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Commissioners plan courthouse expansion

*Meetings moved from
commissioner's annex to
courthouse*

The Owyhee County Commissioners agreed last Monday to hire an architect to draw up plans to expand and remodel the county courthouse. The board also agreed Monday to begin holding commissioner's meetings in the courthouse instead of in the annex as they have in the past.

Commissioner Chairman Hal Tolmie said the expansion is in the very early stages, but the commissioners hope to add room for an employee break room and a better storage facility for the county's records.

Tolmie said Monday that the elected officials for the county would be meeting in the future to submit what they need or would like to have happen with an expansion. He said the courthouse does not have a place employees can go for lunch breaks. He said employees usually sit at their desks during lunch.

"Some of our officeS, particularly the clerk's office, have outgrown their room," Commissioner Chris Salove said. "There is no way for them to get away from their desk. They usually eat at their desk. We also need a meeting room for hearings. We do not have any place big enough for large hearings."

Salove said the Owyhee County
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4-H project

Bruce Rueck demonstrates to 11 year old Jessica Eubanks, the proper way to hold a rope during a Working Horse Project get-together last weekend. Eubanks will join nearly 50 additional 4-H students this weekend for the group's first meeting. See page 9.

DEQ plans water quality public meeting in Marsing

*Marsing and
Homedale plan future
sewage changes*

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is seeking public comment on a draft assessment of water quality in the Mid-Snake River/Succor Creek Watershed.

The TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) has been finished by DEQ and shows several concerns that may force the two cities to make expensive changes in the future.

Last week, Leslie Freeman, Water Quality Science Office for DEQ and Chas Ariss, Regional Engineering Manager for DEQ met with Marsing Mayor Faye Pfrimmer, City Maintenance Supervisor Jesse Hance, City Engineer and Project Manager for Entranco Amy Woodruff and City Consultant John Larsen to go over the TMDL and what may be in store for the City of Marsing.

"Right now we are in compliance," Mayor Pfrimmer said. "But if we make any expansions to our sewer system or lagoons in the future, we will have to find some other place to dump our sewage."

Freeman told the group that currently Marsing is discharging approximately
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Joyce Livestock water rights trial concludes

Joyce Livestock managing stockholder Paul Nettleton concluded his testimony in the final day of the Joyce Livestock water trial December 9th and now awaits decision as the United States attempts to take control of private western livestock water rights again.

An Idaho Snake River Basin Adjudication trial began in Boise on December 3rd due to the United States claiming in-stream stock water rights which have been used by Owyhee County ranchers for over 100 years.

The case was tried before Special

Master Terry Dolan and involves water rights claimed by Joyce Livestock whose predecessors in the ranching business have made use of the water for their livestock operations since about 1865.

During the course of the case, Nettleton attempted to prove that the government has no right to claim water because it has never made beneficial use of the water for livestock. The case began after Nettleton filed an objection to the government's claim for the water.

The government contends that it has a valid claim to the water because it

owns the surface land on which Joyce Livestock grazes.

On Dec. 5 the trial continued competing claims to in-stream stock water rights in Jordan Creek. The government opened by stating that it claims the water because the rancher can only graze his allotment because the government allows such grazing through the permit system. They continued to claim that the rancher could not get to the water without the permit to graze the land, therefore the water which is part of the government's land is available to the rancher only

through the permit. They also claimed the appropriation and beneficial use of the water made by the government is to allow the rancher's livestock to drink from the creek. The government offered testimony from three witnesses, one of which stated that the BLM considers the water critical to the management of the resource. He claimed that the BLM does not want to be hampered in its management of the water as "permittees come and permittees go."

Joyce challenged that the
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Callers find new phone system troublesome

People can very seldom call a business these days and hope to reach a human voice on the other end of the line. More often than not, a caller will get an automated answering machine directing them to press one for this department or two for that department. Recently Homedale City Hall joined the ranks of the “improved” phone procedure with their own automated telephone answering system.

But City Clerk Pam Dugger said last week that she would like to explain the system to help residents get through the transition of the change in a human voice and the voice of an automated machine. She said in the future, the system would be easy to adapt to.

“You have reached Homedale City Hall. If you have an emergency and need to speak with a police officer press one now,” is now the recording that greets people when they call their local government. The Spanish-speaking public also has an option to hear the message in their language by “oprima el quatro ahora.”

“Our main concern is calls coming in to the police department,” Dugger said Tuesday. “It has been a major concern in the community and we would like to clear it up.”

Dugger said if a person calls city hall at 337-4641 they will be greeted with the recording. She said after the caller presses one, they will be sent to the police department where an officer will answer the phone if they are in the office. If an officer is not in the office, after four rings the call will be forwarded to a cell phone which is in the possession of the on duty officer. If the on-duty officer were out of his vehicle or in the middle of an arrest or emergency situation, a message would then greet the caller telling them, “if this is an emergency, hang up now and dial 337-4222.”

Dugger said the ideal situation would be if residents could dial 911, but those capabilities are not yet

available in Owyhee County. She said the message on the system is capable of being changed when, or if, the 911 system is available in the county.

“Since we can’t do that yet we will have to leave the seven digit number for the county,” Dugger stated.

*EDITOR’S NOTE:
Although Dugger stated Owyhee County does not have 911 capabilities, the county in fact does have the ability to receive 911 calls. Residents in Homedale who dial 911 will be transferred to the county’s seven-digit number, 337-4222, which dials into the county dispatch center.*

“Even though we had the capability to transfer to the on duty officer, that wasn’t always happening,” Dugger continued. “This eliminates that. If they do not pickup in the police department office, it will transfer to the officer on call.”

“Our phone system was 25 years old. We had considered for many years upgrading and now is the time to do it. Our goal in updating the system was to better serve the residents of Homedale. We didn’t have voice mail capabilities. We didn’t have transfer capabilities. We really were not doing our best to serve the people of Homedale. Voice mail, call forwarding all of those things necessary are included in this system.”

Dugger said for all other calls the menu greeting would begin by pressing one for Homedale Police Department, two for Homedale City Hall and three for Owyhee County Magistrate Court.

After hours calls for public service will be transferred to a cell phone carried by an employee by pressing six.

“We apologize for any problems or irritations folks may have had in the past with the system and we hope this information will help make calling City Hall a little easier,” Dugger concluded. –CPB



Automated phones

Homedale Clerk Lily Calderon assists a caller last week at city hall. A new updated phone system will now greet callers to the local government. The system has caused some confusion.

David and Celia Tindall to celebrate 25 years

The family of David and Celia Tindall of Bruneau, have planned a 25th wedding anniversary party which will be held on Jan. 25 at the Bruneau Legion Hall.

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Former deputy pleads guilty to sex charge

To the surprise of prosecutors, former Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy, DARE Officer and Marsing School Resource Officer Troy Tarter pleaded guilty to charges of sexual battery during a pre-trial hearing last week.

Tarter, 30, was originally charged with two counts of sexual battery of a child ages 16 or 17. He was accused of having sexual intercourse with one teenage girl and sexual contact with another but pleaded guilty to a plea agreement, which he rejected in December.

The plea came as a pleasant surprise to Canyon County Chief Deputy Prosecutor John Christensen who was asked to prosecute the case due to conflict of interest.

"I came to court with the full intention of going to trial," Christensen said Friday. "We made a plea agreement in December and they said at that time he would not accept it. The plea came unexpectedly, but it is a good resolution."

Christensen said that Tarter would next undergo a

psychological evaluation and other tests the court will use to determine his sentencing, which is scheduled for March



Troy Tarter

14. The charge of sexual battery of a child carries a maximum sentence of life in prison.

"They will interview him, the victims, his family members, his background including his educational background and any criminal history he may have, which I don't think he has any," Christensen explained. "The

defense will make their argument and I have agreed to just leave it to the discretion of Judge Morfitt."

The alleged assaults occurred in August 2000 and October 2001. Tarter resigned his position in May 2002 after the allegations of sexual conduct were reported to Sheriff Gary Aman. Aman said Tarter chose to resign rather than being fired. Tarter pleaded not guilty to the

charges in Sept. last year during an arraignment hearing. An investigation immediately followed the allegations and suspended Tarter within one hour of the allegation.

"I will not tolerate an officer being involved in activities such as this," Aman said. "The allegations of criminal conduct do not involve actions which occurred while Tarter was on duty as the DARE officer of

the resource officer. My actions in the case have been consistent with the department's requirement that all employees sign an oath of office and a notice of the law enforcement "Code of Ethics."

I demand from our employees a higher standard of ethical conduct than that required of normal everyday professional employees." - CPB

Homedale man involved in fatal accident

A Homedale man reportedly fled the scene of a fatal car accident in Caldwell last week and could now face charges after officers complete their investigation.

Bryan Badiola, 21 was traveling north on Blaine in Caldwell early Sunday when a vehicle driven by 34 year old Michelle L. Norman of Caldwell, failed to yield to a stop light and was struck by Badiola.

Police said Badiola fled the scene and was later found in his home. Twenty one year old

Katie L. Campbell of Nampa was also in the vehicle with Badiola at the time of the accident. Neither of them were injured.

Norman was flown to Saint Alphonsus by a emergency helicopter, but was pronounced dead upon arrival. Investigators from Idaho State Police say alcohol appears to have been a factor in the accident. They said no arrests have been made pending a reconstruction of the accident. A spokesman from the ISP said charges were pending against

Badiola.

The spokesman said it was unknown if anyone was wearing a seat belt and speed did not seem to have contributed to the Caldwell woman's death.

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✓ Joyce ...

appropriation of stock water took place by Joyce's predecessors over 100 years ago by those ranchers who first grazed Jordan Creek. The reasoning is that appropriation passed down the beneficial use of the water for livestock watering purposes through the ages as the ranches changed hands. They also contend that the government has no valid claim to the water because the only beneficial use from appropriation of the water has been made by ranchers who own livestock which drink from the creek and its tributaries.

During the final day of testimony, Dec. 6th, Special Master Dolan heard testimony from Nettleton as he defended the stock water right.

Dr. Chad Gibson, a private range management consultant, showed why it is critical that water rights be recognized as privately held. Gibson, after several objections from government counsel, was allowed to testify to the importance of the water to the rancher as well as the importance of that water from the time of first appropriation of the water.

Gibson testified that from the beginning of ranching by pioneers who started grazing the country, the "ranch unit" included the private property which was insufficient to support a herd, the water on that property, and the surrounding open range lands

for food for the stock and the water to sustain grazing cattle. He testified that when a ranch is sold, the price is based on the unit which included all the resources necessary to make the ranch run. Gibson offered that the "ranch unit" would be nearly worthless without the water to sustain the cattle. He said lenders necessary to finance a ranch operation look to the "full ranch unit" to see if the livestock operation can be successfully operated.

Dr. Gary Maidenford, water rights team leader for the BLM in Idaho, testified for the government stating that in order to implement the duties of managing the rangelands mandated to the BLM by Congress, the government must have the water rights. He said that management of the water is critical to improvement of the "public lands," and that the government had to hold the water right in order to adequately manage the water. Maidenford said "permittees come and permittees go."

"If permittees own the water right, it greatly inhibits the BLM from managing as Congress directs," Maidenford reportedly testified. He stated in his opinion, the government appropriates the stock water when it permits livestock of the rancher/permittee to enter Jordan Creek, or any water source on federal land. He testified that through the grazing permit process "we (the BLM) sell the grass" to the rancher and that the water is part of the process because it is needed to sustain the stock eating the grass.

Nettleton concluded his testimony on the final day. Final briefs will be due at a time to be set by the Special Master.

Nettleton's family began raising cattle on Joyce Ranch in the mid 1800s when Matthew Joyce raised cattle to feed miners in nearby Silver City. In 1865 he established the ranch near Murphy. Nettleton runs approximately 800 cattle on 11,000 deeded acres and public lands.

✓ Courthouse

Historical Society played a large part in the decision to expand. Tolmie said the society had recently inherited a large sum of money and were willing to help in the expansion. He also said some of the funds would come from the PILT (Payments in Lieu of Taxes) payments the county receives.

"We took some money out of the PILT money," Tolmie said. "We are taking some of the excess money from that and put it in a trust. Every year we do that we can take it out and put it in the building fund without increasing anybody's taxes."

"We want a meeting room, but there is no guarantee that it may be a room that we already have," Tolmie said. "We don't have storage for any of our records. Records were lost when we had a flood recently. We hope to solve that problem."

In August last year, a broken water main shut down the courthouse after water filled the basement of the facility with nearly three inches of water.

Nearly one hundred years of public and private documents for the courthouse are stored in the basement, known as the "dungeon," to employees. Nearly a pickup load of documents were destroyed by the water damage.

Salove said the one thing he could promise the people of the county, is the expansion would not cause an increase in taxes. —CPB

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✓ Sewer ...

3.5 mg/L of phosphorus into the Snake River. The current TMDL, which will be discussed during the public meeting, changes the level to .07 mg/L.

"The Middle Snake River/Succor Creek WAG felt that equal concentration was the most equitable allocation scenario because this method does not require any sources to discharge below the .07 mg/L target and it does not penalize those sources that have already implemented best management practice," Freeman said. "As part of implementation, the wastewater treatment facilities will be required to write a nutrient reduction plan."

DEQ has scheduled the following public meetings on the draft assessment:

Mon., Feb. 3, 7-9 p.m., DEQ State Office, Conference Room D, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise.

Tues., Feb. 4, 6:30-9 p.m., University of Idaho Owyhee County Cooperative Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W.,

Marsing.

DEQ will accept written comments on the draft assessment at the meetings.

Under the federal Clean Water Act, DEQ is required to analyze state waters to determine whether they meet state water quality standards and if additional pollution controls are needed. Based on a recent study of the physical, chemical and biological conditions of the Mid-Snake River/Succor Creek Watershed, DEQ is proposing to develop water quality management plans for the following waterbodies:

Snake River from Swan Falls Dam to the Oregon Line to control nutrients;

Sinker Creek to control sediment and temperature;

Castle and Jump Creeks to control sediment; and

Succor Creek to control sediment, temperature, and bacteria.

In addition, DEQ is proposing to remove the following waterbodies that are meeting water quality standards from the list of impaired waterbodies:

Snake River from C.J. Strike Dam to the Oregon Line for sediment pH and bacteria;

Birch, Brown, Corder, Hardtrigger, Rabbit and Reynolds Creeks for sediment;

Cottonwood Creek for temperature;

McBride, Pickett and Squaw Creeks for temperature and sediment; and

South Fork Castle Creek for bacteria.

Copies of the draft assessment are available for review until Fri., Feb. 28, at DEQ's Boise Regional Office; public libraries in Bruneau and Marsing; Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy; and in PDF format on DEQ's Web site.

Public comment on the proposed actions will be accepted through 5 p.m. Feb. 28. -CPB



Phosphorus levels

Chas Ariss, Regional Engineering Manager for DEQ explains phosphorous levels to Project Manager for Entranco Amy Woodruff and City Consultant John Larsen as Marsing Mayor Faye Pfrimmer looks on. The city will consider different options to remove sewer waste as DEQ has lowered allowable levels in the Snake River.



Barry Ziegler

Local man arrested for felony domestic battery

A Homedale man was arrested Jan. 14th and charged with felony domestic battery after a woman reported he had hit her in the face. As officers investigated the allegation, the victim was cited for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Barry Ziegler, 40 was arrested in his home on Sage Road near Homedale at approximately 1 a.m. that morning and transported to the county jail. The victim, Julie Barnes was then cited for possession.

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Obituaries

Cecilia Marie Gooding

Cecilia Marie Gooding, 92, of Wilder, died Wednesday, January 15, 2003 at a Homedale care center. Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:00 AM Monday, January 20, 2003 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Caldwell. Reverend Oscar Jaramillo did officiate. An interment followed in Canyon Hill Cemetery, Caldwell.



Cecilia was born March 7, 1910 at Mt. Angel, Oregon, a daughter of Frank and Josephine Walker Kirsch. She went to high school at St. Paul, Oregon and was an outstanding basketball player. She graduated in 1928. She married John R. Gooding on October 6, 1929 at San Francisco, California; they lived in California a couple years then moved back to St. Paul in 1933 where they farmed. In 1945 they moved near Wilder where they grew hops.

She was an active member of the Catholic Church and a very devoted wife and mother. She always enjoyed attending her children and grandchildren's athletic events.

She is survived by three sons, Fred and Frances Gooding of Wilder; Tom and Charlotte Gooding of Meridian; and Ted and Sally Gooding of Golden, Colo.; numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, one great great grandchild, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Shirley in 1960 and her husband in 1977.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to the Alzheimer's Association,
c/o Frances Gooding, 20441 Fargo RD, Wilder, ID 83676

Guy Wendell Leslie

Guy Wendell Leslie, 95, of Firth died peacefully January 11, 2003 at Bingham Memorial Hospital in Blackfoot after a brief illness. He was surrounded by loving family members.

Guy was born October 6, 1907 in Pickens, South Carolina. Fathers name John Thomas Leslie; mothers name Annie Lou Ida Hudson. He married LaRue Palmer on June 30, 1933, in the Mesa, AZ L.D.S Temple. She passed away in 1988. He lived in Homedale, Pocatello, Chubbuck, Firth, Blackfoot, Chandler, AZ and Burns, OR. He worked as a farmer, butcher, mechanic and cabinetmaker.



He was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, he held many callings including Bishop and High Councilor, and was a faithful home teacher. He served a mission with his beloved wife LaRue among the Blood Indians in the Canada Calgary Mission. Guy enjoyed dancing, singing, and spending time with his family and friends.

Guy is survived by Janeine and Larry Taggart, daughter Wilder; Dennis and Shirley Leslie, son Firth; Lanny and Evelyn Leslie, son Moreland; Douglas and Vickie Leslie, son Pocatello; Lois Wing, sister Valley Farms, AZ; Grace Menhennet, sister Syracuse, MO; John Leslie, brother Gilbert, AZ; Bill Leslie, brother Show Low, AZ; 28 Grandchildren and 56 Great Grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and sisters: Margie and Jessie, and Brother Melvin.

Funeral Services were held at 11:00 o'clock A.M. Saturday January 18, 2003 at the Firth Ward Chapel, 744 North 600 East, with Bishop Nolan Clayson conducting. The family received friends Friday evening 7:00 till 8:30 P.M. at Nalder Funeral Home, 110 West Oak, in Shelley and Saturday morning 9:30 till 10:45 A.M. at the church. Burial will be in the Firth Cemetery.

Three Creek

by Lola Blossom

Three Creek School started up after the holidays January 6th with a new teacher. She is Suzanne Thatcher from the Twin Falls area but got her schooling in Hawaii.

Miss Lori Harrison who taught the first semester returned to college at Moscow. She had the misfortune of losing her brother, Steven Harrison, 18 in a one car rollover on December 29th. He was the son of Clay and Terri Harrison of Heyburn, Idaho.

Marc and Kristin Brackett got a 2003 tax exemption on January 2, 2003. Their baby girl, Erica Rose weighed in at 7 lbs. 7 oz. and was 19 inches long. Welcoming her at their Brown's Bench ranch is 3 little sisters, Rayelyn, Morgan and Mary.

Harlan Mink, Three Creek Good Road supervisor has just recently got a nice home at the road yard.

Bob Taylor is helping David Long build a log addition on his trailer home at Murphy's Hot Springs.

The year 2002 was partly droughty in Three Creek. The sad part was the passing away of Noy Brachett and Harvey Blossom who will ride the range no more.

Senior News

Homedale Senior Center
Thursday Jan. 23: Oven fried fish, baked potatoes, veggies, salad, roll, pudding.
Friday Jan. 24: Breakfast 7-10 AM. Sausage, eggs, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, juice.
Snake River Quilters workshop 10:00 AM.
Tuesday Jan. 28: Mediterranean salmon, veggies, salad, roll, fruit.
Shopping bus to: Homedale 1:30.

Marsing Center
Thursday Jan. 23: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, carrots, tossed salad, bread, pudding.
Monday Jan. 27: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, green peas, fruit, wheat rolls, salad or orange juice.
Tuesday Jan. 29: Breakfast. Bacon, sausage, eggs, waffles, pancakes, juice, chef's special and cinnamon rolls or muffins.
Lunch. Chili, cabbage salad, cornbread/ crackers, pudding.

Library plans book club

The Lizard Butte Library announced last week, its plans to hold a bi-monthly book club beginning next month.

Coordinators said the title of the club is "Lets Talk About it." Members will be reading and discussing stories of heroes, heroines, outlaws and others who have left their mark on the western landscape.

The first meeting will be held on Feb. 6th at 7 p.m. at the library followed by another meeting on Feb. 20th.

During the first meeting, "The Virginian" will be the novel discussed with "Lame Deer Seeker of Visions" as the topic book for the second meeting.

"A Bride Goes West" will be the topic for the first meeting in March on the 6th followed by "Buffalo Girls" on March 20th. "Billy the Kid: A Short and Violent Life" will be the topic book for April 3.

Everyone is invited to attend every program or coordinators said those attending can chose the one that is of most interest.

A program scholar will be attending each meeting to bring highlights of the book and the era of the times. Coordinators said the program scholar would normally be a professor from the nearby colleges so plenty of important information will be available. The club is open to everyone of any age group. Door prizes will be awarded for each week from Essence of Life. The Let's Talk about it Program is sponsored by US Bank, The Idaho Humanities Council and the Idaho State Library.

Pop machine stolen from local grocer

A grocery storeowner in Marsing is taking the theft of a Coke machine seriously, seriously enough to offer a \$500 reward for the arrest and return of the machine.

Brad Westberg, owner of Mr. B's Market, found one of his Coke machines missing last Wednesday morning. He said Monday that between himself and representatives from Swire Coca-Cola in Meridian, they intend to get the machine back.

"Someone stole the machine between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Tuesday night," Westberg said. "Someone had to have seen something suspicious because you don't just lift it up and take it home."

Westberg said the machine weights between six and 700 pounds and is worth approximately \$2,000. He said someone had to back a pickup or a truck up to the entrance of his business and have help to be able to get it loaded.

"It is my understanding that sometimes kids who are involved in gangs will do this as part of an initiation," Westberg explained. "We just want the machine back."

Westberg said information would be kept confidential. Information can be given to him, or by calling the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office at 495-1154. -CPB



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42nd International Smorgasbord plans continue

For more than forty years the Homedale schools have prepared an international feast for the community and other communities from miles around. This year, the 42nd annual International Smorgasbord will be held on Saturday, Feb. 8 at the Homedale Elementary School located at 420 West Washington Avenue.

Mexican, Oriental, Basque, European and American food will be featured prepared by local folks. Serving will begin at 11 a.m. and will continue until 7 p.m. Tickets can be purchased from Homedale sixth grade students or at the door.

Coordinators say the smorgasbord is a joint effort of hundreds of people from the Homedale area. General chairmen this year are Teresa and Joe Troxel with Sherri and Clint Romriell as co-chairs.

Chairmen for the booths include Michelle Mashburn and Teresa Gibson in the American booth, the Middle School cooks will chair the Oriental booth, Gloria Lejardi with chair the Basque booth, Loretta Hopkins and Leanda Uranga will chair the European booth, and a new chairman will oversee the Mexican booth, David Correa.

The salad booth will be under the direction of Melanie Harper, Patti Syme will oversee the bread booth and the dessert booth will be under the direction of Susan Vanderhoff.

Virginia Landa and Teresa Ryska will supervise the beverage and courtesy crew, Jim McMillian will watch over the coat checkers and Ned Stokes will oversee the food checkers.

Volunteer firemen will serve as plate scrapers and Homedale City Councilman Kevin Barlow will head up the dishwashing crew.

Mike Greeley will supervise the setting up of the booths, which is done by a crew from the local telephone company, Frontier Communications. Kirt Weimer is the electrician and Vicky Landa will supervise the kitchen.

The tables will be decorated by Judy Lisonbee and the school administrators will be taking tickets and greeting everyone. Advertising is under the supervision of Gloria Stokes and Patti Syme.



Ticket winner
Gregory Truesdell from Mrs. Warren's class won last week's top ticket sales award. Turesdell sold \$217.50 in smorgasbord tickets.



Smorgasbord winners
Andrea Vega from Mr. Hann's class at Homedale Middle School and Samantha Noblit from Mrs. Eidemiller's class won top ticket sales awards last week for selling smorgasbord tickets. Vega sold \$12 in tickets and Noblit sold \$34. Total sales for the first two weeks is \$581.50.



Smorgasbord art show deadline approaches

The deadline is quickly approaching to pre-purchase tickets for the 42nd Annual International Smorgasbord and to enter items in the Smorgasbord Art Show.

The annual fundraiser for Homedale schools will take place from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Feb. 8 at Homedale Elementary School.

Deadline for artists to turn in their entries for the Smorgasbord Art Show is 3 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 7. The age groups include elementary, middle school, high school and adult. Cash prizes and ribbons will be given for the first five places in the middle school, high school and adult age groups — \$15 Grand Champion, \$10 first place, \$8 second place, \$6 third place, \$4 fourth place and \$2 fifth place.

Elementary and people's choice awards will be ribbons only. Artwork should be mounted or matted if possible. Judging will take place at 5 p.m. on Feb. 7. The entry is open to everyone, but work entered in previous years can not be entered again. Artwork can be picked up after 7 p.m. on Feb. 8 or from the elementary office on Monday, Feb. 11. Entry forms for the show are available at all Homedale Schools. Contact Ned Stokes at Homedale High School at 337-4613 for more information.

OCA pickup drawing tickets available

Owyhee Cattlemen's Association Heritage Fund 7th annual property rights drawing for a 2003 Dodge ram pickup tickets sales have begun.

This year, a 2003 Dodge 3/4 ton 4x4 quadcab pickup will be given away from the Mountain Home Auto Ranch to one lucky winner holding the right ticket during the annual drawing in approximately August.

The truck features a Turbo Cummins diesel engine, automatic transmission, SLT package, air conditioning, cruise control, tilt steering, trailer tow package, power window and locks and AM/FM cassette.

All the proceeds from the fundraiser will go to the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association Heritage fund to aid in the fight to keep property rights and multiple use access to federal lands in Owyhee County.

Each ticket is sold for a \$100 donation and only 450 tickets will be sold. The drawing will be held at Mountain Home Auto Ranch in Mountain Home after all the tickets are sold or on August 31st, whichever comes first.


Tickets are available from Paul Nettleton, 834-2237, Martin Jaca, 495-1169, Kenny Tindall, 845-2838 or from the Owyhee Avalanche at 337-4681. Tickets also may be purchased by sending a check payable to the Owyhee Cattlemen's Heritage Fund and a self-addressed stamped envelope to Pickup Raffle, HC 79 Box 2050, Murphy, Idaho 83650.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago	50 years ago	135 years ago
January 19, 1978	January 22, 1953	January 18, 1868
<p>Parkins resigns</p> <p>Marsing. Doran Parkins, superintendent of schools at Marsing, resigned last week. The resignation is effective at the end of the school year.</p> <p>In his letter of resignation, Parkins stated:</p> <p>“This letter is to inform you that I will not apply for the Supt. position in the Marsing Schools for the 1978-79 school year.</p> <p>I have sincerely appreciated the opportunity to serve in this capacity in the Marsing Community the past five years.</p> <p>The cooperation between the School Board, teachers, and all staff has made the job of educating our children very enjoyable and rewarding.</p> <p>I will continue to be interested in the growth of the Marsing schools.”</p> <p>Tros enhance record by stomping NCHS</p> <p>Homedale. Tom Pegram was high scorer for the Trojans Tuesday night be adding his 15 points to the game.</p> <p>The Trojans stamped Nampa Christian 96-46, to give them a clean 11-0 season slate.</p> <p>Homedale had six men score in double figures including Pegram’s. Others were Tony Stone 14, Scott Ryel 13, Ken Leavitt 11, and Steve Christofferson and Gerald Pearson each 10.</p> <p>Homedale hit 54 percent of floor shots (39 of 72) while NCHS made 17 of 56 for 30 percent. NCHS’ top scorer was Brian Good with 13.</p> <p>Other scorers for Homedale were Larry Fischer 9, Keith Fischer 6, Dan Munson 6, and Brett Tolmie 2.</p> <p>Quarter-by-quarter points showed Homedale 32, 24, 18 and 22. Nampa Christian’s totals were 9, 9, 13 and 18.</p> <p>‘round Homedale</p> <p>Ethel Albasini visited her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Darnel Schumacher, Scranton, N.D., over the Christmas and New Year’s holidays. At the time, the city of Scranton was snowbound.</p> <p>New guests at the Senior Citizens Nutrition Dinner last Tuesday were Jewel Cunningham from Anaconda, Mont., and Father Wm. Weigand, new to Homedale.</p> <p>Last Friday evening Buna Chambers, Caldwell, visited her mother Mrs. Arthur Goodloe. Later in the evening Dottie and Kenneth Beavers with son Roger, Caldwell also dropped in to visit her mother, Mrs. Goodloe. Norval Goodloe spent Saturday afternoon with his father Mr. Goodloe.</p> <p>The NFO held their monthly meeting last Wednesday January 11 at the Senior Citizen Center. Field Representative Stan Jones from Glenns Ferry attended the meeting. The next meeting will be held February 1.</p> <p>Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Waugh had dinner last Sunday with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Waugh in Boise.</p> <p>Overnight guests at the Clarence Waugh home last week were Mr. and Mrs. Rolf Wigaard and children Kai and Marni from Darby, Mot. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Robertson from Weiser.</p> <p>Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Parker spent Saturday with their daughter, Mrs. Janet Martin and family at Vale, Ors.</p> <p>Faye Orr, Verda Johnston and Florence Stimmel had lunch with Virginiaia Soper last Thursday.</p> <p>Ron Maxwell and family, Boise, spent last Sunday with his mother Laura Rowland. Also visiting was Rowland’s brother Clair Benham, from Marsing. Bill and Wilma Benham, Caldwell, and their twin daughter Marlene Backman, Sacrament, Calif., spent last Wednesday with Roland. Berlin Benham spent three weeks with his sister Rowland, to recuperate from a gunshot wound.</p>	<p>Marsing lad’s essay appears in govt. record</p> <p>Harold Dawson, Marsing high school student, recently wrote an essay on Hell’s Canyon, “Why I Would Be In Favor of the High Dam at Hell’s Canyon.” This essay has been included in the printing of the Congressional Record for January 7, 1953.</p> <p>Senator Warren G. Magnuson of Washington made this possible by asking for its appearance in the congressional journal.</p> <p>Harold Dawson was the first person in the Marsing school system and the first student in the State of Idaho to have an essay printed in the Congressional Record.</p> <p>The essay first appeared in print in the Owyhee Chronicle on November 20, 1952.</p> <p>Improvement club meets. The Homedale Improvement club met Friday afternoon with Mrs. Ora Friel. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Alice Parvin, Norma Walker and Mrs. Mattie Seda, who substituted for Mrs. Wanda Howell. After business was taken care of, the birthdays of three members were honored with refreshments of cake, coffee and punch being served. Those have birthdays this month were Mrs. Parvin, Mrs. Howell and Mrs. Friel.</p> <p>Altar Society plans auction and dance</p> <p>St. Hubert’s Altar Society met in the church basement on Wednesday, January 14, with Mrs. Leonard George and Mrs. Allen George as hostesses. At the meeting, plans were completed for the annual polio benefit cake auction and dance which is to be held at the Tango Hall on February 5. All members are to bring cakes for the auction.</p> <p>A discussion was also held regarding the bazaar and rummage sale that will take place in the near future. It was decided to discontinue the dances that have been held annually in conjunction with the bazaar.</p> <p>Large turnout for case day</p> <p>Orville Morrison reports that the J. I. Case Field Day sponsored by the M . . . L Implement company of Homedale Tuesday was a great success.</p> <p>A large crowd of farmers and local businessmen dropped in during the morning to visit at the store and to inspect new Case farm machinery. At noon a delicious lunch was served to a large group of visitors by the ladies of the company. In the afternoon a free movie was shown at the Rosalind theater.</p> <p>Seniors choose production cast</p> <p>The Homedale senior class had tryouts for their play Monday evening a the grade school gym. A good turn out for part in the play.</p> <p>Those receiving part were: Rosie Belle, Donna Stimmel; Mountain Maggie, Louise Thomas; Becky Mae, Thelma O’Neil; Emmy Lou, Judy Thomas; Aunty Harry Hornkonker, Shirlee Haylett; Maw Fry, Louise Dill; Clem, Fred Miklancic; Izzy, Robert Powell; Zeke Popoff, Marvin Friel; Willie Hormknonker, Harold Tolmie; Pappy Popoff, Ronald Welch; Preacher, Jack Kushlan. The three wedding guests are Doris Heidman, Darleen Townsend and Roberta Ulrich. The three musicians are Vick Salutregui, Allen Brown and Bob Gerdes. Other wedding guests include Rachel Vance, Opal Beam, Delores Wenona Drum.</p> <p>The student director is Patsy Nance; publicity manager, Elaine Van Derhoff; business manager is Mary Starman; wardrobe, Leona Zittle, and makeup, Maxine Millspaugh.</p> <p>The play will be presented February 19 at the grade school in the afternoon for the grade school students, and February 20 at the high school, a matinee for the high school students and an evening performance for the public.</p>	<p>Presentation. We were present at a presentation ceremony, which took place on Wednesday last at the Owyhee Co.’s mill. The employees in the mill presented Mr. R. H. Leonard, foreman and chief amalgamator, with a valuable gift in the shape of a magnificent silver watch-an English chronometer, and costing \$165 in San Francisco. The boys had sent for the watch several weeks ago and expected to make the presentation on New Yea’s day; but the bad condition of the roads over the Sierras prevented the arrival of the gift. Mr. Leonard was completely taken by surprise, not having been apprised of the arrangement before hand. Immediately after dinner he was requested to come into the mill. Complying, he soon found himself surrounded by the hands-about forty in number. The engine was stopped and the busy rattling of machinery ceased: whereupon the oldest employee in the mill, Mr. E. Buck, who had been selected to make the presentation, mounted one of the pans and delivered a neat and appropriate speech. Among other things the speaker stated in substance as follows: Being convinced that Mr. Leonard, during the long period of his position as foreman of the mill, had dealt fairly and honestly with the men under his charge, and that while in his employ they had never been wronged out of a minute of time, they desire to manifest their appreciation of his fair dealing and kind indulgence towards them by presenting a small offering, not very valuable, but which would serve to show their friendly regard for him. The speaker concluded by saying, “Mr. Leonard, we not present you this watch as a friendly testimonial of our esteem for you, and hope that there may never be a breach in the friendship that has so long existed between us.” The watch was inscribed, “Presented to R. H. Leonard by the employees of the mill of the Owyhee Mining Co.,” and is certainly a splendid timepiece. Mr. Leonard, who in the conscientious discharge of his duties has no intimation of what the men were about, was totally unprepared to make a speech, but kindly thanked them for the gift. Then the engine was put in motion, and soon all were busily at work again.</p> <p>The Woodstock. Very rich gold-bearing quartz had been stuck in the Woodstock mine, in the tunnel which is being run to tap the main shaft at the bottom. Only about ten feet remain to be ran in order to complete the connection, work having been vigorously pushed forward from the bottom of the shaft as well as from the outside. A very favorable peculiarity of the Woodstock ore is that there is very little barren quartz in the mine-all that has been worked in a proper manner having yielded handsomely. When the tunnel is completed, the proprietors intend to sink a shaft in the north drift, fifty feet from the shaft, where the ledge is two feet in width and which if it improve as hitherto a hundred feet deeper will show a ledge five feet wide, that with its present degree of richness will yield handsome fortunes to the owners.</p> <p>Mesern Trask & Sons have their new arrastrar building abut completed. It is situated a short distance above the Minear mill, and is twenty-eight feet in width and sixty in length. The wheel will be an overshot, thirty-three feet in diameter, and will be run by water from Webfoot Gulch, from which it is estimated that water enough can be obtained to run a 20 horse power machinery the year round. A ditch for the purpose, one-third of a mile in length, is already completed. A common arrastrar will be put in operation early in the spring, but the proprietors inform us that it is their intention to substitute stamps next summer. Putting the stamps and pans would convert it into a complete water quartz mill-a valuable piece of property, as it would require no fuel and but few hands to deep it in operation.</p>

4-H project takes kids back to basics

A new 4-H project will take students back to the traditional use of working cattle on horseback and is designed to specifically allow members to learn, practice and use the horse in ways that were historically used by cattlemen during the settlement of the west. Bruce Reuck of Homedale with the assistance of Steve James of Bruneau and Ed Olson of Murphy recently developed a program that will be available to 4-H students to help "promote the continuing use and appreciation of these traditional customs and

western cattlemen."

Members will be taught roping skills by dummy roping on foot, rope handling practice, throwing loop correctly, heading and heeling. They will use dummy roping on horseback, roping live cattle horseback with breakaway Hondo, roping live cattle horseback, heading and heeling and actually holding the cattle with rope dalled to saddle horn and roping live cattle on horseback in a ranch type setting, as in branding calves, heading heeling, dragging calf for heeler, or heeler dragging calf to the ground crew.

Reuck said the opportunities to learn skills working cattle are beneficial for Owyhee County kids since most live on ranches. He said the skills of working cattle will include reading cattle and handling animals on foot, handling animals on horseback, sorting cattle, penning cattle, sorting cattle with a group, single cow penning and team penning.

"We plan to have three levels included in the project skills to work through," Reuck said. "Since this is the first year, this particular working ranch horse project has been offered, all members will start at level one and we will work up from there."

Meetings have been scheduled for five to six times per year. Reuck said he hopes to hold one meeting a month, depending on the weather conditions. He said specific skills will be presented and practiced at clinic/educational meetings to enable members to progress through the Working Ranch Horse phase skills checklist and to progress to higher skills levels of the project.

"I would really like to emphasize to the public that we will need ranchers who will allow some of these kids to practice on their ranches," Reuck continued. "We would like these kids to have a hands-on practice."

He hopes to include the students in events such as moving cattle horseback in fields or open range, working cattle horseback, separating cattle from a herd, roping calves at branding, heading and heeling, roping cattle in a corral, or in open country for doctoring, working cattle through a squeeze chute to



4-H project

Bruce Rueck demonstrates to 11 year old Jessica Eubanks, the proper way to hold a rope during a Working Horse Project get-together last weekend. Eubanks will join nearly 50 additional 4-H students this weekend for the group's first meeting.

practices that are still used today."

4-H students, parents and friends gathered at the Owyhee Stables owned by Blake Pugmire last Sunday to prepare the arena for monthly practice sessions which will begin this Sunday at 1 p.m. Dummy calves were brought in to help young students begin their practice of roping a calf.

"The project will emphasize quiet methods of working cattle and horses," Reuck said in a statement last week describing the aspects of the new endeavor. "The project will also emphasize quiet methods of working cattle and horses. Other aspects of this historic and useful lifestyle that will be studied and reinforced include integrity, cooperation, work ethic and management of horses and cattle used by



Bruce Rueck demonstrates loop throwing to a group of 4-H students last Sunday afternoon.

doctor or vaccinate and team penning.

The requirements for students to become a member of the Working Ranch Horse Project include enrollment in the basic horsemanship program, complete all necessary elements of the project which includes club demonstration, record book,

project," Reuck explained. "Since this is the first year of this project, some plans concerning when and where clinic/educational meetings, special events and a year end event will be held, have not been finalized.

"Scoring, judging and awards are other areas that are still being discussed, but will

office at 896-4104 to fill out an enrollment form. For information contact Reuck at 337-5914, James at 845-2099 or Olson at 834-2216. Students nine years of age and older are welcome to attend. -CPB

Doctor's discovery may end obesity

HILTON HEAD, S.C. -- A doctor believes that a natural formula containing the extract of a small Asian fruit can help cause significant weight loss.

Anthony A. Conte, M.D. reported in an American Medical Journal that the formula, now called Bio-Rex 3000, caused patients to lose more than twice as much weight as those in a control group on the same fat reduced diet. Neither group was instructed to decrease the amount of food they ate or to increase their exercise levels. An article published in the *American Journal of Clinical Nutrition* says that you don't have to reduce the amount of food you eat to lose weight, provided that you limit the fat.

Dr. Conte says that animal studies suggest the mechanism behind the weight reduction is due to interruption of the "Krebs Cycle", an important step in the body's fat storage process. He says it may work the same way in humans. According to Dr. Conte, "The best part of this unique discovery is that it is not a drug, but a dietary food supplement. The Asian fruit, called garcinia, is similar to citrus fruit found in the United States with one big exception-- it may help some people fight obesity! While Dr. Conte's study may be preliminary, the exclusive North American distributor, Phillips Gulf Corp., is calling the Bio-Rex 3000 supplement "Nature's Ideal Diet Aid."

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Bruce Rueck and Hailey Hall, 14, practice the perfect loop.

evaluation program and any others that may be found in the current Owyhee County 4-H Horse Project rules and guidelines.

"Members must attend 80 percent of all clinic/education meetings and qualify for the Boxing Class or the Working Cow Horse Class to be eligible to compete in these classes at the county fair horse show or any special year end event that may be scheduled for the

be settled shortly. Any decisions made will be passed along to members."

Reuck said he started the project because of the decline in the working horse projects during the fair. He said currently he has nearly 50 children signed up for the project.

"It's a 4-H club among 4-H clubs," Reuck smiled.

Members can contact the Owyhee County Extension

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Marsing

Thursday Jan. 23: Nachos w/ toppings, fruit crisp, golden corn, variety milk, assorted sandwiches, fresh salad bar (4th-12th), fresh baked roll.

Friday Jan. 24: Chicken patty on a bun, fruit variety, variety milk, chineses egg roll, fresh salad bar (4th-12th), fresh baked roll.

Monday Jan 27: Corn dog w/ fixings, fruit variety, garden vegetables, chocolate pudding, variety milk, chicken fajita, fresh salad bar (4th-12th).

Tuesday Jan. 28: Wiener wrap, cherry crisp, garden vegetables, variety milk, chicken patty on a bun, fresh salad bar (4th-12th), fresh baked roll.

Wednesday Jan. 29: Fish sticks, baked potato wedges, fruited jello, variety milk, red baron pizza, fresh salad bar (4th-12th), fresh baked roll.

Homedale Elementary

Thursday Jan. 23: Nachos and cheese or baked potato and toppings, fresh veggies, banana, no bake cookie, choice of milk.

Friday Jan. 24: Fish nuggets or turkey sandwich, fries/tots, apple, ranger cookie, choice of milk.

Monday Jan 27: Peanut B/jelly sand, or BBQ beef trips, macaroni, green beans, applesauce, animal cookie, choice of milk.

Tuesday Jan. 28: Sloppy Jo or hot dog, fries/tots, grapes, chinese chews, choice of milk.

Wednesday Jan. 29:

Homedale Middle

Thursday Jan. 23: Crispito, taco salad, fruit, or salad bar, choice of milk.

Friday Jan. 24: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, tots and fruit, or salad bar, choice of milk.

Monday Jan 27: Nachos, fresh veggies, fruit, cookie, or baked potato/salad bar, choice of milk.

Tuesday Jan. 28: Chicken or beef nuggets, fruit, cinnamon roll, choice of milk.

Wednesday Jan. 29: Pizza 7-8, fr. bread pizza 5-6, tossed salad, fruit, cookie, choice of milk.

Homedale High

Thursday Jan. 23: Chicken patty/bun or hamburger/bun, fries, fruit, dessert, choice of milk.

Friday Jan. 24: Beef or chicken taco or choice of sandwich, corn, fruit, choice of milk.

Monday Jan 27: Pizza or fajita, salad, fruit, dessert, choice of milk.

Tuesday Jan. 28: Fried chicken, weiner wrap, scalloped potatoes, fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday Jan. 29: Idaho haystack or burrito, salad, fruit, cinnamon roll, choice of milk.



Kelsi Haylett sneaks along the baseline looking for a pass inside against Nampa Christian last week. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



Jill Cooper makes a jump shot over Nampa Christian's Laure Bills. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Lady Trojans cruise to 12-3 record

Two wins and one loss helped the Homedale Trojans cruise to a 13-3 overall record last week. Homedale only loss was a second half rally victory from Nampa Christian who dove by Homedale for a 48-41 victory. But Homedale didn't let the loss slow them as they took a 45-38 win over Parma and stopped McCall/Donnelly 49-21 on Saturday.

Nampa Christian outscored Homedale by a 29-15 margin in the second half. Jennifer Anzaldua led the Trojans with 11 points, while Jill Cooper and Kelsi Haylett provided 10 points each.

Haylett provided 18 points, seven assists and two steals to lead the Trojans to its win over Parma in a conference upset Friday.

Homedale took an early lead and then had to come back after falling behind by five points to the Panthers in the third quarter.

Sandy Garcia scored seven points while Kasey Bruce had a team high eight rebounds and Taci Morris had five points and seven rebounds.

On Saturday, the district held a basketball blowout hosting

the McCall/Donnelly boys and girls basketball teams.

Homedale used a nice first quarter to lead McCall/Donnelly and stay ahead throughout the game.

Haylett and Anzaldua again led Homedale with 17 points each and held the Vandals to four points in the first quarter.

Trojans wrestle to winning week

The Homedale Trojans went up against some tough competition this week facing Vale, Marsing, Nyssa and traveling to the Wendell Tournament where they placed third respectively in the Magic Valley Classic.

The Vale wrestling team came out of Homedale with a 38-34 loss, but followed up with a 76-48 win over the

Marsing Huskies. Individual results for the Trojans was not available at press time. Vale scored five pins against Marsing.

Homedale overtook the Bulldogs 61-8 in non-league action Dec. 14.

In Wendell, Homedale finished the two-day event with defending Class 2A champion Challis winning team honors

with 263 points. Parma finished second with 151.5 points followed closely by Homedale at 147.5 points.

Homedale's Jeremy Perkins, a senior, pinned defending state champion Rusty Darrah of Challis in the final and was named the tournament's outstanding wrestler from 103-140 pounds. Perkins placed first at 125

pounds.

Homedale had four placers in the top five, with Jeremy Ensley winning at 103. Mark Mashburn took a second-place showing at 130 and Juan Garcia winning third place at 171 pounds. Ensley was seeded second and pinned all four of his opponents, with Perkins winning his title with three pins.



Homedale Trojan Tyler Christoffersen wrestles against Nyssa. Photo by Hap Duryee



Homedale Trojan Mark George takes on a Nyssa wrestler.

Middleton rallies for fourth quarter win



TrojanCole Cooper drives to the basket in Homedale's loss to the Middleton Vikings last week. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



Spencer Batt is guarded inside by a Middleton Viking. Batt led Homedale's scoring with 15 points. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

The Middleton Vikings rallied in the fourth quarter to take a 60-46 victory over the Homedale Trojans in a non-conference boy's basketball in Middleton last week.

Nick Williams and Spencer Batt teamed up to hold the Vikings to a 27-26 score at the break, but Middleton returned from the half ready to put on the pressure and that is what they did.

Viking Cody Mortensen held Williams scoreless the rest of the game and dropped in 12 points for Middleton.

Middleton jumped to a 41-36 lead at the end of the third period and didn't slow down for the fourth quarter.

Batt led Homedale with 15 points. Williams scored eight points, two being three point baskets.

Shoo-Fly 4-H club elects officers

by Steve Williams

Welcome to our second meeting of the Shoo-Fly 4-H Club. We are going to sell raffle tickets at the smorgasbord where people can win lots of prizes if they buy a ticket for a dollar.

We also elected officers. They are President, Amaia Larzelier, Vice President Yasone Lejardi, Secretary, Stephanie Larzelier, Treasurer, Lynlee Lord, Reporter, Steve Williams and Sargent at Arms, Trevor Krzesnik.

A scrapbook committee was formed and they are Stephanie Larzelier, Sarah Black, Hailee Garrett and leader Keri Garrett.

The members are planning a ski trip in February. Demonstrations were given by Amaia Larzelier, Stephanie Larzelier, Lynlee Lord, Alex Mereness and Zach Mereness.

The club's next meeting is planned for Feb. 9 at 7 p.m.



Cody Garrett lays up a shot against Middleton. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

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Commentary

Editor’s notebook

Joe Aman

Eating well
at the public trough

Maybe we don’t have a Mayor Coles here in Owyhee County, but we do have some questionable taxpayer-funded expenses that ought to be questioned.

An expense back in October, 2001 by Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Ed Yarbrough spiked the curiosity of us here at the Avalanche, so we began a long, tedious process of looking at the prosecutor’s expenses.



The expense that originally caught our attention was the purchase of a jacket from JC Penney, charged on the county’s credit card in the amount of \$94.49. That same month there was a charge of \$23.60 at Payless Shoes.

This was around the time that the prosecutor charged airline tickets to the county for an out-of-state client he was representing in his private law practice.

Although we found no trips to Florida or Monticello (as Coles’ expenses did), we did see a pattern of meal charges which appear to be out of line for the part time prosecutor.

Surprisingly, the county has no set policy for picking up the tab for meals. Each elected official requests a budget amount for the year, and how and where he or she spends it is basically at his or her discretion. Normally it is assumed that payments for lunches are allowed only when an official is out of town on county business.

We have copies of credit card charges by Yarbrough for Oct. 2001 through April 2002. Meal charges for these seven months totaled \$1,204.19, for an average of \$172 a month. The average meal cost was \$29.37. The highest priced meal charged to the county during this period was \$69 at the Sports Bar and Grill in Boise, followed by \$54 at Goodwood Barbecue Co., also in Boise. Third highest was at Sports Bar and Grill for \$53; fourth at Falcon Crest Golf in Kuna for \$48. Fifth highest was \$45 at the Outback Steakhouse in Nampa.

Of the 41 meals charged during this seven-month period, 21 were in Nampa, 16 in Boise, three in Caldwell, and one in Kuna.

A breakdown of restaurants, frequency, and amounts charged to the county during this seven-month period shows:

Idaho Pizza, 6 meals totaling \$185.53; Cobby’s, 6 for \$135.95; Falcon Crest, 1, \$48; Outback Steakhouse, 1, \$45; Fiesta Guadalajara, 2, \$32; Rockies’ Burgers, 1, \$23; Cafe Ole, 2, \$30; Subway, 2, \$34.60; Ram Big Horn Brewery, 1, \$35; Sports Bar and Grill, 4, \$192; Applebee’s, 2, \$37; Hong Kong, 2, \$61; Buster’s 1, \$25; Crescent Bar and Grill, 2, \$71; Champions Sports Pub, 1, \$35; Quinn’s, 1, \$18; Noodles, 2, \$69; Goodwood Barbecue Co., 1, \$54; Kitty Hawk, 1, \$20.

In a quick spot-check of some of the prosecutor’s credit card charges back in 2000, we noticed a few interesting purchases for which the county paid , including a \$29 charge at Cougar Mountain Lodge at Smith’s Ferry, a \$65.27 charge to Mr. Sandman Motel in Meridian, Quality Inn Motel, Boise, \$57.72, and another at the same motel for \$64.38.

Another curious purchase Yarbrough charges monthly to the county credit card is his home Internet service, at \$21.95 per month. The county supplies this service to all county offices in the courthouse.

To put things in perspective, the county taxes for an entire year to a homeowner of a \$100,000 home would pay for less than five weeks’ meals for the prosecutor.

Maybe these expenses can be justified. Maybe not. Either way, it’s worth noting.

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On the edge of
common sense

Baxter Black, DVM

Hat burning

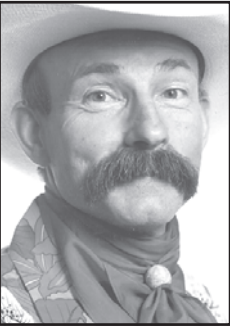
“How did you set yer hat on fire? Suck starting a Harley?”

“Well, I didn’t do it on purpose.” His eyebrows were scorched and gnarly.

His moustache was singed off uneven and unsymmetrically skewed while the glass was gone from his glasses which rendered him spectaclly nude.

“Dark,” he said, “You know methane will burn? Me and Jake were out checkin’ the stock. We were comin’ in late and found one that looked like she needed the doc.

But we were both cow paramedics trained to do more than just ride and savvied her dire situation all bloated and laid on her side.



Not having a trocar or bloat hose, first choices for saving her life, I blindly palpated the left flank for the place where I’d plunge in my knife.

I inserted the point of my sticker, it fit like a key in a latch when Jake said, “Here let me help you!” With a flourish the fool struck a match.

A blue flame roared out of the orifice like St. Helens come back from the dead! The whoosh, like an airbag exploding pinned my ears back on my head!

What kept us from burning too badly, or at least to me it makes sense, was the fireball of flammable gasses was mixed with the rumen contents.

Poor Jake took the blast a full frontal though his moustache protected his lips, when he took his hat off of his bald head, he looked like a partial eclipse.

The fireball waned down to a flicker. The cow was now lookin’ plum flat. My chest was all greenish and sticky...I could see by the light of my hat.

But the ultimate insult I suffered was not the burnt hat or the blood, but my mouth had been opened in protest, and I found I was chewing her cud!”

Farm Bureau
Legislature begins daunting budget battle

By John Thompson, Director of Information

As state leaders begin to grapple with a major budget deficit, the 2003 legislative session promises to be one of the most difficult in recent years. The mood among many legislators seems dour at best after Governor Kempthorne announced his plan to increase the sales tax rate from 5 to 6.5 cents.

Many legislators don’t believe Idaho can tax its way out of recession. They say cutting government agencies and programs should relieve the deficit. Idaho ranks 17th in the nation in overall tax load per citizen, while the state ranks 39th in per capita income.

Kempthorne argues that most agencies and programs were cut to the bone last year. And last year he promised not to shift money out of education to balance this budget. That leaves the Governor with few options.

With 34 freshmen legislators you can bet there will be a fair amount of arm-twisting in Boise. But many of those legislators campaigned on a no new taxes platform last fall. If they change directions now it won’t look good back home. Many pundits are predicting that Kempthorne will take this fight on the road. That he will go to the coffee shops, farms and grocery stores and argue his case. If the governor can convince voters that the tax increase is warranted, legislators won’t be able to ignore their constituents.

But gauging public support for the Governor’s plan is anyone’s guess at this point. One recent poll showed about an even split among Idaho voters. Governor Kempthorne will make very good arguments for raising the sales tax by giving examples of how deeper cuts to state agencies and state programs will affect Idaho citizens. And legislators will counter those arguments with some very good points of their own.

The Idaho Farm Bureau does not support the Governor’s proposal. But it’s painfully evident that it will take compromise to balance this budget. One thing you can bank on is there will be a vigorous debate over taxes during the next two months. And Idaho’s citizens need to be active participants in the process of rooting out the most equitable solution.

Many districts have new legislators. If you don’t know who is representing you, call your county clerk and ask. You can send an e-mail message to your legislators and find a lot of other information about the legislature at the following website: <http://www2.state.id.us/legislat/legislat.html>

Patrons can also leave voice messages for their legislators at (208) 332-1000.

Momentum for some form of a tax increase is building in Boise. If the taxpayers act like deer in headlights, the state will treat them as such. Now is the time to engage in this debate.

Commentary

Summary Judgement

“In the eyes of government,
we are . . . American.”

*by William Perry Pendley, President
Mountain States Legal Foundation*

It was a tough Christmas in Libby, Montana. In late October, the town of 8,000 in extreme northwestern Montana got news that Stimson Lumber Company would close its mill; by year's end, 300 jobs would be gone. The reason was simple but hardly new: not enough timber was allowed to be harvested from the Kootenai National Forest, which makes up 78 percent of Lincoln County where Libby is located. Plus, the price of the logs that are allowed to be harvested has been driven up by endless appeals and lawsuits by environmental groups and thus rendered uneconomic in the world marketplace. This was the second of the double barrel shot that Lincoln County's job market absorbed: environmental opposition helped kill a world class mine that was to open with hundreds of high paying jobs.

Nonetheless, there was an economic bright spot. Lincoln County's largest employer, the federal government, was hiring. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) says it needs 200 to 300 new employees to address asbestos contamination of Libby's homes and buildings. Plus, to implement President Bush's forest health initiative to prevent the devastating fires of the kind that swept through Montana in 2000 and Oregon, Arizona, and Colorado in 2002, the U.S. Forest Service will have to hire, according to one local expert, nearly 100 new employees.

Alas, these job opportunities may not provide any relief to the men and women who once worked at the Libby mill. The men and women who have reported to the EPA's local office have been turned away as unqualified; the EPA is looking, they were told, for bilingual employees, specifically those who can speak Spanish. One local quipped that the only truly qualified individual was the high school Spanish teacher and he already had a job. Not surprisingly, many of those turned away by the EPA believe the reason is not language but race. They could be right because of what may take place over at the Forest Service office.

Days before Stimson Lumber Company made its announcement, the Forest Service said it had settled a lawsuit at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, which includes Montana, by agreeing to increase the number of Latino Forest Service employees. An attorney with the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (MALDEF), which brought the suit, enthused that the settlement could be forced on the Forest Service all across the country.

The people of Libby, Montana, who are looking for work with their federal government are asking why, notwithstanding the equal protection guarantee of the U.S. Constitution, their government focuses on the color of their skin and not the content of their character. They are not the first to ask that question.

In 1896, Justice Harlan, dissenting from an otherwise unanimous Supreme Court that ruled otherwise, declared, “Our Constitution is color-blind, and neither knows nor tolerates classes among citizens. In respect of civil rights, all citizens are equal before the law.” In 1954, Thurgood Marshall wrote, “Distinctions by race are so evil, so arbitrary and invidious that a state, bound to defend the equal protection of the laws, must not invoke them in any public sphere.” In 1995, Justice Scalia put it this way, “In the eyes of government, we are all one race. It is American.”

Nonetheless, governmental actors at all levels—Congress, state legislatures, county commissions, city councils, and university regents—continue to distinguish between and among Americans on the basis of race. Moreover, they do so notwithstanding a string of U.S. Supreme Court decisions that declares that they may not do so.

This spring, the Supreme Court will address the question once again when it decides whether the University of Michigan may use race as a criterion to admit undergraduate and law school students. As strange as it seems, in far away rural and isolated Libby, Montana, some out of work timber mill workers will be watching closely.



Letter to the editor

The plain truth

In October, Treasure Kester deliberately closed a car window on the deputy's arm, and tried to drive off, dragging him. Without the alertness of a nearby motorist he would have been severely hurt or killed.

Ed Yarbrough, the prosecuting attorney, pled the case down to a 180 day sentence. She also has to serve 19 days for a previous parole violation at the same time. He says he has the option of an additional 15 years if she gets in trouble during the 180 days. Since she will be in a jail cell with close supervision, that's a very remote possibility. The plain truth is she received 180 days for trying to kill an Owyhee County deputy.

Hesther Tallman

Accuracy in media

Media pummel Bush on economy

USA Today reports that President Bush's job approval rating has dropped below 60% for the first time since the 9/11 attacks. The paper said, “The number reflects a rising uncertainty about a sluggish economy and the prospects of conflict with Iraq and North Korea.” Approval for Bush's handling of the economy slipped to 48 percent. The “rising uncertainty” about the economy may stem from negative coverage, especially on the still-influential evening news programs that most people watch for news. Neil Cavuto, managing editor of business news at Fox News Channel, is amazed “by the consistent, half-empty glass view of the world we get from the national media.” He added, “I know people stop for car wrecks. But we stop for car wrecks precisely because they're unusual. We shouldn't do the same with bad news. Stop for it, but don't assume that's all of it.” To cite one piece of good news, interest rates are at 40-year lows, enabling people to refinance their home mortgages and save hundreds of dollars a month.

About a week ago, CBS News conducted a poll which found that Bush had a 64-percent approval rating. It also found that 54 percent have a favorable view of Republicans, up from 51 percent in November. That was higher than the favorable rating for Democrats. But the CBS Evening News with Dan Rather on January 7 didn't mention any of that. Instead, Rather said the poll suggested that the Bush tax cut plan is a flop. Only 14 percent, he said, thought the first domestic priority should be a tax cut. “Here at home, growing concern about the economy,” said Dan Rather. “In a CBS News poll, 57 percent of Americans say it's in bad shape, the highest number in a decade. Forty-six percent are telling Congress that fixing the economy is more important than a possible war with Iraq, even the overall war on terror. As for how to fix it, only 14 percent say cutting taxes should be Congress's top priority. But that is what President Bush asked the new Congress to do as it convened today...”

What he didn't disclose was that the poll found that 54 percent wanted Congress to concentrate on helping the unemployed and creating jobs. Bush, of course, presented his tax cut plan as a way to do just that. Bush said, “Too many of our citizens who want to work cannot find a job and many employers lack the confidence to invest and create new jobs.” So the 14 percent figure is misleading, perhaps deliberately so. Such a small figure was obtained only by telling people in the poll that creating jobs was a different option. It appears the poll was designed so that people like Dan Rather could make the claim that a tax cut was unpopular.

ABC World News Tonight anchorman Peter Jennings said the Bush tax cut would “cost the government” billions of dollars—money which could be spent in other ways.” Notice the assumption that the money belongs to the government, rather than the people who earn it, and that the government has an inherent right to spend it. On the NBC Nightly News, anchor Tom Brokaw charged there was “nothing in his plan for the states, which are suffering terribly financially.” Notice the assumption that the federal government has an obligation to bail out those states which are in deficit because of overspending.

In reporting declining poll numbers, USA Today quoted Democratic pollster Stan Greenberg as saying that the drop was a “slap on the hand from the American people” about an economic plan “that Democrats say favors the rich.” Greenberg said, “If you offer that many billions of dollars in tax cuts and your numbers go down, it is hard not to read that as a no-confidence vote on the plan.” I read it as a reflection of the negative coverage of the plan.

Public notices

Annual Road and Street Financial Report

City of Marsing
County of Owyhee
Highway District Gem Highway
This certified report of dedicated funds is here by submitted to the State Auditor as required by 40-708, *Idaho Code*. Dated this 10th day of January, 2003.

Janice C. Bicandi, City Clerk/Treasurer
Faye Pfrimmer, Mayor

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 02	
BEGINNING BALANCE AS OF OCTOBER 1 PREVIOUS YEAR	15308.
RECEIPTS	
LOCAL FUNDING SOURCES	
Property tax levy (for roads, streets and bridges)	19159.
Interest income	817.
All other LOCAL receipts or tansfers in	332.
Total Local Funding	20308.
STATE FUNDING SOURCES	
Highway user revenue	35352.
Sales tax/Inventory replacement tax	3178.
Sales tax/Revenue sharing	7741.
Total State Funding	46271.
FEDERAL FUNDING SOURCES	
Total Federal Funding	-0-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	66579.
ROUTINE MAINTENANCE	
Patching	3463.
Snow removal	2763.
Grading/blading	916
Total Routine Maintenance	5142.
EQUIPMENT	
Equipment lease-Equipment purchase	3007.
Equipment maintenance	2952.
Total Equipment	5959.
ADMINISTRATIVE	
Administrative salaries and expense	38699.
OTHER	
Street lighting	6535.
Professional sevice-audit, clerical, and legal	500.
Total Other	7035.
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	56835.
RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	9744.
CLOSING BALANCE	
Funds on Line 63 obligated for specific future projects	-0-
Funds on Line 63 retained for general funds an operations	-0-
OTHER ADJUSTMENTS (Audit adjustment and etc.)	-0-
ENDING BALANCE(line 63 minus the sum of lines 64,65)	25052.

1/22/03

Request for Proposals (REP)

The Owyhee Watershed Council is seeking bids to perform a watershed assessment for the Crooked-Rattlesnake, Jordan, and Middle Owyhee subbasin of SE OR and SW ID. Duties include working w/ OWC’s Assessment Committee in creating an assessment that follows guidelines outlines in the “Oregon Watershed Assessment Manual”, including, but not limited to: gathering data, combining/interpreting watershed info, identifying data gaps, ... soliciting/synthesizing community input w/ scientific data.

Contracted work expected to occur from Mar. ’03 to Feb. ’04, or until final product is completed to the satisfaction of the OWC. Contact Jennifer Fenwick for detailed info at (541) 889-2588x117.

A Personal Services contract will be awarded. Bids evaluated on tech. expertise, previous exp., Council discretion, & price. Bids due in writing by 5 P.M. of Feb. 3, ’03. Mail or deliver bid proposal to: OWC; c/o Jennifer Fenwick; 2925 S.W. 6th Ave.; Ontario, OR 97914.

1/22/03

HOMEDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT #370 CALL FOR BID FOR SCHOOL BUS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by Homedale Jt. School District No. 370, Homedale, Idaho for the purchase of one (1) 2004 72 passenger school bus (complete – body and chassis).

Bid documents and detailed specifications are available at the Homedale School District Office, 116 East Owyhee Ave., Homedale, Idaho between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through

Friday until day of bid opening.

Bids must be submitted on or before 9:00 a.m. on February 7, 2003 to the Homedale School district Office, 116 East Owyhee Ave., Homedale, Idaho. Bids received ate the stated time and date will not be considered. At the stated time and place, bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Boards of Trustees reserve the right to accept or reject or to select any portion thereof of any or all bids and to waive any technicality. No bidder may withdraw his bid after the opening of such bids unless the awarding of the bid is delayed for a period exceeding thirty days.

James R. Duncan, Clerk

1/15,22/03

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho: 57-11623

MICHAEL DEMPSEY
HC 79 BOX 2160
OREANA ID 83650
PEGGY DEMPSEY
HC 79 BOX 2160
OREANA ID 83650

Point(s) of Diversion, NENE, S36, T04S R01W Owyhee County, Source GROUND WATER

Point(s) of Diversion, SENE, S36, T04S R01W Owyhee County, Source GROUND WATER

Point(s) of Diversion, NENW, S36, T04S R01W Owyhee County, Source GROUND WATER

Point(s) of Diversion, SENW, S36, T04S R01W Owyhee County, Source GROUND WATER

Point(s) of Diversion, NWSW, S36, T04S R01W Owyhee

County, Source GROUND WATER

Point(s) of Diversion, SESW, S36, T04S R01W Owyhee County, Source GROUND WATER

Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 To 11/15 3 CFS

Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 To 12/31 0.16 CFS

Use: DOMESTIC 01/01 To 12/31 0.04 CFS

Total Diversion: 3 CFS
Date Filed: 11/08/2002

Place Of Use: IRRIGATION T04S R01W S36 NENW SWNW NWSW SWSW
Number of Acres 150

Place Of Use: DOMESTIC T04S R01W S36 NENW

Place Of Use: STOCKWATER T04S R01W S36 NENE NWNE NENW SWNW SENW NWSW SWSW

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 02/03/2003. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J DREHER, Director
1/15,22/03

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Classifieds!

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho: 63-31599

NORMAN VERMEER
18883 FRIENDS RD
CALDWELL ID 83605

Point(s) of Diversion, NWSWNW, S33 T04N R04W Owyhee County, Source GROUND WATER

Point(s) of Diversion, NWSWNW, S33 T04N R04W Owyhee County, Source GROUND WATER

Point(s) of Diversion, SWSWNW, S33 T04N R04W Owyhee County, Source GROUND WATER

Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 To 12/31 0.33 CFS

Use: COMMERCIAL 01/01 To 12/31 0.33 CFS

Total Diversion: 0.33 CFS
Date Filed: 12/16/2002

Place Of Use: STOCKWATER T04N R04W S33 SWNW

Place Of Use: COMMERCIAL 04N R04W S33 SWNW

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

Development completed by November 1987.

Water bearing zone to be appropriated is from 30 to 225 feet.

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

Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 02/03/2003. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J DREHER, Director
1/15,22/03

NOTICE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY

Owyhee County and the City of Parma have entered into a written agreement by which the parties agree to exchange and transfer ownership of the following property: Owyhee County will transfer a 1997 Crown Victoria vehicle used by the Sheriff’s Department and no longer of value to that department, to the City of Parma in exchange for a “Vector” police lightbar which the City will transfer to Owyhee County.

The Owyhee County Commissioners will consider ratification of the agreement at its regularly scheduled meeting on February 10, 2003 at 10:30 A.M. in the County Courthouse in Murphy.

1/22,29/03

NOTICE TO CREDITORS [Idaho Code 15-3-801(a)] Case No. SP-02-01783 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE Magistrate Division

In the Matter of the Estate of MARIE T. MOSER, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed co-personal representatives of the above-named estate. All persons having claims

against the said decedent are required to present their claims

within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. **Claims must be both (1) presented to the co-personal representative of the estate at the law offices of WHITE, PETERSON, MORROW, GIGRAY, ROSSMAN, NYE ANDROSSMAN, P.A., 5700 East Franklin Road, Suite 200, Post Office Box 247, Nampa, Idaho (ID) 83653-0247, and (2) filed with the Clerk of the Court.**

DATED this 3rd day of January, 2003.

E. Ann Campbell
Vicki L. Moser

Co-Personal Representatives
01/8,15,22/03

PUBLIC NOTICE BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

On February 6, 2003, beginning at 7 PM the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will hold its regular meeting in the County Annex on Basey Street in Murphy, Idaho. After dispensing with old business, the Commission will hear public testimony on the following matters:

THOMAS & MARIE ANN FELZIEN have filed an application for a conditional use permit to establish residential use on a 5 acre parcel southeast of Marsing on South Bruneau Road. Subject property is located in Section 14, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

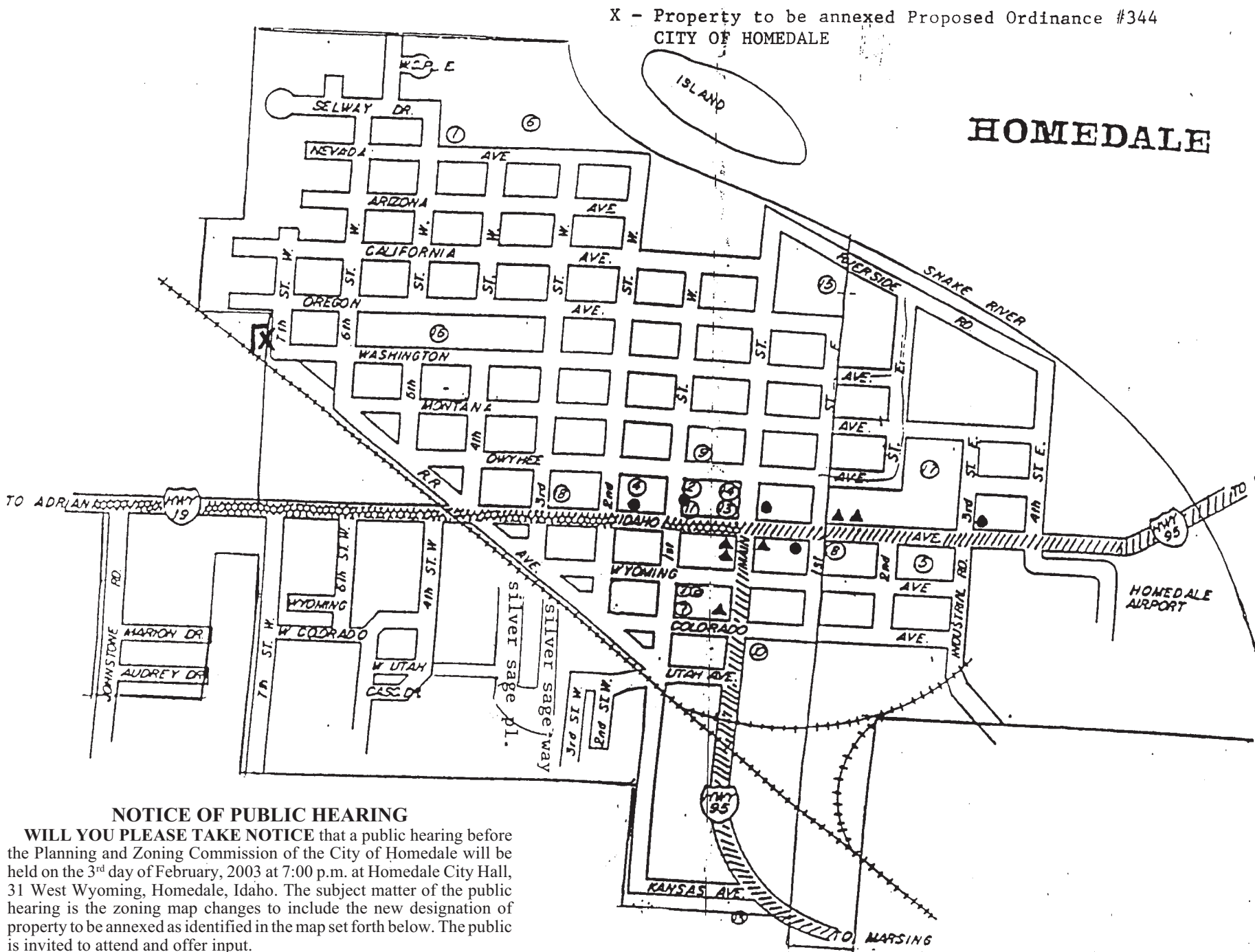
KENNETH & LILLY ARCHER have filed an application for a conditional use permit to split 4.8 acres into two parcels. They propose to create a residential parcel with the existing residence and to build a home for their own residential use on the other proposed parcel. Subject property is located north of Marsing in Section 21, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

ROBERT DRAPER has filed an application for a conditional use permit to split approximately 2.5 acres from his father’s farm for residential use. Subject property is located off of Highway 78 south of Grand View in Section 27, Township 5 South, Range 3 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

WILL YOU PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Homedale will be held on the 3rd day of February, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at Homedale City Hall, 31 West Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho. The subject matter of the public hearing is the zoning map changes to include the new designation of property to be annexed as identified in the map set forth below. The public is invited to attend and offer input.

Sylvia L. Bahem
Administrator/
Planning & Zoning Commission
City of Homedale

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS [Idaho Code 15-3-801(a)] Case No. SP-02-01783 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

Magistrate Division
In the Matter of the Estate of
MARIE T. MOSER,
Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the undersigned have been
appointed co-personal
representatives of the above-named
estate. All persons having claims
against the said decedent are
required to present their claims
within four (4) months after the
date of the first publication of this
notice or said claims will be forever
barred. **Claims must be both (1)
presented to the co-personal
representative of the estate at the
law offices of WHITE, PETERSON,
GIGRAY, ROSSMAN, NYE
ANDROSSMAN, P.A., 5700 East
Franklin Road, Suite 200, Post
Office Box 247, Nampa, Idaho
(ID) 83653-0247, and (2) filed with
the Clerk of the Court.**
DATED this 3rd day of January,
2003.

E. Ann Campbell
Vicki L. Moser
Co-Personal Representatives

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS Case No. SP-02-01786 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN ND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

In the Matter of the Estate of
JEWEL P. SCOTT,
Decedent.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the undersigned have been
appointed personal representatives
of the above named estate; that all
claimants having claims against the
above named decedent are required
to present their claims within four
months after the date of the first
publication of this notice or such
claims will be forever barred; and
that such claims must either be
presented to the undersigned
personal representatives of the
estate at the address stated below,
or be filed with the above named
Court.
DATED: JAN 3-2003
SIGNED: **J. L. Scott**, aka
Jonathan La Von Scott,
Personal Representative
ADDRESS: 2332 N. Cliffview
Way
Boise, ID 83702
SIGNED: **Bonnie L.
Hernandez**, aka **Bonnie Louise
Hernandez**,
ADDRESS: 2859 Shady Grove
Road
Sunset, SC 29685
Richard B. Eismann
Eismann Law Offices

Attorney for the personal
representatives
3016 Caldwell Boulevard
Nampa, ID 83651-6416
1/15,22,29-2/5/03

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On May 13, 2003, at the hour of
3:00 o'clock pm of said day, on the
Owyhee County Courthouse, State
Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650,
CHARLES C. JUST, ESQ.,
Attorney at Law, as Successor
Trustee, will sell at public auction
to the highest bidder, for cash, in
lawful money of the United States,
all payable at the time of sale, the
following described real property,
situated in the County of Owyhee,
State of Idaho, and described as
follows to wit:
See Attached Exhibit "A"
The Trustee has no knowledge of
a more particular description of the
above referenced real property, but
for purposes of compliance with
Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the
Trustee has been informed the
address of HC 79 Box 1305, Melba,
Idaho, is sometimes associated with
the said real property.
Said sale will be made without
covenant or warranty regarding
title, possessions or encumbrances
to satisfy the obligation secured by
and pursuant to the power of sale
conferred in the Deed of Trust
executed by David G. Howells and
Paulette R. Howells, husband and
wife, as Grantors(s) with Republic
Mortgage Corp., a Utah
Corporation as the Beneficiary,
under the Deed of Trust recorded

December 3, 1997, as instrument
No. 223454, in the records of
Owyhee County, Idaho. The
Beneficial interest of said Deed of
Trust was subsequently assigned to
Old Kent Mortgage Company,
recorded December 3, 1997, as
Instrument No. 223455. The
Beneficial interest of said Deed of
Trust was subsequently assigned to
Mortgage Electronic Registration
Systems, Inc. recorded November
14, 2000, as Instrument No. 234335,
in the records of said County.
THE ABOVE GRANTORS
ARE NAMED TO COMPLY
WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a),
IDAHO CODE. NO
REPRESENTATION IS MADE
THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT,
PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE
FOR THIS OBLIGATION.
The default for which this sale is
to be made is the failure to pay the
amount due under the certain
Promissory Note and Deed of Trust,
the amounts called for thereunder
as follows: Monthly payments in
the amount of \$770.21 for the
months of July 2002 through and
including to the date of sale, together
with late charges and monthly
payments accruing. The sum owing
on the obligation secured by said
Deed of Trust is \$86000.33 as
principal, plus service charges,
attorney's fees, costs of this
foreclosure, any and all funds
expended by Beneficiary to protect
their security interest, and interest
accruing at the rate of 8.00% from
June 1, 2002, together with
delinquent taxes plus penalties and
interest to the date of sale.

The Beneficiary elects to sell or
cause the trust property to be sole to
satisfy said obligation.
Dated this 10th day of January,
2003.
Paula Peterson
Trust Officer for
Charles C. Just, Esq.
PO5051
Exhibit "A"
A parcel of land being a portion
of the West Half of the Northwest
Quarter of Section 14, Township 1
South, Range 3 West, Boise
Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho
and more particularly described as
follows:
BEGINNING at an aluminum
cap making the Northwest corner
of said Section 14; thence along the
Westerly boundary of said West
Half of the Northwest Quarter of
Section 14
South 00° 37'50" West 333.98
feet to an iron pin; thence
South 89° 19'33" east 663.12
feet to an iron pin; thence
North 00° 39'50" East 333.70
feet to an iron pin; thence
North 89° 18'06" West 663.31
feet to the REAL POINT OF
BEGINNING.
EXCEPTING THEREFROM all
oil, gas, gravel, mineral and
geothermal rights, as reserved in
the Warranty Deed recorded
January 14, 1988 as Instrument No.
194136, Owyhee County records.
CHARLES C. JUST
381 Shoup Avenue, Ste. 211
P.O. Box 50271
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83405
(208) 523-9106 FAX (208)
523-9146

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

At 11:00 o’clock A.M. on April 15th, 2003, on the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho, First American Title Insurance Company, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 3 of Block 4 of HIDDEN HOLLOW SUBDIVISION, in the SW1/4SW1/4, Section 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, B.M. Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho

Information concerning the foreclosure action may be obtained from the Trustee, whose telephone number is (208) 785-5511. According tot he Trustee’s records, the street address of 409 Mountain View Drive, Marsing, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Stephanie D. Weaver, a single person, as Grantor, Title and Trust Company, an Idaho Corporation, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, dated August 10, 1987, recorded August 11, 1987, as Instrument No. 192721, all records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

The above Grantor(s) are named to comply with Section 45-1506(4)(a) Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to:

1. Make monthly payments due the 10th day of each and every month. Amount delinquent totals \$2,634.44 as of October 3, 2002.
2. Comply with paragraph (7) of said Deed of Trust: To pay when due all taxes, liens, judgments, encumbrances, and assessments lawfully attaching to or assessed against the property. Real property taxes are delinquent for 2000 and 2001, with penalties and interest accruing.

The principal balance is \$27,421.09, together with interest thereon at 9.000% per annum in the amount of \$1,697.10, subsidy granted is \$7,358.44, and current fees assessed are due together with any late charges, advances to protect the security, and fees and costs associated with this foreclosure. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause said property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

DATED this 9th day of December, 2002.

First American Title Insurance Company,
Successor Trustee
By: Sydnee Smith-Hale,
Assistant Trust Officer

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On the 8th day of May, 2003, at the hour of 10:45 A.M., of said day, (recognized local time), in the Office of lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho.

First American Title Company of Idaho, Inc., an Idaho Corporation, as successor trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash or cashiers check (cash equivalent), in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale in compliance with Section 45-1506(9) Idaho Code, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT A

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that according to the County Assessors office, the address 13127 N Edison Road, Marsing,

Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by DAVID E WEEKS AND SONJA L WEEKS, husband and wife, as grantors, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho Corporation, as successor trustee, for the benefit and security of

Far West Mortgage, as beneficiary, recorded

November 13, 2001, as Instrument No. 237841, and assigned to CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as beneficiary, by assignment recorded December 16, 2002, as Instrument No. 214939, Mortgage Records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

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

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust Note, the monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds of \$850.91, due per month for the months of August through October, 2002 and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement, with a monthly late charge accruing at \$38.17, with interest accruing at 7% per annum, and continuing to accrue from July 1, 2002. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$114,078.78, plus accruing interest, cost and advances. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Date: December 26, 2002
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC.
By Elishia M. Ricky
EXHIBIT A
ATTACHED TO Notice of

Trustee’s Sale PARCEL 1:

A portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, and is more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter; thence

North 89⁰⁰ 18’36” West along the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter a distance of 612.33 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing

North 89⁰⁰ 18’36” West along said South boundary a distance of 339.85 feet; thence

North 00⁰⁰ 35’54” East parallel with the East boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter a distance of 641.11 feet; thence

South 89⁰⁰ 13’58” East a distance of 339.85 feet; thence

South 00⁰⁰ 35’54” West parallel with said East boundary a distance of 640.66 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 11:

A 50.00 foot road easement

This easement lies in the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter and in the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, and is more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of said Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter; thence

North 00⁰⁰ 33’48” East along the East boundary of said Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter a distance of 613.07 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence

North 89⁰⁰ 13’58” West a distance of 2,186.48 feet; thence

Southwesterly 28.91 feet along the arc of a curve to the left having a central angle of 82⁰⁰ 49’43”, a radius of 20.00 feet and a long chord which bears

South 49⁰⁰ 21’27” West a distance of 26.46 feet; thence

Northwesterly 275.05 feet along the arc of a curve to the right having a central angle of 262 degrees 38⁰⁰ 53”, a radius of 60.00 feet and a long chord which bears

North 40⁰⁰ 43’35” West a distance of 90.12 feet; thence

South 89⁰⁰ 13’58” East a distance of 2,265.85 feet to a point on the said east boundary; thence

South 00⁰⁰ 33’48” West along said East boundary a distance of 50.00 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Amy L. Wilcoxson
TRUSTEE VERIFICATION
1/15,22,29-2/5/03

Board Meeting

The Southwest District Board of Health will hold a **Board Meeting** on Wednesday, January 29, 2003 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Southwest District Health, Room 200, 920 Main Street, Caldwell, Idaho.

EUGENE G. GUNDERSON,
Director

1/22/03

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RESCHEDULED NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On the 5th day of March, 2003, at the hour of 10:45 A.M., of said day, (recognized local time), in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, First American Title Company of Idaho, Inc., an Idaho corporation, as successor trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT A

By reason of the automatic stay provisions of U.S. Bankruptcy Code 11 U.S.C. 362, the original sale was discontinued, and pursuant to provisions of Idaho Code 45-1506(A) this sale is rescheduled and will be conducted as allowed by the expiration or termination of the effect of the stay in the manner provided by that section.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that according to the County Assessors office, the address of 735 W. Idaho Avenue, Homedale, fka Route 1 Box 1275, Homedale, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by JULIO DE LA ROSA SR, also shown of record as JULIUS DELAROSA, as grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho Corporation, as successor trustee, for the benefit and security of American Liberty Capital Corporation dba American Liberty Funding, as beneficiary, recorded November 23, 1998, as Instrument N. 226658, and assigned to CREDIT BASED ASSET SERVICING AND SECURITIZATION LLC, as beneficiary, by assignment recorded January 31, 2002, as Instrument No. 238546, Mortgage Records of Owyhee County, Idaho..

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

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust Note, the monthly payments for Principal and Interest of \$544.98, due per month for the months of March through December, 2000 and January through December, 2001 and January through April, 2002 and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement, with a monthly late charge accruing at \$27.25, with interest accruing at 11.05% per annum, and continuing to accrue from February 1, 2000. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secure by said Deed of Trust is \$56,701.03, plus accruing interest, costs and advances. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust

property to be sole to satisfy said obligation.

Date: January 14, 2003
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC.
By Monine Cole Trust Officer
EXHIBIT A
ATTACHED TO Rescheduled Notice of Trustee’s Sale

A part of the Northwest Quarter Northwest Quarter Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particular described to wit:

BEGINNING at the Northwest corner of Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence

South 1⁰⁰ 03’ East 341.00 feet along the West line of the said Section 9; thence continue

South 1⁰⁰ 03’ east 2.04 feet tot he Northwest corner of the OWYHEE ADDITION TO HOMEDALE, IDAHO No. 1; thence

North 89⁰⁰ 24’ East 132.99 feet along the North line of the said OWYHEE ADDITION TO HOMEDALE, IDAHO No. 1; thence

North 1⁰⁰ 03’ West 1.23 feet to a point; thence

North 341 feet; thence

West 133 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Tina Albright
TRUSTEE VERIFICATION
1/22,29-2/5/03

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENT/CHILD RELATIONSHIP CASE NO. SP-02-01756 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE Magistrate Division

In the Matter of the Termination of the Parent/Child Relationship of McKENZIE MARIE ANDERSON,

A Minor.
TO: TARA P. ANDERSON
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED That a Petition for Termination of Parent/Child Relationship of your daughter, McKenzie Marie Anderson, date of birth, April 12, 1997, was filed in the above entitled Court on November 4, 2002.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED That if you intend to object to the petition, you must file a written objection with the above entitled court within twenty (20) days of service of the petition upon you. Your written objection shall set forth the specific relief you seek and your objection must be accompanied by a memorandum specifying the factual and legal grounds upon which the written objection is based.

A copy of the petition filed in the above entitled action is attached to this notice.

Dated this 4th day of November, 2002.

GIGRAY, MILLER and DOWNEN
Wm. F. Gigray, Jr.
Attorney for Petitioner
Residing at Caldwell, Idaho
9th Ave. and Dearborn St-P.O. Box 640
Caldwell, Idaho 83606-0640
Telephone – 208-459-0091
Fax – 208-459-0096
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**OWYHEE COUNTY
BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES FOR
MONDAY, DECEMBER
23, 2002
ANNEX, MURPHY,
IDAHO
10:00 AM**

Present for the meeting were Commissioner Hal Tolmie, Commissioner Dick Reynolds, Commissioner Chris Salove, Clerk Cynthia Eaton, Clerk Elect Charlotte Sherburn, Treasurer Barbara Wright, Assessor Ernie Bahem, Kay Kelly Breach, and Chris Collett.

The Board approved tax cancellation for MH03N05W143616 of \$57.13 on a 1982 Tamarack that is not inhabitable and being stored prior to being dismantled and removed. The Board approved tax cancellation of \$18.02 on PP5901480 double taxation. The Board also approved Resolution #02-38 for the Treasurer to destroy bank statements and tax collector accounts prior to 1991.

The Board moved the scheduled Executive Session to 1:00 pm and cancelled review of the Zoning Ordinance to a later date. The hardship petitioner could not appear at the time requested and the matter was referred to the Treasurer for more information or rescheduling. Commissioner Tolmie reported that Mayor Puri was exploring other resources for cleaning up the Homedale Airport and would not be meeting with the Board as scheduled.

The Board reviewed the gravel pit report for Road and Bridge #1 and the report was approved and signed.

The Board reviewed the report to the State of Idaho on the county vessel funds. The Board approved and signed the report.

INDIGENT AND CHARITY Case 02-27 Board approved assignment to the CAT Board; 02-44 new case Board approved lien; 01-05 Board reviewed and approved request for subordination of property for a loan, the Board further approved and authorized Welfare Director Chris Collett to sign the subordination agreement approved by the Board.

The Board moved into Executive Session to hear information on a personnel matter. Upon moving out of Executive Session into Regular Session the Board took the matter under advisement.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

Signed this 6th day of January 2003.

Hal Tolmie, Chairman of the Board
Attest: Cynthia Eaton, Clerk to the Board

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**OWYHEE COUNTY
BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES FOR
MONDAY JANUARY 6,
2003
ANNEX BUILDING,
MURPHY, IDAHO
10:00 AM**

Present were Commissioner Hal Tolmie, Commissioner Dick Reynolds, Commissioner Chris Salove, Clerk Cynthia Eaton, Clerk Elect Charlotte Sherburn, Assessor Ernie Bahem, Assessor Elect Brett Endicott, Treasurer Barbara Wright, Jim Desmond, Sheriff Gary Aman, Homedale Chief of Police Jeff Eidemiller, Cheryl Peterson, Kay

Kelly-Breach, Renee Bettis, Elwin Butler, Jenifer Willer, Homedale Mayor Harold Purri, Hap Duryee, Charles Garrison, Chris Collett, Fred Grant, and Wilma Stewart.

The Board added to the agenda tax exemptions and the Quarterly Reports from the departments.

The Sheriff and Assessor reported on the Rural Addressing. The Sheriff requested that the Board contract with Ernie Bahem to help complete the addressing. The Board will consult with the advisor and review the contract terms upon receipt of a contract. The Board approved and authorized the Sheriff to sign a disclosure agreement allowing the telephone companies Century Tel and Quest to share the necessary information for system setup. The Sheriff also requested that the Avalanche Publishing be permitted to print the address cards for mailing. There are approximately 4536 cards in the amount of \$1617.32 and \$635. For printing in exchange the publisher will provide the mail preparation for the cards. The Board approved the Avalanche to print the address cards. The Board authorized the Sheriff to trade the 1997 vehicle for light bars.

The Board approved the Quarterly Report as presented by the Treasurer.

The Sheriff requested that Paul Delaplain be retained as Jail Doctor. Due to the increase in medical fees, Dr. Noak has requested to be relieved as Jail Doctor. The contract with Paul Delaplain will be for \$1100 with \$200 of the amount as the increase in insurance. The Board approved Paul Delaplain as the Jail Doctor with the contract to follow at a later meeting.

Owyhee County Natural Resources Committee Director Jim Desmond requested that the Board review the approve the Desired Future Conditions Statement. The Board authorized the Chairman to sign the letter addressing the future conditions. The Board further approved authorization for Mr. Desmond to review the BLM files in the Clerk's Office and reorganize them for his use.

Holiday Engineering provided a report on planning for Federal Aid Funding. A planning study would include a road inventory and transportation study. The Board took the matter under advisement.

The Board met with Homedale Mayor Harold Purri and City Councilman Duryee and Garrison. The Board signed a Resolution stating that the County will help Homedale with the Airport clean-up as much as the Board feels it can.

Indigent and Charity Case 02-35 Board determined that the applicant is indigent and also approved \$25 dollars per month reimbursement with the same amount to be paid on a prior case by the same applicant subsequent to and after reimbursement of the current case. Cases 99-04, 99-23, 99-27, 99-35, 02-04, 02-41, release of liens; 02-46 approved lien; 03-10 notice of hearing. The Board also approved and signed four liquor licenses.

The Board approved minutes for December 23, 2002. The Board approved moving their meetings to Courtroom #2 instead of the Annex.

The Board approved county employee interpreter fees to \$50 per month.

The Board approved three days of schooling for the Building Inspector on the international building code.

The Board approved tax exemptions for Vision Bible Church of God on Lots 13-15 Blk 15 Dobbin Implement Marsing and Lots 1&3 Blk 2 Volkmer-Motzko

Subdivision, Marsing.

The Board approved paying the bill as presented.

The Board requested that the Clerk Elect Sherburn write a letter requesting Holiday Engineering to recommend a list of architects for planning the new portion of the courthouse facility now under discussion.

The Board moved into Executive Session on a personnel issue after moving back into Regular Session the Board approved a letter to the employee outlining the expectations of the Board. The letter was handed to the employee at the Board meeting.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC
HEARING AS TO
STATUS OF
POISON CREEK ROAD
A/K/A THE SANDS
BASIN
ROAD IN OWYHEE
COUNTY**

Pursuant to Idaho Code, Sections 40-203A and 40-203, the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on February 3, 2003, to inquire into the status as a private or public road or public RS 2477 right of way a portion of the Poison Creek Road also known as the Sands Basin Road, particularly described as running through the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 21 in Township 2 North, Range 5 West in Owyhee County. The full length of the road is located in Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Section 18; Township 2 North, Range 5 West, Sections 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 30 and 31; Township 1 North, Range 5 West, Sections 6, 7, 18, 19 and 30; Township 1 North, Range 6 West, Sections 25 and 36; Township 1 South, Range 6 West, Sections 1, 12, and 13; and Township 1 South, Range 5 West, Sections 7 and 8.

The particularly described portion of the road has been gated, and the Board has received objections to such gating from members of the public who believe that the gated portion of the road, as well as the ungated portion of the road is a public road and/or public RS 2477 right of way.

The hearing will be held in the Magistrate Court Room #2 in the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho. It will commence at 9:30 am on February 3, 2003 and will continue to completion. A hearing officer has been named to conduct the hearing, conduct pre-hearing procedures and assist the Board in post-hearing actions. Questions as to procedure should be directed to the hearing officer by calling Kay Kelly at 495-2051.

At the hearing, public testimony will be taken, so long as the testimony is relevant to the issues involved in the determination of whether the road in question is a public road and/or a public RS 2477 right of way. Issues related to the question of whether the road is a public road are identified in Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Idaho Code.

If any person or organization intends to be represented by counsel, notice of counsel's name, address and telephone number should be provided to the Hearing Officer as soon as possible so that arrangements for scheduling pre-hearing conferences regarding procedures, marking documents and pre-hearing briefs can be made. Notices should be sent to the Hearing Officer, Fred Kelly Grant, by calling Kay Kelly at 495-2051,

and mailing to Fred Kelly Grant, Hearing Officer, P. O. Box 128, Murphy, Idaho 83650.

Members of the public desiring to present testimony, without assistance of counsel, must notify the Hearing Office, by calling Kay Kelly at 495-2051 by 5:00 pm on January 22, 2003, or mailing notice to Fred Kelly Grant, Hearing Officer, PO Box 128, Murphy, Idaho 83650 so that it is received by 5:00 pm on January 22, 2003. Said notice shall identify the person to testify, nature of the testimony to be provided, and identification of any documents the person testifying will offer.

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**SUMMONS
CASE NO. CV-02-03812
IN THE DISTRICT
COURT OF THE THIRD
JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF
THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN
AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF OWYHEE
Magistrate Division**

RUDY A. ANDERSON,
Plaintiff,
vs.
TARA P. ANDERSON,
Defendant.

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TO: Defendant. Tara P. Anderson

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that in order to defend this lawsuit an appropriate written response must be filed with the above-designated Court within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons on you. If you fail to respond the Court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the plaintiff in the complaint.

The nature of the claim against you is to secure a decree of divorce. For further particulars, you are hereby referred to the verified Complaint on file herein.

A copy of the complaint is served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected.

An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10 (a) (1) and other

Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:

1. The title and number of this case.
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3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.
4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.

To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above named Court. Dated this 4th day of November, 2002.

CYNTHIA EATON, Clerk

By Lena Johnson
Deputy Clerk
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Caldwell, Idaho 83606-0640
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1/08,15,22,29/03

**SUMMONS
Case No. CV-02-03849
IN THE DISTRICT
COURT OF THE THIRD
JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF
THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN
AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF OWYHEE**

A & J CONSTRUCTION CO.,
INC.,
an Idaho corporation
Plaintiff,
vs.
FLOYD WOOD, a/k/a FLOYD D. WOOD,
an individual, AND
MARGARET E. WOOD,
an individual,
Defendants.

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TO: FLOYD WOOD a/k/a FLOYD D. WOOD

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above designated court within 20 days after service of this Summon on you. If you fail to so respond the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the plaintiff(s) in the Complaint.

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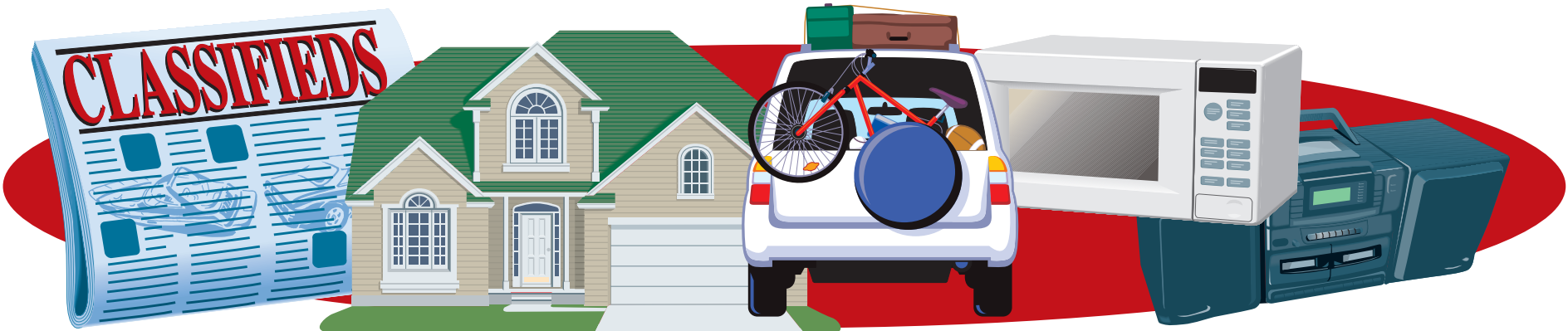
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3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.
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To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.

DATED this 25th day of November, 2002.

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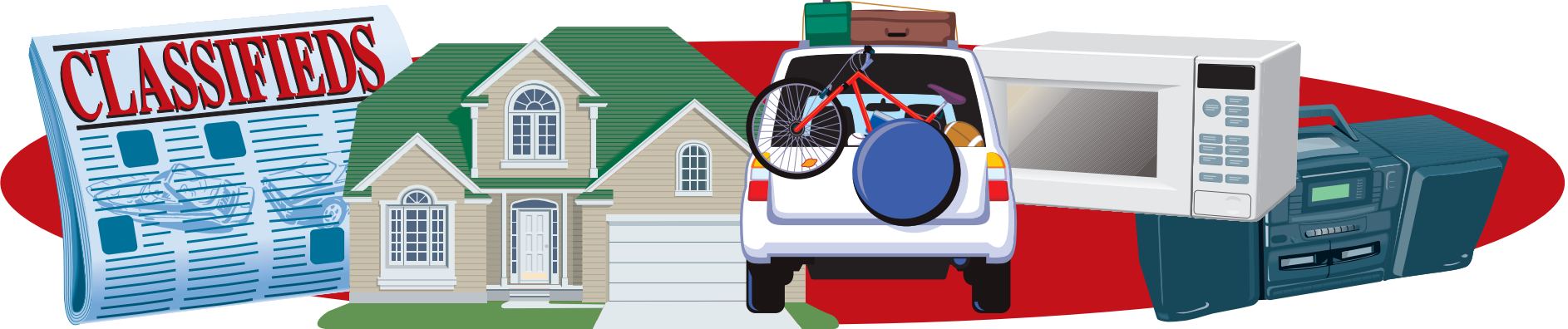
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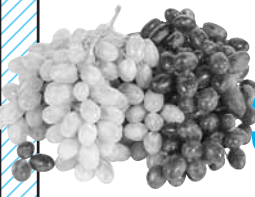





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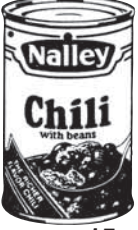





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