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“Time for Christmas” parade is Saturday

Time for Christmas” will be the theme for this year’s Homedale for the Holidays Christmas parade, to be held on Saturday.

Gift baskets and turkeys will be given away during a drawing following the parade. Lineup for the parade will be at 9:30 a.m. on Owyhee Avenue in front of Tolmie’s Hardware. The parade will begin at 10:30 a.m.

There will be a \$20 prize for first place in each category of commercial,

kids, cars, animals and community. Ribbons will be given to all of the participants. The roaming Mayor’s Choice award will also be presented to someone.

The parade will travel from Tolmie’s Hardware to Second Street where it will head to Idaho Avenue and up to Homedale High School.

Following the parade, Santa Claus will hand out candy and listen to Christmas wish lists from children in front of the post office on Main Street. At noon, a drawing for 25 turkeys and gift baskets will be held for people who dropped off entry



tags to participating businesses from the “Homedale for the Holidays” edi-

tion in *The Owyhee Avalanche*. The edition is included with the regular weekly paper today (Wednesday).

Tags must be delivered to a special box at each business by 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12th. Two tickets per business will be drawn.

For more information contact Kelly Burns at 337-3757 or Cindy Sims at 337-4396. To donate to the gift basket, contact Lori Davies at Lori’s Latte in Homedale.

Burglars dampen Christmas spirit

Tis the season for giving, but burglars have been taking from homes, businesses and vehicles over the last month in the county. Since Nov. 1, until Dec. 4, 16 incidents of burglary have been reported

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involving the theft of anything a burglar can get his hands on. Eight cases of vehicle burglary have been reported and seven cases of residential burglary. One of those was unfounded. One business has reported a burglary on Pioneer Road near Homedale.

A dispatcher at the county sheriff’s office said only one person has been arrested in the rash of burglaries. Francisco Yanez Orozco was arrested shortly after a burglary on Clark Road was — to page 5



Christmas wish list

A youngster tells Santa Claus what he wants for Christmas during a visit from the jolly fellow during last weekend’s annual holiday parade in Marsing. Additional photos of the parade are on page 10.

Dog tags returned to Vietnam veteran

In early 1966, a young man was sent to war torn Vietnam to fight for his country as military personnel are doing today in Iraq. But what retired 78 year-old military veteran Eugene Pfrimmer didn’t realize when he left, was he left a piece of himself behind. Last week, that piece was delivered back to him 37 years later. Pfrimmer’s dog tag was found in Saigon by a visiting veteran and was delivered to him last week.

“It’s a simple story,” Pfrimmer said after having his dog tags returned to him by Lloyd DeWitt, a professor of business with the College of Southern Idaho. “I only spent one night in Saigon, but I guess I must have left it behind.”

“Thirty-five Vietnam veterans have made several trips back to Vietnam,” DeWitt said. “During one of those returning trips, a vet from New Hampshire by the name of Bob McMahon found hundreds of American servicemen’s dog tags for sale — to page 5



Vietnam remembered

Vietnam veteran and retired military man Eugene Pfrimmer shows a dog tag that was returned to him 37 years after he left the Vietnam war.

Crossing the line could cost up to \$4,000

Crossing a barrier that is placed to close a road, could cost a person up to \$4,000 if they need to be rescued by the sheriff's office.

Sheriff Gary Aman said last week that with the closure of the Silver City Road for the winter, people passing the barrier in a vehicle or anything other than a snowmobile or a four wheeler and if they have to be rescued they will have to pay the price. According to Idaho Code 6-2401, "any person who knowingly enters into any area that has been closed to the public by competent authority for any reason, where such closure is posted by sign, barricade or other device, is liable for the expenses of an emergency response required to search for or rescue."

The code allows counties to charge up to \$4,000 for a rescue, which Aman said could cost several hundred thousand dollars.

Aman said just to go and retrieve someone stuck on the road into Silver City, will cost at least \$100. If a search is called for someone lost, the cost continues to climb.

"It costs so much for us to do rescues and if someone passes a barrier, they should have to pay," Aman said. "Every year we get so many people who think they can turn a car into a snowmobile. They get stuck or stranded and expect us to come get them. If they don't follow the rules, they will pay the price."

Watershed council to hold meeting

The Christmas meeting of the Owyhee Watershed Council will be held at the University of Idaho Extension Office today, (Wednesday).

The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and all are welcome and encouraged to attend. For more information contact Jennifer Martin at 541-889-2588 ext. 117.

Christmas concerts begin next week

Children in area schools have been practicing for their annual Christmas concerts since before Thanksgiving and will now have the opportunity to perform for family and friends beginning next week.

Marsing Elementary School will hold its annual concert in two evening performances. The first will be the first, second and third grade classes will have their program on Dec. 15 in the new cafeteria. The kindergarten and first grade students' concert will begin at 7 p.m. and will last

approximately 30 minutes. The second and third grade students will perform at 7:45 p.m. and will also last about 30 minutes.

Fourth and fifth grade students will perform on Tuesday in the cafeteria at 7 p.m.

The kindergarten class will perform Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer, Must be Santa, Silent Night and Jingle Bells. First grade singers will perform Christmas Makes Me Sing, Jolly Old St. Nicholas, Santa Claus is Coming to Town, All I want for Christmas is my Two Front Teeth

and Silent Night.

Second grade students will sing Frosty the Snowman, A Holly Jolly Christmas, Jingle Bell Rock. C.H.R.I.S.T.M.A.S., Winter Wonderland and Silent Night. The third grade class will sing Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree, Silver Bells, White Christmas, Nuttin' For Christmas, Deck the Halls and Silent Night.

In Homedale, the band and choir concert will be held on Dec. 15 at 7 p.m. at the high school. First and second grade students will be conducted by

Barbie Vander Boegh and the high school groups will be under the direction of Todd Thompson. The middle school students will perform on Dec. 16.

The high school jazz and concert band will perform as well as the concert choir on Monday. Admission is free, but donations are welcome. The middle school concert will include the sixth grade band, seventh and eighth grade combined band and choir and various solos and duets. It will be held at the middle school gym.

Local lawmen share the gift of giving

Many children who come from unfortunate situations may never have the opportunity to experience the joy of selecting, buying and wrapping a gift for their mom, dad, brother or sister. But last weekend, four officers from Owyhee County joined law enforcement agencies from around the state in the annual "Shop with a Cop" program, which allowed nearly 25 children to shop for presents

for themselves and family members.

Children gathered at an area church in Nampa Saturday morning and enjoyed a hot breakfast before riding 'parade' style in police cars to an area department store for a shopping spree. They are allowed to purchase anything for anyone they would like up to \$150.

The program is also a benefit to the police. "Many

Eight year-old Naomie Greenfield from Grand View, shops with county Chief Deputy Dick Freund.



Owyhee County Deputies Dennis Peppley and Don Collingwood arrive with Artoro Carrillo of Marsing and Aisha Cartwright of Nampa to begin a Christmas shopping spree.



Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller shops with Marisal Holden, 6 of Nampa as officer Rob Cook shops with her brother Martin.

children, especially ones who come from hard situations, have misconceptions and are scared of the police," Owyhee County Chief Deputy Dick Freund said. "This is a time they can have a good experience with a police officer."

Three officers from the Homedale Police Department and four deputies including Freund, from the sheriff's office took a child shopping at a local department store in Nampa Saturday morning. The group met at a church in the area for a hot breakfast before loading into police cars for a parade of lights and sirens.

Volunteer students from Melba High School were on hand to wrap gifts for the children after the checked out. Children from Nampa, Caldwell, Marsing and Grand View were included in the event.

"It's great," Owyhee County Deputy Don Collingwood said. "To see the smiles on these kids' faces as they are allowed to pick what they want for their families is what

Christmas is all about.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller and shopped with six-year old Marisal Holden as her 11-year old brother Martin Holden shopped with officer Jamie Austin.

Artoro Carrillo, 11 of Marsing shopped with Collingwood and picked out several new remote control cars for himself as well as items for his family. Aisha Cartwright, 6 of Nampa, shopped with deputy Dennis Peppley and picked out jewelry for her mom.

"It gives the kids an opportunity to be able to share the joy of giving a gift since they don't have the money to do so," Peppley said Saturday. "It is surprising how much they would rather spend the money on someone else instead of spend it all on themselves."

Eight-year old Naomie Greenfield traveled with Freund from Grand View for the shopping spree and found several items for her dad. She said she was excited to see how happy he would be on Christmas morning.

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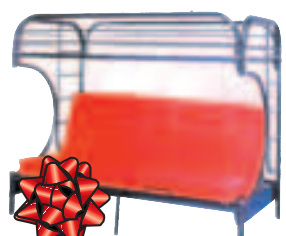
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Tamara Kenyon



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Local teens win Voice of Democracy contest

Two local Marsing High School students won the Voice of Democracy essay contest for the local division and will now advance to the Wilder Post Regional competition early next year.

Tamara Kenyon, who detailed her dream for America in a personal essay won first place and Teresa Whitaker won second place with her essay, which deals with family values.

The Voice of Democracy is an annual national audio essay contest that is designed to foster patriotism by giving high school students in grades nine through 12 the opportunity to voice their opinion about their personal obligations as an American and address their responsibility to our country. The 2003-2004 theme is "My Commitment to America's Future."


Each Department's first-place winner receives an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., plus the opportunity to compete for national scholarships. The first-place national winner receives a \$25,000 scholarship. All national scholarships are paid directly to the American university, college or vocational/technical school as selected by the recipient.

"They record our essay and mine was about family values and spending time with family," Whitaker said. "It was about teaching kids at home instead of sending them to babysitters and letting the school teach them everything. The kids don't turn out very good that way."

"Mine was on good deeds," Kenyon said. "I wrote about an experience I had during a visit at Homedale High School. A lady helped me and I wrote about how it affected me and helped me to help others."

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Nicole Sonke and Corby Garrett wed

Nicole Sonke and Corby Garrett were married on August 23, 2003 at Mountain View Church of the Nazarene in Wilder.

Nicole is the daughter of Mary and Bob Sonke of Homedale. She graduated from Homedale High School and the University of Idaho. She is employed at Community Development Inc.

Her bridesmaids were Danielle Sonke, Michelle Burks, Denise Carter, Marie Flores, Keri Garrett and Jamie Nielson.

Corby is the son of Gary and Kristie Garrett of Wilder and also graduated from Homedale High School. He is employed at Mountain View Equipment.

His groomsmen were Kasey Garrett, Dustin Batt, Taylor Landa, Eric Cegnar, Ken Felty and Jesse Cobly.

The flower girls were Amaya and Paige Carter, Ashley and Lindsey Burks and Carli and Jayci Swallow. The ring bearers were Connor and Garrett Carter and the bell ringer was Kylan Burks. Hailee Garrett was the candle lighter.

The couple is living in Wilder.



Rimrock teen named outstanding student

An Oreana teen who attends Rimrock High School has been listed in the Outstanding Student of America book.

Stacy White is a 17 year old senior and the daughter of Bill & Beverly White of Oreana. She recently received news that she has been accepted as an Outstanding Student of America. Outstanding students of America are selected from the above average students, who are involved in community service and student activities, as well as their academic achievements. The prestigious honor is bestowed to less than one percent of the students nationwide.

Stacy submitted her ap-

plication for scholarship and received the results the middle of November that she has been selected and that she was a semi finalist for the Outstanding Students of America Scholarship.

She is an honor student at Rimrock High School and enjoys her role as president of the Rimrock FFA Chapter, second year reporter of the Boise Valley District FFA, and a member of the student council. She has been selected as Who's Who among American High School Students for the past three years, Who's Who in sports, for the past two years, and numerous other awards.

Stacy enjoys running track and cross-country, although she had to give up her fall and

winter sports this year due to a knee injury in the beginning of the season. She hopes to return to running track in the spring. She said she enjoys her involvement on the ranch, reading and any FFA activity. She said she plans to continue her college education in the field of computer science engineering.



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✓ Burglars

reported. She said a very wide range of items are being taken including clothing, bicycles, tools and electronics.

County Sheriff Gary Aman said it is not uncommon to see a rise in burglaries and thefts during the holiday season. He said people need to remember to lock up their vehicles, homes and valuables. He said the criminals are not just stealing things at night or on the weekend, they are breaking in during the daylight hours as well.

Aman said most of the cases are still under investigation. He said if anyone has information pertaining to the crimes, or any crime, they should call the sheriff's office at 495-1154 or 337-4222, or call 911 if suspicious activity is seen.

✓ Dog tags

in a shop located in Saigon, Vietnam. He purchased all of them and is attempting to return those tags to their owners or their next of kin. Eugene's dog tag was one of those that Bob purchased."

McMahon mailed Eugene's dog tag to DeWitt and asked him to return the tag to Eugene, which he did last weekend.

"We went over there and did our job," Pfrimmer said. "I would like to sometime go back and talk to some of the Vietnamese that we fought with. They were good soldiers."

Pfrimmer said he was already in the Ranger department when he was sent to Vietnam in early 1966. He had attended Ranger School in the 50s.

"It is a good course, but it is a hardship course," Pfrimmer said. "I went over with the 101st Airborne and I must have lost it when I was with them. You would have to be around Saigon to see the humanity there. It is all a big political war down there. I was an older guy when I went over there, but I thought I was

in good shape. I found out how much lead I had in my pockets when I got there. The mountains will bring you to your knees."

Pfrimmer said the only time he went to Saigon was when he was sent in on a mission. He said it was one of the "scariest" places he had been.

"I sat up all night with my 45 caliber on my lap," Pfrimmer recalled. "We would tie a dog tag to our boot so we could be identified if anything happened. It may have went with a pair of boots I had. I don't remember that far back."

DeWitt said Pfrimmer may not have left his dog in Saigon, it may have been found anywhere in Vietnam and found its way to Saigon before McMahon found it.

"I have no idea how or why those people would salvage or keep American servicemen's dog tags," DeWitt said. "A lot of those people are so desperate that they may have thought there may be some value to keeping it as a war souvenir. I think with the country in its situation now, they may have a market for the dog tags, so they have been selling them."

"Some of the people are so desperate that if they find a bomb or an artillery shell they will attempt to dig those up and disarm them to sell them as scrap metal. Every month several people are being killed or maimed by exploding bombs. That is just how desperate they are to make a nickel."

DeWitt said McMahon has approximately 500 dog tags he is attempting to get back to servicemen or to their families. He said to date about 200 of those tags have been returned. Pfrimmer's tag is the second to be returned to a serviceman in Idaho.

Pfrimmer said having the dog tag back meant a lot to him and the return did bring up emotions he has not felt in many years. He said now he had something else to hand down to his family after he is gone.



Attempted burglary

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller retrieves fingerprints from a piece of glass at Homedale High School Monday. Over the weekend, someone broke a window out of the library and entered the building.

Vandals, burglars damage Homedale High School

Homedale Police Department is investigating five incidents from Homedale High School this week after vandals broke a window, attempted a burglary and burglarized vehicles. Monday an attempted burglary was made on the high school library as someone broke out a window to the building to gain entry.

School principal Mike Williams said Monday that the problems began on December 1 and are continually getting worse.

On Dec. 1, a Sarah Seamount, a teacher at the school, reported that her vehicle had been broken into and the stereo was partially removed. On Dec. 3 a report was entered of two stolen stereos from vehicles at the high school and on Dec. 5, reports of suspicious circumstance and a vehicle burglary were reported.

A staff person from the district reported Friday that a "bunch" of children were playing at the city park, turning the lights on and off to the Christmas trees. Monday morning, City Maintenance Supervisor Larry Bauer

reported that someone had taken the lights from the tree over the weekend.

Friday evening, a report of another vehicle burglary was reported at the high school when the window was broken out of a vehicle during a basketball game. A purse was taken from the car.

Monday, the high school reported that a window in the library had been broken out. Eidemiller said the incident was under investigation, but fingerprints and evidence were taken from the scene.

Williams said as of Monday nothing was reported missing, but a computer in the library had been disconnected as if thieves may have attempted to remove it.

City darkened by street light vandals

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said last week that the city is being plagued by street light vandals with many lights in the city being shot out over the last month. He said he needs the help of the people in the city to catch the culprits who are leaving many streets in the dark.

"We have had about seven lights broken out in the last week," Eidemiller said. "If people hear dogs barking suddenly, or see any suspicious activity, they should call the sheriff's office and report it. We have a lot of people who like to walk in the early morning hours."

"We will catch them and we will make sure they are punished to the fullest extent of the law. I need the people to report anything suspicious."

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Obituaries

Owen E. Randall

Owen E. Randall born February 24, 1934 in Bruneau, passed into rest November 27, 2003 in Emmett Idaho. Owen was the 4th child of George W. and Ruth Black Randall.

After attending grade school and high school in Bruneau, Owen enlisted in the U.S. Army in April 1953. While in the service he achieved the rank of Sergeant. After being released from the army in April 1956 he returned to Bruneau where he was engaged in ranching and raising Appaloosa horses with his father.

On December 19, 1959 Owen married Janice M. Hazeltine in Boise. Three children were born to the couple while they lived in Bruneau. This marriage later dissolved.

On November 4, 1970 Owen married Addie Jacqueline (Jackie) Johnson in Elko, Nevada. The couple had two sons and a daughter and lived in Bruneau until the summer of 1984 when they moved to Emmett.

Owen spent many years with health challenges but enjoyed his family, especially the grandchildren.

Owen is preceded in death by Jackie, his parents, a brother Darrell F. Randall and two infant children Georgina Ruth Randall and Ricky Robert Randall.

He is survived by his sons, Jared R. Gilbert of Denver, North Carolina, James S. Randall of Boise, Les E. Randall of Emmett, and a daughter, LuAnna J. Randall of Council, and 12 grandchildren. A sister, Arden M. Thomas, of Boulder City, Nevada, Milly H. Porter of Bruneau, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Potter Funeral Chapel located at 228 East Street in Emmett will be handling the arrangements. Memorial Services were scheduled at the American Legion Hall in Bruneau, Friday, December 5 at 11:00 a.m. with internment in the Bruneau Cemetery to follow.

The family suggests donations can be made to the American Diabetes Association by calling 1-800-Diabetes (1-800-342-2383).



Luella "Lou" Florence Wilson McBride

Luella "Lou" Florence Wilson McBride, of Nampa passed away at Midland Care Center of Nampa on December 1st, 2003 the same day she was born 81 years earlier.

A Memorial Service was conducted at the Alsip & Persons Funeral Chapel on Saturday, December 6th, 2003 at 2:00 p.m.

Lou was born December 1, 1922 in Caldwell, Idaho one of eight children born to Jesse & Agnes (Buffington) Wilson. She married Roy A. McBride on June 1, 1939. Lou and Roy always had an open door for anyone that needed help or wanted to drop in and visit. They were usually surrounded by family and/or friends. They loved the outdoors, especially the mountains and lakes around Cascade. They also enjoyed fishing Camas, Owyhee and Lost Valley Reservoirs. Lou worked and retired from AlumaGlass but was also an active homemaker and loved to cook and bake; the grandkids always knew there were treats at Grandma's house.

Luella is survived by; 3 daughters; Jo Ann and spouse Don Porter of Boise, Beverly Bulman of Homedale, Louanna Loston of Nampa and one son, Roy (Bud) and spouse Marilyn McBride of Milton-Freewater, Oregon, plus 8 grandchildren, 5 step grandchildren, 24 great grandchildren, 7 step great grandchildren, 3 great-great grandchildren; two sisters, her twin, Loretta Evans of Nampa, ID and Helen (& Ray) Dennis of Hawaii, three brothers, Joe (& Janet) Wilson of Boise, Idaho, Gary (& Yvonne) Wilson of Nampa and Jess (&) Wilson of Kansas. Her parents, husband, five grandchildren, a sister, Grace and brother, Art, preceded her in death. The family would like to thank everyone for the support and would especially like to thank Dr. LeBow and

Dr. Tirrell for their special care and treatment.

The family suggests either flowers for the service or to a charity of your choice in memory of Lou.

Arrangements are under the direction of Alsip & Persons Funeral Chapel (404 10th Ave. S., Nampa, Idaho 83651~466-3545).



Thomas Owen Murray

Tom left us to be with our Lord on November 28, 2003 after a courageous battle with Colon Cancer. Tom was born on May 27, 1928 in Rosston, Oklahoma, the first son and fourth child of Owen Cameron Murray and Bertha Lee Hawes Murray.

In 1937 the Murray family made the adventurous trek to Idaho and settled in Canyon County. Tom attended school in Wilder and Homedale.

In 1945 Tom joined the U.S. Navy and served aboard the LST881. In March, 1946 his ship was dispatched to the Bikini Atolls in the Pacific where he participated in Operation Crossroads; the Atomic Bomb tests. They were involved in 3 tests in July and August. At the end of the operation they embarked on LST881 to Bremerton, Wash. for decontamination. Tom received the World War II Victory Medal and the American Area Campaign Medal. He received his Honorable Discharge from the U.S. Navy on Nov. 7, 1947.

After Tom's discharge he returned to Idaho and was employed by the Co-op Oil Assn., in charge of the fuel delivery service. On February 15, 1949 he was wed to Lou-

ise Mears at his parent's home in the Fargo community.

In 1950 Tom started out on a new adventure, farming on the Northside out of Homedale. He then moved to Grandview to continue farming. When the farm was sold he moved his family back to Homedale and was employed by Murphy Oil. Shortly thereafter he went into partnership with his dad at Murray's Chevron Service, and upon dad's retirement he purchased the business which operated 22 years. They had many loyal customers and took on any challenge big or small which they always gave their classic answer, You Betcha, and so they were called by many. "You Betcha!"

After closing the station in 1976 Tom worked for various businesses in Homedale including Max's and Murph's. In 1977-78 he leased and operated the Tango Club. He worked for Hoff Forest Products till retirement age and then worked for Symm's Fruit Ranch. He was a member of American Legion Post #32, A.A.R.P., and Farm Bureau.

Tom loved the mountains and lakes of Idaho and spent many happy hours hunting, fishing, and camping with his family and dear friends. Two of his favorite spots were Phillip's Lake and Lost Valley Reservoir. His last fondest memories were spent at our dear friends, Bob and Carol Frederick's cabin at Pineridge, Idaho sitting on the deck watching the deer, elk, chipmunks and hummingbirds whom he named one and all.

Tom is survived by his wife Louise and the joy of his life; children, Kookie Nation, Debbie (Bob) Grant, Connie (Red) Trunnell, Thomas C. Murray and Randy Murray; 12 grandchildren, and 18 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sisters, Naomi Schumacher, Ruby Elliott, Mary Turner, Billie Dill, and Patsy Nelson, and also a brother James Murray. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister Betty Metzger, brothers'-in-law Levi Brumfield, Ernie Schumacher, Clay Elliott, and Don Dill. He was also preceded in death by his son-in-law and hunting and fishing buddy Dan Nation.

Memorial Military Ser-



vices will be conducted by the Homedale American Legion Post #32 at the American Legion Hall on Owyhee Ave., on Dec. 11, 2003 at 1:00 PM, followed by a dinner provided by the Legion and the Auxiliary. Private inurnment will follow at Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

Flowers may be sent or donations in Tom's name made to: American Legion Post #32, P.O. Box 444, Homedale, ID 83628 or Owyhee Health & Rehab. Center, P.O. Box A, Homedale, ID 83628.

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County resident threatens lawsuit over road tax

When residents in the “district III” section of the Owyhee County road district received their annual tax bill last month, most were surprised with a much higher road tax than they have paid in the last 10 years. Commissioner Chris Salove said although he did not realize the tax would increase as much as it did, the tax this year is necessary to bring the road budget back to where he and the other commissioners feel it needs to be.

Murphy resident Nick Ihli attended the commissioner’s meeting last week and reportedly told the commissioners that the tax was not legal according to a case brought against the Three Creek Good Roads district in 1962. Salove said even though he is not an attorney, “I don’t think there is any similarity in the court case and this situation whatsoever.”

“I think there are several points of interest here,” Salove said in a letter to The Owyhee

Avalanche this week. “First, in six years, the total budget increase was 37 percent, by my figures. While that may seem like a lot, look at what fuel prices have done in those years, which are a huge factor in the budgets, both as fuel burned, and the cost of blacktop in particular.”

Salove said the cost of “significant” raises in wages because of “complaints” that the county was losing people due to not being competitive, also played a big part in the budget.

In 2001, the county nearly spent the entire budget of \$1,693,039. They spent \$1,563,023.37, which is 92 percent. The county had a carryover of \$130,015.63 in that year. In 2002, \$1,326,001 was budgeted with 85 percent being spent leaving \$195,733.91.

“I guess someone could say we had too much remaining, padding the budgets too much, but even that was higher in 1999,” Salove explained.

Salove said Ihli claimed that the county had \$516,000 carryover, but that County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn reported last week that after all outstanding warrants were paid, the amount was actually \$380,000.

“Charlotte also said that Jerrod Zwiegert, the auditor, who has been in her office all week, told her that the reserve is lower than it should be where road and bridge is concerned,” Salove continued. “Even with the huge increase in the levy, which no one is denying is huge, if we had to spend all of the budgeted amount, the levy plus expected revenue from the state would not cover it. And if we had spent more this year, the situation would be a lot worse. I actually shut down some equipment purchases in my district because we could ‘see the clouds on the horizon’ where the budget was concerned.”

Ihli could not be reached for comment.

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Public hearings to be held in Marsing

Metallurgical engineering company and powder coating paint business hope to relocate in Marsing

The Marsing Planning and Zoning Commission will hold two public hearings next week to hear support or objection to two businesses that hope to open their doors in the local town.

The hearings will be held on Dec. 18 at 6:30 and 7 p.m. for a special use permit for Ida-Met Inc. and RPMS, LLC. Both companies are hoping to purchase buildings in the recently closed Bowman's company on Bruneau highway and at 1st Ave. West.

Ida-Met is owned by Robert Fischer from Nampa and specializes in metallurgical, analytical, mineralogical and environmental technical expertise. The company is experienced in major physical and chemical separation processes utilized in the recovery of precious, base and light metals from ores, concentrates, waste products and secondary feeds. Fischer's hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m.

"We specialize in gold extraction," Fischer said.

Fischer is a metallurgical engineer, has a B.A from Idaho State University and graduated in the upper 10 percent of his class.

Ron and Amy Yacavace of Caldwell specialize in environmentally friendly powder coating paint. Amy said last week that the couple have a business in Wilder and hope to move to Marsing after not renewing their lease on their Wilder business.

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ment.

Amy said the business she and her husband specialize in is permanent painting metals.

"What we do is take a piece of metal and sand blast it to bare metal and make sure it is very clean," Amy explained. "Then we apply a very thin coat of powder with an electrostatic gun. Then we bake it in a big oven for about 10 minutes and when it is done it looks like regular paint only it is very durable and it does not scratch easily."

Amy said the company works on a lot of fencing, wrote iron, mailbox stands, airplane frames for ultra light planes, trailer hitches and a lot of cedar fence gate frames.

RPMS, LLC's hearing will be held at 7 p.m. following the Ida-Met hearing at Marsing City Hall.

HPD arrests two with drug possession

Ontario man jailed in alcohol related accident

Two people were arrested in unrelated traffic stops and charged with possession of drugs last week. On Sunday, officers arrested an Ontario man for driving under the influence after he collided with a vehicle on Railroad Ave.

On Dec. 3, Noel Obregon, 21 of Homedale was arrested after a traffic stop by officer Rob Cook. On Dec. 5 Cook stopped Teresa DeAugustineo, 43 of Homedale, for speeding and made a second arrest for possession of drugs. Alejandro Monreal Flores, 33 of Ontario was arrested on Sunday for driving under the influence after he collided with Mary Gonzales of Homedale on Railroad Avenue.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said DeAugustineo was pulled over for speeding. He said after the officer found she did not have driver's licenses as he was impounding the vehicle he found a small quantity of marijuana.

Obregon was stopped after

being seen in an area where several vehicle burglaries have occurred. Eidemiller said as the officer did a Terry Pat, Obregon told the officer he had drugs in a pocket. A small quantity of methamphetamine was taken and Obregon was arrested.

Eidemiller said Flores was driving south on Railroad and Gonzales was traveling north when Flores crossed the centerline and sideswiped Gonzales' vehicle. He said Gonzales had two children in the vehicle, but no one was injured in the accident.

American Legion dinner to be held Sunday, Dec. 14

The annual American Legion Post number 32 will host a Christmas dinner Sunday at the Legion hall in Homedale.

The dinner will be serviced at 6 p.m. with a visit from Santa to follow at 7 p.m. Everyone attending is asked to bring a covered dish.

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Interior Secretary announces proposed grazing rules

Norton says plan will help continue public lands ranching

The Department of the Interior and the Bureau of Land Management released details of a proposed grazing rule that Interior Secretary Gale Norton says will improve grazing management and help continue public lands ranching in the rural West.

Norton said the proposed rule, which was announced in a speech in New Mexico last week, would recognize the economic and social benefits of public lands ranching, as well as its preservation of open space. The BLM published the proposed rule in the Federal Register on Dec. 8.

“This proposed rule will help public lands ranchers stay on the land,” Secretary Norton said in remarks to the Joint Stockmen’s Convention in Albuquerque. “It will do that by creating a regulatory framework that lets ranchers succeed based on sound business judgment and sustainable ranching practices. This proposal recognizes that ranching is crucial not only to the economies of Western rural communities, but also to the history, social fabric, and cultural identity of these communities.”

BLM Director Kathleen Clarke said the proposed changes “will improve the

Agency’s working relationships with its grazing permittees, resulting in better stewardship of lands that are crucial for open space and wildlife habitat in the rapidly growing West.” She called the proposal “a major step forward for effective, efficient public rangeland management,” adding, “the BLM recognizes the economic contributions and social value of ranching. This proposed rule reflects our Agency’s commitment to continue livestock grazing as one of the legitimate uses of the public lands.”

The proposed rule would, among other things, ensure that BLM managers consider and document the social, cultural, and economic consequences of decisions affecting grazing; allow the BLM and a grazing permittee to share title of permanent range improvements, such as a fence, well, or pipeline, require assessments and monitoring of resource conditions to support BLM evaluations of whether an allotment is meeting rangeland health standards, allow a more realistic timeframe (24 months rather than the current 12 months) for deciding on grazing-related actions needed to achieve rangeland health standards; remove the current three-consecutive-year limit on temporary non-use of a grazing permit by allowing livestock

operators to apply for non-use for up to one year at a time (whether for conservation or business purposes); eliminate, in compliance with recent Federal court rulings, existing regulatory provisions that allow the BLM to issue long-term “conservation use” grazing permits; and make clear how the BLM will authorize grazing if a Bureau decision affecting a grazing permit is “stayed” (postponed) pending administrative appeal.

After the proposed rule’s publication in the Federal Register, the public will have more than 60 days to comment on the proposal. The BLM expects to publish a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the proposed grazing rule later this month, which will be followed by a 60-day public comment period. The comment periods for the proposed rule and the Draft EIS will end on the same day.

New phone system installed at county’s dispatch center

An automated voice will greet non-emergency callers to the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Department from now on which will tell callers to hang up and dial 911 if they have an emergency, or hold the line and someone in the office will answer the phone.

Sheriff Gary Aman said the automation was installed to help assist people to use the new 911 system if they have an emergency, but he said people need to remember that 911 is for emergency calls, “not calls for phone numbers or lost dogs”.

“We get a lot of phone calls on the 911 line that are not considered emergency situations,” Aman said. “If you have an emergency call 911, but if you are looking for information or it is not an emergency situation, call the seven digit numbers.”

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ICF awards \$16k in grant money

The Idaho Community Foundation’s Board of Directors recently voted to distribute \$16,201 to six Elmore and Owyhee County non-profit organizations. The Foundation received 239 applications during its recent Southwestern Region competitive grant cycle. Acting on recommendations from the Southwestern Region Advisory Panel and from advisors to a number of Donor Advised funds, the board approved \$404,878 in distributions to 118 organizations, which applied through the competitive process.

According to ICF President Alice Hennessey, “Glenns Ferry Joint School District will receive \$3,000 to help start implement a community reading program.

“The broad scope of this year’s grants is typical of ICF grantmaking,” Hennessey said. “In 15 short years of existence, the foundation has been able to award more than \$19 million in grants and distributions for a wide range of projects throughout Idaho. About \$250,000 of that has gone to support Elmore and Owyhee County projects. More and more, donors are discovering how they can use the ICF to further their own philanthropic goals.”

The J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Foundation Education fund provided \$122,500 of the total granted.

Four grants totaling \$10,201 were given in Owyhee County. They are, the Bruneau Valley Library, Bruneau, \$2,000, to help implement a community reading program, Homedale Public Library, \$500, to help purchase adult educational instructional books, Idaho Foodbank Warehouse, Boise, \$4,000, to help fund a nutrition education program for children.

Marsing's Christmas Parade



Cheerleaders from Marsing Middle School join Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus.



Marsing Girl Scout Troop number 264.



Church of the Nazarene float: "Jesus is the reason for the season."



Country Christmas float from the Marsing LDS Church.



Boy Scout Troop number 225



Marsing Resource Center float.



The Caba's Restaurant float.



Marsing Chamber of Commerce float.



Marsing Head Start float.



Free roll
Homedale's Jolene Maxwell and Marsing's Tamara Kenyon struggle for a loose ball. Homedale won the game, 46-42. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Wolverines, Mustangs defend over Trojans

Late quarter stall stops Huskies

The Weiser girls' basketball team won a defensive battle on Nov. 29, defeating Homedale 30-20 in a non-conference match up at Homedale High School. But Homedale's offense continued to slow with a 47-28 loss to the Melba Mustangs on Tuesday. The losses set an offensive pace for the Trojans who were able to slide by the Marsing Huskies on Friday night with a close 46-42 win.

Leading the way for the Wolverines was Stephanie Loomis with 10 points and six rebounds, while Paige Walker added seven points and four assists and Krysta Baglien had seven points and nine steals.

In Melba, Homedale scored the opening bucket, but a 12-0 run ended the first quarter with an 18-6 lead. Alicia Mackenzie hit a three pointer for Homedale to put an end to the Mustangs' gallop.

Both teams traded steals before Danielle Johnson scored on another for Melba ending the first half at 26-13.

Although Homedale out rebounded Melba 33-29, Melba used a strong fourth quarter to keep the momentum for the win.

Kerie Kushlan led Homedale with 10 points and six rebounds and Shannon Batt added six points and seven rebounds. Jolene Maxwell grabbed nine boards and added in three points.

Jessica Stimmel helped clinch the win for the Trojans against the Huskies Friday night by hitting a three pointer for a five-point lead with 40 seconds left in the game. Shannon Maxwell Threw in three points and pulled down six rebounds.

Stimmel and Batt each had 14-point nights in the 2A Western Idaho Conference girl's basketball game.

For Marsing, Breeana Chadez was the top scorer with 13 points, six rebounds and four steals. She went seven for eight at the line as did teammate Tori Kent who finished with nine points, six rebounds and two steals and Jamye Lynde made eight points and nine rebounds.

Raiders open WIC season with Wildcat win

The Rimrock Lady Raiders opened its 1A Western Idaho Conference basketball season with a 63-18 win over the Wilder Wildcats last week.

Rimrock had three players in double-digits and did not allow Wilder to score more than six points in a quarter. Rimrock led the Wildcats by 12 points after the first quarter and left for the half time with a 33-9 lead.

Adrea Thomas led Rimrock with 20 points and seven rebounds. Annalise Field added 14 points and five rebounds. Robynn Ridley scored 14 points.

Nyssa out- shoots Huskies 59-48 for win

The Marsing Lady Huskies tied Nyssa in the first and final quarters, but it wasn't enough to pull ahead in a non-conference loss last week.

Marsing head coach Don Heller said although his team played better than they have this season, the turnovers hurt.

Jamie Lynde led the Huskies with 15 points. Breeana Chadez added 13 points and MJ Usabel gave 10 points and seven rebounds.

Marsing will host New Plymouth Thursday and will travel to the Nyssa tournament with the junior varsity team on Friday and Saturday.



Jump
Junior Varsity player Michelle Uria shoots as jump shot over a Marsing defender. Uria led her team to a win over the Marsing Junior Varsity team. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

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Jamboree

Austin Gluch drives around a Rimrock player in Homedale's season opening Jamboree. The boys' varsity easily beat both Middleton and Rimrock in the Jamboree format. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Middle school grapplers take district title

Homedale Middle School wrestling team defeated teams from Parma, Marsing, New Plymouth, Melba, Nyssa and Vale for district title with 286 points ahead of Parma in second with 205 points.

Frankie Obregon continued his winning streak of two seasons with a first place title at 103 pounds and Eduardo Villanueva took a first place medal at 110 pounds.

Chris Brower also continued an undefeated record with a first place title at 145 pounds. Justin Mashburn remained undefeated taking the title at 152 pounds and Michael Wilhelm remained undefeated with a title at 160 pounds. Dayton Hamilton rounded out the first place titles at 189 pounds.

In the heavy weight division, Homedale cinched up the first three spots with Daniel Valdez winning first place over teammate Jaime Uriarte who has only lost to Valdez this season. Amador Cortinez lost to Uriarte for a third place finish.

Second place title winners were Rodrigo Villarreal at 110 pounds, Zach Tolmie at 117 pounds and Rowdy Lair, who lost to Mashburn for second place at 152 pounds.

Danny Zenor finished in third place at 89 pounds and Kevin Mercado took a third place finish at 138 pounds. Daniel Espuriza finished third at 170 pounds. Mitch Qunitana had the teams only fourth place finish at 96 pounds.

Trojan Coach Ryan Nash said he was very proud of his team who attended an awards banquet Tuesday night. He said the team is about a 50-50 split with half of his wrestlers leaving for high school next year.

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Rebound attack

Homedale's Jaton Lord pulls down a rebound and is surrounded by a crowd of Middleton players. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Grizzlies attack Mustangs for season opener win

The Jordan Valley Lady Mustangs lost their season opener 55-49 last week to the Greenleaf Grizzlies, but the boys' team stopped the Grizzlies with a 40-36 win on Thursday.

Julie Eiguren and Anna Watkins led the scoring for the Mustangs with 12 points each followed closely by teammate Lauren Cuvelier with 10.

Stone piled up 30 points for the Grizzlies in the non-conference victory.

The boy's team climbed ahead of Greenleaf for a third quarter tie up on a non-conference action.

The Grizzlies jumped to a 20-12 lead in the first half, but was outscored 17-2 in the third quarter.

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Holiday Baking Ideas

For many, the sweet aroma of cookies or pumpkin bread baking at home signals the arrival of the holiday season. But, with so much to do, who has time to bake?

With timesaving tips and a little preparation, anyone can make quick-and-easy home-baked treats to serve during the holiday season. Keep these tips in mind and make baking a cinch this holiday season:

Stock Up. Hit the grocery store during nonpeak hours to avoid the crowds — and the picked over selection. Since grocery stores typically stock their shelves overnight, the best selection and freshest produce is available in the early morning hours.

Make It & Store It. Preparing goodies, even meals, in mid-December can save you last-minute cooking marathons, get you in the holiday spirit — and ease your stress levels. From baked goods to casseroles, GladWare containers and Glad Press 'n Seal sealable wrap are perfect for storing all your culinary delights in the fridge. Or freeze them so you can defrost them in time for guests — even the unexpected ones.

Oven Time. Prefer that “made-from-scratch” taste but short on time? With a few convenience products, like quick bread and cake mixes and sweet toppings, you can make delicious and festive desserts your family will love without working in the kitchen for hours! For example, Pillsbury Moist Supreme White Cake Mix doubles as a cookie mix too.

Freezer Cakes? Unfrosted cakes can be frozen for 4 to 6 months and

frosted cakes, 1 to 3 months. Wrap cooled cake in airtight, moisture-proof packaging. Place in cake containers or bakery boxes to prevent crushing. Defrost and enjoy!

When Fruitcake Won't Do. Redefine a gift exchange by giving baked goods to your closest friends and colleagues. A delicious container of cookies or home-baked sweets gives gifts a personal touch that your neighbor, boss or coworkers will appreciate.

Bake With a Friend. Instead of meeting friends for a holiday lunch or dinner, get together and bake. You can have twice as much fun and cut your workload in half. After several hours of chatting and baking, divide up your baked holiday treats.

Get Your Kids Involved. Make holiday cooking easier and more fun by getting your whole family involved. When baking your holiday treats, make a special batch of cupcakes for the kids to frost and decorate.

Smart Cookie Storage. Separate flavored cookies. A butter cookie may absorb the flavor from a gingerbread cookie. And to prevent crisp cookies from becoming soft, store soft cookies and moist bars separately from crisp cookies.



Jolly Old St. Nick Cake



Cream Cheese Candy Cane Cookies

Cream Cheese Candy Cane Cookies

- 1/4 cup butter, softened
- 1 (3-ounce) package cream cheese, softened
- 1 egg
- 1 (18.25-ounce) package Pillsbury Moist Supreme White Cake Mix
- 1/4 teaspoon red gel or food color

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. In large bowl, combine butter, cream cheese and egg; blend well. Add cake mix; mix until well blended. Divide dough in half. Add food coloring to half of dough; blend well for even red color.
2. For each cookie, measure 1 teaspoon white dough and 1 teaspoon red dough. Roll out each into 4-inch ropes. Place ropes side by side. Lightly roll together; twist. Place 2 inches apart on ungreased

- cookie sheet; shape each to resemble candy canes.
3. Bake at 350°F for 7 to 9 minutes or just until edges are golden brown. Immediately remove from cookie sheets. Store and transport in GladWare containers. Makes 3 dozen cookies.

Jolly Old St. Nick Cake

- Cake**
- 1 (9-ounce) package Pillsbury SnackBatch Yellow Cupcake & Snack Cake Mix
 - 1/2 cup water
 - 2 tablespoons oil
 - 2 eggs
- Frosting and Decorations**
- 1 drop red food color
 - 1 (16-ounce) can Pillsbury Creamy Supreme Vanilla Frosting
 - Miniature marshmallows
 - 1/4 teaspoon red food color
 - Gumdrops
 - String licorice

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease 8-inch square Glad OvenWare pan. Prepare and bake cake mix as directed on package using water, oil and eggs, spreading evenly in pan. Place pan completely on a cookie sheet in oven and bake on middle rack in center of oven. Remove by lifting cookie sheet with pan from oven. Let stand on cookie sheet for 2 minutes after removing from oven. Place pan on wire rack; cool completely.

2. Stir 1 drop food color into can of frosting until well blended. Reserve 1/4 cup frosting; frost top of cake with remaining frosting.
3. To make hat, stir 1/4 teaspoon food color into reserved frosting. Using toothpick, outline area for hat on frosted cake. Frost hat with reserved frosting. Arrange 3 marshmallows in upper left corner of cake to form tassel of hat.
4. Arrange marshmallows to form brim of hat, beard around face and mustache. (Marshmallow beard will extend to bottom of cake.)
5. Make facial features using gumdrops and licorice. Makes 12 servings.

Tip: If Pillsbury SnackBatch Yellow Cupcake & Snack Cake Mix is not available in your area, use 1 (18.25-ounce) package Pillsbury Moist Supreme Yellow Cake Mix. Prepare as directed on package, divide batter in half and pour into 2 (8-inch) square Glad OvenWare pans. Bake as directed in step 1 for 34 to 38 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center of cake comes out clean.

Decadent Pumpkin-Pistachio Quick Bread

- Bread**
- 1/2 cup raisins
 - 2 tablespoons rum
 - Water
 - 1 (14-ounce) package Pillsbury Pumpkin Quick Bread and Muffin Mix
 - 3 tablespoons oil
 - 2 eggs
 - 1/2 cup coarsely chopped shelled pistachios
- Glaze**
- 1/4 cup sugar
 - 2 tablespoons water
 - 1 tablespoon butter
 - 1 tablespoon rum
1. In small bowl, soak raisins in 2 tablespoons rum for 30 minutes. Drain off rum into 1 cup glass measuring cup. Add enough water to make 1 cup liquid; set aside for bread batter.

2. Heat oven to 350°F. Grease and flour bottoms only of 3 (5- x 3-inch) foil loaf pans. In large bowl, combine quick bread mix, reserved 1 cup liquid, oil and eggs; stir 50 to 75 strokes with spoon until mix is moistened. Stir in soaked raisins and pistachios. Pour batter evenly into greased and floured pans. Bake at 350°F for 40 to 45 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.
3. Meanwhile, in small saucepan, combine sugar, 2 tablespoons water and butter. Bring to a boil over medium-low heat, stirring constantly until sugar is dissolved. Boil 3 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; stir in 1 tablespoon rum. Poke surface of loaves with toothpick. Brush top of each loaf with glaze. Cool 1 hour or until completely cooled. Wrap tightly in Glad Press 'n Seal sealable wrap and store in refrigerator. Makes 3 (8-slice) loaves.

For more fun-and-easy holiday recipe ideas, visit pillsburybaking.com or glad.com

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Chronicle welcomes computerized equipment

The Owyhee Chronicle enters a new phase in its 80-year history this week with the installation of a new computerized typesetting system.

The system, the first of its kind to be installed on the west coast, utilizes a “floppy disk” to record information. The disk is then fed into a processing unit that automatically arranges the information in the desired format.

Chronicle Publisher Joe Aman said the new typesetting system will give Owyhee Publishing Company the capability to produce finished copy at a much faster rate than was possible with the previous system. Aman noted that once the information has been recorded on the disk, it can be kept on file for later use.

Chronicle Associate Editor Wayne Cornell said the new system opens some “exciting possibilities,” especially in the area of newspaper design and layout.

“Once we have the story on the disk, it can be programmed to fit virtually any format we choose,” Cornell stated.

Well test project gets OK

In a special Friday afternoon meeting, members of the Homedale City Council authorized the mayor to begin work on a well test in Riverview Park.

The test is being conducted to determine if an existing irrigation well in the park can be improved to supply water for the new city water system.

The well test will involve putting a six-inch casing into the irrigation well to a depth of approximately 215 feet. From that point a five-inch casing will be put down to a depth of about 285 feet. Then, pumping tests will be run to determine if the well can produce the required 900 gallon per minute flow.

Trojans cagers open season with wins

The 1978-79 version of the Homedale High boys basketball team got the season off to a flying start by posting consecutive wins over Wilder and Parma.

On Friday the Trojans opened the season with a 61-52 victory over Wilder and followed it up with a Tuesday night 71-51 win over Parma.

Homedale junior Tony Stone has been the big gun for Coach Gary Matlock’s club. Stone pumped in 22 points against Wilder and added 18 more in the Parma contest.

Against Parma, Stone’s feat was even more impressive in that the Trojan gunner only played about one half of the contest. Coach Matlock pulled his starters near the end of the first half and the first string was only seen briefly at the beginning of the third quarter.

Homedale’s season and WIC league marks both stand at 2-0.

Down the road at Marsing, the Huskies opened the season by dropping a 64-39 decision cross-country rival Rimrock. The Raiders used a strong rebounding game coupled with a bad shooting night for Marsing to collect the win.

Homedale girls drop Parma

The Homedale High school girls basketball team moved its season mark to 6-1 Tuesday evening as coach Dean Vance’s club coasted to a 47-28 victory over Parma.

Julie Uranga led Homedale scoring with 14 points followed by Nancy Breshears with 12 and Cindy Breashers with nine.

In the JV contest Homedale dropped Parma 37-23 behind an 18 point performance by Bonnie Haylett.

50 years ago

December 10, 1953

Move inaugurated to erect plaque at Graveyard Point

Caldwell-A move to erect a plaque in memory of persons interred at Graveyard Point, near Homedale in Owyhee county, was launched Tuesday by Earl M. Van Deventer of Caldwell.

Graveyard Point is known to gem collectors throughout the nation as one of the best agate locations in Idaho, he said.

Van Deventer said the persons interred there include “a man named McConnell,” who was interred about 1896; an infant born to Mrs. William Thomas, in 1901; another infant, about the same time whose identity has been lost; Jack Sparks, in 1914, and “Old Uncle Billy Stull,” at an unknown time.

Van Deventer appealed to rock collectors of the west to contribute toward a fund to provide a plaque and a pipe fence for the location.

Range cattle move to winter quarters

Caldwell-The last of the range cattle, several hundred head, have arrived in Murphy from the Owyhee mountains for the winter, Vic Ford of Murphy said Tuesday.

Ford said that Jim Nettleton and Bab Foster arrived in Murphy with their herds from the Boulder and Triangle areas above Oreana.

Foster started his cattle out of the Boulder region last Thursday and found snow all the way, Ford said: Two feet of snow had fallen in the Boulder area.

Homedale loses season opener to Middleton

On Friday, December 4, the Trojans were defeated by the Middleton Vikings on their home floor to open the basketball season for Homedale. The boys had trouble finding the basket and it was only after 20 minutes of play that they were able to score their second field goal. The game ended with Middleton’s 68 to Homedale’s 31. Tom Yost was high point man for the Trojans making 9 points.

The Junior Varsity team did little better by getting beaten by a score of 43 to 36.

Trojans beat Notus Pirates. Tuesday, Dec. 8, the Trojans played the Notus Pirates in the second conference game to beat them 41 to 37. The boys played a close game all the way with first one team being ahead and then the other.

Skiers plan trip into Silver City

Caldwell-Plans for a cool outing in Owyhee county during the weekend following Jan. 1, were explained Tuesday in Caldwell by Vic Ford of Murphy.

Ford said that along with four Boiseans, Joe Bennett, Sid Orton, and Fred and Rick Leonard, he is planning the traditional ski trip into Silver City.

The five men will leave Jan. 2 and will return the following day, after spending the night in Silver City with Billy Hawes, sole winter time resident of the old mining town.

Last year, Ford said, the group had to travel five miles on skis and the year before seven miles of skiing was required.

Frank Kushlan reelected to office in irrigation dist.

Frank Kushlan received all 27 votes cast in the election Tuesday to select a director for the Gem Irrigation District. Five ballots were cast at the district office, nine at the Legion Hall, and 13 at Marsing in a comparatively light election.

Kushlan was the only name appearing on the ballot and there were no write-in votes.

138 years ago

December 16, 1865

THE ELECTION of Hon. E. Bohannon, President of the Council, O. H. Purdy, Esq, Assistant Clerk, and J. McConnell, Engrossing Clerk in the Assembly, speaks well for Owyhee. A better selection than Bohannon could not have been made for the position he occupies. Purdy will make an efficient Clerk in everything that pertains to the business. And as far as we are able to judge, “Pony” McConnell in “the right man in the right place.” Although the Boise countyites hold “the balance of power,” they are not disposed to wield it so selfishly as was predicted by some.

JOHN PARKS, ESQ, at the Morning Star mill, made us a present of a specimen from the Morning Star, in the shape of a nicely finished ten-ounce brick. It might seem a strange coincidence, that we should be the recipient of favors corresponding to the Governor, were it not an odd fact that great minds are similarly affected, andc. John Parks, may we all meet and be able to navigate the gold-paved walks of the New Jerusalem with bricks in out hate; and if they want to enlarge the grounds and pave them with liver, we’ll use our influence to get you the contract.

THE STAGES are to run three times a week again. They will come in from Reynolds Creek and go out again the same day, however-just what days, is not decided. Leatch and Co. have a hard road to travel just now, but they will make it.

MR. J. A. LYTLE informs us that a large amount of work is being done in Flint District in the way of developing the various ledges. The Rochester, Owyhee, Virginia, U. S. Grant and Washoe ledges, are all being worked in a thorough and systematic manner. They have, respectively, shafts sunk upon them varying from forty to sixty feet, at which depth they present large and well-defined veins of quartz from three to eight feet wide, each of them showing numerous rich clusters of sulphurets and native silver throughout the entire ledge. He informs us that work will be prosecuted upon these ledges during the winter, and each and every one of them opened in the best of shape by early spring. The Company have negotiated for the erection of a ten-stamp mill during the coming summer. Several members of this Company are residents of Portland, who, knowing they have a good thing, are not backward in paying their assessments.

SINCE “OUR LAST” the weather has been wet, cold and stormy. Rained all last Saturday and the night; turned to snow, and then cleared off and furnished a couple of nights sharp enough to cut glass,-pleasant days between times; yesterday there was a good stroke of business done in the way of standing snow through roofs, etc.

VINCENT, DAVIS AND CO, Ruby City, have established a Brokers’ and Assay office. Colonel Davis is a practical assayer just over from the Reese River country, and our friends Vincent and Howard are live and well acquainted with the lay-out in Owyhee, so we predict a fine field for the new firm. See their programme.

ISAAC JENNINGS had fifteen head of fat cattle driven away from Reynold’s Creek last week. Three red neighbors naturally and gracefully performed the feat in daylight. ‘This ever thus.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense

Cripple Creek Calvin & The Snakey Mare

Calvin said he wasn't that good at getting' hurt. Of course, some would say he didn't have to try that hard. He's still ridin' bronky horses even though his deductible is up to \$45,000.

Some would have thought he should have waited more than two months after the knee surgery to try out the snakey mare; at least he started in the round corral. Some would say that naming his North Carolina ranch the Cripple Creek Livestock Company became a self-fulfilling prophecy. It explained his perpetual lameness.

The snakey mare was eight years old. Calvin knew her well. In anticipation he had asked the doctor to leave him some medial movement in his knee so he wouldn't always be jabbin' his horse with a spur. Good thinkin'.

He had made several circles inside the round pen when his grandson came out to watch. "Hi, Paw-paw!" Calvin stopped the mare in front of the boy. 'My bloodline,' thought Calvin. 'He'll be out here someday and I'll be leanin' on the fence.' "Make him wun, Pawpaw!" "Naw, I..." He started to say as he shifted in the saddle to pat the boy on the back. Sensing his vulnerability, the mare bogged her head and commenced to bucking! She'd been savin' up and had plenty. Calvin never really got in rhythm with her. The grandson was heard to remark afterwards that Pawpaw looked like a slinky goin' down the stairs.

It had been a long time since Calvin had heard a bronc bawl like that. It's an eerie sound; a cross between an elk bugle and a lion's roar with a twang of tortured mule in there somewhere. She crashed to her knees, pitching Calvin forward over her neck. Then she reared back and rose up. Calvin would have mercifully fallen off except that his belt hooked over the saddlehorn! Some would say the next few seconds were reminiscent of a frenzied mating ritual involving a sea otter and a fire hose.

Calvin, in the re-telling of his final descent, remarked of a Zen-like experience where everything became slow motion. He flashed back on the memory of his friend Monica, a barrel racer. She, too, had gotten out over the top of her horse on the last barrel and hooked the front of her bra over the saddle horn. Calvin remembered thinking that, surely those puny hooks would break, not thinking it through that Monica was a full figured woman and had industrial strength hardware six inches wide across her back. She crossed the finish line lying on the horse like a surfboard.

The memory of Monica faded...

Calvin's meteor-like impact was slowed only by the fact that he tangled an arm in the coils of his rope on the way down which flipped him over, allowing him to land feet first...on his bad knee. He did the splits, injuring a groin muscle. The grandson clapped.

Some would say it was the end of a perfect cowboy day.

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... but possibly of interest



Pets were an important part of our lives back when our three darling daughters were living at home. The children are gone now but we still have pets. And like your's truly they are getting older.

Some readers may remember our world-famous dog, Annie the Beagle. There is a sizable chunk of space on my Internet web site devoted to old columns about adventures with Annie. That's how she became world famous. I periodically receive email messages from other beagle owners who write to tell me they enjoy the stories. Recently, I discovered that a young man living in Moscow, Russia liked the Annie stories so much, he hijacked them and put them on his internet web site with a picture of his beagle.

Annie is still with us. She is a faded vestige of her former self... literally. Her coat is turning white faster than my hair. She also has had knee surgery on both hind legs and must take arthritis pills every day to get around without limping. Despite those faults, she manages to continue to be as loud and obnoxious as she ever was. In fact, I believe she probably is louder and more obnoxious now than she was when she was younger.

Whenever our daughters visit, Annie believes she has a duty to make it clear that she is happy to see them. She blares out a series of high-pitched and very loud screeches. She continues to yip and yipe until the visitor stops and pets her for a specific period of time. If the petting stops too soon, the screeching resumes.

Annie's antics greatly irritate our daughters. And it's an even greater trial for our three sons-on-law. They all try to be polite but I can tell they are gritting their teeth. I remember when my wife's mother had a poodle that I viewed the same way our daughters' husbands

view Annie. So, wherever they are coming to our house we try to make sure the dog is outside when they arrive, to reduce the commotion.

It doesn't help that Annie now has competition for our attention. Whenever Amazing Grace, our first grandchild, visits, Annie is even farther removed from center stage. At first she sulked. She has learned, however, that she gets a certain amount of attention by hanging around and at least pretending to be interested in the baby. When our offspring were small we had a border collie who considered the girls her sisters. I don't think Annie will ever view Grace as a close relative. Beagles are like a lot of today's young people - members of the "it's all about me" generation.

Despite her faults, it's difficult to get too upset with Annie. I'm older, too and I'm sure there are folks around who think I am more obnoxious and irritating than I was when I was younger. And they probably are right.

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The Avalanche

Letters to the editor policy

We welcome letters to the editor.

Our policy is that locally-written letters receive priority. We do not publish mass-produced letters. The length must be limited to 300 words; the letters must be signed, and include the writer's address and a day phone number where the writer can be reached for verification.

Deadline is Friday noon.

The Owyhee Avalanche

337-4681

Commentary

Guest opinion

Tis the season to be jolly....
unless you get ripped off by a burglar

By Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman

It's that time of year again when the crooks are actively seeking what you have. Burglars breaking into cars and homes are hitting Homedale, Marsing and all of Owyhee County hard. These guys and gals are bold crooks because they are hitting during daylight hours as well as night. Law enforcement agencies in this county don't have the manpower to be everywhere so we need your help to catch these crooks.

The first thing you can do is, make sure your home is locked when you leave. Dead bolts installed with long screws in the strike plate will make it more difficult for someone to break your door down. Dowels or sticks in your windows and sliding glass doors keep them from being forced open. Cut down large bushes that help a burglar hide while trying to enter your house. Plant rose bushes or other thorny plants that would make it difficult for someone to hide in or crawl through. Exterior

lighting with a motion detector is inexpensive and very discouraging to thieves. Timers on a lamp and a radio or television programmed to come on when your gone discourage crooks too. I recently purchased two of these at the local hardware store for less than \$10.00. Pretty cheap insurance if you ask me.

Get to know your neighbors. Watch what goes on in your neighborhood so when something happens that may be out of the ordinary, you notice it. If you will be out of town, let a trusted neighbor know so they can watch your home. You should also let your local law enforcement department know so they can do security checks on your residence from time to time.

If you see something or someone out of the ordinary in your neighborhood, pay attention and call the sheriff or police immediately. Both agencies can be reached through the Owyhee County dispatch center at 337-4222 or 495-1154, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. And remember we now have 911 in Owyhee

County for emergencies. Just remember, barking dogs and noisy radios are not 911 emergencies. Someone breaking into your neighbor's house is.

There are very few things more personally violating than someone breaking into your home or car, rifling through you personal belongings and taking whatever they want. Taking things you have worked hard for or saved a long time for or that your mother, father, grandmother or grandfather gave you. Insurance can replace things but it can't replace memories.

We are asking for your help to make this holiday season "merry and bright" for everyone except the lazy thief who wants your possessions. Give us a call when you see something out of the ordinary and we will check it out. Remember, the Christmas you help make "jolly" may be your own.

Guest opinion

The Owyhee Initiative: History in the making

Idaho Senator Mike Crapo

Owyhee County is one of Idaho's most beautiful and mysterious places. From ancient tribal life, the mining lore in Silver City, and ranching throughout the county to the vast solitude that surrounds Juniper Mountain to the breathtaking beauty and bighorn sheep above the canyons of the Bruneau and Owyhee Rivers, there is no place quite like it. The Owyhee Initiative is working hard to preserve these cultures and economy and the landscape in which all of this has existed for generations. This is a remarkable effort by sincere people to overcome extensive historical conflicts and find common ground upon which to build positive solutions based on consensus.

It is appropriate then that this land is the proving ground for a pioneering land use agreement that may soon come before Congress. Members of the Owyhee Initiative, including me, are poised to reach consensus on wild land preservation coupled with multiple land use provisions. This historic consensus-based agreement would preserve the Idaho way of life and would be the first step in decades toward resolving Idaho's many wilderness debates.

The Owyhee County Commissioners first asked for help about two years ago, and agreed to use a model of collaboration and consensus. I told representatives of the early working

group that I would be honored to host the collaborations and be its facilitator. I agreed that if those at the table could come to an agreement, I would take a bill implementing the Owyhee Initiative to Congress.

We identified the diverse issues involved in the Owyhees, and invited representatives from local government, traditional ranching and recreation interest, as well as environmental organizations. The BLM and the Air Force, while not voting members, have been very helpful in this effort. I am very encouraged by the emerging leadership role of the Shoshone-Paiute Tribe. All members of the Owyhee Initiative Work Group represent not only a specific sector, but bring to the table knowledge and expertise regarding other critical components of land management and associated activities in Owyhee County. For example, several members of the group are sport hunters, ORV riders, horsemen, river rafters, and participate in other diverse activities, and are able to represent multiple interests.

After two years of public meetings and hard work, this collaborative effort has been successful in bringing together interests previously at odds, getting them to work together in support of their individual goals. Private access easement purchases, release of wilderness study areas for multiple use

purposes, and a new scientific peer review process share prominence with Wilderness and Wild and Scenic River designations and purchase and retirement of grazing Animal Unit Months (AUM). Significant (over 9000 miles of trails and roads) access for hunting, ORV use and river floating are all protected in the Owyhee Initiative.

As painstaking progress has been made the inevitable critics have surfaced and will likely get louder and more reckless in their claims. They simply don't want any collaboration to succeed, or they benefit from the continuation of turmoil. However, I remain firmly convinced that locally-driven environmental management decisions motivated by conscientious, consensus-building individuals and organizations produce the most effective, longest lasting, and wisest choices. I look forward to advocating for the final plan in Congress.

The list of organizations involved in the Owyhee Initiative is long and reflects a wide range of interests. They have demonstrated intelligent, proactive, and realistic attitudes. Their work will become a model that can be repeated in other areas of the State and nation facing similar environmental management dilemmas. The land itself will always remain mysterious, but the efforts to preserve that land and a way of life will not.

Public notices

GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2004 BUDGET 38,048.74 acres	
REVENUE	
Operation and Maintenance	\$1,212,482
Transfer Water Right Acres	142,077
Construction	3,694
Interest Receivable	78,000
Penalties Receivable	5,083
Fund Balance Carryover	34,000
Total	\$1,475,336
EXPENSES	
South Board of Control	\$1,470,392
Construction	3,694
Directors' Fees	1,200
Office	50
Total	\$1,475,336
ASSESSMENT CHARGES	
O and M Assessment per/ac	\$35.60
Construction	.10
Total Assessment per/ac	\$35.70
12/10,17/03	

INVITATION TO BID
Removal of Contaminated
Materials-Homedale Muni-
pal Airport
Homedale, Idaho
Sealed bids entitled REMOVAL OF CONTAMINATED MATERIALS, HOMEDALE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, will be received from Contractors by the City of Homedale, represented by the Office of the Homedale City Clerk. Contractors shall be licensed in the State of Idaho and meet OSHA requirements. Bids will be received at Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming (P.O. Box 757) Homedale, Idaho 83628 until 4:00 p.m., Local Time, on December 29, 2003 and shortly thereafter the bids will be opened publicly and read aloud. Bids shall be submitted on the document forms contained in the Bid Documents and shall be addressed to the City of Homedale, Idaho and shall be labeled "Removal of Contaminated Materials, Homedale Municipal Airport".

Two base firm Lump Sum Bids will be provided based on materials and labor for the following:

- 1.) SP100-Contaminated Materials Removal
- 2.) SP200-Replacement of Asphalt Section

Bidding and Contract Documents may be obtained at the below listed locations for a non-refundable charge of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for one (1) complete set a specifications and drawings. Contact Pam Dugger, City of Homedale, at the above address or by telephone (208) 337-4641 Ext. 21 for additional information:

City of Homedale, Office of the City Clerk, 31 W. Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho 83628

HDR Engineering, 418 South 9th Street, Suite 301, Boise, Idaho 83702

Prospective Bidders are required to attend the **mandatory pre-bid conference** for this project on the **18th day of December, 2003 at 2:00 p.m.** at the Homedale Municipal Airport. Attendance at this meeting is mandatory for any Contractor to submit a bid as a prime. A tour of the Site will be conducted following the pre-bid conference.

All laborers and mechanics employed by CONTRACTORS or subcontractors in performance of the construction work shall be paid at rates as may be required by the State of Idaho. CON-

TRACTOR must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

Each bid proposal must be accompanied by a Certified Check, Cashier's Check, or Bid Bond payable to the City of Homedale in an amount not less than five percent (5 percent) of the total amount of the bid. Successful Bidder shall furnish an approved Performance Bond and a labor and materials Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100 percent) of the contract amount. Insurance certificates, as required, shall be provided by the Successful Bidder.

The City of Homedale reserves the right to reject any or all bids received, to waive formalities, to postpone the award of the contract for a period not to exceed NINETY (90) days, and to accept the Bid which is in the best interest of the City.

The City of Homedale is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

END OF INVITATION TO BID
12/10,17/03

BRUNEAU WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS
PHASE 2 – MUNICIPAL WELL
BRUNEAU WATER & SEWER DISTRICT
OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Bruneau Water & Sewer District

Separate sealed Bids for the construction of a municipal well, will be received by the Bruneau Water & Sewer District, at the **Bruneau Public Library, #2 Ruth Street, Bruneau, Idaho 83604**, until **2:00 p.m.** (local time) **January 8, 2004**, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The Project consists of constructing and testing a public water system well capable of producing a minimum of 90 gpm.

The Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations: Bruneau District Library, #2 Ruth Street, Bruneau, Idaho; J-U-B ENGINEERS, Inc., 250 S. Beechwood Avenue, Suite 201, Boise, Idaho; Associated General Contractors, 110 North 27th Street, Boise, Idaho; McGraw-Hill Construction,

5254 Chinden Boulevard, Boise, Idaho

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of J-U-B ENGINEERS, Inc., located at 250 S. Beechwood Avenue, Suite 201, Boise, Idaho, upon a non-refundable payment of \$20.00 for each set.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any or all Bids. Each Bidder must deposit with his Bid security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders. No Bidder may withdraw his Bid within thirty-five (35) days after the date of the opening thereof.

Bruneau Water & Sewer District
Owyhee County, Idaho
12/10,17,31/03

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT DUE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that assessments levied by the Gem Irrigation District in 2003 for 2004 by virtue of the public notice given by the Bureau of Reclamation under Owyhee Project contract requires that payment is due in full before water will be delivered.

This assessment will become delinquent and subject to a penalty and interest unless paid before 5:00 p.m., December 22, 2003, provided that one-half of said assessment may be paid on or before December 22, 2003 and the remainder on or before March 15, 2004, or the delivery of said water will be withheld.

Payment of said assessment may be made to the Gem Irrigation District, in the City of Homedale, County of Owyhee, Idaho, during office hours of any business day or mailed.

Connie Chadez
Secretary/Treasurer
Gem Irrigation District
12/10,17/03

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho:
55-13835

SILVER CITY PROPERTY OWNERS INC
C/O CLARENCE M ORTON
9090 BEACHSIDE LN
GARDEN CITY ID 83714
Point(s) of Diversion NESENW S6 T05S R03W OWYHEE County Source SPRING Tributary TO JORDAN CREEK Use: DOMESTIC 01/01 To 12/31 0.1 CFS
Total Diversion: 0.1 CFS
Date Filed: 09/19/2003
Place Of Use: DOMESTIC T05S R03W S6 SWNE Lot 17 SENE Lot 18 NESE Lot 19 NWSE
Remark: Applicant agrees to mitigate consumptive use in the future as needed for in-house use for 65 units in Silver City.

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

Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or

before 12/22/2003. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J DREHER, Director
12/03,10/03

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. SP-03-1949
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE
MAGISTRATE DIVISION
In the Matter of the Estate of PHYLLIS I. McDONNELL, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named Estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must both be presented to the Personal Representative of the Estate, at the law offices of White Peterson, 5700 East Franklin Road, Suite 200, Nampa, ID 83687-7901, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

Dated this 14th day of November, 2003.

/s/RONALD J. McDONNELL
Personal Representative
P.O. Box 71,
Marsing, Idaho 83639
Telephone: 208-896-4495
12/03,10,17/03

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On the 11th day of March, 2004, at the hour of 10:45 A.M., of said day, (recognized local time), in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho.

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

Lots 3 and 4, Block 13 of the Revised Map of Butte Townsite, now the City of Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that according to the County Assessors office, the address of 206 1st Street, Marsing, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by ROBERT M BACZIK, an unmarried person, as grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho Corporation, as

successor trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., (solely as nominee for Lender, and Lender's successors and assigns), as beneficiary, recorded November 29, 2002, as Instrument No. 241767, 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 REPSONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust Note, the monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds of \$338.60, due per month for the months of May through September, 2003 and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement, with a monthly late charge accruing at \$11.30, uncollected late charges are due in the amount of \$56.50, with interest accruing at 6 percent per annum, and continuing to accrue from April 1, 2003. The principal owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$46,920.99, plus accruing interest, costs and advances. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amount advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Date: October 31, 2003

FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC.
By Monine Cole, Trust Officer
FA-16770/wm-sea
11/19,26-12/03,10/03

MARSING PLANNING AND ZONING
PO BOX 125
MARSING, ID 83639
PHONE 208-896-4122 FAX
208-896-4123

Pursuant to established procedure, notice is hereby given that the Marsing Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing at Marsing City Hall on Thursday, December 18, 2003 at 6:30 p.m.

The purpose of this hearing is to consider a Special Use Permit request by Robert Fischer of Ida-Met. Inc., an extractive metallurgical engineering company. The prospective owners wish to purchase Bowman's building at 117 Bruneau Hwy. The business is not on the city's list of industrial uses in the Planning and Zoning Ordinances.

Any person supporting or objecting to such permit shall be heard at such hearing.

Christy Martinat
P and Z Secretary
12/10,17/03

Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On Thursday, March 18, 2004 at the hour of 11:00 o’clock A.M., of said day, on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, Murphy, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Alliance Title and Escrow Corp., successor by merger to Stewart Title of Idaho, Inc., as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashiers check, certified check or tellers checks, (from a bank which has a branch in the community at the site of the sale), money order, State of Idaho check or local government check, or cash equivalent in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the same time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit:

Lot 14 in Block 30 of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho.

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH IDAHO CODE, SECTION 60-113, THE TRUSTEE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE STREET ADDRESS OF: 310 West Oregon, Homedale, ID 83628, MAY SOMETIMES BE ASSOCIATED WITH SAID REAL PROPERTY.

If the successful bidder cannot provide the bid price by means of one of the above means of payment, the sale will be postponed for 10 minutes only to allow the high bidder to obtain payment in a form prescribed herein above. If the high bidder is unsuccessful in obtaining payment as directed within 10 minutes, the sale will be re-held immediately and any bid by the high bidder form the pervious sale, will be rejected, all in accordance with Idaho Code 45-1502 et. Sec.

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 Pablo Barajas and Natalie Barajas, Husband and Wife, as Grantor to Alliance Title and Escrow Corp., successor by merger to Stewart Title of Idaho, Inc., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of United States of America acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture (formerly Farmers Home Administration or Rural Economic and Community Development) as Beneficiary, recorded November 21, 1995 as Instrument No. 217223, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTTION 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:

Make principal and interest payments as set forth on said Deed of Trust and Promissory Note. The original loan amount was \$59,144.13 together with interest thereon at the rate of 7.50 percent per annum, as evidenced in Promissory Note dated November 20, 1995. Payments are in default for the months of December of 2002 through and including October of 2003 in the amount of \$477.39 per month and continuing each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reinstatement. The balance now due is \$56,315.17 in Principal; Interest is \$3,945.93, subsidy granted is \$11,568.84, principal reduction attributed to subsidy is \$0.00, and fees currently assessed are \$882.43 computed through October 27, 2003 with interest accruing thereafter at the daily rate of \$11.5716. In addition to the above, there is also due any late charges, advances, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this foreclosure.

And the balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$67,884.01, excluding interest and costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations there under 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.

Dated: November 13, 2003
Alliance Title and Escrow Corp.
By: /s/Bobbi Oldfield, Trust Officer
ATF4990302616-BO
12/03,10,17,24/03

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On Thursday, March 18, 2004 at the hour of 11:30 o’clock A.M., of said day, on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, Murphy, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Alliance Title and Escrow Corp., as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashiers check, certified check or tellers checks, (from a bank which has a branch in the community at the site of the sale), money order, State of Idaho check or local government check, or cash equivalent in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the same time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit:

Lot 1 in Block 2 of Morning Dove Estates Subdivision, according to the official plat thereof, recorded October 15, 1998, as Instrument No. 226300, Official Records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH IDAHO

CODE, SECTION 60-113, THE TRUSTEE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE STREET ADDRESS OF: 511 Morning Dove Way, Marsing, ID 83639, MAY SOMETIMES BE ASSOCIATED WITH SAID REAL PROPERTY.

If the successful bidder cannot provide the bid price by means of one of the above means of payment, the sale will be postponed for 10 minutes only to allow the high bidder to obtain payment in a form prescribed herein above. If the high bidder is unsuccessful in obtaining payment as directed within 10 minutes, the sale will be re-held immediately and any bid by the high bidder form the pervious sale, will be rejected, all in accordance with Idaho Code 45-1502 et. Sec.

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 Peter Barrosa, a married man as his sole and separate property, as Grantor to Alliance Title and Escrow Corp., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of United States of America acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture (formerly Farmers Home Administration or Rural Economic and Community Development) as Beneficiary, recorded November 22, 2000 as Instrument No. 234420, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTTION 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:

Make principal and interest payments as set forth on said Deed of Trust and Promissory Note. The original loan amount was \$70,300.00 together with interest thereon at the rate of 6.875 percent per annum, as evidenced in Promissory Note dated November 21, 2000. Payments are in default for the months of September of 2002 through and including October of 2003 in the amount of \$508.89 per month and continuing each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reinstatement. The balance now due is \$68,448.38 in Principal; Interest is \$5,608.28, subsidy granted is \$4,345.32, principal reduction attributed to subsidy is \$0.00, and fees currently assessed are \$1,529.78 computed through October 30, 2003 with interest accruing thereafter at the daily rate of \$13.1519. In addition to the above, there is also due delinquent real property taxes for all of 2001 and 2002, together with penalties and interest, and any other real property taxes that may become delinquent during this foreclosure; and any late charges, advances, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this foreclosure.

And the balance owing as

of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$72,793.70, excluding interest and costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations there under 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.

Dated: November 13, 2003
Alliance Title and Escrow Corp.
By: /s/Bobbi Oldfield, Trust Officer
ATF4990302626-BO
12/03,10,17,24/03

**MARSING PLANNING AND ZONING
PO BOX 125
MARSING, ID 83639
PHONE 208-896-4122 FAX
208-896-4123**

Pursuant to established procedure, notice is hereby given that the Marsing Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing at Marsing City Hall on Thursday, December 18, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.

The purpose of this hearing is to consider a Special Use Permit request by Ron and Amy Yacavace of RPMS, LLC. The prospective owners wish to purchase Bowman’s building at 100 1st Ave. West for an environmentally friendly, powder coating paint business. The business is not on the city’s list of commercial or industrial uses in the Planning and Zoning Ordinances.

Any persons supporting or objecting to such permit shall be heard at such hearing.

Christy Martinat
P and Z Secretary
12/10,17/03

**OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
NOVEMBER 24, 2003
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURPHY, IDAHO**

Present were Commissioner Harold Tolmie, Commissioner Dick Reynolds, Commissioner Chris Salove, Clerk Charlotte Sherburn, Assessor Brett Endicott, Treasurer Barbara Wright, Sheriff Gary Aman, Jim Desmond, and Kaye Breach.

The morning was set aside for the Flynn Appeal Hearing. Jim Desmond acted as the hearing officer for the appeal. Testimony was heard by Commissioner’s Tolmie, and Reynolds. Commissioner Salove was recused.

The Board amended the agenda to include a non-disclosure agreement presented by the Assessor for a list of names and maps requested by Idaho Power on the 911 addressing.

The Board moved to approve and sign a non-disclosure agreement for Idaho Power’s request for the list of names and maps on the 911 addressing.

The Board took the following action on Indigent and Charity cases presented by Deputy Welfare Clerk Belle Evans. I.C. Case # 03-42 lien approved on applicant. I.C. Case # 03-47 lien approved on applicant. I.C. Case # 03-46 denial approved, applicant withdrew application. I.C. Case # 03-26 continued until

January 12th. I.C. Case # 03-09 continued. I.C. Case # 03-21 continued.

The Board met with Tom Goss from Southwest District Health concerning the Rimrock Landfill. Mr. Goss discussed concerns he has with the landfill, screening of trash, daily covering of trash, and methane monitoring. The Board agreed to the corrections.

The Board adjourned as Board of Commissioners and convened as Board of Equalization. The Board reviewed the sub-roll for new construction and migratory equipment and approved it. The Board adjourned as Board of Equalization and reconvened as Board of County Commissioners.

Barbara Wright met with the Board on tax cancellations on parcel # LR 9S 4W 20 7800, #RP 9S 5W 09 0001, #PP 5900116, and #MH A 00000103920. The Board approved cancellations on all parcels.

The Board approved the appointments of the Development Impact Fees Committee. The appointed members are Betty Ackerman, Lori Rasmussen, Mike Parker, Gene Jayo, Paul Bull and Russell Long.

Gary Aman met with the Board on the rental agreement for the 911 paging tower. The Board approved the agreement for \$600 per year.

Gary Aman met with the Board on the rental agreement with Braundau’s for the radio repeater site on Squaw Butte. The Board approved the agreement for \$1,200 per year. ISP will pay \$600 per year toward the rent.

The Board approved the minutes for the November 17th meeting.

The complete minutes can be viewed in the office of the Clerk-Auditor-Recorder.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Harold Tolmie, Chairman
Attest: Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk

12/10/03

NOTICE

The Southwest District Board Health will hold a **Board Meeting** on Tuesday, December 16, 2003 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Southwest District Health, Room 200, 920 Main Street, Caldwell, Idaho.

12/10/03

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On the 11th day of March, 2004, at the hour of 10:55 A.M., of said day, (recognized local time), in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho.

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

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

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by DAVID E WEEKS AND SONJA L WEEKS, husband and wife, as grantors, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho Corporation, as successor trustee, for the benefit and security of Far West Mortgage, as beneficiary, recorded November 13, 2001, as Instrument No. 237841, and assigned to CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as beneficiary, by assignment recorded December 16, 2002, as Instrument No. 241939, Mortgage Records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITHSECTION45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY REPSONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust Note, the monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds of \$930.55, due per month for the months of July through September, 2003 and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement, with a monthly late charge accruing at \$41.66, uncollected late charges are due in the amount of \$124.98, with interest accruing at 7 percent per annum, and continuing to accrue from June 1, 2003. The principal owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$123,282.38, plus accruing interest, costs and advances. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any amount advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the

beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Date: November 4, 2003
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC.

By Monine Cole, Trust Officer

FA-16840/cmm
EXHIBIT A
ATTACHED TO NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
PARCEL I:

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

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

North 89° 18’ 36” West along the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter a distance of 612.33 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing

North 89° 18’ 36” West along said South boundary a distance of 339.85 feet; thence

North 00° 35’ 54” East parallel with the East boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter a distance of 641.11 feet; thence

South 89° 13’ 58” East a distance of 339.85 feet; thence

South 00° 35’ 54” West Parallel with said East boundary a distance of 640.66 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 11:

A 50.00 Foot road easement

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

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

North 00° 33’ 48” East along the East boundary of said Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter a distance of 613.07 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence

North 89° 13’ 58” West a distance of 2,186.48 feet; thence

Southwesterly 28.91 feet along the arc of a curve to the left having a central angle of 82° 49’ 43”, a radius of 20.00 feet and a long chord which bears

South 49° 21’ 27” West a distance of 26.46 feet; thence

Northwesterly 275.05 feet along the arc of a curve to the right having a central angle of 262 degrees 38° 53”, a radius of 60.00 feet and a long chord which bears

North 40° 43’ 35” West a distance of 90.12 feet; thence

South 89° 13’ 58” East a distance of 2,265.85 feet to a point on the said East boundary; thence

South 00° 33’ 48” West along said East boundary a distance of 50.00 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

AMY L. WILCOXSON,
TRUSTEE VERIFICATION
11/19,26-12/03,10/03

Environmental Quality Incentive program deadline in February

Applications for the fiscal year 2004 EQIP program must be received by the local Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Field Office or Farm Service Agency (FSA) no later than close of business Friday, February 13th. Applications received after the February 13th deadline will be considered for funding during the next selection process anticipated to be held in fiscal year 2005.

Applications may be submitted in person, by phone, e-mail,

internet “eCommerce”, fax, or letter, to the local NRCS or conservation district office or local FSA office. Application forms (CCC-1200 and Appendix) are available in NRCS field offices and conservation district offices, as well as an automated application format on the Internet. eCommerce applications will be submitted in accordance with the instructions found at <http://www.sc.egov.usda.gov>.

The Environmental Quality Incentives Program provides cost share assistance to agricultural producers that would like

to install conservation practices on their private lands. Cost share assistance for selected practices will range from 25 to 75 percent. Applications that treat the greatest number of local resource concerns will be given priority. Applicants will be requested to meet with local NRCS staff during the ranking period to finalize their proposed projects and review their ranking score.

For more information on the EQIP program, please contact your local USDA Service Center Office.

School lunch menu

December 11-17

Marsing

Dec.11: Lasagna, garden salad/dressing, milk, Red Baron Pizza, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, fresh baked roll.

Dec.12: Ham/cheese yum yum, fruit variety, garden vegetables, chocolate pudding, milk, rib-b-que/bun, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, fresh baked roll.

Dec.15: Chicken nuggets, fruit variety, vegetables, maple bar, milk, assorted sandwiches, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, fresh baked roll.

Dec.16: Wiener wrap, strawberries and bananas, garden vegetables, milk, chicken fajita, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, fresh baked roll.

Dec.17: Red Baron pizza, fruit variety, garden salad/dressing, trail mix, milk, baked potato w/ or w/o chili, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, fresh baked roll.

Homedale Elementary

Dec.11: Lasagna or mini corn dogs, corn, pears, apple turnover, milk.

Dec.12: Fish nuggets or turkey sandwich, fries/tots, apple, ranger cookie, milk.

Dec.15: Hamburger/bun or fish patty/bun, fries/tots, apricots, cookie, milk.

Dec.16: Sloppy Jo or hot dog, fries/tots, grapes, chocolate pudding cup, milk.

Dec.17: Christmas dinner. Turkey/gravy/mashed potatoes, hot roll, fruit salad, gingerbread cake, milk.

Homedale Middle

Dec.11: Burrito or hot pocket, vegetable, fruit, dessert, or salad bar, milk.

Dec.12: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, tots, fruit, or salad bar, milk.

Dec.15: Haystack, roll, veggie sticks, fruit, or salad bar, milk.

Dec.16: Chicken or beef nuggets, vegetable, fruit, cinn. Bread stick, milk.

Dec.17: Pizza or french br. pizza, tossed salad, fruit, cookies, milk.

Homedale High

Dec.11: Chicken or hamburger/bun, fries, fruit, dessert, milk.

Dec.12: Chicken taco or tst. Cheese/soup, corn, fruit, milk.

Dec.15: Pizza or popcorn chicken, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Dec.16: Chicken nuggets or hot dogs, rice, green beans, fruit, milk.

Dec.17: Idaho haystack or burrito, salad, fruit, churros, milk.

Bruneau-Grand View

Dec.11: Chicken patty, potatoes/gravy, peas, roll/butter, fruit cobbler, milk.

Dec.12: Lasagna, tossed salad, garlic bread, fruit, milk.

Dec.15: Hamburger/bun, tots, veggie sticks, raisins, cookie, milk.

Dec.16: Biscuits/gravy, little smokies, scrambled eggs, hashbrowns, oranges, milk.

Dec.17: Pizza, tossed salad, pineapple, milk.

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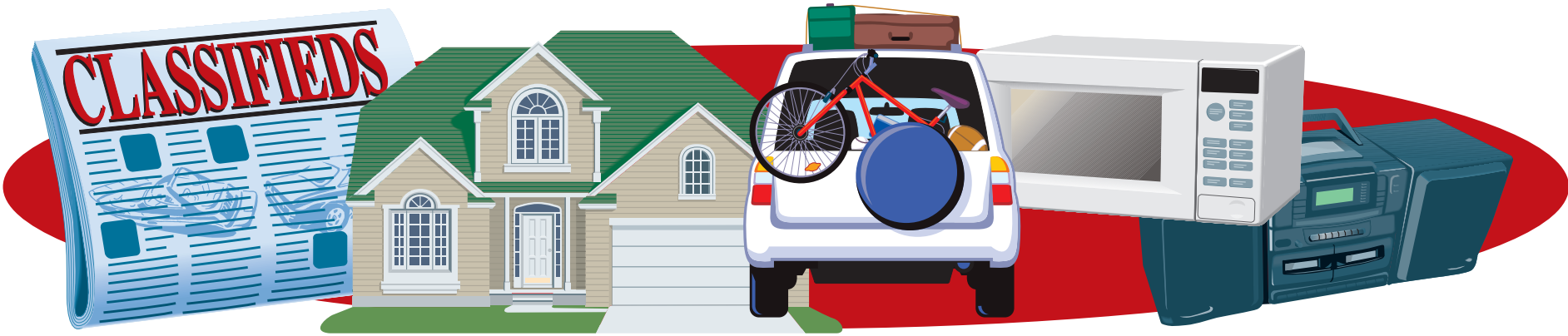
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The family and friends of Carol Edwards would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers and donation in their time of need. Glen, Jim, Scott, Shauni Edwards

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Homedale School District is accepting applications for a part time Parents as Teachers parent educator. H.S. diploma or GED, bilingual (English/Spanish), bi-cultural, and exp. working with infants and toddlers required. Apply as District Office, 116 E. Owyhee, Homedale or call 337-4611 for application. Closing date: 12/17/03 or until filled.

The Owyhee County Assessor's office is accepting applications for a part time position as a Motor Vehicle Technician in the Grandview/Bruneau area of Owyhee County. Applicants must have some computer, book keeping and typing skills. Applications may be picked up at the Owyhee County Assessor's office in Murphy or at the Motor Vehicle Department in Grandview. Completed applications must be received at the assessor's office by Friday December 12, 2003. Owyhee County is an equal opportunity employer.

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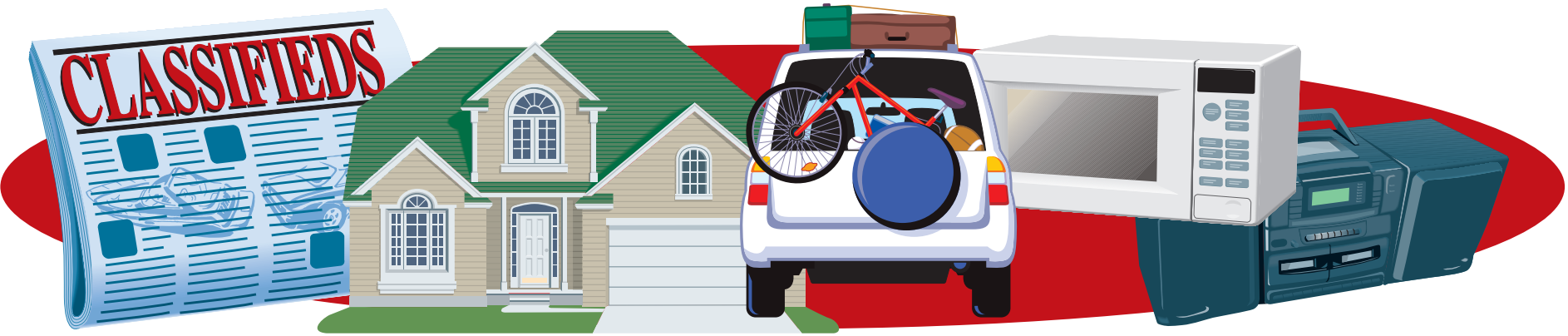
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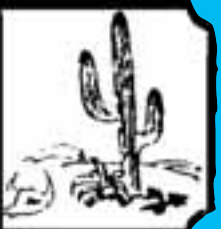
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