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Reynolds Creek Road is private

After waiting nearly seven months, owners of property in upper Reynolds Creek have learned that the county has conceded that the road going through their property is not a public road.

At Monday's commissioners' meeting, the board adopted the Findings and Decision of the status of the Upper Reynolds Creek Road (also called the Democrats Road), which determines the road is not a county highway, based on testimony at a two-day hearing and the laws of the state regarding the establishment of county roads.

In the 15-page document of findings of fact and law, the following was established:

The evidence shows that the route was first traversed in 1863 when Michalel Jordan led a group of prospectors over the route, which led to the discovery of gold in the Owyhee mountains. In 1864 Silas Skinner, Jordan, and W.H. Dewey established a toll road over the same basic route.

The road was used extensively for hauling freight and as a stage road.

The road was open and

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Summer break

Elementary school students load onto buses Thursday afternoon for the last time as summer vacation began for the Homedale School District. Students will be out of school for three months and will return to classes in late August.

Sheriff's deputy arrests accused killer

An Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy ended a statewide manhunt for a Nampa man accused of killing his estranged wife last month by arresting him in Marsing Sunday afternoon.

Abel Leon Ramirez was arrested by Sheriff's Deputy Dennis Peppley at the Goodman Oil building in Marsing Sunday when Leon attempted to turn himself in to authorities. Ramirez is accused of shooting his estranged wife Maria Angelina Leon last month at Maria's home in Nampa.

The arrest warrant is for first degree murder, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and first degree kidnapping. The warrant orders Leon to be held without bond, according to police.

According to police, Ramirez went to Maria's apartment early on May 19th and pulled a gun on her, her children and her mother, Sylvia Flores.

Flores fled with the children and called police, but when officers arrived, they found Maria dead of multiple

gunshot wounds.

An intense search has been conducted for the past several weeks for Ramirez in several locations in Canyon County. But a reliable tip led police to launch a full-scale manhunt Saturday on the Snake River near Walter's Ferry in Owyhee County.



Abel Leon Ramirez

The Owyhee and Canyon County Sheriff's Office, along with the Idaho National Guard, searched by boat, helicopter and horses, and used a dog to try to locate Ramirez. That search was called off at nightfall Saturday, but resumed early Sunday morning.

"We had two four wheelers, three boats, 15 people including posse members and five horses helping with the search," Sheriff Gary Aman said. "We searched the area for about four hours before we called our end off. Nampa PD maintained the perimeter out there all night, then about 5 a.m. they had a helicopter called with forward looking infra red which detects heat,

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'Outpost Days' offers county history in two-day event

History will come to life in a small town in Owyhee County this Saturday and Sunday as the Owyhee County Historical Society hosts the Annual Outpost Days.

The event will be held on June 7 and 8 in Murphy, where historical displays will be offered for leisurely viewing to participants.

A highlight of the event will include a local artist signing autographed posters of the B.N.&O. railway near Murphy.

Stephen Washburn will be on hand on Saturday to sign the first special edition of the railway and will have the original painting for display and for sale.

Washburn said he was very honored to be chosen to paint the first edition poster for the historical society.

Guffey was the present terminal point in 1898 for the Boise, Nampa and Owyhee railroad, located at the Snake River 30 miles from Silver City and one mile below the railroad bridge of the B.N.&O.R.R. Co. History claims that the first building was erected on May 27, 1897, by Fred Brunzell and the town contained a general store, express and post office, hotel, saloon, blacksmith shop, livery stables, stage barns and boarding houses in 1898.

"The railroad bridge at Guffey was completed by the Boise, Nampa and Owyhee Railroad Company last summer," reported from the Commercial Directory of Owyhee County dated 1898. "The height from low water to top of bridge is ninety-seven feet and from low water to rail is fifty feet. The spans, consisting of two, are 250 feet in length."

Washburn has captured a rail-train crossing over

the Guffey Bridge in the historical society's first edition poster.

Starting at 10 a.m., spectators will be treated to Outpost Day's renown homemade pie shop, various food vendors, art show, and artist's demonstration, oxen, stagecoach and wagons, mule packing, precision sheep dog demonstration and slide shows.

A myriad of lost art participants will be scattered throughout the complex illustrating their skills and industries essential to pioneer life. Demonstrations will include blacksmith Dr. Hugh Eddy, bootmaker, Jim Reibe, dog and sheep trials Trish Lewis and Don Helsey, fiber arts, Christine Miller and Snake River Fiber Art, flintknapping, Ron Saunders, mule packing, Pat Thomas, North American Goat Packers, potter, Hilma Ronfeld, stagecoach, Mike

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Windstorm raises havoc in area

With temperatures reaching into the low 100 degrees Wednesday and Thursday, Friday’s cooler temperatures were a relief. But before the temperatures dropped Friday morning, a strong storm cell moved through the area bringing with it high winds, hail and heavy rains.

Many residents of the county woke up Friday morning to find their garbage cans blown to the neighbors yard or their neighbors’ cans in their yards, but many woke to find trees blown down on farm equipment, on vehicles and on their homes.

A huge Poplar tree nearly 75 years old damaged a cement ditch at the Larry and Colleen Bahem residence on Graveyard Point Road. Colleen said she thought a tornado could have gone through the area due to blowing over a large “hay-derrick” on the couple’s property. Colleen said the machine has set on the property for many years and has never blown over in past storms.

Just down the road at the Donna and Paul Fischer farm, three cottonwood trees were blown over on the couple’s combine. Paul said he was unsure Friday morning how much damage had been done to the machine, but he said he recently took the insurance coverage off of the combine due to it not being used.

On Gully Road near Homedale, George Hyer woke to find a tree over the bed of his pickup. Hyer had the vehicle parked at Wendell Hyer’s home when a tree was blown down during the night causing damage to the bed of the pickup.

A large tree toppled onto a home on Washington and 3rd Street in Homedale causing damage, but Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said no one was injured in the home.

The National Weather Service issued many sever weather alerts throughout the day in Idaho and as of 9 a.m. Friday morning, five had been issued for Owyhee County alone.

A flash flood watch was issued by the weather service at 8:39 a.m. for several counties in southern Idaho and in eastern Oregon. It stated that the watch would be in effect until 8:45 p.m. Friday evening.

“A flash flood watch means that flash flooding is possible within the watch area,” the weather service stated. “People in the watch area are advised to be alert for rapidly rising waters in creek beds and even typically dry gulches.

“A very moist weather system will move north today across eastern Oregon and southwest Idaho. Thunderstorms with heavy rain are expected, which pose a threat of flash flooding.”

At 9:45 a.m. a severe thunderstorm warning continued for Owyhee, Ada and Elmore Counties until 10 a.m. The statement released from the weather service stated that Doppler weather radar continued to indicate a severe thunderstorm between Murphy and Grand View moving northeast at 40 miles per hour. It stated that large hail, high winds and heavy rainfall were expected. The severe thunderstorm watch was then upgraded to 2 p.m. Friday afternoon. -CB



A tree damages a home on Third and Washington in Homedale.



A nearly 75 year old popular tree fell at the home of Larry and Colleen Bahem during the storm causing damage to a cement ditch. Alan Bahem said the pickup shown was damaged in a previous accident.



Three trees fell on a combine at the home of Donna and Paul Fisher near Graveyard Point Road.



Bright colors displayed across the sky as a rainbow forms between storms Friday morning. High winds cause damage in many areas in the county as unstable weather entered Owyhee County.

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Nampa students build ramp for Marsing skate park

Three students from a Nampa school built a half circle ramp for the Marsing skateboard park and donated it to the City of Marsing last week.

Rory Thompson, Jacob DeRuyter and Ryan Sandy are students at St. Paul’s School in Nampa and chose to build the park a skate ramp for the growing skateboard park in Marsing.

Jack Thompson, supervisor over the donation, said the boys decided to build the ramp for the Marsing kids as part of a public service project. He said they spent nearly a month working on the project, which is four foot by 12 foot. The ramp is made from wood and cost the boys nearly \$400. Jack said the boys’ parents helped pay for the costs of the ramp.

Marsing Mayor Faye Pfrimmer attended the donation and said she was deeply grateful to the boys for their donation.

“Rory spends a lot of time over here with his friend Jacob and he said that Marsing needed a ramp, so they decided to build it,” Jack said.

The ramp is located at the east end of the skate park.



Skating fever

Rory Thompson skates a half circle as Jacob DeRuyter and Ryan Sandy watch. The students from St. Paul’s School in Nampa made the skate jump and donated it to the City of Marsing last week.

DUI stop ends in suicide

An Owyhee County Sheriff’s Deputy attempted to stop a vehicle on Highway 95 Saturday morning for possibly driving under the influence. But the stop took a deadly turn when the driver of the vehicle displayed a gun and took the officer on a short pursuit, which ended in the woman killing herself.

Sheriff Gary Aman said Deputy Don Collingwood initiated the stop on Highway 95 near Buntrock Road and approached the driver of the vehicle, Katherine Malec, 45 of Weiser. He walked to the car got her license and insurance and talked to her for a moment before checking her license. It was when Collingwood went back to the vehicle that he found Malec with a gun.

“He ran her license and went back to her vehicle, and that is when he found her with a gun,” Aman said. “She told the deputy that she was not going to be taken anywhere. Don backed away from her vehicle and went back to his own, as he should have.”

Aman said Malec led Collingwood on a short pursuit to a dead end private lane where she stopped her vehicle.

“We had Homedale Police in route for backup, but shortly after she stopped, Don heard the gun shot and slowly approached her car,” Aman continued. “She shot herself in the chest and was pronounced dead on arrival.

Aman said Malec told Collingwood that she was in the process of a divorce and she also is reported to have an adult daughter. Aman said Malec was obviously intoxicated.

“Nampa Police Department responded with their crisis response team and are investigating the incident for us,” Aman continued. “I should have the results Wednesday.

Don made the right decision. He did a very professional job. He gets to go home and she won’t.”

Aman said no warrants could be found on Malec. -CB

Irrigation District meetings to be held

The Ridgeview Irrigation District will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, June 9th 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.

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✓ Road

used as a public road from the 1860s until 1948, when, by official action of the county commissioners, the road was abandoned, which cancelled the grant for the right-of-way from the federal government.

The evidence shows the county has not maintained the road at public expense during any period of five years since the abandonment in 1948, which is part of the requirement for a prescriptive claim.

In its Conclusions, the board states:

1. The disputed portion of the Reynolds Creek Road, which is known herein as the Road, as defined in the Findings and outlined on the maps in evidence as Landowners Exhibits 4 and 5, was abandoned by the County in formal proceedings in 1948 and was not re-established in any manner authorized by the Idaho Code;

2. The Road, as thus defined, is not a county highway and not part of the County Highway System;

3. The Road, as thus defined, is a private road.

✓ Suspect

but they didn't pick anything up. A few hours later Dennis arrested him in Marsing."

Peppley said he volunteered to assist in the search Saturday night until about 9 p.m., but he said Sunday

Ramirez waved him down

as he was on patrol.

"He waved me down and I didn't recognize him at first," Peppley said Sunday evening. "He seemed to have lost a lot of weight. He told me he wanted to turn himself in because he had a warrant. I asked him if he was sure, he told me yes. I asked him his name and when he said his name was Able I recognized who he was and told him to put his hands on the car.

"The search with Owyhee and Canyon County and the Nampa Police Department was a definite joint effort between adjoining counties," Peppley said of Saturday's Snake River area search. "We had nearly every one of our deputies out searching as well as many of the posse members. Ramirez's demeanor was calm. He wasn't treated any different than any one else accused of a crime."

Nampa detectives arrived at the jail in Murphy Sunday afternoon and interviewed Ramirez. He was arraigned Monday in Owyhee County and a transfer to Canyon County is pending. -CB

✓ Outpost Days ...

Hanley, stagecoach and wagons, Jack and Leann Colwell, spinning, Dee Snoderly with her 1790 spinning wheel, Treasure Valley Cloggers and White Eagle Pack team with Jon Martin.

A Chuckwagon beef barbecue will be held Saturday from 5 until 7 p.m. Dinner will cost \$10 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens and \$5 for children under 10. The barbecue is donated by "We Do Pigs."

At 7 p.m., "Them Were the Days" by the Oldest Man of Idaho, preformed by Clark Heglar.

The main fund raising event during the Outpost celebration is the annual auction. Local businesses, artists and "friends" of the society donate goods, services and art to be sold to the highest bidder. Proceeds from the auction support programs of the society and the museum.

This year will also mark the 20th anniversary of the annual running of the Horney Toads.

The crowd-pleasing event will take place after the auction with prizes, being awarded for first, second and third place and the toad with the most original name.

This year a senior division will be added for anyone over 12 years of age. Leading the division will be the Owyhee County Commissioners who will race against each other for the best toad.

The annual guilt raffle is an essential part of the fundraising event for the society. This year's quilt will feature the "Heritage Ranch" quilt designed by Debra Lindner, Outpost Chairperson. It is created by Lindner, Lyn Blanchard, Sue Vankleek, Bev Ax and quilted by Trudy Dewey.

Lindner said a history of the brands will accompany the quilt and copies will be available for the public at the museum.

Tickets may be purchased in the museum for \$1 each or six for \$5. The drawing will be held after the auction.

The theme for this year's Outpost publication is "Ranching in Owyhee County," which will be available during the two-day event.



Painting history

Artist Steve Washburn touches up a 20x32 oil painting of a Boise, Nampa and Owyhee steam locomotive as it might have appeared crossing the Snake River on its morning run from Nampa. The painting depicts the Guffy Bridge that Col. William H. Dewey constructed in 1897. The painting will be on display during this weekend's Outpost Days in Murphy.

Shoo-Fly club news

By Steve Williams

The Shoo Fly 4-H club held their sixth meeting of the year on May 4th. Members finished up their demonstrations and filled out sign up sheets for County demonstrations on June 9th in Marsing.

Megan Harper spoke to members about attending 4-H camp in July. Jessica Ellis, from teen council, spoke to members about being a teen ambassador and a 4-H communications rodeo to be held on July 17th.

Buyers' gifts and community service committees were appointed. Megan Harper gave a report on the dairy kids judging contest and Amaia

Larzelier reported on pig weigh-ins.

The Cloverbud group did a presentation on their animals they made.

The club's next meeting will be on June 8th at 7 p.m. at the Friends Community Church in Homedale.

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“Blue Book” and “Owyhee Outpost” available during Outpost Days

A facsimile reproduction of the original “A Historical, Descriptive and Commercial Directory of Owyhee County” also known as “The Blue Book” and the 34th publication of Owyhee Outpost will be available for sale during this weekend’s Outpost Days in Murphy.

The Blue Book is a hardcover reproduction of the original directory published by The Owyhee Avalanche of Silver City, Idaho in 1898 and contains a complete listing of 1898 businesses and history of the county.

Tom Couch, Director of the Owyhee County Museum, said this year’s edition of the directory will be a reproduction of the 1898 book, but will include an updated version of current businesses that sponsored the publication.

At 1 p.m., historian and author Mike Hanley will make a special delivery of the books to the Outpost Days event. Hanley will deliver the books by stagecoach in old western style. Hanley will deliver 100 numbered books, and an additional 400 unnumbered books will also be available. Currently less than 300 books are still available for \$39 plus tax, shipping and handling. To order a book call Couch at the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy, 495-2319.

The Owyhee Outpost is a publication of the Owyhee County Historical Society and deals with some aspect of Owyhee County history.

This year’s publication focuses on historic brands and ranchers and their families of Owyhee County. It includes articles written by local historians such as Ruby Maher Staples, Colleen Shea Skaggs, Gene Lewis, Mary O’Malley, Connie Brandau, Maxine Hoene, John Miller and Sherry Horton. Nick Ihli also includes a special chapter of “A History of U.S. Land Patents in Owyhee County.

The book will be available during Outpost Days for \$10 each. Next week the book will be available at the Avalanche office in Homedale.

Tickets available for annual Doodle Bug race

Bill O’Conner, President of the Marsing Chamber of Commerce, announced that Marsing’s annual DoodleBug race has been scheduled and ticket sales have begun at several Marsing locations.

The race is the primary fundraiser for the Marsing Chamber’s annual July fireworks display, making it possible for the city’s chamber to invite area residents to “Kick off your 4th in Marsing on the 3rd.”

Doodlebugs are small, numbered balls that will be sent floating down the creek through City Park on Thursday evening, July 3rd. The first three balls to float past a finish line in the park are declared the race winners. The holder of the ticket represented by the number on the first ball will win \$500. First prize is sponsored by the Marsing Chamber.

The second ball across the line is worth \$250 to the ticket holder and ball number three will win \$100.

The second prize is sponsored by the Lion’s Club and the sponsor of the third place prize has not been announced.

Tickets for the 2003 event are now on sale at several Marsing area locations and sell for \$3 each or five tickets for \$10.

Tickets are available at Marsing City Hall, Marsing

Hardware, Donna’s Oven Bakery, Essence of Life, the Old West Dollar Store and the Service Station Antiques. Tickets may also be obtained by sending a check in the proper amount to the Marsing Chamber of Commerce at P.O. Box 247, Marsing, Id. 83639. Include the number of tickets to be purchased, name and phone

number with the request. Winners will be notified by telephone. It is not necessary to be present to win.

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

IDAPA 02 — DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
PO Box 790, Boise, ID 83701

02-0421-0301, Rules Governing the Importation of Animals. Clarifies that T.B. tests may be required for grazing permits; that the ownership of herds moved under grazing permits may not change while the permit is in force; and the identification and T.B. testing requirements for feeder cattle. Comment by: 6/25/03.

IDAPA 15 — OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED
PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0012

15-0230-0301, Business Enterprise Program. Removes penalty for participating vendors for withdrawing funds from their private retirement accounts. Comment by: 6/25/03.

IDAPA 16 - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE
PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0036

16-0309-0302, Rules Governing the Medical Assistance Program. Implements legislative intent language by continuing the emergency services adult dental program and adds specific preventative and restorative adult dental services for high risk clients in cases where infection or other medical conditions represent a significant risk to their physical health; and incorporates the 2003 Current Dental Terminology Handbook procedure code changes adopted by the American Dental Association. Comment by: 6/25/03.

IDAPA 27 — IDAHO BOARD OF PHARMACY
PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0067

27-0101-0302, Rules of the Idaho Board of Pharmacy. Changes set out specific criteria for ephedrine products that can be sold without prescription and include maximum dosage requirements and label disclosure and warnings. Comment by: 6/25/03.

IDAPA 50 — COMMISSION OF PARDONS AND PAROLE
PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-1807

50-0101-0302, Rules of the Commission of Pardons and Parole. Revises and expands rule to include placing parolees, who meet certain criteria, on unsupervised parole. Comment by: 6/25/03.

IDAPA 59 — PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF IDAHO
PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0078

59.01.03, Contribution Rules of PERSI. Changes comply with Senate Bill 1050 by transferring administration and funding of most public safety death benefits to PERSI, and expands eligibility for such benefits to firefighters who are active members of PERSI or FRF retirement funds. Increases the employer rate on public safety officers by .10%. Comment by: 6/25/03

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Jan Anglin

New coordinator joins senior center

Jan Anglin is the new coordinator and Dianna Friedeman will cook the meals for the center.

Jan transferred from the Parma Senior Center and said although she enjoyed Parma and misses the people very much, she feels it is important to be involved in her community where she can get acquainted and help her neighbors.

Jan and her husband, Mark, moved to the area from Meridian and built a home in Poison Creek Canyon. She said they love the area and are excited about making new friends. Jan also works as a pharmacy technician at Intermountain Hospital in Boise and enjoys working with people.

She said she is looking forward to updating the center and have it become a place where people not only come to eat, but she hopes to plan new activities and make the center a place where senior’s and people of the community will come to enjoy.

“We hope that once our team is organized we will make the Homedale Senior Center a place people will be talking about,” Jan said. “What could be better than a place to gather to enjoy great food, good company and laughter and fun activities.”

School district offers free meals

The Bruneau/Grand View School District will be serving free breakfast and lunches to children and young adults 18 years old and younger during the summer months.

Breakfast at Bruneau Elementary School will be held from 8-9 a.m. and lunch will be served from 11:45 a.m. until 12:45 p.m.

Breakfast will be served at the Grand View Elementary School from 8-9 a.m. and from 11:45 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. for lunch.

Food Service Supervisor JayDene Aquiso said everyone is welcome to attend.

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This Saturday is free fishing day

Saturday anglers will not need a fishing license to fish Idaho lakes, streams and reservoirs as the Idaho Department of Fish and Game invites veteran and novice anglers of all ages, residents and nonresidents, to celebrate the day by



fishing free anywhere in Idaho.

Though fishing license requirements are suspended for the special day, all other rules, such as limits or tackle restrictions will remain in effect.

“Free fishing day provides a great opportunity for novices to give fishing a try and perhaps develop it into a life-long pursuit,” Fish and Game regional manager Jeff Dillon said. “Parents are encouraged to bring their

children out for a day of fun and excitement.”

Dillon said lack of fishing experience is not an excuse, as many locations in the area will provide equipment and fishing experts to help novice anglers learn the ins and outs of fishing.

The American Legion Post number 101 will host a fishing event at C.J. Strike Reservoir near Grand View on Saturday at the Cottonwood access from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Dillon said fish and game would stock hatchery rainbow trout at each event location prior to fishing day. “Look for the event nearest you and take a kid fishing,” Dillon stated.

Summer food service program offered

The Crossroads Assembly of God is participating in the summer food service program by offering free lunch and supper Monday through Friday from May until the end of August.

Meals will be served at Chula Vista at 520 Highway 19 in Wilder and at the Marsing Housing Authority on Highway 55 in Marsing.

At Chula Vista lunch will be served from 12:30 until 1 p.m. and supper will be served from 4:30 until 5:15 p.m. until August 25.

In Marsing, lunch will be served from May until August 15 from 2-3 p.m.

Acceptance and participation requirements for the program and all activities are the same for all regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or disability and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service.

Meals will be provided at the following addresses and times. All meals will be served free to anyone participating under 19 years of age.

Obituary

Esther Gaines

Esther Estella Gaines passed away on Wednesday May 21, 2003, and funeral services were held on Tuesday May 27 at 11:00 in the Marsing LDS Church. Burial was held at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

Esther was born on November 14, 1927 in Buhl, Idaho to Arthur and Bessie Fairchild and grew up there.

She married Harlan Gaines on August 16, 1953 in Nampa, Idaho and to this union a daughter, Sandra, was born. They lived and farmed in Marsing until Harlan’s death in 1979.

Esther was a registered nurse and worked at the Caldwell Hospital from 1955 to 1977. She enjoyed her nursing career. She also enjoyed the many trips that her and Sandy took together through the years.

She has been living at the Cascade Care Center in Caldwell for 7 years and greatly appreciated the care given to her.

She is survived by her daughter, Sandy of Tacoma, Washington, a son, Robert (Gaines) Montgomery of Nampa from a previous marriage and a grandson Jeremy, a sister Ramona Small of Cortez, Colorado, three brothers, Dale Fairchild of Tacoma, Washington, Paul and Harvey Fairchild, both of Twin Falls, Idaho.

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The Purpose of this Data Fair is to:

- Share data about the Bruneau Planning Area and the Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area. This data will be used to develop and analyze alternatives as part of the RMP process.
- Solicit data from stakeholders respective to the natural resource condition and areas of use on the two planning areas. This data will be considered in the RMP process as appropriate.

Mayor says city phone service won't change until 911 system is implemented

Getting a hold of an officer in the City of Homedale will not be any easier until 911 is up and running, Homedale Mayor Hap Duryee said last week after addressing residents' complaints about reaching a city officer.

Currently residents in the city have three phone numbers to memorize to reach the various emergency response departments, Homedale City Police, fire department, ambulance service and if that fails, another for the county.

Last month, a Homedale man called county dispatch to report needing an officer due to an illness. The man stated he was a stroke victim. Dispatchers reported that the man, whose name was not released, said he was unable to reach a city officer and he was to ill to follow all of the directions of the city's phone service. He was transported to a local hospital.

Currently if a person calls the city for city services, police department or for the Magistrate Court located in City Hall, they reach a recording. The recording begins by informing callers to press one for a police officer.

"If you have an emergency and need to speak to an officer, press one now," the recording states.

After pressing one, the call is directed to the police department desk. If an officer is not in the office, the call is then transferred to a cell phone in the officer's vehicle. If the officer is not available in the vehicle, a recorded message tells the caller to dial 911 if they have an emergency.

"Hello. You have reached the Homedale Police Department," the recording states. "Currently there is nobody in the office or the officer is away from his car. If this is an emergency and you need immediate officer response, please hang up and dial 911 or you may opt to leave a message."

Duryee said he has received several complaints about the system, one of them being his own. He said he is also very

dissatisfied with the city's system as many of Homedale's residents.

"We really can't do anything with it right now, because it is to my understanding that 911 will be up and running before the end of the summer and it would be a futile effort," Duryee said.

"I haven't received many complaints at least on the police department itself," Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said. "I have received complaints on the system. When we are in the office we answer the phone directly and if we are not our phone is forwarded to us in our car."

Eidemiller said the only thing he could recommend to residents is if they have an emergency and need an officer right away, they need to call the sheriff's office.

"We tell them to call 337-4222," Eidemiller continued. "I don't want to start telling people to call 911 before the sheriff's office is ready. I don't want to get a head of what is going on in the county right now. I don't want to start it before he is ready."

"In Homedale we have separate numbers for each agency. That is why 911 is going to be such a blessing. Most of the complaints that I get are because people don't like to talk to a recording."

"It is a problem," Duryee

said. "If it was not for the 911 system coming up so soon I would recommend we do something different. This system was put in for the police department."

To contact a Homedale Police Officer residents can call 337-4641 then press one for the officer. For Homedale City Hall, call 337-4641 and press two for city services. For a fire, call 337-3000, for the ambulance call 337-3550 or residents can dial 911 to be routed to the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office.

Owyhee Dairy hosts rodeo June 14

The third annual Dairy Showmanship Rodeo will be held on June 14 at Owyhee Dairy in Homedale. The event is an all day event that will begin at 10 a.m.

The kids attending will pick out an animal then have to wash, clip and break it to lead during the day. A show of the animals will be held at 5 p.m. that evening. Clipping and showing demonstrations will be held throughout the day for new people.

Hosts Dave and Sue Williams said a new twist has been added this year with an adult observer throughout the day to rate each child on how much effort they put into getting their animal ready. The score will be calculated with their showing score to find a winner for each age group.

Participants will need to bring a sack lunch and any supplies to wash or clip the animals if they have them. If not, supplies will be available. Participants will also need a change of clothing to show in. A family picnic and swim party will be held after the show.

All youth in Owyhee County are invited to attend. For more information and to pre-register call Dave or Sue at 337-4226.

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Photos of school’s end



Keith Ingersoll, Mr. Stoka, Kelsi Haylett, Ashley Williams, Sonjia Sperver, Christine Tiddens, Liz Villanueva and Caitlin Parker play blackjack during the Homedale High School all night graduation party.



Homedale High School seniors Kelly Roberts and Brandon Hathhorn share a moment before graduation.



Jennifer Anzaldua, Kelsi Haylett, Andrew Miller, Tyler McRae, Michelle Gibbens, Jake Asumendi, Jenni Silveria and one of the chaperones, Gary Gibbens sing at the drug-free senior graduation party.



Homedale graduates Sandy Garcia, Ben Renteria and Jennifer Anzaldua proudly walk during the introductions at the 2003 graduation exercises last week.



Kindergarten graduates from Homedale Elementary School include from Mrs. Perdue’s class in alphabetical order: Amos Aguilera, Alejandro Albor, Sergio Calderon, McKenna Calzacorta, Denise Contreras-Benites, Cherokee Cozine, Silvia Delgadillo, Marissa Guzman, Joshua Harden, Ramiro Malacara, Spencer Mast, Edgar Nen, Marcos Padilla, Enrique Palacios, Tyler Palmer, Angelia Perez, Dakota Smith, Jaime Sotelo and Chance Wilson. From Mrs. Maybon’s class, Heman Albor, Fabian Almaraz, Francisco Calderon, Jesus Camargo, Stephen Carr, Justine Cornwall, Maria Cortez, Brody Donohue, Alec Egurrola, Jennifer Hernandez, Fernando Hurtado, Julissa Hurtado, Rosio Ojeda, Marcos Ortiz, Destiny Petersen, Paige Pippen, Sierra Renteria, Adrian Rodriguez, Colt Stowell, Luis Vega, Bryan Villarrea and Casey Young.



Jennifer Hernandez carries the flag for the 2003 kindergarten graduation class.

Read all about it
in the Avalanche!

Public safety

by Homedale Police Officer Mike Spagnola

Just the facts . . .

I would like to expand on an article written a few weeks ago that addressed unauthorized vehicles parked within the City limits. The article spoke about vehicles parked illegally according to Homedale City Ordinance #318. The City defines illegal vehicles as follows: “...long term presence of inoperative, wrecked, partially dismantled, junked and unregistered...” This definition can be found in Homedale City Municipal Code Book under Ordinance #318 section two, and section three (A), (B) and (C)). To make the legalese wording easier to understand, I will explain what the City is asking and how to bring any vehicles on your property into compliance.


An inoperative vehicle is one that is missing any part that is essential for its safe and legal operation or parts that are broken of defective. This would include flat or missing tires, broken windshields, side or rear view mirrors or head/tail lights. Now, if a citizen is obviously working on getting a vehicle in running condition, the vehicle will not be tagged for removal providing that the vehicle is showing signs of improvement within a reasonable amount of time. Vehicles that are being stored for future restoration need to be completely covered by a tarp or concealed from public view. The City defines areas where illegal vehicles are parked as “any street, alley or private driveway or yard that is not screened off with privacy fencing so as to block it from public view.”

A vehicle parked in violation of City Ordinance #318 will be marked for removal. If the vehicle is not removed by the owner or brought into compliance with the ordinance within seven days, it will be removed by the City of Homedale and the owner could be charged for its removal, storage and disposal. To avoid having such a vehicle removed by the city, property owners should take the following steps:

If the vehicle is unregistered, get new plates and tags. Repair or replace flat or missing tires. Clean up any broken glass and remove any standing water. Cover or conceal from view any vehicle that is being stored. Simply put, make your property safe and legal by bringing these mentioned vehicles into compliance.


The reason for this ordinance is simple. Inoperative, wrecked, discarded or partially dismantled vehicles pose a health and safety risk to the public. Broken glass, rusted iron, standing water and potential for nesting and breeding of vermin are obvious hazards. Also community pride should play a part in removing or repairing these types of vehicles. Visitors to any city often judge its citizens by how individual yards and driveways appear. A copy of Homedale City Ordinance #318 can be obtained from the City Clerk’s office during regular business hours, Monday through Friday. Any questions regarding a vehicle on your property will be gladly answered by any one of your City Police Officers.

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Brush up your table manners

Dear Betty,

I just started a new job and there will be times when I'll be going to lunch or dinner with clients. I'm kind of nervous about this. Do you have any tips for table manners or etiquette?

Lewiston, Idaho

It's hard to concentrate on what's being said around the table when you're worried about which water glass is yours. Knowing basic table manners and etiquette will calm your jitters and help you present a professional image in business entertainment settings. These tips will get you off to a good start:

If you're in charge of introductions, start with the name of the person with the highest rank (your client). For example, "Ms. Smith, I'd like you to meet John Doe." If you're around a table, a handshake may not be possible, but do stand when introduced.

Your napkin should be placed in your lap as soon as you sit down. As you leave, place it loosely folded next to your plate.

Your water glass is always to your right; your bread-and-butter plate is to your left.

Order food that's easy to eat. Spaghetti can be a challenge, and salad requires a lot of munching.

Lots of silverware lined up next to your plate? Start from the outside and work your way in.

Don't just eat; talk. Part of the reason for a client meal is to get better acquainted. Start to conversational ball rolling by asking questions.

To avoid a scuffle over the bill (if you're paying), make arrangements ahead of time with the restaurant staff to have it presented to you.

Dear Betty,

Our kids are old enough that we'd like to start taking them to restaurants. Do you have any suggestions for getting us off on the right foot?

Garner, Iowa

With a little planning, your eating-out experience can be an exciting adventure for the entire family, while letting other diners enjoy themselves too:

Start out with a kid-friendly eatery that offers children's menus, high chairs or booster chairs, fast service and a casual atmosphere.

Pack a "night-out" bag with a snack such as crackers or dry cereal and a juice box to tide little ones over until their food arrives, and include a small toy or coloring book to keep them occupied.

At the restaurant, be sure to keep kids out from underfoot of servers who are carrying heavy trays laden with hot food. Before leaving, tidy your eating area.

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Students raise \$300 with box tops

Throughout the year, students from Homedale Middle School, their families and the surrounding community have participated in the General Mills Box Tops for Education program to raise funds for Accelerated Reader programs.

As a result, HMS has earned \$295 in cash.

"Thank you for your help and remember to continue to collect box tops throughout the summer and send them to school in the fall," Susan Ankeny, coordinator of the event said.

Ankeny said beginning this month, HMS will also participate in the Fostering Education program to raise additional funds for AR programs.

"Folks will need to look for eligible packages of Foster Farms chicken with a Fostering

Education code below the price label," Ankeny said. "Follow the instructions on the label and the amount given will be donated to HMS."

For more questions or to volunteer to help with either fundraiser, contact Ankeny at 337-5782.



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Baseball coach resigns from Husky varsity sports

A shortage of coaching staff seems to have hit the Marsing School District at the end of this school year with three coaching positions open.

Softball coach Jay McNeil resigned only days after the end of the school's softball season and shortly after McNeil, the district lost its baseball coach.

Scott Bryant resigned his position as head coach for the baseball team shortly after the season ended last month saying he has chosen to spend more time with his family. Bryant has coached the Huskies for four years and said he will continue to coach the middle school teams in football and basketball.

Marsing High School Principal Chuck Stella said the district currently has the head baseball and head softball positions open, but he said the district is trying to find a position within the school district for the head football coach. If a position is not available, Stella said he may need a football coach as well.

"Not yet," Stella said when asked if the football coach position was open. "My football coach is looking for a position in the district and we are trying to get him one."

Murland Rydalch has coached the Huskies for one year, but is not as of yet a fulltime employee for the district. Stella said Rydalch is also the district's head boy's basketball coach.

Athletic Director Don Heller coaches track, girl's basketball and assistant coach for the football team. Middle School Principal Rick Fowell is head coach for the wrestling team and Loma Bittick took over the coaching for the volleyball team when Heller's wife, Wendy, resigned last year.

"I need to start taking classes for schooling to work toward my masters and I want to be able to spend a little more time with my family," Bryant said last week. "My son is getting old enough that he will be playing soon. Coaching three sports for the last few years has been pretty stressful. I am just taking a break from the varsity stress. The last few years has just been good, but now my family is more important."

Bryant said his son, Riley, is two years old.

Keep informed

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Summer recreation activities have begun

As local children were released from school last week, some will participate in summer recreation activities offered in local communities. Most programs have had signups and are now full, but several programs can still offer local children something to



Beating the heat

Damian Casarino, 12 and Mathew Sitko, 12 both of Homedale play in the water at Homedale City Park while it was being irrigated last week. Record breaking temperatures were recorded last week and reports show temperatures should remain in the 90s throughout the week.

do to pass the hot summer days.

The Homedale City Pool opened on June 2nd and offers a variety of activities for local kids, and adults.

City Clerk Pam Dugger said Erika Dines will manage the pool this year which is open Monday through Friday from

1-5 p.m. and from 7-9 p.m. and on Saturday from 1-5 p.m. The cost is \$1.50 per person. Season passes will be offered by calling city hall for details.

Swimming lessons by certified water instructor Sarah Brown will begin the second week of July and will be offered in two sets which would be scheduled later. To reserve the pool for private or special swimming call city hall.

Homedale's City Recreation program is booked for T-ball, softball, baseball and coach pitch teams. All home games will be held at Sundance Park and began on June 2nd. All of the Babe Ruth games coached by Jim Bittick will be held at Homedale High School baseball field.

The boy's baseball tournament for 9-10 and 11-12 teams will be held on June 27 and 28 at Sundance Park. Times will be announced later.

City parks are open during the daylight hours for picnics, reunions or to just beat the heat under the trees. Dugger said the parks may be reserved by calling city hall. Sundance Park may also be reserved by calling Dugger for softball or baseball games.

Homedale High School also offers athletic programs throughout the summer including boys and girls basketball and weight lifting.

High School Principal Mike Williams said students and parents can participate in boys and girls basketball games through June by just going to the school.

In June and July, Williams said the weight room is open to people who wish to use it. He said the room is usually open on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Williams said people should call the high school to confirm dates and times.

In Marsing, summer rec. baseball and softball teams have also formed. Details were sketchy at press time, but coordinators of the event said that home games would be held at

Marsing Elementary School at the baseball and softball diamonds.

The Marsing Lions and Nampa Optimist club will be taking sign-ups for boys and girls optimist football again this week on Thursday and Saturday.

Children ages 7-12 can sign up for the 2003 season at the Coldwell Banker office on Thursday from 6-8 p.m. or on Saturday 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The cost is \$55 per person and athletes will need to bring a copy of their birth certificate if they have not played before. Kids in the seven and eight year old division will play eight man football and kids from nine and up will play tackle football. The group provides helmets, shoulder pads and jerseys for players, but the athletes are responsible for mouthpieces and pants.

Coordinator Ken Wilson said financial scholarships are available for children who may not be able to afford the cost of the program.

The program will compete with the Nampa-Boise Optimist program and will hold seven games for the season. A preseason game and a final bowl game for all the teams will be played.

Football players will compete against teams from Boise, Mt. Home, Kuna, Horseshoe Bend, McCall, Hailey and Duck Valley, Grand View and Meridian. This year Marsing will join the program with three to four teams. Five home games will be held and two games will be away. Practice starts on Aug. 11.

This year the club has teamed up with the Nampa High Football staff and is offering a four-day football camp on July 30 through August 2 at Nampa High School. The cost is \$40 per person or \$50 per family. Football jerseys will be given away.

For more information contact Ken Wilson at 880-1099 or Terri Mudd at 989-8194.

Senior news

Homedale

June 5: Baked fish, buttered red potatoes, peas and carrots, cole slaw, roll, jello.

June 6: Biscuits and gravy, sausage, hot cakes, hash browns, eggs, toast.

June 10: Birthday dinner! Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, spinach, roll, salad, birthday cake.

Marsing

June 4: Baked breaded fish, 3 bean salad, baked potato, fruit, soup of the day, ham slices for those who do not like fish, beverage.

June 5: Roast pork, potatoes, broccoli, soup of the day, fruit salad, beverage.

June 9: Baked potato and salad bar, sour cream, bacon bits, chili, cheese, chopped onion, etc., beverage.

June 10: Hot pork sandwich,

potatoes, wax beans, coleslaw, soup of the day, dessert, beverage.

June 11: Swiss steak, potato, gravy, stewed tomatoes, green salad, soup of the day, snaking cake, beverage.

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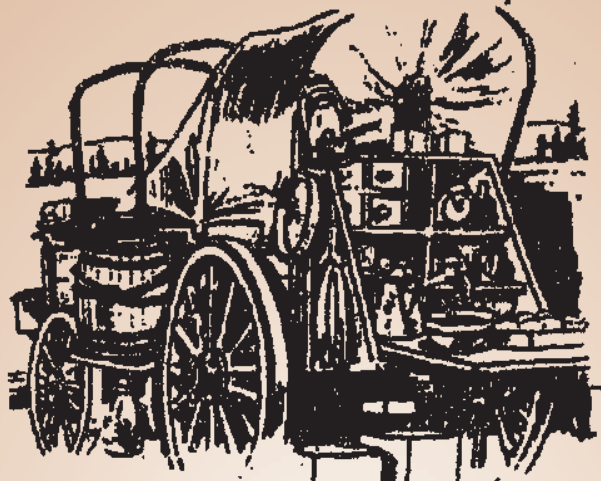
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Idaho dairy industry celebrates June as dairy month

Idaho’s dairy industry is the number one agriculture crop in Idaho and to celebrate that fact, the industry will celebrate June as dairy month to reflect on how the dairy industry impacts Idaho’s economy.

While milk prices remain low, dairy producers are an optimistic group and they continue to see the bright side of their industry, Cheri Storey, Communications Coordinator for the United Dairymen of Idaho said in a statement last month.

“We know we are producing a quality product that is valued by people all over this country and really the world,” Susan Lee, Co-Chair for the United Dairymen of Idaho said. “There will always be a need for good, beneficial food and that’s what we as an industry focus on-providing a wholesome product now and for generations to come.”

The dairy industry continues to be a significant factor in Idaho’s overall economic health. In 2002, on-farm cash receipts from milk produced on Idaho farms amounted to approximately \$915.3 million, based on an average price of \$11.27 per hundred pounds produced, down from \$13.40 in 2001.

In 1970, Idaho’s dairy industry generated \$73 million in cash receipts. In 2002, the industry grew to \$915 million.

In Owyhee County, over 16,300 head of dairy cows are milked which is 22 percent of the dairy cows in the Treasure Valley area. Owyhee County has 10 percent of the total dairies in the valley and produces nearly 20 million pounds of milk on an average, per month. In the Treasure Valley, 1.76 billion pounds of milk is produced yearly.

Idaho’s dairy industry is the fourth largest manufacturer of American style cheese in the U.S. making more than 600 million pounds annually in the state. Idaho is also the second largest milk producing state in the twelve western U.S. states and ranks sixth in the total U.S. As of December 31, 2002, the state had 787 dairy farm operations, producing 8.121 billion pounds of milk from the 348,663 cows milking.

Direct employment on dairies and in milk and cheese processing plants in 2001 accounted for 7,942 jobs in southern Idaho. An additional 11,517 jobs throughout all economic sectors of the state are indirectly related to the dairy industry for a total impact on employment of 19,460 jobs.

Please your taste buds with milk recipes

Pleasin’ Yogurt Breakfast Parfait

Recipe created by Elizabeth Ward, M.S., R.D. and mother of three

Makes one serving
Prep time: five minutes
1 cup lowfat vanilla yogurt
1/2-cup crunchy lowfat cereal or granola divided
1/2-cup fresh fruit, sliced
To assemble parfait, begin with yogurt in the bottom of a bowl or tall glass. Add two tablespoons cereal and one-fourth cup fruit. Repeat. Top with the remaining two tablespoons of cereal.

Shamrock Milk Mixer

Recipe created by Elizabeth Ward, M.S., R.D. and mother of three

Makes one serving
Prep time: five minutes
1 cup lowfat milk
2 tablespoons Jell-O Pistachio Flavor Instant Pudding and Pie Filling.
1/2 crushed chocolate mint sandwich cookie.
Pour one cup of milk into a tall glass. Add two tablespoons of Jell-O Pistachio Flavor Instant Pudding and Pie Filling and stir with a fork to dissolve. Stir in cookie. Quick tip: crush the cookie by placing a small plastic bag and crush using a rolling pin or with your hands.

THIS WAS THE NEWS ... from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche

May 30, 1868

ANOTHER INDIAN OUT-RAGE. Again it is our painful duty to record another Indian outrage and murder similar to those that for the last four years have been of such frequent occurrence in our midst. Last Saturday afternoon, about half past two o’clock, a small band of Indians, the number not exactly known, but supposed to be from five to eight, attacked a party of four men who were riding along in a wagon between the Sheep Ranch and Inskip’s about four and a half miles from the latter place. It will be remembered by those who have traveled the road that there is a narrow pass some six or eight feet deep through a rocky ridge at the above-named place. From two of the party attacked, Hosea Eastman and Ben Abbott, old Owyheean, who were returning home after a winter’s sojourn in California, we learn that they were all riding leisurely along in a wagon, never dreaming of danger, some one observing, however, that it would be a favorable place for Indians to make an attack, when three or four of the blood-thirsty fiends fired from the rocks not more than five yards distant. A horse which was tied behind the wagon broke loose and was immediately taken possession of by the Indians. Eastman, who was driving, whipped up the team and made good time for some distance, when looking behind he observed Ben Abbott running for dear life with an Indian close at his heels and another farther behind making rapid strides. Instantly comprehending the situation Eastman seized his Spencer rifle and ran towards Abbott, who was unarmed. While running Eastman discharged his rifle at the Indian nearest Abbott probably not hitting the red devil, but causing him to drop down among the sagebrush and give up the chase. A better aim was taken at the other pursuer, who also immediately disappeared in the brush; but judging from the way the fellow acted it is thought that a Spencer bullet made him very sick. Upon returning to the wagon it was found that one of the party named David Smith, was severely wounded. A large sized bullet had centered his breast near the right nipple and passed out at his side. The back part of the neck of David Wooden was also creased with a bullet causing a slight but painful wound. Ben Abbott has received a bullet through his coat sleeve and

one of the horses in the team was wounded, completing this list of casualties. It appears that Abbott was so much taken by surprise that he leaped from the wagon at the first fire without a weapon of any kind in his hands, although there was a Spencer and Henry rifle besides several pistols in the wagon. Ben says he was scared some, not much to be wondered at.

We would gladly quit this recital, but not half the bloody tale is told. Fearing that the red devils might attack the up stage which was expected along in a short time, Eastman and party proceeded with the utmost speed to Inskip’s Ranch in order to inform the soldiers stationed there, who immediately started for the scene of the outrage but too late to prevent the stage from being attacked. About an hour after the first attack the stage came along and when exactly in the same rocky pass it was fired into the diver, Nathan Dixon, was instantly killed. A young man named J. W. Patton, who was beside Dixon on the seat, seized the reins, the horses sprang forward, one of the wheels struck a rock, crash went to axle and precipitated Patton headlong to the ground. By this time the passengers, ten in number, were tumbling out of the stage. Some of them being well armed commenced shooting at the Indians who were whooping and yelling around them in the rocks, evidently astonished at seeing so many passengers, as the curtains were down when the Indians made the attack. The passengers, among whom were Chas. S. Peck, of this place, and Samuel Black of Flint, besides a lady, behaved with commendable coolness and bravery during the whole affair. Several shots were fired at the savages, who immediately betook themselves to flight. To guard against surprise, the passengers proceeded to the summit of an adjacent eminence and Patton started for Inskip’s after a wagon, meeting the soldiers mentioned above. In the hurry to escape on of the Indians left the ramrod to his gun and his hat on the ground. The hat is kept as a trophy by the lady passenger. A wagon was procured at Inskip’s, and all hands arrived in town the next afternoon. Dixon’s body was also brought in. A large concourse of our townspeople attended the funeral on Monday at 11:00 o’clock a.m. After the coffin was lowered in the grave and the impressive words, “ashes to ashes and dust to dust,”

pronounced, muttered curses and oaths of vengeance, not loud but deep, against the accused murderers fell from the lips of many who stood around the grave. Thus another mound, a monument commemorative of savage stocity was added to the many scattered here and there among the mountains.

We are indebted to Mr. J. P. Merrill, an intimate friend of the deceased, for the following:

Nathan Dixon, at the time of his death, was thirty-five years of age, and is believed to have been born in Indiana. His father came to Iowa at an early day, where he still resides; his mother died while he was quite young leaving no other children. In the Spring of ’53 he crossed the plains to Suisun Valley, Solano County, California, where he lived till ’64, when he went o Boise Basin, where he remained till Hill Beachey stocked the Railroad Stage Line two years ago. Since which time he has been in Beachey’s employ, except a short visit to his old neighborhood in California last winter.

“Dick”, as he was familiarly called, was universally beloved by all who has the pleasure of his acquaintance. Courteous to all and generous to a fault, truthful, trustworthy and reliable, he was of those men that the world can illy afford to lose, and his loss is deeply felt and will long be deplored. Taking into consideration the circumstance immediately proceeding his unfortunate death, it would almost seem that fate had decreed it thus, that his allotted time had come: 1st He was not driving on his route at the time, having changed off with another driver for that trip. 2nd He requested the military escort that accompanied the stage to remain at the Sheep Ranch which they did accordingly. 3rd He caused the dog that usually runs as guard to the stage to remain at the Sheep Ranch on that fatal occasion. Saying nothing of the first circumstance, had he in the second place allowed the escort to accompany him the cowardly savages would never have attacked the stage, as the soldiers always ride a short distance in advance. Lastly, had the dog been along as usual, he would have scented the Indians and given the alarm before the stage arrived at the fatal spot. But charitable, generous-hearted “Dick” thought because there was a large number of passengers that there was no danger; he would therefore allow the soldiers and the poor tired dog to rest.

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

May 25, 1978

Sluggers end season 9-2

Homedale High School baseball coach Greg Hunsaker rounded up the season Friday with an awards assembly for this year’s Trojan squad in Boise. The presentation, at the home of assistant coach Kevin Henson, honored the highly successful Trojan sluggers who were 9-2 for the season after winning their first eight consecutive games.

“It was the first time we won the league championship since I can remember,” Hunsaker said about his team taking the A3, A4 division title. In district tournament the Homedale team was eliminated by Wilder’s Wildcats 10-8, after beating Council 6-3 in the first game. Wilder went on to take the district tourney title. “We had a good chance to win it,” coach Hunsaker said. “The bases were loaded near the end of the game and we were down by two runs, but we couldn’t pull it out.” Two consecutive batters made outs and it was all over for the Trojans.

Hunsaker and assistant Kevin Henson, who Hunsaker said was essential to the team’s success this year, gave awards to five players they felt were outstanding. The award recipients were: Ron Baigrie, best hitter; Frank Flores, best pitcher; Mike Stroud, best defensively; Harry Arima, most improved; and Tom Pegram, Mr. Trojan award.

“We had a lot of fine athletes,” Hunsaker noted. Performances by seniors Ron Baigrie and Tom Pegram, who both battled over .400 this season, sparked the Trojans. Pegram also pitched in six of their wins, while Frank Flores won in three of the matches. Brett Tolmie’s effort cannot go unnoticed either. Tolmie, also a senior, played baseball and also ran track for Homedale. This was the first time a player had competed in tow spring sports simultaneously.

Of the 23 kids out for baseball this season 10 or 16 should return. Hunsaker predicts the Trojan players next year may be weak on the mound as both senior pitchers are leaving, but noted that they will hit the ball.

Localites earn awards at C of I

Caldwell. More than 120 students received scholarships, awards and citations for excellence during the annual spring Awards Assembly at the College of Idaho.

The C of I is an independent, liberal arts college at Caldwell in the southwestern portion of the state.

Students honored included Kent Curtis, senior, Route 1, Homedale, inductee into Scarab, scholastic honorary society; and Loren Metcalf, junior, Route 1, Homedale, recipient of the John E. Houston Memorial Scholarship.

James Paxton honored by ROTC at ISU

Pocatello. James Paxton, Homedale, received the Superior Bengal Rifle Award and the Department of the Army Superior Cadet Award during recent awards ceremonies held at Idaho State University by the ISU unit of the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC). He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Paxton of Central Cove.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bauer (Becky Wells) are parents of a 7-lb. 14-1/2-oz. son, Eric Adam, born Friday, May 19, at a Nampa hospital. Mr. Bauer is a city councilman and is employed by Tom Morris Equipment.

Mr. and Mrs. Denny Burright of Homedale are new parents of a baby boy born Monday, May 15, at the Caldwell Memorial Hospital. He weighed six pounds and 15 ounces and was named Colby Jake.

50 years ago

May 28, 1953

Special school election to be held on Monday, June 1

A special election will be held Monday, June 1, on school district reorganization. Polls will be open at the Homedale high school building and at the Central Cove school house, from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The purpose of this special election is to afford the qualified voters an opportunity to approve or reject a proposal for the formation of a new school district under the provisions of Chapter 5, Title 33, Idaho Code, as amended. The plan for the formation of the new school district has been approved by the County Committees for the reorganization of school districts within Canyon County and Owyhee County, Idaho and by the State Board of Education of the State of Idaho.

A brief summary of said proposal for the formation of said new school district is as follows:

That a new school district be formed which new school district will include all the territory now included in Joint Class a School District No. 370, Owyhee and Canyon counties, State of Idaho, and Common School District No. 61, Canyon County, State of Idaho.

Teachers hired for Ridgeview

Teachers who have been hired to teach at Ridgeview next year are Mrs. Shirley Michalles, primary room; Mrs. Ruth Jones, 3rd and 4th grades; and Mrs. Margaret Duval, 6th, 7th and 8th grades. All are from Nampa.

The outdoor meeting of the Extension Unit which was to be held at the Homedale Park Tuesday, has been postponed until Monday, June 1st.

Homedale club overruns Ontario

The Homedale Baseball Club played the Cairo Ramblers of Ontario in a practice game Sunday. Homedale scored 23 runs, made 18 hits and 4 errors, while the Ramblers made 2 run, 5 hits and 9 errors. Battery for Homedale were R. Lineberger, Mauseling, and C. Johnstone and Ferguson. Mauseling scored one home run.

The Homedale team will play another practice game Sunday, May 31, with the Boise U-Drivers at the Veterans field at Boise.

Wilson

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hall and daughter Patty were Sunday dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hawkins of Melba.

Johnny Fay West, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny West of Wilson is in a Nampa hospital with rheumatic fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford McMahan and family had Sunday dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob King of New Plymouth after which they motored to Weiser to visit Clifford’s mother, Mrs. Edna McMahan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Muller and family attended the Sage Acres race at Huston Sunday.

Visitors in the Henry Brandau home Friday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Chris Backer of Nampa and Miss Harmine Backer of Alexandria, Nebr.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bailey were guests at a birthday dinner Sunday in the Vern Hoagland home. Betty Hoagland was celebrating her 15th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Benson and family visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swetland of Eagle Sunday evening.

Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brandau were Mrs. Brandau’s niece, and family, Mr. and Mrs. R.K. Hollingshead and son of Boise. Also visiting were Mrs. Brandau’s sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McKoy of Boise.

Several People in the community attended the Melba high school baccalaureate services in Melba Sunday evening.

135 years ago

May 30, 1868

TELEGRAPH MEETING. As will be seen from a letter to Messrs Webb and Myrick in our columns today, we are in a fair way of obtaining telegraphic communication with the outside world, providing proper encouragement be given to the enterprise. We are requested to state that there will be a meeting at the Oro Fino Hall on next Tuesday evening commencing at half past seven o’ clock precisely for the purpose of raising subscriptions to aid the construction of a telegraphic line to this place. All business men who favor the enterprise are requested to attend. The immense advantage that a telegraph would be to this place is self evident. Our citizens can afford to subscribe liberally. The amounts subscribed are not required to be paid until the line is completed and in operation tot his place and then the subscription will be refunded in transferable certificates to be repaid in telegraphing. Remember the meeting on Tuesday evening.

SCHOOL MATTERS. As will be seen by notice in another place, two public schools will commence on next Monday; one of which will be conducted by Mr. C H. Purdy, in the old school house near the court house; the other by Mrs. E. Adams in the building formerly occupied as an essay office near the Morning Star mill. In this convection it may also be stated that money is being raised by subscription and as soon as possible a large building will be erected suitable for a graded school.

FOURTH OF JULY. The National Holiday is but little more than a month distant. We suggest that our rugged mountains be made to echo the report of a cannon, a home made cannon, too on the Fourth of July. We understand that McMahan and Bro. At their foundry will cast a big gun for the purpose, provided a portion

of the expense be defrayed by those who may favor the enterprise. Will not our patriotic citizens take an interest in the matter and manufacture of a Fourth of July gun?

BRIDGE CONTRACT LET. The residents on Jordan Street are fully alive to the importance of street improvements. They have let a contract for building a bridge across Jordan Creek, near Guthridge and Gilson’s Livery Stable. It is yet undetermined whether Jordan Street will be extended and connect with the road to the Owyhee mill or with a new road to be built down the east side of the creek, crossing it at Ruby.

SCARCITY OF BEDS. A large number of strangers continue to arrive in town. They generally manage to procure enough to eat at the various restaurants, but there is a scarcity of beds. Recently we have heard several people complain of being obliged to sit up during the night because lodging could not be had. It would be a profitable investment for some one to build a large lodging house with, say fifty or sixty beds.

SHOE TO ORDER. Ned Ayers has just received the largest and best stock of boot and shoe leather ever brought into this town. Having a large force of workmen he is prepared to turn out anything in that line from a slipper for Cinderella upwards. Ned will take your measure and get you up a neat and elegantly fitting boot on short notice.

THE STAGE ARRIVALS this week would have occupied nearly a column, and were consequently crowded out. Among them, however, we notice many familiar faces, a few of which are Sam’l Black and Harvey Johnson of Flint, and Fred Brunzell, Geo I. Story, S. Skinner, C.S Peck, H.B. Maize and a host of others, all of this place, glad to get back. Judge Warren Earl has also arrived from California.

Commentary

Editor’s notebook

Joe Aman

Facts and law determine status of roads

The second Owyhee County road decision within a month – with a different outcome than the first – was signed at Monday’s meeting of the board of county commissioners.

Last month the board determined that the Poison Creek Road, located south of Homedale, was a public highway.

This past Monday the board determined the Reynolds Creek Road is not a public road. It is a private road.

Both road issues were brought before the board to determine the status after being gated by the property owners. Hearings were held, and the hearing officer set out the facts and applied state law.



Both roads were established by early-day freighters. Poison Creek road was the route from Caldwell to Jordan Valley. The Reynolds road was the route from the valley to DeLamar and Silver City.

Both roads qualified as a right-of-way for a public highway under an act passed in 1866 (RS 2477) by the federal government*. Owyhee County accepted the grants, creating these pubic highways. Then in 1948 the county abandoned these roads by ordinance. The rights-of-way reverted to the property owners where the former roads crossed private property.

That’s where the similarities end, however.

After the abandonments, the roads could be re-established only by methods outlined in state law.

The first method is by laying out and recording as a highway by the board. This would require acquisition of a right-of-way, either by gift, outright purchase, or condemnation. A survey would probably be necessary, and a fee simple title would be recorded against the property owner’s deed.

The second method is by prescription. This method requires two conditions: extensive public use, and regular maintenance by (in these cases) the county for a five year period.

It is easy to determine if the first method applies. A check of the deeds would reveal whether the county owns the right-of-way; a check of the official county highway map would show all roads the county owns. (The problem here is that the county has no such map, despite the fact Idaho law requires such be updated and published annually.)

The second method gets a little more complicated. Obviously, both roads have been used by the public. That’s half of the requirement for a prescriptive right.

The other half is maintenance by the county. The county has not maintained the Reynolds road, but claims it has maintained the Poison Creek road.

Claims of maintenance by the county and use by the public for a five-year period has caused the determination that the Poison Creek road is a public highway.

Lack of maintenance for a five year period determines the Reynolds Creek road is a private road. Public use without county maintenance does not create a public highway.

It’s a matter of facts applied to state law.

* Revised Statute 2477: “[T]he right-of-way for the construction of highways over public lands, not reserved for public uses, is hereby granted.”

Those pesky little symbols

We’ve gotten a few comments about these pesky little symbols:



They pop up in articles of this newspaper every so often. On one computer they’re invisible, but when transferred to the server and ultimately to another computer for page layout, there they are.

It seems they are usually generated when someone composes an article on those other computer systems and then transfers the document to our Mac system. They also pop up on articles received via e-mail.

We try to catch them all, but, alas! when the paper is in print, we find more of them.

In the old days of hot lead type we’d call something like this “type lice”. Today, we decided to christen this new breed as “e-fleas”.

On the edge of common sense

Baxter Black, DVM

Cowboy president

I received phone calls during the heat of the Iraqi war from the urban media. Their question inevitably was, “What do cowboys think of the politicians and media pundits using the term ‘Cowboy’ to describe President Bush and his posse?”

My first thought was, ‘It’s a compliment.’ But what do you expect? By way of explanation, it is useful to understand the cowboy mentality, and by the way, you do not have to be wearing a hat and boots to have this mentality. It is best demonstrated by this little joke: 1) Place your right hand, palm facing you, two inches in front of your nose. 2) Repeat after me, “Bet you can’t hit my hand before I move it!”

Now try and imagine the people you know who fit this description, certain qualities come to mind; naivetÉ, belligerence, bravery, lack of subtlety, sees thing in black and white, makes quick decisions, doesn’t ponder consequences, those are the kind of people who will cut off their nose to spite their face. They are easy to play poker with, they are not duplicitous. They don’t bluff.

This description is not to impugn their intelligence, it’s just that their heart or their righteous indignation can override the voice of caution.

What notable figures fit into this definition of cowboy mentality? Theodore Roosevelt, Senator Robert Byrd, Sir Edmund Hillary, Atilla the Hun, Harry Truman, Ralph Nadar, Sonny Liston, Ted Williams, Ronald Reagan, Oprah Winfrey, Eleanor Roosevelt, George McGovern. Predictable, steadfast, obdurate, stubborn, reactionary, call-your-bluff kind of people. (You notice neither Saddam Hussein or George H. Bush is on the list. They were negotiators, players of the odds).

So, circumstances occurred that provided the free world with a cowboy president of the United States at the same time Al Queda blew up the Twin Towers, Saddam Hussein smugly held the United Nations at bay, North Korea was flexing its muscles, and Iran was debating its next move.

The right man for the job? Or the wrong man. Depends on whether you ask the Iraqis or the French. All I know is there are times when ya need a cowboy, and he or she comes with baggage.

Here, bet ya can’t hit my hand before I move it.

Letter to the editor

Look before you leap

In response to Camie Wright’s letter Owyhee Policies. Camie stated the policy for the Owyhee Canyonlands should be that people can be in the Owyhees and camp without being questioned about what they are doing there and they should keep their cattle locked up instead of letting them roam around, and other cattle people stealing them and their owners complaining. There is a reason why the City Dudes are being questioned about camping and what they’re doing in the Canyonlands. Years ago the Owyhee policy was every landowner that had a cabin in the Owyhee Mountains the door was left unlocked plus coffee and canned goods inside. If some one got lost or hurt, they were welcome to stay and eat till they were rescued. Several years ago my folks retired and moved to Marsing, when they got bored sitting at home, they would spend a night or two at the cabin during the week. The last time they went to their cabin to visit, to their disappointment they found the lids and grate in the stove were thrown over the creek bank and the cupboards were ripped off the walls and the bed mattresses were floating down the creek. That was the last time there was food left in that cabin! A few years ago a couple from Jordan Valley checked out their cabin in the Owyhees during the middle of the week. They found that a group of jerks had cooked a meal and left the plates set on the table full of human waste. Should cattle be locked up so the tourist can roam on weekends, I say no! The dairy and feed lot operators say it cost \$2.50 per day to pen up cows. Its been estimated there is approximately 8,000 cows roaming the Owyhees during the summer. If this nonsense took place, every rancher in Owyhee would have to file for bankruptcy. If tourists are decent enough to ask permission to trespass, there will be no complaints. I’ve been an Owyhee native since 1920.

Creighton Kelly, Homedale

Public notices

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
4310-GG-P
Bureau of Land Management
(ID-090-5700-EU;IDI-34203;DBG-03-003

Notice of Realty Action, Sale of Public Land in Owyhee County, Idaho; Termination of Desert Land Entry and Carey Act Classifications and Opening Order
AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior
ACTION: Notice and Sale of Public Land in Owyhee County.
SUMMARY: This notice terminates a suitable Desert Land Entry and Carey Act. Classification on 80.00 acres so that a portion of the land can be patented under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (Act of October 21, 1976, as amended). The following-described public land has been examined and found suitable for disposal by direct sale under Section 203 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (90 Stat 2750, 43 U.S.C. 1713) at not less than the appraised fair market value of \$2,200. The land will not be offered for sale until July 19, 2003.
Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; T. 7 S., R. 6 E., section 7: Lot 6; Containing ± 0.96 acres. The patent, when issued, will contain a reservation to the United States for ditches and canals.
DATES: On May 20, 2003, the Desert Land Entry and Carey Act classification on the 80 acres of public land described below will be terminated. Also, the 0.96-acre parcel described above for sale will be segregated from appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, except the sale provisions of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act. The segregative effect will end upon issuance of patent or February 14, 2004, whichever occurs first.

ADDRESSES: Owyhee Field Office 3948 Development Avenue, Boise, Idaho 83705-5389.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Candi Miracle, Realty Specialist, at the address shown above or (208) 384-3455.
S U P P L E M E N T A R Y INFORMATION: On April 10, 1986, the following public land was classified as suitable for entry under the authority of the Desert Land Act of March 3, 1877, as amended and supplemented (43 U.S.C. 321, et seq.) and the Carey Act of August 18, 1894 (28 Stat.42), as amended (43 U.S.C. 641 et seq.)
Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; T. 7 S., R. 6 E., section 7: WQSE°.; Containing ± 80.00 acres. On May 20, 2003, the classifications are hereby terminated and the segregation for Desert Land Entry and Carey Act are hereby terminated.
This 0.96 acres parcel of land is being offered by direct sale to Susan H. Davis of Boise, Idaho, based on historic use and value of added improvements. It has been determined that the subject parcel contains no known mineral values; therefore, mineral interests will be conveyed simultaneously.
Until July 7, 2003, interested parties may submit comments to the Owyhee Field Office Manager at the above address. The Owyhee Field Manager, who may vacate or modify this realty action to accommodate any protests, will review any adverse comments received. If a protest is not accommodated, the comments are subject to review of the District Manager who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any adverse comments, this realty action will be come the final determination of the Department of the Interior.
Dated: April 1, 2003

Jenna Whitlock
Owyhee Field Manager
5/21,28-6/4/03

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho:
55-13825

US DEPT OF INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
3948 DEVELOPMENT AVE
BOISE ID 83705
Point(s) of Diversion
SENWSW S22 T05S
R05W OWYHEE County
Source COTTONWOOD CREEK
Tributary To TROUT CREEK
Use: STOCKWATER
STORAGE 04/01 To 11/30 2 AFA
Use: WILDLIFE STORAGE
01/01 To 12/31 2 AFA
Total Diversion: 2 AFA
Date Filed: 04/30/2003
Place Of Use: WILDLIFE STORAGE
T05S R05W S22NWSW
Place Of Use: STOCKWATER STORAGE
T05S R05W S22NWSW
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 06/23/2003. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J DREHER, Director
6/4,11/03

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The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho:
57-11628

RONALD L KELLY
9510 WRIGHT RD
MELBA ID 83641
Point(s) of Diversion L6 (SSWW)
S7 T01N R03W OWYHEE County
Source GROUND WATER
Use: IRRIGATION 03/01
To 11/15 0.5 CFS
Total Diversion: 0.5 CFS
Date Filed: 04/28/2003
Place Of Use: IRRIGATION
T01N R03W S7 SWSW Lot 6
Number of Acres 25
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 06/23/2003. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J DREHER, Director
6/4,11/03

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NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL FEES
The Bruneau-Grand View School District No. 365, Elmore and Owyhee Counties has proposed additional student fees in the amount of \$20 per sport for high school students and \$15 per sport for junior high students. Other student fees will remain the same as last year.
All patrons are invited to attend a public hearing on the fee proposal. The hearing will be held on Thursday, June 19th, 2003 at 7 p.m. at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School Library.
6/4,11/03

NOTICE OF 2003-2004 BUDGET HEARING
MARSING JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #363
OWYHEE AND CANYON COUNTIES, IDAHO
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Marsing Joint School District No. 363, Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho, will be held on June 10, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. at the District Office, at which meeting there shall be a public hearing on the maintenance and operation budget for this current school year. A copy of the proposed budget, as determined by the Board of Trustees, is available for public inspection at the School District Office at Highway 78, Marsing, Idaho, between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm form the date of this notice until the date of the hearing. This budget hearing is called pursuant to Section 33-801, Idaho Code as amended.
Debbie Holzhey, Clerk
Marsing Joint School District No. 363
Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho
6/4/03

NOTICE OF FILING ELECTION GEM HIGHWAY DISTRICT
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That declarations of candidacy for the office of Commissioner of District #3 of the Gem Highway District must be filed with the district clerk/secretary whose address is Box 453, 1016 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho 83639-0453 no later than 5:00 PM on the 27th day of June, 2003.
Such declarations are available at the district office at 1016 Main Street, Marsing, or at the office of the County Clerk in Murphy.
Individuals who run as write-in candidates must file a declaration of intent no later than 5:00 PM 25th day prior to the election. Election day is August 5, 2003, from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM at the office at 1016 Main Street.
Elections need not be held if only one (1) candidate has filed for this position. Pursuant to Section 34-1407, Idaho Code, this determination can only be made after the deadline for the Declaration of intent be write-in.
Virginia Belknap
Secretary-Treasurer
6/4,11/03

NOTICE OF LIEN
June 14, 2003, 3:00 p.m., 1984 Ford Bronco
1FMCU14S3EUA82045, 21113
Upper Pleasant Road, Caldwell, Idaho.
6/4,11/03

SUMMARY STATEMENT PROPOSED 2003 - 2004 SCHOOL BUDGET								
MARSING JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363								
DESCRIPTION	GENERAL M & O FUND				ALL OTHER FUNDS			
	Prior Yr	Prior Yr	Prior Yr	Proposed	Prior Yr	Prior Yr	Prior Yr	Proposed
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Budget	Actual	Actual	Budget	Budget
	00-01	01-02	02-03	03-04	00-01	01-02	02-03	03-04
BEG. BAL.	127,030	218,363	380,238	218,727	347,174	518,861	521,196	2,219,654
LOCAL REVENUES	458,464	466,641	467,435	532,686	479,606	510,850	405,150	562,461
STATE REVENUES	3,296,828	3,514,590	3,559,374	3,462,574	100,877	96,403	89,533	94,462
FED. REVENUES	8,325	11,961	16,902	14,000	511,277	523,188	623,854	575,104
OTHER REVENUES	0	0	0	0	0	115,000	1991196	0
TRANSFERS	0	0	0	0	108,355	89,000	194,457	61,000
TOTAL BEG. BAL AND REVENUES	3,890,647	4,211,555	4,423,949	4,227,987	1,547,289	1,853,302	3,825,386	3,512,681
EXPENDITURES								
SALARIES	2,218,611	2,384,420	2,393,318	2,367,417	422,142	475,074	513,884	433,417
BENEFITS	640,973	682,339	709,671	700,783	97,163	113,777	107,749	101,703
PRCH SERVICE	664,010	699,893	688,604	701,660	85,360	56,023	317,670	157,751
MATERIALS/SUPP.	185,502	135,102	169,461	136,430	119,755	147,801	158,065	155,257
CAPITAL OUTLAY	23,935	16,800	17,000	16,250	134,918	339,749	1,903,073	1,674,800
INSURANCE	28,303	31,038	31,408	33,769	200	245	2,636	666
DEBT SERVICE	0	0	0	0	687,751	691,668	702,725	881,297
TRANSFERS OUT	108,355	89,000	194,457	61,000	0	0	0	0
CONTINGENCY RES.	20,958	133,000	218,727	210,678	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCES		39,963	1,303	0	0	28,965	119,584	107,790
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	3,890,647	4,211,555	4,423,949	4,227,987	1,547,289	1,853,302	3,825,386	3,512,681

A copy of the School District Budget is available for public inspection in the District's Admin. Office.

Public notices

**COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
May 19, 2003 10:00 A.M.
OWYHEE COUNTY
COURTHOUSE,
MURPHY IDAHO**

Present were Commissioner Harold Tolmie, Commissioner Dick Reynolds, Commissioner Chris Salove, Clerk Charlotte Sherburn, Fred Grant and Jim Desmond.

Kate Kelly and Brian Monson from DEQ met with the Board. The Board discussed their desire to keep an open working relationship and good communications with DEQ.

Larry McDaniel met with the Board on resealing the parking lot and the airport. Commissioner Salove made a motion to approve. Commissioner Reynolds seconded the motion.

Ron Race met with the Board on the adoption of the International Building Code. The Board requested Mr. Race read it and report back to them.

George Bennett and Terry Carothers met with the Board on behalf of GrandView Ambulance department. They Board approved awarding the Ambulance Department \$9,000 to purchase a piece of equipment used to remove victims from vehicle wrecks. They applied for a grant to cover the majority of the cost.

Commissioner Salove made a motion to approve payment of all outstanding bills. Commissioner Reynolds seconded the motion. The bills were paid from the following funds: Current Expense 42,034; Road & Bridge 56,248; Bond Redemption 500; District Court 6,145; Revaluation 8,171; Solid Waste 16,192; Weeds 2,665

The Board approved liquor licenses for JC Landing, Murph's, TC 24-7, Farmers Inn, Gus's Gas, Jackson's Food Store #4.

Indigent and Charity were presented with the following action taken by the Board. I.C. Case # 02-46 Notice of Dismissal, Release of Lien; I.C. Case # 02-44 Notice of Dismissal, Release of Lien; I.C. Case #03-12 Denial; I.C. Case #03-15 Lien Approved; I.C. Case #03-10 Continuance 7/15; I.C. Case #03-11 Notice of Hearing 7/7; I.C. Case #03-04 Continuance 6/2; I.C. Case # 02-02 Denial

The Board approved the Commissioners minutes for May 12th meeting.

Mary Hayes from Holladay Engineering met with the Board. The Board approved and authorized Holladay Engineering to do the following;

Draft graphic that shows more clearly the actual footprint of the active landfill and its proximity to adjacent properties. Address storm water and runoff issues and concerns, and address visibility issues from Highway 95 in the Marsing area.

Commissioner Salove made a motion to approve the site certification prepared by Holladay Engineering for the Bruneau GrandView Solid Waste Landfill. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. The Notice will be published in the Owyhee Avalanche.

Pat Engle with Sage Resources met with the Board in regards to the grant awarded to the Owyhee County Water Improvement Project. The Board approved a contract to be signed between Sage Community Resources and Owyhee County to administer the grant monies.

Doris Jewett met with the Board to review an application for a Grant the Juvenile Probation Department is applying for.

The Board called for adjournment.

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

Harold Tolmie, Chairman
Attest: Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk
6/4/03

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Commissioners for Gem Highway District No. 3, pursuant to the authority granted by Idaho Code §40-604(5), will hold a public hearing at the District Office located at 1016 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho, on the 10th day of June, 2003, at the hour of 8:00 o'clock, P.M. to consider implementing a requirement for a permit to construct approach roads including minimum engineering standards, reciprocal rights and obligations and permit fee.

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