H	6:00
01/30/02	Gem State Academy	A	6:00
02/04/02	Notus	A	6:00
02/07/02	Idaho City	H	6:00
02/11/02	Rimrock	A	6:00
02/14/02	Horseshoe Bend	H	6:00
12/18/02	Cole Valley Christian	H	6:00

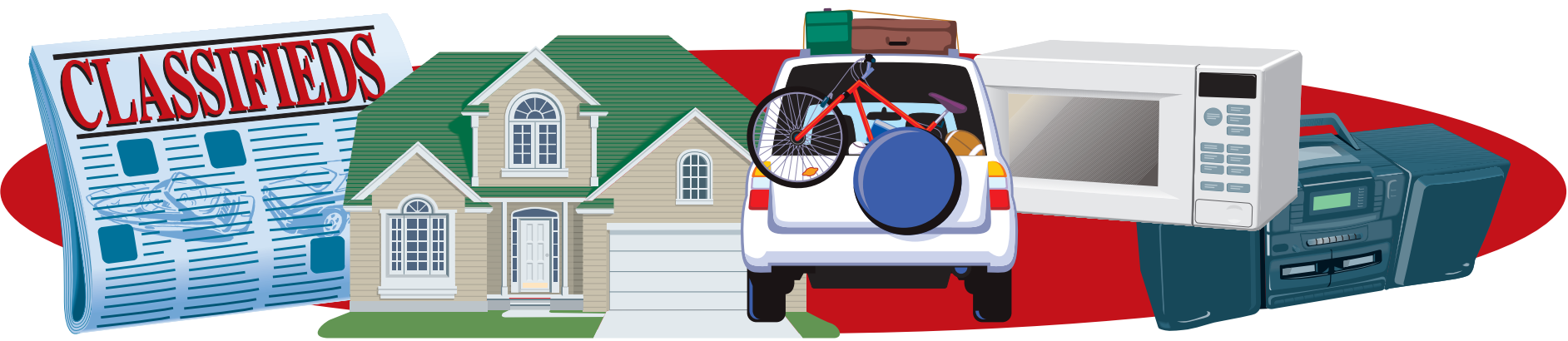
New flag

A brand new flag flies
above the Marsing
Community Center.



THE BUSINESS DIRECTORY

CERTIFIED LOCKSMITH  HARVEY'S AUTO PARTS LOCKSMITH & TOWING KEYS MADE • LOCKS REPAIRED EMERGENCY OPENINGS 211 MAIN ST. MARSING, ID • 896-4643	ELECTRICIAN H&H ELECTRIC Serving Owyhee County for 25 years Jeff Haylett 337-4881	SIGNS & BANNERS Allied Sign <small>INCORPORATED</small> Banners, Windows & Vinyl Located in and Serving all of <u>Owyhee County.</u> Also serving Canyon & Malheur Counties 337-6215 UPS SHIPPING	SAND & GRAVEL  Owyhee Sand, Gravel & Concrete 337-5057 • 337-4597 208-573-2341 • 208-573-2343 HOMEDALE, IDAHO ALL TYPES OF ROCK & DIRT STATE CERTIFIED DRAIN ROCK FREE ESTIMATES ON ROADS & DRIVEWAYS <i>Chuck, Ray & Bill Maxwell</i>	CARPENTRY Harris Carpentry General Carpentry Addition - Remodel Decks - Repairs Shop - Storage Marsing, Idaho 896-4632
HEALTH CARE  THE CLINIC AT WILDER RENEE KINDLER, FNP 215 3rd St., Wilder Ph - 482-7430 After Hrs - 208-327-8016	SIDING CONTRACTORS MGM Siding Contractors <i>William T. Bruce</i> 1024 W. Finch Dr. Nampa • 465-0214 • Fax 465-9831 Vinyl, Steel & Aluminum Siding Vinyl Windows  Craftsmanship You can Trust	AUTO REPAIR River Country SALES AND REPAIRS TRUCKS, CARS & 4X4'S DIAGNOSTICS • FUEL INJECTION • COLLECTOR CARS COUNTRY PRICES • NO CREDIT OK • BUY HERE, PAY HERE 932 MAIN • P.O. BOX 338 • MARSING, IDAHO 208-896-4530	AUTO SALES HOMEDALE CHIROPRACTIC CENTER  J. Edward Perkins, Jr. D.C. 111 S. Main 337-4900	
ADVERTISING YOUR AD HERE! \$10.00 PER WEEK OWYHEE AVALANCHE 337-4681	ADVERTISING YOUR AD HERE! \$10.00 PER WEEK OWYHEE AVALANCHE 337-4681	BED LINERS <i>Quality work from start to finish</i> Auto Body by Alan <i>Auto Glass • Frame & Unibody Repair • Collision Repair • Custom Paint • All Work Guaranteed</i> Alan Bahem Rt. 1, Graveyard Pt. Rd. Homedale, ID 83628 (208) 337-4837 Mobile 250-4837	AUTO BODY  BOWEN & PARKER <small>C.P.A.'s</small> <small>CHARTERED</small> Mikeal D. Parker, CPA • 4 West Owyhee • P.O. Box 905 • Homedale, ID 83628 337-3271 Ron V. Bowen, CPA • 624 16th Ave S. • P.O. Box 41 • Nampa, ID 83653 467-6900	
HOME CARE <i>A Special Touch</i> Home Care, Inc. <i>In <u>YOUR</u> Home Care</i> Licensed Staff • Medicare Medicaid • Private Pay 216 W. Idaho PO Box 933 Homedale, ID 83628 (208) 337-5343	SPORTING CLAYS  IDAHO SPORTING CLAYS 337-4826 3 Miles south on Hwy. 95 from Homedale, turn West on Graveyard Point rd., go 4 miles and turn South on Sage. Go over the first hill and we're on the left. GIFT CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE	HEALTH SERVICES Homedale Clinic Terry Reilly Health Services Richard Ernest, CRNP Family Nurse Practitioner Kate Ryan, M.D. 108 E. Idaho, Box 1058 Homedale, Idaho 83628 337-3189, Night 466-7869 Additional hours Tuesday evenings	HEALTH SERVICES Marsing Clinic Terry Reilly Health Services Faith Young Peterson, CRNP Family Nurse Practitioner Penny Beach, M.D. 201 Main Street, Marsing, Id. 83639 896-4159, Night 466-7869 Additional hours Thursday evenings	CHIROPRACTIC MARSING CHIROPRACTIC  Joe Saccomani, D.C. <i>"First of, Be it, never it alone!"</i> Adjustments From \$20 Special Attention to Injuries Tele: 208-896-5520



REAL ESTATE

MOBILE HOME in nice park. \$2000 down OAC. 401 S. Main, Sp 10. Homedale 337-5804 or 884-1700.

Live on Remote Ranch For Rent, Modest 2-bedroom, 1-bath dwelling dating from the 1940's, water from old well, includes 8-stall horse barn, corral and some

pasture, near Homedale, Id. in extremely private valley surrounded by US Government land, 1 1/2 miles all season stream, nearest ranch a couple miles away, however, you won't see anybody driving by because ranch is at the end of the road. If you are reliable, have references and a job, contact RJ at twilorific@charter.net; available about 12/15/02.

FOR RENT

At Pioneer Mobile Home Park, large lot in country park 2 miles from Homedale. Home must be 1990 or newer. Trash/water/septic tank paid. \$165/mo +\$165/ deposit. Space also has a dog kennel. 208-337-4589.

3 bdrm 1 bath \$550/mo. NO SMOKING, NO PETS, cal 337-3030.

5th Wheel \$250/mo. plus \$300 deposit call 337-3030.

2 bedroom, 1 bath, private, country, lawn care provided \$450/ mo. + deposit. Call George 896-5312.

Mfg. Home 3 bedroom, 1 bath, garage, own lot \$475/month + \$300 deposit. Call 585-6059.

Marsing 1 1/2 bedroom, 1 bath, single car garage detached \$475/ month + \$250 deposit. Call 896-5067.

3 bedroom, 1 bath, garage, 2 living rooms, fenced yard. \$500 + deposit. 604 W. California, Homedale. Call 482-6940.

10 x 10 and 5 x 10 storage units available, also RV and Boats storage. Marsing Storage, Inc. 343-9855 or 867-2466.

FOR SALE

USED TRACTOR PARTS 100's of salvaged farm tractors and combines. Nampa Tractor Salvage, 9055 Hwy 20, Nampa, ID 83687. (208) 467-4430.

ROLL ENDS: Great for packing material, building fires, lining bird cages or for your kids to doodle on. The Owyhee Avalanche, Homedale.

BED-QUEEN PILLOW-TOP MATTRESS SET, brand new, still in plastic. List \$700, sacrifice \$165. Queen orthopedic set, brand new. Value \$550, sacrifice \$135. 208-866-7476.

Apples and Apple Cider. Call Robison Fruit Ranch, Sunny Slope 459-7987.

KING-SIZED PILLOW top mattress set. New, in bag, with warranty. Value \$850, sacrifice \$235. 208-866-7476.

Pellet Stove/Miller Welder. Call 337-6284.

Christmas Opening Sale "Jane's Gifts" 27211 Peckman Rd. Wilder 482-6735. Mon – Sat 1 pm. to 4 pm. or by appointment.

Hot Tub Must sell, 8 man hot tub was \$6000 now \$3000. 2 years old, barely used. Call 896-5067.

92 Super-K Case Back Hoe 4x4 ex. hoe, 2 buckets, 3' x 2' \$18,500. Call 941-9502 cell or 337-4262 home.

1979 14' x 70' 3 bdrm. 1 1/2 bath, remodelled on rented lot \$8,000 call 337-5400.

For sale 3 yr. old manufactured home 52' x 26' 3 bedroom, 2 bath, air conditioning, appliances, must be moved, hadicap accessable \$35,000. Call 466-1888 Leave message.

FREE 3 adorable kittens to a good home only. call 337-6287.

Holiday Bazaar formerly Annual Country Bazaar on Hoskins Rd. has moved to 3121 Fircrest Ave. Caldwell. It will be held December 6 adn 7 from 10 to 6. There will be florals, painted items, wood craft, gourds and other goodies. For info call 337-3363.

HELP WANTED

Extra Income \$250-\$500 a week helping the U.S. Government, file, HUD, FHA, mortgage refunds, no experience necessary, will train to work at home call TPI Research 1800-589-8891.

REAL ESTATE
928 MAIN ST. • MARSING
www.deserthighrealestate.com

Betty Stappler 941-1020
Soila Contreras 896-5136 Se Habla Español
Lori Rasmussen 337-4593 • 861-9192
Dawn Whitney 337-4817 • 989-1870
Jack Prater 724-3009

(208) 896-4624

ATTENTION SMART INVESTORS! This 1 Br home on a nice lot will bring you \$325/mo for only \$35,000. Not a bad deal!!	RETAIL SPACE 2500 sq ft building in Homedale's downtown. It has been used as a retail store, could be office space. Priced right at \$45,000
WILDER VALUE PROPERTY If mature trees and a kid friendly yard are what you are looking for, here it is. This 3 Br. home is priced at \$63,000	JUST REDUCED! Scratched & Bruised but very fixable. 3 bdrm. home in Marsing \$52,500
CUTE, COZY & COMFORTABLE This 2 or 3 bedroom, 1 or 2 bath home is within walking distance of Homedale's business district. It could be a great rental or a project for a person with a vision. Priced to sell @ 49,500	WRAP UP THE HOLIDAYS In immaculate home on 3 irrigated acres. Garage & fully fenced. \$115,000
VIEW VIEW VIEW Spectacular view of the Owyhees from this secluded 18 acre lot outside of Wilder. Just listed at \$72,000	OREANA ACREAGE Large home with shop on 2 acres. \$70,000 Owner Will Carry.
OWNER WILL CARRY	SECLUSION PLUS VIEWS Impeccable 3 bdrm. home with garage & shop on 2 acres. \$144,500

Completely new inside, mobile home on 1/2 acre with stupendus views. \$45,500

Licensed in Idaho and Oregon

ASPEN
GEORGE WILSON
JOE SACCOMAN • JOHN CONTI

896-5312 • 890-4770 • 880-7829
View Properties At: www.idaholand4u.com

RESIDENTIAL WITH 12 RENTAL UNITS

-Room for Expansion up to 30 units- 6 year old 3BR/2BA Home, 20X20 shop & 2 car garage. 333' frontage on HWY 78. Great Retirement Property. \$170,000

REBUILT STARTER HOME

3 bed, 1 bath. Fenced yard, new paint, carpet. Near Town. \$84,000

SUPER VIEW

2400 plus sq. ft. 4 bed, 2 bath. Large great room, sun room. View of Snake River. Hilltop. Upgraded electrical. 10' ceilings. \$264,000

HORSE LOVERS HEAVEN

3 bdrm., 2 bath, oversized kitchen, skylight, vaults, pantry, 1404 sq. ft. home 140'X80' arena, 58'X30' steel barn, steel corrals, 4 bay, 48X20 metal shop & garage . All on 5.63 Acres. \$164,900

UPGRADED SUBDIVISION: LARGE ACREAGES!

2.2 Acres underground utilities, paved road, great view of the valley. Partly fenced **\$28,500**
6.3 Acres located just outside Marsing overlooking the whole valley, underground utilities and paved road. **\$51,900**
2.16 Acres Fenced. Irrigation. With utilities **\$26,500**

5 YEAR NEW HOME ON 5 ACRE VIEW PROPERTY

With great view of Owyhee Mountains & river. Fenced for stock. Pasture, Shop, 2 car garage. Many Extras **Melba \$164,900**

OWNER CARRY - 6 ACRE BUILDING SITE

Live water, trees, fenced, pressurized irrigation. **\$59,000 - \$5K Down**

4 BEDROOM 2.9 ACRES

28X36 Shop • 220 Volts • Fenced Pasture • Auto Sprinklers
Beautiful Open Floor Plan 1890 sq. ft. \$169,500

HOMEDALE GARDEN APARTMENTS

FOR SENIOR CITIZENS and/or HANDICAPPED OR DISABLED PERSONS

RENT BASED ON INCOME
USDA/RURAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCED

GIVE US A CALL: (208)337-4715
409 SOUTH FIRST WEST
HOMEDALE, IDAHO 83628



SPACES FOR RENT

HOMEDALE'S NICEST MOBILE HOME PARK

- Spacious single or double wide spaces
- Convenient to shopping, schools & city services
- Clean, quiet family park
- On site manager
- Water/Sewer/Trash provided
- Cable T.V. Available
- Will accept older homes in good condition


(We also have mobile homes for sale ready to move into NOW with low down payment)

Sunset Village

Mobile Home Park
401 S. Main • Homedale, Idaho
See managers space #42
(208) 337-5804
or 884-1700

VEHICLES

Need **\$1000.**, 1990 GEO Storm, needs minor work. Call 337-3302.



1989 Ford delivery van.
V-8, auto. 14-foot box.
\$4,950.00
Owyhee Publishing,
Homedale. 337-4866

*Buy it, sell it,
trade it, rent it...
in the
Classifieds!*

Classified deadline

Monday noon the week of publication

Legal notice deadline

Friday noon the week prior to publication

The Owyhee Avalanche

337-4681



Snake River Mart

MARSING, IDAHO

HOURS: Mon. - Sat. 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. - Sunday 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Boneless Beef
Cross Rib Roast



\$1.79
lb.

Beef
T-Bone Steaks



\$3.99
lb.

Golden Ripe
Bananas



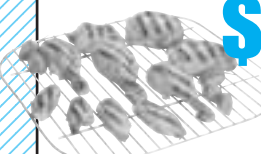
39¢
lb.

Small
Sunkist Oranges



10 for \$1

Gold-N-Plump
Whole Cut-Up Fryers



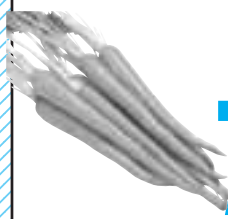
\$2.99
pkg.
56 oz.

Oscar Mayer
Meat Bologna or Cotto Salami



2 for \$3
16 oz. Package

2 lb. Bag Cello
Carrots



79¢
ea.

Green Bell Peppers



3 for \$1

Morrell Bone-In
Ham Steaks **\$2.99** lb.
10.67 oz. Better Buy
American Cheese **99¢**
16 oz. Precious
Ricotta Cheese **\$2.69**

16 oz. John Morrell
All Meat Franks **79¢**
3 lb. Foster Farms
Corn Dogs **\$5.99**
Hot Deli Special
Cooked Burritos **39¢** ea.

Head
Cauliflower **\$1.19** ea.
Head
Lettuce **59¢** ea.
Fresh Bunch
Broccoli **59¢** lb.

Bulk in the Shell
Mixed Nuts **\$1.49** lb.
Bulk in the Shell
Peanuts **\$1.69** lb.
Half Bushel
Apples **\$5.99**

Western Family
Coffee

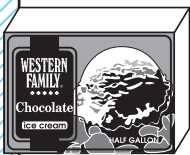


\$3.99

39 oz. Tin

20 ct. 33 Gal. Western Family
Trash Bags **\$2.99**

Western Family
Ice Cream



2 for \$3

Half Gallon

100 oz. All Ultra
Liquid Detergent **\$3.99**

Western Family
Chocolate Chips



\$1.09

12 oz. Package

32 oz. C&H
Brown or Powdered Sugar **99¢**

All Varieties
Coke Products



2 for \$7

12 Pack Cans

12.25 oz. Asst'd.
Lays Potato Chips **\$1.99**

Maruchan
Ramen Noodles

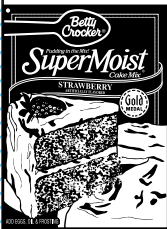


12 for \$1

3 oz. Asst'd.

40 oz. Western Family
Peanut Butter **\$2.99**

Betty Crocker
Cake Mixes



79¢

18.25 oz. Asst'd.

12 oz. Asst'd. Betty Crocker
RTS Frosting **2 for \$3**

Western Family
All Purpose Flour



\$1.99

10 lb. Bag

1 oz. Schillings Asst'd.
Decors or Gels **79¢**

Western Family
White or Wheat Bread



59¢

16 oz.

12 oz. Lysol
Spray Disinfectant **\$3.99**

ONE COUPON PER VISIT - PER ITEM ONLY. THANK YOU!!

5001 **COUPON**
Western Family
Soft Margarine
2 for \$1
16 oz. Tub
Limit 2 Expires 12/10/02

5002 **COUPON**
C&H
Powdered or Brown Sugar
89¢
32 oz.
Limit 2 Expires 12/10/02

5003 **COUPON**
Betty Crocker
Cake Mixes
69¢
18.25 oz. Asst'd.
Limit 2 Expires 12/10/02

5004 **COUPON**
Western Family
Real Chocolate Chips
99¢
12 oz. Pkg.
Limit 2 Expires 12/10/02

WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO LIMIT QUANTITIES AND CORRECT PRINTED ERRORS • PRICES EFFECTIVE 12/04/02 thru 12/10/02