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## Deputy totals vehicle in collision with bull

Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Travis Woodbury had a close call Saturday night before last when he collided with a bull on Highway 51 south of Bruneau. Though Woodbury was not injured in the accident, the bull was seriously injured and had to be destroyed. Woodbury's duty vehicle was totaled.

Woodbury reported the accident at 9:33 p.m. Dec. 18 and stated that he had driven into a herd of cattle on the highway. Sheriff Gary Aman said Woodbury managed to miss four or five cows, but would probably have rolled his vehicle to avoid hitting the bull. He said the area is open range.

"It was a choice of rolling the vehicle or hitting it," Aman said. "He made the right choice."

The cows belonged to Dave Lattin of Mountain Home who Aman said has been having trouble with coyotes, dogs or cougars in the area. He said the cattle broke down the fence and gathered on the road.

Aman said Woodbury was obviously shaken up over the incident, but he did not receive any injuries. Idaho State Police responded to the accident and ruled it an accident.

## Teen joins angus association

Tyler S Wardle, Marsing, is a new junior member of the American Angus Association, reports John Crouch, executive vice president of the national organization with headquarters in St Joseph, Missouri.

Junior members of the Association are eligible to register cattle in the American Angus Association, participate in programs conducted by the National Junior Angus Association and take part in Association sponsored shows and other national and regional events.

## Homedale sergeant retires

Open house this Thursday



Homedale Police Sergeant William "Griz" Garrison will no longer be seen driving the streets of the local town after Thursday as he will be retiring from the city's department. An open house will be held in his honor on Thursday from 2 to 5 p.m. at city hall.

Garrison began in the department as a reserve officer in 1989. He was hired as a full time officer five years later. He previously worked for the school district with his wife Jackie and he was a hunter education instructor for several years.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said Garrison has spent his service dedicated to law enforcement and to helping children in the area. He is the former owner of Griz's Trading Post, which at one time also included a game room for kids in the area.

"Griz will be missed, but it is time for him to spend more time with his family," Eidemiller said. "He has been a long-time member to this community and he will continue to be a member of this community. I am sure we will continue to see Griz around town."

Garrison said he will miss working in the community, but now he looks forward to new experiences. He said he does not know what he will do after he retires, but he said what ever he decides to do, he is looking forward to it.

## Marsing man injured in Christmas morning fight

Teen injured while driving under the influence

An altercation and a traffic accident kept officers busy early Christmas morning and sent two Marsing men to local hospitals with injuries. Samuel Martinez was transported by ambulance with serious head injuries after a fight broke out at the Marsing Labor Camp and Martin Johnson was transported from injuries he received in a single vehicle accident.

At 3:48 a.m. officers were dispatched to Highway 19 outside of Homedale for a vehicle accident.

Martin Johnson, 19, was transported to a local hospital with a compound fracture to his wrist. He was injured in a single vehicle accident and alcohol was reportedly involved.

Reports from the sheriff's office state that Johnson was the only person in the vehicle at the time of the accident. It states that he was cited for driving under the influence, illegal consumption by a minor and no proof of insurance.

Officers responded to the Marsing Labor Camp on Highway 78 at 4:14 a.m. Dec. 25 when a resident of the camp reported a man "covered in blood". Reports from the sheriff's office show that the reporting party stated that the Martinez had severe head injuries. Now officers are seeking information about how Martinez was injured.

Reports show that two suspects were questioned at the scene and officers suspect that Martinez was beaten in a robbery attempt. The report states that bottles were used as the weapons to injure Martinez.

## Stray bullet narrowly misses Marsing man

A Marsing man said he was relaxing in his living room Monday night watching a football game when a stray bullet pierced his home and into a gun cabinet in his bedroom. LeRoy Ellis said the incident happened at about 9 p.m.

Ellis said the bullet, which county deputies say is from a 270 caliber rifle, entered his home, traveled through two walls and entered his gun cabinet shattering the glass. He said his dog was sleeping on the floor in the bedroom.

"I can't believe someone would be shooting at that time of night," Ellis said Wednesday. "I don't think I will ever know where it came from, but I want people to know that there are houses out there now and they need to be careful."

Ellis said originally he thought the bullet may have come from a shooting range near his home, but deputies said the range is too far from the Ellis home.

The case is still under investigation.



Marsing resident LeRoy Ellis holds a bullet that was recovered from his gun cabinet in his home last week.

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# Mayor says city's investigation winding down

Homedale Mayor Paul Fink said Monday that an investigation into allegations of misuse of city funds is winding down and he foresees charges being filed in the next couple of weeks. Fink said the city's finances are still much of a mystery to city fathers, but with the 2003-2004 audit nearly complete, the city's finances should be brought back in order.

"The investigation is continuing, but it is getting very close [to completion]," Fink said. "It has not been put on the back burner. This last year's audit should give us some more answers and I expect to see charges filed within the next couple of weeks."

Fink would not release whom

he expects will be charged, but said that several people have been interviewed by the Attorney General's office.

"We should know more of where we are when this last year's audit is complete," Fink explained. "I feel much better about things than I did at the beginning of last year. I am still very upset about how things were handled, but we are getting a grip on it."

Fink said large projects for the city have been put aside until the city knows exactly how much money it has to work with. He said he does not expect the city will undergo any extensive projects in the coming year, but a sewer project is planned.

The mayor said that although several fees and increases have been implemented over the last year, he does not foresee any additional increases. He said the increases that have been made actually should have been made several years ago, even during his past administration.

"We are just going to move on," Fink said. "The raises were needed probably even back when I was in office before. Small increases should have been done at least within the last four years. We have been trying to get along with what we have."

Fink said he hopes to see the final results on the audit within the next couple of weeks.



### Mountain of kindness

Nearly every item on a donation list for Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation was answered during the annual Owyhee Avalanche gift drive held this month. Pictured are Administrator James Roberts and Lora Anderson, activities director.



### Helping those in need

George McCreary owner of Owyhee Lanes Restaurant stands with donated food that was donated to help 15 local families during the holiday season. McCreary and Dianne Staudenmeir coordinated the donations, which included a turkey with all of the fixings and a fresh baked pumpkin pie.



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# Marsing Chamber elects officers, honors businesses

The Marsing Chamber of Commerce held its annual business meeting and election of officers last week during a quarterly meeting in the fellowship hall at the Marsing Church of the Nazarene.

Current chamber president Bill O’Conner was re-elected to a second two-year term and Rob Troxel was elected to serve a two year term as the chamber’s treasurer. Pat Bowman from Marsing Hardware will serve the second year of a two-year term as vice president and Darlene Alexsich from the Marsing Resource Coalition will serve the second year of a two year term as secretary.

The chamber began a new program this month and presented community beautification awards and recognized outstanding community leadership honors. To kick off the recognitions, the chamber

presented beautification awards to three local businesses that have made recent efforts to improve the appearance of their business



John Salove, owner of the Sandbar restaurant, is given a beautification award by Marsing Chamber Pres. Bill O’Conner.

and enhance the appearance of the overall community.

The beautification awards were given to John Salove of the



Micha Wilson is presented the business improvement award by chamber president Bill O’Conner.

Sandbar Riverhouse Restaurant for the overall appearance of the facility and the grounds. Chris Salove of Marsing Hardware



Chris Salove, of Marsing Hardware and Pump is presented with a business beautification award from president O’Conner.

and Pump was also honored for the exterior redecoration of the store and Micha Wilson of the Old West Dollar Store was honored for improvements made to a former vacant building on Main Street. Additional awards will be given during future December meetings.

This year’s leadership award was given to the Marsing Disaster Auction for more than sixty years of community betterment through their annual fund raising event. An award was also given in memory of Debbie Kline who recently passed away from cancer. Kline dedicated many years of her life to the Marsing Ambulance and other community commitments.

An outstanding leadership award will be presented each December. Recipients are chosen by nomination from the community.



## Christmas surprise

Santa made a special visit to Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation with a sleigh full of presents Friday morning. Every client in the facility was given at least three gifts, which were donated in the annual Owyhee Avalanche Christmas gift drive. Pictured is Santa with resident Vanda Levanger.

# Local residents graduate from BSU

Boise State University granted degrees or certificates to 1,468 students during its 74th commencement ceremonies on Dec. 17, 2004, with President Bob Kustra officiating.

“This is an exciting time for our university and I believe an exciting time to be a Boise State graduate,” said Provost Sona Andrews. “Your degree and what you have learned here will continue to increase in value. We are confident that each and every one of you will go on to make incredible contributions that not only reflect on your abilities, but also speak highly of the education you received at Boise State.”

The following are candidates for graduation in the colleges of Applied Technology, Arts and Sciences, Business and Economics, Education, Engineering, Health Sciences, Social Sciences and Public Affairs, and Graduate, College of Applied Technology, Associate of Applied Science, Automotive Technology Marsing, Miguel A. Loera, Bachelor of Applied Science, Applied Technology, Homedale, Kenneth Lee Felty, Postsecondary Technical Certificate, Office Occupations Marsing, Theresa D. Barnett, Technical Certificate, Drafting Technology Homedale, Patricia Jean Garcia, Technical Certificate, Horticulture Technology Marsing, Camille Lynn Eells, College of Arts and Science Bachelor of Arts, Visual

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# Extension office to hold events in coming months

The University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension office will hold educational opportunities in the coming months with several classes planned in January and February.

The University of Idaho Small Farms Conference will be held at the Caldwell Extension office on Jan. 7 and 8. Extension Educator Scott Jensen said although he knows most county farms do not fit in the small farms category, the conference will contain in-depth sessions on crickets and black flies. He said those wanting to attend can contact the county office for information.

The Intermountain Cow Symposium will be held in Twin Falls on Jan. 12 and 13 and the county office has additional details on the event.

Winter beef schools will be held in surrounding locations the latter part of January. The first meeting will be held on Jan. 17 in Bruneau at the Legion Hall from noon until 4 p.m. Another meeting will be held in Jordan Valley on Jan. 19 at the Lion's Den from noon until 4 p.m. and the Caldwell meeting will be held on Jan. 20 at the Caldwell R and E center.

The R and E center is located at 16952 S. 10 Ave. in Caldwell and the class will be held from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Lunch will be provided and the agenda includes an update from the Idaho Beef Council, animal health issues, animal identification, Northwest Pilot Project and trace mineral effect on reproduction by Dr. Jason Ahola, new UI Extension Beef Specialist.

The annual Owyhee Cattlemen's Association winter meeting will be held in Oreana on Jan. 29 and the 34<sup>th</sup> annual PNW Range Management Short Course will be held on Feb. 23-25 in Boise.

For more information on the events contact the extension office at 896-4104.



**Christmas cheer**  
*Esther Keller a resident of Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation laughs with joy at Christmas singing puppies during a holiday party on Friday.*

**Jolly hug**  
*Santa hugs Charlotte Davenport a resident of Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation during a Christmas party on Friday.*



**Ho, ho, ho**  
*Residents at Owyhee Health and Rehab had a very merry Christmas last week as Santa brought donated presents to each resident. Santa handed out the gifts during a Christmas party on Friday. Pictured is Vanda Levanger.*



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Classes will be held at the Canyon County Extension Office on

Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 9:00 or 9:30 depending on the class. Classes will begin on Jan. 12. One exception is a Saturday field trip to the Parma Research Center, date to be announced, for a presentation on tree fruits, small fruits and pruning tips. The cost of the class is \$55.00 and includes all materials.

The Master Gardener program was implemented to provide training to enhance the background of the individual gardener and make it easier to enjoy and experience the rewards of positive efforts. The training also provides the Extension Office with a group of volunteers with the background to research information to be used to answer personal and public

gardening questions. In return for the training, each individual volunteers an amount of time equal to the training time received, in this case about 30 hours. The volunteer time will be discussed the first night.

The Master Gardener Application and Master Gardener Opportunity Contract available at the Owyhee County and Canyon County Extension Offices. This class is on a first come first serve basis. Space is limited however 5 seats have been reserved for Owyhee County participants. Please contact the Owyhee County Extension Office at 896-4104 or the Canyon County Extension Office at 459-6003 for registration materials.

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# Trojans dominate mats

## Homedale sweeps Bishop Kelly and Marsing

The Homedale Trojans hosted Bishop Kelly and Marsing last week on the mats and came away with a sweep in non-conference wrestling.

Homedale topped Boise's 4A Bishop Kelly 36-31 and Marsing 35-0. Bishop Kelly beat Marsing 25-18.

"That one was a fantastic dual," Homedale coach Toby Johnson said of his team's battle with Bishop Kelly. "Those that came got to see a very exciting matchup between two strong teams."

The win came down to the final match of the night at 140 pounds,

as Homedale was ahead by just two points.

The Trojans' Tyler Christoffersen pulled off an 8-5 decision over the Knights' Austin Gorringer, also a state placer. According to Johnson, the match was tied going into the third round, but Christoffersen turned up the heat and scored a reversal. Gorringer answered with an escape, but Christoffersen sealed the deal for Homedale with another takedown.

Younger brother Jason Christoffersen also made a big difference for the Trojans stepping into the varsity position at 130 pounds and came away with a huge pin for the team when it was needed.

"We're very happy," Johnson said of the win. "We knew BK was going to come in and wrestle

tough. Coach (Mike) Caldwell does a fantastic job with his guys and we knew the forfeits at 103 and 112 would hurt, so we had to choose our matchups very carefully from weight class to weight class."

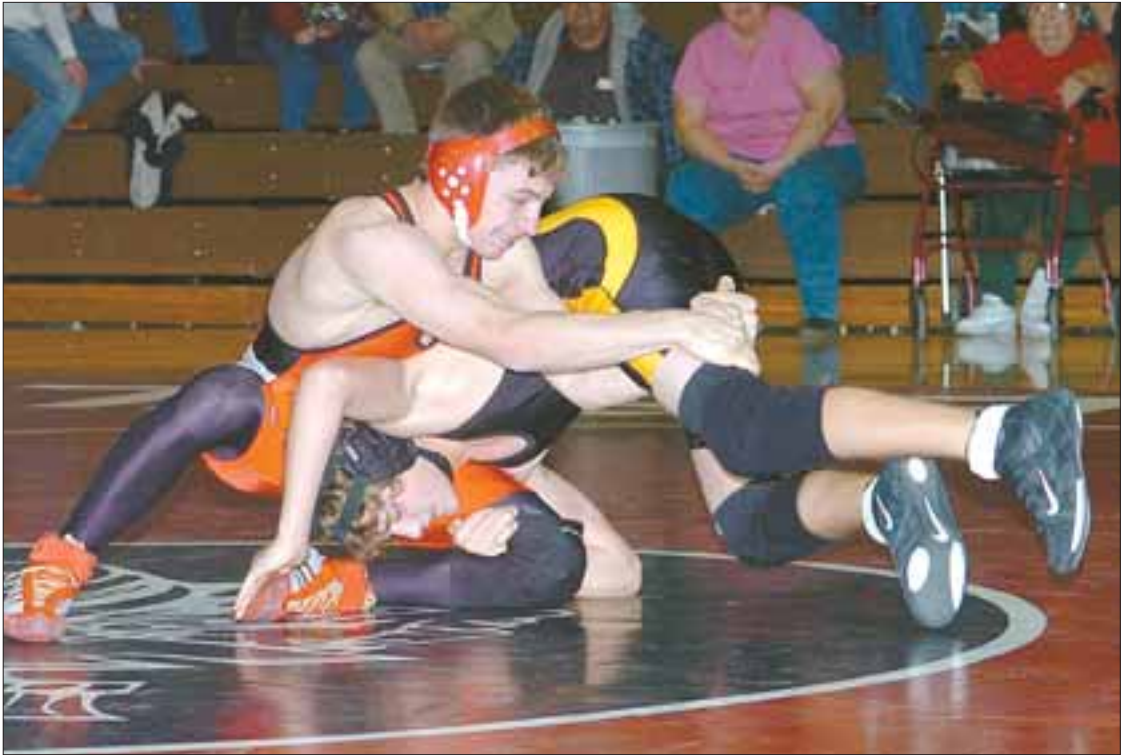
Also winning for Homedale in the Bishop Kelly dual were Jeremy Ensley (119), Stuart Miyasako (125), Jason Christoffersen (130), Bryan Martinat (145), Marcus Eby (152), Ricco Gonzalez (171) and Pedro Hernandez (275).

The Marsing Huskies got wins against Bishop Kelly from Steven Tuckness (160), who pinned Johnathon Southern in 32 seconds, R.J. Crosland (171), who pinned Cody Enrico in 1:22 and James Heffner (171), who pinned Nick Schramon in 1:40.



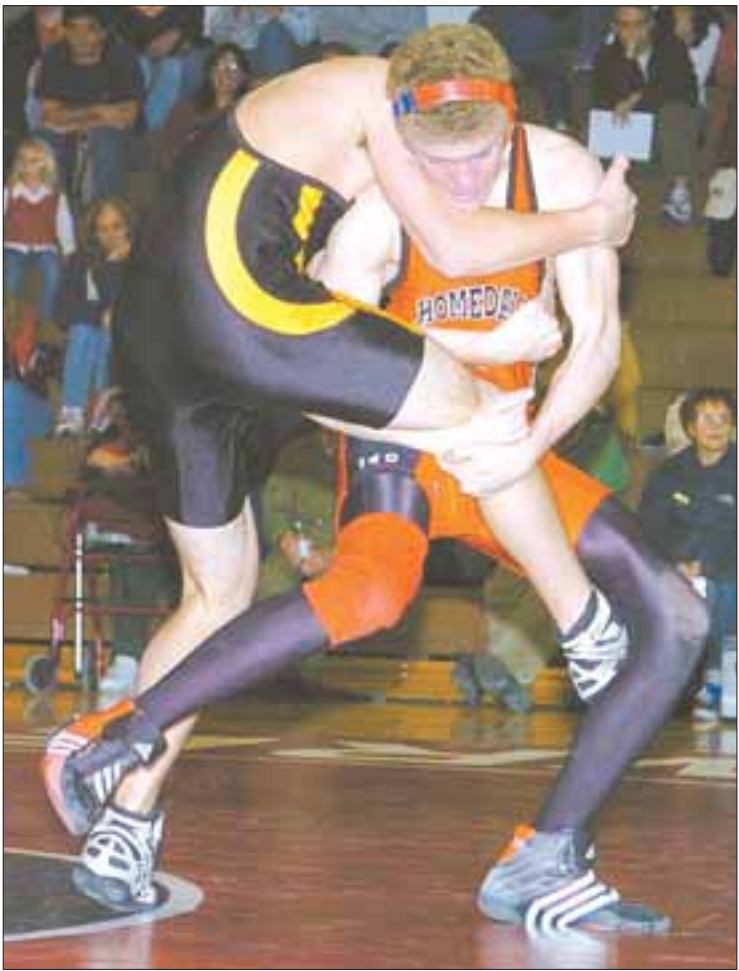
### Drive

Hailee Garrett drives around a Vale defender during varsity basketball action last week. The varsity girls lost to Vale, 36-55. Further results were not made available. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



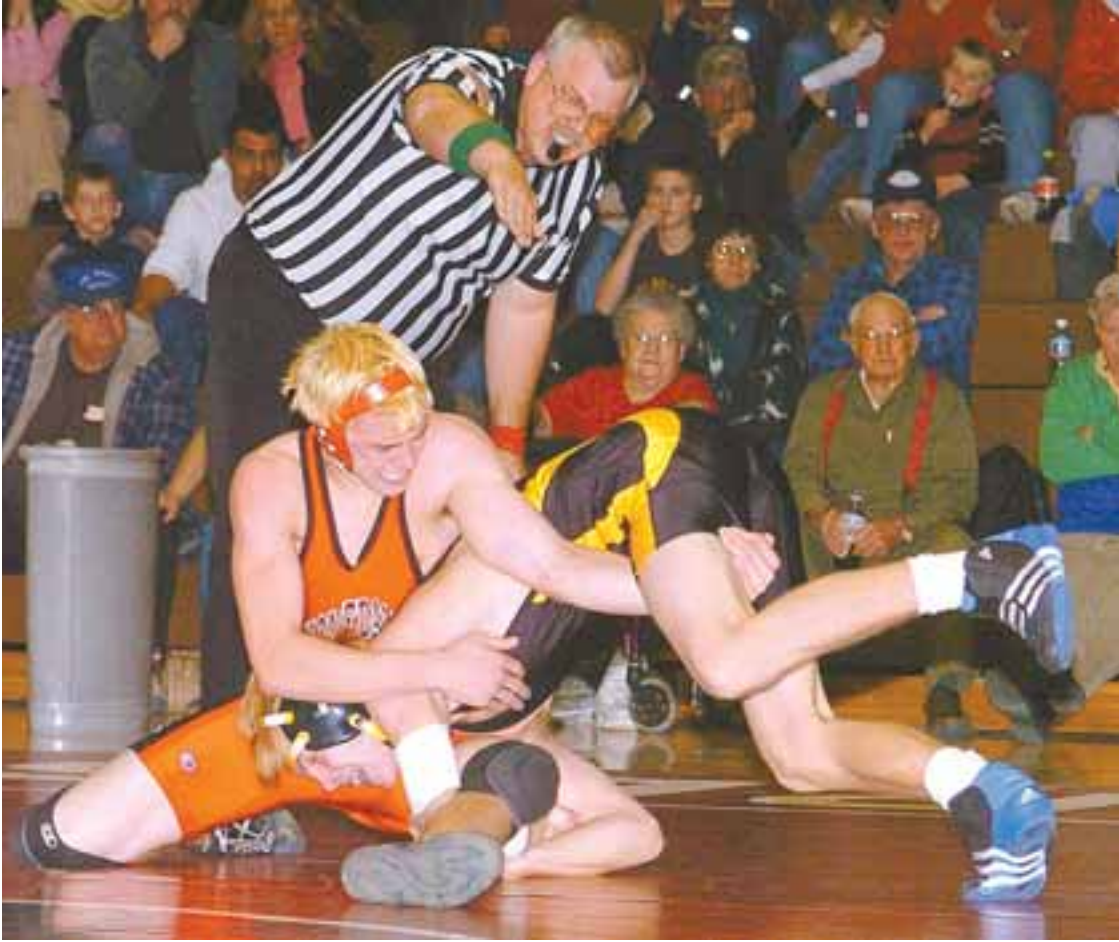
### Pinned

Jeremy Ensley quickly pinned his Bishop Kelly wrestler in the first round of the 119 pound weight class. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



### Decision

Bryan Martinat wrestled to a 10-6 decision win. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



### Tough match

Homedale's Tyler Christoffersen had a tough match with his Bishop Kelly opponent, but ended up winning with an 8-5 decision. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



# BLM, initiative, elections

Bureau of Land Management plans move to Marsing, Initiative signed after years of debates and former county jailer and city police officer attempt to oust county sheriff, were only a fraction of the headlines for last year, but seemed to be the county's hottest topics. 2004 was filled with its share of news worthy items, from soft and cushy to highly controversial.

As the City of Marsing and Homedale were swearing in new mayors and councilpersons,



County Sheriff Gary Aman swears in Homedale's new council in January.



Paula Enrico, Ed Pfeifer and Don Osterhoudt are sworn in as Marsing's new city fathers.

candidates for president, sheriff and a new county prosecuting attorney were planning election strategies.

Councilman Don Osterhoudt took over the helm in Marsing and four new council members were sworn in. Ed Pfeifer and Paula Enrico were elected to the position and Rob Howarth and Tony Purtell were appointed to replace Osterhoudt and Jennifer Finlay who resigned.



Homedale Mayor Paul Fink removes a Keep Out sign at the city's airport in February.

Fink and new councilpersons Cindy Sims and Steve Schultz were sworn in on Jan. 14 and immediately began to find problems with the way the city's money had been being spent. Over the course of the year, the city's auditor quit and an investigation into the previous administrations spending began. By yearend, the mayor confirmed that the Attorney General's Office had taken over the investigation and arrests were expected.

Bureau of Land Management announced in January that it planned to relocate its Owyhee Field Office to the Marsing area. But even that was not without some form of controversy.

Minutes obtained from

the department's Resource Advisory Council stated that an investigation into allegations that



Irrigation canals are cleaned out in March in preparation for the 2004 season.

BLM staff members were personally threatened if they moved to the Marsing area were found to be unfounded. An article published in a Boise paper stated that employees had reported the move to living in "Siberia." State Director K Lynn Bennett said he was committed to implementing refinements, to the "greatest degree possible, within existing budget and staffing levels and with the least disruption to staff and provision of services."

In February annual fundraising celebrations in Marsing and Homedale drew in record amounts of money to help local families and schools. The Disaster auction raised an astounding \$67,000 and the International Smorgasbord committee reported nearly \$10,000 had been raised.

The county commissioners appointed a snowmobile advisory committee in February consisting of Kevin Lawson, Scott Bennett, Joe Usabel, Ben Badiola and Dennis Pruett. With the formation



Chad Gibson presents the Owyhee Initiative proposal in April.

of the committee, the county will now be able to draw funds from the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation for the registration of snowmobiles in Owyhee County.

Republicans gathered for the annual Lincoln's Day luncheon in Marsing in February. Sheriff's incumbent Gary Aman announced his intentions to seek another term in the local office, as did Commissioners Hal Tolmie and Dick Reynolds.

Elections heated up during the course of the year as Aman faced off against former jailer Robert Muse and Homedale Police Officer Jamie Austin. Austin was ousted from the race in the May primaries, and Muse, an independent, was defeated in November's election.



Construction crews tear down the old water reservoir in Homedale in March.



Mormon crickets infest the Owyhees in late April.

A new prosecutor will replace current attorney Ed Yarbrough in January 2005 as Matthew Faulks won an unopposed race. Tolmie again beat Bill Watterson for the commissioner's seat and Reynolds will return as he also ran an unopposed race. Representative Francis Field was also re-elected over Grand View's Howard Meiers in the November election. Record numbers of voters went to the polls for the election.



A new water reservoir is nearly complete in Homedale in May.

Irrigation season began in April and managers were optimistic about a normal irrigation year. South Board of Control Manager Rex Barrie said



A young fisherman shows his prize catch at the fishing derby in May.

snow the past winter helped improve the soil moisture, but warmer than normal spring temperatures had caused the districts to release water a week early.

By October, a nearly normal irrigation season had passed, but water levels in Owyhee Reservoir had dropped to well below normal.

The Owyhee Initiative made headlines in April as United States Senator Mike Crapo was handed a draft proposal of the plan on the steps of the State House in Boise. Initiative Chairman Fred Grant said the event was a proud day for Owyhee County and the beginning of a collaborative future. If adopted, the initiative would resolve long-standing disputes



A locked gate on Johnstone Road was the scene of several altercations in the past year.

over land use in the county, while preserving ranching operations, tribal cultural values and recreational uses.

In October the initiative was signed and delivered to Crapo. Owyhee County Commissioners, jointly with Shoshone Paiute Tribal Chairman Terry Gibson signed the agreement and gave it their blessing. Now the proposal has been being lobbied in Washington, D.C. before it is introduced to congress next year.



The Colors are presented during Grand View days in July.

Ranchers and landowners were invaded in late April and nearly throughout the summer. Mormon crickets hatched strong with warm late spring temperatures and the annual battle began. County commissioners declared



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the crickets to be "agricultural pests which would allow the county to order private, federal and state landowners and managers to take "immediate action to control the crickets."



Local attorney Dan Grober shows a map during a hearing on Johnstone Road in July.

Homedale School Board, in a surprising turn of events, approved a Vo-Ag program for the district during its May board meeting. Agriculture backers had approached the board for several years requesting a program be initiated in the district's high school, but the pleas had fallen on deaf ears for some time.

Lori Harrison, a Three Creek teacher, was hired to teach the class and students were enrolled at the beginning of the school year.

In May, the county's planning and zoning commission resigned forcing the county to take its land issues through a hearing officer. P and Z commissioners resigned after being told that they would no longer be paid compensation.

In June, the war in Iraq again hit close to home with the resignation of a city councilman who was called to duty. Councilman Charles Garrison resigned from the Homedale council after being deployed to Iraq. Many families in the community have family members fighting over seas, which was still ongoing by the end of the year. Former councilman Dave Downum, who lost his position in the 2003 election, was appointed to Garrisons position.

Residents in the Bruneau/Grand View School



Marge Walradt, Al Walradt, Barbara Jayo and Julie Hyslop were among the original museum board break ground for a new addition to the county museum in September.



Sheriff's deputies assist in a large marijuana bust in Boise County in September.

district asked for the resignation of the district's administrator and principal. The district's superintendent Dallas Taylor and Grand View Elementary School Principal Kathy Delle were petitioned to



Celebrators enjoy an authentic roasted pig during Aloha from the Owyhees in October.

be removed, but board members did not heed petitioners' warnings and refused to remove either administrator. Later in the year, a recall election was held to remove board member Darrel Agenbroad, but a deadlock tie kept the trustee in office.

Tempers flared in late June over a locked gate on Johnstone Road in the county. Citations were later issued to those involved when a fight broke



U.S. Senator Mike Crapo, Shoshone Paiute Tribal Chairman Terry Gibson and county commissioners sign the Owyhee Initiative in October.

out over access through a gate that had been placed at the end of Johnstone Road near the county's tipping station. Julian Landa was locked behind the gate, which was installed by a local farmer, Tom Wilke. In October, Helen Kettle was thrown from her horse and injured as she and a friend were riding on the road near the gate. Kettle reported, "a man on a motorcycle drove toward them and accelerated his speed as he approached. Wilke's son Matt was named as a person of interest in the incident.

A hearing was scheduled to determine if the road was public or private, in October a hearing examiner determined the road to be public, and the gate was locked open, pending an appeal by Wilke.

In late August, spending in the City of Homedale came to a halt, except for necessities. Fink told the council that until the city knew what kind of "shape" the budget was in unnecessary spending

would have to stop. The city did pass a \$1.15 million budget, which is considerably lower than last year's budget of \$2.042 million.

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held on a new firehouse in Grand View in 2004 and an expansion to the Owyhee County Historical Museum. Dignitaries gathered in Murphy to celebrate the first stage of the expansion after a campaign to raise nearly \$600,000 had reached the half way mark.

The Marsing/Homedale Cemetery district held its first election in 18 years in 2004 as incumbents Don Osterhoudt and Bruce Seibert were challenged for their positions on the board. After the smoke cleared, Osterhoudt retained his seat, but Val Dines defeated Seibert.

West Nile finally found its way into the county



Plans have begun for a construction project on the Glory Hole at Owyhee Reservoir in November.

in late October after a horse tested positive for the disease. West Nile had been reported in horses, birds or in humans in Ada, Bingham, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Gooding, Payette, Twin Falls and Washington counties.



The boy scouts at Marsing Elementary School present the flag for Veterans Day in November.

The audit was finally finished for the City of Homedale in October and the city's former clerk's spending habits were detailed. The report implicated Pam Dugger in questionable credit card and check spending reports. As of this printing, no arrests or citations had been made or issued.

In November, the county had announced that it was appointing a new planning and zoning commission to replace the ones who resigned earlier in the year. Jerry Hoagland from Murphy, Gene Jayo from Marsing, John Uriquidi from Bruneau, Dan Landa from Homedale and Connie Brandau from Wilson are scheduled to begin work in January.



Santa greets Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller and a young man during Shop with a Cop in December.



# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

## On the edge of common sense



### Recap 2004

What a year! Tumultuous, a kaleidoscope of mind-numbing images, an orchestra of cacophonous screeching conducted by the Mad Hatters of the media. The world flying by in front of our eyes on fast forward. “I’m late! I’m late! For a very important sound bite!”

Headline stories the half-life of a lawyer’s conscience. Wringing a rumor till its bones rattle, then sifting through the fractured pieces in hopes of finding a fact. The maniacal media made as much news as they covered! And yet, when one stepped back out of the hurricane of their bellicose broadcast, there were instances that gave one hope, that the world was not all going to Hezbollah in a hand basket.

Our soldiers on the frontline in the war on terror reminded us that the same courage that established us as a nation in 1776, kept the union together in 1865 and saved the world in 1945, still exists and offers help to the oppressed all over the world.

Americans continue to climb out of the pit of fear and desperation brought on by the twin towers invasion. It is no coincidence that we have avoided another catastrophic attack. We built a homeland security system that is effective. The economy that was brought to its knees by the radical Islamists is making a steady recovery...no small miracle when so many predicted malaise. That we have reversed the effect of a tragedy so frightening, speaks to our character.

In spite of high oil prices, our gasoline price remains lower than most industrial nations.

Despite the high price of beef, the percent of our income spent on food remains the world’s lowest, regardless of concerns over BSE, Salmonella, E. Coli, genetically modified foods and cloning. We have the safest, most abundant food supply on earth.

We live in a country that, if you believe the polls, the whole world hates. If so, then why do they risk their lives everyday, by the hundreds of thousands to come here and live and become citizens? One word...freedom.

And that is what infuriates the twisted misogynous, hate-driven pied pipers posing as religious figures who threaten, condemn and boast about killing 3,000 Christians and Jews in the inferno of 9/11.

Freedom. It is the kryptonite that defeats the despots. And that has been America’s gift to the world.

## Letter

### District’s actions questionable

I am concerned for the name, integrity, and reputation of a man, of our school district, and community. The school board has determined that the 2-A, “Athletic Director of the Year” for years 2002-2003 and 2003-2004 is no longer the person for the job. I don’t know the facts, but something doesn’t fit.

The board is unable to discuss the specifics of their action. The athletic director has requested a public forum to address the issue. An open forum gives the patrons a view of the board’s position and the basis for it. It also allows the employee an opportunity to protect his name, integrity and reputation. There is a perception of conflict between the interests of the community and the interests of a few. The board’s decision is either right or wrong. The forum allows the public an opportunity to repair any error in perception or consider their alternatives for leadership. The school district and community wins either way.

John I. Lejardi  
Homedale

Joe Aman

## Editor’s notebook

### Looking towards ‘05



Elsewhere in this issue we’ve compiled the highlights of the year 2004. My, how the year flew by. It seems most of the events were only yesterday.

Did we accomplish all that we wanted in 2004?

Early in my adult life a friend of mine loaned me a set of tapes by Earl Nightingale, which outlined the steps to success. You know ... deciding what you want out of life, desire, setting goals, planning, determination, persistence, and so forth. Nightingale summarized the book “Think and Grow Rich”, by Napoleon Hill and W. Clement Stone. This little book tells the secrets of the 13 principles leading to success, practiced by great men throughout history, including leaders of industry and government.

I studied the instructions outlined in this paperback book religiously as I listened to the tapes.. I tested its theories. What I learned is that the mind is a powerful organism, one that controls – and in some ways more importantly limits – one’s destiny.

I regret that I failed to fully put these steps into practice over the years, but every so often the principles outlined in the book come to mind. Certainly one of those times is at the close of any given year.

The beauty of these principles is that they work not only for individuals but also for groups.

So, why do I bring all this up? Some cities and counties seem to accomplish more than others. Economical success appears to sprout and blossom in some communities, while others struggle to survive. Some school districts

seem to turn out smarter students than their neighboring districts. Some towns are clean and neat, while others appear dirty and unkempt.

The differences are many. Fate, such as a sawmill closing, can be devastating to a logging-based town. The general economy can also have local effects. All that aside, there are other, more subtle, underlying factors.

As Stone stresses in his book, without a *burning desire*, there is no success. But accompanying that desire, there must be plans to reach those goals. Obviously, there are other steps to accomplishment, but that’s the basic start.

Does the county have a burning desire to reach its necessary goals? Do the Homedale city leaders have a burning desire to get the recent financial disaster cleared up and justice served? Are the schools committed to academic success (even above sports success)? Are we as business leaders committed to the best possible service and products we can offer? Do all our local governments have a burning desire to provide the best possible return on our tax dollars? Do we have a plan to make it all happen?

I bring this up at this time of the year because occasionally we all need reminded of these basic principles. Each of us has our own goals; each community has its own. Let’s begin this brand-new year of 2005 by setting out to accomplish the seemingly impossible... impossible only without a burning desire and plan for accomplishment.

Have a happy and prosperous new year!

Wayne Cornell

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



For much of my childhood, my left thumb was my best friends.

There were some very practical reasons why I sucked my thumb. It was clean, non-polluting, recyclable and didn’t cost a penny to operate. You can run out of chewing gum, but you can’t run out of thumb. It was always available (unless I had been playing in the mud or with a dead cat).

The thumb was compact, had few moving parts and couldn’t be misplaced. I considered it the ultimate in cheap, dependable entertainment.

My parents did not share my feelings. They constantly tried to make me change my ways. Mother encased my thumb in a wire cage that resembled a coil spring. The device was anchored in place with a ribbon tied around my wrist.

The cage worked until I learned how to untie knots.

Next they tried to make the thumb unpalatable by painting it with a special liquid that came in a tiny bottle. A little of the prescription went a long way. A couple of drops made my mouth feel like it was on fire.

I countered the hot stuff by switching to my right thumb. It wasn’t the same. My left thumb had been molded into the ideal shape through years of careful work. Sucking my right thumb was like wearing another person’s shoes. It didn’t feel right.

Finally, in desperation, I bit the bullet and sucked my left thumb despite the hot stuff. Eventually, I learned to treat it like the hot sauce on Mexican food. It added a little spice to my diet. I was almost disappointed when the bottle of hot stuff was used up. Without the seasoning my thumb tasted rather bland.

Eventually, my parents gave up on curing me of my

habit. But as I grew older, I gradually withdrew on my own. About the time I stuck my thumb in my mouth, some jerk would hit a fly ball to center field and I would have to put my glove back on to try to catch it.

Peer pressure was the least of my problems. My classmates apparently decided that anyone who would eat white paste out of the jar with a spoon, would naturally suck his thumb.

My buddy, Willard, finally cured me of sucking my thumb.

It was the last day of school in the fifth grade. We were riding our bikes to school. As we rounded a corner, Willard cut in front of me. The rear wheel of his bike hit the front wheel of my bike. I lost control, sailed over the handlebars and landed teeth-first on the asphalt pavement.

The crash broke my upper front tooth, leaving a jagged stump. When I attempted to suck my thumb, the broken tooth cut it to ribbons. By the time the tooth was repaired, I had lost the desire to suck my thumb.

For years I operated under the assumption that I probably held the world thumb-sucking record. While recounting my experience to some friends years later, I discovered my habit wasn’t unique. One fellow admitted he sucked his thumb until cured by the hot sauce treatment. A woman said she beat the wire cage and the hot sauce, but finally cured herself through prayer.

I wish I had thought of prayer. It would have been much less painful than the teeth-on-the-pavement method.



# Looking back...

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

### 25 years ago

December 27, 1979

**Year in review 1979**

**January**  
Morfitt Stores, a fixture in Homedale for forty years, closed its doors. The Morfitt Building was later occupied by Mayflower Furniture.

**February**  
Marsing School District patrons defeated a bond proposal to build a new mid school and school dressing room. If two less people had voted against the measure, it would have passed.

**March**  
A report on the condition of Marsing school facilities indicated some of the buildings had an “educational life” of about five years.

The Bureau of Land Management announced that owners of buildings in Silver City would be given the opportunity to purchase the lots on which the structures were located. The decision brought an end to a continuing dispute concerning ownership of the land.

The Homedale City Council voted to seek a well option on property located at Tom Morris Equipment, across the Snake River from the city.

**April**  
Owyhee County Sheriff Tim Nettleton said the outlook for funding for his office looked grim under the one percent law. Nettleton predicted he would have to make reductions in services in order to operate.

**May**  
Marsing residents formed a ‘Save Our Schools,” (SOS) Committee in an attempt to pass a bond for a new mid school.

Marsing voters approved a five year, five mill plants facilities levy for the schools.

Tom Arima was re-elected to the Homedale School Board. At Marsing, Leslie Jayo won the seat vacated by Cy Lootens and Letti Percifield was re-elected. At Rim-rock Karl Steiner was re-elected.

At Homedale, tempers grew short as school district trustees and teachers discussed salaries for the following year. A settlement was finally reached, only days before the end of the term. At Marsing, teachers and school officials failed to reach agreement and an impasse was declared. Later in the summer, a federal negotiator settled the dispute.

**June**  
Attempt by Owyhee County Historical Society CETA workers to control their own salaries by taking the matter out of the control of the county, upset the commissioners. After much discussion the commission held on to the CETA purse strings. Later in the year the Historical Society voted not to renew the CETA program.

**July**  
Members of the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association met at Silver City for their annual meeting. In an attempt to reduce the crowd, the convention was held in the middle of the week. The action has desired effect and those attending declared the event a success. Frank David of Bruneau was elected president of the association.

**August**  
The Bureau of Land Management announced that more than one million acres in Owyhee County would be considered for wilderness study. Ranchers began organizing to fight the proposal.

**September**  
Boise-Cascade Corporation, giving neither the city or its employees any real notice, closed down its Homedale Building Center.

A bid was accepted for the construction of the new Homedale Library building.

**October**  
Owyhee Cattlemen began to organize to fight BLM proposals which would cut some grazing rights by more than 50percent.

Barry Wood, Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney, resigned the part time post because of business conflicts.

**November**  
George Murray was re-elected Mayor of Homedale, defeating write in candidate Frank Mercer.

The Homedale football team completed ifs first unde-feated regular season in recent years.

**December**  
BLM announced another 200,000 acres in southern Owyhee County had been marked for intensive study as potential wilderness. The new area brought to more than 600,000 acres in the amount of land in western Owyhee County under wilderness consideration.

Lucille Bredy of Homedale was named a finalist in the Pillsbury National Baking Contest for the second year in a row.

### 50 years ago

December 30, 1954

**Smylie to speak at C of C meet**  
Governor-elect Robert E. Smylie will be featured speaker at the annual Homedale Chamber of Commerce banquet on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, according to word received this week by James C. Hayes, who is in charge of the program.

Although Gov. Smylie is holding his peaking engagements to a minimum during the legislative session, he has consented to appear in Homedale for that evening.

**Bruneau river folk to hold hearings on phone service**  
The board of directors of the Bruneau River Soil Conservation District has scheduled a meeting on January 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> to present their proposal for obtaining complete telephone service in the district.

Gene Davis, chairman of the board, stated that the Soil Conservation District Board has been working on the project for some time with the thought that telephones would be valuable in many ways to residents of the area, as well as help a great deal in carrying out the work of the Soil Conservation District.

**Boards of Control seek moisture thru rainmakers**  
Plans for seeding cloud in Western Idaho and Eastern Oregon were discussed at Nyssa yesterday afternoon as the nationwide dry spell continued to make itself felt in this area.

The Joint Boards of Control of the Owyhee Irrigation Project met at the North Board office to discuss whether to hire a cloud seeding company to come into the two-state area to aid in producing more rain and snow fall.

The Owyhee Reservoir is the lowest its been since the project started in 1939. W.H. Robinson, manager of the South Board of Control, said. He added that since the area is at present in a very dry cycle, “some additional water would be very acceptable.”

Members of the boards hope to enlist the aid of stockmen on the watersheds of the Owyhee in defraying the expenses of the cloud seeding. With the financial help of the stockmen it is hoped that a company can be hired for a five month period.

**Marsing**  
At the A. D. Clapier home for Christmas dinner were the D. D. and Gene Clapier families.

Mr. and Mrs. Captain L. P. Weakley and two sons arrived last week in Boise from Japan where he has just completed a three year tour of duty with the Air Force. They arrived at Seattle on the S. S. Patrick and from there to Boise by plane. Mrs. Weakley is the daughter of the O. L. Peers. They plan to visit here and in Boise a month before he reports for his new assignment.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Brown and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Weakley and family, and Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Peer were Christmas guests in the L. E. Hawkins home in Boise.

Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Nakano and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hikado and family, visiting here from Rexburg, were holiday guests in the Michu Takasugi home in Wilder.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Stephens and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Dobbin and family, and Mrs. Ronald Dobbin and family, and Mrs. Ulyse Lambley and daughter were visited by Santa Christmas Eve in the Kenneth Belknap home.

Mr. Ronald Dobbin and Don Stephen returned Thursday night from Nebraska where they were called by the death of a nephew. Mrs. Ulyse Lambley and daughter came with them and will visit relative here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Belknap and family were Christmas dinner guests of the Dr. H. P. Belknaps in Nampa.

Sunday guests in the don Stephens home were the Ronald Dobbins, Kenneth Belknaps and Mrs. Lucille Lambley and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Basey of Boise, Mr. and Mrs. Sweedlund of Bowmont and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Young were dinner guests in the Ronald Dobbin home.

Mrs. George Ellis has been ill the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ellis and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Curt and family were holiday guest of the Harold Curts.

In the Lewis Tucker home at Melba for Christmas dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Tucker and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis and family, Miss Shirley and Dale Miller and Mrs. Roberta Fantz and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Swan of Burns are visiting here during the holidays.

Mrs. Roberta Fantz and two children of Newport, Oregon are visiting the Virgil Tuckers and Lewis Ellis families.

### 138 years ago

December 29, 1866

**OWYHEE WEATHER.** The weather during the entire month of December has been most remarkable for mildness, calmness and a scarcity of snow – compared to the two preceding winters in Idaho. The older inhabitants of this camp say that Cayuses lived along the Jordan on the sites of Ruby and Silver all the winter of ’63, the winter previous (in Boise Idaho) was about equally said, but for several months there in ’64-5, the cold was intense and the snow six feet on the level, while it was quite as deep here and the storms were extremely severe as all accounts agrees; last winter was no sardine for severe storms, others, but the cold was nothing to speak of – the mercury never getting below “zero” more than twice. For the past four weeks the snow has never ease pose during for good throwing purposes, and there is only about one foot of that as yet. All the wind so far has hardly been noticeable. An average of about one inch of snow has fallen every night for two weeks, but more melts ever day. So far as heard from, no place on the Coat has any great advantage over Owyhee on the source of weather. One thing we have noticed, there is no concern of temperature west of the Becky Range at any one time – every section is affected apparently to a great extent by its own peculiar surroundings. And so mote is be.

**UNSEATED.** The latest on the County Seat question at the time of going to press, is that it was still pending in the Legislature. Word was sent over to a friend of ours, by a Boise County member of the House, that no fears need by entertained – that the bill as it came from the Council would pass the House.

A FEW typographical errors are noticeable on the 1<sup>st</sup> page of this paper. They are the attributable to the proof-reading and the celebrating at the same time. Too many “actions” of Christmas to care for “the closing years.”

**ROADS** in all directions are reported in a bad condition. The recent California storms have blackened the Sierra so that no stages passed for several days about he 20<sup>th</sup> inst.

**THE CHRISTMAS BELL** at the Idaho Hotel was not as largely attended by the ladies as its merits deserved, but enough were present to make it a lively and gay season of enjoyment, and to occupy the floor steadily till a late hour. The party in is arrangements was first class – music and supper being a little a head of say we’ve ever enjoyed in Owyhee.

**SAM’S P. DUGAN**, who has just come in from the desert on the Railroad route, says there is plain signs of the recent passage of a band of Indians and stock from the direction of Stein’s Mountain towards the upper Owyhee. The tail crossed the stage road this side of Antelope Springs, at the mouth of Ives’ Canon, and Mr. D. believes there must have been two hundred head of stock from the appearance of the trail, and that they have been taken by the Indians up on Rattlesnake Creek or on branches of the Owyhee, for the purpose of going into winter quarters. Here might be a good chance to make the haul, and the weather is unusually favorable for the winter campaign.

“E, B. & Co.” – On Christmas Eve, a large box was discovered (by the sober portion of the firm) in the “sanctum: addressed to The Avalanche and signed as above. The contents consisted of upwards of a dozen varieties of the best brands of wines, liquors, cigars, etc., etc. – sufficient to enable the printstorial firm to watch out the old year in the most Orthodox style. Anybody and everybody wishing to procure the ingredients for propriety welcoming in the New Year, we recommend to the stock of “E., B. & Co.,” whose principal weakness is to “never do anything by halves.” Just as Milton says – and never so pat as about this time o’ year – “Thou know’st ‘tis hard to exclude spiritual substance with corporeal bur,” and it is next to impossible up where the air is so oppressively light. May the coming year bring amazing prosperity within the grasp of our liberal donors on the corner of Washington and Second streets.

**WE WARN SILVER CITY** people from visiting to any great extent at Ruby while the County Seat question is pending. A friend of ours went down there last week “for the mail” only took two drinks and has no recollection of what he did afterwards, but is informed that he paid for seventeen drinks, got skinned at poker, got licked and – warns that all – signed a petition three and a remonstrance five times against the removal of the County Seat! Now, gentlemen of Silver be careful – it’s just “such conduct as those” that often defeats a good cause.



# Public notices

## OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES DECEMBER 13, 2004 OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURPHY, IDAHO

Present were Commissioner Tolmie, Commissioner Reynolds, Commissioner Salove, Clerk Sherburn, Fred Grant and Jim Desmond.

The Board moved to amend the agenda to include the following items for business:

Letter to Platinum Plus for new credit cards, Emergency Management Performance Grant, and reimbursement from the BLM on weed control.

Larry Howard met with the Board to discuss handling of the grant money for the Homeland Security grant. Reimbursements back to the County from the Bureau of Homeland Security will be made on a quarterly basis after they have received an invoice.

The Board approved the application for the Emergency Management Performance Grant for \$3,655.72.

The Board made a motion to adopt Resolution 04-43 adjusting the Civil Defense Budget to reflect the receipt of unscheduled revenue.

The Board approved a request by Three Creek Highway District to exempt a building permit fee.

The Board approved the Weed Control Agreement with the Transportation Department for 2005 in the amount of \$3,000.

The Board approved the request for reimbursement from the BLM for \$14,563 for weed control for 2004.

The Board moved into executive session at 11:05 A.M. to discuss a personnel issue. At 12:00 P.M. the Board moved out of executive session. No action was taken.

The Board held an Indigent and Charity hearing on case # 04-42 with Fred Grant acting as the hearing officer, with Intermountain Hospital present. After hearing all testimony the Board moved to approve payment for one day of the hospital stay.

The Board moved to approve the minutes for the last meeting.

The Board authorized the clerk to inquire into credit cards through Platinum Plus.

There being no further business the Board moved to adjourn.

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

s.s./Harold Tolmie, Chairman  
s.s./ attest: Charlotte Sherburn  
12/29/04

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a public hearing will be held before the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Homedale on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January 2005, at 7:00 p.m. at Homedale City Hall, 31 West Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho. The subject matter of the public hearing is an Application for Special Use Permit filed by Rodrigo and Mary Villarreal to conduct the business of a lube shop at 16 West Montana. The public is invited to attend and offer input.

Sylvia L. Bahem, Administrator

Planning & Zoning Commission

City of Homedale  
12/22,29/04

## CALL FOR BIDS FOR PURCHASE OF NEW BUS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the Board of Trustees of Marsing Joint School District No. 363, Marsing, Idaho for the purchase of a new school bus. Bids, documents and detailed specifications are available at the Marsing School District Office, 209 Eighth Ave. West, Marsing between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm., Monday through Friday until day of bid opening. Sealed bids must be submitted on or before 3:00 p.m., Friday, January 7, 2005 to the Marsing School District Office, 209 Eighth Ave. West, Marsing, Idaho. Bids received after the stated time and date will not be considered. At the stated time and place, bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject or to select any portion thereof any or all bids and to waive any irregularities. No bidder may withdraw his bid after the opening of such bids unless the awarding of the bid is delayed for a period exceeding thirty days.

Deb Holzhey, Clerk  
Marsing Joint School District No.363  
PO Box 340  
Marsing, ID 83639  
12/2904;01/05/05

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE MARSING CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT MARSING CITY HALL ON JANUARY 5, 2005 AT 7:00 P.M. THE PURPOSE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING IS TO DISCUSS THE INCREASE OF WATER RATES BY MORE THAN 5%.

RESOLUTION – 93  
RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF MARSING TO CHANGE THE RATES FOR WATER TO WATER USERS AND TO SET THE RATE CALCULATION THEREFOR, REPEAL OF RESOLUTION 70, AND PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREFOR.

WHEREAS, The City of Marsing has the obligation to provide a safe and adequate drinking water supply to its citizens and water customers, and

WHEREAS, city Ordinance A-81 grants the City authority to establish the minimum charge for water service by resolution, and

WHEREAS, The City of Marsing has previously set the minimum water charge to water users by Resolution 70, and

WHEREAS, The City Council has reviewed the cost for providing, maintaining and upgrading the potable water supply providing, maintaining and upgrading the potable water supply for meeting the demands of the users of the City and surrounding area, and

WHEREAS, The City Council has determined that the water use charges need to be changed.

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

Section 1: Water charges will be determined on a monthly usage basis, with the amount of water passing through a water meter. The following rates are hereby established:

A. The City is establishing a standard meter size of 3/4 inch. For 3/4 inch or smaller water meters, except as noted below, the

following charges will apply:

0 to first 2000 gallons - \$28.52 and in addition thereto \$2.45 per 1,000 gallons or part thereof.

For meters larger than 3/4 inch, the base rate will be based on a multiplier based on the area of the subject meter when compared to the standard meter. For example, a one (1) inch meter will equal 1.75 standard meters, a 2 inch meter will equal 7 standard meters, a 3 inch meter will equal 16 standard meters. The gallons included will also increase by the same amount. (For example, at the present base rate, a 1 inch meter will have a base rate of \$33.42 and will include 3,500, rounded up to 4,000 gallons). Additional allows will be charged the standard volume rate per 1,000 gallons or part thereof.

B. Multiple Uses: Where more than one dwelling, business, or like unit is using the same meter, the following rates and basis for charges will apply:

1. Duplexes, apartments, manufactured home parks, businesses, etc., will be charged based on the number of units, spaces, or offices. For example, at the present rate, a duplex would have a base rate of \$33.42 and would include 4,000 gallons. Additional gallons will be charged the standard volume rate per 1,000 gallons or part thereof.
2. The City shall have the option of choosing an alternative schedule for multiple businesses in one building as follows: The base rate shall be based on average water usage over the previous year, when compared to a system average (currently 6,650 gallons per month). For example, a building with 5 separate businesses, which used an average of 15,000 gallons per, would have a base rate multiplier of 2.45 applied. At the present base rate, this base rate would be 35.87 and would include 4,520, rounded up to 5,000 gallons. Additional gallons will be charged the standard volume rate per 1,000 gallons or part thereof.

Section 2: The monthly charges for water services for hauling from the tower shall be \$22.82 per month.

Section 3: Resolution 70 of the City of Marsing is hereby repealed.

Section 4 This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the -- day of --, 2005.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL THIS ---DAY OF ---, 2005.

PASSED BY THE MAYOR THIS --- DAY OF ---, 2005.

Donald D. Osterhoudt, Mayor

ATTEST:  
Janice C. Bicandi, Clerk/

Treasurer  
12/22,29/04;01/5/05

## REVISED ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Historic Silver City Foundation, Inc., a non-profit 501 (c ) (3) organization will be receiving sealed bids for Phase 1 of 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 pm, Monday, January 17, 2005. Bids submitted after the above specified time shall not

be received or opened. Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud on the above specified date at Melba Middle/High School, 6870 Stokes Lane, Melba, Idaho, 7:00 pm. The project is 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, 401 Carrie Rex, Melba, Idaho.

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 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 to exceed 40 working days; or to reject any and 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 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 Walter, Architect, 1330 Richard Ct., Independence, OR 97351. 503-838-0918; Noni Stapleton, Grant Administrator, P.O. Box 95, Melba, ID 83641. 208-495-2722 or 208-495-2660

Dated: December 17, 24, 2004

By: Noni Stapleton, Grant Administrator

12/22,29/04

## CITY OF MARSING Owyhee County, Idaho NOTICE OF SPECIAL WATER REVENUE BOND ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Ordinance No. A-144, adopted on December 8, 2004, of the City of Marsing, of Owyhee County, Idaho, a Special Bond Election will be held in the City on

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2005

Between the hours of 8:00 o'clock A.M. and 8:00 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of issuing water revenue bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$1,550,000 for the purpose of providing funds to pay the cost of construction and installation of improvements and betterments to the City's domestic water system, including, but not limited to, new well, treatment facilities, booster station, water storage tank, stand by power and distribution improvements, pursuant to the provisions of said Ordinance.

The question to be submitted to the electors shall be by ballot reading substantially as follows:

SHALL THE CITY OF MARSING BE AUTHORIZED TO INCUR AN INDEBTEDNESS AND TO ISSUE AND SELL ITS WATER REVENUE BONDS IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT WHICH MAY BE LESS THAN BUT WHICH SHALL NOT EXCEED \$1,550,000 TO PAY THE COSTS OF IMPROVEMENTS AND BETTERMENTS TO THE CITY'S DOMESTIC WATER SYSTEM, THE BONDS TO MATURE OVER A PERIOD WHICH MAY BE LESS THAN BUT WHICH SHALL NOT EXCEED THIRTY (30) YEARS AND TO BE PAYABLE SOLELY FROM THE REVENUES OF THE DOMESTIC WATER SYSTEM, ALL AS MORE FULLY PROVIDED IN ORDINANCE NO. A-144, ADOPTED ON DEC. 8, 2004?

The following information if required by Section 34-440, Idaho Code:

The City has existing indebtedness in the amount of \$649,000, plus interest accrued on that amount to the date of election. The interest rate anticipated on the proposed bonds is 4.50% per annum. The range of anticipated rates is from 4.0 % to 10.0 %. The total amount to be repaid over the life of the proposed bonds, principal and interest, based on the anticipated interest rate, is estimated to be \$2,854,707.

Qualified electors shall vote at the following polling place:

Marsing City Hall  
425 Main Street  
Marsing, Idaho

Every person eighteen (18) years of age or older, who at the time of the specified bond election is a United States citizen who has been a legal and bona fide resident of the City for at least 30 days immediately preceding the date of the election, if properly registered as required by law, shall be qualified to vote at said election.

Any qualified elector who, because of illness, disability, or expected absence from the City on the date of election, will be unable to vote at the designated polling place on the day of election, may apply to the City Clerk for an absentee ballot. The application must be in writing, must be signed by the applicant, and must contain the name of the

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elector, his/her home address, and the address to which the ballot shall be forwarded. An application for a mail-in absentee ballot must be received by the City Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m. on the sixth day before the election. An application for in-person absentee voting must be received by the City Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m. on the day before the election, and absentee ballots must be received by the City Clerk not later than 8:00 p.m. on the day of election in order to be counted. Application for an absentee ballot may be made by using a facsimile machine. The City's facsimile number is (208) 896-4123.

Persons who are eligible to vote may register for the special bond election at the office of the Owyhee County Clerk, Marsing City Clerk as Deputy Registrar, at City Hall, Marsing, Idaho, until January 7, 2005. Any elector who will complete his or her residence requirement or attain the requisite voting age during the period when the register or electors is closed may register prior to the closing of the register.

Any person who is eligible to vote may register on election day by appearing in person at the polling place established for the election, by completing a registration card, making an oath on the form prescribed by law, and providing proof of residence in the manner provided by Section 34-408A, Idaho Code, as amended.

No qualified elector who is duly registered as a voter, and who continues to reside at the same address or within the same precinct in which he or she is registered, shall be required to re-register.

If, at the special bond election, the majority of the qualified electors voting upon the ballot question assent to the issuance of revenue bonds for the purposes set forth in Ordinance No. A-144, the water revenue bonds of the City of Marsing will be issued for such purposes, which bonds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, will mature annually, or at such lesser interval as may be prescribed by the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the bonds, over a period which may be less than but which shall not exceed thirty (30) years, and will bear interest at such rate or rates as shall be prescribed in the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the bonds. The principal of and interest on the bonds will be payable solely out of and derived from rates and charges for the use of and the services rendered by, and all other income, earnings, and revenues of, the domestic water system.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2004

CITY OF MARSING  
Owyhee County, Idaho  
Donald D. Osterhoudt  
Mayor

ATTEST  
Janice C. Bicandi  
City Clerk.

12/15,22,29/04

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**  
**Trustee's Sale No. 02-HH-38068**

Notice is hereby given that, Regional Trustee Services Corporation, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on April 15, 2005, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, located at the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, Murphy,

ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, to-wit: EXHIBIT "A" The land referred to in this policy is described as follows: A tract of land situated within that portion of the Southeast Quarter Northeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, lying North and East of the railroad right of way described as follows: COMMENCING at a point where the East boundary line of said Southeast Quarter Northeast Quarter intersects the North boundary line of said railroad right of way; and Continuing North along the East boundary line of said Southeast Quarter Northeast Quarter a distance of 400 feet; thence North 63° 18' 56" West on a line parallel with the North boundary line of said railroad right of way and 400 feet North thereof a distance of 762.5 feet, being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing North 63° 18' 56" West on a line parallel with the North boundary line of said railroad right of way and 400 feet North thereof a distance of 109 feet; thence South 0° 18' 30" East on a line parallel with the East boundary line of said Southeast Quarter Northeast Quarter a distance of 400 feet to the North boundary line of said railroad right of way; thence Southeasterly along the North boundary line of the said railroad right of way a distance of 109 feet; thence North 0° 18' 30" west on a line parallel with the East boundary line of said Southeast Quarter Northeast Quarter a distance of 400 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 4761 Titus Lane, Marsing, ID 83639, 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 Aaron Jerome, a married man, as Grantor, to Title One, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for its successors and assigns. The above Grantors are named to comply with Section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 4/11/2003, the monthly payment which became due on 7/1/2004 and all subsequent monthly payments, plus late charges and other costs and fees as set forth. Amount due as of December 8, 2004 Delinquent Payments

from July 01, 2004 1 payments at \$467.19 each \$467.19 4 payments at \$505.36 each \$2,021.44 1 payments at \$505.28 each \$505.28 (07-01-04 through 12-08-04) Late Charges: \$0.00 Beneficiary Advances: \$0.00 Suspense Credit: \$0.00 Total: \$2,993.91 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$59,426.81, together with interest thereon at 7.750% per annum from 6/1/2004 to 8/1/2004, 7.750% per annum from 8/1/2004 to 12/1/2004, 7.750% per annum from 12/1/2004, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. Dated: December 08, 2004 Regional Trustee Services Corporation, Trustee By Nanci Lambert c/o Regional Trustee Services Corporation, 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: <http://www.rtrustee.com> ASAP623817  
12/22,29/04;01/5,12/05

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2005, at the hour of 10:45 A.M., of said day, (recognized local time), in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho.

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

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT A

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that according to the County Assessors office, the address 5591 Old Bruneau Hwy, Marsing, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by James E. Saiz, an unmarried man, as grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho Corporation, as successor trustee, for the benefit and security of First Horizon Home Loan Corporation, as beneficiary, recorded March 12, 2003, as Instrument No. 242793, and Re-Recorded March 14, 2003, an Instrument No. 242829, Mortgage Records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

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

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust Note, the monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds of \$1,049.88, due per month for the months of August through October, 2004 and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement, with interest accruing at 7.25% per annum, and continuing to accrue from July 1, 2004. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$118,238.45, plus accruing interest, costs and advances. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Date: November 30, 2004  
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC.

By Monine Cole, Trust Officer

FA-18729/rcb-fhh  
First American Title Company of Idaho

Trust Dept. 1-208-375-0455  
EXHIBIT A

Attached to Notice of Trustee's Sale

A parcel of land lying in a portion of the Southeast Quarter of Section 28, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, said parcel being more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at a found 1/2 inch iron pin marking the Center Quarter Corner of said Section 28, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence

South 89° 16' 33" East 2611.77 feet along the North boundary of the said Southeast Quarter of Section 28 and along the Bruneau Highway to a found 1/2 inch iron pin marking the East Quarter Corner of said Section 28; thence

South 0° 06' 30" West 2096.41 feet along the East boundary of the said Southeast Quarter of Section 28 and along the said Bruneau Highway to a set 1/2 inch iron pin, said pin bears

North 0° 06' 30" East 537.81 feet from a found Brass Cap marking the Section Corner common to Sections 27, 28, 33 and 34, said 1/2 inch iron pin also marking the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence

North 70° 33' 48" West 770.73 feet to a set 1/2 inch iron pin; thence

North 27° 23' 47" West 348.71 feet to a set 1/2 inch iron pin; thence

South 72° 21' 45" East 931.60 feet to a set 1/2 inch iron pin lying on the said East boundary of the Southeast Quarter of Section 28 and the said Bruneau Highway; thence

South 0° 06' 30" West 283.80 feet along said East boundary of the Southeast Quarter of Section 28 and the said Bruneau Highway to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

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**Notice Of Trustee’s Sale  
Loan No: 1448197  
T.S. No.: 04-1369-ID**

On 4/28/2005, at 11:00 AM (recognized local time) At the entrnace to Pioneer Title Company 100 10th Avenue South, Nampa ID 83651 Telephone 208-466-6100. In the County of Canyon, State of Idaho, First American Title Insurance Company by Alliance Title Company, its duly authorized agent, as trustee on behalf of New Century Mortgage Corporation 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: A parcel of land being a portion of the east one-half of the northwest quarter of section 28, township 3 north, range 4 west, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a found brass cap marking the northwest corner of said section 28, township 3 north, range 4 west, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and being the centerline intersection of Dunlap Street and Edison Street, said brass cap bears north 0 degrees 00’ 00” east, 2666.85 feet from a found 5/8” iron pin marking the west quarter corner of said section 28 and being the centerline intersection of said Edison Street and Bruneau Highway; thence south 88 degrees 52’ 33” east, 1996.52 feet along the north boundary of said northwest quarter of section 28 and along the said centerline of Dunlap Street to a found 5/8” iron pin; thence south 01 degrees 06’ 45” west, 1315.59 feet along the centerline of an existing concrete irrigation ditch to a point, said point being witnessed by a found 1/2” iron pin which bears north 89 degrees 09’ 40” west, 5.00 feet; thence north 89 degrees 09’40” west, 326.12 feet to a set 1/2” iron pin, said pin marking the real point of beginning; thence south 0 degrees 34’ 46” west, 674.44 feet to a set 1/2” iron pin lying on the south boundary of the north one-half of southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of said section 28; thence north 89 degrees 09’ 40” west, 319.85 feet along said south boundary of the north one-half of the northwest quarter of section 28 to a found 5/8” iron pin marking the southwest corner of the said north one-half of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 28; thence north 0 degrees 02’ 49” east 674.50 feet along the east boundary of the said east one-half of the northwest quarter of section 28 to a set 1/2” iron pin, said pin bears north 0 degrees 02’ 49” east, 9.99 feet from a found 5/8” iron pin marking the northwest corner of the said north one-half of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 28; thence south 89 degrees 09’ 40” east, 326.12 feet to the real point of beginning. Together with that certain 60.00 foot wide easement for ingress, egress, utility and irrigation maintenance as described as easement description, no. 6 in document entitled “correction affidavit,

Louck’s Property division No. Two”, recorded as February 7, 1997 instrument no. 220920 and as shown as existing 60’ wide Easement No. 6 and no. 13 on the record of survey for Les and Lavada Loucks, recorded November 24, 1997 as Instrument No. 223375, all in the Owyhee County records. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for the purposes of compliance with section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 6057 Claytonia Way Marsing, ID 83639, is sometimes associated with the said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by: Kenneth D. Park and Shawna M. Park, husband and wife, As grantor(s), To: First American Title Insurance Company by Alliance Title Company, Its duly authorized agent, as successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of New Century Mortgage Corporation, as Beneficiary, dated 3/22/2004, recorded 3/26/2004, as Instrument No. 247219, 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 3/22/2004. The monthly payments fro Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$943.68 due per month from 9/1/2004 through 4/28/2005, and all subsequent payments untill the dates of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$129,773.08, plus accrued interest at the rate of 7.875% per annum from 8/1/2004 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. Dated: December 20, 2004 By: First American Title Insurance Company By Alliance Title Company, Its Duly Authorized Agent Telephone 949-252-2800 Les Poppitt, Vice President P224516.  
12/29/04;1/5,12,19/05

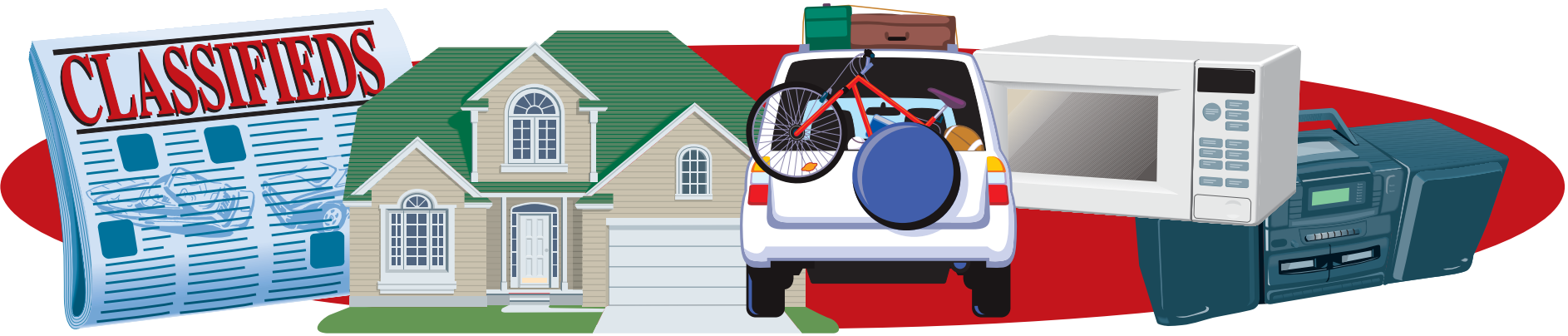
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<b>Assembly of God Church Homedale</b> 15 West Montana, 337-4458 Pastor George Greenwood Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm	<b>Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder</b> Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm	<b>Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church</b> 1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon
<b>Mt. Calvary Lutheran Homedale</b> 337-4248 or 454-1528 SE corner Idaho and West 7th Sunday School: 9:00 to 9:45 am Services: 10:00 am Wednesday Night Bible Study: 7 to 8:30 pm	<b>Friends Community Church Homedale</b> 301 W. Montana, 337-3464 Pastor: John Beck 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Worship	<b>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale</b> 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Alan McRae Bishop Dwayne Fisher Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm
<b>Homedale Baptist Church Homedale</b> 212 S. 1st W. Sunday School 10am & 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7pm Pastor James Huls	<b>Wilder Church of God Wilder</b> 205 A St. E, 482-7839 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm	<b>Mountain View Church of the Nazarene</b> 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm Bible Based Recovery: Friday 7:00 pm
 <b>MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY</b> Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 221 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Ricardo Rodriguez 896-5552 or 371-3516 Sunday School 1:30 pm • Sunday Service 3 pm Thursday Service 7 pm • (Bilingual Services/Español)	<b>If your Owyhee County church would like to be included, please fax information to 208-337-4867</b>	<b>Marsing Church of Christ Marsing</b> 932 Franklin, Marsing  Minister Gib Nelson Sunday Bible Study 10am Sunday Worship 11am
<b>Christian Church Homedale</b> 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastors Maurice Jones & Duane Crist Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45	<b>Bible Missionary Church Homedale</b> West Idaho, 337-4437 Pastor Paul Miller Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm	<b>Assembly of God Church Marsing</b> 139 Kerry, 896-4294 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm
<b>Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing</b> Pastor Dave London 116 4th Ave. W., 587-4866 Sunday worship 11am-12pm Sunday school 10 am-10:55am Sunday evening 6pm-7pm Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm Every 3rd Sat. family video at 6 pm	<b>Nazarene Church Marsing</b> Pastor Bill O'Connor 896-4184 Behind Mr. B's Market Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Sunday School - 9:45am Mid Week TLC Groups	<b>Trinity Holiness Church Homedale</b> 119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm
<b>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing</b> 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Bishop Streibel Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm Primary 11am	<b>Vision Bible Church Marsing</b> 221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-896-5407 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Youth Meeting Wed. 7:00 p.m.	<b>United Methodist Church Wilder</b> Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. 880-8751 Pastor Carolyn Bowers Sunday Services 9:30am
<b>First Presbyterian Church Homedale</b> 320 N. 6th W., 337-3060 Pastor Marianne Paul Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am	<b>Calvary Holiness Church Wilder</b> Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave., 482-7767 or 482-7499 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.	<b>Seventh Day Adventist Homedale</b> 16613 Garnet Rd., 880-4685 or 453-9289 Pastor Allan Payne Sabbath School Sat. 9:30am Worship 11am Wednesday Prayer Mtg. 7:30
<b>Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale</b> 711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am	<b>ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE</b>	<b>Knight Community Church Grand View</b> Pastor Paul H. Ryan • 834-2639 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study: Wednesday, 7 p.m. Knight's Neighborhood: (Youth Activity Group) Friday 5-6:30 pm





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