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Blaze

A front-end loader burns at the home of David Shenk near Homedale last week as Homedale volunteer fire crews apply foam to the flames. Art Shenk said he moved the tractor and was going to pull it into a shed when a passerby alerted him to the blaze. He said he was unsure how the tractor ignited.

Homedale mayor surprises council with resignation

Council seeks answers before addressing resignation

In an unexpected turn of events during a meeting last week, the Homedale City Council received a letter of resignation from the city's mayor Harold Puri minutes before the bi-monthly meeting was to begin.

The letter, which city officials would not release after being advised by legal counsel, was delivered to council members as they arrived for the meeting Thursday night. Council President David Frelove moved to amend the agenda to include an executive session and the council

discussed the turn of events behind closed doors.

Upon returning from executive session, Frelove announced to the audience that the council had received a letter of resignation from the mayor at about 5 p.m. He said the council would table the matter until Puri could be contacted.



Mayor Harold Puri

"We are not going to accept his resignation until we can talk to him and find out what the basis of his resignation is," Frelove said. "We will not act upon it until we have some kind of a discussion with Harold."

Homedale City Clerk Pam Dugger said business of operating the city would continue as normal

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County may remove 70-year-old trees

Two 70 year old trees could meet their doom soon as the county commissioners will decide whether to remove the old patriarchs due to disease and "messy" conditions or to have the two nearly 100 foot trees cleaned up.

The two blue spruce trees line the walkway to the entrance to the county courthouse in Murphy and have been the main source of shade for over 50 years. No one can really recall when the trees were planted on the grounds of the county building and most do not want to see the old trees removed, but most are agreeing that due to disease, they need to be cut down.

Owyhee County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said last week that the commissioners will take action on

removing the trees during the next meeting, but she said the trees are diseased.

"We have two estimates from tree removal services and one of the estimates show the trees are diseased," Sherburn said. "The commissioners will decide if they should be removed on April 7th."

Sherburn said the estimates came in that it would cost a little more to clean the two trees up than it would to remove them. She said the commissioners have had a request for some of the wood from the trees so something could be built and given to the county historical society. She said a plaque made for the courthouse is also being considered.



Destiny

Two 70 year old trees could meet their doom soon as the county commissioners will decide whether to remove the old patriarchs due to disease and "messy" conditions or to have the two nearly 100 foot trees cleaned up.



Nampa man injured
A Nampa man was seriously injured when he lost control of a four-wheeler he was riding on Tiddie Springs Road on March 22nd. Daniel Milich, 68 was transported to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center by Life Flight helicopter with back and head injuries.

Lack of participation cancels officer fundraiser

Stating lack of participation, the Blue Guardian Challenge, a fundraiser coordinated to assist a local officer with mounting medical bills after a tractor battery blew up in his face earlier this year, will be canceled, Homedale City Clerk Pam Dugger told the city council during a meeting last week.

Dugger stated that only one team had signed up for the day long event which was to include a relay race, obstacle course competition, tug of war and a laser shoot competition between teams of four people. She said 25 invitations had been mailed to area city, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies, but that only one team had signed up for the event as of the deadline last Wednesday.

A barbecue, rifle raffle and an auction were planned and Dugger said all items donated would be returned to the people who donated them. Nearly 100 t-shirts with the 2003 Blue Guardian Challenge logo on the front and a list of the donors printed on the back were purchased, but Dugger said the t-shirts would continue to be sold. She said many tickets for two rifles that were going to be raffled during the event have been sold and the raffle would take place on April 5th.

A memo submitted to the council states: "On February 19th invitations were sent to listed police agencies, registration forms and information regarding the Blue Guardian Challenge, the fund raising event for the Jamie Austin family. On March 19, I requested that these agencies be contacted by telephone and reminded that registration for the event would be closing on March 26th and asked if they were indeed going to be sending a team. This did not happen."

"I deeply regret the failure of this project," Dugger said in her memo. "It is unfortunate that we were not able to collectively put together an event to benefit one of our own. In the future I hope that events such as this one sponsored by the city and/or its employees can be given the time and efforts that are required by everyone to assure success."

City requests county's assistance with airport clean-up

The City of Homedale continues to struggle with finding a source to fund a remediation project to remove a hazardous chemical, dynoseb, that leaked into the ground at the Homedale airport many years ago.

The city applied for a grant, Brownfields Grant, but was recently denied funding from the source. Now the city hopes to receive the funding from the county as part of a resolution that was passed at the county level earlier this year.

The Department of Environmental Quality has given the city 30 days to file a "plan and schedule" for removing and disposing of the contaminated soil, but also informed the city that they only have about \$6,000 left of a \$50,000 account the department made available.

"This amount is probably insufficient to cover the cost of

transporting and disposing of the contaminated soils," DEQ Regional Manager Ron Lane said in a letter to Mayor Harold Puri. "In light of the recent development regarding EPA funding, another mechanism will be needed to pay for disposition of the dinoseb contaminated soils. Within the next 30 days, please provide the Department with a plan and schedule for removing and disposing of these contaminated soils."

The city has requested funding from the county commissioners because "the city is without funds to proceed with the airport remediation plans required by DEQ," stated in a letter sent to the commissioners earlier this month. "Therefore we are hereby requesting funding for the project as passed by Owyhee County Commissioners Resolution on January 6."

The project will cost nearly \$60,000 to excavate and remove the contaminated soil and have it shipped to an off-site location for incineration.

Local mom coordinates forming youth group

A local mom, with the help of her 10-year-old daughter, said she is tired of the watching local kids "hangin" around the streets, getting into trouble and not having anything "productive" to do. Cindy Sims, manager of Jackson's Texaco in Homedale, plans to put an end to youth boredom by starting a Young Citizens of Owyhee County youth group.

"I see the kids out here and talk to them," Sims said last week. "They are bored. They have nothing better to do than to get in trouble. We need something in this town to keep our children busy, besides getting kicked out of local businesses because of trouble. We need an organized youth group that is not affiliated with the probation office or local churches. These kids need something to do."

The Y.C.O.C. is forming in Homedale and Sims said she is looking for kids who want to make a difference in the community.

The first meeting will be held at the Homedale Senior Citizen's Center on April 12th at 11 a.m. She said it is open to all kids from six to 21 as well as adult mentors and parents who would like to attend.

Sims said Y.C.O.C.'s objective is to teach young people how to be a productive part of their community. The group's goal is to hold a city

clean up day, plant and maintain a community garden with the proceeds going to the food bank, do volunteer work for elderly and other needy members of the community and to own and operate a center where young people can go to socialize and have fun in a controlled and positive atmosphere.

"This group is not going to be just for kids from Homedale," Sims said. "We want to get any young person from Owyhee County who wants to attend, they can attend. I have spoken to several parents and many kids in the area and the reception has been overwhelming. I think that if we can put it together and hold to it, it will work."

Membership is open to all young citizens of Owyhee County under the age of 21 and Sims said the group would not have a membership fee.

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Rachel's dream fulfilled:

Young poet published

Eighth grade Homedale Middle School student Rachel Seamount already has big dreams for her future and her first big break came when she became a published poet in the Anthology of Poetry by Young Americans.

Seamount, the daughter of Sarah and Robert Seamount III, is 13 years old and said she has already been working on a novel which she hopes to also have published before she graduates high school. Earlier this month she received notification that her poem, Wandering's Child, had been accepted for publication. She said she was ecstatic when she heard the news.

"My mom is actually the one who got the information for me," Rachel said last week. "

"Rachel has been writing poetry since about the fourth grade," Sarah explained. "She has been writing stories since about the same time. Her goal is to be an author. She is currently working on a science fiction/fantasy novel, which is about forty pages long. She has a hard time sticking with one story, she will get a new idea and is ready to move on."

Rachel's poem was selected as "one of the most creative submissions" which earned her a page in the Anthology of Poetry by Young Americans. The 2003 edition will be the 14th year of publishing the Anthology. The book is scheduled to go to print on March 31st and will be available for distribution in approximately September.



Rachel Seamount

Wandering's Child

By Rachel Seamount

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Water outlook

Water levels climbed slightly last week with a storm front that dropped nearly an inch of water on the ground and dumped several inches of snow in the high desert mountains.

South Board of Control Manager Rex Barrie said Thursday the much needed moisture is helping drought conditions in the county and the Joint Board, consisting of members of the Owyhee Irrigation District and the South Board of Control, will meet on April 8 to potentially increase the amount of acre feet to be released to irrigators later this month.

On March 17, Owyhee Reservoir held approximately 168,500-acre feet of water. On March 21 the reservoir increased to approximately 189,600-acre feet, 191,800 on March 24 and to approximately 193,000-acre feet on March 26.

On March 30, the reservoir contained 196,770-acre feet and is now 28 percent of full. Four hundred and eighteen-cfs was entering near Rome.

This weeks weather outlook predicts an increased chance of rain and snow showers throughout the week.

In the Owyhee mountains on Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of snow showers.

Colder with lows 16 to 26 degrees and highs from 34-42.

Thursday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain and snow showers. Lows 16 to 26. Highs 38 to 48. Friday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain and snow showers. Lows 18 to 28. Highs 33 to 43. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain and snow showers. Lows 21 to 30. Highs 32 to 42.

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as possible. She said since the mayor’s resignation was not accepted he is still the mayor.

“I think the council tabled the issue hoping that we would have some contact and input by Mayor Puri within the next couple of days,” Dugger explained Friday morning. “I think they hope it will give them the opportunity to know what is really happening here. If in fact a situation requiring mayor input comes up, the first thing I will do since the resignation has not been accepted, I will try to contact Mayor Puri. In the event I am not able to do that I will contact the council president, David Freelove. At which point, at David’s request, a special meeting would be posted and they would have to address the issue at that time.”

Dugger said rarely do emergency situations come up that require immediate action because, she said, everyone is under the authority of the council. She said if the letter of resignation is accepted there would be a mayoral election this year regardless who is appointed as interim mayor.

“It was a total surprise to us,” Dugger continued. “We are going into difficult times, but we have come through difficult times before. I think everyone is reeling right now and everyone wants to do all of the right things, but obviously there are some huge questions right now because we have had no communication with the mayor.”

Puri said in a phone interview that he had no other comment about his resignation besides stating personal reasons. -CPB

Center to hold computer classes

The Marsing Resource Center will hold Excel/spreadsheet classes each Tuesday from April 8th through May 13th from 7-9 p.m.

The cost for the classes will be \$45 per person to cover all necessary materials and to assist the center in remaining open. Coordinators of the class said the session would normally cost \$80.

Pre-registration is recommended, as seating is limited. To register, call the center at 896-5185 between the hours of 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. The center is located at 110 West 2nd Ave. in Marsing.

Irrigation District meetings set

The Ridgeview Irrigation District will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 7th at its office located at 118 S. 1st Street in Homedale.

The Gem Irrigation District will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7:15 p.m. on the same day at the same location followed by the South Board of Control’s meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Commissioner wants BLM meeting held in Idaho

The Owyhee County Cattlemen and the Idaho Cattle Association have requested that the Bureau of Land Management hold a meeting in Idaho to discuss potential changes to grazing regulations as published by the BLM in the Federal Register earlier last month. But OCA President Charles Lyons said the request was turned down. Now the Owyhee County Commissioners may get into the discussion by making a request of their own.

Commissioner Chris Salove said Tuesday that he would ask the board of commissioners to approve a letter to the BLM requesting that a meeting be held in the area. He said cattlemen in Idaho need and deserve to have an opportunity to understand the proposed changes to grazing regulations which was announced by BLM Director Kathleen Clarke on March 3rd.

According to a news release distributed to media from BLM, regulatory changes under consideration by the BLM would include extending the time for a grazing permittee’s temporary nonuse of a permit from three years to five years, authorize BLM to designate a new type of grazing unit called “Reserve Common Allotments,” reinstate an earlier provision that allows the BLM and a grazing permittee to share title of range improvements.

A spokesman from BLM said, “under this concept, the BLM would create RCAs with ranchers on a cooperative, voluntary basis to promote healthier grazing lands and to help ranchers who temporarily cannot use their permits. Grazing permittees could use these reserve allotments for livestock forage while their regular allotments undergo range improvements.”

Proposed BLM regulatory changes would streamline administrative appeals process, clarify non-permit violations BLM may take into account in penalizing a permittee, revise administrative fees for permit applications, clarify that BLM will follow state law in acquisition of water rights, re-emphasize that reviews under NEPA will consider the

economic, social and cultural impacts of the BLM’s decisions and eliminate, existing regulatory provisions that assert the BLM’s authority to issue long-term “conservation use” grazing permits.

The comment period for the proposed changes is set for May 2nd. Meetings were held in Billings, Montana, Reno, Nevada, Albuquerque, New Mexico and in Washington D.C. but Salove says he does not understand why a meeting would not be held in the Idaho area since so much of Idaho is Federal land.

According to the document filed with the Federal Register on March 3, 2003, Volume 68, Number 41, other regulations being considered for change to “clarify current requirements and to allow better rangeland management and permit administration,” include; “examining whether BLM should authorize temporarily locked gates on public lands in order to protect private land and improve livestock operations, clarify the permit renewal performance review requirements when grazing permits are pledged as security for loans, clarify who is qualified for public lands grazing use and who will receive preference for a grazing permit or lease, and clarify the provisions addressing grazing preference transfers and consider amendments related to changes in permitted use.”

Amendments being considered include requiring a permittee/lessee to apply to renew a permit or lease, what criteria BLM will consider before approving increases in permitted use, consider whether to amend the provision stating when BLM will implement action that changes grazing management after determining that the allotments used by a permittee or lessee are not meeting or significantly progressing toward meeting land health standards.”

“I hate to say it, but I have let this one slip through the cracks,” Salove said last week. “The last RAC meeting we had, at that point the question was asked and they told us that they were going to look at all kinds of new regulations. The

impression I get is the conservation folks [and] recreation folks, are just as concerned about the locked gate thing if not more so. Chances are the BLM, in trying to get a more balanced approach, is trying to look and see if it is reasonable for the ranchers to lock their gates at one point and time so people are not dropping gates and having cattle spread and trespass, which is a very common occurrence.

“The BLM will have to be very careful if this is going to be a good thing. Anytime they start talking about locking gates on public lands for the benefit of the ranchers, it is a real public relations nightmare for the ranchers. There may be a time when it is justified. I have seen first hand where a lot of people will leave gates open purposely just to spite the cattle operation.”

Salove said he could not understand why a meeting would be held in Washington D.C. instead of in states that will be heavily effected by the proposed changes.

“I agree that it is ridiculous to have a meeting on this in Washington D.C. They should be in every western state,” Salove said. “I honestly did not realize they were at the point of putting this in the Federal Registry. Anything that pertains to public lands particularly locking it up, is a big issue in this county right now. Not only on public lands, but access in general. Access is becoming number one in this county. It is not just us, it is in the legislature now.”


Salove said he intends to seek the approval of the board to ask BLM for an extension of deadline for comment and he said he hopes to have a meeting held in the Idaho area but he said a discussion of the issue would not happen until the commissioners next meeting on April 7th.

“Somehow people out here need to have more input than what they have had,” Salove continued. “Realistically the BLM has worked with us pretty good since the change in administration, so I think we stand a chance of getting them to hold a meeting. There should

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Up to \$1,200 in property tax reduction is available this year to qualified applicants under Idaho's Circuit Breaker program. The benefits apply to property taxes on a homeowner's primary residence, which must be in Idaho.

To be eligible, claimants must have no more than \$21,290 in income for 2002 after deducting non-reimbursed medical expenses. They must also be in at least one of the following categories as of Jan. 1, 2003:

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For more information about property tax reduction, call your county assessor's office at 495-2817

Members of the assessor's office will be at the Marsing Senior Citizen's Center on April 8th from 10 a.m. until noon to help people in the area fill out the applications.

On April 7th from 9:30 a.m. until noon, the office will be available at the Homedale Senior Citizen's Center.

County Assessor Brett Endicott said Monday that people who are homebound or disabled and can not get to a local center to fill out the application, can call the office to make an appointment for an application to be brought to them.

Endicott said approximately 250 people in the county qualify

Those who can't get out will go to homebound disabled call office to make an appointment

Qualified people in county include "250 people in county."

Jamfest 2003 to be held Saturday

Bill's Annual Spring Fling, Jamfest 2003 will be held Saturday, at 6:00 p.m. until 12:00 a.m. at the American Legion Hall in Homedale.

The country and bluegrass music festival has been a huge success for the Homedale area bringing together a variety of bands like Woody Purdom and Gang and The Pete Burril band who will highlight the festivities. Several more bands have been contacted, coordinator Bill Page said, but some have not yet confirmed.

Everyone is welcome including any bands available and admission is free. A potluck, finger foods and soft drinks will be served during the non-alcohol event. Donations to the bands will be accepted and appreciated. Door prizes will be given away including but not limited to, dinners, gift certificates, car wash, and pizzas. All children under 14 will be given a prize.

The event is sponsored by the Pages and the Taylors. For more information or to donate a raffle prize, contact Bill Page at 337-4843.

Commissioner ...

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be a meeting in every one of the states that have Federal land."

Lyons said the OCA and the ICA asked State Director K Lynn Bennett for a meeting in a location the Idaho cattlemen could attend. Lyons said he felt that the groups were turned down mostly due to scheduling constraints. He said a representative was sent to the Reno meeting and the topic would be discussed during an OCA meeting in April where members of the OCA planned to prepare a letter of comments to the proposed changes.

Lyons said Brenda Richards, member of the Public Lands Council and wife of Tony Richards vice president of the OCA attended the meeting in Reno. Richards was unavailable for comment.

The OCA president said he could not speak for the cattlemen, but as a cattle rancher, he feels if the ranchers need their land protected, the rancher should take care of it. He said he feels the majority of the changes will help relations with the cattlemen, but some of the items listed would have

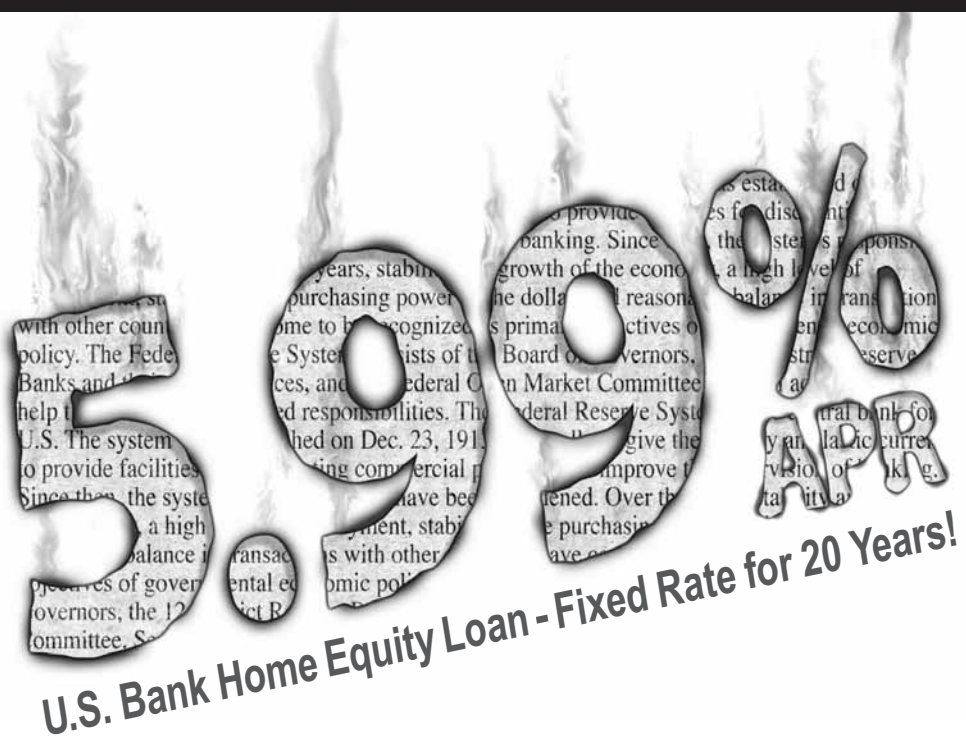
to be very carefully worded.

Senior Public Affairs Specialist from the Washington D.C. Office, Tom Gorey, released a statement saying: "The BLM is in no way trying to 'lock up' public lands. The Bureau is considering a number of potential changes to existing grazing rules and policies that are aimed at improving its management of the public rangelands. The purpose of the changes under consideration is to enhance community-based conservation, promote cooperative land stewardship, improve BLM business practices and provide greater flexibility to managers and grazing permittees in the administration of public rangelands.

"The BLM has not proposed any rule changes at this time, and encourages the public to comment on this and other ideas, as described in the Federal Register notices."

Lyons and Salove agreed that people who will be effected by the proposed changes should contact their legislators, senators and the Bureau of Land Management. -CPB

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Anniversaries



Blacks celebrate 65 years of marriage

Paul and Mattie Black of Bruneau will celebrate 65 years of marriage on April 5th and the couple’s children wish to send them an anniversary greeting.

Paul and Mattie were both born in the Bruneau area and have been ranching at the Shoofly Ranch for 52 years. The couple was married in Bruneau and raised three children on their ranch. The couple has 13 grand children, 22 great grand children and 1 great, great grand child.

Ray and Cherry Meyers and family, Jim and Paula Hanks and family and the late Mike and JoAnn Black and family are sending their love with an anniversary greeting.

“Sixty-five years they’ve been together. Good times and bad times, in all kind of weather. Thanks for setting the example on how to live, A greater gift you could not give.”

At the couple’s request, there will not be a party or gifts.



Hanks celebrate 40 years of marriage

Jim and Paula Hanks of Caldwell will celebrate 40 years of marriage on April 5th and the couple’s children wish to send them an anniversary greeting.

The couple was married in Bruneau on the 25th anniversary of Paula’s parents, Paul and Mattie Black’s marriage. Paula was born and grew up on the Shoofly Ranch in Bruneau before marrying Jim and moving to Caldwell. Jim made saddles for the Big Loop Rodeo in Jordan Valley for many years before retiring. He now makes saddles as a hobby.

The couple’s children and their families, Jake and Paula Hanks of Nampa, Jeff and Darlene Hanks of Jerome and Everett and Jodi Lile of Caldwell sent a message to their parents saying; “we are so proud to have come from a long line of love with grandma and grandpa Black and you as our parents 105 years of love, sharing and commitment. We love you mom and dad.”

At the couple’s request, there will not be a party or gifts.

FROM THE OLD

40’s Photo album



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Basketball Fête, New Orleans style

Dear Betty,

Some friends are coming over to watch the college basketball finals. Since they’re taking place in New Orleans, I thought it would be fun to serve something New Orleans style. Can you help with my menu?

Mechanicsburg, Pa.

Your friends are in for an evening of great basketball and even better food! New Orleans is known not only for its delectable French-influenced cuisine, but also for its hot ‘n’ spicy Cajun food and fresh-from-the-Gulf seafood. These ideas are pure New Orleans, but also will leave you plenty of time to enjoy the game. (Search for “Cajun” to find these recipes and much more on my Web site.)

Fiery peanut nibbles. Heat two tablespoons oil in a skillet.

Stir in one-and-a-half teaspoons Cajun seasoning, one-quarter teaspoon cayenne pepper and two cups lightly salted peanuts. Toss until the peanuts are well coated. Serve either warm or cool.

Peel-and-eat shrimp. Boil up a pot of “green” or uncooked shrimp that’s been cleaned and deveined, but not peeled. Serve with melted butter for dipping and bowls of red beans and rice.

Slow-cooker jambalaya. Jambalaya is a chunky stew of tomatoes, shrimp and spicy sausage from the bayou country. Make it ahead in your slow cooker and serve with rice. Jazz up your jambalaya with a dash of red pepper sauce.

Muffaletta sandwiches. To make the “New-Orleans” hoagie or sub sandwich, start with split rounds of Italian bread layered with provolone, salami and ham. Spread with “olive salad,” a savory blend of chopped green olives, pimientos, celery, garlic, onions and capers in an olive oil/red wine vinegar dressing.

Chill your taste buds with icy cold beer or blended fruit

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I have a recipe that calls for okra and filÉ powder, but I’m not familiar with these ingredients. Can you help?

Centralia, Wash.

You must be making some soul food or a New Orleans-style dish, since okra and filÉ powder are often found in these recipes.

Okra is a light-green, ridged vegetable, something like a tiny banana. As it cooks, it releases a substance that thickens the cooking liquid. It’s often the thickening agent in gumbo. Okra is available canned and frozen, but you also might find it fresh in larger supermarkets.

FilÉ powder adds both flavor and thickening. Made of crushed, dried sassafras leaves, it has a woody, root-beer-like flavor. You’ll find filÉ powder in recipes for Cajun and Creole dishes. Look for it in the spice section of your supermarket.

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Canyon County detectives seek assistance

Canyon County sheriff’s detectives are asking for help from the Owyhee County and surrounding public to solve a major burglary that occurred in South Canyon County earlier this month.

During the daylight hours of March 11th, a burglary occurred at a residence on Highway 45, north of Melmont Road near Melba. There were no witnesses to the crime, but the victim told officers that on the day before the burglary, she observed a maroon Chevy suburban in her driveway. Officers are seeking the whereabouts of a passenger of that vehicle for questioning.



Burglary suspect

A composite sketch of a “person of interest” is released from the Canyon County Sheriff’s Office in connection with a major burglary near Melba on March 11th. Officers are searching for anyone who can identify and associate the man in the sketch with a maroon Chevy suburban.

Stolen were two 35-inch colored television sets, several radios and other audio systems, a pair of two-way ham radios, a 35 millimeter camera, a computer, miscellaneous personal items and most notably, a 16 inch, fully tooled and padded roping saddle with the stamped inscription, “ERA calf roping champion 1977.”

Detectives are asking that anyone who can identify and associate the man in the sketch with a maroon Chevy suburban, to call the Canyon County Sheriff’s office at 454-7531.

Malheur County declares state of emergency

At the request of Malheur County Emergency Services Commander Tim McMenamin, the Malheur County Court declared a state of emergency last week in Malheur County due to drought.

Reports show that most of Malheur County’s watershed has received less than 50 percent of normal snowpack and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has determined that the majority of the county is locked in an extreme drought condition.

Water storage in primary irrigation reservoirs ranges from a low of 18 percent of capacity to 26 percent of capacity at Owyhee Reservoir. NOAA is anticipating the local drought condition will continue.

The emergency declaration, if approved by the governor, will clear the way for expedited permits to allow affected producers to drill wells for irrigation purposes.

The permits would be good for one year, then the permit holders must go through the normal permitting process for permanent water rights.

Also, if the governor approves, the emergency declaration is sent to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture as a request for a disaster declaration. If approved, producers could apply for emergency low-interest loans, reimbursement for approximately 60 percent of their costs of hauling water for livestock and direct compensation on a per head of cattle basis.

The governor has 90 days to act on the emergency declaration and the secretary of agriculture has 90 days to act on the federal declaration from day receiving request.

South Board of Control Manager Rex Berrie said Monday that the county commissioners would have to request a state of emergency for Owyhee County. He said he did not know if it was a consideration at this time.

Owyhee County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said currently Owyhee County is not considering a declaration.

School menu

April 3-9, 2003

Marsing

Thurs. Apr. 3: Red Baron pizza, fruit variety, garden salad w/ dressing, variety milk, rib-b-que on a bun, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, fresh baked roll.
Friday Apr. 4: Hot dog, chili dog, cherry crisp, fresh vegetables sticks, variety milk, chicken patty on a bun, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, fresh baked roll.
Mon. Apr. 7: Enchiladas, garden salad w/dressing, rice, fruit variety, variety milk, crispy baked chicken, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, fresh baked roll.
Tues. Apr. 8: Chicken nuggets and sauce, chocolate pudding, fruit variety, variety milk, tostado delight, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, fresh baked roll.
Wed. Apr. 9: Red Baron pizza, fruit variety, garden salad w/ dressing, cookie, variety milk, soup and sandwich, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, fresh baked roll.

Homedale Elementary

Thurs. Apr. 3: Early dismissal. Chicken nuggets or beef nuggets, broccoli, peaches, cinnamon roll, choice of milk.
Friday Apr. 4: No school.
Mon. Apr. 7: Early dismissal. Chicken fillet or CF beef steak, mashed potatoes, and gravy, fruit crisp, choice of milk.
Tues. Apr. 8: Spaghetti or hot pocket, french bread, green beans, pears, choice of milk.
Wed. Apr. 9: Hamburger/bun or fish patty/bun, fries/tots, apricots, cookie, choice of milk.

Homedale Middle

Thurs. Apr. 3: Early dismissal. Burrito or hot pocket, vegetable, fruit, dessert, or salad bar, choice of milk.
Friday Apr. 4: No school.
Mon. Apr. 7: Early dismissal. lasagna, french bread, vegetable, fruit, or salad bar, choice of milk.
Tues. Apr. 8: Sloppy joe or weiner wrap, green beans, fruit, desert, or salad bar, choice of milk.
Wed. Apr. 9: Popcorn chicken or CF beef steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, roll, fruit, choice of milk.

Homedale High

Thurs. Apr. 3: Early dismissal. Chicken nuggets or corn dog bites, fries, fruit, dessert, choice of milk.
Friday Apr. 4: No school.
Mon. Apr. 7: Early dismissal. Pizza or hot pocket, salad, fruit, dessert, choice of milk.
Tues. Apr. 8: Beef nuggets or popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, hot roll, choice of milk.
Wed. Apr. 9: Lasagna or burrito, french bread, salad, fruit, choice of milk.

Bruneau

Thurs. Apr. 3: Chicken nuggets, potatoes/gravy, veggie, roll/butter, fruit, milk.
Friday Apr. 4: Cheese yum yums, soup and crackers, fruit, cookie, milk.
Mon. Apr. 7: Chicken patty, potato wedges, vegetable, fruit, roll/butter, milk.
Tues. Apr. 8: Nachos/salsa, tossed salad, corn, bread sticks, milk.
Wed. Apr. 9: Chicken and noodles, green beans, roll/butter, milk, strawberry cake.

Hunter education classes begin in Homedale

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

Instructor Walt Rost will offer a course in Homedale in April. The course will begin on April 15 and 17th from 6-8:30 p.m. April 19th from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. April 22 and 24th from 6-8:30 p.m. and on April 26th at 9 a.m. until course completion held at the Homedale Rod and Gun Club range. The cost of the course is \$8. To sign up contact Rost at 337-3535.

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

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

Permit modifications approved for US Ecology

Two Class 1 permit modifications US Ecology Idaho, Inc. recently submitted to the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality have been approved. The submittals were made in accordance with requirements on Nov. 7 and Dec. 30.

The first modification to the part B permit was to revise the reporting limit for groundwater monitoring analysis. The second modification was to remove annual well sounding

at USEI’s Site A, in Bruneau. The modifications do not alter ongoing operations at the site.

No public hearing or comment period is required for Class 1 permit modifications.

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Looking back...

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March 30, 1978	April 2, 1953	April 4, 1868
<p>Benefit dance planned</p> <p>Homedale. A benefit dance is planned for Saturday, April 15, it was learned Monday.</p> <p>The benefit will be for Larry Bahem, a Homedale area farmer, who underwent extensive knee surgery this winter.</p> <p>The dance will be held at the Washington school multipurpose room, with music by the Dorsey Band. Admission will be \$5.00 per couple or \$3.00 single, according to Clarence Ferguson, one of the organizers.</p> <p>Breakfast precedes egg hunt</p> <p>Marsing. Last Saturday the Marsing Lions Club sponsored a pancake breakfast at the grade school from 6 to 9 a.m. The breakfast in an annual event to defray the costs of the Easter egg hunt held for the children of Marsing.</p> <p>Chairman Challen Watson estimated 150 people attended the breakfast. Pancakes, eggs and ham were severed by Lions Jack Thompson, Bob Malmberg, Ralph Bowman, and Mr. and Mrs. Evan Gardner. Orange juice, milk and coffee were also served.</p> <p>‘round Homedale</p> <p>Airman and Mrs. Rod Schulz and son from Great Falls, Montana are in the Homedale area visiting his parents and other relatives.</p> <p>There were 46 dancers at the Senior Citizens dance last Saturday. The musicians were the Homedale Senior Band.</p> <p>Iola Potter, Homedale Nursing Home, is in the Mercy Hospital in Nampa due to a bout of pneumonia.</p> <p>Theresa O’Grady has returned from Bakersfield, Calif., after visiting her son Joe and her sister Becky Hellerud and Hellerud’s daughter who was married. O’Grady also visited with another sister Gen Zill and family, and David Novat and his wife.</p> <p>The Homedale Senior Citizens broke ground Wednesday, March 29 for an addition of a 40’ by 38’ building and garage to the present building which will cost \$20,000.</p> <p>Mr. and Mrs. Paul VanDerhoff had Easter dinner at Nampa’s Chuckwagon on their way to visit their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Ball, Boise.</p> <p>Mrs. Dene Yandell and her son, Jimmy Yandell, had Easter dinner at Wilder at the new Furrow Cafe.</p> <p>A family reunion at the Earl Scott home for Easter was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pickerel, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pickrel, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scott and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Holland, all from Homedale, and Mr. and Mrs. Dwaine Pickerel and family of Parma.</p> <p>Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Williams had Easter dinner with their son Mr. and Mrs. Roland Williams and family. During the afternoon the party toured the Boise Valley looking at new homes.</p> <p>Bessie Johnson had Easter dinner with her son Lee Johnson in Boise. After dinner Bessie visited Basil Johnson and family, also her daughter Iniss Durth and family. Basil displayed his registered quarter horse colt.</p> <p>Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haylett and daughter Bonnie has Easter dinner with the Warren Stimmels, last Sunday.</p> <p>Bonnie and Gene Skogerson, Boise spent Sunday evening with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Stimmel.</p> <p>The Warren Stimmels have their first great-grandson, Ryan Douglas Andrews. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Steven Andrews of Olympia, Wash. Young Andrews is just over to weeks old. Maternal grandparents are Bob and Gwen Stimmel of Centralia, Wash.</p>	<p>Two candidates for mayor here in April 28th election</p> <p>Harry Frye this week announced his candidacy for the post of mayor of the city of Homedale, making it a two-way race for that position in the April 28 election.</p> <p>Two new candidates have announced their candidacies for the councilmen posts, with Scott Smith running for the West Ward and Sam Buck for the East Ward.</p> <p>Those declaring intentions to seek election so far are: Mayor, A.E. Spud Murphy, and harry Frye; East Ward councilman, A.M. Stansell and Sam Buck; West Ward councilman, Elmer Frank, Joe Eiguren and Scott Smith.</p> <p>Last day for candidates to file is Tuesday, April 14, with the election to be held April 28th.</p> <p>Homedale Jaycees Charter Night is Friday, April 10</p> <p>Roy Arnold has been scheduled to speak at the Jaycee Charter Night, Friday, April 10. The dinner and dance will be held at the new grade school. Dinner will be served by the Lutheran Ladies Aid and the music for the dance will be furnished by the Steinmetz orchestra. Tickets are on sale thru this week and may be purchased from members of the Jaycees.</p> <p>Bob cat and owl are electrocuted</p> <p>Antelope-Danner news</p> <p>Recently when Bob Skinner was on his way to Jordan he noticed that there was something on top of one of the electric power poles, on investigating, he found that it was a dead bob cat which had climbed the pole and had mixed with the wires and had been electrocuted. Then an owl had come along thinking he had found a nice dinner and tried to eat the bob cat and he was also electrocuted. The housewives were out of humor as the power went off and they could not cook. Bob also saw another bob cat lying at the bottom of another power pole, dead, down near the Cow Creek Danner school house. Evidently he had struck a hot wire when he reached the top of the pole and had fallen to the ground.</p> <p>Trojans open conference with no hitter game</p> <p>The Trojans traveled to New Plymouth Tuesday afternoon to open S.R.V. conference play. Behind the steady sophomore pitching of Kemitt Kowalk, the Trojans played errorless ball.</p> <p>Kowalk faced 22 men in 7 innings. Of these he struck out 13 and made 3 assists allowing only man on base. He walked Gary Moore in the second inning. The Trojan infield and outfield played errorless ball to help make a perfect afternoon. Moss made 3 putouts and Friel 2 assists, one a fly ball in the last of the 7th inning to retire the Pilgrims for their last out.</p> <p>The Trojans collected 11 hits and capitalized on New Plymouth’s errors to score a total of 11 runs. They collected one run in the 1st, four in the 3rd, two in the 4th, and four in the 6th. The batteries for New Plymouth were Moore and Albiston. Moore was relieved by Henggler in the fifth inning. Moore was credited with the loss and Kowalk from Homedale with the win, ending the game 11-0. The Trojans have a practice game at Vale Friday afternoon and travel to Adrian for their 2nd conference game on Tuesday.</p>	<p>FATAL SHOOTING AFFAIR. On Wednesday evening last, between seven and eight o’clock, a fatal shooting affair occurred in front of the Idaho Hotel, resulting in the death of one person, Marion More, and the wounding of two others, Sam Lockhart and Jack Fisher. As some of the parties are under arrest we will refrain from giving anything more than a general outline of the affair until after the examination.</p> <p>It appears that Marion More, Jack Fisher and two or three others came up in front of the stage office, in the Idaho Hotel. Sam Lockhart was seated outside of the door at the time. An altercation ensued between the More party and Lockhart and shooting commenced on both sides. Six or eight shots followed each other in quick succession. Lockhart getting the best of the fight escaping with a severe flesh wound. More was shot near the center of the breast, the bullet coming out under the right arm. He ran about fifty yards and fell in front of the Oriental Restaurant, into which he was immediately carried. Experienced surgeons and physicians were soon in attendance, who pronounced him in a dying condition. He lived till the next afternoon, when death put an end to his suffering.</p> <p>CLOSED. On Wednesday night, pending the excitement, all saloons and places where liquors could be obtained were ordered closed by the Sheriff. A commendable act as it is considered that liquor was one of the principal causes of the late tragedy. As soon as the death of Marion More became known most of the stores and other business places were closed and crape attached to the doorknobs. We also noticed the flag at the Lincoln mall at half-mast.</p> <p>OWYHEE FERRY. Messrs Lockwood and Cable have now all the necessary material on the ground for building their ferryboat, to replace the one lost by the recent freshet. They will have it running by the 13th of this month, which will be as soon as much freight or travel will come along.</p> <p>NICK ZAPP AND DAVE PICKET have purchased what is known as Gabriel’s Building on the corner of Jordan and Second Streets and will keep a first class saloon and dance house for the accommodation of the “boys”. Nick and Dave are clever fellows, give them a call.</p> <p>FIRST BORN IN FLINT. In Flint District, March 23, a son was born to J.M. Eves, the first affair of the kind that ever occurred in the section of the country, at least since its settlement by the whites. The Flintites feel quite jubilant over their young fellow citizens. We understand that they will turn out in masses, as soon as the snow goes away to hunt up a rich quartz ledge, which they will present to the new comer. Eves says it’s all right, providing they give a good title and work the assessments.</p> <p>THE WEATHER. The snow is fast disappearing. Warm and beautiful sunshiny days and cool nights. The sleighing is becoming bad in the mountains, in the valleys and roads are dry and dusty.</p> <p>BATHS. Costiff and Walker will have their bath house in operation this evening. People will hence froth know where to go in order to be accommodated with plenty of soap and water.</p> <p>LUMBER. We are informed that Chalfant and Co’s saw mill at Wagontown is now running constantly. Glad of it. Five million feet of lumber wanted here immediately.</p> <p>NEW OFFICE. After next Tuesday our friends and patrons will find us in our new office, corner of Clinton and Second streets.</p>

Trojans finish off Nyssa in Payette tourney

Homedale stopped the Nyssa Bulldogs Friday during the Payette Baseball Tournament held in Payette last week. Homedale took advantage of a 13-run third inning in a 18-7 winning effort.

Against the Trojans, Nyssa took advantage of six first inning walks, by Homedale starting pitcher Cole Cooper, to open a 5-0 lead. Nyssa expanded the lead to 7-1 after the top of the second inning, but Homedale exploded for 17 unanswered runs to get past the Bulldogs.

The Trojans were helped by eight walks in just over two innings by the Bulldogs' R.J. Hernandez. The freshman took the loss, after being lifted in the third inning.

Michael Shenk led Homedale with a 2-for-2 performance with four runs scored. Anthony Anderson was also 2-for-2 and scored three times.

Later in the tournament, Jerome stopped the Bulldogs with a 17-1 win with Braden Bair leading Nyssa with a 1-for-3 day at the plate. Bair scored twice for the Bulldogs.

Against the 4A Tigers, Nyssa fell behind 2-0 after the first inning as Jerome cruised

to the win.

Jed Seamons led the offensive attack for Jerome, finishing 3-for-3 with a home run and four RBIs. Seamons also picked up the win, throwing five innings.

Payette beat the Bulldogs in a tournament opener game Thursday and fell to Jerome later in the day.

Devon Wadley, Payette, struck out nine and allowed one hit in six innings of work to lead the Pirates past Nyssa 11-2 at the tournament Thursday.

The win was the Pirates fourth in a row, following an 0-2 start to the year.

The Pirates scored three runs in the first inning to take a 3-0 lead, as Travis Williams and Devon Wadley hit back-to-back run scoring doubles. B.J. Yager had an RBI single in the fourth to extend the lead to 5-0 and Williams followed and was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded to push the advantage to 6-0.

Payette tacked on five runs in the sixth frame with two outs, as two Nyssa errors led to the big inning. The Bulldogs finished with four errors.

Jerome pitcher J.D. Lott struck out 10 and allowed one



Homedale's Michael Shenk beats the throw to first base against Nyssa. Shenk was named the MVP of this game at the Payette tournament.



Nick Williams winds up to deliver a pitch in the Payette tournament.

hit to lead the 4A school to a 10-0 five inning win over the Payette Pirates Thursday at the Payette Tournament.

The loss ended the 3A Pirates (4-3 overall) four game win streak.

Doug Benson homered and drove in three runs for Jerome. Paul Scofield also had a home run, a double and two RBIs. Ted Seamons added a double and knocked in two runs.

Payette's lone hit was a double by Travis Williams, who later left the game after being struck in the helmet by a pitch.

Homedale handed the Vale Vikings picked their first loss of the season, as they allowed five runs over the final four innings and dropped a 5-3 non-league baseball contest to Homedale at the Payette Tournament Thursday.

Vale moved to 1-1 overall on the year.

Homedale's Matt Nauman struck out 11 and walked just one to earn the win despite allowing the Vikings nine hits.

Paiden McDaniel took the loss in his first time ever stepping on the mound for Vale. He entered in the fifth inning in relief of Jeremy Noland with the Vikings ahead 2-1. McDaniel threw a scoreless fifth, however, the Trojans pushed three runs in the sixth and grabbed a 4-2

lead.

Kyle Netcher hit a solo home run in the second inning to give Vale an early 1-0 advantage and finished with two RBIs. McDaniel went 2-

for-3 with a triple and drove in one run and Noland was 2-for-4.

McDaniel and Noland combined to limit the Trojans to four hits.

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Commentary

On the edge of common sense

Baxter Black, DVM

Cutting brush

It has come to my attention that when President George W. Bush is reported as “cutting brush” on his ranch in Texas, not everyone knows what he is talking about.

However it is perfectly clear to anyone who practices the eternal task of maintaining a pasture. Cutting brush has been going on since Adam and Eve started their own garden and began putting up hay. It is the age old battle of man attempting to domesticate the earth.

My most dreaded chore as a boy was weed whacking Johnson grass out of irrigation ditches. It was like cutting garden hose with a croquet mallet. Rhizomes tough as rawhide would slow any scythe. Then the tangle of roots, dead stems, new growth and morning glory would capture it like the LaBrea Tar Pits. Four foot high leaves, big as corn stalks slashed your skin as you flailed around in a blizzard of seeds and pollen.

In college we worked on a brush clearing project where we would put a spoonful of poison at the base of low mesquites. After the plants died they would clear the brush by hooking a chain between two bulldozers and dragging it. Note: We also collected rattlesnakes for the biology department during the poisoning for extra credit.

Cedar is one of the big problems on President Bush’s ranch. Cedar is the crab grass of many Texas and Oklahoma pastures. As housing developments have taken over farm ground, it is easy to see the cedar reclaiming the pasture. Prehistorically, fire cleared the plain, then grazing and vigilance stemmed the tide. Now the chosen method is to pave it.

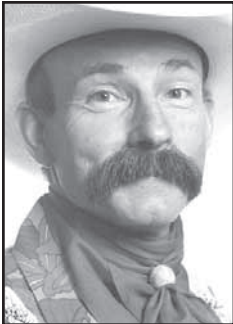
Around the country and around the world since the beginning of civilization, mankind has been trying to hold its own against the unrelenting pressure of palmetto, sagebrush, willow, scrub oak, mesquite, leafy spurge, kudzu, brambles, beau d’ arc, catclaw,†greasewood, prickly pear, and algae.

I don’t know if the President uses a bush hog or an axe, but it is important for him to make a personal stand against the invasion of his pasture. To keep his grassland productive, to stake his claim, to prove, mostly to himself, that he is up to the task and can carve out his own little spot of civilization on the land and survive. It is the way of farmers.

It took me ten years of cutting and spraying to clear a twelve acre pasture of Canadian thistle. The creek ran easier, the grazing was better, the grass was thicker and it looked good. We left the place in 1997.

I have been back. They no longer run cows there. The weeds have choked out the grass, the creek is a long bog, willows and cottonwood shoots grow in a tangle and Canadian thistle sticks out like patches of stiff hair on a mangy dog.

Do I regret it? No, not really. It’s nature’s way. But there is a little twinge. Maybe it’s something people with lawns can understand.



Farm Bureau

Support our troops

By John Thompson, Director of Information

September 11, 2001 taught most Americans a valuable lesson: Don’t underestimate the hatred and brutality that some humans are capable of.

But to some influential Americans, the message didn’t sink in. A handful of musicians and movie stars have recently used their fame and the media spotlight to draw attention to their anti-American, anti-war point of view. They are certainly entitled to voice their opinions. But based on what some of these performers are saying, consumers of movies and music may want to begin to take a closer look at their future entertainment purchases.

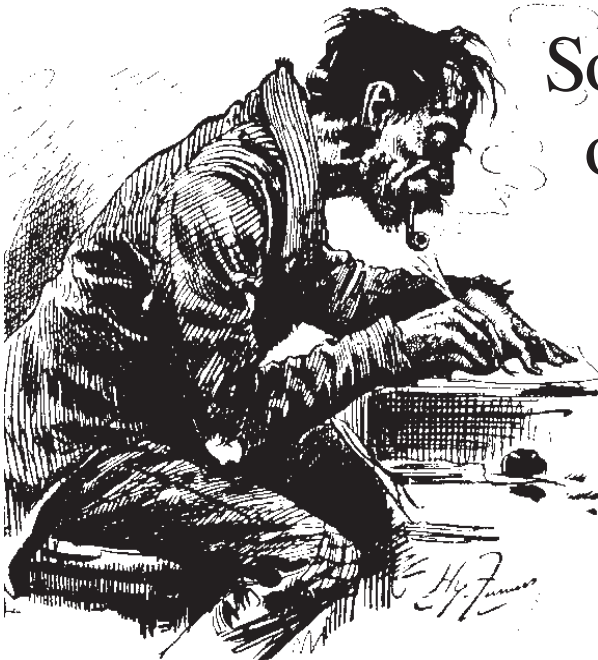
Musicians, movie stars, athletes, politicians and many others who through their respective occupations become public figures, should clearly understand that their actions influence peoples’ lives. And unfortunately, many of them do not.

As consumers we need to remember to consider the source before we begin to second-guess our President and military leaders based on something said by Natalie Maines, Jessica Lange or Alec Baldwin.

Natalie Maines, lead singer for the Dixie Chicks recently told a London audience she was ashamed of President Bush. The Dixie Chicks are wonderfully talented musicians and Maines later apologized for her statement saying that she is a “proud American.” But it appears their public relations difficulties are just beginning. Maines, along with fellow Dixie Chicks Emily Robison and Martie Maguire also recently posed for an anti-fur advertisement underwritten by the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA). The Chicks are negotiating and have offered PETA \$10,000 to rescind the advertisement because of the recent negative press the band has received.

Actress Jessica Lange recently told a crowd in Spain that she hates President Bush and is embarrassed to be an American. These are just two of dozens of examples of celebrities castigating our President. A strange irony is that many of these celebrities have zero experience in state or national affairs and many of them have made a shambles of their personal lives through drug abuse, alcoholism, multiple marriages and divorces, scrapes with the law and publicized temper tantrums. Are these people role models or bad examples?

As citizens of the United States we need to do a better job of educating ourselves about the world around us. It’s a wonderful dream to sit down with dictators and terrorists and talk about world peace. But history has proven that peace cannot thrive without military muscle, strong leaders and soldiers willing to step into harm’s way to protect our way of life.



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Commentary

Accuracy in media

Disillusioned human shields

At the Army’s daily briefing in Qatar on March 26, a reporter asked Gen. Vincent Brooks what he had to say to the human shields who have gone to Iraq to risk their lives to stop the war. The general missed a great opportunity to tell what two of these “human shields” had recently said about what they learned in Baghdad that caused them to abandon their plans to risk their lives trying to protect innocent Iraqi civilians.

In a dispatch from Amman, Jordan distributed by UPI and published in the Washington Times on March 23, veteran foreign correspondent Arnaud de Borchgrave reported that a group of Americans who had joined a delegation of Japanese “human shields” in Iraq had changed their minds and fled the country with 14 hours of videotaped interviews with Iraqis who hoped the Coalition forces would be their liberators. The spokesman for the group, the Rev. Kenneth Joseph, a pastor of the Assyrian Church of the East, an ancient Christian church which has a substantial membership in the United States, told de Borchgrave that his trip to Iraq “had shocked me back to reality.”

He said that his talks with Iraqis convinced him that Saddam is “a monster the likes of which the world had not seen since Stalin and Hitler. He and his sons are sick sadists. Their tales of slow torture and killing made me ill, such as people put in a huge shredder for plastic products, feet first so (the torture masters) could hear their screams as bodies got chewed up from foot to head.” He told de Borchgrave that some of the Iraqis he had interviewed on camera told him they would commit suicide if the American bombing didn’t start and that they were willing to see their homes destroyed if it would free them from Saddam’s bloody tyranny.

The Rev. Joseph and his group were not the only would-be human shields who changed their minds after hearing what Iraqi civilians had to say about Saddam. Daniel Pepper, a 23-year-old Jewish-American living in London who had traveled in the Middle East as a student and a photographer for Newsweek, went to Iraq on January 25 with a group that intended to serve as human shields to call attention to the anti-war movement. He wrote about his experience in the London Telegraph on March 23.

He said, “The human shields appealed to my anti-war stance, but by the time I had left Baghdad five weeks later my views had changed drastically. I wouldn’t say that I was exactly pro-war. No, I am ambivalent, but I have a strong desire to see Saddam removed. I was shocked when I first met a pro-war Iraqi in Baghdad—a taxi driver taking me back to my hotel late at night. I explained that I was American and said, as we shields always did, ‘Bush bad, war bad, Iraq good.’ He looked at me with an expression of incredulity.

“He slowed down and started to speak in broken English about the evils of Saddam’s regime. Until then I had only heard the president spoken of with respect, but now this guy was telling me how all of Iraq’s oil money went into Saddam’s pocket and that if you opposed him politically he would kill your whole family. It scared the hell out of me....I had read reports that Iraqis hated Saddam Hussein, but this was the real thing. Someone had explained it to me face to face....I became increasingly concerned about the way the Iraqi regime was restricting the movement of the shields, so a few days later I left Baghdad for Jordan by taxi with five others.

“Safely over the border, they asked the driver “what he felt about the regime and the threat of an aerial bombardment.” He surprised them, saying, “The Americans don’t want to bomb civilians. They want to bomb the government and Saddam’s palaces. We want America to bomb Saddam. All Iraqi people want this war.” He was convinced that Saddam had paid them to come to Iraq. Pepper concluded his article saying, “Anyone with half a brain must see that Saddam has to be taken out. It is extraordinarily ironic that the anti-war protesters are marching to defend a government which stops people from exercising that freedom.” Extraordinary indeed.

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OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES MARCH 17, 2003 OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MURPHY

Present were Commissioner Harold Tolmie, Commissioner Dick Reynolds, Commissioner Chris Salove, Clerk Charlotte Sherburn, Sheriff Gary Aman, Treasurer Barbara Wright.

The Board moved to approve a grant application for the Sheriff to apply for monies for bulletproof vests for the Sheriff’s Department.

The Board approved the bid for 911 equipment. The bid will be awarded on April 28, 2003.

The Board approved \$1,560 to be spent for the Counties match to the State for the Help America Vote Act of 2002.

The Board approved payment of all bills: Current Expense \$45,713.65; Road and Bridge 34,539.54; District Court 3,422.19; Historical Society & Museum 158.36; Indigent & Charity 6,369.53; Junior College 3,650.00; Revaluation 1,446.31; Solid Waste 14,282.61; Weed 152.54

The Board approved and signed the minutes for March 10, 2003.

The Board moved to meet as the Board of Equalization. There was no business. The Board of Equalization adjourned.

The Board approved a letter be sent to Idaho Department of Fish and Game. The letter expresses concern on the Sage Grouse local working group and statewide Sage Grouse steering committee’s role in implementing a plan.

The Board approved a letter be sent to Owyhee County Planning & Zoning. The Board remanded the cases of Armstrong and Flynn back to Planning & Zoning for review.

Paul Nettleton and Thomas Couch met with the Board on behalf of the Historical Preservation Committee. The Board approved and signed a grant with the Idaho State Historical Society in the amount of \$4,900.

Fred Roberts met with the Board for approval of the plat for Riverview Estates #2. The Board signed the plat.

Indigent and Charity Clerk Chris Collett met with the Board. The following cases were presented. 02-45 The Board dismissed the consideration. 03-10 Lien was approved and signed 02-26 The Board moved to continue, hearing set for April 21, 2003 at 1:00 P.M. 03-05 The Board moved to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$4,521. with a reimbursement agreement to be signed.

Mark Fuchs met with the Board on removal of the two pine trees in front of the Courthouse. The Board asked that Mark get bids on what it would cost to trim them.

Linda Michieli from Transworld Collection Agency made a presentation to the Board. Owyhee County has one year left on the contract with Transworld.

Weed Supervisor Bruce Sibert met with the Board. The Board signed an application for Federal Assistance for Weed Control in the County. Bruce Sibert shared with the Board what information he had obtained on the West Nile Virus.

The Board called for adjournment.

The complete minutes are available for inspection in the office of Clerk-Auditor-Recorder

Harold Tolmie, Chairman
Attest: Charlotte Sherburn Clerk

4/2/03

SUMMONS

To: RUSTY W. TAYLOR
You have been sued by Risk Management Alternatives, Inc., the Plaintiff, in the District Court in and for Owyhee County, Idaho, Case No. CV-02-03591*M

The nature of the claim against you is collection of money owed by you.

Any time after 20 days following the last publication of this summons, the court may enter a judgement against you without further notice, **unless**

prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the Case No., and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, Idaho, 83650, telephone (208) 495-2806, and served a copy of your response on the Plaintiff’s attorney at Howell and Vail, LLP, 380 South Fourth Street, Suite 104, Boise, Idaho, 83702, telephone (208) 336-3331.

A copy of the Summons and Complaint can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the attorney for Plaintiff.

If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.

Dated: 2/26/03
Owyhee County District Court
Lena Johnson
Deputy

3/19,26-4/2,9/03

NOTICE OF SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY Joint School District No. 365 Elmore and Owyhee Counties, Idaho

Public Notice is hereby given according to law, and the requisite action of the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 365, Elmore and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, that the annual school trustee election will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2003. Candidates interested in filing a Declaration of Candidacy must file **not later than 5:00 P.M. on Friday, April 18th, 2003.**

Only those qualified electors residing in Trustee Zone No. 1 may declare candidacy for a trustee position. The purpose of the election shall be to elect one trustee from Zone 1 to serve for a period of three years.

Trustee Zone more specifically described as follows:

Trustee Zone #1 - Bruneau Area

Declaration of Candidacy must be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Trustees not later than 5 P.M. on the fifth Friday prior to the day of election. Each Declaration of Candidacy must bear the name of the candidate, state the zone for which Declaration of Candidacy is made, and bear the signature of not less than five (5) qualified school district electors resident of the trustee zone of which the candidate is resident.

As provided by Idaho Code, Section 33-502A no write-in vote shall be counted unless a Declaration of Intent has been filed with the District Clerk indicating that the person desires the office and is legally qualified to assume the duties of school trustee if elected. The Declaration of Intent shall be filed not later than fourteen (14) days before the day of election.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
Catherine R. Sellman, Clerk

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NOTICE OF DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY THREE CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT #416

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the annual school election of Three Creek School District #416, Twin Falls and Owyhee Counties, State of Idaho will be held on Tuesday the 20th day of May, 2003, at the Three Creek School in said district.

Declarations of Candidacy for the office of Trustee of the Three Creek School District #416, Board of Trustees must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 18th day of April, 2003 (fifth Friday preceding the election.)

Only those qualified electors residing in Trustee Zone No One (1) may declare candidacy for a Zone No. One (1) Trustee position. The purpose of said election shall be to elect one trustee to serve for a period of three years from the date of the election of one trustee who resides within Trustee Zone No. One (1)

Only those qualified electors residing in Trustee Zone No. Two (2) may declare candidacy for a Zone No. Two (2) trustee position. The purpose of said election shall be to elect one trustee to serve the remaining two years of the three year term of the previously elected trustee from Trustee Zone No. Two (2). The period of two (2) years from the date of the election of one trustee who resides within Trustee Zone No. Two (2).

Completed Declarations of Candidacy petitions shall be placed on file with the clerk of the Board of Trustees, no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 18, 2003 (fifth Friday prior to the day of election.) Each declaration of candidacy must bear the signature of not less than five (5) school district electors resident of the trustee zone of which the candidate is resident.

As provided by Idaho Code, Section 33-502A no write-in vote shall be counted unless a declaration of intent has been filed with the District Clerk indicating that the person desires the office and is legally qualified to assume the duties of school trustee if elected. The declaration of intent shall be filed not later than five (5) days before the day of election.

Legal descriptions of zones, petitions, and election information may be picked up at, or requested from, the Three Creek Joint School District office, 122 9th Avenue North, Buhl, Idaho 83316.

Dated this 26th day of March, 2003.

Michael J. Ruffing, C.P.A.
Clerk of Three Creek School District #416

4/2,9/03

NOTICE OF BIDS

Owyhee County will be accepting bids for a 2 station Enhanced 911 PSAP equipment. Specifications for equipment, installation and training, as well as general project requirements and guidelines may be obtained from Owyhee County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn, at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho, during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by mail PO Box 128, Murphy, Idaho 83650. There is no charge for the specifications. Sealed bids are due April 25, 2003 by 3:00 pm., and will be opened at the Board of County Commissioners meeting on April 28, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. The County reserves the right to reject all bids.

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NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR FILING DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY MARSING JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363

Marsing, Idaho 83639

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing nominating petitions for the election of one (1) Trustee for a term of three (3) years from Trustee Zone 1, not later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 18, 2003. The election will be held on May 20, 2003.

Any person legally qualified to hold the office of school trustee in Joint School District No. 363, Marsing, Idaho, may file a declaration of candidacy for the office, each of which shall bear the name of the candidate, state the term for which the declaration of candidacy is made, and bear the signature of not less than five (5) school district electors resident of the trustee zone of which the candidate is resident. A declaration of candidacy may be obtained at the School District Administration Office, 209 Eighth Ave. W., Highway 78, Marsing, Idaho. The declaration shall be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Trustees of school district not later than 5:00 p.m. on the fifth Friday preceding the day of election of trustees.

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Holzhey, Clerk, Board of Trustees
Jt.
School District 363, Marsing, Idaho

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NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR FILING DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 364

Owyhee County

Jordan Valley, OR 97910

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing nominating petitions for the election of one (1) Trustee for a term of three (3) years from Trustee Zone 2, not later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 18, 2003. The election will be held on May 20, 2003.

Any person legally qualified to hold the office of school trustee in School District No. 364, Owyhee County, Idaho, may file a declaration of candidacy for the office, each of which shall bear the name of the candidate, state the term for which the declaration of candidacy is made, and bear the signature of not less than five (5) school district electors resident of the trustee zone of which the candidate is resident. A declaration of candidacy may be obtained at the School District Office, Pleasant Valley School, Owyhee County, Idaho. The declaration shall be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Trustees of school district not later than 5:00 p.m. on the fifth Friday preceding the day of election of trustees.

Rosa Maria Lowry, Clerk
School District 364, Owyhee County, Idaho

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NOTICE OF SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY Homedale Joint School District No. 370 Canyon and Owyhee Counties, Idaho

Public Notice is hereby given according to law, and the requisite action of the Board of Trustees of Homedale Joint School District No. 370, Canyon and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, that the annual school trustee election will be held on May 20, 2003. Candidates interested in filing a declaration of candidacy must file not later than 5:00 p.m. on April 18, 2003.

Only those qualified electors residing in Trustee Zone #2 may declare candidacy for a Zone #2 trustee position. The purpose of said election shall be to elect one trustee to serve for a period of three years from the date of the election one trustee who resided within trustee zone #2.

Trustee Zone #2 is more specifically described as follows:

TRUSTEE ZONE 2: Beginning at the intersection of the western district boundary with Succor Creek. East on Succor Creek to Idaho Ave. East on Idaho Ave, to the city limits of Homedale at Johnstone Rd. South on Johnstone Rd. to the point where the city limits depart to the east. Easterly on the city limits to U.S. highway 95 then south along U.S. Highway 95 to Pioneer Rd. East on Pioneer Rd. and Pioneer Rd. extended east to the Snake River. Southeast on the Snake River tot he east district boundary. North along the west district boundary to the beginning.

Declaration of candidacy must be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Trustees not later than 5:00 p.m. on the fifth Friday prior to the day of election (To wit: April 18, 2003). Each declaration of candidacy must bear the name of the candidate, state the term for which declaration of candidacy is made, and bear the signature of not less than five (5) school district electors resident of he trustee zone of which the candidate is resident.

As provided by the Idaho Code, Section 33-502A no write-in vote shall be counted unless a declaration of intent has been filed with the District Clerk indicating that the person desires the office and is legally qualified to assume the duties of school trustee if elected. The declaration of intent shall be filed not later than fourteen (14) days before the day of election.

Under order of the Board of Trustees

Faith K. Olsen, Assistant Clerk

4/2,9/03

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (I.C. 15-3-801) CASE NO. SP-03-01816 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KENNETH CLARK MAYBON, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must be presented to the

undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 10 day of February, 2003.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS Case No. SP-03-1824M IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF
MARK L. WOODHALL
Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Mark L. Woodhall. All persons having clamis against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED This 13th day of March, 2003.

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Attorneys for Petitioner

3/26-4/2,9/03

Notice of Trustee's Sale T.S. No. 200300175 - 9719 Loan No. 0001795665

On 06/19/2003 at 11:00am (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho: At the front entrance of Pioneer Title Co. 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, First American Title Insurance Company, as Trustee on behalf of Law Offices of Steven J. Melmet, Inc. 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 real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows: EXHIBIT A A parcel of land situate in the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 7, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Center Quarter corner of Section 7, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, a brass cap, the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 0f 10°46” West, 422.93 feet along the East boundary of said Northeast Quarter of the Southwest

Quarter, to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 86f 07°42” West 617.37 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 0f 24°02” West, 422.66 feet to the North boundary of said Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 86f 07°42” East, 621.66 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING. 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 the address of HC79 Box 106G, Melba, Idaho 83641 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 Jay D. Allman, a married man, as his sole and separate property, as grantors, to Pioneer Title Company, as successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of First Magnus Financial Corporation, an Arizona Corporation, as Beneficiary, dated 04/20/1999, recorded 04/26/1999, as Instrument No. 228344, of Official Records of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please Note: 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 set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 04/20/1999. The monthly installments for principal, interest and impounds (if applicable) of 1023.37, due per month for the months of 9/1/2002 through 2/6/2003, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$116,218.79, plus accrued interest at the rate of 9.75% per annum from 08/01/2002. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accrued 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. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Date: 2-7-2

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Loan No. 31602220
T.S. No. 1047990-09 Parcel No.

On June 19, 2003, at the hour of 11:00am, of said day, at On the steps of the Owyhee county courthouse located at the, Corner Of Highway 78 and Hailey St., Murphy, Idaho, Fidelity National Title Ins Company, as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashier’s check drawn on a State or National Bank, a check drawn by a State or Federal Credit Union, or a check drawn by a State or Federal Savings and Loan Association, Savings Association, or Savings Bank, 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: The part of the Northeast quarter Northwest quarter of section 9, township 3 North, range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, described as follows: Beginning at the quarter corner common to section 4 and 9, township 3 North, range 5 West, Boise Meridian; thence West 200 feet; thence South 264 feet to the Real Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 171 feet; thence East 200 feet; thence North 171 feet; thence West 200 feet to the Real Point of Beginning. Commonly known as 17 S 4th Street West Homedale Id 83628. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, 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 Charles P. Belveal and Terry A. Belveal, Husband And Wife As Joint Tenants as Grantor, to Alliance Title and Escrow, Inc., as trustee, for the benefit and security of Ameriquest Mortgage Company as beneficiary, recorded April 27, 1998, as Instrument No. 224673, 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: Failure to pay the monthly payment due June 1, 2002 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said deed of trust. The estimated balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$105,393.49, including interest, cost and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder or in this sale, as trustee’s fees and/or reasonable attorney’s fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Fidelity National Title Ins Company P.O. Box 22010 El Cajon Ca 92022-9004 (888)445-3162 Dated: February 13, 2003 Signature By: Fidelity National Title Insurance Company Gerri Sheppard. R-93339

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

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Trustee’s Sale No. 02- WM-31945

Notice is hereby given that, Fidelity National Title Insurance, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on July 3, 2003, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, located at the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, Murphy, ID, 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 and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the “Property”), situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, to-wit: EXHIBIT ‘A’ This parcel is a portion of the NE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 8, Township 2 North, Range 5 West, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho, and is more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the southeast corner of said NE 1/4 SE 1/4; thence North 0f 10’ 13” East along the east boundary of said NE 1/4 SE 1/4 a distance of 550.61 feet to the True Point of Beginning; thence North 89f 49’ 47” West at right angles a distance of 242.70 feet; thence North 24f 53’ 24” East 62.28 feet; thence North 65f 06’ 36” West a distance of 8.00 feet; thence North 24f 53’ 24” East a distance of 20.00 feet; thence South 65f 06’ 36” East a distance of 8.00 feet; thence North 24f 53’ 24” East a distance of 175.00 feet; thence North 86f 55’ 34” East a distance of 135.33 feet to a point on said east boundary; thence South 0f 10’ 13” West along said east boundary a distance of 241.36 feet to the True Point of Beginning. Subject to a right of way for public road along the east boundary. Together with that certain 1976, 14 X 70 Manufactured Home, Manufacturer, Governor, Serial Number S19483 The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of Johnston Rda/k/a P.O. Box 313 Johnston Road, Homedale, ID 83628, 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 Dale E. Nelson and Joann Nelson, husband and wife, as Grantor, to Pioneer Title Company, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Washington Mutual Bank FSB, as Beneficiary, dated 9/9/1998, recorded 9/14/1998, under Instrument No. 226036, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by Washington Mutual Bank, FA formerly known as Washington Mutual Bank FSB. 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 is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 9/9/1998, the monthly payment which became due on 8/1/2002 and all subsequent monthly payments, plus late charges and other costs and fees as set forth. Amount due as of February 28, 2003 Delinquent Payments from August 01, 2002 7 payments at \$437.12 each \$3,059.84 (08-01-02 through 02-28-03) Late Charges: \$153.02 Beneficiary Advances: \$65.00 Total: \$3,277.86 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$42,901.42, together with interest thereon at 9.875% per annum from 7/1/2002, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated: February 20, 2003

Fidelity National Title Insurance, Trustee By A Fragassi,

AVP c/o Regional Trustee Services Corporation, 720 Seventh Avenue, Suite 100, Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: <http://www.rtrustee.com> ASAP525745

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On 7/30/2003, at the hour of 11:30 a.m., of said day, in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, off Highway 78, Murphy, Owyhee County, Idaho, on behalf of PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF ADA COUNTY, an Idaho corporation, as Successor Trustee, our branch office, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lots 3 and 4 of Block 3 of Metzger Addition to the City of Homedale as shown on the Amended Plate thereof on file and of record in the Office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho; and the following parcel: Beginning at a point 130 feet West of the NE corner of the SW1/4 of SW1/4 of Section 4, T3N, R5W, B.M.; thence South 217 feet to the right of way of Union Pacific

Railroad: Thence North 52 degrees West 353 feet along the Northeasterly boundary of said right of way; thence East 278 feet along the North boundary of the SW1/4 of SW1/4 of said Section 4 to the Place of Beginning.

For purposes of compliance with Idaho Code 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 711 W. Oregon, Homedale, ID 83628 may sometimes be associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by the pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by FRED C. PIERCE, JR. AND ALICE M. PIERCE, HUSBAND AND WIFE to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF ADA COUNTY, an Idaho corporation, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of ELLEN E. DEXTER, A SINGLE PERSON as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust having been recorded on 5-8-1989 as Instrument No. 198767, records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The above Grantors are named to comply with Idaho Code Section 45-1506 (4) (a). 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 if the failure of the Grantors to: make monthly installments as set forth on the Deed of Trust Note secured by said Deed of Trust. The original loan amount was \$27,000.00 with interest thereon at the rate of 10 percent per annum as evidenced by the note dated 5/6/1989. Monthly installment in the amount of \$260.56 plus \$7.00 (the monthly long term escrow handling service fee) is due for 5-1-2002 and on the 1st day of each and every month thereafter until 6-1-2009, at which date, the entire remaining principal balance and accrued interest shall be due and payable in full. All delinquent amounts are now due and payable along with all costs and fees associated with this foreclosure, including but not limited to, attorney fees, property insurance and taxes, for the purpose of protecting the beneficial interest of the beneficiary. The principal balance is \$14,694.66 plus accruing interest, costs and fees.

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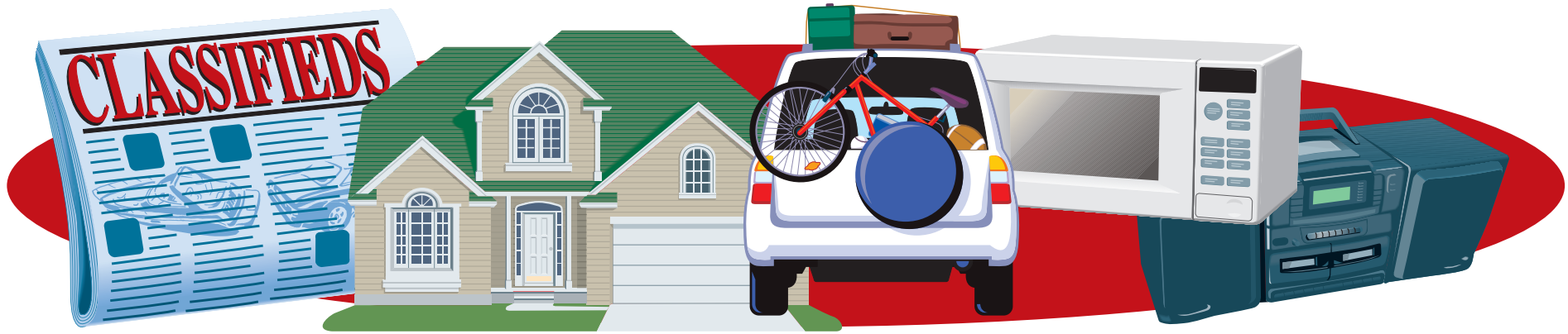
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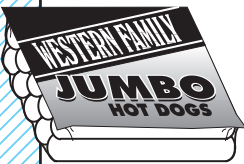
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