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# School district searches for trustee replacement

Homedale School District's zone 5 trustee resigned last week and now the district is searching for a replacement. The replacing trustee will only hold the office for four months as the zone seat is up for election in May.

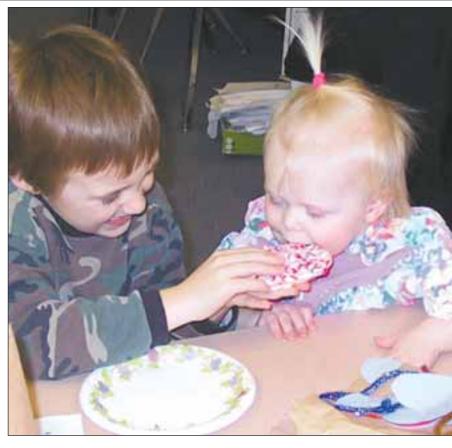
Board Clerk Faith Olsen said last week that Moss Watson resigned his position in resignation letter stating no reason for the resignation. She said Watson stated in his letter that he regretted the resignation and his recent attendance of board meetings.

"It has been a privilege and an honor to have served on the school board," Watson wrote. "I would like to commend the entire staff, principals and superintendent for their dedication and commitment to the students. I believe they bring the true meaning to the term Homedale Pride." Watson was elected to the position in 2001 and an election for the zone will be held in May. It is a three-year term.

The board will make an appointment for the vacancy on March 8 and are accepting nominations until Feb. 27. A screening process will be held on March 3.

The appointed person will finish Watson's term until July 2004 when the newly elected trustee will be sworn into office. The election will be held on May 18.

Zone 5 begins at the intersection of the west Homedale city limits and California Ave. Eason on California Ave. to 1<sup>st</sup> St. West. North on 1<sup>st</sup> West a short distance and extended directly north to the Snake River. Easterly on the Snake River to Idaho Ave. West on Idaho Ave. to Railroad Ave. Northwest on Railroad Ave. to 6<sup>th</sup> St. West. North on 6<sup>th</sup> St. West to Washington Ave. West on Washington Ave to the city limits. Northerly on the city limits to the beginning.



#### Sharing

Teddy Webb shares his Valentine cookie with his sister Annette during a Valentine's Day celebration at Homedale Elementary School. National Honor Society students spent the morning with the class reading the youngsters books and coloring a Valentine's project.

## **County commissioners establish snowmobile advisory committee**

A snowmobile advisory committee has been formed by the Owyhee County Commissioners last week so the county can be able to receive funds from snowmobile registrations as they do from boat registrations.

The Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation give 85 percent of the registration fees back to designated counties who have an active snowmobile appointment of the members who will serve last week.

Kevin Lawson, Scott Bennett from the Grand View area, Joe Usabel from Marsing, Ben Badiola from Homedale and Dennis Pruett from Canyon County, were named to the board. The committee will be responsible to advise the commissioners on matters relating to the establishment and maintenance of parking and unloading areas on public and private property and on the expenditure of moneys deposited in the county snowmobile fund. The committee will also coordinate its activities and recommendations with the county natural resources committee.

# Irrigation tax billings, collections short

Some residents in the City of Homedale have been receiving a break in their irrigation taxes in the past, but Mayor Paul Fink said during a meeting last week that the discrepancy has been found.

In a statement presented to the council from City Maintenance Supervisor Larry Bauer, he said records show that customers have been billed \$5,617.06 for the Gem Irrigation District assessment. The amount owing Gem Irrigation is \$13,890.51, showing a shortage of \$8,273.45.

Overall, the fund was short even more. Bauer said the user revenue budget for irrigation (the Gem assessment, plus the maintenance assessment) was \$73,400. Only \$50,707.60 was billed, and of that, only \$38,723.38 was collected. If all the bills were collected, the fund balance would still be short \$22,700.

"We have gone through and worked every customer account, lot size through deed, so now the assessment of the Gem Irrigation will be right," Bauer said. "I would suggest that we prepare the public. The large property owners are going take a big hit. The average household with two or three lots is not going to feel it much. But the people owning acreages are going to feel it.

"The total amount we should be charging the customers (for Gem Irrigation) is \$13,120.10. A maintenance fee of \$56.50 was charged to each customer in addition to the Gem District assessment. There was also a surcharge of \$10 added the billing, but not all customers were charged this fee."

program in place.

Typically, the money is used for the maintenance and operation of the snowmobile trail groomer, signing of snowmobile trails, plowing parking lots and maintaining warming shelters.

County commissioners passed an ordinance defining the duties of an advisory committee earlier this month and passed a resolution regarding the The Department of Parks and Recreation reported that nearly 8,000 miles of trail are groomed as a result — to page 5

Mayor Paul Fink explained that an acre contains 14 lots. He said the city — to page 5

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#### Chili feed

Homedale baseball players Garrett Sweet and Ryan Rupp serve up a hearty bowl of chili for Danielle Provancha during a boys basketball game at the school last week. The chili feed was held as a fundraiser for the ball team who will begin practice next month.

# Bruneau Boosters to hold community auction Saturday

The Bruneau Boosters will host a community auction Saturday at the American Legion Hall at 7 p.m. dinner will be held at 6 p.m. Sloppy Joes, salad and chips with coffee or punch will be served.

Kyle Colyer of Bruneau will call bids and raffle tickets for a live goat donated by Don George and Millie Porter will be sold. Handmade quilts and afghans will also be auctioned.

Donations are still being accepted by being dropped off at the legion hall or by calling 845-2408 for pickup. For more information contact Clara Morris at 845-2345.



# Purdom jamboree planned

The Marsing Seniors will honor local music artist Woody Purdom with a jamboree of local talent on Saturday from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

"We want to honor Woody and those who have played with him over the years," coordinators said.

Local musical artists are invited to attend as well as the public to enjoy a variety of tunes. Chili and pie will be served. The cost is \$3 per person or \$5 per couple.

# Public invited to Lincoln Day luncheon

Republican candidates will gather tomorrow (Thursday) for an annual Lincoln's Day luncheon with guest speakers including U.S. Senator Larry Craig, Idaho Congressman Butch Otter, Attorney General Lawrence Wasden, Senator Tom Gannon, Idaho State Treasurer Ron Crane, a representative for Crapo, Representative Francis Field and representative Doug Jones. The event will be held at noon on Thursday, Feb. 11 at the Sandbar Restaurant in Marsing. Dinner will cost \$12 per person and the public is invited to attend.

County elected officials will also be available to speak including County Commissioners Hal Tolmie and Dick Reynolds. County sheriff Gary Aman is also expected to attend as his term in office expires this year.

Coordinators of the event said in the county, the sheriff, Aman, prosecuting attorney, Ed Yarbrough and two commissioners', Tolmie and Reynolds' positions will be up for election.

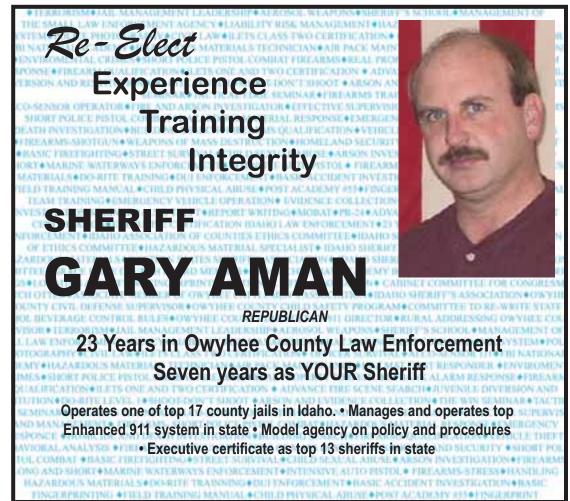
# **Board delays county fair by one week**

Members of the county fair board have delayed this year's fair activities by one week, moving it to the second week in August instead of the first week as in years past. Fair board secretary Terry Nielsen said last week the fair will be held on Aug. 9-14. She said the rodeo will be held from the 11<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup>.

This year's theme is "Fun in the Sun" and the colors will be bright yellow and hot pink. A beach party will be held on Friday with entertainment in 1960s beach style. Saturday a bluegrass bonanza with bluegrass bands is planned as well as two nights of dancing with live bands.

The board will soon be advertising for bids for a lighting project for the rodeo arena. Nielsen said the project is a three-phase plan with the rodeo arena and the east parking lot being the first phase. The first project is expected to be done by July 4<sup>th</sup> in time for the Demolition Derby.

The fair board meets the first Thursday of the month at the Owyhee County Extension office until this summer when it will again meet at the fair board office in Homedale. The meetings begin at 7 p.m.



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*Fannie Kushlan Mrak and Jennie Demshar Jereb during last* weekend's 90<sup>th</sup> Austrian settlers anniversary celebration.



Elias Paxton dances a two-step with Jessica Mangum during last weekend's 90<sup>th</sup> Austrian reunion at the Homedale Senior Citizen's Center in Homedale. A large crowd of people attended to celebrate 90 years since a train of Austrian settlers made their homes in the Homedale area.



# Austrians celebrate 90th anniversary



#### Grab your partner

The John Dominick Band played a variety of tunes for the 90<sup>th</sup> reunion. Only two original Austrian Settlers remain of the families who came to the area from Rock Springs Wyoming. Fannie Kushlan Mrak and Jennie Demshar Jereb were in attendance Saturday for the open house.



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# **Conservationist** of the year

Judy Lisonbee stands near her tractor (left) on her farm on Succor Creek last week. Lisonbee was named this year's Farmer Conservationist of the Year by the Owyhee Soil Conservation District during an awards banquet at the Sandbar Restaurant in Marsing earlier this month. Judy was honored with a plaque for her efforts to conserve water on her 220-acre farm near Homedale.



# Homedale woman named farmer of the year

A Homedale woman was named Farmer Conservationist of the Year during an awards banquet at the Sandbar Restaurant in Marsing earlier this month. Judy Lisonbee was honored with a plaque for her efforts to conserve water on her 220-acre farm near Homedale.

Lissome is the eldest of 15 children and grew up on a farm. She has 10 children of her own with her husband school superintendent Bob Lisonbee. Besides raising her own children, Judy has also helped raise two exchange students and a young man in Challis.

Judy was chosen for the award because of her work in developing changes in farming practices to conserve resources. She manages two places on Succor Creek Road. She and Bob grow alfalfa and corn and recently moved her home to the farm to manage the couple's calf operation. She raised 50 calves this year, with the assistance of 11 mother cows, and she has successfully developed an irrigation system that now allows her farm to be considered a zero run-off system.

The Lisonbees experienced extreme soil erosion, developed a system with the installation of a surge system to regulate water flow in gated pipe, and updated to wheel lines. Bob said Judy had worked on the system for five years until the couple received a grant from the Owyhee Soil Conservation District, which helped with the wheel lines.

In another field, a full 360degree pivot was installed. They no longer see canyonsized erosion patterns in these fields. Judy sees the potential for increasing yields in their production as excellent.

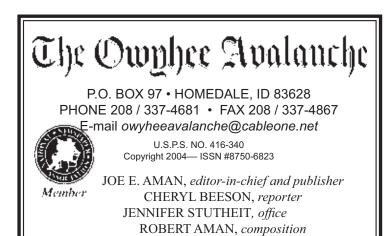
Bob and Judy, in addition to projects on their own farm, has been a major driver of the success in the completion of the Homedale Wetland Project and the outdoor conservation classroom near the middle school off Johnstone Road. As a teaching environment open to the public, the wetland not only thrives as a living renewable ecosystem, but it also solves a serious soil erosion problem for Tagasuki Farms.

Judy also spends much of her time attending to her only daughter left at home, Naomi. She said Naomi has Down syndrome and requires a great deal of medical attention every day. Bob said if his wife is not working on the farm, she is attending to their daughter. "Anyone who gets into farming is getting into something that is healthy, like a breath of fresh air," Judy said. "When our kids who live in town, come out to visit us, they love to go out onto our land and experience being close to the soil, water, air, and growing things. It is exciting to get into conservation planning, and even more exciting to see them up and running. The people at the conservation office I have worked with have been wonderful."

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## $\sqrt{1}$ Irrigation

has to pay Gem Irrigation is about \$35 per acre.

"What has happened is even though a person might own an acre or two acres, they may have only ended up paying \$10," Fink explained. "There is no reason why it was set that way or how it was set that way, it was just a mess. It will be equal. Every lot will be treated the same and I am very happy that Larry and the crew have spent so much time working this out. It will be straightened out."

"The billings sent out in November contained several errors," Bauer said in his statement. "We have discovered payments that have not been applied to the customers' accounts. They have brought in their cancelled checks as proof of payment. We have been unable to track down where the money was applied but have found that it was deposited into the city's account. Looking at past records, it appears that previous balances were not entered into the computer correctly when they began using the program. We have customers who present billings but the amount owing on the computer is less than they were billed. These are just a few of the problems that have been discovered so far."

Fink told the council that the \$10 surcharge that has been added to some billings is not a surcharge. It was supposed to be a fee. He said he hopes to be able to remove the fee in the future because if people were being charged what they should have been, the fee would not be needed.

"According to Hap (Duryee, former mayor) the surcharge was supposed to be a \$10 raise in the maintenance fee, which should have been a \$66 maintenance fee, instead of a \$56 maintenance fee (plus) a \$10 surcharge," Fink said. "Some paid the surcharge, some paid the higher fee and some paid just the regular fee of \$56. There is no reason why it is like it is. We don't know where we are. We are just moving along. There will not be a raise on the irrigation bill, they will just be correct now."

Councilman Charles Garrison explained that the \$10 was placed on during the past administration because the irrigation fund was not reconciling itself. He said with this "new twist" it is possible the irrigation fund will balance itself next year so the fee may be able to be removed.

"If it is done right and everyone pays what they are supposed to be paying we should be able to make it," Fink said. "That is what we are working for; to try and continue the maintenance and update the system as we go along and be within budget."

## √ **Trustee**

Applicants must live within the zone 5 boundaries to be eligible for appointment or for election. Applications can be picked up at the school district office or by calling Olsen at 337-4611.

## √ **Snowmobile**

of the program. Generated by snowmobile registrations, the fund provides about \$600,000 a year to county snowmobile programs. In addition to trail grooming, the program provides funding for building and maintaining shelters and plowing parking areas for snowmobilers.

Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman said three groups had been working to find a solution to the large amount of snowmobilers in the county. He said the groups finally came together and the committee was formed. He said the county could have received about \$2,500 from last year's registration.

"Saturday and Sunday, 118 vehicles went up the Silver City road," Aman said. "I understand that Saturday there were over 100 snowmobilers at Cow Creek. The county had to take some action to control this before it gets out of hand. They are going to have to do something sometime with four wheelers, too. About 15 percent of the funds can be used for law enforcement."

Aman said when people register their snowmobiles, they need to designate Owyhee County as the county to receive funding.

#### Melba seniors publishing area phone book

The Melba Senior Center is in the process of compiling a new Melba phone book. This publication covers the area from Sinker Creek, Owyhee County (Grand View #834) to the Opaline area (896) as well as 495 numbers in Canyon and Owyhee counties.

Information needed includes: names, addresses and county numbers of the Given's to Opaline area, serviced by the Melba Post Office may be registered with Roger and Sharon McIlveen, phone 896-5474, or Vicky Barkell 896-4042.

Grand View residents (834) may contact Luana Capps 495-2202 (caller ID availability).

Also, for new residents (495) not listed in the current phone books, contact Mrs. Capps for verification.

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# Burn victims released from hospital

#### Investigation continues

Two Homedale High School students are recovering at home this week after being released from a Salt Lake burn center.

Michelle Uria and Shawn Gibbs suffered severe burns to their face, body and legs when an accelerant was thrown on a campfire during a weekend party in the desert near Homedale.

The accident happened on Feb. 7 at "Chalk Hill" near Graveyard point southwest of Homedale. Owyhee County dispatchers said shortly after the incident that the Homedale ambulance and an officer were dispatched to the city's fire department for a burn victim. Gibbs and Uria were transported to West Valley Medical Center and were later sent to Salt Lake City for treatment at the burn center.

Malheur County Under Sheriff Brian Wolfe, who is investigating the incident because the kids were in Oregon, said Monday that the case is under investigation and could be sent to the district attorney for a grand jury hearing later this month.

"My officer interviewed 10 to 12 kids last week and he has about seven to 10 kids left to interview," Wolfe said. "Those interviews are scheduled for this week."

Wolfe said it does appear that some of the kids at the site had been in possession of alcohol, but it appeared that the accident happened early in the gathering and no one had been in consumption.

"What we are looking at is we need to do the investigation and see if there will be any criminal charges," Wolfe said. "We need to make sure we can rule out any criminal charges as well as investigating if any criminal charges should be filed. You never know where these types of things are going to go."

Wolfe said his department should have a report for the district attorney by the first of next week. He said at that time it would be determined if a grand jury would hear the case.

"I know that the kids were in the process of building a fire," Wolfe said. "I know that someone had an accelerant and we are assuming right now what accelerant they used. Somebody at some point threw the accelerant on the wood and the container caught on fire resulting in two teens getting burned."

Wolfe said both teens have been released from the burn center and are home. Michelle is a sophomore at Homedale High School and a guard on the junior varsity girls' basketball team. Shawn is a senior and on the varsity boys' basketball team.



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What: Wild horses are available for adoption on a first-come first-serve basis, now through March 14 at the Boise BLM corrals. Select your horse between noon and 6:00 pm Monday through Friday until March 5, and every afternoon from March 8 through March 14. A non-competitive fee will be charged for each horse.

Where: BLM horse corrals, south of Boise on Pleasant Valley Road (4 miles south of the junction with Gowen Road).

Adopter Requirements: Potential adopters must be at least 18 years of age, have facilities consistent with BLM requirements, have no history of mistreating animals, and must have an adoption application approved by BLM. Applications may be approved at the corral site.

For additional information, contact Sam Mattise at (208) 871-1979 or 384-3356, or Joan Howard at 384-3437.



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# **Obituaries**



#### **Ralph Grant Eason**

Ralph Grant Eason passed away February 6. His service was Thursday, February 12 at 11:00 A.M. at the Methodist Church in Jordan Valley, OR. Lunch followed at the Parish Hall. Interment was at the Wilder Cemetery in Wilder at 3:00 P.M.

Ralph was born June 20, 1922 to Ben and Ida Thompson Eason in Delta, CO. He had five brothers: Gratton, Curtis, Floyd, Johnny, and Glenn Eason and four sisters, Effie Lampshire, Mae Wilson, Agnes Hostetler, and Freda Kennedy. The family moved to Nyssa in1937 and Ralph began ranch work. It took him to the Jordan Valley area. Frank and Mary Baltzor and Sam and Sally Ross will be remembered for the goodness shown to Ralph. Ralph later worked for the Utah Construction Company at Deeth, NV. Johnny and Glenn were in the service so Ralph joined the Navy. He served on merchant ships under fire many times. By the time he was discharged, his mother had moved to Wilder, ID. He returned to the Jordan Valley area and again worked as a hired hand. He married Beverly Scott Eason May 24, 1953. They ranched on the Owyhee River for fifty years. Ralph and Beverly have two children Steve Eason and Pam Eason White. Pam and husband Jesse White away October 21, 2003. Steve and his wife Joyce returned to care for Beverly and then Ralph. Ralph liked to drive fast and new pickups. He will be remembered for his unfailing sense of humor and his appreciation for the ole desert



#### **Clarence W. Wilks**

Clarence W. Wilks "Mick" passed away February 11, 2004. He was born December 31, 1918 to George W. and Myrtle Wilks in Walbach, Nebraska. He had one brother, Roy and four sisters, Ella, Bertha, Grace and Edith. He moved to Idaho as a young man and married Hazel M. Sweetser in 1941. To this union two children were born Larry Wilks and Bud Wilks. Mick and Hazel farmed in the Homedale area, then he worked as a custodian for the Homedale High School, and then he worked a for the highway district. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping and playing his banjo.

He is survived by his wife, Hazel, his sisters, Edith Watson and Grace Nestor, sons, Larry Wilks and Bud (Bonnie) Wilks, four grandchildren, Nick Wilks, Tina (John) Richmond, Jeremy Wilks, Sarah (Bryan) Hoppes and six great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, George W. and Myrtle Wilks, Brother, Roy and sisters, Ella and Bertha.

At his request no services or



Lawrence P. Smith Lawrence P. Smith, 77, passed away on February 14, in a Caldwell hospital. Funeral services will be conducted at 1:00 pm, Wednesday, February 18, at the Cloverdale Funeral Home. A viewing was held at Cloverdale Funeral Home on Tuesday, Feb. 16, from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Burial will be at Meridian Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Cloverdale Funeral Home.

Lawrence was born on June 23, 1926, in Bronson, Kansas to Raymond C. and Bertha J. Smith. In 1939, the family moved to Meridian. He graduated from Meridian High school in 1943. He entered the Army in March, 1945 and was discharged in October, 1946. Upon returning home, he started farming in the Meridian area.

On March 28, 1948, he married Elaine M. Ball and together they farmed in the Meridian area, with their boys, and he worked for several years at Keim Feedlot. In 1991, they retired and moved to the Homedale area. Lawrence enjoyed retirement by traveling in their 5<sup>th</sup> wheel and camping. He has a special enjoyment the last few years, working with Dave and their longhorns.

He served on the Nampa and Meridian Irrigation Board and the Board of Controls. He was a member of the Meridian United Methodist Church and the Nampa Elks.

Smith of Nampa and Jeffrey L. and Debbie Smith of Nampa; 7 grandchildren, Jason, Tyler, Bret, Lindsey, Clint, Shane, and Steve, a brother, Homer L. and Pat Smith, sister, Kathryn and Orval McPeak; brother-inlaw, Harold Ball; nieces and nephews, Steve, Diane, Teri, Lori, Wendi, and Kenny.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Edna Glee Poll.

Memorials may be made in Lawrence's name to the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children, c/o El Korah Shrine Temple, 1118 W. Idaho Boise, ID 83702 or the Idaho Youth Ranch, 7025 W. Emerald Boise, ID 83704.

#### **Robert and Dorothy Hensley** celebrate 50 anniversary

Robert and Dorothy (Mrak) Hensley from Olathe Kansas will celebrate their 50 anniversary on Feb. 24. Dorothy is formerly from Homedale and graduated from high school at Homedale High School.

Dorothy's sister Fannie Mrak from Homedale said although the couple will not travel to the area for their celebration, cards may be sent to 2008 E. 144th Terrace, Kansas 66062.

# Snow report

Current snow depth and snow water equivalent data from the Natural Resources Conservation Service for South Mountain, Reynolds Creek and Mud Flat. As of Monday, Owyhee Reservoir contained 88,857 acre-feet of water, which is 12 percent of full. One hundred ninety five cubic feet per second is entering the reservoir at Rome and eight CFS is being released at the dam.

#### \*\* Provisional data, subject to revision \*\* 02/16/04 Portland,OR

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# Homedale High School receives honor for top rating

The Idaho Department of Education recognized several southern Idaho schools for achieving top accreditation status and Homedale Senior High School was among them. School principal Mike Williams said the school was given a merit of recognition for its first year.

Idaho law requires that all public schools be accredited. As part of the process, local administrators annually evaluate their school in five state standards areas – philosophy, mission, and vision statements; personnel and certification; curriculum, instruction and school improvement; accountability, assessments and measures; and safe learning environment. When a school does not meet a standard or does not provide supporting documentation, it receives deviation points.

"Accreditation is one of the ways schools hold themselves accountable to the state and local expectations," said Dr. Marilyn Howard, Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Schools that use the state accreditation model are recognized for exceeding standards with two-year "merit" recognition. Homedale received its first year recognition.

Schools can receive one of three ratings under the state model: "Approved," which means the school essentially meets or exceeds the standards and received 15 or fewer deviation points; "Approved with warning," which means substantial deviations (16 to 25 deviation points) from the standards exist, and the school may lose its accreditation if corrections are not made; "Not approved," which means the school has failed to meet standards by receiving more than 26 deviation points.

School principal Mike Williams said the recognition is a boost for Homedale as he hopes in the future to be able to include school of merit with students' transcripts. He said having the accreditation added to transcripts will assist students in their preparation for college and their future.



#### Top honors

Homedale High School proudly displays a banner in the gymnasium announcing an accreditation approval from the Idaho Department of Education.



#### Winter feast

Thousands of ducks gathered in a cornfield near Marsing to feed during a snowstorm last week.

## **Rimrock High receives accreditation**

Rimrock Junior/Senior High School is recognized for achieving top accreditation status from the Idaho Department of Education from the Northwest Association of Schools and of Colleges and Universities. Rimrock received its accreditation status at the NAS' annual meeting in Portland recently.

Rimrock was first accredited with the Association in 1980. The school is also approved for the academic year 2003-2004.

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# Jordan Valley FFA students compete in leadership contest

Nyssa High School attracted FFA students from around the area who took part in the FFA Snake River District Leadership contest last week.

Students from Jordan Valley, Adrian, Ontario, Vale and Crane took part in the all-day event that consisted of a competition with tests in speaking, presentation and leadership skills of FFA students.

Participants at the conference are judged by the Snake River district's high school advisers: Adam Ineck, Jordan Valley; Victor Noble, Vale; Ann Marie Pimm, Crane; Troy White, Adrian; Porath; Roger Watkins, Ontario; and Snake River District Adviser Les Linegar, Ontario.

The top two speakers in each event, as determined by the panel of judges, advanced to a sectional competition in La Grande on Feb. 17.

The top two winners in each category - except for the top winner in the parliamentary procedure contest, will attend the state FFA convention at Oregon State University in Corvallis during the weekend of March 19.

One winner from the state convention is selected to advance to the national competition in Louisville, Kentucky during the last week in October.

The following students from Wednesday's competition will advance to sectional in La Grande: Cody Ables, Ontario, creed speaking; Christie Linford, Ontario,

# **304 art pieces entered in annual art show**

Three hundred four art entries were submitted to the annual International Smorgasbord art show earlier this month with 16 entries from the elementary school, 61 from the middle school and 202 from the high school. Twenty-five adults submitted entries for the adult division.

Katy Belanger, Homedale High School art teacher, Shannon Johnson middle school art teacher, Sherry Thomas high school media specialist, Clint and Sherri Romriell and Tim and Nikki Quintana formed the art committee. Yo Marts, art teacher at Melba High School and Middleton High School librarian judged the competition.

People's choice awards went to Laurien Mavey for her entry "Note Cards" in the elementary division. In the middle school division, Cody Gardner won with "Symmetry Face of Walter Cronkite," Mark Vance won with "Bald Eagle" in the high school division and Helen Seward won with "Girl in Poppy Field" in the adult division.

Winners of the two dimensional artwork category included elementary division grand champion, Laurien Mavey for her entry "Note Cards," Mike Mavey with "Christmas Card," first place, Laurien Mavey with "June Bug" in second and Victoria Nash in third with "Ballerinas." Raven Kelly, Jacob Murray, Kathryn Thatcher and Karissa Webb were given honorable mention.

Middle school division winners included Cody Gardner with "Symmetry Face of Walter Cronkite," as grand champion, Daniel Esparza in first place with "Dragon Scratch Art," Miguel Vasquez in second place with "Symmetry Face of a Young Boy," and Joe Mac Hernandez in third place with "Take Down." Rye Hyer, Monica Hernandez, Bryant Armstrong and Joel Aguilera received honorable mention.

In the high school division pencil sketches, grand champion honors were given to Joshua Myers for "Sawtooths," Mark Vance, "Bald Eagle" received first place, Ashley Larsen, "Nelly" won second place and Jessica Sandoval won third place for "Diamonds are a girls best friend." Casey Green, Adrian Mescale, Shanae Galloway, Kassie Johnson and Katie Johnson won honorable mention ribbons.

Grand champion in the high school division oil paintings, scratch art, stimpling was awarded to T.J. Myers for "Desert Bloom," Mark Vance won first place with "World War II Airplane," Cassie Johnson won second place for "Mardigras," and Karina Aguilero won third place for "Best Friends." Katie and Kassie Johnson and T.J. Myers won honorable mention.

In the adult division, Betty Freeburg won grand champion with "Roses, Sarah Murphy won first place with "Sammy Sosa," Sandy Collard took second with "Tom Selleck," and Steve Washburn won third place with "Mansisidor Homestead." Lucille McKinley, Betty Stone, Margie Isaguirre and Helen Seward won honorable mention.

In the three dimensional artwork category, middle school division, Mitch Quintana won grand champion with "Painted Mask," Hannah Gibson won first place with "Painted Mask," Kelley Babcock won second place with "Cross" and Kali McRae won third place with "Painted Mask." Shane Garoutte won honorable mention.

In the high school division, Joshua Myers won grand champion with "Guide and Guideboat," Marguerit Doescher won first place with "Furngvillie," T.J. Myers won second place with "Cow Poke Charley," and Emily Cox won third place with "Under Construction." Marguerit Doescher, Emilie Huckins, and Emily Cox won honorable mention.

# Homedale homecoming queen selected as finalist

Amie Holloway, daughter of Jerald and Cheri Holloway of Homedale has been selected as a finalist for Idaho's 24<sup>th</sup> annual Homecoming Queen Selection. Holloway was crowned homecoming queen for the high school in October. The selection will be held on April 24 and 25 at the Salt Lake City airport Hilton in Salt Lake City.

America's Homecoming Queen contest began in 1981. Each participant in the state selection will receive a special engraved plaque with the queen's photograph. Finalists will receive a cash scholarship plus an expense paid trip to the National Finals to compete with queens from the other states for America's Homecoming Queen.



#### Homedale Senior Center

Feb.19: Baked ham, salad, baked potatoes, peas/carrots, roll, dessert.

Feb.20: Snake River Quilter's work shop 9am-3pm

Feb.21: Senior Dance 7pm-10pm Woody Purdom will be playing.

Feb.24: Baked fish, salad, baked potatoes, string beans, roll, dessert. Foot Clinic w/ Heidi Painter for Garden Homes 11am. Feb.25: Baked chicken, augratin potatoes, salad, broccoli, roll, dessert.

Mon-Thur from 9am-3pm: New second hand store open at the center.



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creed speaking; Ruth Corn, Ontario, sophomore prepared public speaking; Stephanie Montgomery, Ontario, sophomore prepared public Roberts, speaking; Josh Ontario, extemporaneous speaking; Nick Maag, Vale, extemporaneous speaking; Nick Maag, Vale, advanced public speaking; Amanda Bennett, Nyssa, advanced public speaking.

Josh Roberts, Ontario and Mark Noble, Vale, won the top two slots for the co-op quiz contests. They will advance straight to state competition. In the adult division, Vicki Lyon won grand champion with "Looking to the Horizon" eagle and boy on feather. No other entries were submitted.



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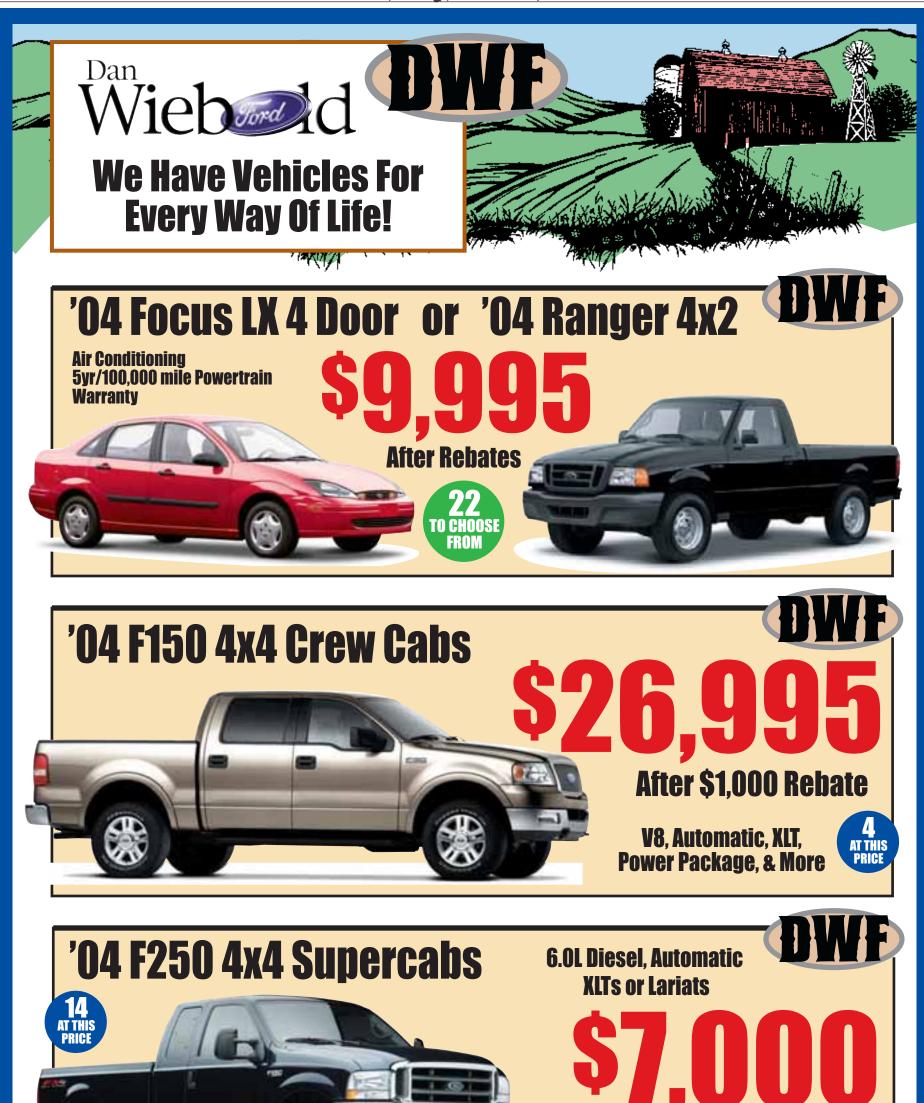
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# Lady Mustangs tie for fourth in OOL basketball

Jordan Valley lost to Prairie City 37-42 Friday but picked up a 57-27 victory over the Adrian Antelopes Saturday to end its season tied for fourth place in Old Oregon girls' basketball. The Mustangs finished out the season with a 57-31 loss to Powder Valley.

A playoff game was held Monday, but results were not available at press-time.

Jordan Valley jumped to a 13-4 lead in the first quarter with Prairie City, but was held to four points in the second quarter as Prairie City returned the favor and ended the half 18-17.

The Mustangs traded the lead with Prairie City but where held to 10 points per quarter for the third and fourth.

Anna Watkins led the Mustangs in Adrian scoring 18 points including two three point baskets in the win. Lauren Cuvelier added 14 points.

With Powder Valley, the Mustangs fell short 11 points in the first quarter and were never able to recover. Powder Valley ended the first half with a 35-10 lead.

Lauren Cuvelier led the Mustangs with 11 points and went five of six at the line. Watkins sunk nine points in the attempt including five rebounds. Jordan Valley struggled with turnovers recording 35 to Powder Valley's 17.

"Powder jumped on us early and we never responded," Mustang Coach Jeremy Chamberlain said. "The Cove game the night before took a lot out of us, and we were not 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."

# New Plymouth outscores Huskies 77-38

The New Plymouth varsity boys' basketball team used a huge second quarter of offense to post a 77-38 Western Idaho Conference victory over Marsing Wednesday night at New Plymouth High School.

The Pilgrims started strong. New Plymouth constructed an 8-2-advantage midway through the first quarter on two buckets by Adam Shockley, one from Joe Hally and two free throws from Cole Dennett.

Buckets by Shockley, Ben Schuster and Jordan Frates pushed the Pilgrims ahead 14-6 at the end of the first stanza.

Then the Pilgrims erupted offensively. New Plymouth outscored Marsing 28-11 in the second quarter and essentially controlled the game by halftime. Schuster scored eight points while Jack McKie tallied seven and Hally contributed two 3pointers while Evan Hawker scored two points during the New Plymouth's second quarter offensive onslaught.

#### The Owyhee Avalanche



#### Defense

Junior Varsity player Andrew VanDerhoff protects the ball during a recent Nampa Christian game. Details of the game were not available at press time. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



**Battle of the Trojans** Brett Hopkins looks for a teammate during the Junior Varsity game against Nampa Christian. Details of the game were not available. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

#### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18, 2004

# Lady Huskies crowned district champions

District title first ever 2A title in any sport

The Marsing Huskies will show its blue and yellow colors during the state girls basketball for the first time since 1979 after routing its way through the District III 2A championship for a district title. Marsing ended its trek with a 49-46 victory over the Melba Mustangs at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario Thursday evening.

The win sends Marsing (9-14 overall) to its first state tournament appearance since 1979 when the Huskies were a 1A (then A-4) school. The district title is the first - in any sport - for the school at the 2A level.

Marsing, who entered the tournament as the No. 4 seed, will begin the 2A state tournament Feb. 19, at Middleton High School. The Huskies have won eight of their last 11 games.

Marsing scrambled to tie up the match early in the game by jumping to a 15-8 lead in the opening quarter, but Melba battled back with a 10-2 run in the second quarter to make the match a game.

The Huskies closed the second quarter a 6-0 run to take back the lead and end the half at 23-18.

Melba came close to having the opportunity to enter the state tournament as the top seeded team when they took a 43-42 lead in the fourth quarter with 1:20 left in the game.

Mustang Sara Jamison hit one of two from the foul line, but teammate Suzy Bangerter cornered the rebound and hit the basket to take the lead.

Husky Jamie Lynde was not going out of the game that easily and hit a running shot with just under a minute left in the game to squeeze Marsing ahead by one. A pair of successful free throws pushed the Huskies to a three-point lead.

Melba threw a long three pointer, which ended up short. Marsing pulled away, hitting 5-of-6 free throws in the final minute to keep Melba at bay.

Amanda Stewart scored 17 points, leading the Huskies past the Mustangs. Breanna Chadez finished the game with 14 points and made four points in the final minute of the first half.



New Plymouth was ahead 42-17 at the half.

Joel Shipley and Dane Edmunson hit their only baskets of the game as part of the Pilgrim's 19-point third quarter points.

Frates added six of the points in the third quarter for New Plymouth while Marsing only connected with 10 points in the third quarter.

In the final quarter, Marsing racked up another 11 points while the Pilgrims sunk 16.

The Pilgrims (10-9 overall, 6-5 WIC) travel to Parma Friday night at 8 p.m., for more basketball action.



#### The Ownhee Avalanche WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18, 2004 PAGE 11 Nampa Christian wins top dog seat in o'time



#### Pressure

Matt Nauman penetrates the key under heavy pressure. Nauman led Homedale with 20 points. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



The Nampa Christian Trojans secured the top seed to the District III 2A tournament this week with a 69-63 overtime thriller against the Homedale jumped out to a Homedale Trojans Wednesday night.

The win gives Nampa Christian the top seed and Homedale will go into this week's district tournament as the number two seed team recording a 9-3 conference and 14-6 overall record.

Nampa Christian used a 16-10 over-time run to hold the home team and enter the extra period 53-53. Both teams traded buckets through the first four minutes of the Christian took the lead.

Homedale opened the game strong holding Nampa Christian scoreless for the first four minutes of the game. Nampa Christian could not find the range and 10-0 lead. Matt Landa set the pace scoring six points during the beginning run.

Nampa Christian battled back to outscore Homedale 13-3 to finish the first quarter as they did the fourth quarter, tied.

Nampa Christian broke the spree ending the first half with a 10 point lead. They outscored Homedale 24-14 in the second quarter.

Homedale's Matt Nauextra inning, before Nampa man led the Trojans with 20 points while Nick Williams added 18 points. Clay Haylett sunk 10 points.





#### **Overtime**

Nick Williams drains this 3 pointer at the buzzer to tie the score at 53 and send the Nampa Christian game into overtime. Nampa Christian went on to win the exciting game, 69-63. Williams scored 18 on the night. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



#### Stuffed Baked Potatoes "Lorraine"

By Bruce Weinstein and Mark Scarbrough, authors of "Cooking for Two"

The classic flavors of quiche Lorraine are captured in our favorite comfort food: stuffed baked potatoes. They're nature's perfect casseroles — you even eat the dish!

 2 medium Russet potatoes (about 1/2 pound *each*)
 3 slices thick-cut bacon,

- 3 slices thick-cut bacon, cut into 1/2-inch pieces
  1 small leek, white part only, rinsed and thinly
- only, rinsed and thinly sliced (about 1/3 cup) 1 large egg yolk, room temperature
- 1/3 cup milk
  6 tablespoons shredded Gruyère or Swiss cheese, divided (about 1 1/2 ounces) Pinch nutmeg Salt and pepper

2 pinches paprika Position rack to center of oven; preheat to 400°F. Place potatoes directly on oven rack and bake

until skins are crunchy and insides are soft when gently squeezed, about 50 minutes. Remove from oven and cool about 30 minutes. Lower oven temperature to 300°F. Sauté bacon over medium heat until browned and crisp, about 4 minutes. Use slotted spoon to transfer bacon to small bowl. Discard all but 1 tablespoon fat in skillet. Add leeks and reduce heat to low. Sauté, stirring often, until soft and golden, about 5 minutes.

Transfer contents of skillet to bowl with bacon. Cut the top third off each potato and scoop out insides, leaving 1/4-inch shell all around to keep skin from collapsing when restuffed. Scrape potato flesh from inside tops as well. Press flesh through potato ricer into large bowl, or mash with hand masher in large bowl until smooth. Mix bacon and leek mixture with egg yolk, milk, 4 tablespoons cheese, and nutmeg. Season with salt and pepper and add mixture to potatoes. Mix well. Divide mixture between the empty potato shells and place in small shallow baking dish. Top each with 1 tablespoon remaining cheese and sprinkle each with pinch of paprika. Bake 20 minutes or until cheese melts and turns golden. Let stand 5 minutes at room temperature before serving. Serves two.

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Treat yourself to some fresh home-cooking tonight. You'll be in good company.

- or Two Small-Batch Cooking Tips From the Experts
  - Shop where they sell in bulk bins, but buy small portions. Many stores feature spices, teas, grains, and even nut butters in bulk. Buy as little as you need.
  - Buy produce items available in small units. The produce department is packed with nutritious foods like potatoes — an excellent source of vitamin C and potassium — that can be purchased one at a time. You can even mix different potato varieties and colors and still buy only a few.
  - Shop at the salad bar. If your recipe calls for small amounts of carrots,

celery, broccoli, or greens, find them at your supermarket's salad bar.

Stuffed Baked Potatoes

"Lorraine"

- Don't waste the stock. Pour unused stock into ice cube trays. Freeze, unmold, and store cubes in freezer bags for future soups or casseroles.
- Use today's meal to make a new dish tomorrow. Cook extra potatoes to use later in the week. Leftover mashed potatoes can make potato pancakes or be used to thicken a soup. Toss roasted potatoes with pasta, use in an omelet, or sauté with artichokes and herbs.

#### Potato Pork Stir-Fry

By Bruce Weinstein and Mark Scarbrough, authors of "Cooking for Two" Chinese stir-fried dishes can be labor intensive, but pre-shredded, packaged potatoes will save the day. Look for the plain, unseasoned variety in your grocer's refrigerated section.

#### Shrimp, Potato and Green Bean Salad With Pesto Vinaigrette

When It's You...

By Joyce Goldstein, author of "Solo Suppers" When cooking potatoes for this salad, toss in a few extra to use for another dinner later in the week. This recipe can easily be doubled to serve two.

4 small red potatoes

Shrimp, Potato and Green Bean Salad With Pesto Vinaigrette

- 1 1/2 tablespoons peanut oil
- 2 medium scallions, sliced
- 1 1/2 tablespoons fresh ginger, peeled and chopped
  - 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/8 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes or to taste
- 1/4 pound ground pork
- 1 small red bell pepper (about
- 5 ounces), cored, seeded, and diced 1 1/2 cups broccoli florets (about 3 ounces)
- 2 cups brocking directs (about 5 ounces)
   2 cups packaged refrigerated or frozen and thawed shredded potatoes (about 3/4 pound)
- 2 tablespoons rice vinegar
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce

Heat wok or large skillet over high heat. Swirl in oil; add scallions, ginger, garlic, and crushed red pepper flakes, then stir-fry 15 seconds. Add pork and cook, tossing and stirring, until cooked through and lightly browned, about 2 minutes. Toss in bell pepper and broccoli; stir-fry 2 minutes. Sprinkle potatoes over vegetables and pork; cook without stirring 30 seconds. Gently but thoroughly toss, then continue cooking 1 to 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Pour in rice vinegar and soy sauce; cook, stirring, for 20 seconds, until sauce bubbles. Serve immediately. Serves two. Salt

- 2 ounces green beans, trimmed and cut in 2-inch lengths
- 6 large shrimp (or 8 medium),
- shelled and deveined
- 3 tablespoons basil pesto2 teaspoons red wine vinegar
- Freshly ground black pepper

In saucepan, cover potatoes with cold water. Bring to boil, reduce heat, add salt, and simmer until cooked through but firm. Drain and cool to room temperature.

Bring small pot of salted water to boil. Drop in green beans and cook 2 to 4 minutes or until tender-crisp. Remove with slotted spoon and refresh in ice water. Drain again and pat dry. Keep water at boil and drop in shrimp. Cook 3 minutes or until shrimp turn pink. Drain and refrigerate.

For dressing, thin pesto with vinegar. Season with salt and pepper.

To serve, cut potatoes into 1/4-inch slices and toss with green beans and most of the dressing. Place on salad plate. Top with shrimp and drizzle with additional dressing, if desired. Serves one.

For more potato recipes for smaller households, visit www.potatohelp.com.



# Looking back...

#### from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

#### 25 years ago

#### February 15, 1979

#### Marsing bond defeated

Sixty-six percent. No matter how many times the votes were counted Tuesday evening the results came out the same. When all of the totals were in, 299 Marsing School District patrons had voted for the bond issue and 154 opposed it. A school bond must receive the support of 662 3 percent of the voters. The Marsing proposal received 66 percent.

"If two less people would have voted against it, or five more had voted for it, it would have passed," observed Marsing Superintendent of Schools Loren Schmitt.

The proposed \$997,000 bond would have constructed a 12-room junior high building, covered a ditch and provided new dressing rooms at the high school. Projections indicate large classes in the lower elementary grades will create overcrowding as the students progress to the junior high level.

#### Will compete

Randee Metzer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenne Metzer, and Susan Carson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Carson, have been selected to represent Homedale high school in the National Honor Society scholarship competition. The announcement was made this week by high school counselor Dean Vance.

The selection was made by Homedale high school faculty members.

#### Queens honored

Sandra Fritzley, Bonnie McMullen and Christina Andersen of Homedale, Karen Burress and Joye Scott of Parma and Shirley Osborn of wilder were honored as Valentine Queens of their respective chapters at a Valentine luncheon at The Outlaw, Caldwell, on Saturday, Feb. 10.

#### **Cowbelles hold winter meeting**

The annual winter meeting of the Owyhee County CowBelles met at the Courthouse in Murphy, Saturday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Bess McKay of Jordan Valley won the door prize and Jackie Dines was presented a prize for selling the most tickets.

#### NCentral Cove 62<sup>nd</sup> Pioneers supper

Central Cove Pioneers and their families will once again meet for their annual potluck supper to be held February 25, at 1:30 p.m. at the Odd Fellows Hall in Homedale. Each family should bring a covered dish, their own table service, and lots of memories, pictures, and stories.

#### Wins award

Randee Metzer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenne

#### 50 years ago

#### February 18, 1954

## Homedale PTA Founders day program presented Feb. 15

The PTA Founders day program was observed Monday, Feb. 15, at the new grade school auditorium. Recognition of the past presidents was made by Mrs. Regan, program chairman, who presented the ladies with a corsage and a boutonniere for the men.

The oldest president present was Mrs. Ivan Nanney who presided in 1935. Mrs. Marjorie Macy, 1950 president; Mrs. Faulks, 1952; Mr. McIntyre, 1953; and Mrs. John Stephans, 1954, were other presidents in attendance.

To commence the program the audience sang "America". Both the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades presented plays to the group. The early 6<sup>th</sup> grade sang a song "Merry Melodies". Concluding the program, the late fifth grade sang "Idaho".

#### Kiwanis install new member

Wm. Gouldman became a member of the Homedale Kiwanis Club at its regular weekly meeting on Wednesday.

Reid Minor, Nampa, of the Idaho State Police, spoke to the club, outlining the activities and duties of the State Police. Mr. Minor stated that the twenty patrolmen in the State Police force made a total of 13,088 arrests in 1953, recovered property in the amount of \$148,060.60, collected a total of over \$86,000.00 in fines, and over \$40,000.00 on drunken driving charges.

#### Mother-daughter Valentine tea held

One of the most delightful affairs of the season was a tea given by eighth grade girls for their mothers last Thursday in the new grade school building. The girls used Valentines for their decoration and program theme. Each mother was greeted at the door by her daughter, presented a lovely hand made program, and shown to a seat in the horseshoe shaped seating arrangement.

All the girls were on committees and were entirely responsible for the success of the affair. They are to be congratulated on their efforts.

#### **Sports**

Huskies romp Trojans Feb. 5, the Trojans played Marsing Huskies on their floor to be defeated 65-40. Landa made 13 for Homedale and Star was high for Marsing. The Trojans played a good game but couldn't gain fast enough.

The J.V. team lost by one point. The score was 48-47. Bob Carrico made 15 for Homedale and Herman 15 for Marsing.

Pilgrims down Homedale Tuesday, Feb. 9, the New Plymouth Pilgrims beat the Trojans by a score of 50 to 35. The boys fought hard but lost anyway. Fred Dempshar

#### 138 years ago

#### February 17, 1866

NEW ROAD-MILITARY HINT. About fifty miles above the present Owyhee crossing (at the mouth of Jordan Creek) a ford and easy crossing have been discovered. Col. Fogus and Mr. Hall have claimed the right of way to construct a road from their ranch, on Jordan Creek, via this crossing to Antelope Springs at the mouth of Ives' Canon, on the Humboldt road, about forty-five miles from the military Post on Queen's River. This road will shorten the route to Star City, Nevada, at least fifty miles. It, also, avoids the only bad road to that point. From Hall's Ranch to Antelope Springs the new route is reported by the parties who have examined it to be level, clear of rocks and mud. A ferry would be put in the Owyhee at the new crossing, but for the reason that it is the very place where the Indians are continually passing and private enterprise can hardly be expected to build roads, bridges, ferries, develop the country generally, and raise, equip and pay a company of men to protect laborers and travel. The route is a most important one and should have a permanent camp of soldiers at the Owyhee crossing. The Indians who made the recent raid and theft on Jordan Creek are known to have crossed at that point, and the signs are abundant that it is their regular ford.

If the military Chiefs wish to do good, immediate service to our community which they are sent to protect, they can do so by ordering a detachment of men to the point named, and be kept there during splendid opportunities to arouse any latent fighting qualities which they claim to possess. Captain Walker, at Fort Boise, we are informed is Departing commander, and we will not charge him any thing for suggest one at any time.

THE CELEBRATION of Washington's Birth Day in Owyhee will take place in Silver City. It is to be hoped that the people generally will attend and make the occasion in numbers and spirit creditable to the community at large. By reviewing the lives and works of eminent patriots and good men, we may learn and practice good lessons ourselves.

There will be two sleighs in readiness for the conveyance of ladies and gentlemen to and from Ruby during the day and evening.

APPOINTMENT AND CONFIRMATION. We are credibly informed that Hon. John Cummins has received the appointment of U. S. Dist. Judge for Idaho Territory, and will be law hold court in this County. Hon. Milton Kelly has been confirmed District Judge, by the U. S. Senate, and by law assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> District.

Metzer of Homedale, has been selected for the Idaho State University Honors Scholarship.

The \$250 scholarship is awarded on the basis of academic achievement, high school activities and out of school activities and experiences.

#### MHS students claim honors

Four Marsing high school students had perfect 4.0 grade point averages for the second quarter grading period.

Senior Ed Webb, junior Glen Percifield, sophomore Charlotte Breshears and freshman Alicia Gibbens finished the quarter with 4.0 averages.

#### Trojans drop two

The Homedale high boys basketball fortunes continued to plunge last week as the Trojans dropped two in a row. Rimrock tripped last year's district champs 65-58 on Friday and Notus turned the trick Tuesday evening 61-58. sank 15 for Homedale and Kennedy 9 for the Pilgrims.

The J.V. team again came close to taking the lead but lost by two points, making the ending score 42-40 in Plymouths favor. Don Sweep racked up 14 for Homedale and Plymouth's high man made 13.

Panther win over Trojans Tuesday, Feb. 16, the Parma Panthers journeyed to Homedale to go home the victor by a score of 51-31. Lyn Taggart paced the home club with 8 points and Watts made 17 for Parma. The teams were tied through the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter.

The J.V. team came out on top this time. The boys played a good game.

#### Marsing

Mr. and Mrs. John Schmidt and family and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Howard were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Parshall.

The Earl Arnolds spent the week end in Jerome and Buhl, Idaho, where they visited friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bledsoe and family were dinner guests of the George Baalsons Saturday.

BEACHEY makes the trip between Boise City and Owyhee in one day. Excepting between here and Reynolds Creek, he runs six horses to the stage instead of four as formerly. He's bound to put passengers through on satisfactory time. He knows how to do so, and does it.

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MARTIN & NUGENT a new firm in the legal line in Owyhee. Mr. Nugent comes from Idaho City, where non stood higher in the profession or in what goes to make a gentlemen and is married. Messrs. Martin & Nugent constitutes a strong and reliable firm of attorneys, and may success attend them in what we believe will be an extensive field for good legal talent.

# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

# On the edge of Common sense

## Go catch my horse

In the old days I resigned myself that bad luck came in threes, i.e., three flat tires, three smashed fingers or three social faux pas. It's comforting to know that good ol' Dakota Mike is still proving my theory. And, I'm not even counting the initial injury that resulted in a swollen right knee which put him down for a solid week.

It was very bad timing, since he was calving heifers and was very particular about tagging and vaccinating newborns and kept meticulous records. His darling wife fed before and after her town job but couldn't do the horseback heifer check. But she did notice the hole in the wire fence had allowed some mixing. Dakota Mike paced-in-place and fretted until Saturday when she could help him catch up.

With her help, he saddled Forrest, a bay mustangplow horse cross they named after Forrest Gump. He was big and gentle but not a quick learner. She rode Pony. Mike loaded his saddlebag with tags, vaccine and syringes. He figgered he could pack the nearly empty spindle of barbwire. Darlin' would carry the fence stretcher and pliers. He stood on the tie pile to mount. Wincing, he got his right leg swung over the saddle and gently maneuvered his tennis-shoed foot into the right stirrup. He squared up and eased Forrest up beside the pickup where he had preplaced the wire roll.

He reached down with his right hand and picked up the wire. The loose roll made a queer rattling sound. One that Forrest recognized from the rattlesnake program on the Discovery Channel. He hunched and fired straight back with both hind legs! Mike had his left hand outstretched with the reins, his right hand outstretched with the wire, his left foot in the stirrup, and his noodle right leg hanging limp. In the time it took him to realize he should drop the wire and grab the horn, Forrest had punched him into a two-point landing under Pony's feet. Darlin' leaned over and asked, "Are you alright?" "Go catch my horse," he said, palpating his scraped forehead and sore right shoulder.

With the fence repaired, they rode into the heif-Mike prided himself on his cows' mothering instinct. He creaked off his horse, noting the nearby mama cow pawing the ground, and quietly snuck up on a still-wet newborn with loaded ear tagger and syringe. He carefully dropped down on the calf with one knee. In a blinding flash he was flying backwards banging his head on the frozen cowpies and filling his collar with muck. "Are you alright?" Darlin' asked. "Go catch my horse," he said. Across the pasture he again detached himself from Forrest and approached another newborn. Not seeing the mother, he managed to straddle this one and was supporting it between his trembling limbs. He felt something in his crotch and looked down. A black nose and muzzle the exact size and width of a cow's head protruded between his legs. In less time than he could put two and two together, he was catapulted in a flailing arc ten feet in front of the calf and had somehow managed to ear tag his left pant leg. "Are you alright?" Darlin' asked. "Go..." he grunted. "I know," she said, "I know."

Wayne Cornell

# **Not important** .... but possibly of interest



nnie the Beagle has been a member of the household for nearly eleven years. It would be accurate to say she is getting a little "long of tooth." That also applies to her toenails.

Like a lot of dogs, Annie doesn't get the chance to wear down her nails racing for miles over rough terrain. So, about once a year, they need trimmed. In the past we have let the vet do it. Recently, however, I decided we should try to do the job ourselves. So I shopped around and picked up a pair of dog nail clippers and a cloth muzzle.

The main reason I decided to go after Annie's nails on our own was that she hates veterinarians. Hate probably isn't a strong enough word. A trip to the vet clinic is traumatic for the dog, for us and for the vet.

It starts when we load Annie into the car. She knows the only reason for getting into a vehicle is to go to the vet. During the ten-minute trip about half her hair falls out-a nervous reaction, I suppose. When we get in the examination room things immediately turn into a full-blown goat rope. Even for something as simple as nail clipping there are several minutes of yelping, screeching, snapping, growling and often involuntary release of body waste. And Annie's conduct is even more disgusting. It has reached the point where I suspect the doc might offer us money not to bring the dog to his office.

When I brought home the clippers and the muzzle, my mate looked over a Annie, who was snoozing in her doggie bed in front of the fireplace, and shuddered. She asked when I planned to make the attempt. I said Saturday. She said she thought she had an appointment that would keep her away from the house all day Saturday. I told her she would have to be involved since I could not hold down the dog and trim at the same time. She shuddered again.

Saturday was the first nice day in some time. I couldn't bring myself to spoil it by going after Annie's toenails. The next day was Super Bowl Sunday. I spent the first half of the day trying to convince myself Annie's nails weren't really that long. But in the late afternoon, just before the start of the game, I collected my implements, mate and Annie and adjourned to the garage. I figured splatters of blood or other materials would be easier to clean up there.

With my partner holding her, I slipped the muzzle over Annie's nose. To our surprise, she didn't resist. She remained silent when I clipped the first nail. Although there were a couple of times when she struggled a little, the expected explosion never happened. When it was over, I removed the muzzle and Annie calmly went back to her bed to catch a few more winks.

At first, Annie's reaction to the nail trimming puzzled me. But I think I have figured it out. Since the arrival of our first grandchild, Annie has not received as much attention she previously enjoyed. I think she may have decided that any special attention--even being held down, muzzled and clipped--is better than no recognition.

# Letters to the editor Maybe they'd stay Thanks to road district

Every time I cross the bridge back into Owyhee County at Marsing I feel like I've came home. Owyhee County to it's residents is a special place but comparing its' gate way to Siberia may be true and may be not. I've never been there and I doubt if the disgruntled BLM employees, who contest placing a staff office in the "Remote Outpost" of Marsing, have been to Siberia either. I suggest that they take note from BLM policy on the implementation of grazing practices. It is a 5 year program in which monitoring determines the feasibility of the proposal. At the end of the 5<sup>th</sup> year the proposal is either implemented or rejected. Therefore following policy I suggest that the group known as PEER send it's executive director and board of directors to Siberia for 5 years of observation. Upon completion of the study they would return and report on the comparison of Marsing to that "Remote Outpost" of the former Soviet Union. It just crossed my mind! Suppose the study team liked the real Siberia and decided to stay there? Yours truly, Michael F. Hanley IV

We are life long residents of the Homedale Highway District. We would like to commend Rob Atkins and Kent Curtis for the excellent job they have done on our roads this winter. My wife leaves for work before sunrise and the roads have been sanded or plowed already every morning. It has been awhile since they have had much practice at bad roads since our winters have been so mild. If you see the guys give them a pat on the back for a job well down.

Jim and Linda Miklancic Homedale

# School Menu

#### February19-25

#### Marsing

Feb.19: Cheesy tater tot casserole, fruit, vegetables, milk, ham sandwiches, fresh salad bar 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, fresh baked roll.

Feb.20: Hot dogs, rice krispy treats, vegetables, milk, chicken patty/bun, fresh salad bar 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, fresh baked roll.

Feb.23: Corn dogs w/fixings, chocolate pudding, vegetables, fruit, taco w/fixings, fresh salad bar 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, fresh baked roll.

Feb.24: Red Baron pizza, fruit, garden salad w/ dressing, cookie, milk, soup & sandwiches, fresh salad bar  $4^{th}$ -12<sup>th</sup>, fresh baked roll.

Feb.25: Chicken nuggets, cinnamon twists, fruit, milk, tostada delight, fresh salad bar 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Homedale Elementary**

Feb.19: Lasagna or mini corn dogs, corn, pears,

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apple turnover, milk.

Feb.20: Fish nuggets or turkey sandwich, fries/ tots, apple, ranger cookie, milk.

Feb.23: peanut b/jelly sandwich or BBQ beef/ bun, macaroni, green beans, applesauce, animal cookie, milk.

Feb.24: Chili or beef taco pie, roll, celery sticks, pears, fruit roll-up, milk.

Feb.25: Sloppy Jo or hot dog, fries/tots, grapes, chocolate pudding, milk.

#### Homedale Middle

Feb.19: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit, or salad bar, milk.

Feb.20: Lasagna, french bread, vegetable, fruit, or salad bar, milk.

- Feb.23: Hamburger or hot dog, fries, fruit, or salad bar, milk.
- Feb.24: Chicken or beef nuggets, vegetable, fruit, cinnamon roll, milk.

Feb.25: Pizza or french br. pizza, tossed salad, fruit, cookie, milk.

#### **Homedale High**

Feb.19: Chicken patty/bun or sandwich choice, fries, fruit, dessert, milk.

Feb.20: Crispito/taco salad or rib-b-que/bun, corn, fruit, milk.

Feb.23: Pizza or fajita, salad, fruit, dessert, milk. Feb.24: Country fried beef stk or chicken filet,

mashed potato/gravy, hot roll, fruit, milk.

Feb.25: Spaghetti or burrito, french bread, salad, fruit, milk.

#### **Bruneau-Grandview**

Feb.19: Wiener wraps, fries, tossed salad, fresh fruit, milk.

Feb.20: Nachos & salsa, tossed salad, fruit salad, cinnamon twists, milk.

Feb.23: Chicken nuggets, celery sticks, fresh fruit, whole wheat roll, milk.

Feb.24: Chili & crackers, coleslaw, applesauce, cinnamon roll, milk.

Feb.25: Turkey/gravy, mashed potatoes, veggie, fruit cobbler, roll/butter, milk.





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# **Public notices**

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho: 57-11659 DANIEL P TEMPLE MURIEL J ANDERSON 9434 BONANZA LN MELBA ID 83641 Point(s) of Diversion NESW S7 T01N R03W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER Point(s) of Diversion NESW S7 T01N R03W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER Point(s) of Diversion NENESW T01N R03W OWYHEE **S**7 County Source SPRING Tributary To SNAKE RIVER Use: IRRIGATION 03/15 To 11/15 0.2 CFS Use: HEATING 01/01 To 12/ 31 1 CFS Use: AESTHETIC 01/01 To 12/ 31 1 CFS Use: AESTHETIC STORAGE 01/01 To 12/31 5 AFA Use: DIVERSION TO STOR-AGE 01/01 To 12/31 1 CFS Total Diversion: 1.2 CFS Date Filed: 11/26/2003 Place Of Use: IRRIGATION T01N R03W S7 **NESW** Number of Acres 5 Place Of Use: HEATING T01N R03W S7 NESW Place Of Use: AESTHETIC T01N R03W S7 **NESW** Place Of Use: AESTHETIC STORAGE T01N R03W S7 **NESW** Applicant Remark:

agrees to mitigate consumptive use in the future as needed.

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho Code. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 03/08/2004. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J DREHER, Director 2/18,25/04

NOTICE OF HEARING CASE NO. CV2004-04386 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO. way 78, Murphy, Idaho, on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2004, at 3: 00 p.m. Objections may be filed by any person who can, in such objections, show to the Court good reason against such change of name.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said District Court this 15th day of January, 2004.

CHARLOTTE SHERBURN CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Lena Johnson, Deputy GREGG E. LOVAN- ISB No. 1762

Attorney for Petitioner LOVAN ROKER, P.C. 717 So. Kimball Avenue, Suite

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Caldwell, Idaho 83605 Telephone: (208) 459-6795

1/28-2/4,11,18/04 NOTICE OF HEARING CASE NO. SP-04-02000M 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 application of IGNACIO AGUILERA for change of name of

DANIEL AGUILERA VEGA, Minor Child.

A petition by the father, IG-NACIO AGUILERA, for a minor child DANIEL AGUILERA VEGA, who was born on April 23, 1995, in Nampa, Idaho, and who both reside at 228 E. Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho, proposing change in name to DANIEL VEGA AGUILERA. Has been filed in the above entitled court.

The reason for the change in name is to prevent confusion about the child's surname. The petitioner wishes to reverse the two parts of his child's surname so his surname, Aguilera, is known as the child's official surname.

Such petition will be heard at the above entitled court on the  $7^{th}$  day of April, 2004 at 10:30 a.m., and objections may be filed by any person who can, in such objection, show to the court a good reason against such a change of name.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said District Court this 10<sup>th</sup>

day of February, 2004. Clerk, Charlotte Sherburn Deputy, Jan Fink Erik Johnson Attorney at Law IDAHO LEGAL AID SER-VICES, INC. 1104 Blaine P.O. Box 1116 Caldwell, ID 83606-1116 (208) 454-2591 Attorney for Petitioner 2/18,25-3/3,10/04 **NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. SP-04-01984** 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, DENNIS S. MURDOCH,

against the above named decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or such claims will be forever barred; and that such claims must either be presented to the undersigned personal representatives of the estate at the address stated below, or be filed with the above named Court.

DATED: JAN 16, 2004 Scott Murdoch Personal Representative Lorrie Murdoch Personal Representative c/o Richard B. Eismann Attorney at Law 3016 Caldwell Boulevard Nampa, ID 83651-6416 1/28-2/4,11,18/04

#### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Loan No. 357206406

**T.S. No. 1061821-09 Parcel No.** On May 13, 2004, at the hour

of 11:00am, of said day, at At the lobby of the Owyee 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: Lot 25 of Briar Hills Subdivision, part of the Southwest quarter Southeast quarter, Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file in the office of the recorder for Owyhee county, Idaho. Commonly known as 103 Briar Drive Homedale ID 83628. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Joseph R. Troxel and Teresa D. Troxel, Husband And Wife as Grantor, to Transnation Title & Escrow Company, Inc., as trustee, for the benefit and security of Home Mortgage, Inc. as beneficiary, recorded April 27, 2001, as Instrument No. 235/26, 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 RESPON-SIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGA-TION. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due July 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 \$87,504.11, 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: January 08, 2004 Signature By: First American Title Insurance Company Luis Cerda. R-104190 2/4,11,18,25/04

#### Notice Of Trustee's Sale Trustee Sale Number: 61502-F Loan No: 1001414612 TSG: 2030296

On May 18, 2004, at 11:00 AM of said day, in the Lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse 20381 State Hwy 78 Murphy, ID 83650, First American Title Insurance Company, as successor trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the county of Owyhee, state of Idaho, and described as follow to wit: In Township 2 north, range 4 west, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, section 35: east one-half of the west one-half of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter. APN: RP-02N04W356770-A. The trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for the purposes of compliance with section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of HC 79 Box 966 Opaline Rd Melba, ID 83641,

is sometimes associated with the said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Deirdre M Wilson, a married woman as Grantor(s), with DMI, Inc as beneficiary on a Deed of Trust recorded 4/17/ 2001 in the records of Owvhee County, Idaho as Instrument No. 235630. The above grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(a), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation. The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the amount due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows: Monthly payments of \$1,855.87 due from 8/1/03, together with late payments and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$226,885.22 as principal, plus service charges, attorney's fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate described by the Promissory Note from 4/10/01. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. January 15, 2004 First American Title Insurance Company By: Attorneys Equity National Corporation, as Agent Title: Veronique Lara, Vice President 23721 Birtcher Drive Lake Forest, CA 92630 Phone (949) 707-5543 P209324.

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#### OWYHEE COUNTY FAIR BOARD FINANCIAL STATEMENT FISCAL YEAR 2003

(October 1, 2002 thru September 30, 2003)

Income	
Allocations	31,795.02
Awards	3,626.50
Booth Rental	3,420.00
Camp Space Rental	1,844.00
Donations	100.00
Grounds Reimb.	17,923.65
Grounds Rental	3,050.00
Interest Earned	4.47
Misc. Income	59.00
Pen Signs	50.00
Premium Return	766.00
Sponsorship	500.00
TOTAL INCOME	63,138.64
Expenses	
Advertising	-2,096.22
Assoc/Conv. Fees	-686.55
Awards	-5,521.41
Entertainment	-4,525.00
Fair Expense	-4,073.62
Grounds Rental Refund	-1,250.00
Judges	-909.18
Maint. & Supply	-13,132.36
Meal Tickets	-1,184.00
Office Equipment	-500.00
Office Supply	-1,685.26
Premiums	-1,000.00
Parade	-500.00
Services	-164.00
Tax: Grounds Taxes	-126.04
Tax: Wage Taxes	-3,057.36
Utilities	-2,196.65
Wages	-14,061.97
TOTAL EXPENSES	-56,669.62
OVERALL TOTAL	6,469.02
2/18/04	

#### IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF: NEREIDA

#### AGUIRRE,

FOR CHANGE IN NAME.

A petition by NEREIDA AGUIRRE, born November 18, 1970, at Mission, Texas, now residing at 6895 Highway 95, Marsing, Idaho, proposing a change in name to NEREIDA RODRIGUEZ, has been filed in the above entitled Court. The reason for the change in name being is to restore Petitioner to her former name. The name of the Petitioner's father is JOSE LUIS RODRIGUEZ SR., residing at 6895 Highway 95, Marsing, Idaho. Such petition will be heard at the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State High-

#### Decedent.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have appointed personal representatives of the above named estate; that all claimants having claims

# **Public notices**

#### OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES FEBRUARY 2, 2004 OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURPHY.IDAHO

Present were Chairman Harold Tolmie, Commissioner Dick Reynolds, Commissioner Chris Salove, Deputy Clerk Kay Kelly, Treasurer Barbara Wright and Jim Desmond.

Commissioner Salove moved to amend the agenda to include the payment of bills and certificate of residency for a student attendingCollege ofSouthern Idaho, Commissioner Reynolds seconded the motion and it carried.

Commissioner Salove moved to approve the Certificate of Residency for a student attending CSI for the fall semester of 2003 and the spring semester of 2004. Commissioner Reynolds seconded the motion.

Commissioner Salove moved to approve an Ordinance establishing a Snowmobile Advisory Committee, and with a second by Commissioner Reynolds, the motion carried and the Ordinance was signed.

The resolution appointing members was continued until-February 9, 2004.

Kay Kelly brought an inquiry regarding the destruction of records for the building department, with a recommendation that it be sent to the prosecuting attorney as required by Idaholaw for review and an opinion as to the proper listing of documents to be destroyed. The Board agreed that a letter of inquiry be sent to the prosecutor.

At 11:20, upon motion of Commissioner Salove with a second by Commissioner Reynolds, the Board convened as the Board of Equalization. There being no business brought before the Board of Equalization, Commissioner Salove moved and Commissioner Reynolds seconded the motion that the Board of Equalization be adjourned.

Jim Desmond discussed new federal rules regarding the appeals of grazing decisions, and made recommendations to the board regarding the involvement of the county, which the board took under advisement.

Bruce Siebert appeared and requested that the hours for the weed department personnel be extended so that medical benefits could continue for the permanent part time personnel. The Board took the matter under advisement as there are several legal issues that may have to be addressed to resolve the issue as Mr. Siebert requested. A letter of support for the Owyhee Watershed Council was signed following a motion by Commissioner Reynolds with a second by Commissioner Reynolds. Belle Evans advised the Board of a request for a removal of a lien from property owned by Case #03-32 with the lien to be transferred to a property to be purchased. The Board asked that Ms. Evans set a time for the person to come directly to the Board and explain the situation.

A catering permit request was approved for Last Chance to cater the Basque Dance to be held at the Homedale Armory on March 6, 2004 was signed by the Board following the motion by Commissioner Salove with a second by Commissioner Reynolds.

A motion by Commissioner Salove with a second by Commissioner Reynolds passed to approve the Board Minutes for-January 26, 2004.

Payment of bills was approved after a motion by Commissioner Salove with a second by Commissioner Reynolds. Bills were paid from the following funds: Current Expense \$19,068; Road & Bridge 6,736; District Court 3,663; Probation 1,322; Health District 4,194; Historical Society 571; Indigent & Charity 11,081; Revaluation 702; Solid Waste 316; Weed 40; 911-57

The Board adjourned at ap proximately12 noonfollowing a motion by Commissioner Salove with a second by Commissioner Reynolds. Dated this 9th day of Febru

ary, 2004 Harold Tolmie, Chairman 2/18/04 **PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE OWYHE** COUNTY PLANNING AN ZONING COMMISSIO On March 4, 2004 beginn at 7PM, The Owyhee Cou Planning and Zoning Com sion will hold its regular m ing in the Courthouse Annex Basey street in Murphy, Ida After dispensing with old b ness, the Commission will public testimony on the foll ing matter: KENT JANTZ has filed a c ditional use permit to estab a welding shop for commen use on a parcel that is appr mately 5 acres in size. Sub

use on a parcel that is approximately 5 acres in size. Subject property is located southwest of Grand View off of Highway 78 in Section 35, Township 5 South, Range 3 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County.

OWYHEE COUNTY has filed an application for a conditional use permit for a Municipal Solid Waste Landfill on a one 40 acre parcel, owned by Kent Kohring. Subject parcel is located west of Bruneau off of Highway 78 in Section 24, Township 6 South, Range 4 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho

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#### ANNUAL ROAD AND STREET FINANCIAL REPORT CITY OF MARSING, COUNTY OF OWYHEE GEM HIGHWAY

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

gned		,	
mo- alove	Line 1 BEGINNING BALANCE AS OF OCTOBER 1 PREVIOUS YEAR	25052.00	
ioner	LOCAL FUNDING SOURCES	10511.00	
	Line 2 Property tax levy (for roads, streets and bridges) Line 3 Sale of assets	19511.00	
ioner Com-	Line 4 Interest income	715.00	
d to	Line 5 Fund transfers from non-highway accounts		
s for-	Line 6 Proceeds from sale of bonds (include LIDs)		
1	Line 7 Proceeds from issue of notes (include loans)		
oved ioner	Line 8 Local impact fees		
Com-	Line 9 Local option registration fee Line 10 All other LOCAL receipts or transfers in	94.00	
were	Line 11Total Local Funding (sum lines 2 through 10)	20320.00	
unds:	STATE FUNDING SOURCES	20020000	
Road Court	Line 12 Highway user revenue	35014.00	
ealth	Line 13 Sales tax/Inventory replacement tax	3063.00	
ciety	Line 14 Sales tax/Revenue sharing	7979.00	
,081; Solid	Line 15 State exchange for federal-aid funds Line 16 All other STATE receipts or transfers		
7	Line 17 Total State Funding (sum lines 12 through 16)	46056.00	
t ap-	FEDERAL FUNDING SOURCES	10020100	
ng a	Line 18 National forest reserve apportion		
alove ioner	Line 19 Critical bridge		
lonei	Line 20 STP Rural		
ebru-	Line 21 STP Urban Line 22 All other FEDERAL receipts of transfers		
	Line 23 Total Federal Funding (sum lines 18 through 22)		
	Line 24 TOTAL RECEIPTS (sum lines 11, 17, 23)	66376.00	
	DISBURSEMENTS		
EE	NEW CONSTRUCTION		
ND	Line 25 Roads		
DN	Line 26 Bridges, culverts and storm drainage		
ning	Line 27 RR Crossing Line Other (specify-including salaries and benefits)		
ounty 1mis-	Line 29 Total New Construction (sum lines 25 through 28)		
neet-	RECONSTRUCTION/REPLACEMENT/REHABILITATION		
ex on	Line 30 Roads (rebuilt, realign, or 2" overlay upgrade)		
daho. busi-	Line 31 Bridges, culverts and storm drainage		
hear	Line 32 RR Crossing Line 33 Other (specify including salaries and benefits)		
llow-	Line 34 Total Reconstruction/Replacement (sum lines 30 through		
	ROUTINE MAINTENANCE		
con- blish	Line 35 Chips sealing or seal coating		
ercial	Line 36 Patching	4634.00	
roxi-	Line 37 Snow Removal	1550.00	
bject est of	Line 38 Grading/blading Line 39 RR Crossing	1550.00	
iy 78	Line 40 Other (specify-including salaries and benefits)		
outh,	Line 41 Total Routine Maintenance (sum lines 35 through 40)	6184.00	
dian,	EQUIPMENT		
filed	Line 42 New equipment purchase-automotive, heavy, other		
ional	Line 43 Equipment lease-Equipment purchase	2446.00	
Solid	Line 44 Equipment maintenance Line 45 Other (specify)	2811.00	
acre	Line 46 Total Equipment (sum lines 42 through 45)	5257.00	
ring. est of	ADMINSTRATION	0207100	
78 in	Line 47 Administrative salaries and expenses	39205.00	
outh,	OTHER		
dian,	Line 48 Right-of-way and property purchases		
	Line 49 Property leases Line 50 Street lighting	7949.00	
	Line 50 Street lighting Line 51 Professional services-audit, clerical, and legal	810.00	
	Line 52 Professional services-engineering	010.00	
	Line 53 Interest-bond (include LIDs)		
	Line 54 Interest-notes (include loans)		
	Line 55 Redemption-bond (include LIDs)		
	Line 56 Redemption-notes (include loans) Line 57 Payments TO other local government		
	Line 58 Fund transfers to non-highway account		
	Line 59 All other local expenditures		
	Line 60 Total Other (sum lines 48 through 59)	8759.00	
	Line 61 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS (sum lines 29,84,41,46,47,60)	59405.00	
	Line 62 RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS (line 24-line 61)	6971.00	
	Line 63 CLOSING BALANCE (sum lines 1,62) Line 64 Funds on Line 63 obligated for specific future projects	32023.00 0	
	Line 65 Funds on Line 63 retained for general funds and operations	0	
	Line 66 OTHER ADJUSTMENTS (Audit adjustment and etc)	0	
	Line 67 ENDING BALANCE (line 63 minus the sum of lines, 64,65)	32023.00	
	/s/Don Osterhoudt		
	/s/Janice C. Bicandi		
	2/18/0		

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#### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18, 2004



Bishop Christensen Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm Primary 11am	Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Youth Meeting Wed. 7:00 p.m.	880-8751 Pastor Carolyn Bowers Sunday Services 9:30am	ter diesel generator w/fuel tank SEED CLEANING EQUIPMENT: Ferrell & Co. Super 29 D Clipper Mill w/42 screens, exc cond. • 12- Superior Indent seed cleaners • 14- In-
First Presbyterian Church Homedale 320 N. 6th W., 337-3060 Pastor Marianne Paul Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am	Calvary Holiness Church Wilder Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave., 482-7208 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. Pastor: David Alley	Seventh Day Adventist Homedale 16613 Garnet Rd., 880-4685 or 453-9289 Pastor Allan Payne Sabbath School Sat. 9:30am Worship 11am Wednesday Prayer Mtg. 7:30	<ul> <li>dent screens • Oliver Gravity separator • Spiral seed separator • set of Fairbanks 8000lb electric scales w/digital readout • set of Ishida MTE 300D 300lb electric scales • Universal industries C3 175 elevator leg, exc cond.</li> <li><b>COMBINES:</b> 8820 hydro diesel combine 18' head, 3943 hrs, runs good 2- Case 1660 combines • Case 1000 combine • Case 85 seed swather <b>CARRYALL:</b>Miskin 6yd carryall Also selling Planters; Tillage; Equipment; Onion Bins; Siphon Tubes &amp; Shop Equipment. For a Full listing, please check our website.</li> </ul>
Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale 711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am	ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE	Knight Community Church Grand View Pastor Kerry S. Crenshaw 834-2639 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Video Series: Wednesday, 7 p.m. Bible Study, men & women: Thurs., 9 a.m.	BAKER AUCTION CO. 1-800-650-5808 ROGER BAKER 541-889-5808 J.B. SALUTREGUI 541-212-3278 541-889-8413 Visit our website at: <u>WWW.bakerauction.com</u> for pictures & full listing of this and upcoming auctions.



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