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Water tank comes down

*Residents asked to
conserve water for
at least 90 days*

The old leaking water tank located just outside of Homedale came down last week to make way for a brand new and bigger tank. But now residents in the city will need to help the cause by conserving their water use until the new tank is erected.

Homedale Maintenance Supervisor Larry Bauer said last week that the old tank, which held approximately 300 thousand max gallons of the city's reserve water, has been emptied and taken down so crews can erect a new tank which will hold nearly 400 thousand gallons of water. But Bauer said until the new tank is up, people in the city will need to conserve their water consumption.

"With summer coming on, people will want to use their city water to wash cars, water
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Out with the old

Construction workers remove redwood planks from the old Homedale City water tank west of town Tuesday afternoon. The old water tower is being replaced with a 400 thousand gallon tank that will be taller than the original tower.

F&G drops proposed OHV restrictions

Hunters will not see off road vehicle restrictions in big game hunt units 40 this year as Idaho Department of Fish and Game commissioners suspended the proposed restrictions before a public hearing in Boise Wednesday night.

Hunters opposed the proposal 55 to 45 percent based on comments the agency received. Six open house meetings were held throughout the state earlier this month, but most Owyhee County residents were not aware of the gathering due to delayed announcements of the March 1 meeting.

Proposed changes included ATV restrictions and changes to doe deer seasons along the Snake River in units 40 and 41. The county commissioners opposed the proposal in a letter sent to the commissioners saying that the fish and game had "again left the county out of the loop."

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Marsing council approves Caldwell trailer expansion

The Marsing City Council unanimously approved a special use permit for a Caldwell trailer manufacturing com-

pany who plans to expand to the local area. C & B Quality Trailers are in the process of purchasing the Bowman Pro-

duce property on Main Street in Marsing and said last week that although the final papers have not been signed, the company is looking forward to expanding in the area.

Rebecca Gordon of C & B Trailers told the planning and zoning committee during a public hearing this month that the company manufactures enclosed cargo trailers including car and horse trailers. She said the company could employ up to 50 people.

Documents from the public hearing on March 11 show that Gordon said the does

not have a target date to open but they hope it will be soon. She said work would not be conducted during the nighttime hours, as the business is normally open from 7:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Marsing Mayor Don Osterhoudt said the business would be a benefit for the city of Marsing and he is excited about the prospect of the company moving into Marsing.

"It is great," Osterhoudt said. "I think it is only one of many good things the people of Marsing will be seeing in
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The Bowman Produce sign may be replaced with a C & B Quality Trailers sign soon as the Caldwell based business has been approved construct its trailers in Marsing.

Owyhee Reservoir update

As of Monday, Owyhee Reservoir contained 361,291 acre-feet of water, which is 88,349 acre feet higher than a week ago. The reservoir is now 51 percent of full with 3,281 cubic feet per second entering the reservoir at Rome. Nine CFS is being released at the dam.

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Homedale man killed in accident

A 31 year-old Homedale man was killed Wednesday morning when his car ran off of Garnet Road into an irrigation ditch east of Homedale in Canyon County.

Jesus Bejar Morales was discovered at about 11 a.m. but Canyon County investigators said the accident probably happened about two hours prior to the discovery. The accident was discovered by a boy riding a bicycle in the area about 11 a.m. Investigators said neighbors reported seeing the car at about 9 a.m., but the wreck was not visible from the road.

Morales sustained facial and chest injuries and had been ejected from the car. They said it appeared that Morales had just driven off the left side of the road into the 10-foot deep ditch. Investigators said Morales was driving North on Garnet toward Highway 95.



Spring water season
Workers from the City of Homedale prepare irrigation lines this week in preparation of the upcoming irrigation season. City Maintenance Supervisor Larry Bauer said water should be available to the city by the middle of April. He said if any residents in the city's irrigation district have questions or concerns they should call city hall for assistance. Pictured is Brad Hunt.

Melba woman killed in traffic accident

An early morning accident claimed the life of a Melba woman and sent four additional victims to local hospitals. Three of the victims were the woman's daughters.

Canyon County Sheriff's Deputies said Karen Sein Howlynn, 33, died when another car drifted across the centerline of Highway 45 just north of the Snake River and the two vehicles collided.

Donna Evelyn Allen, 21 of Marsing was driving the other vehicle and was taken by Life Flight to a Boise hospital with non-life threatening facial injuries. Howlynn's five year-old daughter was also taken by air ambulance with critical injuries to a Boise hospital.

Howlynn's six and 13 year-old daughters sustained cuts and bruises and were treated at a Nampa hospital.

Investigators said it appears that all parties in the accident were wearing seat belts. They said alcohol was not a factor.

Councilwoman coordinates "sweep the town" May 8

Councilwoman Cindy Sims is coordinating a "Sweep the Town" clean up day and is asking the community for help with sponsorships and needy entries.

Sims told the council last week that she would ask the community to enter "needy" people who are not able to spring clean their yard so volunteers in the community can cleanup the area. Sims said Sweep the Town would be held on May 8.

The Chamber of Commerce will hold a barbecue after the cleanup day for everyone who volunteers to help. She said sponsors for t-shirts are also being sought.

To volunteer or to enter a resident, call Sims at 794-9962.

Council rescinds hiring of city building inspector

The Homedale City Council rescinded its decision to hire former Owyhee County building inspector Ron Race, saying the council had made a mistake in hiring Race at a previous council meeting.

Fink advised the council Thursday night that he felt the council "jumped" to quickly in hiring Race on March 10 and he felt the council should rescind the appointment.

"I would ask the city council retract the appointment of the building inspector that it made at the last meeting because the council did not advertise the position and the council did not speak to Darryl (Mayes, current inspector)," Fink told the council. "I think we need to back up and start all over. I think we need to talk to Darryl and planning and zoning and see if they have issues. If we need to we should publish it because we are advertising and we are saying we are an equal opportunity employer, but we are not following the rules. We jumped the gun."

Councilman Steve Schultz moved to rescind the appointment of Race and Charles Garrison seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote.

Fink told Race that the council would let him know if any changes arose, but for now the building inspector would remain as it was before Race was appointed.

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Walter's Ferry boat ramp receives extreme makeover

By Jerry Deal, Regional
Habitat Manager
Idaho Department of
Fish and Game –
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Last summer, Idaho Fish and Game started a major renovation project at the Walter's Ferry sportsman access area. Although much remains to be done toward final completion, much has already been accomplished.

The two major phases of the project include a significant upgrade of existing facilities, followed by the addition of boat boarding and fishing docks. Each of the design elements will provide improved services to the boating public, with an emphasis on persons with disabilities, as well as better management of traffic flow.

Paving the parking lot required grading to ensure that any water that collects will run into the EPA-approved catch basin. Striping and signage were added to allow for more efficient use of available vehicle parking. The boat ramp was extended to connect better with the parking area. Finally, lighting was added to improve the area for year-

round use and public safety. In the "not too glamorous but handy to have around" category, a new concrete vault toilet was also installed. The improved design is known as an SST (sweet smelling toilet), which is sturdier, more attractive and provides ease of access for persons with disabilities. And because of the historical significance of this reach of the Snake River, the existing historical site interpretive sign was replaced with an upgraded design.

The second phase of the project will get underway this summer. This phase will include the addition of docks for boat boarding and public fishing. Because the water level in the Snake River varies seasonally, docks are being designed to maintain their level close to the water surface while still permitting them to be wheelchair accessible under most conditions. A new paved pathway will be built to connect the docks with the parking area. The final step of the project will involve adding a ramp adjacent to the parking area to allow boarding of trailered boats by persons in wheelchairs.

The Walter's Ferry improvements are intended to be the first of similar projects throughout the Southwest Region in order to reduce long-term maintenance needs and provide greater service to the boating public. It is not the policy of Fish and Game to provide garbage services at sportsman access sites, so area users are reminded to pack out what they bring with them so everyone can enjoy the area.



Fish and game upgrades

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District trustee nominating petitions due April 16

School districts in the area will hold elections this year for several trustee seats. The deadline for filing petitions for the election will be on Friday, April 16. The election will be held on May 18.

In Marsing, two seats are up for election including Zone 2 and Zone 4. Leslie Jayo and David Van Wassenhove are the current trustees. The seats are three year terms.

In Homedale, Zone 1 and Zone 5 are up for election. Current trustees are George Hyer and Lindsey Love.

Zone 1; beginning at the intersection of the western district boundary and the Snake River. Easterly on the Snake River and its southern bank to 1st St. West. South on

1st St. West to California Ave. West on California Ave. to the west city limits of Homedale. Southerly on the city limits to Idaho Ave. West on Idaho Ave. to Succor Creek. Southwest on Succor Creek to the west district boundary. North on the district boundary to the beginning.

Zone 5; beginning at the intersection of the west Homedale city limits and California Ave. East on California Ave. to 1st St. West. North on 1st St. 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 6th St. West. North on 6th St. West

to Washington Ave. West on Washington Ave to the city limits. Northerly on the city limits to the beginning.

Only qualified electors residing in the trustee zone may declare candidacy for that zone. Each seat is a three year term.

Petitions for candidacy may be picked up from the district offices.

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State investigators to review library accounts

The Idaho State Investigators, who are currently investigating allegations of misuses of funds by former Homedale administration and city clerk's office, will also be investigating the accounts for the Homedale library, Mayor Paul Fink said Friday. The city council received information Thursday night that money the library has been using is not funds they should be using, but the error is not within the library board.

Library Board Chairman Margaret Fujishin told the council Thursday that the state of Idaho maintains an investment pool which the library has approximately \$104,485.97 from two inheritances. The board decided that the best use of the money

would be to put it in the investment fund and use the interest from it every year to pay for library needs.

But Fujishin told the council that the interest has not been taken from the fund for the library, that the library has been receiving the money from the general fund.

"As I have explained, the intention of the library board was that the library would spend the interest we earned every year as part of our budget," Fujishin told the council. "However, the previous city clerk apparently never drew the library's share of the interest out of the state investment pool and deposited it in the bank. The amount the library has in the investment pool has been growing each year and unfortunately that gives a false picture of the true financial picture at the library."

Fujishin said every year when the budget was prepared, the clerk (Pam Dugger) would list a larger amount as carryover. However the amount was not completely correct.

"Our real carryover was much less than what she published," Fujishin said. "I felt this was very confusing and misleading to everyone and discussed it with the clerk many times, but she refused to change it."

Mayor Fink said Friday that the information has been sent to the state investigators who have been working on previous bookkeeping questions. He said the interest has been left in the investment pool and taxpayers' money has been taken out of the general fund to help support the library.

"I support the library," Fink said. "I don't want people to think that I don't because I do. But the way the finances have been handled is absolutely pathetic. It was not up front. They were taking the general fund [money] and paying a bill that should not have been paid with taxpayers' money. It is another classic sign of control. Bookkeeping control."

Fink said now the city will have to take the interest out of the investment pool for the library and the library will have to reimburse the general fund so the books can be straightened out.



Fish on
A fisherman hooks a large sturgeon on Saturday below the dam at C.J. Strike. The sportsman fought the fish for approximately four hours before breaking his line. Sportsmen lined the banks of the river under sunny skies and nearly 80-degree temperatures last weekend. Temperatures are expected to remain about 70 degrees throughout the week, but moisture is expected by the weekend.

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✓ **Tank**

lawns and gardens, right now we need to ask them not to,” Bauer said. “The new water tank is expected to be up within 90 days which will put us into June. We are using the

well across the river for the city’s water supply and we have made some changes to equipment to maintain extra pressure. But what people need to understand is we can handle normal loads, but extra heavy loads could cause low pressure.”

Bauer said Homedale fire department has been notified as well as Wilder and Marsing fire departments in the case of a large fire in town. He said right now the city could not supply enough water to extinguish a large fire, but if a fire is reported Wilder and

Marsing will be notified for assistance.

✓ **F & G**

weeks of public input, the department received about 200 comments in the region on the restrictions. Eight of 11 people attending Wednesday night’s public hearing opposed ATV restrictions.

Southwest Region Commissioner John Watts said he would most likely oppose the decision to enforce off

road vehicle restrictions in the county this year because the commissioners were not in favor of the decision. He said going into the meeting he would not support the proposal.

✓ **C&B**

the future. It’s an opportunity to bring a company into the area that will bring in a tax base, employ local people, and keep their business in the area. I am looking forward to working closely with them.”



New and improved

The old leaking water tank located just outside of Homedale came down last week to make way for a brand new and bigger tank. Crews will work this week on the beginning stages of the new 400,000 gallon tank.

Public meetings set to seek input on subbasin

The Owyhee Coordinating Team invites and encourages the public to attend meetings for an orientation to the Owyhee Subbasin planning process. The Team also hopes to gather public input relative to the draft fish and wildlife management plan.

Meetings will be held on April 1 in Owyhee, NV. at the Tribal Headquarters from 1:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. On April 2 at Rimrock High School in Grand View from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Nyssa High School on April 6 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and in Jordan Valley at the Lion’s Den from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Public input will be sought concerning the qualitative assessment of conditions for specific stream reaches in Idaho, Nevada, and Oregon. The Team also anticipates a public review of the draft mission, vision, and goals that have been developed for the Owyhee Subbasin.


All landowners, stakeholders, federal, state, tribal, and local managers that depend on, or have an interest in natural resources within the Owyhee River Basin are invited to attend one of these meetings.

Local input is needed to ensure that limited resources are focused on locally supported restoration efforts.

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Three Creek

By Lola Blossom

The Three Creek school kids and their teacher, Marilyn Boss have had a fun winter. Sliding down the hill on inner tubes. They made an interesting and educational trip to the planetarium in Twin Falls. They wrote letters to President Bush and learned about all 43 of our presidents. They have learned all 50 states.

They had 2 visitors, Destry Week’s brother, Kale and sister, Kylie from Wyoming. They plan to be here full time next year.

Kimberly Brackett is teaching the kids sign language.

Gus and Kimberly Brackett have returned from a trip to Bulgaria. They went in connection with the Amazing Grace Church.

The little hamlet of Jarbidge lost on of its own who they probably wont forget in a long time. John Steward Williams, 79, died February 27th, in the Snake River Rehabilitation Center in Buhl. He was born March 9, 1924 in Burley, the son of John and Abbie Steward Williams. He moved to Jarbidge as an infant and attended school there and then attended high school in Buhl where he graduated in 1942. He served in the United States Military during World War II. After the war, he lived for a short time in California then returned to Jarbidge.

He married Gloria Carskadon in 1960. He worked as a miner for a number of years and served as postmaster of Jarbidge for 24 years and was fire chief. He worked on the Three Creek school house when it was built in 1971. He was Constable and Justice of the Peace and will be well remembered for all the marriages he officiated at. He married many couples on the ranches, along streams and married Lowell Prunty high on a mountain. Many were married in the Community Hall and at the bars. Johny would put on his black robe and top hat over his striped bib overalls with his work shoes on and perform the ceremony. If the groom was too slow to kiss the bride he would. It was always fun to attend his weddings.

He brought his daughter, Mary from Jarbidge to Three Creek all 8 years of grade school. Quite the journey down the canyon, up by the Hot Hole and across the flats to Cherry Creek. He is survived by one daughter, Mary (Jack) Bess of Buhl, two step-children, June Vance and Leland Mort both of Twin Falls and numerous grand and great grandchildren, nieces and nephews and one sister, Mary Jenkins of California. He was preceded in death by his wife, Gloria in 1996, a son, grandson, great granddaughter and one brother. A memorial service will be held in Jarbidge later this summer.

Jarbidge had another loss earlier when Marguerite Nystrom suffered a stroke in a Twin Falls mall and was taken to Boise where she passed away the same day. She was born October 19, 1934 in Des Moines, Iowa. She is survived by her husband Rey Nystrom and sons Mark and Darrel, a sister Corabelle Penfold and a brother Bart McCall. She was a long time resident of Jarbidge where she and her husband ran a Trading Post. Her husband, Rey was our Idaho Power meter reader at Three Creek.

Irrigation district meetings scheduled

The Ridgeview Irrigation District will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8 at its office at 118 S. 1st Street in Homedale.

The Gem Irrigation District will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7:15 p.m. on Monday at the same location.

The South Board of Control will hold its regular monthly meeting at the above location at 7:30 p.m. on Monday.

MSD participates in 2004 summer feeding program

The Marsing School District will be participating in the 2004 summer feeding program this year. The program is designed to provide breakfast and hot lunch meals to children under the age of 19.

The only participation requirements are that the child be under the age of 19 and comes to the Marsing School District cafeteria for scheduled breakfast or lunch meals.

The service will begin on May 24 and will run weekdays through Friday June 25. Breakfast will be served from 7:45 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. and lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. through 12:30 p.m. in the elementary school cafeteria.

ISDA director seeks comments

The Director of the Idaho State Department of Agriculture intends to issue a determination pursuant to Idaho Code § 22-4803(1) concerning economically viable alternatives to thermal disposal of crop residue.

In accordance with the requirements of § 22-4803(1), the Director will determine whether economically viable alternatives exist to burning for the purpose of (1) disposing of crop residues, (2) developing physiological conditions conducive to increased crop yields, or (3) controlling diseases, insects, pests or weed infestations.

The Director if received by 5 p.m. Mountain Standard Time, April 30, will consider written or electronic submissions of documents pertaining to the determination. Any such items should be addressed or delivered to the attention of: Patrick A. Takasugi, Director, Idaho State Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 790, 2270 Old Penitentiary Road Boise, Idaho 83712. For additional information, please contact Kathy Sodhi at 208-332-8671.

Engaged



Rhonda Johnston to wed Blake Harris

Garold and Annette Johnston, Adrian, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Rhonda Lea Johnston, Adrian, to Blake Lee Harris, Sugar City, Friday, April 2, 2004, at the Boise Temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

There will be a reception from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Owyhee LDS Ward Building.

The bride-elect is a 2002 graduate of Adrian High School who graduated from Carrer Beauty School in Rexburg and is attending Brigham Young University-Idaho. She works as a beautician at Reflections in Rexburg.

The bridegroom-elect attended Sugar-Salem High School and served a two-year mission for the LDS Church in Concepcion, Chile. He is a sales consultant at Woody’s Automotive.



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Candidate's forum:

Former deputy Austin seeks top law enforcement position

A former Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy and current Homedale police officer is seeking the position as the county's top law enforcement officer after announcing his intentions to run for sheriff earlier this month.

James (Jamie) Austin, 33 of Homedale, said that he feels the way the sheriff's office is currently being operated under two-term sheriff Gary Aman, can be improved, and he is the person to do just that.

Austin boasts eight years in the Idaho Army National Guard, 14 years in law enforcement, an intermediate certificate from P.O.S.T. Academy, patrol supervisor, former DARE officer, member of the Wilder Fire Department and a member of the Homedale ambulance as his experience for the job. He said he can bring responsibility and accountability back to the sheriff's office.

Austin admitted that he has been under investigation for a felony crime and he has been terminated for a position with a police department. He said he was investigated in Malad, Idaho for rape but was cleared. He added that he was terminated from the Payette Police Department. He said he resigned at the request of the Payette Police Chief.

"I have had an issue here recently with a probable cause affidavit sent to the court house from the sheriff's office. I know it was there. An Idaho State Police Officer delivered it, but now it cannot be found. That is the accountability I am talking about. Now we have lewd and lascivious charges on this person and he is gone. I am not saying he would still be in jail, but he might have been. Now we have enough to be sure and hold him, but when the affidavit does not make it to the prosecuting attorney, he was released. I have never had a problem with this before."

But when Austin was reminded that the city's attorney would have been the one to read the probable cause because the suspect had been accused of misdemeanor crimes, he said he had forgotten that and did not know if the city's attorney had been



Jamie Austin

notified of the case.

"But it still irritates me that the paper work is gone and someone should be held accountable," Austin stated.

When asked if he was running because he was a disgruntled ex-employee, Austin stated: "Part of that would be true. I am disgruntled, but I am a disgruntled county resident because my sheriff isn't doing his job."

Austin admitted that he has inquired about a police chief position that opened in Wilder after he filed to run for sheriff, but said he decided to continue to pursue the sheriff's election.

If elected, Austin plans many changes in the sheriff's office including the position of chief deputy. He said current Chief Deputy Dick Freund would have a place in the department, but not in the position he has now. He said former deputy Bill Detweiler would be put in Freund's position. He said Freund is only a few months from retiring so he would not fire him, but he would "find something for him to do."

Austin said he is no longer married, but has four children that he is able to see two days a week.

He said one of his accomplishments in Homedale is to get the evidence room at the police department in order. "It probably doesn't seem important to anyone who doesn't know what it takes, but I got the evidence room into shape," Austin said. "It took a lot of organizing. So I do have good organizational skills."

Austin said he is in charge of the reserve officers for the city, so he feels he has management skills as well.

Sheriff candidate declines newspaper interview

Independent sheriff candidate Robert Muse declined an invitation from The Owyhee Avalanche for an individual interview focusing on the highlights of his candidacy. Every candidate running for a county elected office in this year's general election has been interviewed and those interviews will be published weekly until the primary election on May 25.

Muse responded in an e-mail to the Avalanche last week. "We feel it would be a professional courtesy to

both Republican candidates if the Avalanche focused their resources in a fair and balanced process during this primary election through the interviews you have already conducted.

"This struggle may be a moral one, or it may be a

physical one, it may be both moral and physical, but it must be a struggle.

"Again thank you for your invitation to be part of your interview process, but we will decline and may reconsider at a later time after the primary election."

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Rimrock High announces third quarter honor roll

Honor roll students at Rimrock Junior/Senior High School were announced last week for its second quarter session. The honor roll includes students earning a 3.0 to 4.0 grade point average.

Those students earning a 4.0 GPA were J.R. Steiner, Samantha James, Nathan Hofer, Edith

Ruiz, Dexter Hegerhorst, Emily Hegerhorst, Carolann Wilson, and Lindsay Rudolph.

Students earning a 3.75-3.99 GPA are: Emily Hegerhorst, Shelby Chandler, Dexter Hegerhorst, Alan Draper, Carolann Wilson, Edith Ruiz, Robynn Ridley, Robert Jackson, Chelsey Lemon, Katey Oman, Travis Dawson, Sara Gonzalez, Kyli Wilson, and Kathleen Wilson.

Students with a 3.50-3.74 are: Stephen Campbell, Sam Richardson, Ellie Cantrell, James Campbell, Andres Morales, Shannon Hipwell, Daisy Hatch, Shannon Lawson, Leigh Martin, Kyli Wilson, Stacy White, Cole Merrick, Michael Hughes, Sara Gonzalez, Robert

Jackson, Melinda Lewis, Shelby Chandler, Robynn Ridley and Alan Draper.

Students receiving a 3.25-3.49 GPA included: Debbie Kastner, Margie Hegerhorst, Adrea Thomas, Amanda Carnahan, Sara Shaw, Katey Oman, Travis Dawson, Logan Thomas, Antonio Ayala, Natasha Greene, Chris Hipwell, Emily Chandler, Lee Gray, Cassie Carrillo, Ariel Turner and Jay Long.

Students earning a 3.0-3.24 GPA are: Carolina Salinas, Trudy Dick, Sadie Timmons, Alex Meyers, Maria Araujo, Krystal Love, Veronica Bravo, Lacey McGuire, Chelsey Lemon, Malissa Carrillo, Cy Lootens, Eric Rodriguez, Annalise Field, Brent

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Sheriff candidate’s original petition rejected

Sheriff hopeful Robert Muse’s petition for candidacy was rejected by the Owyhee County Clerk’s Office one week prior to the filing deadline of March 19 because of “missing pertinent information.” But Muse was still able to file in time for this year’s sheriff’s race as he faxed three petitions to the county clerk Friday afternoon.

Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said that Muse had faxed his petition to the county, but it had to be sent back because it was incomplete. She said Muse only sent information about himself; he did not send any signatures of support or the fee to bypass the needed signatures. Neither did the original petition show an address for Muse.

Sherburn also had to notify Muse that he is required to file an appointment for political treasurer before spending funds on his campaign. Muse finally filed his appointment earlier this month, several weeks after running ads in The Owyhee Avalanche and in another local advertiser. He appointed himself to the position of treasurer of his campaign.

Each candidate and political committee is required to appoint a political treasurer and certify the full name and complete address.


Idaho Code, 67-6603 states that, “no contribution shall be received or expenditure made by or on behalf of a candidate or political committee, until the candidate or political committee appoints a political treasurer and certifies the name and address of the treasurer” to the county clerk.

Rep. Field gives legislative wrap-up

District 23 Representative Francis Field gave a legislative wrap-up last week after the Idaho State Legislature Sine Died on Saturday evening, March 21.

“This year the session was one of the shortest ones in recent years and certainly a welcome relief for everyone from the 2003 118 day marathon. Many of us felt that this year, water would be one of our top priorities and it was without a doubt proven to be true.

“With the intense negotiations that took place the last week of the session, problems were mediated to allow, at least for this year, the continuing use of the water by all affected parties. Had no agreement been hammered out, thousands and thousands of acres would have laid idle for lack of water.


Rep. Frances Field

“The joint finance and appropriation committee then went back to the drawing board to find the funds necessary to successfully carry out the plan. This will be funded over a period of two years. There will be a blend of grants and general fund monies and will cost approximately two million dollars.

“The second day of the session, JFAC started full speed ahead. We set nearly 100 state agency and department budgets. One day I had eight to explain on the floor. Luckily they all passed.

“The total General Fund Budget is \$2,081,468,400. Of that amount, public schools received \$965,706,500. Then adding the dedicated and federal funds, the total public school budget is \$1,165,594,500.

“There were 1338 drafts for legislation this year, with 684 bills, resolutions and memorials finally being considered. We were able to modestly raise the funds for Agriculture Research and Extension Service.”

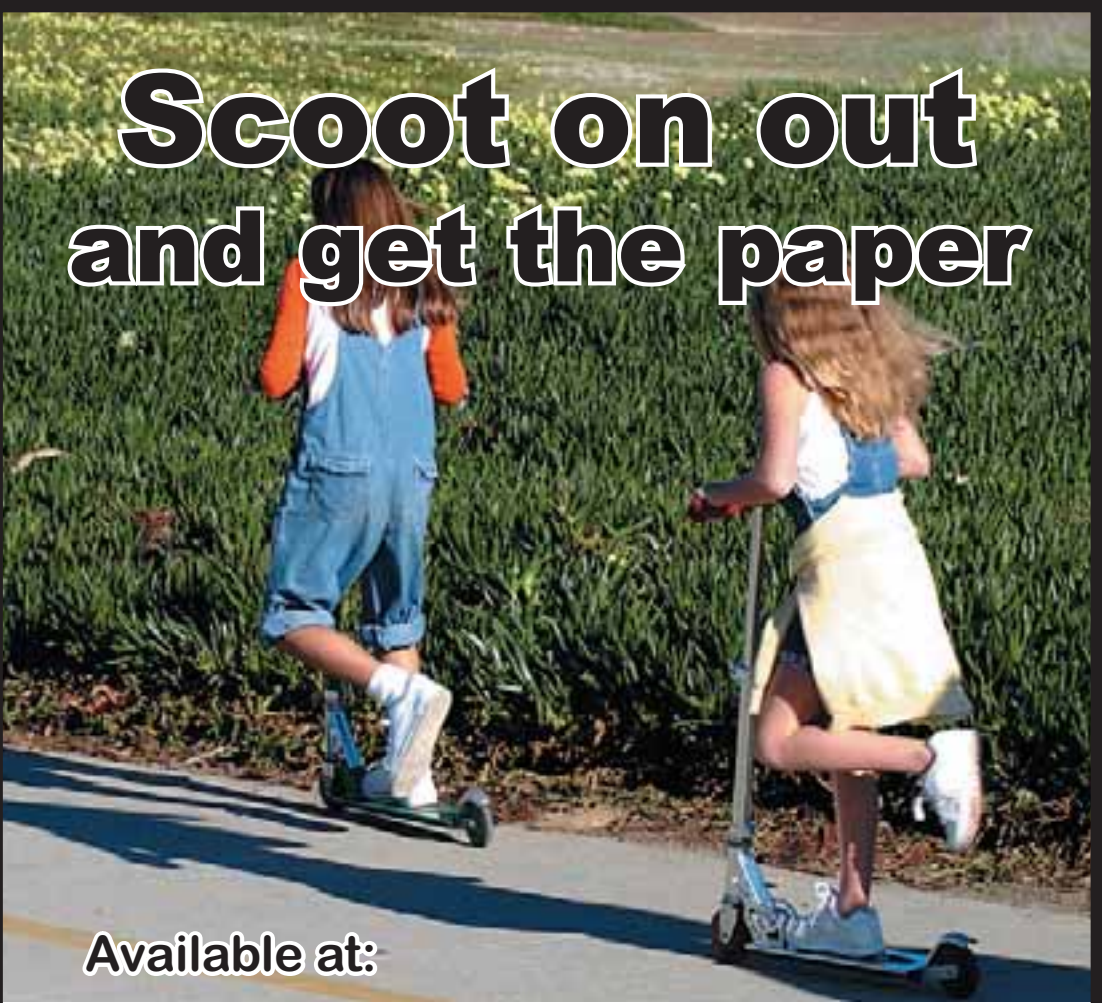
Field said the legislature also agreed to combat the mad cow disease, now all cattle imported from Canada must have a visible “C” brand on the neck and be identified with a radio frequency devise or electronic ID implant in each animal. Also HB 633 passed which Field carried and she said would be of great value to water users provided that no portion of any water right be lost of forfeited for nonuse if the nonuse results from water rights being used for mitigation purposes approved by the director of water resources.



Spring break

Two hang-gliders glide over the desert recently during a break in the clouds. Temperatures are expected to climb back into the 70s this week.

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JV seniors raise enough for Hawaiian vacation

The senior class of Jordan Valley High School is well on its way to Hawaii, thanks to the support of the community at a recent International Dinner held at the high school on St. Patrick's Day.

Over 300 people packed the gym to taste the wide variety of foods and to enjoy the entertainment. Senior class mothers prepared and served the majority of the food, with help from the class members and a special donation of time from Beth Hasler of Arock to prepare the homemade mandarin chicken and oriental fried rice. Guests traveled from as far as Vale, Oregon, Bruneau, and Grand View to attend the dinner and support the class.

Elementary students, Kaine Baptist, Shelly Payne, Alica Hiatt, Katrina Moran, Alexis Senften and Michelle Telleria, under the direction of teacher Mrs. Julie Matteri performed five musical numbers in a program titled "A World of Music" to compliment the theme of the International dinner.

Rockville School followed with a rousing musical performance that included every child in the school decked out in full St. Paddy dress. Annie Mackenzie, Brandon Mackenzie, Sunny Mackenzie, Andrea Cunningham, Caleb Cunningham, Tyler Elsner, Nathan Elsner and Curtie Waddington, under the direction of their teacher, Mrs. Rena Uhalde and aide Thereisa Cole, performed "God Bless the USA", "That Grand Old Flag", and "God Bless America" before the delighted dinner guests. Rockville also set up a beautiful display of their students' writing and art projects at the dinner. Pleasant Valley School was represented by science project displays of fully stocked to-scale zoos with working water systems created by Mattie Wroten, Ashley Hebison, and Carlen Hipwell.

Old time music, including fiddle, piano, guitar, and harmonica, among other instruments was performed by Dale Johnson and friends. The tip jar on top of the piano was overflowing at the end of the evening.

Basketball games were held, from tiny tots playing with miniature baskets arranged by Mrs. Sheila Quintero to elementary and middle school students coached by Clint Fillmore and Todd Gluch. The balance of the evening was filled with co-ed town team ball games coordinated by Mrs. Tracey Skinner. The Jordan Valley Middle School Cheerleaders, Ashley Hebison, Catie Kershner, Shelly Payne, Mattie Wroten, Tessa Matteri, Alica Hiatt, Lizzie Bowen and Justine Suarez, under the direction of their coach, Mrs. Cindy Beckwith, performed a dance routine for the half-time entertainment during the first basketball game of the evening.

The silent auction, featuring a donated banjo, several quilts, and other items netted \$435 for the Hawaii-bound senior class. The cow chip lotto netted an additional \$510 for the class, and sent \$500 in cash to the lucky ticket holder identified simply as "Yancey" from Vale, Oregon.

The work list produced several offers from locals to have the senior class perform a variety of tasks from washing windows to splitting wood and rolling up barbed wire. The twelve members of the class, along with their chaperones Greg and Diane Grenke and class advisor Larry Michaels, are set to fly out of Boise on April 14 for their beach front stay in Honolulu. The class is scheduled to return on April 20, and plans to put together a slide show of their adventure to share with the community who so generously made their dream trip a reality.

International Dinner coordinators said the final cash receipts for the evening totaled over \$2200.



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Rimrock teen awarded Idaho Angus scholarship

Stacy M. White, 17 of Oreana is the winner of the 2004 Idaho Angus Auxiliary Scholarship. Stacy is a senior at Rimrock High School and is the daughter of Bill and Beverly White.



Stacy has participated in many activities and received many awards in the associations she is involved in. She has been a seven year member of the Idaho Jr. Angus Association and a four year member of FFA. She has participated in local and state Angus events and her list of awards and honors includes the Owyhee Cattleman’s award, State FFA Degree and the Idaho Top Scholar award.

In school, Stacy is on the National Honor Roll, listed on Who’s Who among American high school students and is on the track and field and cross country teams.

She is active in student government as a member to the student council and she helped build a handicap access ramp and remodel the kitchen of the Oreana Community Hall.

Stacy plans to attend Idaho State University and major in software or Internet web design and programming.

Snow report

Current snow depth and snow water equivalent data from the Natural Resources Conservation Service for South Mountain, Reynolds Creek and Mud Flat.

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03/29/04			
	Date	Snow water Equivalent	Snow Depth
Reynolds Creek	03/22	1.4	0.5
	03/23	1.3	0.5
	03/24	1.2	0.5
	03/25	1.0	0.5
	03/26	1.1	0.6
	03/27	0.8	0.6
	03/28	0.7	0.6
	03/29	0.7	0.5
Mud Flat	03/22	6.6	14.6
	03/23	6.0	13.7
	03/24	5.2	13.1
	03/25	4.7	10.5
	03/26	4.2	9.3
	03/27	3.8	9.1
	03/28	4.2	9.8
	03/29	3.8	7.8
South Mtn	03/22	16.1	38.9
	03/23	15.3	36.9
	03/24	14.4	34.7
	03/25	14.0	33.6
	03/26	13.5	33.0
	03/27	13.5	32.9
	03/28	13.9	34.9
	03/29	14.0	32.7



Smorgasbord top winners

Homedale Middle School’s Mrs. Warren’s class was the top selling class for this year’s Smorgasbord ticket sales and will receive a pizza party. A total of 42 sixth graders sold \$26.00 or more ticket sales and will be able to attend a bowling party. The three top sellers were, Megan Harper with \$239.00; Megan Romans with \$307.00; and Ryan Ryska with \$1,337.50.



Dawn of a new day

The sun broke through the clouds Saturday morning and produced a sunny day with highs in the upper 60s. Forecasters are calling for mostly clear skies this week except for today (Wednesday). Rain is forecast for today.

ISDA reminds of cull onion disposal

March 15th was the deadline for disposal of cull onion piles in Ada, Canyon, Gem, Payette, Owyhee and Washington Counties, according to rules of the Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA).

An effort to protect potential damage to Idaho’s onion crop the regulation includes the possibility of a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation. Responsibility rests with the onion packer disposing of the onions and the landowner to see to it that rules governing said regulations are followed. In effect since 2000, Mike Cooper, Acting Administrator, Division of Plant Industries, ISDA said, “We have received cooperation from the onion industry and this is key to protecting Idaho’s onion industry.”

The onion maggot can destroy up to two dozen seedlings during its two-week life span, so damage to a field can be substantial. If not properly disposed of, culls serve as

breeding and egg-laying sites for the adult flies. “The larval stage of the onion maggot attacks and destroys portions of the onion bulb providing an avenue for fungi and bacteria to cause bulbs to rot during storage. We frequently find the onion maggot in cull onion piles.” Cooper stated.

The rules state that cull onions – those not useable

for human consumption or deemed waste – must be disposed of by March 15th of each year or within one week of sorting after March 15th. Trucks transporting onions should be covered to prevent spillage along roadsides. Such spilled onions create good breeding sites for the onion maggot.

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Easter Celebration

DINNER

Springtime calls for fresh flavors and bright colors, guaranteed antidotes to the winter blahs. Whether the occasion is Easter dinner for the family or simply a time to enjoy the first signs of spring, what better way to bring on the season than a meal to appeal to adults and youngsters. For the cook, the best part of this celebration meal is the easy-to-prepare recipes and make-ahead ideas.

The menu calls on citrus flavors to awaken the taste buds. Headlining the meal, asparagus and chicken are made quickly with the convenience of ready-to-use ReaLemon lemon juice. The combination of lemon juice and mustard to marinate the chicken before baking produces a tender and juicy result. Serve the chicken with rice to soak up the sauce.

And what food signals spring better than gourmet, intensely flavored jelly beans. They take center stage on the tabletop as a cheerful centerpiece. Clear, simple containers let the colors of the jelly beans shine, a welcome change from the usual floral bouquet. The candy shoppe centerpiece also serves a dual purpose when the guests select a jar to take home as a parting gift.

To make the most eye-appealing centerpiece, collect five or seven containers of the same shape, but varying sizes. Layer individual flavors of Jelly Belly gourmet jelly beans in spring-time colors, such as cotton candy, berry blue, piña colada and kiwi flavors. Arrange the jars on a tray and sprinkle more jelly beans around the base.

Jelly-Bean Studded Meringue Nests

Make these nests the day before and scoop the sorbet just before serving.

- 6 egg whites
- Pinch of salt
- 1 1/2 teaspoons cream of tartar
- 1/2 teaspoon almond extract
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 4 ounces assorted Jelly Belly jelly beans (cotton candy, berry blue, lemon drop, island punch, lemon lime)
- Mango sorbet or sherbet

Preheat oven to 170°F. Line baking sheet with parchment paper. Using round cookie cutter or small can, trace the outline of a 4-inch circle, for 8 to 10 circles. Set aside. In clean, dry mixing bowl of electric mixer, beat egg whites, salt and cream of tartar until soft peaks form. With mixer running, add almond extract and gradually add sugar. Beat until stiff and glossy. Spoon meringue about 3/4 cup at a time onto parchment-lined baking sheet, using tracing lines as guides for size. With large spoon make indentation in each meringue mound to form nests.

Gently press jelly beans into sides of meringues. Bake 2 1/2 hours, or until hard. Just before serving, fill meringue nests with small scoop of sorbet or sherbet; serve immediately.

Makes 8 to 10 nests

Note: Nests can be made 2 days ahead. Store in airtight container.

Mustard-Lemon Chicken

A little sweet, a little tart — mustard and lemon are a winning combination.

- 1 (2 1/2 to 3 pounds) whole fryer chicken
- 1 cup ReaLemon Lemon Juice from Concentrate
- 3/4 cup coarse-grain brown mustard
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup cooking oil

Preheat oven to 375°F. Rinse chicken; pat dry. Skewer neck skin to back; tie legs to tail. Twist wings under back. Place, breast side up, on rack in shallow roasting pan.

For marinade, combine lemon juice, mustard, sugar and oil in small bowl. Pierce chicken with fork, pour half of marinade over; cover with plastic wrap. Marinate in refrigerator 2 to 4 hours. Reserve half of marinade.

Bake chicken 1 to 1 1/4 hours. Remove from oven when drumsticks move easily, juices run clear and thermometer registers 180° to 185°F. Cover and let stand 10 minutes before carving.

Bring remaining marinade to boil; cover and boil 1 minute. Serve reserved marinade with carved chicken.

Serves 6

Asparagus With Browned Lemon Butter

The splash of lemon dresses up springtime's favorite vegetable.

- 1/2 cup margarine or butter
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 1/4 cup ReaLemon Lemon Juice from Concentrate
- 2 pounds asparagus, oven-roasted or steamed
- Toasted almonds, optional

Heat margarine or butter in small skillet, cooking until melted and just lightly browned. Remove from heat and stir in garlic and lemon juice. Spoon over asparagus; sprinkle with toasted almonds if desired.

Serves 6

For more recipes and information, visit www.realemon.com and www.jellybelly.com.

Jelly Bean Juleps

Lime juice and melted jelly beans make a refreshing spring drink.

- 1 cup lemon lime flavor Jelly Belly jelly beans
- 3/4 cup water
- 1 cup ReaLime Lime Juice from Concentrate
- 1/2 cup fine sugar
- 2 tablespoons mint syrup
- 4 cups club soda
- Fresh mint and lime slices for garnish

Place jelly beans and water in pan and heat until jelly beans are melted, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat and add lime juice, sugar and mint syrup. Pour into small pitcher, add club soda. Stir to dissolve sugar. Pour in tall glasses over ice. Top with club soda and garnish with fresh mint and slice of lime.

Serves 6



From top: Jelly Bean Juleps, Mustard-Lemon Chicken, Asparagus With Browned Lemon Butter and Jelly-Bean Studded Meringue Nests

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

March 29, 1979

Council Oks well option

The Homedale City Council voted Tuesday evening to take an option on land east side of the Snake River for the purpose of drilling a new city well.

The well will supply water to the new city water system, approved by voters last year.

The council’s decision apparently brings to an end an eight month search for a well site for the new system.

The well site is located on a 100 by 100 foot parcel of land at Tom Morris Equipment, across the river from the city. Recently, Morris completed drilling a six inch well near the site on which the city has obtained an option.

At the Tuesday special meeting, Morris showed council members a well driller’s report on the test well. The report shows eight layers of good water, beginning at 53 feet and extending to 420 feet. Tests indicate the water does not contain the hydrogen sulfide which causes the smell and unusual taste in the present water system.

The option agreement give the city the right to drill a well on the parcel of land owned by Morris. If the well proves out, the city will pay Morris \$17,000 for the well site.

Chronicle is official paper

A two-year legal battle ended March 23, as the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners designated the Owyhee Chronicle in Homedale the official county newspaper.

The hearing for the designation of an official county newspaper had been ordered recently by Third District Judge Jim Doolittle.

The county commission, composed of Howard Berge-son, Ernie Bahem and Don Davis, heard arguments form attorneys Richard Eismann, representing the Homedale paper and Peter Boyd, representing the Marsing newspa-per. Allen Coffel represented the commissioners.

Service news

Navy Seaman Terry L. Coons, son of Wenda and Lloyd Coons Jr. of Box 14, Marsing, Idaho, has completed re-cruit training at the Naval Training Center, San Diego. A 1976 graduate of Marsing high school, he joined the Navy in December 1978.

Marine Private Feliz O. Saiz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fidel Saiz of PO Box 562, Wilder, Ohio, has completed recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego. He joined the Marine Corps in October 1978.

Wichita, Kan. LeRoy Sheperd, nephew of Mrs. Esther Jordan of 3223 E. 117th St., Cleveland, Ohio, has been promoted to chief master sergeant, highest enlisted grade in the U.S. Air Force. Chief Sheperd is a communica-tions-electronics systems manager at McConnell AFB, Kan. The chief is a 1954 graduate of East Technical high school. His wife, Laura, is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clint R. Coopernoll of Rt. 1, Marsing, Idaho.

Huter among delegates to 4-H meeting

A nine member delegation will depart to Gem State March 29 to attend the 49th annual National 4-H Confer-ence at Washington, D.C. Traveling to the nation’s capital will be Idaho 4-H members.

Dairy wives spring luncheon

The Udder Half will hold its annual Spring luncheon for Dairy Wives at the Outlaw Inn, Caldwell, next Mon-day, April 2, at 12:30 o’clock. Rick Waitley, Meridian, executive secretary of the Idaho Dairymen’s Association, will show the film, “Come Visit My Dairy.” Mrs. Nora Hickox, past state president of Dairy Wives, will install new officers of The Udder Half.

Turner named postmaster

The long search for a new Homedale Postmaster ended last week with the announcement of the appointment of Joyce Turner of Greenleaf to the position.

Mrs. Turner has been postmaster of Greenleaf for the past four years.

Since joining the postal service in 1968 Mrs. Turner has worked at Greenleaf, in the Boise office and as officer in charge at Marsing. She and her husband now make their home in Greenleaf. The youngest of their five chil-dren graduates from Vallivue high school this spring.

50 years ago

April 1, 1954

Paul Browne sells local business

A business transaction of local importance was con-summated last week whereby Mr. Sam Buck, former owner of the Western Auto Supply Store, became the owner of the real estate and insurance agency operated by Paul Browne. The change in ownership is to take ef-fect April 15th.

Mr. Browne came to Homedale in 1946 and has been operating his agency here since January 1947. He is an aeronautical engineer, having been employed at the Saw-telle engineering offices of Douglas Aircraft Company, in Los Angeles, prior to World War II, and serving three and a half years with the navy in supersonic research.

Bob Bright returns to states

A-2c Bob Bright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bright, arrived home Tuesday afternoon to spend a thirty day furlough here. He recently returned to the States after serving two years in Okinawa with the Air Force. At the termination of his furlough he will return to Randolph Air Force Base in Texas.

Contract for first section Owyhee Highway to be awarded April 13

The first construction contract of the new Owyhee county highway will be let April 13th, according to in-formation received in a telephone conversation with the State Highway Department this morning.

The contract is for the construction and oiling of 11.5 miles between Marsing and Givens Springs and it is ex-pected that construction will begin almost immediately following the awarding of the contract.

Expected to be ready for contract are four more sections of the highway, extending on south from Givens Springs to Walters Ferry and in the Grandview-Bruneau area. The highway department said that some of these might be ready to advertise for bids yet today, and that bids would be opened sometime during the month of April.

High school honor roll given

The students of Homedale high school reported on the honor roll the past period were:

Seniors-Ruth Burton, Nancy Weaver, Donna Ething-ton, Sylvia Herman, Eleanor Lemrick, Evelyn Olsen, Bonnie Parker, Jean Porter, Bonita Powell, Shirley Rowen, David Sharratt.

Juniors-Nancy Barnett, Barbara Benham, Donna Faulks, Jim Hinton, Elsie Jesenko, Marion Simpson, Lee Townsend, Louise Upham, Geneva McArthur, Gera-le Vriens.

Sophomores-Dan Adams, Darlene Markley, Leona Markley, Phyllis Neef, Sally Phillips, Dennis Regan.

Freshman-David Townsend and Doris Walker.

The Honor Society members this coming nine weeks are: Ruth Burton, Nancy Weaver, Sylvia Herman, El-eanor Lemrick, Evie Olsen, Bonnie Parker, Jean Porter, Bonita Powell, David Sharratt, Nancy Barnett, Donna Faulks, Jim Hinton, Elsie Jesenko, Marion Simpson, Lee Townsend, Louise Upham, Dan Adams, Irma Douglas, Sally Phillips, and Dennis Regan.

Owyhee Board to meet with Sport-Stockmen

A meeting of stockmen, sportsmen and interested per-sons with game department personnel, will be at the court house here at 1:30pm, April 19.

The meeting was arranged by the Owyhee County planning board after a meeting at Grandview Wednesday night of last week.

The game department wished to find out how people feel about the big game situation in Owyhee County and to work out a program.

A sample vote of the small group which attended the Grandview meeting favored 15 to 4 in favor of opening as much of Owyhee county as possible to a short big game hunt.

Speech students to compete at T.F.

The four students, Evie Olsen, Ruth Burton, Donna Faulks, and Richard Scherer who received superior rat-ings at Meridian, will journey to Twin Falls Saturday with their teacher, Mrs. Crockett, to enter competition there.

138 years ago

March 31, 1866

ARMY ORDER. The following order, dated March 2d, has been leased from headquarters Department of the Columbia:

The post of Fort Boise, I. T., and its dependencies, including Camps Lander, Alvord, Lyon and Reed, here-tofore known as the Sub-District of Boise, is hereby an-nounced as the District of Boise, and will be under com-mand of Major L. H. Marshall, 14h U.S. Infantry.

By order of Major General Steele,
W. L. Sanborn, Capt. and A. A. General
Officials

YESTERDAY was Good Friday and tomorrow is Eas-ter Sunday. The former the day of Christ’s Crucifixion and the latter day of his resurrection. The various de-nominations of Christians observe three days with differ-ent degrees of solemnity. People of the work, in a divine sense, usually gobble up all the loose eggs obtainable on Easter. Children of tender and tough years love to observe it in this particular. Folks in the enjoyment of good health eat other grub, if they can’t get eggs. Here is a creature of circumstances, especially in the matter of food and raiment. Take into consideration the many worldly and other holidays, us mortals have frequent longings for the linen, milk and honey. It’s doubles as all for the best. It affords recreation awakens thought and vanity is kept alive. This is a fruitful theme for moral speculation, but the reader is respectfully referred to his own reason for further information.

THE QUESTION of increasing the state of County tax will come be before the coming session of the County Commissioners. It is now one dollar and the hundred and it is believed to be policy to increase it thirty cents. This would release the County of it’s debts by next October and leave money in the Treasury. As an act of economy, this increase recommends itself. With cash to pay for services and labor performed for the County, the current expenses would be reduced one-half. At present, every one charges the County double what they would an indi-vidual, for the reason the paper of the former is selling at fifty cents on the dollar. It is much better to submit to a small increase one year and thereby raise County paper to par and thus avoid paying two prices for everything. It is true economy to make the proposed increase.

CREEK mining is beginning to be a feature in Owyhee. It is a luxury to see genuine dust one more. It would be much more creditable to certain parties to take picks, shovel and pan and delve in the earth for dust instead of manufacturing an imitation. We have heard good men say that certain individuals should be notified to leave camp. The notice is liable to be given any time. The man who would swindle the laborer with a compound of dust worth from \$5 to \$8 per ounce, would steal the food from his blind mother, if he had an opportunity.

WE ARE INFORMED by residents of Jordan Valley that they intend to send their ranches with grain and veg-etables, and are now making preparations. Considering the frequent Indian depredations, they are taking desper-ate risks but are bound to go ahead. Such perseverance deserves Uncle Sam’s encouragements. If these pioneer farmers succeed in raising the marketing a good crop they will be amply rewarded, though but few would take such desperate chances for any consideration.

WE LEARN that R. H. Leonard, Esq., Superintendent of the Aimsworth mill, on Sinker Creek, is expected to be at his post soon. His business below was to purchase additional machinery for the mill, which is expected to arrive and be put in place early in the season. While the mills are being built and repaired the mines should not be overlooked.

NEARLY COMPLETED. Mr. Tatem informs us that the N.Y. and O.F.’s ten stamp mill, on Sinker Creek, is about finished. We hope to call round soon and take notes of matters and things on Sinker.

THE WEATHER during the past week has been a mixture of all sorts, freezing, thawing, raining (much raining), snowing and sunshine.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense

Nationalizing the legal profession

I am blessed to have a brother with the ability to solve complex problems with the wisdom of Solomon. Something as simple as two brothers sharing what's left of the pie; one cuts it, the other gets first pick. His solution to the dilemma of gay marriage; they can adopt each other.

I was discussing the prickly issue of national health care. From the standpoint of the medical profession, socialized medicine reduces the quality of health care available to most, does not pay doctors adequately for their educational and occupational commitment, or reward them for the responsibility they bear.

Those promoting socialized medicine believe good health care is a right for all, regardless of income, citizenship or personal responsibility. Bro's solution: if we nationalize the medical profession, we nationalize the legal profession.

Good logic? The greatest enemy of doctors is lawyers. Skyrocketing malpractice insurance is the direct result of doctors being sued by lawyers for the pawns in the middle...us. Each profession blames the other, but regardless of fault, the litigious atmosphere has tarnished the image of everyone. It had made the doctors become aloof from their patients, the patients seem greedy, and the lawyers look like opportunists.

If we were to nationalize these professions and the quality of health care declined for most, as the AMA proposes, I suspect the quality of legal care would increase. Granted, a lot fewer people would enter the legal profession but the complaints they file on behalf of us would have more legitimacy. There would be no incentive for ambulance chasing and frivolous litigation.

Cases would be decided by tribunals of judges knowledgeable in medicine. There would be a good side, we'd have to face reality. People who overeat could not blame their doctor or Ben & Jerry's, people who smoke could not blame their doctor or Phillip Morris. People who engage in risky pursuits would have to take responsibility for their own actions.

After nationalizing the medical and legal professions, other occupations might follow, like politics. People would be appointed to office; voting would be abolished...

Wait a minute, you say, who would be in charge? Well, I guess we'd have to ask Fidel Castro.

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... *but possibly of interest*



Sometimes, it's really difficult not to be a cynic. There was a time when most businesses believed the way to be successful was to provide customers with quality goods and services. Today, a lot of companies, especially big ones, seem to believe the best way to make money is to charge consumers for nothing.

We don't have long distance service on our home phone. Haven't had it for a number of years. Therefore, we were surprised recently when my partner in life discovered an \$8 charge on our monthly home telephone bill for long distance service.

My mate called the local phone company to find out what was going on. After the usual routine of sixteen recorded messages assuring her that her "call is important," she got hold of a real human. The customer representative had no idea how the long distance charge got on the bill but said they could remove it.

When the phone bill came at the end of the month, it included an additional \$5 charge from the local service provider for removing the long distance bill that was none of our doing. It also included the \$8 long distance fee the local provider was charging us to remove! If I lost you on that explanation, don't feel alone.

So, in a one-month period our phone bill increased by \$13 and we got absolutely nothing in return, unless you count irritation as a service. Today we got a letter from the long distance company saying "whoops, we messed up," and promising to straighten things out. I'll believe it when I see it.

It's not just the phone companies. Try to pay extra on a loan to reduce the balance quicker and avoid some interest. You'll discover many financial institutions have it set up so the only way you can pay extra and have all that money go to the principal is to make the payment during a two- or three-day window in even-numbered months with names that include the letter "r." Otherwise you might actually be charged a penalty for paying extra.

The number of people in financial trouble is at an all time high. But hardly a day passes when the mail doesn't include something from a high interest credit card company, encouraging the recipients to spend more. Some of the national chain stores make more profit off the interest they charge customers than they do off the products they sell.

The philosophy in some businesses today seems to be to make money through confusion rather than service.

Based on our experience, I may take early retirement and set up a business. All I will do is send people bills for repairing old Russian cameras they don't have. If they pay the bills, fine. If they complain, I'll charge them another fee to take them off the mailing list. Then all I will have to do is sit back and process the paperwork.

Wait a minute! What am I thinking! If I tried a scam like that as an individual, I would be arrested for fraud and sent off to the pokey faster that you can say "quarterly dividend." It's only legal if you have a board of directors and are incorporated. In that case confusing the consumer is called "a good business model."

Idaho Farm Bureau

Death tax deserves permanent repeal

By Frank Priestley, President

A group calling itself Responsible Wealth (RW) recently held a press conference in Washington D.C. asking Congress to reinstate estate taxes. RW, led by Bill Gates and Paul Volcker, former chairman of the Federal Reserve say they are concerned about deepening inequality and permanently repealing estate taxes would be "fiscally irresponsible."

President Bush signed a bill in 2002 that granted exemptions to estate taxes until 2010. After that the death tax is back in full force. Farm Bureau is working toward permanent repeal of the death tax because it makes the process of passing farm and ranch holdings from one generation to the next extremely difficult. Some families have had to come up with hundreds of thousands of dollars to pay estate taxes, which can be as high as 48 percent, in order to hand property down when a family member dies. It's a lot like buying your family's farm from the government because your father died.

The death tax is senseless to most working class people. It creates incredible economic hardship for families and small business owners at the worst possible time. But apparently Bill Gates, a guy

who could lose \$50 million before lunch without flinching, thinks it's good fiscal policy.

Following are a few points to consider in relation to estate taxes:

The death tax destroys family-owned businesses when surviving family members are forced to sell land, buildings or equipment to generate enough money to pay the tax.

When farms and ranches disappear, the rural communities and businesses they support also suffer.

Farmland located close to urban centers is often lost forever to development when death taxes force farm families out of business.

Estate planning is sometimes effective in protecting farm businesses from burdensome death taxes. However, attorneys, accountants and insurance are costly and take funds that could be better used to operate and expand the business.

Because farm and ranch businesses evolve and grow farmers and ranchers who do plan for their deaths can never be sure that their estate tax plan will protect their business when they die.

And while death taxes can be fatal to family owned farms and ranches, the tax does little to raise revenue for the government. Annual death tax revenues make up less than two percent of total federal receipts.

Commentary

Letters to the editor
Vendor responds

This is a simple letter to the editor of the Owyhee Avalanche in direct response to the image used on the article March 24, 2004 “Business owners seek change in Mobil Enterprise Regulations.”

I Paul Ambeau a 13 year resident of Homedale and a customer of Mr. Zaticas, also an old neighbor of Mr. Shenks and supporter of Homedale Drive Inn and other merchants in town would like to voice neither person has had any conversations with me personally not even a phone call, so publicly I would like to say I pay my taxes, I went through every hoop before I parked on a public street to vend my good, even the health inspectors comments were “this is one of the nicer units I have seen”. I took the place of a vendor who had to leave, I stay only for lunch time and then I’m gone. I do not stay all day because I did think of Homedale Drive Inn and Pauls grocery store and all the other merchants in town. You see I too have a street vender doing business in direct competition and I welcome this because it keeps the spirit of growth in my products. I ask Mr. Zatica should we pass a city ordinance against higher pricing in a small town, even if they supported your start up?

I did ask city hall what was required, I did asked Idaho Health Dept and then complied. I did take a food handlers test. The license plate on the vending van reads F8th, so what are you so afraid of?

Paul Ambeau
Homedale

Professional in conduct

The Payette County Sheriff’s Office and the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office have always had a very good working relationship. At the present we have inquired from your agency information in the construction theft of tools that have been occurring, approximately 18 months ago we had a similar multi-county investigation in tools from construction site thefts. As you will recall two years ago we requested assistance with an internal investigation which your office completed a very professional investigation and report.

I am appalled that any one would slander the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office. You and your staff have always been of great assistance and professional in conduct.

Robert Barowsky, Sheriff
Payette County Sheriff’s Office

Supports re-election of Aman

I am happy to support Gary Aman in his bid for re-election. He has always been a friend and very helpful when I have needed assistance. He went the extra mile when I was having trouble with the spotted frog to protect my private property and see that everyone followed the spirit and the letter of the law. It made me feel good to have Aman's help and support when I needed it.

The back country officer program has been a great success in thwarting some of the more radical citizens from harming mines and other ranchers and farmers property. A much needed and appreciated program. In short, Aman has my vote.

Chris Black
Bruneau

Accuracy in media
The other 9/11 ad campaign

Cliff Kincaid, Editor of the AIM Report.

The major media created a firestorm over the Bush campaign’s use of 9/11 images in an ad. John Kerry and other Democrats were shocked. They must have conveniently forgotten how friends of Kerry destroyed Howard Dean by running an ad showing Osama bin Laden, the architect of 9/11, and charging that Dean didn’t have the foreign policy experience to be president. The episode tells us a lot about the hypocrisy of Kerry and his friends in the media who raised an outcry over the Bush ad.

The controversial ad featured a slowly moving shot of a Time Magazine cover featuring bin Laden and it zoomed in on a close-up of his eyes. The ad asked Democrats to think about Dean’s lack of foreign policy experience. The mysterious group behind the ads was called “Americans for Jobs, Healthcare and Progressive Values” and its spokesman, Robert Gibbs, was a former Kerry campaign employee. It was disclosed that Robert Torricelli, the former New Jersey senator raising money for Kerry, donated \$50,000 from his Senate campaign fund to the group. Such a contribution was “fuzzy” in terms of the law, according to a spokesman for the Federal Election Commission.

Hardly a conservative, Charles Lewis of the Center for Public Integrity noted that Torricelli is a “disgraced” former Senator who was “severely admonished for his unsavory campaign finance practices and forced to leave the Senate.” He called the ad campaign against Dean a “mugging” and a “smear campaign.”

The complete text of the anti-Dean ad was, “We live in a very dangerous world. And there are those who wake up every morning determined to destroy western civilization. Americans want a President who can face the dangers ahead. But Howard Dean has no military or foreign policy experience. And Howard Dean just cannot compete with George Bush on foreign policy. It’s time for Democrats to think about that... and think about it now.”

How does that compare to the couple of seconds in the Bush ad about 9/11?

At the time, on a pro-Howard Dean website, one Democrat said that fellow Democrats were “using the war on terror for political gain” and that the anti-

Dean forces had taken their strategy to a “new low.” Another noted that the ad “uses images of Osama bin Laden to attack Howard Dean’s commitment to defending America.”

It had the desirable effect. Dean, who avoided the Vietnam War with a medical deferment and then went skiing in Vermont, was considered damaged goods as a possible candidate against war President George W. Bush. Kerry, by contrast, who served in combat in Vietnam, was preferable. And if Kerry had to get the nomination by using 9/11 and the war on terrorism against Dean, so be it. Kerry achieved status as a “winner” in the primaries when his associates successfully attacked Dean as weak on foreign policy. But now Kerry doesn’t want Bush to use 9/11 against him.

With Democrats attacking Democrats, the New York Times editorially commented about the use of bin Laden as a “prop” in the Democratic campaign. The Times said it was “bad politics,” a “low-blow,” and rather sinister but that its message)that Dean lacked foreign policy experience)was “fair enough.” The Times had apparently come to the conclusion that somebody other than Dean deserved the Democratic nomination.

But after the Bush campaign used brief 9/11 images in an ad, the paper thundered that, “Any political candidate who attempts to piggyback onto the sense of national unity and instances of heroism that followed 9/11 deserves to be shunned by the electorate.” A story in the Times that same day said that Bush’s aides “were scrambling to counter criticism that his first television commercials crassly politicized the tragedy of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.” It was a major controversy in all of the media.

The lesson is clear: as long as Kerry’s friends used 9/11 to guarantee him the Democratic nomination, this was acceptable. But once Bush reminded voters of the fact that he led the country after 9/11, that was dirty politics and cynical exploitation of a tragedy. This is to be expected from a liberal paper that endorsed Kerry for president in the Democratic primary and will endorse him in the general election this November.

As for Dean, who said the Osama ads used against him reflected a “corrupt” political climate, he is now playing the role of good Democrat and is on the Kerry bandwagon. Perhaps he is hoping for an appointment in a Kerry administration as Secretary of State.

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**OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
MARCH 15, 2004
OWYHEE COUNTY
COURTHOUSE MURPHY,
IDAHO**

Present were Commissioner Harold Tolmie, Commissioner Dick Reynolds, Commissioner Chris Salove, Clerk Charlotte Sherburn, Assessor Brett Endicott, Sheriff Gary Aman, Kay Kelly Breach, Jim Desmond, and Fred Grant.

The Board moved to amend the agenda to include; change of time on posted agenda from 10:00 AM .to 9:00 AM., Idaho power work order, request for road name, transfer of beer & wine license, and payment of bills.

A hearing was held on an approval decision by Planning & Zoning on a conditional use permit application filed by the Armstrongs. The record was held open pending receipt of a brief.

The Board took action on the following Indigent & Charity cases; I.C. Case No. 04-01 Adoption of Resolution 04-08 Reconsideration and Notice of Hearing for April 5th at 1:00 P.M. I.C. Case No. 04-03 the Board set for hearing on April 5th at 2:00 P.M. I.C. Case No. 04-05 the Board approved payment of medical bills with reimbursement. I.C. Case No. 03-50 the Board moved to deny the reconsideration hearing pursuant to Idaho Code 31-3502.

The Board approved the transfer of a beer and wine license for Snake River Inn.

The Board moved to approve a work order for Idaho Power to hook power to the law library.

The Board approved a request for road name of Frontier Lane made by Denise Collingham.

The Board moved into executive session at 1:30 PM. The Board moved out of executive session at 1:52 PM. No action was taken.

The Board adopted Resolution No. 04-07 the Homedale Armory Rental Agreement.

The Board moved to send a letter to Idaho Fish and Game Commission commenting in opposition to the proposed implementation of OHV restrictions in Unit 40.

The Board approved the minutes for the March 8th meeting.

The Board approved payment of all outstanding bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$40,506; Road & Bridge 10,368; District Court 973; Fair Grounds & Bldg 18; Probation 1,171; Historical Society, Museum 177; Indigent & Charity 2,325; Junior College 4,200; Revaluation 70; Solid Waste 25,691; Tort 3,600; Weed 442; 911-1,626

There being no further business the board moved for adjournment.

The complete minutes can be viewed in the Clerk's office.

Harold Tolmie, Chairman
Attest: Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk
3/31/04

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please be advised that a public hearing will be held before the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Homedale on the 5th day of April, 2004, at 7:00 p.m. at Homedale City Hall, 31 West Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho. The subject matter of the public hearing is the Application for approval of the Final Plat of Homedale Heights as submitted by Big View Builders, This is a 2.76 acre parcel which is located on Main Street immediately east of the senior citizen apartment complex known as Homedale Garden Apartments. This parcel is to be subdivided into five parcels, with a four-plex to be built on each of four of the five lots. Please be advised that a copy of the final plat is on file at Homedale City Hall if you wish to review same and provide any input.

Sylvia L. Bahem, Administrator

Planning & Zoning Commission

City of Homedale
3/24,31/04

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing before the Homedale City Council will be held April 7, 2004 at 6:00 pm, Homedale City Hall, 31 W Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho. Subject matter of the public hearing is Homedale Heights Subdivision. The public is invited to attend the above referenced hearing.

Susan Mansisor
City Clerk
City of Homedale
3/31-4/7/04

**NOTICE OF SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION
DECLARATION OF
CANDIDACY**

**Homedale Joint School
District No. 370
Canyon and Owyhee Counties,
Idaho**

Public Notice is hereby given according to law, and the requisite action of the Board of Trustees of Homedale Joint School District No. 370, Canyon and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, that the annual school trustee election will be held on May 18, 2004. Candidates interested in filing a declaration of candidacy must file not later than 5:00 p.m. on April 16, 2004.

Only those qualified electors residing in Trustee Zone #1 may declare candidacy for a Zone #1 trustee position. Only those qualified electors residing in Trustee Zone #5 may declare candidacy for a Zone #5 trustee position. The purpose of said election shall be to elect one trustee to serve for a period of three years from the date of the election one trustee who resides within trustee zone #1 and to elect one trustee to serve for a period of three years from the date of the election one trustee from trustee zone #5.

Trustee Zones #1 and #5 are more specifically described as follows:

TRUSTEE ZONE 1—Beginning at the intersection of the western district boundary and

the Snake River. Easterly on the Snake River and its southern bank to 1st St. West. South on 1st St. West to California Ave. West on California Ave. to the west city limits of Homedale. Southerly on the city limits to Idaho Ave. West on Idaho Ave. to Succor Creek. Southwest on Succor Creek to the west district boundary. North on the district boundary to the beginning.

TRUSTEE ZONE 5—Beginning at the intersection of the west Homedale city limits and California Ave. East on California Ave. to 1st St. West. North on 1st St. 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 6th St. West. North on 6th St. West to Washington Ave. West on Washington Ave to the city limits. Northerly on the city limits to the beginning.

Declaration of candidacy must be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Trustees not later than 5:00 p.m. on the fifth Friday prior to the day of election (To wit: April 16, 2004). Each declaration of candidacy must bear the name of the candidate, state the term for which declaration of candidacy is made, and bear the signature of not less than five (5) school district electors resident of the trustee zone of which the candidate is resident.

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

Under order of the Board of Trustees

/s/Faith K. Olsen, Assistant Clerk
3/31-4/7/04

**NOTICE OF DEADLINE
FOR FILING
DECLARATION OF
CANDIDACY
MARSING SCHOOL
DISTRICT NO. 363
Marsing, Idaho 83639**

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing nominating petitions for the election of one (1) Trustee for a term of three (3) years from Trustee Zone 2, and for the election of one (1) Trustee for a term of three (3) years from Trustee Zone 4, not later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 16, 2004. The election will be held on May 18, 2004.

Any person legally qualified to hold the office of school trustee in School District No. 363, Marsing, Idaho, may file a declaration of candidacy for the office, each of which shall bear the name of the candidate, state the term for which the declaration of candidacy is made, and bear the signature of not less than five (5) school district electors resident of the trustee zone of which the candidate is resident. A declaration of candidacy may be obtained at the School District Administration Office, Highway 78, Marsing, Idaho. The declaration

shall be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Trustees of school district not later than 5:00 p.m. on the fifth Friday preceding the day of election of trustees.

Deborah Holzhey, Clerk
Board of Trustees
School District 363, Marsing, Idaho
3/31-4/7/04

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the members of the MARSING COMMUNITY DISASTER FUND, an association, will be held at eight (8:00) o'clock p.m. on Tuesday April 6, 2004 at the MARSING PHIPPS/WATSON COMMUNITY BUILDING for the purpose of electing four (4) directors for a term of three years. One (1) each from the communities of Riverside, Knowlton Heights, Opaline and Director at Large from within the Association boundaries, the election of one (1) area director to fill a one year term, of the election of officers for the Association and any other business relative to the Annual Meeting.

CLAIR R. CASE, Association Secretary

3/24,31/04

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. SP-04-01992
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:
RAMONA ABERASTURI,
Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned is the attorney of record for the appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

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

DATED this 8 day of March, 2004.

LOUIS L. URANGA
Uranga & Uranga
714 North 5th Street
P.O. Box 1678
Boise, Idaho 83701
(208) 342-8931

Attorney for Personal Representative

3/17,24,31/04

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Wednesday, the 14th day of July, 2004, at the hour of 11:00 a.m. of said day, on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Hwy. 78, Murphy, Owyhee County, State of Idaho, HOLGER UHL 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, to-wit:

THE EAST 100 FEET OF LOT 5 IN BLOCK 3 OF VOLK-

MER-MOTZKO'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF MARSING, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PALT THEREOF FILED NOVEMBER 19, 1945 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 70765 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY.

The Trustee has no further knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 120 2nd Ave. W., Marsing, Idaho 83639, fka 131 W. 1st Ave., Marsing, Idaho 83639, is sometimes associated with this real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrance to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by SILVIA A. CUELLAR, an unmarried person, as Grantor, to FREDERIC V. SHOEMAKER, as Trustee, and to HOLGER UHL, a member of the Idaho State Bar, as successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of BNC MORTGAGE, INC., a Delaware Corporation, as Beneficiary, recorded January 24, 2001, as Instrument No. 234907, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho, and to WELLS FARGO BANK MINNESOTA, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR AMORTIZING RESIDENTIAL COLLATERAL TRUST, 2001-BC4, as successor Beneficiary by Assignment recorded February 17, 2004, as Instrument No. 246754, records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

The default for which this sale is to be made is:

Failure to make principal and interest payments on the original loan amount of \$45,900.00, with interest thereon at the rate of 11.55% per annum, with monthly payments of \$456.30 for principal and interest due and owing for the month of August 2003, and each and every month thereafter, through the date of reinstatement or sale, along with all costs, fees and late charges associated therewith; and the balance owing as of February 26, 2004, on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$49,046.82; consisting of \$45,398.06 principal, \$3,481.08 accrued interest, \$542.94 late charges, and \$375.26 escrow impound credit, with interest accruing on the unpaid principal at an annual rate of 11.55%.

The above Grantor(s) are named to comply with Idaho Code §45-1506(4)(a). No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation.

DATED this 15th day of March, 2004.

HOLGER UHL
1101 W. River Street, Suite 110
Boise, Idaho 83702
Ocwen/Cuellar; 100387489
3/24,31-4/7,14/04

Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On the 13th day of July, 2004, at the hour of 10:00 A.M., of said day, (recognized local time), in the Office of lobby of the **Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy**, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho.

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

PARCEL 1: Lots 8 and 9, Block 2, CANYON ESTATES SUBDIVISION, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat filed as Instrument No. 225491, records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

PARCEL 11: An easement for ingress and egress and utilities over Lots 18 and 19, Block 2, CANYON ESTATES SUBDIVISION, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat filed as Instrument No. 225491, records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

This Trustee’s Sale is subject to any bankruptcy filing, payoff, reinstatement, or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware of, and that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void. The successful bidder’s funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and/or the Beneficiary shall not be held liable to any successful purchaser(s) or bidders, at the Trustee’s Sale, for any damages.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that according to the County Assessors office, the address of **2852 Sagebrush Lane, Homedale**, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by the pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by **STEPHEN R LILE, a married man, as his sole and separate property**, as grantors, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho Corporation, as successor trustee, for the benefit and security of ASSOCIATES FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY, INC. (a division of Citifinancial, Inc.), as beneficiary, recorded November 4, 1999, as Instrument No. 230354, 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, the monthly payments for Principal and Interest of \$266.42, due per month for the months of September through December, 2003 and January, 2004 and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement, with interest accruing at 11.498% per annum, and continuing to accrue from August 1, 2003. Also due are delinquent and unpaid taxes for 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$13,172.17, plus accruing interest, costs and advances. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any 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.

Date: March 2, 2004
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC.
By Monine Cole, Trust Officer
FA-17383
First American Title Company of Idaho
Trust Dept. 1-208-375-0455
3/24,31-4/7,14/04

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On FRIDAY, 23, JULY 2004 AT THE HOUR OF 11:00 o’clock A.M., local time, of said day, at the front steps of the Homedale Magistrate Courthouse, 31 West Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho, R. WAYNE SWENEY, 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, together with fixtures, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and particularly described as follows:

Lot 9 Block 1, WRETTLING ADDITION to the Townsite of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, as the same appear on the Amended Plat of Homedale, Idaho.

ADDRESS: 15 Kansas Ave., Homedale, Idaho

The trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrance to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust described as follows:

A Deed of Trust to secure an indebtedness in the amount shown below, and any other obligations secured thereby
Amount: \$53,764.03
Dated: February 18, 2000

Trutor/Grantor: ARTURO E. MALACARA and CONSUELO MALACARA, husband and wife

Trustee: PIONEER TITLE COMPNAY
Beneficiary: BENEFICAL MORTGAGE CO. OF IDAHO
Recorded: February 28, 2000

as Instrument No. 231564

THE GRANTORS NAMED HEREIN ARE LISTED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a) OF THE IDAHO CODE. No representation is made whether or not he or she is currently responsible for the obligation listed herein.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the Grantors’ failure to make payments on the promissory note or credit agreement secured by the Deed of Trust. Payments are due for the month of September 2003 and every month thereafter in the amount of \$573.43. As of 22 December 2003, the amount in arrears was \$2,867.15, and the outstanding principal balance owing on the Promissory Note or Credit Agreement secured by the Deed of Trust was \$53,529.58 plus accrued interest of \$3,688.15. Additional interest accrues at the rate of \$18.32 per day.

Grantors must also pay outstanding taxes, interest, penalties, late charges, service charges, appraisal fees, title policy fees, and any other disbursements, costs, fees or expenses incurred or paid by the Beneficiary and/or Trustee associated with this Notice of Default and/or this foreclosure as provided by the Deed of Trust, Promissory Note or Credit Agreement, or by Idaho Law. R.WAYNE SWENEY, Attorney at Law, is successor trustee of said Deed of Trust.

DATED: 23 March 2004
R. WAYNE SWENEY, Trustee
250 Northwest Boulevard, Suite 102
Coeur d’ Alene, Idaho 83814
208-667-0517
3/31-4/7,14,21/04

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On the 29th day of June, 2004, at the hour of 10:00 A.M., of said day, (recognized local time), in the Office of lobby of the **Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy**, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho.

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

Lot 3, Block 3 of EAGLE VIEW ESTATES, according to the official plat thereof recorded as Instrument No. 215482, Records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

This Trustee’s Sale is subject to any bankruptcy filing, payoff, reinstatement, or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware of, and that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void. The successful bidder’s funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and/or the Beneficiary shall not be held liable to any successful purchaser(s) or bidders, at the Trustee’s Sale, for any damages.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular descrip-

tion of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that according to the County Assessors office, the address of **12473 Cinnabar Way, Murphy**, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by the pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by **RAN-DALL K REED AND TERESA F REED, husband and wife**, as grantors, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho Corporation, as successor trustee, for the benefit and security of HOME FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION OF NAMPA, as beneficiary, recorded May 4, 2000, as Instrument No. 232238, 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, the monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds of \$1,010.00, due per month for the months of October through December, 2003 and January, 2004 and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement, with interest accruing at an adjustable rate, the current rate is 7.625% per annum, and continuing to accrue from September 1, 2003. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$112,661.81, plus accruing interest, costs and advances. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any 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.

Date: February 24, 2004
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC.
By Elishia M. Ricky, Trust Officer
FA-17368
First American Title Company of Idaho
Trust Dept. 1-208-375-0455
3/10,17,24,31/04

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On July 6, 2004, at the hour of 10:00 o’clock am of said day, on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, CHARLES C. JUST, ESQ., Attorney at Law, 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 fol-

lows to wit:

Lot 9 in Block 1 of CAN-YON ESTATES SUBDIVISION, according to the official plat thereof, filed as Instrument No. 225491, official records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

This Trustee’s Sale is subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void, the successful bidder’s funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and the Beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of 3810 Sagebrush Drive a/k/a 2962 Sagebrush Lane, Homedale, Idaho, is sometimes associated with the said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by David J. Snider and Eileen Snider, husband and wife, as Grantor(s) with Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded July 19, 2002, as Instrument No. 240268, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho, in the records of said County.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MAKE 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 in the amount of \$844.21 for the months of August 2003, through and including the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$96,423.68 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 of 9.500% from July 1, 2003, together with delinquent taxes plus penalties and interest to the date of sale.

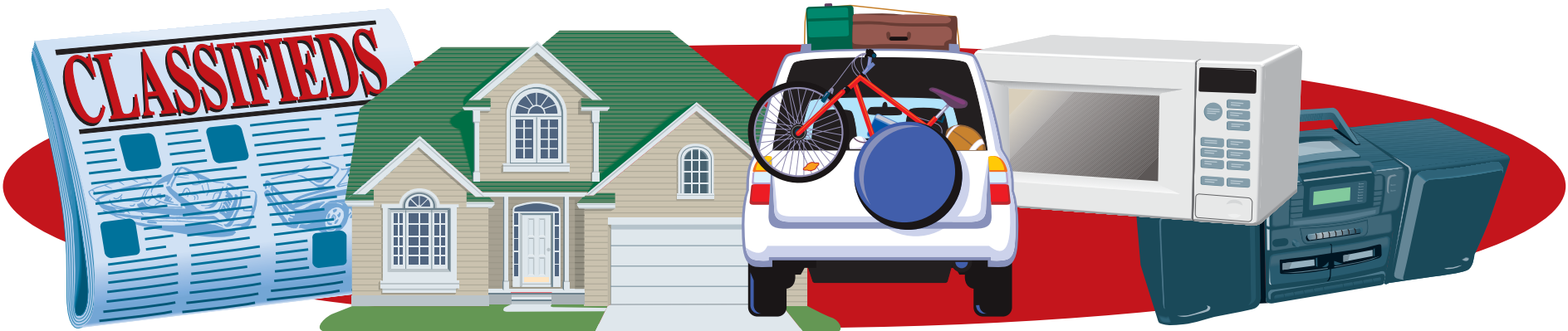
The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Dated this 1st day of March, 2004.

Paula Peterson Trust Officer
For Charles C. Just, Esq.
P.O. Box 50271
Idaho Falls, ID 83405
(208) 523-9106 FAX (208) 523-9146

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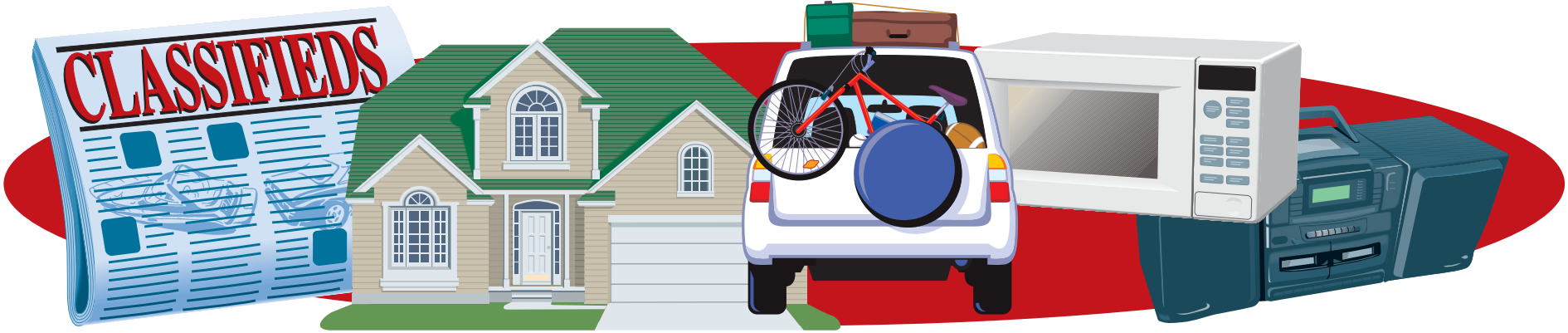
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