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Snow stops traffic; shuts down schools

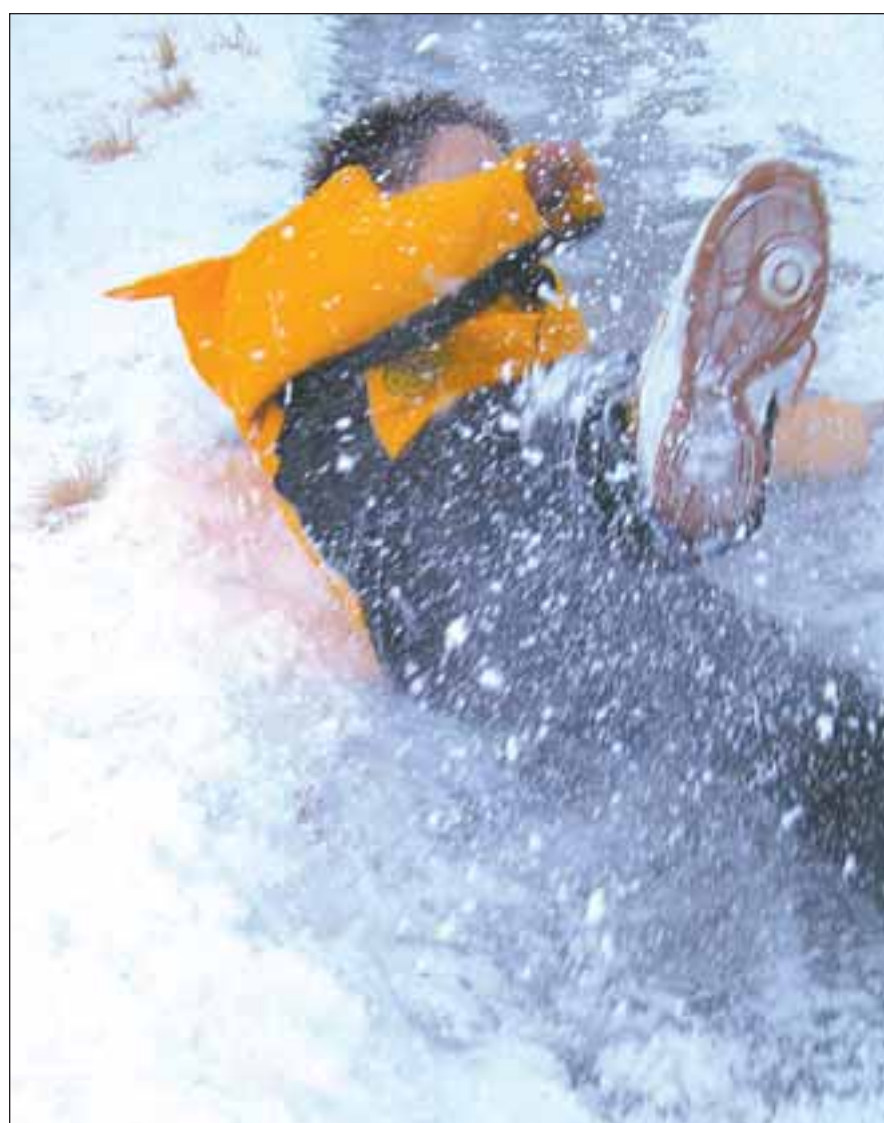
As drivers were cautiously attempting to drive to work last week, local school children were taking a holiday as snow closed classrooms for a "snow day."

The storm moved into the area on Monday and didn't subside until Thursday evening. It dumped over eight inches of snow in the valley floors and up to two feet in some locations in the Owyhee Mountains.

Snow covered roads caused problems for motorists and local law enforcement officers with many slide offs and accidents reported. County Sheriff Gary Aman said Friday that in general, motorists drove cautiously and no report of serious accidents were reported. School buses, semi-trucks and farm trucks were kept at a standstill on Highway 51 near Bruneau Thursday morning as black ice coated the highway making it impossible to travel.

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Slip slidin'

A young Marsing student slides on ice at the elementary school Friday as children found many places to slide on ice last week. Schools in the area were closed Thursday due to a snowstorm and icy road conditions but reopened Friday.

BLM plans move to Marsing

In an effort to enhance customer service, increase management presence on public lands and gain efficiencies in staff-time, Idaho Bureau of Land Management (BLM) State Director K Lynn Bennett recommended and received approval from the Department of Interior to move ahead with specific organizational refinements. Among those refinements includes a future field office located in Marsing.

Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management approved the refinements, supported by a broad cross-section of Idaho's citizens and governmental entities.

"With this approval, we can now begin work on defining the best approach for implementation of these refinements," Idaho BLM State Director K Lynn Bennett stated. "It continues to be my commitment to implement these refinements, to the greatest degree possible, within existing budget and staffing levels and with the least disruption to staff and provision of services. The

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New leaders take helm of Owyhee cities

Newly elected city officials will be, or have been, sworn into office this week in Homedale and Marsing.

Marsing swore in new Mayor Don Osterhoudt during Tuesday night's meeting as well as new council members Ed Pfeifer and Paula Enrico. He said last week that he would also be making an appointment to the council to replace himself as well as one of two appointments to the city's planning and zoning

commission to replace Pfeifer or Enrico.

Osterhoudt said Friday that he planned to offer for appointment leaving mayor Faye Pfrimmer, council candidate Bud Peck and Marsing resident Rob Howarth. He said that he would endorse Howarth for the job.

Jennifer Finlay is also expected to turn in her resignation Tuesday night as she is moving from the area. Osterhoudt said an appointment

for her position would not be done until a later time.

With the election of Pfeifer and Enrico, the city will also have to appoint two new zoning members. Osterhoudt said mayor candidate Don Carlson has expressed an interest in the job. But Osterhoudt will still possibly have two positions to appoint, Enrico's, Pfeifer's and possibly Robert Baczik.

"Darin Holzhey, chairman for planning and zoning, has

requested to be put on the agenda for Tuesday's meeting," Osterhoudt said. "He has expressed some concern about an incident that happened during a zoning meeting last month. Apparently there were some disruptive confrontations during the meeting. Kicking of chairs and tables and thrashing around in the office."

Appointments from the meeting were not available due to publishing schedules.

In Homedale, Paul Fink will be sworn into office tonight (Wednesday) during a council meeting at 7 p.m. as well as three councilpersons.

Current councilman Charlie Garrison, new councilman Steve Schultz and new councilperson Cindy Sims will be sworn in with Fink following the city's old business discussion.

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trucks and snow plows were traveling the roads plowing, sanding and de-icing roads. Larry Bauer, maintenance supervisor for the City of Homedale said the trucks have not been used this often in several years.

“I think we had the sanding truck out twice in two years,” Bauer said as crews scrapped Idaho Avenue Thursday morning. “It really isn’t unusual, we just have not seen this much snow in several years.”

County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said last week that Murphy did not receive as much snow as the rest of the area. She said she had not been informed of many overtime hours due to the storm.

With warmer temperatures predicted through this week, now the concern is local flooding. Owyhee Reservoir held nine percent of average on Thursday with 152 cubic feet per second of water entering the reservoir at Rome. The Natural Resources Conservation District reported that snow was melting from its SNOTEL site on South Mountain at nearly one inch every three hours. By Monday 187 CFS of water was entering the reservoir.

Digging out
Crews from Homedale City plow Idaho Avenue Wednesday afternoon after a snowstorm dumped nearly 10 inches of powder in the valley.



Commissioner searches for fair board replacement

Owyhee County Commissioner Chris Salove is actively seeking someone to replace former fair board chairman Gwen Miller from the Marsing area. Salove said he is trying to find someone who does not have a “chip” on their shoulder and is only interested in the betterment of the county fair.

“Gwen has not formally announced it to the fair board, but she has informed me that she will be resigning and I want to find someone to replace her,” Salove said. “We need someone to be in the position. I thought this could be a chance to get

someone in the position from the Marsing area. With all of the controversy over the fair board, I hope to get someone who is interested in the fair, carnivals, food vendors and the overall betterment of the fair. I would ask that it not be someone who comes in with a chip on their shoulder over the battle that has gone on over the last several years. I want someone who wants to come in and do a good job for the county fair.”

For information about becoming a fair board member, Salove said people who live in the Marsing area can call him at 896-4162.

Oreana man, Dennis Murdock, killed in weekend accident

An Oreana man died on Highway 78 Sunday evening in a one-vehicle accident at milepost 54. Dennis Murdock, 57, was reported driving near Grand View at about 8 p.m. Sunday evening.

Reports show that Murdock apparently drove to close to the edge of the road and when he over corrected his vehicle he lost control and the vehicle rolled.

Murdock was driving a 1989 Ford F-250 pickup.

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Chilly dip

Officers discuss the condition of a 35-year-old Canyon County woman with Marsing Ambulance crew Friday after Homedale and Canyon County officers pulled her from the icy water of the Snake River. The woman admitted to using an illegal drug and thought officers were going to arrest her.

Nampa woman takes chilling dip

A 35-year old Nampa woman took a chilling dip in the Snake River Friday when she tried to avoid law enforcement officers who were looking for a woman behaving erratically.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said he was dispatched to the Snake River Bridge to assist Canyon County Sheriff’s deputies on a report that a woman was weaving in and out of traffic on the Snake River Bridge trying to get people to stop.

“We followed footprints east on Homedale road then we found her footprints going down to the river,” Eidemiller said. “At first we could not see her, but I went across the bridge to the airport and we followed her tracks as well as we could. I could see something moving in the water just below the deputies and she was laying in the water just off of the bank.”

Canyon County Chief Administrative Deputy Al Showalter said Monday that the name of the woman would not be released because she was not arrested for anything. He said she ran between some houses and down a path toward the river about 100 yards upstream from the bridge on the Canyon County side. It took officers 45 minutes to find her hiding in the frigid water at the edge of the river.

Officers said she had turned blue from the cold, but she was still able to communicate with them.

“The woman was taken by Marsing medics to West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell to be treated for hypothermia,” Showalter said.

Investigating officers said the woman admitted to using crystal methamphetamine the night prior to the incident and told them she was hiding because she thought the officers were chasing her with dogs and were going to arrest her for using drugs.

Sheriff’s officers say her next stop was to Intermountain Hospital in Boise for a mental evaluation.

Payette deputy prosecutor to seek county office

A Payette deputy prosecuting attorney has thrown his hat in the ring to be the next elected prosecuting attorney for Owyhee County. Thirty-nine year old Matthew Faulks announced last week that he plans to run for prosecuting attorney in the primary election in May on the Republican ticket.

Faulks, who said he will file for candidacy in March, said he is running for office because he is “committed to seeing that criminal wrongdoers are held accountable for their acts and that justice is administered in a fair and even-handed manner in

Owyhee County.”

He said he also plans to see that the prosecutor’s office fulfills its duties as the county attorney in handling other legal matters on behalf of Owyhee County.

Faulks, 39, is a fourth generation Owyhee County resident and fourth generation native Idahoan. He is currently a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in Payette County. Prior to his career in law, Faulks worked for 10 years in banking and lending for Farm Credit Services, West One Bank and U. S. Bank.

He has also held posts in the Republican Party includ-

ing Youth Committeeman in Payette County as well as Precinct Committee Person in Canyon County while he resided in each of those areas.

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Homedale chamber to elect officers

A new list of officers will be elected to the Homedale Chamber of Commerce this week during a meeting on Thursday at noon at the Owyhee Lanes Restaurant.

Chamber president Robin Tolmie said last week that her position, the vice president position and the position of secretary/treasurer, will be filled. Cindy Sims is the current vice president and Tammy Giedd is the current secretary/treasurer.

Tolmie said committees will be formed during the meeting for upcoming events and for memberships.

Each new business in the city is given a free one-year membership. For businesses with five employees or less, the cost is \$25. For businesses with six to 10 employees it is \$35 and for over 10 employees the membership is \$50.

The chamber hosts a variety of events throughout the year including the Christmas parade, the annual Easter egg hunt and a car rally held the first weekend in May. A soap box car derby is held in conjunction with the event and Tolmie said this year, the chamber hopes to include arts and crafts and a bazaar.

Chamber meetings are held the second Thursday of the month.



“You first”

Two geese stand near the bank of Marsing Island Park pond last week during a snowstorm and seem to be waiting for the other to enter the frigid waters. Temperatures are expected to remain in the 30s this week with a chance of participation Wednesday and Thursday.



Spring driver’s education classes taking applicants

The spring session of driver’s education is enrolling now for students at Homedale High School who are 14 years old or older on Aug. 1, 2003.

Students may sign up at the guidance counselor’s office at the high school until Jan. 30. If enough students register, two sessions will be offered. The first session is expected to begin on March 1 and the second session is planned for April. Classes are held before school and driving will be held after school.

Birth Wilson

Landen Joel Wilson was born on Dec. 11, 2003, to Joel Wilson and Kim Ingersoll of Homedale. He was born at St. Luke’s Hospital in Boise weighing seven pounds, four ounces and was 21-3/4 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Tim and Lori Wilson of Grangeville; great-grandparents are Dorothy J. Eimers and the late Gib Eimers of Grangeville, and great-grandparents are Harold and Mary Wilson of Homedale.


Maternal grandparents are Keith and Lola Ingersoll of Homedale; great-grandparents are Bob and Ann Ingersoll of Marsing and Louise Taylor of Tulare, California.

Let it snow

The snow does not seem to bother this duck as he stands near the shore of the Marsing Island pond last week. Nearly a foot of snow was reported in some areas of the valley as a storm front moved through the area last week.

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refinements to Idaho BLM's existing organization include: Renaming the District Offices within the State: In order to be consistent with BLM office title nomenclature, I was directed to rename the Districts according to their District Office location."

A new Twin Falls District Office will be established and located in Twin Falls. It will be comprised of the Burley, Jarbidge and Shoshone Field Offices. The Twin Falls District will be collocated with the BLM Jarbidge Field Office and the Sawtooth National Forest. The Shoshone and Burley Field Offices will retain their current office locations.

The Lower Snake river District will be renamed to the Boise District. The Owyhee and Bruneau Field Offices, which merged in 2000, will be separated again and the Bruneau Filed Office will continue to be located in the Boise District Office. But the Lower Snake River Field Office will eventually be located in Marsing. The Field Office boundaries will follow the Owyhee and Bruneau planning unit boundaries.

The Owyhee Field Office will have a presence in Marsing, Idaho with a phased-in relocation. Upper Snake River District will now be named the Idaho Fall. District: The physical office locations will remain the same.

"We will be working to accomplish these organizational shifts over the coming year," said Bennett. "Suggestions and ideas enabling implementation of these refinements are welcome; it is my intent to continue to seek and be responsive to public needs, employee concerns and improve intergovernmental coordination.

"It is my intent to move an office into Marsing," Bennett said Tuesday. "The intent is that we will probably go in with just a field office to begin with and

send someone in a couple days a week just to do business. It has been my intention from the beginning to build stronger relationships with the people of Owyhee County and I think we can do a much better job of doing that if we are located in the area to see how things actually go. I don't want us to be just neighbors, I want us to really be neighbors."

The Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area will be wholly encompassed now within the Four Rivers Field Office; previously it crossed several field office boundaries.

The Idaho Falls and Pocatello Field Offices will remain as part of this District. Administratively, the Challis and Salmon Field Offices will leave the Upper Columbia Salmon Clearwater District and become part of the Idaho Falls District. Upper Columbia Salmon Clearwater District will now be named the Coeur d'Alene District: The Coeur d'Alene District Office will encompass the Cottonwood and Coeur d'Alene Field Offices.

√ Cities

works director, Bob Walker will discuss the airport clean-up project status. Walker will also present to the council a status report on the "redwood" demolition project status, the bridge project final review and the water project status. Walker resigned from his position as public works director in December but continues to work for Homedale as the city's contracted engineer.

The mayor and council will give a final report and pay the bills for December.

The presentation to the outgoing mayor and council members will be held shortly before the swearing of the new mayor and elected council.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

Disaster auction plans underway

Auctioneers will begin calling out bids at 10:13 a.m. Feb. 7 as the 43rd annual Marsing Disaster Auction and sale kicks off. The auction is held yearly and is the community's biggest fundraiser. Proceeds have gone to help hundreds of people who have been victims of disaster.

The auction will be held at the Phipps-Watson Community Hall in Marsing where new items will be donated and sold to the highest bidders. Sixth, seventh and eighth grade middle school students will begin selling the raffle tickets in the coming weeks.

The auction is an annual event that raises money to replenish funds for local disaster relief, fires, funeral, hospital, or large medical bills, and also assists the funding for the Marsing Ambulance crew. A portion of the proceeds is also donated each year to the United Way and a service organization, which is chosen at an annual meeting in April.

Tickets will be sold at Marsing merchants

for the committee raffle for \$10 each. The raffle will include a drawing for a Ruger 22-250 donated by Wayne Hungate OF Owyhee County Farm Bureau Insurance, a Rhino Gun Safe, donated by Rhino Safe Company, a complete computer system, donated by the Disaster Auction Committee, and a \$500 Lee Read Jewelers shopping spree, donated by Lee Read and committee.

Food booths will offer a variety of lunch items including chili, coffee, and homemade pies.

Auctioneers will again be Bob Hopkins, Sid Maxwell, Lonnie Rudd, Rick Brown, Chris Brown, Elis Albright, and J.B Salutregui.

The local fundraiser has raised over \$250,000 in just seven years.

To donate items for the auction or to volunteer contact Dusty Clover at 863-4466, or co-chairman Kelly and Jason Ineck at 896-5067 or any member of the Marsing Fire Department or ambulance service.

Oz theme set for this year's international dinner

Event will be held February 7

The theme for this year's Homedale School District Smorgasbord is "Down the Yellow Brick Road: An 'Oz-some' Journey to Excellence through Education." Some of the famous international foods will be available in a sidewalk café setting, but some new intercontinental cuisine will also be added to the menu.

This year's event will be held the first Saturday in February instead of the second Saturday as in years past. Dinner will begin being served at 11 a.m. at the Homedale Elementary School cafeteria. Theme baskets are being prepared and will again line the walls of the cafeteria for a silent auction.

Proceeds from the event over the years have purchased over \$220,000 of instructional materials and equipment for the students in Homedale schools. This year's smorgasbord chairmen are Sherri and Clint Romriell and co-chairmen are Tim and Nikki Quintana.

Barbie Vander Boegh and Melanie Harper will organize the auction again this year and Romriell said students are making baskets from all three district schools. She included that baskets from the community are always welcome and donators can call Harper at 337-4033 to make arrangements.

The baskets will be auctioned off every two

hours during the event and will be divided into four groups. A check list of the items included in each basket will be available. Every two hours a group of baskets will be awarded to the highest bidders. To donate a basket contact Harper at 337-4033.

A large variety of salads, breads and deserts brought by volunteers will also be served during the one-day event.

A spokesman for the event said ice cream will be served in the desert booth this year, but more people are needed to cook pies and cheesecakes. To volunteer for the deserts, contact Susan Vanderhoff at 337-5670 or to volunteer for the event, call Romriell at 337-3935 or Pam Gibbens at 337-4033.

Tickets are available from a sixth grade student at Homedale Middle School or at the door. Prices this year are the same as last at \$26 for a family, \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors, \$3.5 for children in grades 1-6 and \$2 for preschool children.

The art show held in conjunction with the annual event is open to anyone who has his or her work framed or matted. Ribbons and prizes will be awarded in four age group categories and all entries must be brought to the elementary school before 12 p.m. on Feb. 6th.

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Access Yes! began operations in 2003 using funding stripped from other Fish and Game programs. Until a permanent funding mechanism is found, money will be limited but initial assessments of the first year of operation indicate it is popular with hunters and

the landowners who participated.

Access Yes! is intended to increase hunting and fishing access to private lands and to public lands that would otherwise not be accessible through private lands. It compensates willing landowners who provide access to private land or through their property to public land. In 2003, Access Yes! accounted for access to 107,000 acres of private land and access through private land to an additional 240,000 acres of public land.

Fish and Game spent \$117,000 on the program in its first year with \$300,000

budgeted for the program in 2004.

Expanding Access Yes! to provide more hunting and fishing access on private and public land will require additional funding. About \$1.2 million is needed to provide Idaho hunters and anglers access comparable to access programs in other western states. The Fish and Game Commission will consider funding methods at its January 22-23 meeting.

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Jan.15: Enchilada or corn dog, scalloped potatoes, peaches, frosted brownie, milk.

Jan.16: Fr. Bread Pizza or Uncrustable peanut butter/jelly sandwich, tossed salad, pineapple, cookie, milk.

Jan.19: No school.

Jan.20: Nacho cheese or baked potato and toppings, fresh veggies, banana, no bake cookie, milk.

Jan.21: Turkey noodles or tuna sandwich, green beans, mandarin oranges, oatmeal cookie, milk.

Homedale Middle

Jan.15: Burrito or hot pocket, vegetable, fruit, dessert, or salad bar, milk.

Jan.16: Nachos, fresh veggies, fruit, cookie, or baked potato/salad bar, milk.

Jan.19: No school.

Jan.20: Sloppy Joe or weiner wrap, green beans, fruit, dessert, milk.

Jan.21: Chicken tender or CF beef stk, mashed potatoes and gravy, hot roll, fruit, milk.

Homedale High

Jan.15: Semester tests. Chicken patty, fries, fruit, dessert, milk.

Jan.16: Semester tests. Tst cheese sandwich, soup, corn, fruit, milk.

Jan.19: No school.

Jan.20: Chicken nuggets or hot dogs, rice, green beans, fruit, milk.

Jan.21: Idaho haystack or burrito, salad, fruit, cinnamon roll, milk.

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Three Creek

By Lola Blossom

Three Creek school had a good time and a good crowd at the Christmas program and potluck held December 19th. A silent auction was held to gather money for field trips.

Caral Ann Liesen of Kimberly spent Christmas vacation with the Elsner girls on the 7 Triangle Ranch.

David and Debra Grindstaff of Three Creek and Rogerson have a new baby girl born December 12th. She has been named Bethany Dean and has a brother, Benjamin and sisters Kaylynn and Grace Maria that welcomed her home.

David Grindstaff conducted the services for Bradley Allen DeCarr at the White Mortuary in Twin Falls Monday December 22, 2003. Bradley is the boy who drowned in the back waters of Salmon Dam on December 3. It took many days to recover his body. Brad was born December 26th, 1986 in Casa Grande, Arizona, the son of Terry and Amber DeCarr. He was a sophomore at Filer High School at the time of his death.

Several old timers who spent their younger years here have passed away in the last few months.

Theda Beaton Talbot, 76, passed away October 22, 2003 at Milton Freewater, Oregon of heart problems. She was the daughter of Alex Beaton and Grace Smith Beaton Jewett. She is survived by children Sterling and Shannon Talbot of Oregon, sister Ella Mae Gennette and brother Steve Jewett both of Bruneau, Idaho and Tim Jewett of Clarkston, Wash. She was preceded in death by her parents and step father, Bud Jewett and brothers Marcus Beaton, Larry, Martin and Sam Jewett and sister, Theresa Marsh.

Irving Walters, whose grandmother was buried in the Three Creek cemetery in 1892 passed away in Twin Falls in November at the age of 87. He was the son of Charley and Georgia Mahoney Walters. He spent his life ranching near Lovelock, Nevada but had lately moved to Twin Falls, Idaho.

James Robert (Jim) Clark passed away December 21st, 2003 at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center of natural causes. Jim, born June 14th, 1916 was the oldest son of George and Dora Stanley Clark. He was raised on the Clark Ranches at Three Creek. His grandfather Dick Clark was one of Three Creeks oldest settlers. After graduating from Filer High School he then attended Albion State Normal school, receiving a teacher's certificate. He then went to Reno, Nevada to attend the Univer-

sity of Nevada. While there he met his future wife. Jim and Mable Leonhardt were married in Lovelock, Nevada on September 29, 1940. From there on he taught schools at various places and was on the Idaho State Police roll for awhile. He sold cars for Glen Jenkins Chevrolet and also worked at Sears. He was a 32nd degree Mason, belonging to Lodge N. 45AF and AM in Twin Falls and Hollister. He and Mable of 63 years, his three sons, Ray E. (Sue) of Filer, James R. Jr. (Pamlynn) of Washougal, Washington and Gary (Lynn) of Las Alamos, New Mexico, two brothers Ray A. Clark (Maxine) of Buhl, Idaho and George W. (Bill) and Sue of Boise, two sisters, Shirley Clark of Jerome, Idaho and Laurel (Topsey) Coates of Nikiski, Alaska. Six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. The service was conducted Dec. 27th, 2003 at White Mortuary with Rev. Ken Gould officiating. Interment followed at Sunset Memorial Park. Pallbearers were David Clark, Richard Jones, George Wells, Rex Shaw, Don Witlake and Stan Clark.

Parks and rec meeting planned for Monday

Cindy Sims, newly appointed Homedale parks and recreation councilperson, will hold an informational meeting on Jan. 19 at City Hall at 7 p.m.

Sims said appointments of the recreation committee and recreation director will be held during the meeting. The group consists of people from the community who are interested in the future of parks and recreation in Homedale. Sims said many people have approached her to be included on the committee, which will meet frequently to discuss youth and adult recreation events.

For more information contact Sims at 337-4396 or by email at cindysims@email.com.



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Pat and Sandy Battles won a year supply of Coca-Cola products in Homedale Drive-In's "Coke for a year" drawing. The drive-in partners with Swire Coca Cola in the annual drawing. Pictured are Wally Martinez, Special Events Manager, Sandy Battles, Pat Shenk, Mike Scown, Fountain Manager and Pat Battles.

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Total loss
Fire crews from Homedale and Wilder continue to put water to flames after responding to a structure fire at 502 W. Montana Sunday night. The home, owned by Charles and Betty Hamilton, was a total loss. Although reports said the family was home when the fire began, no one was injured in the incident.



Heat seeking
Homedale volunteer fireman Jeff Eidemiller searches for “hot spots” with a heat-seeking device at a home on West Montana Sunday night. Crews from two fire departments responded to the 5 p.m. call but were unable to save the home.

Snow report

Current snow depth and snow water equivalent data from the Natural Resources Conservation Service for South Mountain and Mud Flat.
** Provisional data, subject to revision **
01/12/04

	Date	Snow Water Equivalent	Snow Depth
South Mtn.	01/05	13.2	58.3
	01/06	13.2	55.2
	01/07	13.2	52.4
	01/08	13.6	52.8
	01/09	14.0	53.3
	01/10	13.9	51.1
	01/11	13.9	49.6
	01/12	13.9	48.6
Mud Flat		Snow Water Equivalent	Snow Depth
	01/05	6.0	28.0
	01/06	6.0	26.7
	01/07	6.1	27.0
	01/08	6.3	28.9
	01/09	6.5	30.4
	01/10	6.4	25.9
	01/11	6.4	26.3
Reynolds Creek	01/12	6.3	25.7
		Snow Water Equivalent	Snow Depth
	01/05	2.3	9.9
	01/06	2.4	10.1
	01/07	2.7	9.3
	01/08	3.1	11.8
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Cove overtakes Mustangs in girls basketball

The Jordan Valley Mustangs lost a close girls basketball game to Cove last week 35-37 after being stopped by Powder Valley 57-31.

A 13 point second quarter was a bit much for the Lady Mustangs to overcome as Cove went into the half four points ahead.

Jordan Valley fell further behind in the third quarter as Cove climbed to a 30-24 lead. Jordan Valley held Cove to seven points in the fourth quarter, but could not overcome the deficit.

Bailey Kershner led with 11 points followed by Anna Watkins and Lauren Cuvelier with nine points each.

“We played with a lot of intensity and heart, but were unable to capitalize on offense,” Jordan Valley Coach Jeremy Chamberlain said. “We shot poorly from both the field and the foul line and they shot the lights out. We knew going in to the game that if we stayed close, we would get our opportunities. However, we could not buy a basket. We had an open look with 6 seconds left that would have sent the game into overtime, but it bounced off the front of the rim. This was a tough loss, and a game that we would like to have back.”

Powder Valley jumped to an early 18-7 lead in the first quarter and held the Mustangs to just three points in the second. The teams finished the first half with a 10-35 deficit.

Jordan Valley came out of the half to keep Powder Valley to nine points, but they were never able to overcome the first half strike.

Cuvelier led Jordan Valley with 11 points and three field goals. Anna Watkins added nine points and three field goals.

“Powder jumped on us early and we never responded,” Chamberlain said. “The Cove game the night before took a lot out of us, and we were unable to get things going. Powder Valley deserves a lot of credit, they played outstanding defense and never gave us an inch. We got frustrated and threw a lot of turnovers in the first half, which they turned into easy baskets. Powder performed very well and we were just not up to the challenge.”

Jordan Valley now has a 5-6 overall and 1-2 Old Oregon League record.



Down court

Jessica Stimmel moves the ball down court against Melba. The Homedale girls lost the game, 42-29. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

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Trojan matmen pin Vikings 57-24

Ensley crowned outstanding wrestler at New Plymouth invitational

Homedale pinned its way to a 57-24 victory over the Middleton Vikings last week after coming back from a long Christmas vacation. Saturday Trojan Jeremy Ensley was voted outstanding wrestler of the New Plymouth tournament by 15 head coaches in which the Trojans placed second to Oregon powerhouse Nyssa.

In Middleton, The Trojans dominated the dual winning 10 of 14 weight classes including eight pins.

Middleton took a six-point lead with a forfeit in the 103-pound class, but Ensley tied the score with a pin at 112 pounds. Raul Gonzalez won an 11-3 decision at 152 pounds.

"This was a match up of two young teams," Trojan Coach Toby Johnson said. "However, we came to the mat with more wrestling experience and it showed."

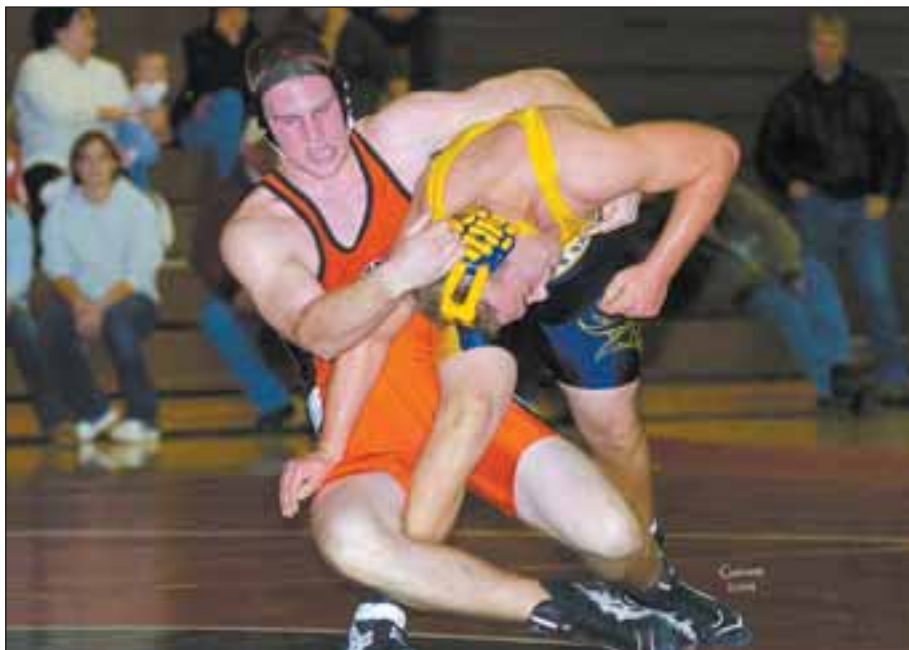
In New Plymouth, 15 teams competed in an invitational tournament with Nyssa placing first with 153 points. Homedale closed in with 150 points followed by Eagle with 135 points. Vale placed fourth with 85 points.

Ensley placed first at 112 pounds and was the sole Trojan to take a gold. Jason Christoffersen placed second with teammates Tyler Christoffersen at 125 pounds and Marcus Eby at 135 pounds.

Tomas Obregon led third place at 189 pounds and shared the placing with Erik Garcia at 275 pounds and Stuart Miyasako at 119 pounds. Brian Martinat placed fourth at 119 pounds.

In December at the Caldwell tournament, Homedale prevailed over Nyssa by three and a half points to take the tournament title. This time, the Bulldogs edged out by three points for the win.

"I was proud of my team," Johnson said. "It was a good performance. I really felt like we were the best team in the tournament. We just had a few matches get away from us and that made the difference."



Pinned

Josh Jolley wrestles Middleton's Jesse Haney in the 215-pound weight class. Jolley pinned his opponent. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Top wrestler

Homedale's defending State Champion Jeremy Ensley is shown seconds before he pins his opponent in the first round of action against Middleton. Later in the week, the 112 pound Ensley also won his weight class and was awarded the "Outstanding Wrestler" at the 15 team New Plymouth Invitational Tournament. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



Victory

Homedale's Joe Foster pinned Andrew LaRue for a win at 171 pounds. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Champion

Tyler Christoffersen moments before his victory and a pin over Middleton's Brandon Doramas. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



Trojans drive past New Plymouth for double overtime victory



Drive

Matt Nauman drives past New Plymouth's Adam Shockley in overtime action. Nauman scored 10 points for the Trojans in the final minutes of the game for an exciting 56-53 double overtime victory. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Begin winning with victory over Parma 64-46

The Homedale boys basketball team played a winning week by downing Parma and New Plymouth in conference basketball. They began the week facing off against Parma when Homedale quickly put the Panthers on the losing end of the match up. Turnovers drove the Panthers into trouble followed by the quick action of Clay Haylett and Nick Williams who led team scoring with 21 and 20 points. Aggressive defense in the

first half who were closing in on the first have tied 15-15. Parma's trouble began with four big turnovers that led to six points from Homedale. Williams preformed magic as he scored 13 of his 19 first half points in a run to put Homedale over the top. Williams began with a three-point basket before slamming a second trey. He followed up with an assist on a Matt Landa lay-in and a Matt Nauman steal. Landa followed up the spree with a steal and turned it into two with Williams. Nauman followed by slamming another three pointer. But the

team did not slow down. Williams added a steal, a lay-in and a final three points with just over two minutes left in the first half. Homedale strolled off the court with an impressive 33-15 edge. Homedale sunk 10 three-point baskets for the win. Williams scored on three, Haylett scored on five and Nauman sunk two. Nauman scored 10 points for the Trojans in the final minutes of the game for a 56-53 double overtime victory over the New Plymouth Pilgrims. Individual results were not made available.

Junior Trojans remain undefeated in league

The junior varsity boys basketball team remained undefeated in league action after beating Parma on Tuesday 69-42 and the New Plymouth Pilgrims on Friday, 40-32. In Parma, Luis Escutia led the team with 21 points, seven steals as Andrew Vanderhoff added 15 points and five assists. Ryan Rupp gave 13 points and took seven rebounds. Against New Plymouth, Garrett Sweet led the team with 15 points and 12 re-

bounds. Rupp followed with seven points and seven rebounds. "Parma and New Plymouth have very good JV teams so

we are real pleased with the wins," coach Tim Fullwood said. "We need to keep working hard and keep getting better as a team."

Hunters still have hunt options

Hunters do have a few choices left after most seasons finished with the end of 2003. Hunting for both gray and chukar partridge continues through January 15. Quail, pheasant and forest grouse seasons ended December 31. Duck hunting does not end until January 16 in most of the state, designated in the rules brochure as Area 1 and January 23 in Area 2, which takes in southwest Idaho and the western part of the Magic Valley. The season for pintail and canvasback ducks is closed. Goose hunting ends January 16 in northern and eastern Idaho-Area 1-and January 23 in Areas 2 and 3. Hunters can check the boundaries in the brochure.

Waterfowl hunters need a new hunting license and federal migratory bird harvest information validation. The federal waterfowl hunting stamp remains in effect through the end of June and also allows free entry into U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service fee areas. Cottontail rabbit hunting continues through February. Rabbit hunters have noted at least a slight increase in populations in some areas this year after years of low numbers. Snowshoe hare season runs through March. Most mountain lion seasons run through March 31 except in north Idaho where there are a variety of closing dates. Some units retain a quota on the number of females to be taken and close when that quota is met. Hunters need to compare rules with areas they intend to hunt and check with regional Fish and Game offices on closures where quotas apply. A map showing units where the quota has been met is on the Fish and Game website under Hunting then Programs and Info. Hunters using hounds need a valid permit as well as a hunting license and tag. A 2004 license is required for all hunting including hunting for species such as coyotes that may be hunted year round.

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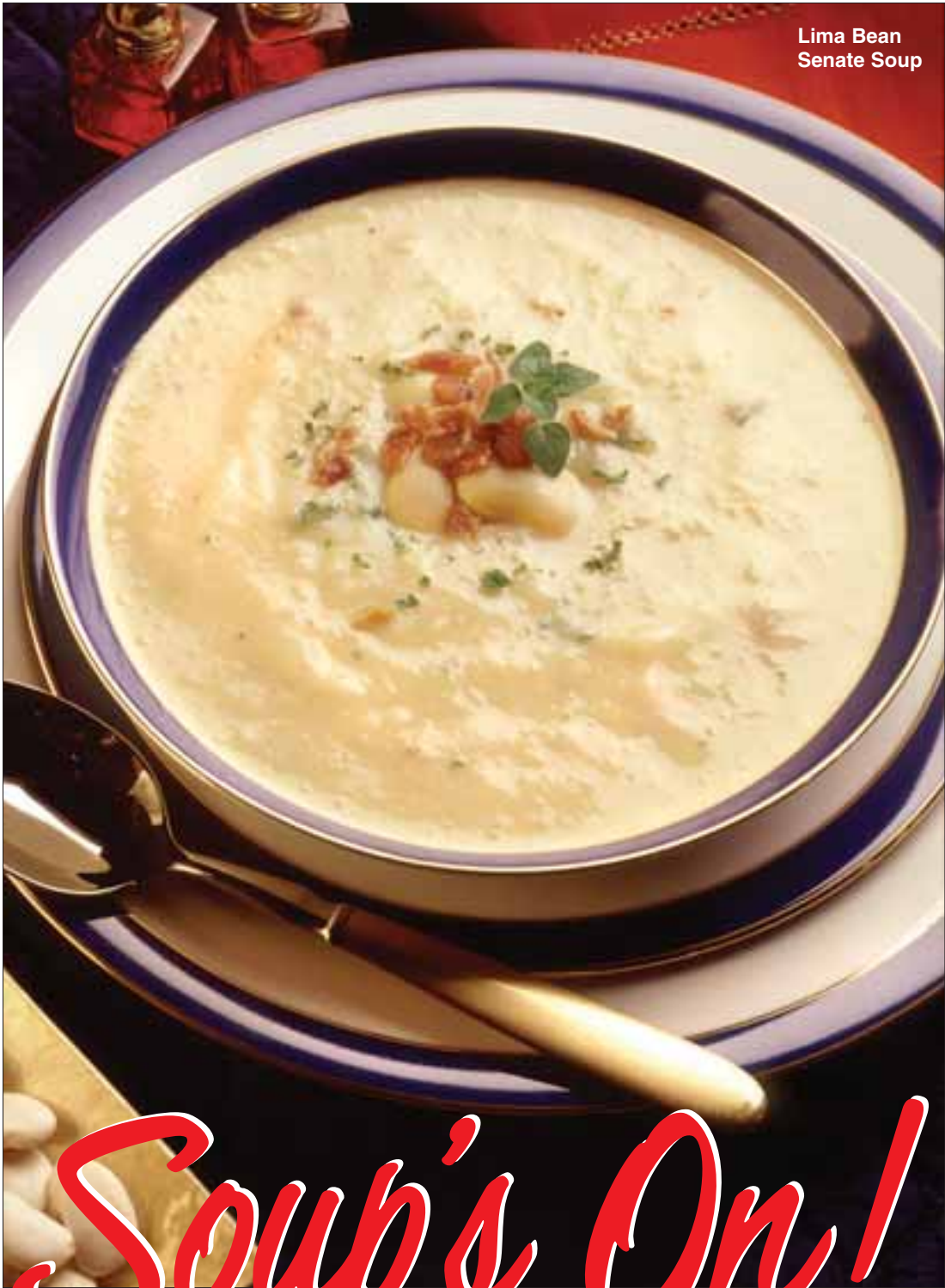


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- It's estimated that Americans consume more than 10 billion bowls of soup each year.
- The ladies of the French court of Louis XI subsisted mainly on soup because they believed that chewing would cause them to develop wrinkles.

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Southwestern Chicken & White Bean Soup

Lima Bean Senate Soup

Prep Time: 10 minutes Cook Time: 40 minutes
Makes 6 servings

- 4 slices bacon, diced
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 2 stalks celery, cut into 2-inch pieces
- 2 cloves garlic
- 2 cans (14 ounces each) Swanson Chicken Broth
- 1/2 cup water
- 2 small potatoes, peeled and quartered
- 4 cans (15 ounces each) large lima beans (butter beans), rinsed and drained, or 6 cups cooked dry-packaged large lima beans (butter beans)
- 1/4 cup chopped parsley

COOK bacon in stockpot until browned. Remove and set aside. **ADD** onion, celery and garlic and cook until browned. **ADD** broth, water, potatoes and 1 can beans. Heat to a boil. Cover and cook over low heat 15 minutes or until potatoes are tender. **PLACE** half the broth mixture in blender or food processor. Cover and blend until smooth. Repeat with remaining broth mixture. Return to pan. Add bacon, remaining 2 cans beans and parsley. Heat through. Season with pepper to taste.

Butter Bean Soup

Prep Time: 15 minutes Cook Time: 30 minutes
Makes 6 servings

- 3/4 cup finely chopped carrots
- 1 1/3 cups finely chopped celery
- 1/2 cup finely chopped onion
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 quarts Swanson Vegetable Broth or Chicken Broth
- 2 cans (15 ounces each) large lima beans (butter beans), rinsed and drained, or 3 cups cooked dry-packaged large lima beans (butter beans)
- 1 cup chopped tomato
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped parsley
- 1 teaspoon dried basil leaves
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

SAUTÉ carrots, celery and onion in butter in stockpot until onion is tender, 5 to 8 minutes; add flour and cook, stirring, 1 to 2 minutes longer. Add broth, beans and tomato; heat to a boil. **REDUCE** heat and simmer, covered, until carrots and celery are tender, 15 to 20 minutes. Stir in parsley, basil, thyme and salt.

Basque Vegetable Chowder

Prep Time: 10 minutes Cook Time: 20 minutes
Makes 12 servings

- 1 1/2 cups chopped celery
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 1/4 quarts milk (2%)
- 4 cans (15 ounces each) large lima beans (butter beans), rinsed and drained, or 6 cups cooked dry-packaged large lima beans (butter beans)
- 1 can (16 ounces) diced tomatoes, undrained
- 1 can (16 ounces) whole kernel corn, drained
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano leaves
- 1/2 teaspoon dried rosemary leaves
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 4 ounces (1 cup) shredded Monterey Jack cheese or sharp Cheddar

SAUTÉ celery and onion in butter in stockpot until tender, 5 to 8 minutes. Add flour and cook, stirring, 1 to 2 minutes longer. **ADD** milk and remaining ingredients, except cheese, and heat just to simmering (do not boil); simmer, covered 5 minutes. **REDUCE** heat to low; add cheese, stirring until melted.

Hearty Bean & Barley Soup

Prep Time: 15 minutes Cook Time: 40 minutes
Makes 6 servings

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 large carrots, coarsely chopped
- 2 stalks celery, sliced
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 can (14 1/2 ounces) diced tomatoes, undrained
- 2 cans (14 ounces each) Swanson Vegetable Broth
- 1 can (15 ounces) red kidney beans, rinsed and drained
- 1/4 cup pearl barley
- 2 cups firmly packed chopped fresh spinach

HEAT oil in stockpot. Add carrots, celery, onion and garlic and cook until tender. **ADD** tomatoes, broth, beans and barley. Heat to a boil. Reduce heat, cover and cook 30 minutes or until barley is done. Stir in spinach and season with coarsely ground pepper to taste. Heat through.

Italian Tortellini Soup

Prep Time: 15 minutes Cook Time: 35 minutes
Makes 6 servings

- 1 large onion, chopped
- 4 carrots, sliced
- 2 stalks celery, sliced
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme, crushed or 1 tablespoon chopped fresh thyme
- 1 carton (32 ounces) Swanson Chicken Broth or Natural Goodness Chicken Broth (4 cups)
- 2 medium zucchini, sliced
- 4 Italian plum tomatoes, chopped
- 1 1/2 cups frozen cheese-filled tortellini
- 1 can (15 ounces) red kidney beans, rinsed and drained
- Grated Parmesan cheese (optional)

PLACE onion, carrots, celery, garlic, thyme and 2 cups broth in stockpot. Heat to a boil. Cover and cook over low heat 10 minutes or until onion is tender. **ADD** remaining broth, zucchini, tomatoes, tortellini and beans. Heat to a boil. Reduce heat and cover. **COOK** 15 minutes or until tortellini is done. Serve with grated Parmesan cheese if desired.

Southwestern Chicken & White Bean Soup

Prep Time: 10 minutes Cook Time: 35 minutes
Makes 6 servings

- 1 pound boneless chicken breasts, cubed
- 3/4 cup chopped onion
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 can (14 ounces) Swanson Chicken Broth or Natural Goodness Chicken Broth (1 3/4 cups)
- 1 cup chunky salsa
- 1 can (about 15 ounces) small white beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 cup frozen whole kernel corn

SPRAY stockpot with vegetable cooking spray. Heat 1 minute. Add chicken and cook until browned, stirring often. Add onion, garlic and cumin and cook until onion is tender. **ADD** broth, salsa, beans and corn. Heat to a boil. Cover and cook over low heat 20 minutes.

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

January 11, 1979

Smorgasbord plans nearing completion

Plans are nearing completion for the annual International Smorgasbord, scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 27 from Noon to 7:30 p.m. in the Washington Elementary School Multi-purpose room.

The Smorgasbord is the one fund raising event sponsored by the Homedale Parent-Teacher Association. Money raised by the event is used to purchase needed equipment throughout the school system.

It just keeps getting worse

The cold weather of the past two weeks has pushed demand for electricity to record highs, according to John Gaenzle, manager of Idaho Power's Homedale office.

Gaenzle said the statewide, Idaho Power recorded a new winter peak on January 2 between 9 and 10 a.m. when the demand was pushed to 1,654,000 kilowatts. The previous winter record was set December 8 when the system load reached 1,643,000.

Locally, usage peaked Monday, Jan. 1 at 10 am when the demand hit 12,600 kilowatts. The average demand for the week was 11,340 kilowatts. Total consumption for the week in the area was 1,143,000 kilowatt hours.

Gaenzle reported that all feeders held steady during the peak with no outages due to overload. There were, however, a few isolated cases of individual transformers burning out due to overload.

Trustees raise hot lunch prices

Homedale School District students will be paying more for their hot lunches next semester, as a result of action taken at the regular January meeting of the District Board of Trustees.

The Homedale board voted to increase the price of lunches to 50 cents for all students and one dollar for teachers. The increase becomes effective Monday, Jan. 15, the first day of the second semester.

Previously, elementary students were charged 40 cents; secondary students paid 45 cents and teachers, 50 cents.

Air Force fighter plan smacks Reynolds hilltop

A U.S. Air Force F-111A fighter altered the pristine beauty of the Owyhee County landscape January 4 when it crashed to earth approximately four miles south of Reynolds.

The crash site is located approximately 42 miles west of Mountain Home Air Force Base, the home station of the plane. The two-man crew of the aircraft ejected safely shortly before the crash.

The incident began about 10 a.m. Thursday when the F-111 took off from the air base on a routine training mission.

School vote date approved

Members of the Marsing School District Board of Trustees, Tuesday evening approved the resolution to set the wheels in motion for a February 13 bond election.

The \$997,000 bond proposal would finance the construction of a 12-room junior high complex and new dressing rooms at the senior high school.

Much of the board meeting was spent discussing ways in which the trustees and school representatives could meet with voters to answer questions. The board members plan to schedule information meetings in their respective zones at private homes.

Board members heard Ray Mieninger of Marsing express the view that the district should explore ways to consolidate with the Homedale District. Mieninger observed that about 30 years ago, the Homedale District approached Marsing about possible consolidation and was turned down. Now, according to the Marsing patron, the roles have reversed.

City council slates hearing

A hearing on a proposed annexation of property into the City of Marsing will be held at the next regular meeting of the Marsing City Council. The hearing will be conducted Monday, Feb.12 at Marsing City Hall.

The proposed annexation included the land occupied by the Marsing Housing Authority development. The city hearing was set after the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended to the council that the proposal be approved.

50 years ago

January 14, 1954

Marsing PTA will sponsor Scout Court of Honor

Scouting will be the theme for the Marsing PTA meeting February 1. A Gem District Court of Honor will be conducted for all Scouts enrolled in the Gem District and will be awarded recognition of achievement. Gem District Scout officers in charge are Doyle Symms, chairman; Jim Hayes, vice chairman; J. V. Briggs, commissioner; Harold McJunkin and Charles Zollinger, neighborhood commissioners.

Four Scout Troops are registered with Clyde Bevans, Howard Hallman, Elmer Franks, Joe Eiguren and Jodie Distler, Scoutmasters.

Committeemen in charge of refreshments are Rodney Hawes and A. D. Clapier, program members.

Senior class to present play Tuesday

The senior class of Homedale is presenting their class play, "Here She Comes", next Tuesday, January 19, at 8 pm.

The cast is as follows; Lopez and Nickie, Evie Olsen; Madame Lowell, Bonnie Parker; Betty Kelton, Eleanor Lemrick; Sally Ridge, Shirley Tibbett; Mrs. Jones, Bonita Powell; Pat O'Keefe, Gay Babbitt; Vi Hudson, Ruth Burton; Luella, Shirley Rowen; Nora McGinnis, Frances Kushlan; Carolina, Jean Porter; Polly Wentworth, Nancy Weaver; Mrs. Goldstein, Peggy Morrison.

The play is being directed by Mr. Donald Richert.

New business opens this week

John Batton and Sons have reopened the building formerly occupied by the Miller-Shaw company, and are doing business as a machinery, repairing, welding and blacksmithing unit.

John Batton and Sons is located on the curve of the highway just south of town, and all farmers are urged to check their machinery to see if this new organization can be of service at this time.

Guardmen receive promotions here

Becoming effective January 12, were promotions given by the National Guard to the following men: Sgt. James P. Miklancic, to Sgt. 1st Class; Cpl. Phillip Dazey and Cpl. Rodger Nash, to Sgt.; Pfc. Roy Mills, to Cpl.; Pvt. Bob Weaver and Pvt. Cecil Burnett, to Pfc. Three new men joined the local Guard unit during the month of December. They were Robert Malmberg, Marsing; Wayne McDannald and Eugene Tarr, both of Wilder.

Succor Creek

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sweep and family and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Konig and son, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Albee of Emmett.

Mrs. Lavona Sayre of Caldwell was a Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. and Mrs. Cecil Richards.

Mrs. and Mr. Cecil Richards and Mrs. and Mr. Bill Bahem visited Sunday evening in Boise with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Cieder.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Richards were Sunday dinner guests of Viola Skelton of Bowmont.

Emma Earnest and Glenna Martin spent Thursday in Boise shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rose and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Earnest visited in Boise Friday with Mrs. and Mr. J. H. Beasley and Mr. and Mrs. Rose over stayed until Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Glanzman were Saturday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Miller in Homedale.

Mrs. Dorothy Stimmel and Mrs. Mina Olivier left Friday to drive to Davenport, Wash., to spend a few days with Mrs. Stimmel's daughter and new baby granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Sircin and family spent Sunday in Caldwell with Mrs. Sircin's parents, Mrs. and Mr. W. W. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Richards were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brandon arrived home Wednesday, Dec. 30, from Long View, Wash., where they had been visiting with their son.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dunaway of Parma visited Sunday with their daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Richards.

138 years ago

January 13, 1866

IT WILL BE SEEN by County Auditor and Treasurer's Report that, on the 2d inst, the actual indebtedness of Owyhee county was \$10, 851.19. We are informed on good authority that, since that date, claims have been audited by the County Commissioners to the amount of \$5000 more, making a total of over \$15,000. This is comparatively trifling, and with good management, one year hence all of it may be paid, and have money in the Treasury. We venture the assertion that the affairs of Owyhee county are better managed than any in Idaho Territory; also, that the several county officers will compare favorably with any others. The Revenue laws have been better enforced and less money unwisely expended. All things considered, Owyhee county is in better condition than any other, which is the result of having better officers.

THE BALL given by Mr. Beede, at the Bank Exchange Hall, on Thursday evening, was a success. Everybody, their wives and papooses were there-except a few unfortunately timid people who dread a little snow. It is truly wonderful how much dancing a score of ladies can endure and close up at daylight with a bewitching double-shuffle. Folks who didn't enjoy themselves are alone to blame. The "lunch" at the New State Hotel was generally considered a tiptop supper. The tables were laden with everything that a famished dancist could crave.

BILLS were introduced into the Legislature to abolish the offices of Territorial Treasurer, Auditor and Superintendent of Public Instruction. The two former were abolished, the latter was not. Hon. John A. Chittenden, Territorial Superintendent of Schools, tendered his resignation to the Governor, who refused to accept it. Mr. Parkinson enjoys the credit of introducing the bill to abolish an important educational office. "Honor to whom honor is due."

A MAN by the name of Miller, once a resident in Owyhee, was found dead in a deep shaft in Grass Valley, Cal. A brother of Capt. Murphy writes that a few days prior to his death, he spoke of writing the Captain. Information is asked. Capt. M. either never knew or has forgotten him. Pass it along.

JACK SINCLAIR and Springer have double-teamed on the "chiefs" at Silver, and are bringing them to time on the double-quick. Heretofore it was impossible for Jack to be everywhere at once, or watch 'em 25 hours in 24. We'd give something for the verbatim proceedings and police-court eloquence that frequently takes place up there.

LETTERS from San Francisco state that the Hon. Cornelius Cole has been elected United States Senator, from California. Since Gawne's ex-teams hauled off the Chico route, it is very seldom we get any news from that direction. It was some comfort to get news in 30 or 35 days even then, but now from 50 to 60 goes.

B.M. DURELL AND CO. have written to this bailiwick that their Fast Freight Line will be extended to Owyhee on and after the 15h inst. Their regular wagons will run to Reynolds creek, and if the little nervous obstructions are cleared away, will come right into camp. We are informed that Mr. Skinner has put a force of men to work opening up the road. This ought to be done, for then the F. F. wagons and stages would make their regular trips all the way. This would immensely benefit the home and traveling public. We need-greatly need- fast and slow freight, stages, mails and express. To secure these, a few miles of snow must be tramped down-not shoveled out.

THE GOVERNOR has approved House Bill No. 11, to incorporate a gas company for Ruby and Silver Cities, Owyhee county. The owners of this franchise are Col. T Vault, W. S. Stevens and A.H. Webb. Stevens is one of the most popular gas manufacturers in the country-makes a good deal without a franchise. As it is next to impossible to get coal oil or candles sufficient to illuminate the camp this winter, we hope this company will rush along with their gas works. Bills to incorporate gas companies in Boise and Idaho Cities have been introduced.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense

Lazarus and the owl

Over the years I've become accustomed to the incongruous sight of rugged ranching families, with their weathered faces, rough hands, fearsome pickups and macho confidence, carrying a small dog. A wee dog, a mini-mutt, a compact canine, a tiny terrier, a Lilliputian lapdog, a pocket poodle, a pint-sized Pomeranian, pigmy pug...paltry Pekingese, a little Llasa, a dinky Dalmatian, a diminutive Dachschund (a teeny weenie), or a contracted, corpuscular chow-chewing Chihuahua.

These petite pups look out of place amongst the bullying blue healers, busy border collies, exuberant shepherds, saddle horses, hay wagons, big tires and steel shod hooves that make up the rancher's daily environment. They are like a corsage on a backhoe bucket.

But let me assure you, most of these miniature dogs are tough as a railroad spike. The selective breeding required to shrink these breeds has concentrated certain traits like toughness. Unfortunately it also often concentrates the yipping, snarling, nipping, whining, irritating, egotistical genes as well.

Which brings me to Concho, a toy poodle, beloved by his mistress Georgi, and generally despised by the rest of her family, all her friends and even most of the strangers they meet. Because, of course, Concho accompanies her everywhere they go.

Upon arriving at the home ranch after a weekend of rodeoing, Concho leapt from the truck and played outside while the folks unloaded. An hour later he had disappeared. For two days despite search parties, phoning and plaintive calls from the front porch after dark, Concho remained missing. Wednesday morning found Georgi alone in the house when she heard a scratching at the door. Concho looked up at her and cocked his head as if to say, "How could you, my faithful servant, have let this happen to me!"

The veterinary examination showed no broken bones but lots of swelling and several deep puncture wounds on the back and neck. The vet said the injuries conformed to the pattern of talons on a giant horned owl, but the vet could not understand how he escaped. Georgi figured she knew how. No sooner had the owl snatched him from the yard and started upward, Concho, true to form, started his yipping, snarling, nipping and whining routine, probably demanding to be treated like the first class passenger he was. The owl raised a leg mid-flight and looked at the nasty little beast screaming dog obscenities and decided something this evil must taste bad and dropped him from the sky.

Concho's still tough and though he's begrudgingly admired, he is still universally hated which suits him fine as long as Georgi waits on him hand and paw. However he's now known by many as Lazarus, as in, 'Georgi, tell us the story of Lazarus and the owl.'

Joe Aman

Editor's notebook

More than just a chip



County Commissioner Chris Salove said last week that he is seeking a replacement for a member of the county fair board who has resigned.

The board has been the center of several controversies, many in the dealings with the rodeo board. Agreements have been made and changed; contracts signed, then altered by the fair board; in short, egos and politics have gotten in the way of county business.

But Salove made it clear that he wants things to change: "I would ask that it not be someone who comes in with a chip on their shoulder over the battle that has gone on over the last several years. I want someone who wants to come in and do a good job for the county fair."

I hope he can find that someone.

There are more issues than just a "chip on their shoulder" needing to be addressed.

Idaho law requires the fair board publish its financial report within 90 days following the fair. In the case of Owyhee County, this would be around the middle of November. It's now the middle of January, and the board has yet to comply with this law.

The board is required to post its meeting agenda 48

hours prior to its meeting at the place of the meeting. Not only does the board fail to post such notices, it meets wherever it wants, sometimes at the fair office, sometimes at the extension office. The Code says it shall meet at the place for conducting the county fair.

The secretary is required to notify news media requesting such notification of meetings and its agenda. We've requested to be on this list numerous times, without results.

We've also requested copies of the minutes of the meetings, which is also ignored.

This has been a problem for years. I recall back in the 70's, the secretary of the fair board refused to make the financial information available to this newspaper - or anyone else. When we finally got the information (it's public information), we saw why. The board was in the red around \$7,000.

The impression we get is that the fair board does, in fact, have a chip on its shoulder. It operates outside the law, and in doing so, it also violates the trust of the citizens of the county.

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... *but possibly of interest*



The arrival of our first grandchild has made me aware that bringing up babies has changed a lot since our Three Darling Daughters went through that stage.

One major difference with today's babies is how they sleep. When we were practicing parents we put our infants to bed on their stomachs. The theory was that if they spit up during the night, they wouldn't choke. Today, infants sleep on their backs. This change has apparently reduced the number of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome cases dramatically. That's a good thing.

Another big difference in raising kids today is car safety seats. When our kids were little we either held them when on the road or, when they got a little older, we let them rattle around in the backseat. We did have an early kid car seat but it was universally hated by our offspring. In addition, it was designed in such a way that if we had hit something, it probably would have folded its occupant up into a little ball.

Today's child safety seats offer a lot of protection. I'm surprised they aren't equipped with an ejection mechanism and a parachute. Because most kids use a seat from the day they are born, they seem to grow accustomed to riding backwards staring at the back of the back seat. The biggest problem is for folks of my generation who have to figure out how to install the seats.

When my partner in life and I were kids, people didn't worry about protection for youngsters in cars. The potential danger was sort of accepted -- like riding a bicycle without a helmet, or coming down with polio or rheumatic fever. The odds either caught up with you, or you survived to become an adult.

In the old days, the danger to kids riding in

automobiles wasn't just from a crash or rollover. You also could fall out. My brother-in-law, Carl, remembers when all five kids in their family were riding in the backseat of the Buick during a Sunday drive with mom and dad. They were chugging down a gravel road when one of the back doors popped open and Carl fell out. I don't think they were going terribly fast but Carl claims he rolled some little distance before coming to a halt.

Carl said the worst part about falling out of the car wasn't his injuries, which were superficial. What bothered him was that nobody in the car missed him until the Buick was a mile down the road. He said even when the family returned, none of them seemed as upset as the woman in another car who almost ran over him while he was sitting in the middle of the road.

Personally, I believe Carl would have been missed by his parents and siblings, at least when dinner time rolled around. Carl sat nearest to his father at the kitchen table. He claims that wherever one of his brothers or sisters acted up, his dad would lean over and thump him on the head with his finger. Apparently, thumping Carl was easier than getting up and punishing the actual troublemaker. So when Carl turned up missing it was in the best interests of all potential thumpees to get him back in his proper spot.

Unfortunately, a lot of the bumps and bruises the members of my generation suffered because of lack of safety equipment caused mental problems that didn't surface until years later. Take the case of Carl: He seemed perfectly normal after falling out of the car, but he grew up to become a high school teacher

Public notices

**OWYHEECOUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
DECEMBER 22, 2003
OWYHEECOUNTY
COURTHOUSE MURPHY,
IDAHO**

Present were Commissioner Harold Tolmie, Commissioner Dick Reynolds, Commissioner Chris Salove, Clerk Charlotte Sherburn, Treasurer Barbara Wright, and Jim Desmond.

The Board amended the agenda to include: a building permit waiver on the Bruneau Water Tower also the permit fee for new construction on the Grandview Fire House for the ambulance, and Silver City School House Restoration Project ER.

Michael Goss with Goss,Boise met with the Board to discuss his commission as agent for the Gem Plan. No action was taken

Barbara Wright submitted a request for cancellation of property tax for Parcel No. SP 0009700 in the amount of \$1,087 to the Board. The Board moved to approve the cancellation.

Larry McDaniel met with the Board to discuss a letter received from Leavitt & Associates regarding storm drainage problems on the properties of Murphy residents Mrs. Shiflet and Mr. Stewart. Mr. McDaniel thought the best solution was to build a drainage ditch around the residence.

The Board approved the weed control agreement with Idaho Transportation Department for 2004.

The Board approved the contract with Delta Dental for a one year period startingFebruary 1, 2004 for dental coverage for the employees.

Indigent and Charity Case No. 03-49 was approved with a reimbursement agreement signed by the applicant.

A hearing was held on Indigent and Charity Case No. 03-42 on a previous denial. The Board moved to deny the reconsideration as the County was not the last resource.

The Board approved the minutes for the December 15thmeeting.

The Board adopted Resolution No. 03-45 transfer of expenditures from District Court Fund to Probation Fund.

The Board adopted Resolution No. 03-46 adjusting the Proba-

tion Fund to reflect the JAIBG Grant in the 2004 budget.

The Board signed the Environmental Review for the Historic Silver City School House Restoration project.

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

The Board called for adjournment.

Harold Tolmie, Chairman
Attest: Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk
1/14/04

NOTICE

The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) announces requests of proposals for a pilot water rights leasing program for 2004. Reclamation will lease water rights for flow augmentation from qualified applicants who are willing to place their Snake River water rights or a portion of their water rights into the Idaho State Water Supply Bank. Proposals must be received in writing by January 16, 2004. Under this program, land appurtenant to the leased water right will be idled. Only water rights with a priority dates of 12/29/76 or earlier are eligible. For more information or an application contact Ruth Page of Reclamation's Pacific Northwest Regional Office at 208-378-5382.

12/31/03-01/07,14/04

**HOMEDALE SCHOOL
DISTRICT #370
CALL FOR BID FOR
SCHOOL BUS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by Homedale Jt. School District No. 370, Homedale, Idaho for the purchase of one (1) 2005 72-passenger school bus (complete – body and chassis).

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

Bids must be submitted on or before 9:00 a.m. on February 4, 2004 to the Homedale School District Office, 116 East Owyhee Ave., Homedale, Idaho. Bids received after the stated time and date will not be considered. At the stated time and place, bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

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

Faith K. Olsen, Assistant Clerk
01/7,14/04

**NOTICE OF HEARING
CASE NO. SP-03-01973M
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF
THE STATE OF IDAHO AND
IN FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE**

IN RE: Roean Henry Handke
A Petition by Roean Henry Handke born on 08/07/41 in Camas, State of Washington now residing at 912 Molar Lane, Marsing, proposing a change in name to Roean Henry Bush has been filed in the above entitled court, the reason for this change in name being change to birth name. The petitioner's father has died and the names and addresses of the petitioner's near relatives are: Stella J. Bush, PO Box 238, Marsing, ID 83639

Such petition will be heard at 10:30 o'clock a.m. on February 4, 2004, in courtroom at Homedale at the Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can, in such objections, show to the court a good reason against such a change of name.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said District Court this 24th day of December, 2003.

CHARLOTTE SHERBURN,
Clerk of the District Court
By /s/Jan Fink, Deputy Clerk.
12/31/03-01/7,14,21/04

**NOTICE OF PETITION AND
HEARING
FOR THE ANNEXATION OF
LAND TO THE OPALINE
IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a petition for annexation of land into the Opaline Irrigation District has been filed with the secretary of said district.

James L. Jensen and Jessie J. Jensen husband and wife, pray to annex the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 17; the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 20, and the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 20 Twp. 1 N., R. 3 W., B.M..

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that all persons interested in or that may be affected by such change of boundaries of the district, shall appear at the place of the district's Board of Directors' meetings, 9265 Jaca Lane at 7 p.m. on February 3, 2004, and show cause in writing, if any they have, why the lands mentioned should not be annexed to said district.

This notice is submitted according to 43-1003 of the Idaho Code.

Angela L. Jensen
Secretary
896-5273
1/14,21,28/04

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S
SALE
CASE NO. CV 03-03961
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF OWYHEE**

WESTERN UNITED LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY,
Plaintiff,
Vs.
BARLOW, KEVIN GEE AND SHAREE ANN BARLOW, et al.,
Defendants.

Under and by virtue of a Writ of Execution pursuant to the Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure recovered in said Court in the above-entitled action on the December 24, 2003, in favor of the above-named Plaintiff and against the Defendants, LEOTA M. DAY, CHARLES E. DAY, and MARIE GONZALEZ, I am commanded and required to proceed to notice for sale and to sell at public auction the property described in said Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure and to apply the proceeds of such sale to the satisfaction of said Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure with interest thereon and my fees and costs.

The property directed to be sold is situated in OWYHEE County, State of Idaho, and is described as follows:

Lot 19, Block 70, 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 More commonly known as:

6 N. MAIN STREET, HOMEDALE, ID 83628

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 29th day of January, 2004, at the hour of 2:00 p.m. on the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy,

20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650, I will attend, offer and sell at public auction all or so much of the above-described property thus directed to be sold as may be necessary to raise sufficient funds to pay and satisfy the Writ of Execution pursuant to the Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure as set out in said Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure to the Plaintiff upon credit bid or highest bidder therefore for cash in currency of the United States of America.

That said real property is subject to redemption from the purchaser within six months after the sale by the Plaintiff or other redemptioner pursuant to Idaho Code § 11-402.

Parties desiring further information regarding the location of the real property described herein should contact: Holger Uhl, NEAL & UHL, PLLC, 1101W. River Street, Suite 110, P.O. Box 1926, Boise, ID 83701, telephone number (208) 343-5931 and facsimile number (208) 343-5807.

DATED this 9th day of January, 2004.

SHERIFF, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

By: /s/R. Freund
1/14,21,28/04

**NOTICE OF HEARING
CASE NO. SP-02-01784
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF OWYHEE**

In the Matter of the Estate of ILA SUSAN HARRIS,
Deceased.

TO: All Parties in Interest:

YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that First and Final Account, Petition for Settlement and Distribution of Interstate Estate by the Personal Representative will be called up for hearing before the above-entitled Court at the Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, Owyhee County, Idaho, before the Honorable Thomas J. Ryan, Magistrate Judge, on Monday, the 23rd day of February, 2004 at 3:00 o'clock p.m. of said day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard.

Dated this 6 day of January, 2004.

MARCUS, MERRICK, CHRISTIAN AND HARDEE, L.L.P.

By Craig Marcus
Attorneys for Personal Representative
1/14,21,28/04

**CITY OF HOMEDALE
Quarterly Expenditure Report**

For 3 month period ending December 31, 2003					
FUND	Personnel	O&M	Cap.Imp.	TOTAL	%
01 General	52198	65415	32142	149755	30%
02 Streets/Highways	18389	16404	4608	39401	25%
03 Parks	-0-	3288	-0-	3288	4%
04 Library	5497	1991	608	8096	17%
05 Tort	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-%
30 Airport	-0-	320	3403	3723	11%
60 Irrigation	11085	11027	3821	25933	31%
Sp. Funds Totals:	87169	98445	44582	230196	17%
25 Water	25692	8846	135719	170257	30%
26 Sewer	18389	3058	7743	29190	13%
27 Sanitation	-0-	14575	-0-	14575	15%
En. Funds Total	44081	26479	143462	214022	20%
TOTAL (All funds)	131250	124924	188044	444218	23%

Citizens are invited to inspect the detailed supporting records of the above Financial Statement at City Hall during regular office hours.
Pamela K. Dugger, City Clerk-Treasurer
1/14/04

Classified deadline

**Monday noon the
week of publication**

Legal notice deadline

Friday noon the week prior to publication

The Owyhee Avalanche

337-4681

Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
Trustee’s Sale No. 02-EO-33882

Notice is hereby given that, Fidelity National Title Insurance, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on April 12, 2004, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, located at the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, Murphy, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the “Property”), situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, to-wit: Lot 24 and 25 in Block 60 of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the Official Plat thereof, filed August 9, 1911, as No. 7284 on file in the Office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 18 W Owyhee St, Homedale, ID 83628, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Terri L. Hurley and Michael A. Hurley, wife and husband, as Grantor, to Alliance Title & Escrow, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Equity One, Inc., as Beneficiary, dated 1/5/2001, recorded 1/8/2001, under Instrument No. 234765, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by JP Morgan Chase Bank, NA as Trustee f/k/a The Chase Manhattan Bank as Trustee for the benefit of Equity One ABS, Inc. Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2001-1. The above Grantors are named to comply with Section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 1/5/2001, the monthly payment which became due on 9/9/2002 and all subsequent monthly payments, plus late charges and other costs and fees as set forth. Amount due as of December 3, 2003 Delinquent Payments from September 09, 2002 15 payments at \$677.45 each \$10,161.75 (09-09-02 through 12-03-03) Late Charges: \$745.14 Beneficiary Advances: \$0.00 Suspense Credit: -\$350.55 Total: \$10,556.34 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$69,270.90, together with interest thereon at 11.250% per annum from 8/9/2002, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be af-

forded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. Dated: December 03, 2003. **Fidelity National Title Insurance, Trustee** By A Fragassi, AVP c/o Regional Trustee Services Corporation, 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: <http://www.rtrustee.com> ASAP571117 12/31/03-01/07/14/21/04

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On Wednesday, the 21st day of April, 2004, at the hour of 10:00, o’clock a.m. of said day (recognized local time), at Owyhee County Courthouse located at HWY 78, Murphy, ID 83650, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Michael L. Schindele, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of the sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

See Exhibit “A” which is attached hereto and by this reference made a part of.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 5015 East Ustick #180, Caldwell, ID 83605 may sometimes be associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by LeRoy Earl Babcock and Barbara Shay Babcock, husband and wife, as Grantor(s), to Pioneer Title Company of Canyon County, as Trustee, Michael L. Schindele, as Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of American General Finance, Inc., as Beneficiary, said Deed of Trust dated August 13, 1997, and recorded August 15, 1997, as Instrument No. 222562, Mortgage Records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

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

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust Note dated August 13, 1997, the monthly payments for principal, interest and impounds of \$984.87, for the month(s) of July 10, 2003, through the current month and year, and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement with all accrued interest, late charges and expenses. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$82,578.83, plus accruing interest. All delinquent payments are now due, together with accruing late charges and

interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

DATED this 19 day of December, 2003.

MICHAEL L. SCHINDELE
Successor Trustee
P.O. Box 1990
Boise, Idaho 83701
Telephone: (208) 342-2241
EXHIBIT A

A part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 15, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

BEGINNING at the Northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (N1/4 corner) said corner monumented with an aluminum capped monument; thence

South 0° 35’ 42” East, a distance of 968.43 feet along the Easterly boundary of said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter to a point on the centerline of an existing field ditch, said point monumented with a 5/8 inch diameter iron pin; thence

North 81° 12’ 40” West, a distance of 629.60 feet along the centerline of said existing field ditch to a 5/8 inch diameter iron pin; thence

North 0° 35’ 42” West, a distance of 301.42 feet parallel with the Easterly boundary of said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter to a point on the centerline of an existing ditch, said point witnessed with 5/8 inch iron pin 10 feet Southerly; thence

South 77° 59’ 35” East, a distance of 575.03 feet along the centerline of said ditch to a point witnessed with a 5/8 inch iron pin 10 feet Northerly; thence

North 0° 35’ 42” West, a distance of 690.07 feet parallel with the Easterly boundary of said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter to a point on the Northerly boundary of said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, said point monumented with a PK nail and washer; thence

North 89° 39’ 40” East, a distance of 60.00 feet along

the Northerly boundary of said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

SUBJECT TO a non-exclusive road easement lying 30.00 feet on each side of the following described centerline;

COMMENCING at the Northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (N1/4 corner); thence

South 89° 39’ 10” West a distance of 30.00 feet to the BEGINNING POINT of said road easement; thence

South 0° 35’ 42” North a distance of 963.60 feet along the centerline of said road easement to a point on the Southerly boundary of the above described parcel, said point being the TERMINUS POINT of said road easement.

12/31/03-1/7,14,21/04

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Loan No. 310726740
T.S. No. 1053573-09 Parcel No.

On April 01, 2004, at the hour of 11:00am, of said day, At the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Hwy 78, Owyhee, Idaho, First American Title Insurance Company, as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashier’s check drawn on a State or National Bank, a check drawn by a State or Federal Credit Union, or a check drawn by a State or Federal Savings and Loan Association, Savings Association, or Savings Bank, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit: A parcel of land in Southwest quarter, Southeast quarter, section 2, township 1 South, range 3 West, Boise Meridian, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Southwest quarter, Southeast quarter thence North 0°14’12” West along the West boundary of Southwest quarter, Southeast quarter, a distance of 870.99 feet to the True Point of Beginning; thence continuing North 0°14’12” West, a distance of 444.33 feet to the Northwest corner of said Southwest quarter Southeast quarter; thence North 89°54’42” East

along the North boundary of Southwest quarter, Southeast quarter, a distance of 1052.47 feet; thence South 54°09’32” West, a distance of 760.46 feet; thence South 89°54’42” West along a line parallel with and 444.33 feet Southerly of said North boundary, a distance of 434.17 feet to the True Point of Beginning. Commonly known as Star Route Box 87a Melba Id 83641. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Duane E Jacobson and Nadine A Jacobson, husband and wife as Grantor, to Owyhee County Title Company, as trustee, for the benefit and security of Idaho Bank & Trust Co as beneficiary, recorded July 23, 1984, as Instrument No. 181516, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due January 1, 2003 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said deed of trust. The estimated balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$57,123.51, including interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation thereunder or in this sale, and trustee’s fees and/or reasonable attorney’s fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. First American Title Insurance Company C/o Cal-western Reconveyance Corporation P.O. Box 22004 El Cajon Ca 92022-9004 (619)590-9200 Dated: December 01, 2003 Signature By: First American Title Insurance Company Elizabeth B. Mills, Assist. Sec. R-102648

12/24,31/03-01/07,14/04

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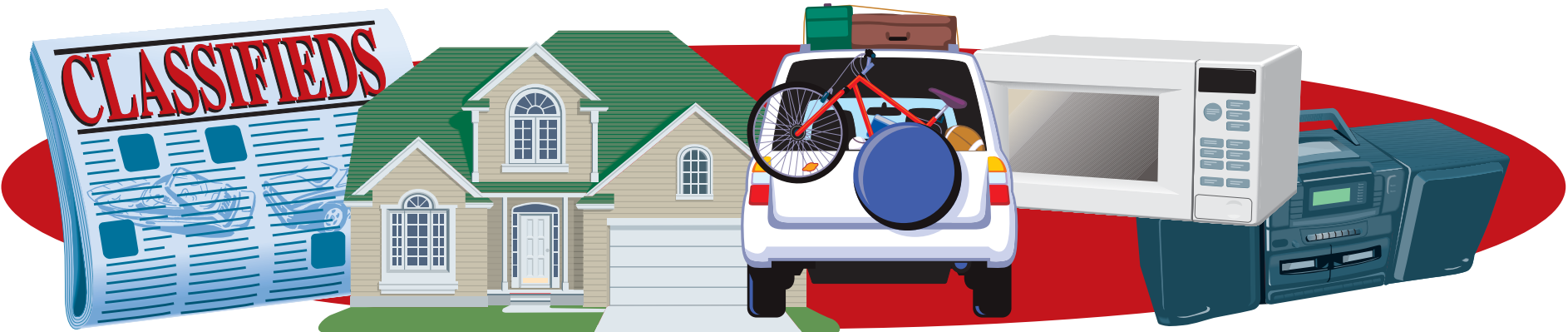
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FROM 10/01/2003 TO 12/31/2003

FIRST QUARTER

*** FUNDS WITH NO ACTIVITY WILL NOT APPEAR ON REPORT ***

Fund	----- TREASURER'S CASH -----					Available Cash Balance
	Beginning Balance	Receipts and Transfers	Disbursements and Transfers	Ending Balance	Outstanding Warrants	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDS						
0001 CURRENT EXPENSE	1,431,389.63	125,354.83	665,271.78	891,472.68	42,507.55	848,965.13
0002 ROAD AND BRIDGE	593,352.55	28,269.27	251,373.59	370,248.23	12,840.74	357,407.49
0003 AIRPORT	62,458.79	975.81		63,434.60		63,434.60
0005 BOND REDEMPTION	220,061.76	9,977.72		230,039.48		230,039.48
0006 DISTRICT COURT	79,604.03	77,454.48	138,450.91	18,607.60	4,333.17	14,274.43
0007 FAIR, COUNTY	30,657.17	1,669.57		32,326.74		32,326.74
0009 FAIR, GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS	88,611.77	2,531.77	15,976.31	75,167.23		75,167.23
0010 PROBATION		84,555.45	39,205.57	45,349.88	1,951.77	43,398.11
0011 HEALTH DISTRICT	42,768.58	1,109.94	8,389.34	35,489.18		35,489.18
0012 HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM	39,350.27	1,321.94	10,546.82	30,125.39	686.30	29,439.09
0016 INDIGENT AND CHARITY	251,221.45	15,973.97	84,102.40	183,093.02	466.04	182,626.98
0017 JUNIOR COLLEGE TUITION	84,757.71	23.32	4,850.00	79,931.03		79,931.03
0019 PEST	7,423.19	41.95		7,465.14		7,465.14
0020 REVALUATION	88,488.40	8,828.28	40,050.50	57,266.18	2,831.77	54,434.41
0023 SOLID WASTE	396,458.39	23,184.53	67,557.41	352,085.51	701.50	351,384.01
0024 TORT	64,394.74	3,635.86	9,666.00	58,364.60		58,364.60
0025 VETERANS MEMORIAL	1,580.60	68.09	1,200.00	448.69		448.69
0026 WARRANT REDEMPTION	43,247.06			43,247.06		43,247.06
0027 WEEDS	24,870.66	4,578.63	15,245.29	14,204.00	646.30	13,557.70
0028 911			(41,821.63)	41,821.63		41,821.63
GENERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDS TOTALS	3,550,696.75	389,555.41	1,310,064.29	2,630,187.87	66,965.14	2,563,222.73
AGENCY FUNDS	152,923.37	328,742.31	409,438.33	72,227.35	33,662.16	38,565.19
TRUST FUNDS	1,696,862.50	363,252.07	409,804.25	1,650,310.32	12,410.74	1,637,899.58
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	5,400,482.62	1,081,549.79	2,129,306.87	4,352,725.54	113,038.04	4,239,687.50

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND
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5TH

DAY OF January

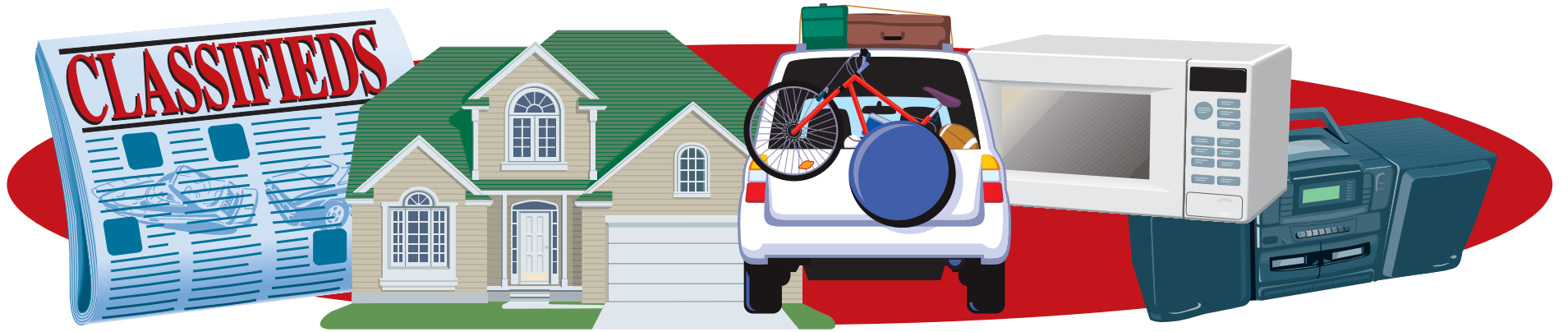
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Barbara Wright

CHARLOTTE SHERBURN

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AUDITOR, OWYHEE COUNTY



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