

Tolmie, Aman win contested primary positions

Faulks, Reynolds ran unopposed



Hal Tolmie

Owyhee County Sheriff incumbent candidate Gary Aman defeated Homedale Police Officer Jamie Austin in the republican primary race Tuesday by 409 votes and will now face independent candidate Robert Muse in November. Aman received 879 votes to Austin's 470 votes.

Hal Tolmie was again nominated as county commissioner beating William Watterson 790 to 474 votes on the republican ticket. Dick Reynolds ran unopposed receiving 1,137 votes and Matthew Faulks received 1,121 votes as an unopposed candidate for prosecuting attorney. Both are

republicans.

Francis Field, incumbent for District 23 state representative beat Jim Conder and James Morrison on the republican ticket receiving 935 of 1,307 votes, Conder received 155 votes and Morrison received 217 votes in Owyhee County. Total district votes were not available at press time, but reports stated that Field received 65 percent of the total votes in the district on the republican ticket.

Democratic nomination results for district 23 were not available at press time.



Gary Aman

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County's P&Z commissioners call it quits

At least one of the remaining four planning and zoning commissioners have officially called it quits and two others have announced their intention to quit, after county commissioners stopped paying a compensation to P & Z members.

P&Z Chairman Sid Erwin submitted a formal letter of resignation to commissioners last week and Dave Shenk told County Commissioner Hal Tolmie that he quit during a candidates' forum in Marsing on May 17. Tolmie said Tuesday the he had been told that at least one other commissioner, Dave Holton, would not be returning to his duties, but he said Gene

Tindall said he would not quit. Holton confirmed his intent to resign by phone on Wednesday stating that he had "no beef" with the commissioners, he just didn't feel he could work under the current situation with out a team environment.

On May 10, the county sent a letter to each member stating that Owyhee County would no longer be paying a wage to planning and zoning commissioners.

"The payroll data for P&Z Commissioners is not consistent from pay period to pay period which causes an error in reporting payroll information — to page 5

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School districts forced to reduce staff



Road work

Road crews slow traffic to one lane over the Snake River Bridge last week as Idaho Transportation Department begins a two-month project to repave Highway 95 from Homedale to Wilder.

Raising costs and lowering funds have forced two school districts in the area to cut its staff by teachers, counselors and reduce outside of school activities. Marsing School District is nearly \$60,000 behind before teacher's salaries are paid.

In Bruneau and Grand View, Superintendent Dallas Taylor said the district has had to make cutbacks for several years and this year will be no different. She said besides realigning some extra curricular activities, the district will cut out one sixth grade teacher and one second grade teacher.

"We are out of money," Superintendent Harold Shockley said last week. "That is about the easiest way to say it. Actually things have been incurring over a period of time. One of the areas I made a commitment to the board on when I hired in was I would do everything reasonably possible to keep it solvent. For one thing you can't run in the red — to page 5

Work group votes to proceed with Owyhee Initiative

by Fred Kelly Grant

On May 20, the Owyhee Initiative Work Group voted unanimously to move forward on the six components of the draft Initiative proposal, which appeared in the special edition of The Owyhee Avalanche on May 12.

After several public meetings of the member organizations, county workshops and three public hearings held by the County Commissioners, the Work Group met at the Marsing Senior Citizen Center to consider the future of the Initiative.

The Chairman opened the meeting by advising the Work Group members that the Board of Commissioners

thanked the members for their years of hard work and encouraged them to move ahead on the six major components as the foundation for the Initiative proposal.

Each Work Group member then discussed the concerns with contents of the components, which their constituent groups had expressed.

Inez Jaca told the group that she had been instructed by the Commissioners to seek a continuing coordinate role for the Commissioners similar to the coordinate status which the County has under the Federal Land Management Policy Act, to seek language which would guarantee that no special block of votes could veto access

to the science review, language which would provide protection for adjudicated, appropriated and vested water rights, and language which would provide funding for the Sheriff and BLM to provide the type of law enforcement necessary to assure responsible motorized recreation use in the County.

She advised the Work Group members that the Commissioners encouraged each member to continue to work toward resolution of the land use problems, which have plagued the County for decades.

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Repaving causes traffic delays



Repaving
Trucks haul loads of asphalt and gravel across the Snake River Bridge near Homedale last week. Traffic is expected to be slowed to one lane through the end of June.

Motorists will be subjected to 10-15 minute delays on Highway 95 from the Snake River Bridge outside of Homedale to the Idaho 19 junction south of Wilder until about the end of next month.

The Idaho Department of Transportation said a project to repave U.S. 95 began last week and is not expected to be complete until the first of July. Through mid-June, traffic will be reduced from two lanes to one with a pilot car assistance, but after mid-June, motorists can expect “minimal” periodic delays until the project is complete in early July.

“The work schedule may change due to inclement weather,” a statement from the department said. “Crews will work during daylight hours, seven days per week, and reopen all lanes of traffic during the evenings. No work will be performed during the Memorial Day weekend. Idaho Sand and Gravel is the contractor on the \$945,000 project.”



Shane Muir



Kurt Shanley

Shanley and Muir win school district races

Dixie Black elected as Bruneau/Grand View trustee

Kurt Shanley and Shane Muir were elected trustees for the Homedale School District in an election held May 18. Dixie Black was elected in the Bruneau/Grand View School District over Karlette Merrick.

Shanley won over incumbent trustee George Hyer with 96 of Zone 1’s 146 votes. Hyer received 50 votes.

In Zone 5, Hyer’s son Jacob was defeated by Shane Muir who received 37 votes. Eight votes were cast for Hyer.

In Bruneau/Grand View, Black received 56 votes as a write-in candidate to Merrick’s 38 votes in Zone 2. Incumbent Jeffery Knight ran unopposed for Zone 4.

The trustees will be sworn into their respective offices during the July board meetings.

Homedale woman recovering from Monday vehicle accident

Lori Rasmussen, 59 of Homedale, was listed in stable condition Tuesday morning after she was taken to a Boise Hospital from injuries she received in a car accident Monday on Highway 78 at mile marker 2.

Initial reports stated that Rasmussen was traveling south on Highway 78 when she suddenly veered into oncoming traffic and collided with a Westown Disposal semi-truck driven by William Pastoor, 40 of Caldwell.

A dispatcher from the county sheriff’s office said Rasmussen received injuries to her neck, head and chest. She was taken by air ambulance to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise where she was admitted in critical condition Monday, but improved to stable condition Tuesday morning.

The dispatcher said no citations had been issued on Tuesday.



Brandaus celebrate 60 anniversary

Friends and family are invited to help Betty and Henry Brandau share in the celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary in an open house at SunBridge Retirement Home located at 2609 Sunnybrook Drive in Nampa on Saturday, May 29 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Betty and Henry started their life together with a small wedding ceremony in Nampa at the Backer family home. After the wedding the couple made their new life together in the Wilson community just outside Melba, in Owyhee County.

Until recently, the two have lived in the original farmhouse they moved into some 60 years ago. Henry made his living farming and ranching, while Betty was always involved in the school system, whether teaching or mending skinned elbows in the secretary’s office.



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A wide variety of used books will be sold for 50 cents per pound and will include hardbacks and paperback books. All types of fiction and nonfiction books will be available.

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Complaints result in stall of BLM relocation

Complaints about loss of parking from the American Legion Community Center Building Committee have stalled the city's work in assisting with the relocation of a Bureau of Land Management office in the Marsing area, at least for now Marsing Mayor Don Osterhoudt said.

The City Council moved to suspend a survey on two pieces of property located near the community center until the committee's concerns can be addressed. Osterhoudt said last week that the committee submitted a resolution to the council during a recent meeting, which stated that the committee "oppose[s] the use of land donated by the J.R. Simplot Company for any other uses except those that conform to the spirit of this gift." The committee is composed of members of the Marsing American Legion, The Marsing American Legion Auxiliary, The Marsing Lion's Club and The Marsing Disaster Board.

"This land was donated to the City of Marsing to provide for much needed parking for the American Legion Community Center," the resolution states. "Therefore be it resolved, any other use of this land donation, other than toward parking, is not in the spirit of this gift." The resolution was signed by Letty Percifield, Donna Churruca, Donald Denton, Roman Usabel and Eleanore and James Stewart.

Osterhoudt said the City of Marsing has the opportunity to lease a facility to the BLM until they could find a more permanent location to build a field office. He said the opportunity is tremendous for the city.

"One of the locations we showed the people from BLM were the lots next to the community center," Osterhoudt explained. "The BLM people seemed very interested in the location. We considered all of the pros and cons and thought that the parking lot that would be created by the BLM would be available to the community center for their weekend events. But what we didn't consider was the large funerals that happen during the middle of the week."

"Our approval through the council was to allow our engineer to develop some numbers by having the lot plotted so we could give those to BLM. But the council amended that motion last week."

Osterhoudt said the center was built for the entire community and if the entire community has some concerns about a change, he has a concern about a change.

"I think I can speak for the council when I say the council is committed to not doing anything that offends or alienates Marsing City residents or the Marsing City community," Osterhoudt said. "We either have 100 percent participation or we will just

have to say we can not do it."

The Mayor said an alternate site had been shown to the BLM

officials, but they did not seem to be interested in the location. He said the building committee has

been invited to attend the next city council meeting on June 8 at City Hall.

Foundation seeks school house restoration bids

The Historic Silver City Foundation will be accepting bids for the first phase of a restoration project of the 1892 Silver City School House. Bids will be accepted until June 28 at 3:30 p.m. The project is financed through an Economic Development Initiative Special Projects grant funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The project consists of providing a new foundation support system, repair of structural wood frame, restoration of exterior envelope, and site improvements for the School House.

The project to restore the historic schoolhouse began after the foundation received \$225,000 for the project.

The schoolhouse is one of Idaho's most historic public buildings and is one of the few 19-century public buildings still standing in Idaho. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and time has taken its toll on the 111 year-old structure. Portions of the framework have rotted away and the building "twists." Windows have been broken and the brick chimney has deteriorated.

Grant Danner, a member of the board of Directors representing the Silver City property owners,

said recently that the foundation plans to restore the building to as close to its original condition, with the help of modern materials, as they can.

Danner said the foundation plans to install a generator so several thousand additional dollars will need to be raised, but the foundation is ready to begin its first phase.

After holding classes in various locations for many years, voters approved and constructed a new schoolhouse in 1892. The building was large enough to accommodate the increasing number of students in the city in the first through 12 grades.

For more information contact: Fred Walters, Architect, 1330 Richard Ct., Independence, OR 97351, 503-838-0918; Noni Stapleton, Grand Administrator, P.O. Box 95, Melba, ID 83641, 208-495-2722 or 208-495-2660.

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Roll-over

Jebadiah Pershall was driving this Ford Ranger when he lost control on the corner of Jump Creek and Pioneer Roads east of Homedale. He and one passenger were transported to a local hospital with injuries. Another passenger escaped injuries. The vehicle reportedly rolled three times before coming to rest on its wheels.



Trapped in the cab

Jebadiah Pershall sustained multiple injuries and was trapped in this pickup after it rolled on Pioneer Road east of Homedale.

Marsing teen injured in weekend accident

County responds to Reynolds Creek wreck and lost motorcyclist

A Marsing teen and his two passengers were injured in an accident on Jump Creek and Pioneer Road Saturday night. Two of the three teens in the accident were taken to a local hospital. The accident was reported at about 9:15 p.m. Saturday evening.

Jebadiah Pershall, 15 of Marsing was driving a pickup with Deborah, 16 and Levi Babcock, 14, both of Homedale. Deborah and Pershall were transported to a local hospital from their injuries.

A dispatcher from Owyhee County Sheriff's Office said the case was still under investigation.

At about 7:30 p.m. Saturday evening, officers were called to assist in locating a missing motorcyclists who had been last seen near Rabbit Creek. Fourteen year-old Kyle Bean had been riding a green Kawasaki dirt bike

when he ran out of gas.

An incident report states that friends could not find their way back to locate Bean so a search party was called. The report states that a plane spotted Bean and he was returned home.

On Sunday, an accident was reported at about 9:22 p.m. on upper Reynolds Creek Road. An incident log states that 26 year-old Michael Sharp from Nampa was cited for driving with out privileges after he ran off the road outside of Murphy. His passenger Karey Shira, 44 also from Nampa walked to a nearby residence for assistance. Both victims were transported to a local hospital.

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Library's summer reading program begins

"Discover New Trails at your Library" is the theme this year at the Homedale Public Library's Summer Reading Program. Children may sign-up at the library beginning June 1 and sign-ups will continue during the six-week program.

"Children can earn prizes for spending time with books this summer," Diane Williams from the library said. "For each hour spent reading or listening to someone else read, a parent must sign a reading log so the child can earn "book bucks" that can be spent for prizes. There is no age limit since children who cannot read yet can earn prizes by listening to an older child or adult read to them."

Special weekly programs will be offered each week during the

program. Games, food and activities will last about an hour each Thursday at 10 a.m. The first program will be about "Trails Up Yonder."

The following program on June 10 will be "Lunchtime on the Trail" where those attending will be eating food like the pioneer ancestors did.

On June 17, the program will present "Cowboy Trails" and on June 24 the program will feature "Trailblazers."

The July 1 program will be on "Nature Trails" where children will follow a trail and try to identify various tracks and animals. The final program on July 8 will be a wrap up on the summer reading program with a party.

For more information contact Williams at the library from 1-5 p.m.

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to PERSI,” the letter continued. “In the future, if errors occur in the transmittal report that they receive, the county will be held accountable and will receive a penalty.

“The county will no longer be paying the \$50 per meeting. The county will continue to pay a per diem for each meeting attended.”

Erwin said in his resignation letter that he would be unable to continue with the responsibility and time requirements if there is no compensation. He stated that he would continue if some compensation package were available, but otherwise “I wish you well with the situation as it is.”

Tolmie said that several years ago, Erwin approached the commissioners and asked for compensation because the commission was meeting several times a month and was creating a hardship for P&Z commissioners. Each commissioner was paid \$50 per meeting on top of the per diem they were already receiving. The chairman, Erwin, was paid \$100 per meeting.

“We can use Fred Grant as a hearing officer to take care of planning and zoning,” Tolmie said. “We can get it done. We will appoint some more people probably at our next meeting. We have a couple of people in mind. It will work out.

“We are the only county who was paying its planning and zoning. We tried to do what was right and found out we made a mistake. We tried to rectify it and we got ourselves in trouble.”

Holton said he didn’t feel he could work on the planning and zoning without Erwin or Shenk because the effort involved a team.

“Being a new comer to the deal I don’t really have as much of an opinion as the other gentlemen would,” Holton said Wednesday. “It has been a team effort and I felt it was best at this point to follow their lead with the situation. I don’t know the commissioners that well personally. The other guys do so I was there basically because I am a developer and I brought some new light to what they were doing. I really was not buying the political part at all. I was just there to do my civic duty and nothing else.”

County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said that since 2002, the county had paid \$13,550 in “gross wages” to its P&Z commissioners.

Tindall or Erwin could not be reached for comment.

the Borderlands Trust, Cindy Bachman of the Soil Conservation Districts and Chad Gibson of the Owyhee Cattleman’s Association, advised the Group that their organizations supported continuation of the Initiative effort, seeking to change language in order to satisfy specific concerns but to retain the six components as the foundation for resolution of conflicts.

Roger Singer of the Sierra Club was out of town, but sent the message to the Chairman that his organization was in favor of continuing the effort if the six main components were retained as the foundation from which to build.

Craig Gehrke of the Wilderness Society, John McCarthy of the Idaho Conservation League and Lou Lunte of the Nature Conservancy agreed and stated that their organizations took the same position.

McCarthy pointed out that his organization was not interested in going back and trying to renegotiate the acres of wilderness, which had already been placed in the draft proposal, and that sentiment was at least impliedly stated by Gehrke and Singer. Sandra Mitchell stated that her groups still wanted to negotiate as to some points of access, the nature of release language as to the wilderness study areas and the uses to which the released areas would be put.

After this general discussion, the chairman called for the vote as to whether the Initiative Work Group should continue to work toward a final product, using the six main components as the foundation. All nine members present voted yes, and Singer’s written vote was counted, making the final vote 10-0.

The Chairman then divided the Work Group into two groups: one to work with and negotiate draft terms for the Board of Directors and Science Review components, and the second to work with and negotiate draft terms for the Wilderness and Wild Scenic Rivers component (including the access points and issues).

Chairing the first group are Craig Gehrke and Inez Jaca, and chairing the second group are John McCarthy and Sandra Mitchell. The Chairpersons will report to the full Work Group at the next Work Group meeting, which will be June 16, at the Marsing Senior Citizen Center.

anyways, but it is something I would do.”

Shockley said with a 10.2 percent increase in PERSI, retirement benefits, property and casualty insurance increases, fuel costs and the increasing cost in supplies, he has had to recommend a reduction in force by releasing two school counselors.

Mark Saltzer and Brenda Steinman will no longer work for the district for the fall as the school board approved a reduction in force in the two positions. Shockley said as an administrator the decision is one of the toughest he has had to make.

“Bottom line, doing nothing for salaries for anyone in the district, it puts us at a negative balance,” Shockley explained. “People may take exception to the choices I made, but I made a decision to protect the classroom as much as I could. I believe that if we keep smaller class sizes and competent teachers we have a better chance of providing overall better direction for kids and better success for kids.

“We must to have a counselor for every 400 kids. John Cossell at the high school will take on some new duties and he will cover the high school and the middle school. The part that tipped us over the edge was last year when the state did not meet the full funding of the district. Basically this district lost the full funding of about two teachers.”

Saltzer has been a counselor at the elementary school for five years. He said he accepts the de-



Summer time blues

Marsing Elementary School music teacher Liz Lacer writes parting words on the T-shirt of one of her students on the last day of school Friday. Children in the Homedale area will be released from classes this week for summer vacation.

cision and understands why the district needs to make cutbacks. He said the hardest thing about leaving for him is the children and the staff.

“Marsing is an excellent district to work for,” Saltzer said Friday. “I have loved my time here, but now it is time to move on. Today is especially hard because it is the last day. Last days are always hard, but this one is the hardest.

“I just want to say that I will miss everyone. The teachers and administration here is awesome. I have loved my time here. If the position opened again in the future and I was able to, yes I would definitely consider coming back.”

Saltzer said he has applied at several schools in the area and hopes to be able to remain close.

Steinman had taken some personnel time off and was not available for comment. But Middle School Principal Rick Gibbs said she would be greatly missed. She has been the counselor for four years and coordinates Red Ribbon Week and Natural Helpers.

“Brenda has been instrumental in coordinating several activities for the school like the Red Ribbon Week we hold in February,” Gibbs said. “She is always involved in school functions and we will miss her.”

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Obituaries



Robert L. Bauer

Robert Bauer, 76, of Homedale died Friday, May 14, 2004 at his home. Memorial services were conducted on Wednesday, May 19, 2004, at 10:00 am at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, Homedale. Cremation was under the direction of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale.

Bob was born December 16, 1927, at Scottsbluff, Nebraska. He attended school in Scottsbluff, and Minatere, Nebraska, graduating from Minatere High School. In 1949, he moved with his family to Nampa, Idaho. He joined the Army and began two years of service. During his military duty, in 1951, he married Phyllis Miller. His son Larry was born while they were stationed in Alaska. Upon discharge from the Army in 1953, the young family moved to Homedale where Bob began farming. They added to their family another son, Mark, and a daughter, Sharon.

Bob was a member of the American Legion Post #32 in Homedale, serving as Post Commander and Post Chaplain. He was honored in 2001 with 50 years of membership in the American Legion. His 53 years of service within the Legion was a source of private pride and accomplishment. He also enjoyed his work with the youth as a 4-H livestock leader for 10 years. He had been a member of Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church since moving to Homedale, serving as a church elder. He made a pastime out of attending local farm and miscellaneous auctions, and visiting with his friends. He and Phyllis also

enjoyed traveling to German Polka festivals throughout the west whenever time allowed. He was considered a good friend and neighbor.

He is survived by his wife of almost 53 years, Phyllis; son Larry (Becky) Bauer; son Mark (Beverly) Bauer, both of Homedale; daughter Sharon (David) VanWassenhove of Marsing; eight grandchildren, Eric Bauer, Dustin (Emily) Bauer, April (Jason) Binford, Marcy (Chris) Hibbs, Steven Bauer, Nathan VanWassenhove, Megan (Jake) Astorquia, Amy VanWassenhove; and great-grandson Kaden Binford. He is also survived by a sister, Joyce (Earl) McGrew. He was preceded in death by a brother and his parents, Adam and Ida Bauer.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, Homedale, or the American Heart Assn.



Joann Swigart

I, Joann Swigart, was born Roberta Joann Chadwick on December 8, 1931 to goodly parents, Rulon Earl and Ruby Ann Chadwick, in Murray, Utah. On Monday, May 24, 2004, I went to be with my Heavenly Father, my Savior, Brother and Redeemer, Jesus Christ, my earthly parents, a little sister and many other friends and family who have gone before me. I have known a lot of joy and happiness in my life and give thanks to my friends and especially my family that gave it to me that also cared for me during these last difficult times. It is my wish that you do not mourn my passing but that you join in a celebration of my life. So, after a brief service at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1095 Golconda Drive, Reno, Nevada, on May 28, 2004 at 11:00 a.m., I invite my friends and family to share some good food and have one of those old fashioned get togethers at my daughter's, Linda Van Slyck, 4670 Aster Drive, Reno, Nevada. Instead of flowers that I love so much, I request that if you wish to do anything that you make a memorial contribution to MSTI, 100 E. Idaho Street, Boise, Idaho 83712 or Life's Doors (Hospice), 420 S. Orchard Street, Boise, Idaho 83705, so they can

continue to give to others the wonderful care that they gave me. I am preceded in death by my parents; sister, Carol Richards; husband; James Swigart; and my first husband and father of my children, Keith D. Richards. I am survived by: Daughter, Linda (Deforest) Van Slyck, Reno, Nevada; Granddaughter, Jackie (Kip) Colcord, Reno, Nevada; Great Grandchildren, Alyssa, Kash and Travis, Reno, Nevada; Granddaughter, Barbara (Kevin) Clausen, Reno, Nevada; Great Granddaughter, MacKenzie, Reno, Nevada; Grandson, Keith Van Slyck, Reno, Nevada; Great Grandson, Kevin, Reno, Nevada. Daughter, Glenda Richards, Boise, Idaho; Granddaughter, Dawn Stanford, Boise, Idaho; Great Grandson, Sean, Boise, Idaho; Granddaughter, Loni (Chuck) Lamantia, Reno, Nevada; Great Granddaughters, Jessica and Brianna, Reno, Nevada; Grandson, Jerry (Jennifer) Schuyler, Jr., Boise, Idaho; Great Grandson, Jacob and Sean, Oregon and Utah; Great Granddaughters, Mercedes, Serenity and Faith, Utah and Idaho. Daughter, Debra (Bobbie) Mann, Reno, Nevada; Granddaughter, Chris (Keith) Richcreek,

Crescent City, California; Great Grandson, Teece Hunter, Crescent City, California; Grandson, Warren (Katie) Goins, Tonopah, Nevada; Great Grandson, Warren, Tonopah, Nevada; Grandson, Loren (Sharon) Mann, Las Vegas, Nevada; Great Granddaughter, Kaleigh, Tonopah, Nevada; Granddaughter, Beverly Stump, Roanoke, Virginia; Great Granddaughters, Lynette, Kayla and Amber Stump, Roanoke, Virginia; Granddaughter, Jeannie (Sam) Shelton, Dublin, Virginia; Great Granddaughter, Terri Burris, Dublin, Virginia; Great Grandson, Robbie Shelton, Dublin, Virginia; Great Great Grandson, Brendan Shelton, Dublin, Virginia; Granddaughter, Louise Dudding, Fincastle, Virginia; Great Granddaughters, Brandy and Mandy Switzer, Fincastle, Virginia; Great Great Grandson, Aaron Switzer, Fincastle, Virginia. Son, Charles (Michele) Richards, Reno, Nevada ; Grandsons, Chad, Sean and Ryan, Reno, Nevada; Granddaughter, Kirsten, Reno, Nevada. Sister, Ida Burt, Homedale, Idaho and her five children and families. Brother, Rulon Chadwick, El Paso, Texas and his four children and families. Sister-in-law,

Betty Duckworth, Michigan and her four children and families. I have more cousins then Carter has pills and last but certainly not least are my two aunts, Lillian Jolly, Boise, Idaho and Ina Roberts, Provo, Utah. I have been so blessed with a wonderful family and am grateful they are forever and I close by saying, Life must go on. Go ahead and grieve for me, as I would grieve for you, then brush away the sorrow and the tears as life is not over, but just beginning anew. With courage we must all meet the coming years. To live in the past is wrong and can only cause you misery and pain or which I am your example, so don't follow me and do the same. Keep your memories but go on. Share and care with others that are there. Reach out and comfort those who have comforted you. Recall the years we once knew, don't let loneliness put things in a pile but live again and remember me with a smile. Know I will miss you too but will always love you more so until we meet again at Heaven's door, live your life on earth with lots of love this I implore.

Cremation under the direction of Relyea Funeral Chapel.

Coordinated effort battles Mormon cricket population

Idaho is witnessing a population explosion of Mormon crickets. In 2003 large numbers of the Mormon cricket, a devastating insect resembling a grasshopper, ate its way across Idaho rangeland, cropland and gardens. In response, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) program treated over 25,000 acres of federal land and the Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) treated over 66,000 acres in cooperation with several grower groups.

This year, an unusually warm spring has resulted in Mormon crickets hatching 30 to 40 days earlier than last year. It is estimated that the number of crickets on Idaho land will double this year. In addition to increasing numbers, weather is also a challenge for the ISDA Grasshopper and Mormon cricket program staff that has been forced to postpone scheduled treatments due to this week's cooler weather and rain.

"Mormon crickets go into hiding on these cooler days," stated Les Tschohl, Program Coordinator for the ISDA program, "the crickets will come back as soon as temperatures rise."

Mormon crickets and grasshoppers continue to be one of the more serious pest problems on Idaho rangelands and adjacent croplands. An ISDA priority, the management and timely control of these destructive insects

requires a coordinated effort between state and federal agencies, county extension educators, landowners and land managers. Mormon cricket treatment may be applied on public and private lands by federal or state agencies or by private landowners by aerial or ground application. Private landowners may obtain bait by contacting ISDA at (208) 332-8620 in the Treasure Valley or at (208) 736-2195 in the Magic Valley and eastern Idaho.

ISDA received a federal grant totaling \$6.75 million largely due to the leadership of Idaho's Congressional delegation. ISDA is responsible for managing and allocating the grant funds to cover yearly costs associated with grasshopper and Mormon cricket suppression. The 2004 funding, \$1.6 million, has been

set aside and will provide financial assistance for additional program staff, and the purchase of equipment and bait.

The ISDA's Grasshopper and Mormon cricket program has been organizing treatment control projects with multiple landowners and isolated large single landowner areas with damaging populations of crickets and grasshoppers. Fortunately, many landowners are eligible to participate in a cost-share program that establishes two-thirds by ISDA / one-third by landowner cost share distribution.

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Lightning storm

A lightning bolt dances across the sky last Wednesday evening as a spring storm moves through the area. Heavy rain, winds and several storm systems caused flash flooding near Murphy and Grand View. More storms are expected this week.

Wild weather causes widespread flash floods

Springtime storms moved through the area last week bringing with it high winds, thunderstorms and spots of flash flooding. Several severe weather reports for the area were issued last week from Wednesday afternoon through Friday. Several reports of flash flooding were reported in areas near Grand View and Murphy, but no one was injured. Minimal damage was reported. Storms are expected to move through the area again this week and could bring more rain for the Memorial Weekend. On Tuesday afternoon, 17-18 inches of water was reported running over the highway on

Highway 78 near Grand View. A canal in the area was also reported overflowing. The National Weather Service issued a warning at 1:30 p.m. stating that weather radar and storm spotters indicated a line of thunderstorms extending from seven miles southeast of Boise to eight miles west of Mountain Home was moving northeast at 30 mph. Small hail and moderate rains were reported with this line of storms as it passed south of Boise.

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City seeks vendors for summer block party

Event slated for July 24

The City of Homedale is planning on hosting a summer block party in July and are actively looking for vendors of all types to kick off the event. Coordinators said they are planning to hold the event on July 24 from 10 a.m. until 8 pm. And will feature food, crafts, flea markets, farmer’s market vendors and performers. Spaces are 10x10 with a fee of \$25 per vendor. Susan Mansidor, city clerk, said spaces are limited so vendors should sign up early. Applications may be picked up at City Hall or by calling 337-4641 to have one mailed or faxed.

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Special regulations in effect for bass fishing

A menu of opportunities

By Jeff Dillon, Regional Fishery Manager
Idaho Department of Fish and Game - Southwest Region

Trout may still be the number one sport fish in Idaho, but bass fishing has been consistently growing in popularity. Just a couple decades ago, dedicated warm water anglers made up about ten percent of total angler numbers. Nowadays, more than twenty percent of our anglers statewide prefer warm water fish, and in southwest Idaho the number is closer to 35 percent. This is partly because many of Idaho's new residents came from states where warm water fishing was the main fishing opportunity. But it's also because the quality and diversity of Idaho's warm water fisheries have improved over the years – and the word is out.

Prior to the 1980s, Fish and Game spent very little time trying to understand or manage warm water sport fish. There was no statewide minimum length limit for bass, and bag limits were liberal. As the public's interest in bass fishing began to grow, the Department started to evaluate bass biology and fishing regulations across the state. Two key points from this work were that bass grow slowly in our climate (four to five years to reach 12 inches), and that angler harvest in some places was seriously impacting the average size. This was the beginning of a new era for bass management in Idaho.

By the late 1980s, the 12-inch minimum length limit for bass was applied to most waters, and fishery managers were experimenting with other more restrictive rules. By the early 1990s, the Department developed a standardized menu of three bass harvest rules (general, quality, and trophy) to provide some diversity, and also to keep the regulation options reasonably simple across the state.

The general bass harvest rule is six fish, none under 12 inches. This rule is generally successful at maintaining an acceptable balance of catch rates, average size, and the chance to take fish

home for dinner. It also helps maintain populations because most fish have a chance to spawn at least once before they can be harvested. If fishing pressure and harvest are high, you won't see many trophy fish. If pressure and harvest are light, even general regulation waters can grow good numbers of large bass.

Idaho's standard quality bass rule is a little more complicated. From January 1 to June 30, all bass fishing in quality-designated waters is catch and release. From July 1 to the end of the year the harvest limit is two fish, none between 12 and 16 inches. The bottom line here is that the reduced bag limit and length restriction helps build a population of bigger fish (on average) than in a general rule water. It does not mean you will necessarily catch a bunch of 16-inch fish. Remember, bass grow slowly in Idaho, and a 16-incher is probably seven or eight years old. The quality bass rule is in place on fourteen Idaho waters, including C. Ben Ross, Oxbow and Lake

Lowell in the southwest region.

The trophy bass rule is the most restrictive, with harvest limited to two fish over 20 inches. These are waters where the average size of the bass is about as good as it can get given their life span. Now don't go on your next fishing excursion with the expectation of catching a couple of keepers, though that might happen. Do go out with plans to exercise and release some nice, old-growth fish. There are seven waters managed for trophy bass in Idaho, with Crane Falls, Bruneau Sands Dunes Ponds, and Little Payette Lake all within easy striking distance of the Treasure Valley.

There are a few exceptions to this menu in the state, so remember to check the fishing regulations regarding your destination before you go. Overall, this set of rules has been very successful in providing a range of bass fishing opportunities while protecting the resource.

We've come a long way in the last twenty years.

Multicultural-Humanities Fair winners announced

Winners of three prizes raffled during the fourth annual Marsing Multicultural-Humanities Fair at Marsing Elementary School were announced last week by coordinator Debbie Elizondo.

Elizondo said the event that was held on May 7 was a huge success and drew in hundreds of people.

"The exhibits were absolutely phenomenal," Elizondo said. "The public was treated to creative and colorful displays showing students' artistic and writing skills."

Fifth grade students sold raffle tickets prior to the fair, which featured humanities projects and writing exhibits from students in kindergarten through sixth grade. Kyla Loucks won first place a portable DVD player, Miguel Acuna won a refurbished personal computer for second place and Alex Martinez won a personal CD player for third place.

"The Multicultural Committee expresses its deepest gratitude for the cooperation provided by the many businesses, parents, students and teachers who helped make this year's fair the best yet," Elizondo said. "The funds collected from the sale of raffle tickets and the dinner will be used to support our students' enrichment activities."



Honoring vets

Eleanor Stewart and her husband Jim show a bouquet of poppies that will be given to the public for a donation to honor Memorial Day next week. Proceeds from the donations will be used for veterans throughout Idaho.

American Legion to hand out poppies for vets

The American Legion Marsing Post 128 and the Ladies Auxiliary will hand out poppies for a donation at businesses in Marsing on Friday from 1-4 p.m.

A donation for each poppy is requested, as funds from the program will be used for veterans.

Eleanor Stewart said the Legion will also put flags on veteran's plots at the Homedale/Marsing Cemetery in honor of Memorial Day Monday. The legion will put up the flags on Friday at noon. Stewart said if a grave is accidentally missed, families can contact Darryl Brown or Jim Stewart to have a flag placed.

A World War II Memorial Ceremony will also be held at Gowen Field in Boise at the Military Museum. A presentation of certificates to WWII vets will be held from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m.

A short ceremony will begin at 11:30 p.m. and a television program will follow at noon.

Certificate presentation to veterans at the Idaho State Veterans Home will be at 2 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

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Chamber to turn town into spring festival

On June 12 the Marsing Chamber of Commerce plans to turn the town of Marsing into one big celebration, as they revive the once highly popular Marsing Spring Fling.

The event held throughout the 1990’s and early 2000’s was widely attended and a highlight of Marsing’s annual schedule of events. Organizers said they are hoping that the newly resurrected event will become even more popular.

Bill O’Conner, president of the chamber, stated that there are a larger variety of activities planned for a full day of fun. In the planning stages for Marsing’s City Park are an art and craft fair, Owyhee County’s largest yard sale, a Dutch oven cook off, lots of musical entertainment, health fair events and many different food booths.

Some of the entertainment planned includes a fire dancer, old time fiddlers, and an old fashioned Dutch over contest.

“You don’t have to be fancy for our contest or even experienced, we plan on having the biggest Dutch over cook-off this county has ever seen,” Kathy Streibel said. “We also need judges for the event, but they should be easy to find with good cooking.”

The event is planned to begin at 10 a.m. and will go throughout the day. Streibel said although the event is still in the planning stages, there will be fun for everyone in every age group.

“We plan to have something for every interest,” Streibel stated. “We will have old and new displays and the largest craft and flea market in the valley.”

Streibel said the pioneer cook-off would have several entry levels from “amateurs” to expert. Sponsors for the event are still being sought as well as judges, prize donations and entrants.

To enter the cook-off, call Streibel at 896-7001.

O’Conner said the members hope that Marsing’s downtown merchants will be offering sidewalk sales. Marsing’s Island Park will be the site for a barbecue put on by the local Ministerial Association.

“This portion of the event will include lots of food, Christian entertainment, children’s play activities and more,” O’Conner said. “The Terry Reilly Clinic is planning on having a 35 mile bicycle ride through Marsing as a part of their Bob LeBow bike tour on that day. There will be something for every age and interest going on all over town.”

All proceeds from the event will be used to help finance Marsing’s “Kick off your Fourth in Marsing on the Third” fireworks show. Doodle Bug tickets for the annual prize race will be on sale in both city parks on the day of the Spring Fling.

O’Conner said that invitations have been sent to more than 150 crafts and food vendors and that several applications have already been received. Spaces are available in City Park by calling O’Conner at 896-4184. People interested in obtaining a space for the yard sale may call O’Conner.

“There is every reason to expect this event to start large and keep growing,” O’Conner said. “We’ve been working on it for a long time and we’re anticipating a great day for the entire family right here in downtown Marsing.”

Fall soccer registration begins

Registration for the fall soccer season will be held at Homedale City Hall beginning on May 27, June 3 and on June 11.

Registration times will be from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on all three days.

Trojan girls win seventh straight state golf championship

The Homedale girl’s golf team have spent the last four years together and accomplished the team’s sixth straight state golf title last week, but the history behind the team goes back much further than that. Most of the girls have grown up together and attended school together since kindergarten.

Last week, Trojan seniors Melissa Miyasako, her cousin KC Miyasako, Kerie Kushlan, Christine Truesdell and junior Shannon Batt give Homedale its sixth straight girls state golf title. The team said they have been playing golf together since they were in grade school. They said at least three of the four seniors are going to college close together, but KC will not be far away.

“KC is the only one who is not going to be in the area,” Melissa said. “But we plan to stay in touch and continue to golf together.”

Not only did the girls accomplish a state title, they also won the State Academics award for their teams grade point average. They accomplished a 3.7 overall team GPA. Hoyt said only three teams in the schools history have won the award. This year the boys baseball team, the 2000 volleyball team and the girls golf team. Hoyt said he has coached the girls for the last four years.

“They are really a lot of fun,” golf coach Rich Hoyt said. “When you take a group of girls on road trips, you tend to think, oh my gosh. But these girls have been so much fun to travel with and golf with. I will miss the four seniors, but we have some promising girls coming up. These girls are outstanding students and every one of them are going to college on academic scholarships. Golf is just a bonus for them.”

The Lady Trojans shot a team total of 733 Tuesday at the Oro-

fino Golf and Country Club beating Glenns Ferry who took second with 823. Homedale finished with a total of 366 on Tuesday.

Truesdell led the team shooting a second-day leading 85. Batt added an 88 and Kushlan shot an 89. Melissa Sot a 104 and KC shot a 113.

Monday Batt took second place in the individual race shooting a 86.

The boys finished fifth shooting a two-day total of 735. Wendell won the event with a 648, McCall-Donnelly took second with 680, Magic Valley was third with 710 and Glenns Ferry finished fourth with 727.

Garrett Sweet led the boy’s team with an 82, Stuart Miyasako followed with a 92, Trevor Krzesnik had a 96 and Kyle Miyasako finished up the team with a 103.

The Homedale Trojans had made a strong finish at the District III-2A/1A Golf Tournament held at River Bend Golf Course, despite some unpredictable weather conditions.

The Trojans fought the wind and rain to dominate the girl’s bracket for a first-place finish with a score of 391, while the Homedale boys finished in second place with a team total of 375.



State winners

Homedale girl’s golf team pose with seven first place Western Idaho Conference golf trophies at Homedale High School. Pictured are KC Miyasako, Melissa Miyasako, Christine Truesdell, Shannon Batt and Keri Kushlan.

Marsing and Homedale athletes medal at state track meet

Several Homedale and Marsing track athletes qualified for this year’s WIC 2A state track competition held in Boise last week. Homedale ended the year with three top three placers and Marsing finished with five.

For the Trojans, Jessica Stimmel was the state champion in the girl’s triple jump with a lifetime best of 35 feet 3/4 inches. She was also fifth in the long jump, fourth in the 100 and fifth in the 200.

Cheyenne Andrade competed in the discus and in the shot put as a sophomore, but did not place. In districts, Andrade placed

On the boy’s team, Nick Antonucci placed third in the 110 high hurdles and fourth in the

300 intermediate hurdles. Clay Haylett placed third in the pole vault with 13 feet six inches and Shawn Gibbs placed fourth with 13 feet.

Teammate Austin Gluch placed fifth in the boy’s high jump with 5 feet 10 inches, which Trojan Coach Troy Sullivan said was slightly lower than he has been jumping.

For Marsing, Jamie Lynde placed 16 in the 200-meter dash with 28.6 and teammate MJ Usabel placed second in the pole vault and eighth in the preliminary 100-meter hurdles. She finished with a sixth place spot in the finals with 17.91. Usable also placed 12 in the 300-meter hurdles with 51.74 in the preliminaries and finished 12 in the finals.

Breeana Chadez took a bronze medal for her third place finish in the girl’s high jump with 5-02

and placed 12 in the girl’s long jump with 14-06. Lynde finished tied with Chadez for 12 place in the long jump with 14-06. In the triple jump, Chadez placed eighth with 31.09.

Amanda Stewart took a bronze in shot put with a 33-07 throw. She placed second in the discus with 118-10 behind Acicia Foster from Orofino at 121-09 and ahead of Mindy Malone in third from Valley with 112-01.

Marsing girls finished seventh as a team and Homedale followed with an eighth place finish.

For the boy’s team, Cody Heller won Marsing’s gold medal with a 49-05.75 in boy’s shot put. Heller placed fourth in discus with 146-02. Marsing’s Chris Covey finished 10 with 5-08

The Trojans finished in 10 place with 26 team points and Marsing finished in 18 place with 15 points.



Pole vaulting

Clay Haylett measures out his run in the 2A State Track meet in Boise last weekend. Haylett placed third in the event with 13 feet six inches.

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Rodeo kids qualify for state competition

Homedale's high school rodeo team will send four athletes to the State Finals in June. In cutting, goat tying, tie-down roping and steer wrestling.

Jaton Lord qualified by taking second place in cutting during last weekend's district finals in New Plymouth. Lord also placed fourth in saddle bronc.

Gloria King will represent Homedale in June after she placed third in goat tying. She also placed fifth in breakaway roping. Teammate Luke Jeffries won a chance at two titles by placing second in tie-down roping and steer wrestling.

Matt Nauman will compete for a state title after he placed first in tie-down roping and third in steer wrestling. Nauman finished the district competition in fifth place in team roping. Nauman was also named as the reserve all around cowboy.

All around cowboy honors went to Ryan Mackenzie. Mackenzie could not compete in the final day of the district rodeo as he broke his jaw on a bull in a Saturday ride. Mackenzie was able to take first place in the saddle bronc riding for the year.

Scott Roeser from Marsing won the steer wrestling and teammate Tori Kent won the barrel-racing event.

Keri Muchow from Melba won the break-a-way roping event. Kayla Axtell took second place in the barrel race followed by Carissa Donaldson in third place.

In breakaway roping, Chelsey Shepherd won second place and Kortni Scott won third place. Shepherd split second with Axtell in pole bending and Ashley Baird gave a third place showing. Jessica Franks topped goat tying for a first place finish and Sami Kirk placed second over Gloria King.

In girls cutting, Mikianna Williamson placed first and second and third were split between Sara Peterson and Kallie Roeser.

Wyatt Williamson won the boys cutting followed by Jaton Lord in second place and JR Steiner in third. Waco Buford rounded out the calf roping top three with a third place finish. Scott Roeser took fourth place and Kirby Cook and Drew Hummel tied for fifth and sixth.

Josh Bruno was the only qualifier in the district placing first in

bareback riding. Frank Tobias placed second in saddle bronc and Brad Abbe placed third in

the pack. On the bulls, Tylee Lanham placed first followed by Daniel

Dopps in second and Klay Lanham in third place. Kari Gooding won the queen

contest and Katelyn Farrin took second. Shephard placed first in the girl's all around and Kayla Axtell was crowned the reserve all around.

In team roping, Robert Beran and Waco Buford placed first followed by Brady Black and Kirby Cook in second and Shane Smith and Jamie Nau in third place.

The team will travel to Pocatello for the state finals on June 14-19.

This year's Wrangler All-Stars are Kayla Axtell, Brady Black, Kirby Cook, Ashley Corbus, Daniel Dopps, Jessica Franks, Karianna Gooding, Klayton Lanham, Matt Nauman, Scott Roeser, Chelsy Shepherd, Mikianna Williamson and Wyatt Williamson

Members compete at district level, and then state levels for local recognition and the top four contestants in each event qualify for the National High School Finals Rodeo (NHSFR) held annually in July.

Over 1,500 contestants from each of the more than 40 state-province associations compete for national titles, awards and scholarships.



Homedale cowboys and cowgirls

The Homedale High rodeo team poses for a picture after last weekend's District Final rodeo. Front row, L to R: Jaton Lord, Matt Nauman. Back row L to R: Cory Uria, Luke Jeffries, Hailee Garrett, Cheyenne Andrade, Treece McClintik, Gloria King and Jennifer Hall. Not shown is Brian Martinat. Lord, Nauman, Jeffries and King qualified to advance to the State Finals in June. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



Ryan Mackenzie rides a bull. Photo by William T. Bruce.



Kendra Geid, Marsing High School senior. Photo by William T. Bruce.



Kenna Muchow. Photo by William T. Bruce.



Brad Abby riding the bull, Dax Pearson, top clown and Matt Cloan on the ground. Photo by William T. Bruce.



Scott Roeser prepares to wrestle a steer to the ground for first place. Photo by William T. Bruce.



Shane Smith from Jordan Valley and Jamie Nau from Eagle. Photo by William T. Bruce.

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APPLE HEALTHY SNACKS FOR HIGH ENERGY KIDS

The call goes out many times a day. Kids always seem to be hungry, and they're always asking for a snack. But, high-energy kids need healthy snacks that keep them up and at 'em — all day long. Easier said than done, you say? It doesn't have to be!

Take apples, apple sauce and apple juice, for example. We've all heard the age-old saying that "an apple a day keeps the doctor away." But, research collected by Mott's is now helping define exactly why apple products are so healthy. As it turns out, apples and apple products have multiple nutrients: fiber, vitamin C, potassium and antioxidants. Consuming these nutrients can work toward achieving whole body health. What's more, 1/2 cup of apple sauce or 6 ounces of 100% apple juice count as fruit servings, which makes 5 A Day a much easier goal for kids.

Another piece of good news is that the fiber and water in apples and apple products help give a feeling of satiety or fullness. With childhood obesity a growing concern, helping to curb children's appetites can help them avoid eating more calories than their bodies need to stay healthy.

So the next time your kids call out that they are hungry or thirsty — give them an apple healthy snack that not only tastes great, but is good for them too!

MIX IT UP!

When kids can mix up their own snacks, it's double the fun. Let them try these easy ideas:

- Freeze individual-size Mott's Original or Healthy Harvest apple sauce cups. Use the frozen cups to help keep lunch boxes cold, then they can be eaten just like an ice cream cup.
- Fill ice cube trays with apple juice instead of water, giving a cool apple twist to favorite drinks.
- Mix about 1 tablespoon each peanuts, toasted coconut and raisins into 1/2 cup Mott's Original apple sauce for a trail mix-flavored treat.
- Mix equal parts (about 1-1/2 cups each) low-fat fruit-flavored yogurt with Mott's Original apple sauce. Use to fill a prepared graham cracker pie crust. Freeze and serve like ice cream pie.
- Blend about 1 cup fruit-flavored frozen yogurt, 1/2 cup apple juice and 1/2 cup fresh fruit in a blender for a fruity smoothie.

For more apple information and recipe ideas, visit www.getapplehealthy.com.

The Big Dipper

- 1/2 cup Mott's Healthy Harvest country berry apple sauce
- 1/2 cup low-fat vanilla or plain yogurt
- 2 cups fresh fruit chunks
- 8 bamboo skewers

To prepare dip, blend apple sauce with yogurt in small bowl until thoroughly combined. Divide fruit chunks evenly and place on skewers to form fruit kabobs. Place kabobs on serving plate with dip alongside. Cover and chill until ready to serve.

Makes 8 servings

Nutrition Information per Serving: 35 calories, 0g fat, 0mg cholesterol, 15mg sodium, 8g carbohydrate, <1g fiber, 1g protein

Apple Sauce Splits

- 1 medium banana, peeled and split lengthwise
- 2 tablespoons low-fat whipped cream cheese
- 1/4 cup berries or diced fresh fruit
- 1/4 cup Mott's chunky style apple sauce
- Chocolate syrup, optional

Place split banana in shallow bowl or plate. Dollop with cream cheese. Sprinkle berries or fruit over cream cheese. Top with apple sauce. Drizzle with chocolate syrup, if desired.

Makes 1 serving

Nutrition Information per Serving: 210 calories, 4g fat, 10mg cholesterol, 60mg sodium, 43g carbohydrate, 6g fiber, 4g protein

Fruity Parfaits

- 2 cups low-fat fruit-flavored yogurt
- 1/2 cup graham cracker crumbs
- 2 cups diced fresh fruit
- 2 cups Mott's natural apple sauce

Divide 1 cup yogurt evenly between 6 parfait glasses. Sprinkle 2 teaspoons graham cracker crumbs over yogurt in each glass. Divide 1 cup diced fruit evenly between glasses, layering evenly over crumbs. Divide 1 cup apple sauce evenly between glasses, layering evenly over fruit. Repeat layers. Cover and chill until ready to serve.

Makes 6 servings

Nutrition Information per Serving: 200 calories, 2g fat, 5mg cholesterol, 100mg sodium, 40g carbohydrate, 2g fiber, 5g protein

Kaleidoscope Pops

- 2 cups diced colorful fruit
- 2 cups Mott's apple juice
- 6 (6- to 8-ounce) paper cups
- 6 craft sticks

Divide diced fruit between cups. Fill evenly with apple juice (1/3 cup each). Place cups on level surface in freezer. Freeze until partially frozen, approximately 1 hour. Insert craft stick into center of each pop. Freeze until firm.

Makes 6 servings

Nutrition Information per Serving: 60 calories, 0g fat, 0mg cholesterol, 0mg sodium, 16g carbohydrate, 1g fiber, 1g protein

Apple-Licious Smoothies

- 4 (1/2 cup) containers Mott's Healthy Harvest summer strawberry apple sauce
- 2 cups Mott's apple juice
- 2 cups low-fat vanilla yogurt

In small pitcher, combine all ingredients and mix until thoroughly combined. Cover and chill until ready to serve.

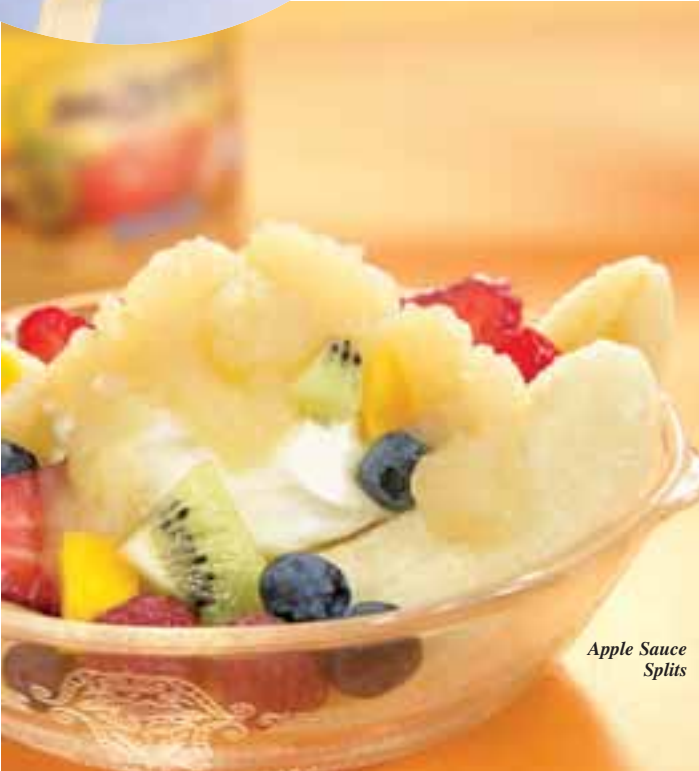
Makes 6 servings

Nutrition Information per Serving: 140 calories, 1g fat, 5mg cholesterol, 55mg sodium, 30g carbohydrate, <1g fiber, 4g protein

Tip: Kids can make individual smoothies themselves. Use 1 container apple sauce, then use the container to measure the apple juice and yogurt. Stir together right in the glass!



Kaleidoscope Pops



Apple Sauce Splits

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

May 24, 1979

Impasse declared

For the first time in the history of the Marsing School District, teachers and administration have failed to reach an agreement on salaries for the coming school year.

An impasse was declared Monday in salary negotiations, according to superintendent of schools Loren Schmitt. Schmitt said the district is seeking advice from the office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jerry Evans on how to proceed with any further negotiations. He said the impasse situation is not covered in the school policy manual, so the state will be asked to provide guidelines.

According to the superintendent, Marsing teachers are asking for a salary base of \$10,000, while the district’s best offer has been \$ 9,743 for a starting teacher.

County officials eye funding shortfall

Owyhee County officials are looking toward the coming fiscal year with a great deal of apprehension, due to a combination of factors.

Owyhee County is one of 18 Idaho counties with a 1978 property tax levy lower than its 1977 figure. Statistics released by the Associated Tax payers of Idaho show that 1978 Owyhee County tax charges decreased 5.92 percent, essentially due to the statutory repeal of 4 mills of the 8 mill county school levy. Statewide, county tax charges rose 5.88 percent.

The tax decrease works out to a .87 mill decrease per \$100 assessed evaluation for county taxpayers. But, while it may look good on paper to the general population, the decrease may eventually translate into a Pandora’s box for county government.

Owyhee County Clerk Barbara Jayo said a number of factors have combined to make the situation fairly bleak for the county.

First and foremost is the upcoming implementation of the one percent initiative passed by Idaho voters last fall. Earlier this year the Idaho Legislature set Jan. 1, 1980 as the implementation date for the one percent. This means the county will operate for about half of the upcoming fiscal year with the one percent rule in effect. The full impact of the initiative will not be felt until the 1980-81 fiscal year.

The 1978 tax reduction hurt county government because it reduces the “freeze level”. Under the one percent legislation passed by the legislature, the tax base will be determined by the 1978 levy. Since Owyhee County’s properly tax level dropped in 1978, the freeze level will be lower than it would have been in 1977.

Jayo said the situation is made worse by a reduction of “in lieu,” funds and revenue sharing funds from the federal government. In lieu funds are paid to the county because of the amount of federal land in the county. Last year Owyhee County received about \$328,000 in lieu funds.

Jayo said, however, that she has been notified that the federal government intends to reduce that amount by 30 percent, or about \$98,400. The in lieu money can be used for almost any purpose. One year, the total amount was earmarked for the county road and bridge fund. Last year, the funds were distributed throughout the budget. The county has also been notified that revenue sharing funds will be reduced.

Dentist opens practice

Bill Jeppe figures Owyhee county will be, “an ideal place to raise a number of generations of little Jeppes.”

Jeppe is Owyhee County’s newest dentist. In fact, if you want to get technical, he’s Owyhee County’s only dentist. Dr. Jeppe officially opened for business last Friday at his office across from Idaho First, on Main in Homedale.

For the young dentist, finding a place like Homedale in which to plant his roots is the culmination of a long-time dream.

50 years ago

May 27, 1854

Namesake horse wins at Portland

Jim Chris, a two year old horse belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Ott of Homedale, came through with flying colors to capture first place in the third race at Portland Meadows last Friday evening.

The colt, ridden by Bud Zollinger, top rider in the Portland area, on by six lengths over a field of ten in his first race. Zollinger also rode the winning horses in the first two races.

Jim Chris was named after Jim Hayes, local businessman, and his son Chris. Mr. Hayes flew to Portland to watch the race. He was thrilled to watch his namesake lead the field. The horse, he said, made him more money that day than did his lumber yard here.

Hotshot ball club opens season

The Homedale Hotshots, local baseball club, will get the season underway this evening when they play a practice game at Marsing. A practice night game is slated for Adrian on Friday night, and another practice session at Wilder on Sunday.

Johnny Shanley will manage the team for the time being during the absence of George Burton, who may return to take over that job.

Local Guard Unit prepares to attend summer training

Saturday, May 29 is the day set for the local National Guard unit to join 37 other Idaho Army National Guard units at Gowen field for their annual summer training course. The summer camp will continue through June 12 with an expected payroll of over \$190,000 to be drawn by the 2,000 young men representing 28 Idaho communities.

Expected to attend from Homedale are: 2nd Lieut’s James D. Bostwick, Frank Matteson and John Wester; Master Sergeant, Kenneth Edgett; 1st Sgt. Elmer Moore; Sgts. 1st class Ray Mansisor, and Jim Miklancic; Sgts. Phil Dazey, Melvin Berry, Frank Haylett, Roy Mills, Bill Morrison, Rodger Nash, Ricardo Salutregui, and Richard Scherer.

Cpls. Marvin Friel, Dae Gorley, Jim Itano, Vic Sal-tregui, Tom Yost; Pfc’s Alan Brown, Roger Adnerson, Cecil Brunett, Vernon Davenport, Roy Frank, Rondald Geertson, Clyde Hill, bill Holmes, Robert Powell, Lance Seversn;

Pvts. Bernard Anderson, Ray Campos, Carl Cawdrey, Bob Gerdes, Frank Itano, Robert Malmberg, Wayne McCannald, Gene Tarr, Bill Adams, Richard Burman, Fred Dempshar, Julian Landa, Lyle Simpson and Harold Tolmie.

Marsing

Mrs. Leland Sircin received a letter from her son, Pfc. Harold Sircin this week, saying that he was on maneuvers with the army at Baunholder, Germany, and he would be there until June 1. The letter stated also that there was extensive rain there.

Mrs. Delbert Archer and two boys of Ogden, Utah arrived at the Archie Stephensen home last Wednesday to spend about two weeks. Mrs. Archer is the Stephensen’s daughter.

Mrs. Leland Sircin went to Caldwell Sunday to prepare dinner for her parents, Mr. And Mrs. W.W. Jones. Mr. Jones was recently released from the hospital.

Mr. And Mrs. Sam Harp, former Marsing residents, now of Winnemucca, Nev., will make their home in Marsing this summer as Mr. Harp has employment here. Mrs. Harp taught school for several years in Marsing.

Enjoying an evening of TV entertainment Sunday at the Roy Robison home on Sunny Slope were Mr. And Mrs. Mike Renz and Joaqin.

Marsing Royal Neighbors held an all day meeting at the home of Mildred Blackstock. A covered dish luncheon was enjoyed by the group.

138 years ago

May 26, 1866

COUNTY ROADS. The more of these the better for the county. Bloom and others have petitioned the Board of County Commissioners to declare the road from Silver to the “Rogers River Sawmill” a public highway. This should be done and the road improved. Wood, timber, lumber and quartz to a great extent must come over the road, and it is much better to have it declared public and public labor and funds keep it in good repair. Should this not be done before the next Session of the Legislature, we buy reasonably expect some enterprising individual, in conjunction with one or more shrewd Solons, to secure a franchise to “construct and maintain a toll-road” over it. Nothing more certain in the future.

ANOTHER wholesale Indian slaughter has occurred west of the Owyhee just above the mouth of Jordan Creek. Fifty Chinamen were on their way to Idaho City and all but one were murdered by brutal Indians at the place mentioned, on the first. Their bodies were mutilated in the most shocking manner. They had thirteen horses and a full complement of mining tools, the former were all taken, and of the latter, the picks were stuck through the bodies and heads of the victims. Were mostly scalped and cut in sickening style. It is believed there were between two and three hundred Indians, part on foot and many horse back. Had white men been there they would probably have shared the same fate. Here’s another fine tart for skim-milk philanthropists to exercise their excusatory powers, and justify these poor ignorant savages who don’t know any better, who don’t know that murder is wrong, who merely slaughter a few pioneers now and then for fun, which is their right. O, mush!

AIDING THE SCHOOL FUND. Several benevolent individuals aided by Deputy Sheriff Springer and Justice Lynum and Miller, have increased the school fund nearly two hundred dollars within the past few days. They are probably opposed to levying any special tax for that purpose. Preparatory to making their contributions they indulged in some exercises in the “manly art” which were very entertaining, to spectators. Springer says he’d bound to lead all belligerent persons to the place where justice is measured out and donations to the school fund received.

BREWERIES IN SILVER. Beth Sommercamp & Co. and Grete Bros. have their lager manufactories in operation. Neither of the buildings are quite finished. S & Co. have collar, and two upper rooms. The second story will be finished neatly and rented. Their first story and saloon will be below the street level, and fixed up invitingly. Sommercamp knows how to make good lager and sell it, too.

VEGETABLES. D. McCloery has sent us a lot of onions and cabbage-greens grows this Spring on his Reynolds Creek Ranch. The onions are good size and the greens are two feet tall. Uncle Dan says he’s about ready to supply everybody. Fresh vegetables are a luxury, and we return thanks for the lot received.

ROADS in every direction are being put in repair and new pieces made. The road on the west side of Jordan between Ruby and Silver is being widened, ditched and is being made excellent. On the east side, the N.Y. & O. Co. have as smooth and well graded road as can be made by anybody or anywhere. The bridge across Long Gulch in Silver only needs the plank to have it finished. The streets of both burgs are being renovated, but considerable room remains for more improvements in this particular.

THE REPORT is unique that the Owyhee Ferryman, Mr. Hill, and six soldiers were killed at the time of the Chinamen massacre.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense

One nation ‘under God’

“One nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

Some would question that we are indivisible, that the government continues to remove our liberties, and that justice is often administered unfairly. But very few would deny that we are ‘under God.’ Yet, “under God” is being challenged by those who think it contradicts the intent of the 1st amendment to the constitution. That amendment states: “Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting (it).”

Even if they have a point, how do we believers get around the technicalities and justify the presence of “under God” on the pledge, “In God We Trust” on coins, and prayers in the Senate, at football games, and at the President’s table during state dinners?

I support affirmative action. Life isn’t fair and some people need a foot up. But, it is blatantly unconstitutional. It directly contradicts that all men are recognized as, ‘created equal.’ Yet, our legislators and Supreme Court support this deliberately discriminating policy.

I belong to the National Rifle Association because there are advocacy groups who would disarm U.S. Citizens. I have never understood how the occasional big city can get laws passed that prevent the ownership or carrying of firearms. Anti-gun laws directly contradict the 2nd Amendment to the Constitution that guarantees citizens the right to keep and bear arms.

I suspect there are other examples of fuzzy interpretation that we citizens acknowledge but accept as beneficial to the common good. Martin Luther King said he dreamed of a day when people are judged, not by the color of their skin but by the content of their character. We, as a nation have not achieved his dream yet, but we’re on the right track so I can tolerate a little favoritism for the cause.

I concede that Saturday night specials and machine guns in the hands of gangs and drug smugglers are not good things. I just don’t think taking guns away from the good guys is going to help. But if the majority in a gangland city vote to disarm themselves, I let it go, but I keep paying my NRA dues.

Our nation is at a crossroads. It is maturing. It is under attack by radical Islamic religious groups who will not be satisfied until Judaeo Christian believers are blown to bits.

On September 11, 2001, in the aftermath and agony of the attack, person after person raised their voices to the sky and cried, “Oh God!” with a capital ‘G.’ It is that belief in God that keeps many of us strong. It gives Republicans and Democrats a sacred common ground. We’re going back to church in record numbers. In times of crisis we get back to the basics. We seek solace “under God.”

So, to the atheists, anti-affirmative action activists, Uzi owners, and strict constitutional scholars, there are times when you just need to back off, and I think, this is one of them.

Joe Aman

Editor’s notebook



Questions arise regarding P&Z

The resignation of all but one of the members of the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Board raises far more questions than answers for the county commissioners to consider.

Last week, chairman Sid Erwin submitted a letter of resignation to the board, followed by verbal intentions of resignation expressed by Dave Holton and Dave Shenk. That leaves only Gene Tindall on the commission.

According to Erwin, his reason for resigning is because county commissioners cut off his \$100 per meeting pay. (Other members have been paid \$50 per meeting.) In addition to this pay they are paid mileage plus compensation for meals eaten prior to each meeting.

Owyhee County Board of Commissioners chairman Hal Tolmie stated last week that Owyhee County is the only one in the state that pays planning and zoning members for serving. Well, there’s a good reason for that. The Local Land Use Planning Act (I.C. chapter 67) authorizes local governments to pay *only* mileage and per diem compensation (allowances for actual necessary expenses). Since the county began paying compensation to P&Z members in 2002, taxpayers have shelled out over \$13,500. If this money is not authorized under the law, who should pay back the money to the county coffers, the commissioners or the recipients, or both? Are the taxpayers stuck with this unauthorized expense?

The P&Z commission has been operating with only four members for quite some time. The ordinance *mandates* there be seven members serve on the commission, the presumption being that a larger membership is a good cross-section of ideological and geographical diversification. Because of the failure to maintain the required membership, can a partial commission legally operate, and more importantly, if the membership number isn’t in compliance with the law, would rulings on land use issues stand to challenges?

The appointed body makes decisions and controls the use of others’ private property – the most basic freedom to be protected by our government. If any agency must adhere to the letter of the law, it is land use commissions, for they have power and control over others’ personal property and hence, our freedom.

As things presently stand, it appears the county commissioners themselves will be taking on the duties of P&Z. That’s not a bad thing. At least decisions will be made by elected officials who answer to the people, instead of an appointed board who answers to no one.

It can be assumed, however, that the board will appoint a new P&Z commission. If so, we hope they will carefully screen applicants. The position carries heavy responsibility. Those who want the slot to feed their own ego, or wallow in the power of controlling someone else’s property (as has been so in some cases past) are not needed.

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... *but possibly of interest*



She earned every credit -- going to college while holding down a full-time job. Despite the load she spent many Saturday nights at high school basketball games, keeping the scorebook for her husband who was a novice sportswriter.

She graduated with an education degree at a time when there wasn’t a huge demand for beginning teachers. But the principal of a rural school district hired her as he was leaving for a job in a larger town. (He hired her even though he had been her husband’s junior high principal.) She and her spouse celebrated by buying a decent mattress and two three-speed bicycles (they are still trying to figure out why they got the bikes).

Then it was down to the business of a career. There were lesson plans to prepare and tests to grade in the evening, along with the regular classroom work. She also directed the school office education club, which meant she was usually out of town at the group’s state convention on her spouse’s birthday. She was expected to take tickets at athletic events, or work in the concession stand, or chaperone dances . . . there was always something going on.

She hadn’t been teaching long when the first baby girl arrived, so she added mother to her list of duties. When a second daughter was born she took a year off, then decided if the family was to survive financially she needed to return to work. She spent one year at another school, then returned to the district where she began her career.

About the time the third daughter was born, she started taking night courses, aiming for her Masters degree. She probably figured she needed to back her bets in case her husband never got around to growing up. When she received her diploma, she moved into a new job -- high school counselor. While there was less classroom work, there were new challenges like

breaking up fights, helping youngsters through personal problems and trying to get college scholarships for deserving graduates.

There were good times too. She was fortunate to work with some wonderful people. And even her partner in life enjoyed the annual apple juice squeezing parties at the principal’s home and the other gatherings with school staff members.

The school years flew past. Their three daughters were suddenly high school students. There were basketball games, choir and band concerts and honor society inductions to attend. In what seemed like an instant they had their diplomas and were gone - off to build their own lives based on an awesome role model.

After her children were gone, she moved to a new school where her job was to help younger kids deal with a world that seemed much more complicated than what their parents had experienced at the same age.

Then one day, she realized the teachers who had been close friends for many years were disappearing. She discovered she was working with the grandchildren of some of her early students and she was at or near the top of the district seniority ladder. So, after more than thirty years in teaching, she decided it was time to pull the plug and take some time for herself.

On June 1, Homedale Middle School will honor retiring teachers, including my partner in life, Sara Cornell (Saralynne Case to members of the Marsing High School Class of ‘66). Our three daughters, who understand better than anyone how special she is, will also host a party in her honor for family and special friends. She thinks they are making too big a fuss. I don’t think we can ever honor her enough for what she has accomplished.

I am so proud of her.

Commentary

Accuracy in media

Anti-Bush press eats crow

Cliff Kincaid, Editor of the AIM Report

The reported discovery of Sarin gas in Iraq has shaken the media establishment, which has been highlighting the failure to find weapons of mass destruction (WMD) as proof that President Bush lied to get us into the war. The legitimate issue has always been what happened to the WMD, not whether the U.S. lied about their existence. Rather than look for the weapons, the media would rather blame the Bush administration—not Saddam—for their disappearance. The fact is that Bush, John Kerry, many in the media, and even the U.N. had agreed that Saddam had the weapons. It was his failure to account for them that was a major factor in the U.S. invasion.

The Sarin discovery was a setback to the anti-Bush press. But in a May 6 lecture on journalism “ethics,” John S. Carroll, editor of the Los Angeles Times, put an even larger foot in his mouth, not only attacking the rationale for the war but the people who believe it was justified. In an arrogant and self-righteous speech that ended up demonstrating his own ignorance of the facts, he denounced the rise of “pseudo journalism” and Fox News.

Carroll claimed there were several “misconceptions” about the conflict, including that “links had been proven between Iraq and al Qaeda.” Citing a study from last October, Carroll said false information about a proven Iraq-al Qaeda link had been accepted by an alarmingly high number of viewers of Fox News. By contrast, he said, those who watched CNN and public broadcasting did not buy into the claim. He said other “misconceptions” were that “Saddam Hussein’s weapons of mass destruction had been found” and that “world opinion favored the idea of the U.S. invading Iraq.”

Carroll said, “Among people who primarily watched Fox News, 80 percent believed one or more of those myths. That’s 25 percentage points higher than the figure for viewers of CNN—and 57 percentage points higher than that for people who got their news from public broadcasting.”

The lesson is that Fox News is misleading people. But CNN and public broadcasting are more reliable.

The trouble for Carroll is that his information is false, and the study he cited is itself misleading.

It was not Seymour Hersh but Stephen Hayes of The Weekly Standard who published a November 24, 2003, story that included excerpts from a classified Defense Department memo outlining an operational relationship between Iraq and al Qaeda from the early 1990s to 2003. Hayes reported that Under Secretary of Defense Douglas J. Feith sent the memo to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence in October 2003.

There is no dispute that this memo exists. The only dispute is the reliability of the information cited in the memo. Carroll dealt with the memo by ignoring it.

Leaving this memo aside, CIA director George Tenet had sent an October 7, 2002, letter to Senator Bob Graham, providing evidence of the Iraq-al Qaeda connection. The press subsequently published the letter.

Tenet said, “We have solid reporting of senior level contacts between Iraq and Al Qaeda going back a decade. Credible information indicates that Iraq and Al Qaeda have discussed safe haven and reciprocal nonaggression. Since Operation Enduring Freedom, we have solid evidence of the presence in Iraq of al-Qaeda members, including some that have been in Baghdad. We have credible reporting that al-Qaeda leaders sought contacts in Iraq who could help them acquire W.M.D. capabilities. The reporting also stated that Iraq has provided training to al-Qaeda members in the areas of poisons and gases and making conventional bombs.”

Carroll’s source for his claim about public misunderstanding of an Iraq-al Qaeda link was a study issued by the Program on International Policy Attitudes, a project of the University of Maryland. It is dated October 2, 2003, a year after the contents of the Tenet letter were publicized.

Carroll apparently did not analyze the dubious claims

in the study. Flatly contradicting the Tenet letter, it says that the “consensus view in the intelligence community” is that Saddam Hussein “was not even working closely with al Qaeda.” At another point, it makes the bold claim that “no evidence of any links” between them “has been found.” On this basis, the study depicts those who believe

in an Iraq-al Qaeda link as uninformed. It is Carroll who is in error and uninformed. He made serious mistakes of fact while delivering a lecture on ethics. In trying to diminish the importance of Fox News, he made a fool of himself and his paper. He emerges as the “pseudo journalist” he tried to expose.

Farm Bureau

Create a defensible space

By Frank Priestley, President

In 2003 western wildfires destroyed 4,000 homes and killed 22 people. Fire suppression costs amounted to over \$20 million and damages totaled over \$1 billion.

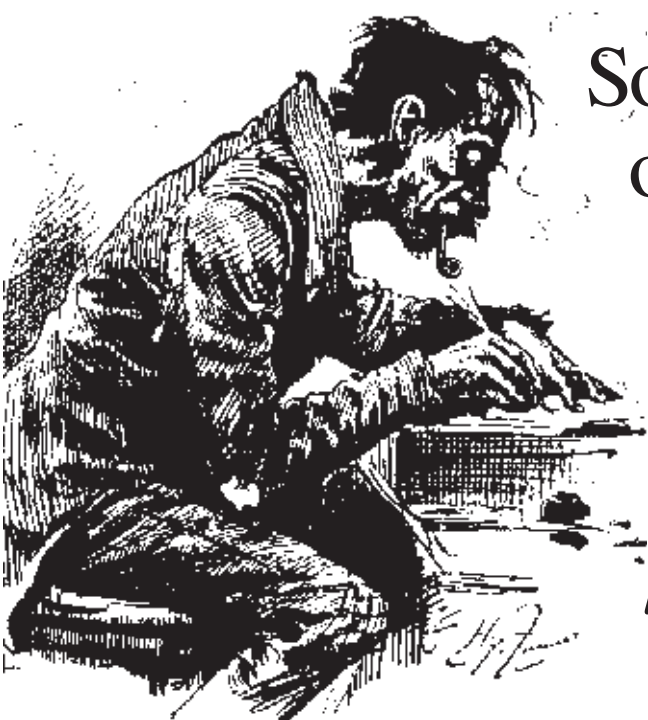
Here in Idaho more and more families are moving into rural areas. Residents need to do all they can to protect their homes from brush and forest fires before those fires begin to roar. In addition these measures are especially important this summer as drought conditions worsen across most of the state.

University of Idaho forestry experts have several recommendations for residents living in what is now being referred to as the wildland / urban interface. Their advice is to take time now to decrease conditions that might lead to home ignition and create defensible spaces around your home and property.

To decrease your home’s ignition potential use fire resistant materials or replace flammable materials. Tile, metal, or asphalt roofing materials and brick or stucco walls are the most fire resistant according to UI experts. Untreated or poorly treated shake shingles offer the least fire resistance. Further, they recommend enclosing the undersides of decks, porches, eaves, soffits and fascia with a non-flammable material. Cement products work well. Dou-

ble-pane windows and protective shutters will help insulate the inside of a home, reducing the chance of the interior overheating and igniting. Chimneys should be screened and all attic and basement openings should be covered. Landscaping that helps combustible surfaces meet each other should also be avoided. A vine covered wood fence leading to wood stairs is like a fuse leading to your door. Move combustible materials from around wood piles and propane tanks and park boats, campers and other recreational vehicles away from the house. Keep tree branches trimmed 10 to 15 feet from power lines.

To create the proper amount of defensible space around your home, UI forestry experts recommend landscaping that creates fuel breaks and slows advancing flames. Highly flammable brush within 100 feet of the home should be removed. Shrubs should not be planted at the base of structures. Firewood should be stored 30 to 100 feet from any structure with defensible space around it. Reduce the chance of surface fires spreading to tree crowns by pruning the base of trees from six to 15 feet from the ground. To prevent fire from jumping from one tree to another, prune branches to give at least 10 feet of clear space between trees and prune all dead branches. Special considerations apply for houses on slopes. For more information about protecting your home from wildfires, contact the University of Idaho Forestry Department or your local UI county extension agent.



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**OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
MAY 10, 2004
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURPHY, IDAHO**

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

The Board moved to amend the agenda to include the request by the Owyhee County Historical Society for the Board's signature on the compliance finding worksheet on the restoration project for the Historic Silver City School House in Silver City.

The Board adopted Ordinance No. 04-02 The International Building Code 2000 Edition, The International Residential Code, Parts I-IV and IX of the 2000 Edition.

The Board approved and signed a road agreement relating to access and maintenance of access from Davis Road to Kent and Virginia Kohring's property.

The Board signed letters to be sent to the Planning and Zoning Commissioners. They will be paid a per diem only, for their services.

Southwest District Health met with the Board to go over their 2005 budget request. The Board approved \$51,010 for the 2005 budget.

The Board reviewed the 2003 Water Quality Report for the Murphy Water system.

The Board approved and signed the Public Defender contract with William Wellman for 2005-2006.

The Board adjourned as Board of County Commissioners and convened as Board of Equalization. The Property Tax Reduction Roll was reviewed. The Board of Equalization adjourned and reconvened as Board of County Commissioners.

The Board approved and signed the compliance finding worksheet on the restoration project for the Historic Silver City School House in Silver City.

The Board approved a certificate of residency for a student attending CSI.

The Board took the following action on pending Indigent & Charity cases. I.C. Case No. 04-13 The Board moved to deny, incomplete application.

The Board moved to approve a beer and wine license for Murph's and Matteson's.

The Board approved the minutes for the May 3rd meeting.

A wildfire mitigation plan for the County was presented by Northwest Resource Management. A proposal will be submitted.

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
5/26/04

OWYHEE COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 04-02

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE 2000 EDITION, THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, PARTS I-IV AND IX OF THE 2000 EDITION, THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE 2000 EDITION, INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE 2000 EDITION, INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE 2000 EDITION AND THE STATE OF IDAHO MANUFACTURED HOME INSTALLATION STANDARDS 2004 EDITION AS THE LAW OF OWYHEE COUNTY, PROVIDING FOR EXCEPTIONS FOR AGRICULTURAL BUILDINGS, PROVIDING AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE R 403.1.3 AND INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE SECTIONS 1906.4.3 AND 1910.2.2, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING AND PRIOR ORDINANCES, PROVIDING FOR FEES TO BE SET BY RESOLUTION, PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT BY BUILDING OFFICIAL, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 1. Code Adoption.
The approved editions of the following nationally recognized Codes, as adopted by the State of Idaho Building Code Board are adopted as the Owyhee County Building Code:

- International Building Code, 2000 edition
- International Residential Code, Parts I-IV and IX, 2000 edition
- International Energy Conservation Code, 2000 edition
- International Mechanical Code, 2000 edition
- International Fuel Gas Code, 2000 edition
- State of Idaho Manufactured Home Installation Standards, 2004 edition.

Section 2. Superceding Successive Versions of Codes.

The adopted versions of the foregoing Codes shall be deemed superceded by successive versions of such Codes as they are adopted or approved by the State of Idaho Building Code Board, such successive versions to become the law of Owyhee County on the effective date set for the successive versions by the State of Idaho Building Code Board, unless the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners specifically provides otherwise.

Section 3. Duty of Building Official.

The Building Official of Owyhee County, named by the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners shall have the duty of enforcing the Owyhee County Building Code, and shall have the further duty of advising the Commissioners when a successive version of any of the Codes adopted by Section 1 is adopted and made effective by the State of Idaho Building Code Board.

Section 4. Exceptions.
Agricultural buildings are excepted from and exempt from the foregoing Codes adopted by

this Ordinance, but remain subject to placement requirements established by the Zoning Code of Owyhee County.

Section 5. Amendments to adopted Codes.

The following sections of the foregoing adopted Codes are amended as stated herein:

- a. International Residential Code, Section R 309.2 is amended to set a 5/8 inch separation of garage from residence.
- b. International Residential Code R 403.1.3 and International Building Code, Section 1906.4.3 location for force transfer are amended as follows: Construction joints shall be made and located as not to impair the strength of the structure. Provision shall be made for the transfer of shear and other forces through constructive joints. Construction joints shall have vertical reinforcement of at least one #4 bar at not more than four feet on center. The vertical bar shall extend to 3 inches clear of the bottom of the footing and extend a minimum of 14 inches into the stem wall to tie footing and stem wall together.
- c. International Building Code, Section 1910.2.2 detailed plain concrete shear walls is amended to read as follows: Detailed plain concrete shear walls are walls conforming to the requirements for ordinary plain concrete shear walls and shall have reinforcement as follows: typical garage fronts shall be reinforced as specified in Condition 1, 17-22, 22-27 and 32-48.

Section 6. Fees
The fees to be assessed for services provided by the County under the foregoing adopted Codes shall be set by the Board of County Commissioners by Resolution, after consultation with the Building Official. All such fees shall be reviewed annually, no later than May 30 of the calendar year. The resolutions setting fees, and the date of effectiveness of such resolutions shall be attached to this Ordinance, and any successive changes of such resolutions shall be attached as addenda to this ordinance.

Section 7. Severability
This ordinance is hereby declared to be severable as to all its parts. Should any portion of the ordinance be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall continue in full effect and force and shall be read so as to carry out the purposes of the ordinance before the declaration of partial invalidity.

Section 8. Repeal
All provisions of prior ordinances of Owyhee County relating to building regulations which conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 9. Effective Date
This ordinance shall be effective

on the date published in the newspaper in which legal notices for the County are published.

Enacted by the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners as an ordinance on the 10th day of May, 2004.

/s/Harold Tolmie
/s/Dick Reynolds
/s/Chris Salove
Attest: /s/Charlotte Sherburn
5/26/04

NOTICE

The annual return of the Homedale Trust for the year ending December 31, 2003 is available for the public inspection during regular business hours at its office at 19 E. Wyoming Ave., Homedale ID.

The Homedale Trust
Homedale, ID 83628
Tel. 337-3271
Suzanna Brockett
5/26/04

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Historic Silver City Foundation, Inc., a non-profit 501(c)(s) organization will be receiving sealed bids for Phase I for the Silver City School House Restoration Project at Melba City Hall, 401 Carrie Rex (mailing address P.O. Box 209), Melba, Idaho 83641, until 3:30 p.m., Monday, June 28, 2004. Bids submitted after the above specified time shall not be received or opened. Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud at the above mentioned time. The project if financed through an Economic Development Initiative Special Projects Grant funded by U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development Project # B-03-Sp-ID-0199. This project is not subject to Davis-Bacon wage rates.

This project consists of providing a new foundation support system, repair of structural wood frame, restoration of exterior envelope, and site improvements for the 1892 Silver City School House in Silver City, Idaho. The plans and bidding documents for this project may be examined or obtained from:

Melba City Hall, 104 Carrie Rex, Melba, Idaho; Associated General Contractors, 110 North 27th St., Boise, ID 83702

All bids shall be submitted on the prescribed form and in the manner as indicated in the Information for Bidders and said bid shall be accompanied by a certified cashier's check or bid bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid. The bid bond shall be issued by a surety authorized and licensed to issue such bonds in the State of Idaho.

The Historic Silver City Foundation, Inc. reserves the right to accept the bids and award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder; to postpone the acceptance of the bid and the award of the contract for a period not exceed 40 working days; or to reject any all bids received and further advertise the project for bids. The Foundation may reject any bid not in compliance with all the prescribed public bidding procedures and requirements, and may reject for good cause any or all bids upon finding that it is in the public interest to do so.

All Contractors and Subcontractors, as required by Idaho code, submitting bids must hold a current State of Idaho Public Works Contractor's License, or obtain one prior to the award of the contract.

The successful bidder, including primary sub-contractors, will be required to demonstrate a minimum of five years of continuous experience with historic restoration projects involving properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places and construction practices conforming to the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.

When awarded a contract, the successful bidder shall furnish a performance and payment bond in the full amount of the contract price.

For more information please contact:

Fred Walters, Architect, 1330 Richard Ct., Independence, OR 97351, 503-838-0918; Noni Stapleton, Grand Administrator, P.O. Box 95, Melba, ID 83641, 208-495-2722 or 208-495-2660
Dated: May 13, 2004
By: Noni Stapleton, Grant Administrator
5/26-6/16/04

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING BUILDING FEES

The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners will hold a hearing to consider setting of fees related to building permits and inspections on June 7, 2004 at 10:30 am in the Magistrate Court Room at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy. The hearing, scheduled pursuant to Idaho Code, Section 63-1311A, will focus on fees for building permits, building inspections, plan reviews and mechanical fees to be charged for services performed under the International Building Code and related codes recently adopted by the County Commissioners. The Commissioners are considering imposing fees established under the prior Uniform Building Code for building permits and some inspections, increasing fees for plan reviews and other miscellaneous fees to the level of actual cost for inspections, and setting new fees for mechanical inspections and consideration of fees for services necessary under the newly adopted codes. A resolution setting fees will be considered by the Commissioners during the hearing. This will be the only opportunity for public input as to the fees.

5/26-6/2/04

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NOTICE OF PENDING ISSUE OF TAX DEED

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, AS FOLLOWS:

That a delinquent entry was entered as of January 1, 2001, in the records of the County Treasurer as Tax Collector of OWYHEE County, State of Idaho, for the following properties: Parcel No. RP B03600345250A **Brad R Easley**, PO Box 1062, Marsing, Id 83639
Property known as Assessors Tax number 21, 23 & 27
Section 34 Township 3 North, Range 4 West BM

Tax	350.52
Late Charge	7.02
Interest	132.60
Cost	75.00
TOTAL	\$ 565.14

115 parcels which include the following legal descriptions

Gem Irrigation District (formerly 101 Builders) PO Box 67, Homedale, Id 83628

Lots 1-2 of Block 1; Lots 1-3 of Block 2; Lots 1-12 of Block 3; Lots 1-4 of Block 4; Lots 1-23 of Block 5; Lots 1-13 of Block 6; Lot 1 of Block 7; Lot 1 of Block 8; Lots 1-10, 16, 19, & 22-31 of Block 9; Lots 1-4, 6, 8, & 10-14 of Block 10; Lots 1-8 of Block 11; Lots 1-5 of Block 12; Lots 1-6 of Block 13 and Lots 1-4 of Block 14

Section 36 Township 4 North, Range 6 West BM	
Tax	12115.20
Late Charge	242.30
Interest	4583.00
Cost	1150.00
TOTAL	\$ 18090.50

Parcel No. RP B0020021007CA

Baltazar & Dorothy Mendez
250 Union St, Millersburg, PA 17061-1607

Property known as Assessors Tax number 35
City of Marsing
Section 34 Township 3 North, Range 4 West BM

Tax	9.16
Late Charge	.18
Interest	3.46
Cost	125.00
TOTAL	\$ 137.80

Parcel No. RP A0010005012AA

Jose L & Maria Obregon
614 W Washington Ave, Homedale, Id 83628

Lot 12 & the West 10' of Lot 13 Block 5, City of Homedale, Idaho

Tax	593.90
Late Charge	11.88
Interest	224.66
Cost	75.00
TOTAL	\$ 905.44

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, that if said delinquent entry is not redeemed on or before June 28, 2004 by payment of said unpaid taxes together with late charge, interest and all unpaid costs and expenses up to the date of said payment at my office at Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, Idaho, I shall thereupon, as required by law, make application to the board of county commissioners of Owyhee County, State of Idaho, for a hearing to be held on **June 28, 2004 at 10:00 AM**, or as soon thereafter as said application can be heard at the **Courthouse, Murphy, Idaho** for a tax deed conveying the above described property

to said **OWYHEE COUNTY**, State of Idaho, absolute title, free of all encumbrances, except any lien for taxes which may have attached subsequently to the assessment hereinabove referred to.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, that the record owner or owners or any party in interest as defined by Section 63-1005, Idaho Code, may appear in person or by counsel, and if appearing, shall have adequate opportunity to be heard for the purpose of protesting the procedures used in taking this tax deed. **NO OTHER TYPE OF PROTEST WILL BE HEARD.**

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, that inquiries and objections concerning this notice or the information contained therein shall be directed to the **OWYHEE COUNTY TREASURER** at Highway 78, Courthouse, Murphy, Idaho 83650; or by calling 208 495-1158 no later than 5 working days before the hearing date.

Dated this 2nd day of February, 2004.

BARBARA WRIGHT
COUNTY TREASURER
and EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR
FOR OWYHEE COUNTY,
Idaho
5/12,19,26-6/2/04

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE MARSING CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING. THE PURPOSE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING IS TO DISCUSS THE INCREASE OF WATER DEOPISTS BY MORE THAN 5%.

RESOLUTION A – 88
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MARSING, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ESTABLISHING AMOUNTS FOR WATER SYSTEM DEPOSITS AND RECONNECTION CHARGES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Marsing, by Ordinance A-81, adopted June 22, 1983, has the authority to establish deposits for use of the City's domestic water system and charges to reconnect to the system.

WHEREAS, Resolution A-88 replaces Resolution A-28, which previously set fees and charges, and is hereby repealed by this resolution.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSING, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO:

SECTION 1. All accounts that show two month billing on the 10th of the second month will be considered delinquent accounts, and water meter will be shut off and padlocked, if possible. A notice of such shut off shall be placed on door of residence or handed to such residents if at home. No payment may be accepted by city maintenance men. All payments must be made at Marsing City Hall during office hours.

SECTION 2. In order to have service to the City's domestic water system reconnected, the

delinquent account must be paid in full together with a charge of reconnection of \$10.00.

SECTION 3. All users of the City's domestic water system shall be required to provide a deposit to the city in an amount of \$75.00, to be used to pay for any delinquent fees and charges.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval.

SECTION 5. Any tampering with water meter is a misdemeanor offense.

SECTION 6. Water will be turned on during regular city employee working hours.

ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Marsing, Idaho, this day of June, 2004.

CITY OF MARSING
Owyhee County, Idaho
Donald D. Osterhoudt, Mayor
ATTEST: Janice C. Bicandi,
City Clerk/Treasurer
5/26-6/2/04

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NUMBER SP-02-01722M
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
STATE OF IDAHO, COUNTY
OF OWYHEE
MAGISTRATE DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF:**

RUTH CATHERINE PERKINS,
DECEASED PERSON.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be both filed with the Court and presented to the Personal Representative of the estate at the law office of DeFORD LAW, P.C., 1314 12th Avenue South, Suite 4, Nampa, Idaho 83651.

DATED this 10th day of May, 2004.

MILDRED DOBBINS
Personal Representative
5/19,26-6/2/04

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Tuesday, the 7th day of September, 2004, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock A.M., of said day in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, Pioneer Title Company of Canyon County, on behalf of the Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, all payable at the time of the sale, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, State of Idaho, to-wit:

Lot 2 Block 1 of the ORIGINAL TOWNSITE PLAT OF MURPHY, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho

For the purposes of compliance with Idaho Code 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 12923 Delamar

Avenue, Murphy, Idaho 83650, may sometimes be associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of Trust executed by Scott Bahem and Linda Bahem, as Grantors, to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., an Idaho corporation, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Dani L. Aman, as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust having been recorded on July 12, 2001, as Instrument No. 236480, official records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The above Grantors are named to comply with Idaho Code Section 45-1506(4)(a). No representation is made that they are or are not presently responsible for this obligation.

The default for which this sale is to be made is failure of the Grantors to pay when due, monthly installments as set forth on the Note secured by said Deed of Trust. Monthly installments in the amount of \$138.88, which includes principal, interest and escrow impounds, is due for August 2003 through April 2004, and the 13th day of each and every month thereafter until paid. Interest continues to accrue at the rate of 7% per annum. All delinquent amounts are now due and payable along with all costs and fees associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$7,983.48, plus accruing interest, fees and costs.

Dated this 22nd day of April, 2004.

Valerie N. Charles
ELAM & BURKE, P.A.,
Successor Trustee
P.O. Box 1539
Boise, ID 83701
Telephone: (208) 343-5454
5/5,12,19,26/04

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
T.S. No. ARCH-04-01770-HE
Loan No. 72726250**

On 8/16/2004 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, as Successor Trustee on behalf of HomeEq Servicing Corporation f/k/a TMS Mortgage Inc. dba The Money Store 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 follows: Lot 13 and 14 in Block 16 of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the Plat thereof on file and of Record in the Office of the County Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 412 W California Ave, Homedale, ID 83628, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Donald L Liddell and Viola F. Liddell, husband and wife, as grantor(s), to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., a Delaware Corporation, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of TMS Mortgage Inc., dba The Money Store, as Beneficiary, dated 12/19/1995, recorded 12/26/1995, as Instrument No. 217646, records of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please Note: 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 set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 12/19/1995 the monthly payments for principal, interest and impounds (if applicable) of \$700.40, due per month for the months of 12/1/2003 through April 08, 2004 and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$64,610.93, plus accrued interest at the rate of 11.5% per annum from 11/1/2003. 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. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Dated: 4-8-04 By: **Fidelity National Title Insurance Company** By: A. Fragassi ASAP592577
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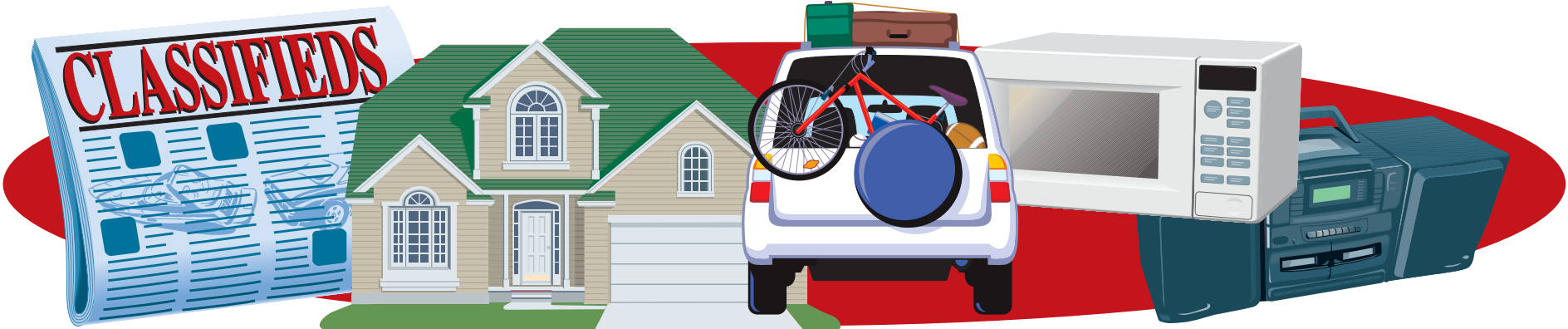
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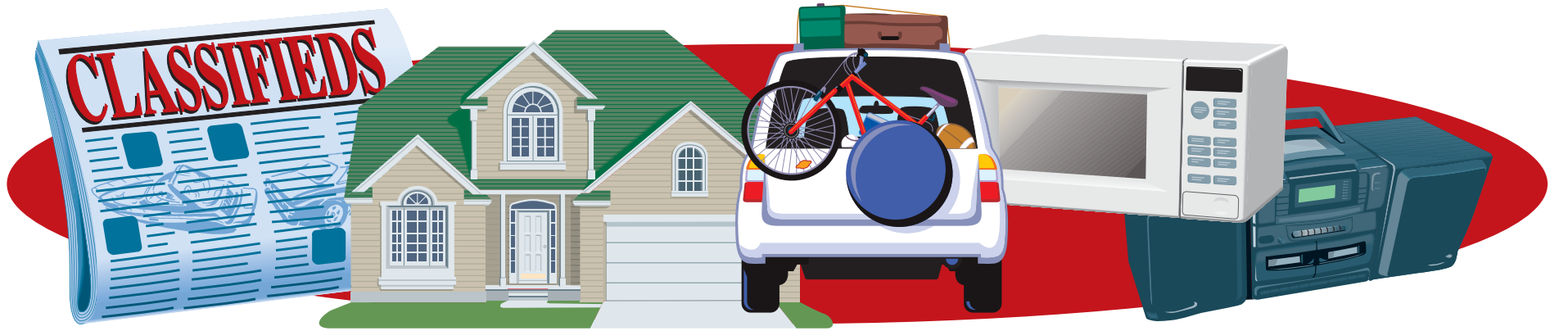
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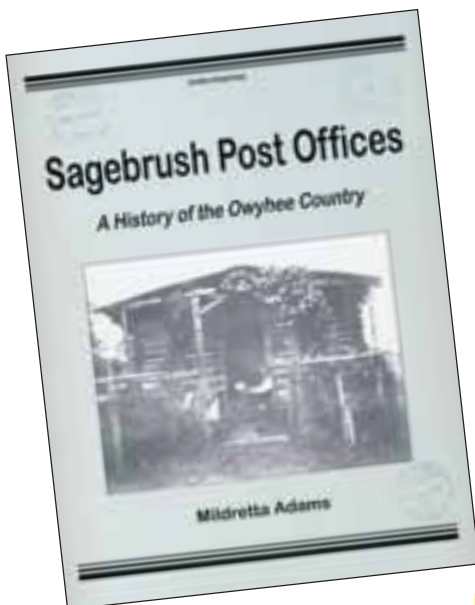
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