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SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS

Snow levels still below normal

Snow fell in the area over the holiday weekend and although several inches were recorded in the area, levels are still below normal for this time of year.

Snow reports from the Natural Resources Conservation Service showed that South Mountain began the week with 13 inches of snow. A winter storm moved into the area Wednesday and dropped six inches of snow to end the week with 19 inches of powder.

Reynolds Creek received two inches of new snow for the week and Mud Flat gained nearly four inches of the powder.

The National Weather Service is calling for lowering temperatures this week. Wednesday is expected to be partly cloudy with highs 30 to 35 degrees. Wednesday night is

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Local BLM

Ron Kay stands near the sign for the new Bureau of Land Management Owyhee Field Office in Marsing. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be held later this month.

Ron Kay takes over Owyhee Field office

Former field manager on "detail" in fire agency

Organizational refinements have been made in the Bureau of Land Management department and among those is the construction of an Owyhee Field Office located in Marsing. Ron Kay from the state office took over the helm on October 1 replac-

ing former field manager Jenna Whitlock who Kay said is on detail in the state's fire agency.

Kay currently lives in Emmett and has worked for the BLM for 29 years. He said he began working for BLM in Northern California. He has worked in Montana, Colorado, Arizona, Nevada, and Idaho. He said he attended school in Northern California. He has a

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School founder receives reports from tsunami devastation

Former HHS principal Duane Root is co-founder

As the death toll rises in tsunami stricken Asia, a local man continually waits for word from Phuket as he is the co-founder of a school located in the devastated country. A killer tsunami hit the Asian island on Dec. 26 after a 9.0 undersea earthquake off Sumatra triggered giant waves that have killed more than 156,000 people, and that number is expected to rise.

Last week, Duane Root reported that although thousands are dead or missing in the Asian country, his staff and the school children are all accounted for. He said one parent has been confirmed dead.

Root is the co-founder of QSI, International schools. One of the 28 schools is located in tsunami stricken Phuket, Thailand.

"Fortunately everyone is safe,

except we have lost one parent for sure," Root said by phone Sunday. "The school sits high above ground so it was not affected, but the school was closed for holidays and most were on the beaches."

Root said he was in the country in November for a teacher's conference. He said the area is totally devastated in the low lands. He said several hundred yards from the beaches, life seems somewhat normal.

"The main part of the island didn't even know the tidal wave even came in," Root reported. "Most of the ones who died were in Shri Lanka."

Root and his partner Jim Gilson founded the schools in 1992 and next year there will be 31 schools around the world. The first school was located in Yemen.

QSI is a non-profit institution that offers quality education in English to pre-school, elementary and four years of secondary students. Root joined the staff of

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Sheriff's office seeks information on cow killings

Reward offered by sheriff, cattlemen's assoc.

Two full grown cows lay dead in a field between Homedale and Marsing and now authorities are asking the public for help in the investigation. Sheriff Gary Aman said a reward is being offered with money from the Sheriff's office and funds from the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association.

The two fully grown Angus cows were shot between the eyes several hundred yards from any roads. Investigators feel who ever killed the animals walked into the fields. Aman said although the department does not have any suspects yet, evidence had been found at the scene.

The cows, owned by JC Eiguren of Jordan Valley were being wintered on Chris Landa's property off Jump Creek Road. Eiguren said the cattle had been moved into the field on Dec. 28. Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Perry Grant said the case is the

third incident he has worked on in as many weeks.

Grant said recently a llama had been shot in the eye not far from the double cow killing scene. He said a report of a shot cow had also been taken on a ranch outside of

Murphy. Grant said he does not know if the incidents are related.

Both cows were shot between the eyes with a high powered rifle. Grant said it appears both cows, which were laying about 30 yards apart, died instantly.



Deadly target

Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Perry Grant and ranchers JC Eiguren and Chris Landa inspect a dead Angus cow after it had been shot in the head by a high powered rifle. Two cows were killed last week from being shot and investigators are asking for help.

Access to the scene is through private property, Dan Landa said. He said if someone had driven into the area, local residents would have seen them.

Aman said a shell casing had been found and a bullet had been removed from one of the animals. He said the bullet used is not a common bullet. The bullet is a 22 caliber bullet.

"It is a specific type of bullet which is not specifically popular," Aman said. "A vehicle has been seen in the area and we are trying to locate it. I am contacting ammunition dealers and see if anyone has been producing this bullet. We also found a casing we believe is involved."

Aman said people should be aware of these shootings and if they see suspicious activity they need to contact the sheriff's office. Aman said the cattle are worth approximately \$3,000 each.

Aman said anyone with information should contact the sheriff's office at 495-1154, or 337-4222.

Applications mailed for grocery credit refund

The Idaho State Tax Commission is mailing more than 21,000 applications to Idaho residents who may qualify for a 2004 grocery credit refund of \$20 to \$70. The credit returns a portion of the sales tax paid on groceries by eligible applicants who are not required to file a regular Idaho income tax return. Idahoans who file an income tax return receive the credit when they file the return. Qualifying taxpayers may include the elderly, those who are blind, and disabled American veterans.

"We want to give applicants the chance to file early and get their refunds before the income tax filing rush begins," explained Steve Miller, Revenue Operations Administrator for the Tax Commission. Miller said his agency is mailing the applications to people who filed a Form 24 (Idaho Grocery Credit Refund) last year.

Qualifying taxpayers who do not receive a form can get one by contacting the Tax Commission at 334-7660 in the Boise area or 1-800-972-7660 toll free. They can also find the form on the Tax Commission's Web site at tax.idaho.gov/forms_indiv_04.htm.

The deadline to file Form 24 refund claims is April 15. However, applicants are encouraged to return their forms to the Tax Commission as soon as they receive the necessary income information (W-2s, 1099s, etc.) to complete the application.

Miller said the Tax Commission expects to refund about \$1 million to claimants.

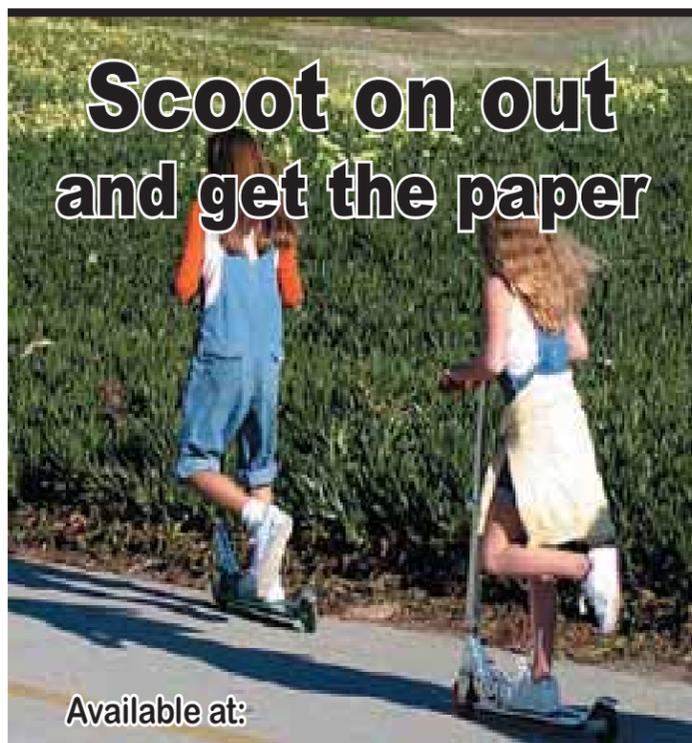
Legionnaires plan fundraiser spaghetti feed

The Homedale American Legion Post number 32 is having a new building fundraiser spaghetti feed on Jan. 8 in the legion hall.

The feed starts at 3 p.m. and will go until all the noodles are gone. The cost is \$4 per person and \$7 per couple. Children under 11 years of age will be charge \$2. The feed is an all you can eat event.

Community center offers free meal

Members of the Garnet Road Youth and Community Center are offering local people a free meal on Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. Coordinator Buster DeWitt said everyone is welcome to attend to see what the new center has to offer the community.



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Honored volunteer

There was quite a stir in the neighborhood West of Homedale on the evening of Dec. 27th. Homedale volunteer fireman Kenne Metzer was surprised out of his easy chair by 15 firemen and 4 fire trucks with sirens blaring and lights flashing. Fortunately, there was no fire. The members had arrived to present him with a plaque for 35 years of service to Homedale's Volunteer Fire Department. Metzer is shown (on the left) with fire chief Scott Salutregui and fireman Mick Woodburn. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

BLM considers expedition program's county permit

The Bureau of Land Management is considering a permit to an Oregon based wilderness expedition program that hopes to hold therapy trips in the county. Staff of the Catherine Freer Wilderness Therapy Expeditions, an adolescent substance abuse and mental health treatment program, requested a permit from the BLM to be able to bring residential therapy through a 21-day wilderness trek in the Pacific Northwest. Now the program would like to include Owyhee County.

The county has voiced some concerns about the program being held in the area including being named on the program's insurance policy. A letter dated Dec. 20 was sent by commissioners to program coordinators asking them to add Owyhee County as a named insured.

The program was accepted in

1988 and has served over 2,500 adolescents and their families since its inception.

The trek, which teaches teens to camp, cook, backpack and rely on themselves in the outdoors, is designed to promote self-exploration and build self-confidence. The journey includes daily individual and group therapy sessions as well as educational activities, including a modified twelve-step

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Sportsmen still have hunt options

2005 hunting licenses are required

Although most seasons for hunting have closed with the end of the year, some species are still open to those who enjoy hunting. Trapping seasons also continue through the first of the year, but hunters and trappers will need to purchase a 2005-hunting license.

"It is pretty common for people to forget to buy their license before going out hunting or fishing in the new year," said Gary Hompland, Idaho Fish and Game Regional Conservation Officer for the Magic Valley Region. "Every year our officers contact sportsmen that had a valid license the previous year, but forgot to pick up a new one before heading out for a New Year's Day hunt."

Hunters pursuing waterfowl need to keep their 2004 duck stamp and have it with them while hunting in January. The duck stamp, unlike the license is good for the remainder of the season.

Ducks and geese, a popular winter hunt, is still in full swing throughout the area. Ducks, including merganser, the common snipe and American coot season will not close until Jan. 21 in area 2. Pintail and canvasback seasons closed in December.

Limits from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game regulations for ducks in area 2, which includes Owyhee County, are five of any kind except no more than one female mallard, two redheads or four scaup. Daily bag limit for coots is 25 per day or in possession and for common snipe the limit is eight per day, 16 in possession after the first day.

Goose season will close on Jan. 21 in area two and three in the county. In area two the bag limit is four of any kind, only three light geese or two white fronted geese and in area three the limit is three of any kind, only two white fronted geese.

To hunt waterfowl a hunter needs to possess a license, a federal migratory game bird harvest information program validation, use non-toxic shot and a federal migratory bird stamp.

Cottontail rabbit hunting continues through February. Rabbit hunters have noted at least a slight increase in populations in some areas this year after years of low numbers. Snowshoe hare season runs through March.

Most mountain lion seasons run through March 31 except in north Idaho where there are a variety of closing dates. Some units retain a quota on the number of females to be taken and close when that quota is met. Hunters need to compare rules with areas they intend to hunt and check with regional Fish and Game offices on closures where quotas apply. In units 41 and 42, mountain lion take season closes on June 30.

Irrigation dist. meetings

The Ridgeview Irrigation District will hold its regular monthly meeting at 1 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 10 at its office at 118 S. 1st Street in Homedale.

The Gem Irrigation District will hold its regular monthly meeting at 1:15 p.m. on Monday at the same location.

The South Board of Control will hold its regular monthly meeting at the above location at 1:30 p.m. on Monday.



Icy roads

A wrecker removes a car after it slid off the road and collided into a power pole. Icy roads were blamed for several accidents last week resulting in one fatality.

Ice blamed for several accidents Wednesday morning

Icy road conditions Wednesday morning were to blame for several accidents one of which resulted in a death and involved a county deputy's wife.

A motorist driving too fast for icy road conditions is suspected to be the cause of a crash that took the life of a Nampa man on State Highway 78 east of Murphy near the Joyce Ranch.

Manuel Lopez-Rodriguez, 24, and his passenger, Alfonso Acosta Zavala, 36, both of Nampa were eastbound on the highway when they entered a section of the roadway that drops down through a steep canyon near the Joyce Ranch.

Lopez-Rodriguez was driving too fast for the icy road conditions and lost control of the Chevrolet S-10 pickup he was driving, sliding off the road,

hitting the embankment and rolling the pickup. Zavala, who was not wearing a seatbelt, was ejected from the vehicle and died of head and internal injuries at the scene. Lopez-Rodriguez was transported to Mercy Medical Center in Nampa.

While the wrecked pickup was still in the roadway, 30-year-old Janna Streibel driving a 2001 Toyota sedan came around a curve, and before she could stop, impacted the truck. Streibel, County Deputy Aron Streibel and the couple's two children were in the vehicle. No one in the family was seriously injured in the crash.

On Highway 19 near Old Dump Road and River Road, two accidents were reported. Arianne Maupin, 24 of Homedale slid on ice and crashed into an electrical

pole then into a field. Just as the accident scene was being cleared, a second vehicle driven by John Parks did not make the corner and slid off the road.

Maupin was cited for driving too fast for conditions.

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Milk production up, cattle on feed down

Idaho Department of Agriculture released December's Ag report last week which shows that Idaho milk production went up during November over last year's percentage to 4.6 percent totaling 750 million pounds. But the total is down 31 million pounds from October.

Cattle on feed are down two percent from the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more had on Dec. 1.

Revised production for October totaled 781 million pounds, up 0.3 percent from the preliminary estimate, and 4.1 percent above October 2003. Average milk production per cow in November was 1,720 pounds, 20 pounds less than November 2003, and 80 pounds below October.

The average number of milk cows during November was 436,000 head, 24,000 head more than November 2003, and up 2,000 from the previous month. Nationally, November milk production in the 20 major States totaled 11.8 billion pounds, up 1.2 percent from production in these same States in November 2003. October revised production, at 12.3 billion pounds, was up 1.4 percent from October 2003. The October revision represented an increase of 0.1 percent or nine million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,526 pounds for November, nine pounds above November 2003. The number of milk cows on farms in the major States was 7.77 million head, 44,000 head more than November 2003, but unchanged from October.

The inventory was unchanged from the number on hand November 1, Placements of cattle into State feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during November totaled 50,000 head, down 14,000 from November 2003 placements. Marketings during November totaled 48,000 head, up 1,000 from November 2003 marketings. Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.3 million head on December 1, The inventory was slightly above December 1, 2003 and four percent above December 1, 2002. Placements in feedlots during November totaled 1.74 million, 10 percent below 2003 and 12 percent below 2002.

Commercial red meat production at Idaho packing plants for

November totaled 38.7 million pounds, down eight percent from last year. November production was down 5 percent from October's 40.6 million pounds. Accumulated red meat production for the January-November period totaled 415 million pounds, down 12 percent from the comparable period a year earlier.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.77 billion pounds in November, up 7 percent from the 3.53 billion pounds produced in November 2003. Beef production, at 1.94 billion pounds, was nine percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.54 million head, up four percent from November 2003. The average live weight was up 35 pounds from the previous year, at 1,271 pounds. Veal production totaled 13.8 million pounds, nine percent below November a year ago.

Calf slaughter totaled 68,000 head, down 13 percent from November 2003. The average live weight was 14 pounds above last year, at 336 pounds. Pork production totaled 1.80 billion pounds, a new monthly record, and was up 5 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 8.96 million head, four percent above November 2003. The average live weight was one pound above the previous year, at 270 pounds. Lamb and mutton production, at 16.5 million pounds, was up one percent from November 2003. Sheep slaughter totaled 242,100 head, three percent above last year.

The average live weight was 136 pounds, down two pounds from November a year ago. January to November commercial red meat production was 41.5 billion pounds, down three percent from 2003. Accumulated beef production was down 7 percent from last year, veal was down 12 percent, pork was up three percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down three percent.



Stormy weather

White snow clouds blanket the Homedale area last week as a moist storm moved into the area. Snow is expected this weekend with temperatures dropping into the teens.

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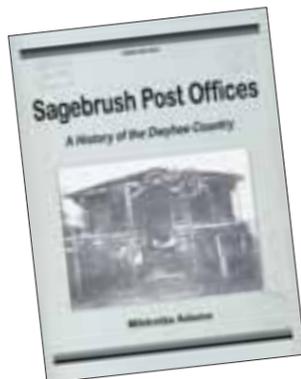
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√ BLM

degree in range management. "I started out with BLM in Northern California on the north coast," Kay said. "From there I went to eastern California to the Susanville area and worked as a range specialist. I dealt with geothermal issues and timber in the north and sagebrush and junipers much the same as here in the east."

Kay began working for the state office about seven years ago as a state range program lead and on Oct. 1 he was put to work in the Owyhee Field office.

The local office will be open for business on Jan. 10 and an official ribbon cutting ceremony will be held on Jan. 27. Kay said 16 people will staff the Marsing branch and he is looking forward to meeting the people in the area.

"I have attended some of the cattlemen's meetings, national and the Idaho meetings," Kay explained. "I plan to attend the winter meeting in Oreana this month and I will also be attending many more local meetings that affect the people here."

Kay said he felt that some BLM people did not want to transfer to the Marsing Field Office mostly because the Boise BLM office is one of the more premier locations to work in. He said he felt that some of the people were not willing to relocate to Marsing and give up the amenities of the city office.

"If you look at my career, I have moved on an average of every five years," Kay continued. "There is a plus and a minus

to that. For me I come in with a broad amount of experience on a lot of things and understand a lot of different things. Owyhee County is not much different than places like Humboldt County in Nevada or the county in Susanville. They are the same issues and people making the same kind of living. These people are comfortable in Ada County or Canyon County and they don't want the change. A lot of people don't like the change.

"I think we also have a lot of constituencies out there and they all have an opinion of what we do right or wrong or indifferent. I think some of those people, especially the environmental people, got stirred up. Some of the environmental people don't want to see BLM people close to the land because then we get close to the people and work with the people. Environmentalists don't want to see that. They like to go to one person to make a change and they like to go straight to the director of BLM and make a change. Then they don't have to come to all these little offices and deal with all these offices and try to convince me that what they think is the right way. Rangeland is rangeland and they are very rural, but some people are trying to make them pristine."

Kay said he believes in multiple use for federal lands. He said the land is made to be used, not to be made "not used."

"What I see is one is to establish a presence here," Kay said of his goals for the field office. "We are going to incorporate into this community. We are going to be closer to our customers and bring our customers closer to us. It enables us to be closer to the area and see what the concerns are. With the permittees or the recreationists or the hunters, we are closer for them as well."

√ School

Sanaa International School as director of instruction in 1979. He returned to the same position in 1985 and joined for the third time in 1990 as director of development. He served as Director of Kiev International School from 1994 to 1997 and is vice president of QSI.

"The school's educational philosophy, which includes a personalized approach to instruction, leads to teaching for mastery," Root said. "We believe in success for all students. We seek to create a positive learning environment since we believe a child learns more if he enjoys his learning experience."

Root is a former Homedale High School band director and was the principal of the school in 1972. He worked for a time as the superintendent of the Marsing School District and said he has been in school all of his life.

"We have close to three hundred American/Canadians working for us and about 20 other nationality teachers in the schools," Root said. "We were in the school in Yemen and decided when the two Yemen's came together we would put together a satellite school. At the same time the whole communist world began falling apart. We put one in Albany when it opened up and then one in Ukraine. We were knocking on doors to get students, but now we are asked to come in and put in schools."

At least 305 non-nationals have been killed in the tsunamis of Dec. 26 and hundreds more are still missing. In Thailand, 4,992 are reported dead. Thai prime minister said the toll could exceed eight thousand. Six thousand five hundred forty one are missing and more than three thousand of them are Swedish tourists.

√ Snow measurements

expected to be cold with lows in the teens at 12 to 17 degrees. A storm moves back into the area on Thursday through Saturday with up to a 50 percent chance of snow. Highs should be between 27 and 34 degrees for the weekend and highs are expected to remain in the teens from 13 to 20 degrees.

The following is a water and snow report from the Natural Resources Conservation Service as of Jan. 3. The Owyhee Reservoir held 153,041 acre-feet of water and was 21 percent of full. Three hundred ninety five cubic feet per second of water was recorded as the daily inflow and 12 CFS was recorded as the outflow. The reservoir is at 56.70 feet from full and is at 36 percent of a 30-year average. Snow pack and water equivalent is as follows:

Site Name	Date	Change In Snow WaterSnow	
		Equivalent	Depth
Reynolds Creek	12/27	-99.9	0.9
	12/28	0.0	-99.9
	12/29	0.1	-99.9
	12/30	0.1	-99.9
	12/31	0.2	1.4
	01/01	0.2	1.2
	01/02	0.2	1.4
	01/03	0.4	2.7
	South Mtn.	12/27	4.8
12/28		4.8	13.1
12/29		4.9	13.1
12/30		4.9	14.7
12/31		5.1	15.9
01/01		5.1	16.1
01/02		5.3	17.6
01/03		5.5	19.2
Mud Flat		12/27	1.5
	12/28	1.5	1.8
	12/29	1.6	1.8
	12/31	1.7	2.4
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Birth

Mila Grace Astorquia

Mila Grace Astorquia was born on Dec. 18, 2004 to Jake and Megan Astorquia of Twin Falls. She weighed 8 pounds two ounces.

Mila is the maternal granddaughter of David and Sharon Van Wassenhove of Marsing and the great grand-daughter of Phyllis Bauer of Homedale and Joe and Helen Van Wassenhove of Marsing.

Her paternal grandparents are Jim and Marquerite Astorquia of Twin Falls and her great-grandparents are Joe and Joye Astorquia and Eileen Quesnell of Twin Falls.

Mila is the couple's first child.

School lunch menu

January 6-12

Marsing

Jan 6: Mac & cheese, vegetables, fruit, milk, burritos w/fixings, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, roll.

Jan 7: Nachos w/toppings, fruit crisp, corn, milk, chicken nuggets, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, roll.

Jan 10: Spaghetti, salad/dressing, fruit, milk, baked potato & chili bar, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, roll.

Jan 11: Ham & cheese, chocolate pudding, vegetables, milk, chicken patty/bun, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, roll.

Jan 12: Burritos w/fixings, strawberries & bananas, corn, milk, chicken wraps, fresh salad bar 4th-12th, roll.

Homedale Elementary

Jan 6: Enchilada or corn dog, scalloped potatoes, brownie,

fruit, milk.

Jan 7: Fr. Bread pizza or uncrustable peanut butter/jelly sandwich, salad, cookie, fruit, milk.

Jan 10: Burrito or French dip sandwich, green beans, no bake cookie, fruit, milk.

Jan 11: Nachos & cheese or baked potato/toppings, veggies, cinnamon bread stick, fruit, milk.

Jan 12: Chicken rice bowl or egg roll & rice bowl, vegetables, fortune cookie, fruit, milk.

Homedale Middle

Jan 6: Chicken tenders or CF beef stk, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit bar, milk.

Jan 7: Spaghetti or hot pocket, bread stick, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Jan 10: Hamburger or hot dog, fries, fruit bar, cookie, milk.

Jan 11: Chicken or beef nuggets, broccoli, fruit bar, cinnamon roll, milk.

Jan 12: Enchilada or chicken & noodles, corn, fruit bar, pudding, milk.

Homedale High

Jan 6: Chicken or hamburger/bun, fries/tots, fruit & veggie bar, dessert, milk.

Jan 7: Beef taco or tst. Cheese sandwich, corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Jan 10: Pizza or nacho bar, salad, fruit & veggie bar, dessert, milk.

Jan 11: Hot pocket or wiener wrap, scalloped potatoes, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Jan 12: Enchilada, burrito or baked potato/toppings, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

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116th BCT soldiers watch Liberty Bowl in Iraq

by Capt. Monte Hibbert, 116th BCT Public Affairs Officer

Over 200 soldiers from the Boise, Idaho-based 116th Brigade Combat Team brought in the New Year by watching their home team compete in the Liberty Bowl via satellite in the FOB Warrior dining facility in Kirkuk, Iraq. Several of the soldiers in the company are from the Owyhee County area.

The game's 3:30 p.m. New Years Eve kick-off in Memphis became an 11:30 p.m. kick-off for the fans in Iraq—just in time to bring in the New Year. And the grippingly-close game between the Boise State University Broncos and the higher-ranked University of Louisville Cardinals kept most of the group around to see the final play, shortly after 3 a.m.

"It's nice to be able to see the game here, even though we can't see it from where we'd like to," said Maj. Cody McRoberts, a 145th Forward Support Battalion headquarters company soldier from Boise, Idaho, who graduated with a political science degree from BSU in 1996.

The game was viewed on three big-screen televisions at the base's main dining facility. The facility's chefs baked a special over-sized cake with the Bronco's team logo on it for the event and provided Buffalo wings, chips, beverages and other munchies for the crowd. They also provided decorations in the team's orange and blue colors.

"We're here to serve and start a relationship with the new unit coming in," said Keith Abshire, operations manager for KBR, the contractor providing support for the soldiers on the base. "Besides, I'm a football fan."

Not all of the soldiers who attended the game were BSU graduates, or even from southwestern Idaho.

"I'm a big football fan," said Sgt. Andrew Baldwin, a 145th Forward Support Battalion security detail soldier from Pocatello, Idaho. "It's great they're able to get this to us."

Many soldiers came to the game as an indirect way to thank the team for supporting the brigade.

"I'm actually a big hockey fan," said Spc. Heather Saunders, a 116th BCT headquarters company personnel clerk from Richfield, Idaho. "But Boise State's done a great job of supporting us every since we deployed."

The 116th BCT's Command Sgt. Major Leroy Lewis of Lewiston, Idaho echoed Saunders' feelings.

"I'm not a football fan, but they have supported us so I thought I'd come out and support them," he said.

Even some soldiers from the Hawaii-based 2nd BCT who the 116th is replacing, chose to bring in the New Year with the 116th rather than attend some other events on base.

"It's more fun over here than it was at the Clamtina," said Sgt. Brent Knaus a 2nd BCT soldier

from Akron, Ohio, who arrived shortly after the beginning of the first quarter. "This is a nice atmosphere and Idaho's not that bad of a football team either. You guys are a bunch of great people."

Since being mobilized to support Operation Iraqi Freedom in June 2004, the 116th BCT, with support from Boise State University and area fans, has established a special relationship between themselves and the nationally-ranked BSU Broncos, both Boise-based organizations.

During the four-month period that the unit was training in Ft. Bliss, Texas, Bronco fans from the Boise area sponsored subscriptions to the Idaho Statesman for soldiers in the field. Also, as the 116th was finishing their training in Texas last August, several Idaho corporations donated tickets so that every member of the brigade could attend the BSU vs. University of Texas—El Paso regular season game in El Paso.

More recently, as a very visible show of support for the brigade, the

Broncos were granted permission to wear the 116th's unit "Snake Patch" logo on their helmets.

"Boise State is wearing our patch on the back of their helmets right next to the American flag," said Brig. Gen. Alan Gayhart, 116th BCT commander, with distinguishable pride in his voice.

The Liberty Bowl announcers highlighted the fact that the team was displaying the unit patch during the national broadcast of the game. They also recognized that some 116th fans were watching the game in Iraq.

"The governor [of Idaho] called me about 15 minutes before the game," said Gayhart. "The gov-

ernor said it's well and fitting the name of this bowl is the Liberty Bowl and he wants everyone to know the brigade continues to be in the hearts and minds of all Idahoans."

Boise State lost the close game to the higher-ranked University of Louisville Cardinals, 40-44.



Ring in the New Year

A KBR employee serves Sgt. Imelda Remillard of Boise, Idaho and Spc. Cathy Alberto of Joseph, Ore., both 116th BCT headquarters company soldiers, pieces of the specially-made Boise State University Broncos cake during a New Year celebration in Iraq. Photo by Staff Sgt. Jack White, 116th BCT Public Affairs NCO.

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Holiday Fun

Easy Gift Ideas
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FAMILY FEATURES EDITORIAL SYNDICATE

Even though they occur at the same time each year, the holidays always seem to sneak up on us. The new "Pillsbury Family Christmas Cookbook" is now available wherever books are sold to help rescue your holidays with great recipes, gift ideas and planning tips to make this holiday a warm, family celebration.

The book includes advice to relieve holiday stress. One tip: Don't be afraid to ask for help ... from friends or family. Here are several great ideas that the family can get together and make. Not only will you get the piano teacher, babysitter and neighbor checked off your gift-giving list, but by involving the family, you will be creating a new tradition that focuses on what the holidays are really about: family, friends and fun.

Developed in the Pillsbury Kitchens, Home of the Pillsbury Bake-off, the "Pillsbury Family Christmas Cookbook" also has recipes for party appetizers, holiday breads, casual entrees, Christmas Day entrees, desserts, candies and cookies.



White Fudge Cookie Cutter Gifts

Prep Time: 25 minutes
(Ready in 1 hour 25 minutes)

- 5 open metal 6-inch cookie cutters
 - 1 (12-ounce) package (2 cups) white vanilla chips
 - 1 (16-ounce) can vanilla ready-to-spread frosting
 - 1/2 teaspoon cherry extract
- Decorating icing
Colored sugar
Candies
Cellophane or plastic wrap
Ribbon
1. Line large cookie sheet with foil; spray foil with nonstick cooking spray. Generously spray open metal 6-inch cookie cutters; place on sprayed foil lined cookie sheet.
 2. Melt white vanilla chips in medium saucepan over low heat, stirring frequently until smooth. Remove from heat. Stir in frosting and cherry extract.
 3. Fill each cookie cutter with 1/2 cup melted mixture. Refrigerate about 1 hour or until firm. Decorate as desired.
 4. Wrap each filled cookie cutter gift with cellophane; tie with ribbon. Store in refrigerator.

Yield: 5 gifts; 4 servings each

For more holiday recipes and information, visit www.pillsbury.com.

Snowman Faces

Prep Time: 35 minutes

- 1 cup vanilla ready-to-spread frosting (from 16-ounce can)
- 3 ounces vanilla flavored candy coating or almond bark, chopped
- 20 creme filled vanilla or chocolate sandwich cookies
- 1 tablespoon miniature semisweet chocolate chips
- 10 small gumdrops
- 2 orange slice jelly candies, flattened slightly
- Red decorating gel

1. Line cookie sheets with waxed paper. In small saucepan, combine 3/4 cup of the frosting and the candy coating. Melt over low heat, stirring occasionally until smooth. Remove from heat.
2. With tongs, dip each cookie in melted frosting mixture, coating completely. Lay cookies flat on waxed paper lined cookie sheet. Let stand about 10 minutes or until set.
3. Meanwhile, place remaining 1/4 cup frosting in small resealable food storage plastic bag. Cut tiny hole in bottom corner of bag.
4. On each sandwich cookie, use small amount of frosting to attach chocolate chips for eyes. Cut each gumdrop in half; attach cut sides with frosting to sides of cookie to resemble earmuffs.
5. Attach small wedge cut from slightly flattened jelly candy for nose. Draw mouth with red decorating gel. Let stand until frosting is set before storing.

Yield: 20 cookies

Candy Clay

Prep Time: 15 minutes
(Ready in 1 hour 45 minutes)

- 10 ounces vanilla flavored candy coating or almond bark, cut into pieces
- 1/3 cup light corn syrup
- 4 food colors (recommend paste form instead of liquid)
- 2 teaspoons assorted small candies

1. Line 8-inch square pan with foil; spray foil with nonstick cooking spray. Place candy coating in medium microwave safe bowl. Microwave on High for 1 minute. Stir; continue to microwave in 15-second increments until coating can be stirred smooth.
2. Add corn syrup; blend well. Spread candy coating mixture evenly in sprayed foil lined pan. Let stand at room temperature for 20 to 60 minutes or until dough is firm enough to handle.
3. Spray inside of 4 food storage plastic bags with nonstick cooking spray. Divide dough into 4 sections. Squeeze each section with hands until workable. To color each section, place dough in sprayed bag. Add food color as desired (about 1/8 teaspoon for 1/4 of dough); knead dough until color is well blended. Turn bag inside out; scrape out dough. Let stand 15 to 30 minutes before sculpting.
4. Cut each section of clay into 3 pieces. Sculpt clay as desired. Decorate with small candies. Candy clay will harden when exposed to air. (Store unused clay in sealed plastic bag. Before sculpting, knead with hands to soften or microwave several seconds.)

Yield: 12 candies

Tips for Kids in the Kitchen

- Cooking is messy, so have kids cover up with aprons or old shirts with the sleeves rolled up.
- Cleanliness is important. Make sure kids know to wash their hands before starting and after sneezes or bathroom breaks.
- Review the recipe and steps with your children so they know what to expect and what needs to be done.
- Have damp sponges and cloths available so kids can clean up as they go.
- A newspaper or old sheet spread underneath a work area will keep the floor cleaner.
- Start a "keepsake recipe box" for your child so you can keep track of favorite recipes.



Huskies host holiday classic



Two-points

Marsing Husky Shea McClellin goes in for two points during the holiday classic last week.

The Marsing Huskies hosted a holiday classic basketball tournament last Thursday and Friday for four local teams. Greenleaf, Horseshoe Bend, Marsing and Jordan Valley competed in the two day event.

In boy's basketball on Thursday, Marsing beat Greenleaf 49-39, Jordan Valley beat the Huskies 49-35 followed by Horseshoe Bend over Greenleaf 53-44.

Shea McClellan scored 19 points for the Huskies and made three of 10 free shots. Anthony Butler added 10 points for the Huskies and Cody Heller scored five points, one three point shot.

Greenleaf jumped to a 14-9 lead over the Huskies in the first quarter, but a Marsing gave a strong second half and stopped the Grizzlies 37-17.

A strong first half overpowered Marsing in the Jordan Valley game with the Mustangs scoring 32-16 before the second half. Jordan Valley offense held the Huskies to 19 points in the second half, but the Huskies roped the Mustangs and held them to 17 points.

For the Mustangs, Elsner scored 30 points with four three pointers. Anderson followed with eight points.

Marsing was led by McClellan with 16 points and Heller who scored eight points and sunk two of eight three shots.

Horseshoe Bend had three players in double figures, Jesse Goff with 14 points, Chad Coburn with 13 and Matt Osorio with 10. Chance Johnson had a game-high of 15 points for the Grizzlies while Nate Landis added 10 points. Brandon Wertz added a double-double of 10 points and 12 rebounds.



Shoot

Jordan Valley Mustang Pat Anderson goes up for a shot during the holiday classic at Marsing High School last week. Jordan Valley defeated the Huskies 49-35.



Defense

Mustang Paul Elsner works around Husky Miguel Quebrado in the Marsing Husky Holiday Classic.

Lady Huskies beat Grizzlies, lose to Mustangs

Marsing's Lady Huskies snared the Greenleaf Grizzlies 71-40 in Thursday's holiday classic but were kenneled by the Jordan Valley Mustangs later in the day 47-38.

Marsing started its game with Greenleaf by jumping to an early 16 point lead. But the Huskies opened the door to the Grizzlies and let them back in the game with turnovers and poor decisions in the second quarter.

"The second half we picked it back up and blew them out 71-40," Husky head coach Don Heller commented.

Heller said in Jordan Valley, poor shooting attributed to the teams loss. Marsing shot 21 percent and recorded 45-32 in rebounding.

"The coaches would like to thank all of the fans for attending and a special thank you to all the parents who helped and donated to the tournament," Heller stated. "A special thanks to the parents who put together a great hospitality room."

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense



Political relatives

Okay, how many had a pleasant family holiday get-together DISRUPTED by members of opposing political parties going at it tooth and nail? Me too.

Was yours a tag team match, one on one, or a mob lynching? Were they civil and did they listen to each other's opinions? Did they ask questions like, "Oh really, where did you read that?" or "Gosh, I'd really like to know more about that subject." or "Certainly, I think you're probably right. Why didn't I think of that?"

Or...was it more like professional wrestling, peppered with comments like, "Anybody who'd vote for him should be whipped with a cat-o-nine tails and drug through 26 acres of broken campaign promises while reciting, 'I'll never vote straight ticket again!'" or "Are you so stupid you didn't know that aliens from Costa Rica were controlling his mind! Put down that punkin pie and listen to me!"

If one listens closely, the debating points resemble the same ones used when two people are debating Ford vs. Chevy or Hereford vs. Angus, i.e., "It has a better tone." "I like the way it handles." "I just don't trust 'em." "He's got no mothering instinct." "The blood-line is better." "I'm sticking to what my daddy said!"

I think it's possible for a supporter or even a fanatic to change their mind. But rarely is it a result of something heard in a debate. More often as we age and change, we begin to realize that what we wanted then is not what we want now.

Regarding these tedious or enlightening adversarial holiday conversations (depending on whether your side is winning), there is much historical precedent. Winston Churchill's post-prandial dinner discussions were legend. Learned, opinionated people holding forth on the topics of day. Stimulating to many. I'm sure others would have been more comfortable knitting or pulling cockleburs out of a wild cat's tail rather than listening to windy, overbearing, condescending, earnest, self-important bores.

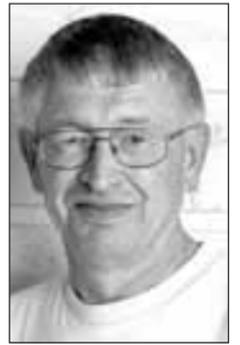
"Winston, send these people home, Saturday Night Live is on in ten minutes and you've still got to walk the mongoose!"

So, to all you family and friends who bore the burden of having to watch football over the high volume, non-stop verbal wrangling of a few rabid political relatives, my apologies.

And to my bright, articulate, narrow-minded, knowledgeable, partisan kin folk, thanx. I take great pleasure in your company. You are my whetstone. You help me sharpen my wit.

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... but possibly of interest



Nowadays, if a kid falls down and cut himself on a piece of glass, it's off to the local hospital emergency room. Several hours later he emerges sporting stitches and a medical bill equal to the average annual family income in 1952 -- and that's not counting the prescription his parents must pick up at a pharmacy.

There were a lot of ways a youngster could get hurt in the 1950s. And the odds of injury were higher because we didn't wear helmets when we rode our bikes, or knee and elbow pads when rollerskating. There weren't any child-proof caps on bottles or car safety seats. It's a wonder any youngster lived to reach adulthood in the "good old days."

Fifty years ago, farm kids faced special dangers. All you had to do was count the farmyard cats missing legs, tails or parts of ears because of close encounters with mowing machines. Farm equipment of that period was designed for efficiency and simplicity. Safety didn't play a role -- fear and common sense were supposed to take care of that. Farm cats could survive without those attributes. As long as a cat had two legs (preferably on opposite sides) and one ear, he could make a living.

Although the risks faced by kids a half century ago were much higher than they are today, it required a significant injury (like exposed muscle or bone) to merit a trip to the hospital. Most injuries were treated at home. And the first rule was the treatment had to hurt to heal.

Mercurochrome filled the bill.

When I sustained cut, sore, burn, blister or abrasion on my body, Mother's first reaction was to cover the wound with Mercurochrome. This procedure always caused considerable jumping and yelping. The home doctor

told me the stinging meant the medicine was killing the germs. It always amazed me how many germs could get into a wound in the few minutes required to start treatment.

Mercurochrome on a wound was a Red Badge of Courage at school. But there were also higher orders of bravery recognized. If you saw a kid with a nasty gash surrounded by an orange blotch, he deserved special recognition. He had been treated with the dreaded Merthiolate. If the pain it generated was any indicator of effectiveness, Merthiolate could have raised the dead. It did have one merit. It hurt so much you normally forgot about the wound itself.

The "it has to hurt to do any good" theory left many of us with strange values. Once while swimming, I pulled myself out of a canal across a rusty bolt protruding from some concrete. It left a nasty gash across my abdomen.

When I arrived home I couldn't find any of the standard antiseptics. I decided immediate action was needed to prevent lock jaw. I knew of only one substance on Earth that stung worse than Merthiolate. I grabbed the salt canister out of the cupboard and dumped the contents on my bleeding stomach. I was not disappointed. The pain was every bit as intense as I expected. The wound pulled itself together in self-defense and healed without a hint of infection.

Mercurochrome was banned by the Food and Drug Administration several years ago. Merthiolate, however, still has some legal applications, as does salt. Cats also are still legal, too, and probably are still losing legs, tail and ears. Humans may change their lifestyles but cats will always be cats.

Letters to the editor

A great big "thank you"

Christmas spirit rolled through the streets of Homedale and raced through Owyhee and Canyon Counties to give the residents of Owyhee Health & Rehabilitation Center a memorable Christmas party.

Each of our thirty-six residents received at least four gifts from Santa, thanks to the tremendous efforts of our fabulous community, the staff at Owyhee Avalanche, and families and staff of OHRC. We want to say thank you to all who participated in this year's Christmas Gift Drive. Friends, you really know how to throw a party! You should have seen the smiles on the resident faces. Your kindness is humbling and makes us proud to be part of a truly caring community that honors it's elderly and disabled.

Thank you again from all of us at OHRC and may you have a blessed New Year in 2005 for your thoughtfulness and love.

James Roberts, OHRC

Classes available

One in three people over the age of 65 fall each year. The fear of falling can keep a person from the activities they enjoy. Falling also causes pain, medical bills, and loss of independence and mobility.

An active lifestyle can reduce your risk of falling. A fall prevention exercise class, called Fit and Fall Proof is being offered free of charge at the Homedale Senior Center. The classes meet twice a week for six weeks.

The Fit and Fall Proof classes I have taken are beneficial and fun. The class leader adds a lot of cheer and laughter to the class lessons. The exercises have helped maintain independence and safety at home.

For dates and class times call the Homedale Senior Center or call Carol Cowger at Southwest District Health (co-sponsors of class) at 455-5332.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

January 3, 1980

Patent issuance is big step to resolve ownership

A big step in the battle to resolve the ownership of property in the Silver City area took place December 28 when the Bureau of Land Management issued a patent to a piece of property in that historic mining town.

BLM State Director Bob Buffington issued the deed to Ned Williams and Gloria and Carla Otto. Although the patent holders were not on hand at the ceremony, several representatives of the Silver City Taxpayers Association witnessed the event.

The patent is the first of 70 that will be issued during the next few months. Buffington said the patent process has taken more time than expected because the BLM has had trouble contacting owners of mining claims. In order to issue patents to building owners, the claim owners must first relinquish surface rights. A number of valid mining claims exist on minerals under the town.

Director Buffington pointed out the patents include restrictions concerning altering buildings on the patents. The buildings must not be altered in a way which would compromise their historical character.

Homedale birth

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Flaming (Lynn Lineberger) of Boise are parents of a 6-lb. 9-oz. daughter, Tara Natasha, born on Christmas day, Dec. 25, 1979. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph (Margie) Lineberger are maternal grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom (Joellen) Ineck, Homedale, are parents of an 8-lb. 13-oz. son, Adam Lucas, born on Thursday, Dec. 27. He joins two brothers, Bradley, 4, and Matthew, 19 months. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ineck, Caldwell, are paternal grandparents. Mrs. Mary White, Nampa, is maternal grandmother.

Homedale area news

Verva Ferguson was hostess at a Christmas smorgasbord open house on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 23, for friends and family.

Mrs. Dick Kershner, Chris, Paulette and JoAnn, Jordan Valley, visited one day last week with Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ash accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Robbie Deahl, Twin Falls, returned last Friday from a week's holiday visit in Washington. They were overnight guests of Elsie Harper, Camas, Wash., the preceding Friday. The balance of the week was spent with their son Gary Ash, and other relatives in Seattle, Wash.

Christmas eve guests at the Larry Prow home were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Prow, Brenda Sutterfield and sons, and Verva Ferguson and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kubosumi received a Christmas telephone call from their son, Kim in Tokyo, Japan, on Christmas eve. He has been in Tokyo since August while on a two year mission to Japan for his church.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hawkins, Los Angeles, Calif., was a Christmas week guest of his grandmother, Mrs. Jewel Scott in Homedale and at McCall, where they were all guests of Mrs. Scott's son LaVon Scott and family. The LaVon Scott family called Monday this week on his mother in Homedale, enroute to their home in Upper Saddle River, New Jersey.

Mrs. Wendy Riggin was Christmas dinner hostess to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Runger and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Lund, Caldwell; Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Mitchell, Earl Runger, and Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Runger.

Guests of Mrs. Laura Rowland during Christmas week were her son, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Maxwell and family, and her grandson, Blain Maxwell and his new bride, all of Boise. Her brother, Burlin Benham, Jordan Valley, spent Christmas day with her.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Pierce last Friday were Mrs. Virginia Stanford and her daughters in laws, Mrs. Pat Stanford and two daughters and Mrs. Dennis Stanford and two daughters, all of Jordan Valley.

Christmas holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Tolmie were their daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Blake (Jan) Murri, Idaho Falls; Brenda Tolmie from Idaho State University Pocatello, and Maxine Tolmie, Dugway, Utah; also Mr. and Mrs. John Duffin and family, Aberdeen. The Tolmies entertained at dinner Sunday honoring their daughters. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Norman Tolmie, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Tolmie and son and Mrs. Jewel Scott.

50 years ago

January 6, 1955

Boards of control consider cloud seeding in Owyhee

NYSSA – the North and South Boards of Control of the Owyhee Irrigation Project yesterday had reached tentative agreement with the North American Weather Consultants, Altadena, Calif., calling for a cloud-seeding program for the spring months of this year at an approximate cost of 8 cents per acre to water users. North board chairman Paul House said that the program was undertaken because of low water of the past season and low holdover of stored water in Owyhee reservoir this fall and winter.

Tentative starting date for the program was set for Jan. 20.

According to W. H. Robinson, manager of the South Board of Control, Milford Vaught of Bruneau and Jim Nettleton of Grand View were asked to contact other stockmen in the area to determine how many will support the cloud seeding proposal.

Committees are appointed at chamber meet

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce held a board meeting on Tuesday noon at the Cone Café During the business meeting Elmer Ross was appointed as chairman of the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet to be held on February 3rd. It was reported that Governor Smylie has accepted an invitation to speak at the banquet.

Bill Gouldman was appointed as chairman of the 1955 membership dues committee, and an auditing committee was also appointed.

Homedale Trojans win 47-46 in game with Notus squad

Tuesday night the Notus Pirates challenged the Trojans on the Trojans' home floor. At the end of the first half, the score stood 21-23 in Notus' favor. The second half was very exciting, with the slight lead being passed back and forth several times. The final score was 47-46 in Homedale's favor.

High point men for Homedale were Fred Demshar and Paul Jesenko with 12 points each. High man for Notus was Dan Barfuss with 22 points.

In the preliminary game, the Notus Jayvees defeated the local cub squad by a score of 43-42.

Marsing

Winners in the essay contest sponsored by the Marsing Rod & Gun club are: In the junior division on "What Good Is a Marsh?" 1st Geanette Ketner, 2nd Clair Case, 3rd Ona Jean Hiatt. In the senior division on "Why Save Our Marsh Lands?" 1st Dan McClintick, 2nd Evelyn Walker, 3rd Wade Briggs.

Twenty dollars of prize money will be divided among the winners. Winning essays go to Boise to the Idaho Wildlife Federation and if they win there will compete for national honors.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Basey were holiday guests in the Lon Clapp home in Boise.

At noon on Christmas day Bishop Bill Davis united in marriage Glenn Burman and Janette Fowler. Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Wallace were witnesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Burman of Marsing are parents of the groom while Miss Fowler comes from Carlton, Oregon.

The bride wore a grey suit with white accessories for the ceremony.

A combination wedding and Christmas dinner was served in the Wesley Burman home immediately following the ceremony.

The groom attended Marsing schools and is en route to Camp Kilman, New Jersey. He will embark for army duty in Germany the first of the year. The bride plans to return to Carlton while her husband is overseas.

Florence Baalson has been ill the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Andrus were guests Sunday evening of the I. L. McConnells of Homedale.

Mrs. Emma Blakeslee and David were New Years days guests of the Al Mounts.

The Marsing Rod and Gun club will hold its annual duck feed on January 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. Julio Yzaguirre are the parents of a girl born on December 31st.

138 years ago

January 5, 1867

LETTER OF APPROVAL. At a meeting of the citizens of Silver City, held in rear of the Challenge Saloon on the evening of Dec. 31st, a committee of three, consisting of Thos. Ewing, A. H. Webb and Thos. J. Butler, was chosen to draft a letter to Hon. R. T. Miller, of the Council. Hon. R. Englie, of the Assembly, and N. T. Caton, Esq., acknowledging the obligations under which these gentlemen has passed their constituents in procuring the removal of the County Seat of Owyhee County from Ruby to Silver City.

ANOTHER COUNTY. The Legislature is about to organize a new County to be called Lemhi. They will embrace the country lying about the headwaters of Salmon River, and if recent reports concerning the discovery of rich places digging up there be true, the organization of a County to a pressing necessity. We have not seen any report of the proposed boundaries, and hence cannot spark intelligently of the present population and resources of the region to be included.

GREENBACKS. Uncle Samuel's paper is appreciating in value. December 25th legal tenders selling in New York at 75 cts. They are going here to general business transactions by 80 cents, which is not so much out of the way as formerly. The fact that this rise has taken place at this time, is a good omen, as Congress has just assembled and foreshadowed its financial policy.

FOUNDRY. All those in want of any kind of cast machinery are respectfully requested to read the advertisement in this paper of Goss & Lambard, proprietors of the "Sacramento iron Works" – at Sacramento, Cal. They turn out all kinds of machines, bailers an all superior in finish and durability to that of any establishment on the Pacific Coast. We personally know that any of the largest mining and milling combines in California and Nevada patronize the Sacramento Iron Works. It is near the mines, saves something in freight, as well as getting work of superior quality and finish. Orders of any size promptly filled.

OFFICIAL PAPERS. The publication of the U.S. laws for Idaho Territory, has been awarded to the Boise Statesman and Idaho World. This may be called an even divide – The World representing the Democracy, and The Statesman the Radicals. The division was made, we understand, on the recommendation of Governor Bellard. – Walla Walla Statesman.

SATURDAY morning of last week, in company with another gentlemen, John Creed left Flint District for this place. As they neared the summit between here and Flint, the storm became so violent as to compel them to retrace their steps, and found their way to J. M. Eves & Co's sawmill. Mr. Creed's feet and hands were frozen, and it was with the up most difficulty that this comrades got him back in this condition. He was so exhausted that he would at times give up all effort and lay down in the snow. The news reached his friends in Silver on Sunday that he had started the morning before. Messengers were immediately ascertained, which afforded much relief to Mr. C's many friends. Men cannot possibly exercise too great caution in traveling the mountains during Winter. Storms are liable to rise at any moment and men in the mountains should expect them and be on their guard as to where they are and how to get out if caught.

NEW YEAR'S BALL. This was without doubt the largest party ever given in Owyhee. Over fifty tickets were sold, and full thirty ladies who took a full hand and a pair "of flying feet" in the dance were present. They were unusually richly dressed, and were attractive and social. The hall, was well warmed, lighted and tastefully adorned with pictures and evergreen. The music by King's Band was fitting to the occasion. Messrs. King, Ullman, Frank and West are a "band" of musical fellows not excelled in giving parties good music. The supper given by H. Way of the "Silver City Hotel", was anomalously pronounced above expectations and in respects creditable to the proprietor. Take the New Year's Ball in its full extent and details, it was up to the occasion, grand for so new a place, pleasant to the participants and creditable to the proprietor.

WEATHER. It has been as mild as usual up to Thursday evening, when it grew a little colder than at any previous time this winter. Friday morning the mercury stood at zero. The early part of the week was stormy and the last two days clear. The weather is quite satisfactory.

Public notices

**OWYHEE COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
DECEMBER 20, 2004
OWYHEE COUNTY
COURTHOUSE MURPHY,
IDAHO**

Present were Commissioner Tolmie, Commissioner Reynolds, Commissioner Salove, Clerk Sherburn, Treasurer Wright, Assessor Endicott, Fred Grant and Jim Desmond.

The Board approved amendments to the agenda to include tax cancellations, and a request for a road name.

The Board made a motion to approve property tax cancellations on Parcel No. RP 15511E320040 in the amount of \$80 for solid waste fees being assessed on the property. A cancellation was also approved for Parcel No. MH 6S4E22840A in the amount of \$66.52 as the mobile home was destroyed by fire.

Jerry Hoagland met with the Board to discuss forming a core group to work with the Agricultural Research Center in the Reynolds Creek area.

The Board approved a letter to be sent to Catherine Freer Wilderness Expeditions regarding the permit application to operate in the county. The county requested the county be named as insured on the insurance policy.

The Board approved a pay raise for the deputy auditor from a 7A to a 7B.

The Board approved a grant application in the amount of \$3,500 from the Idaho State Historical Society to do a study in the Silver City area.

The Board moved to approve the payment of all outstanding bills to be paid from the following funds: Current Expense \$36,970 Road & Bridge \$11,993 District Court \$9,955 Probation \$1,477 Health District \$4,251 Historical Society & Museum \$1,029 Indigent and Charity \$3,586 Junior College \$1,100 Revaluation \$732 Solid Waste \$18,365 Weed \$287 911 \$3,178

The Board approved a letter to be sent to the supervisor of the weed department requesting a meeting on a quarterly basis.

The Board took the following action on pending Indigent and Charity cases: I.C. No. 04-57 the Board approved for payment. I.C. No. 04-55 the Board denied upon a request from the hospital to withdraw the application. I.C. No 04-42 the Board approved the Findings and Conclusions.

The Board approved the minutes for the December 13th meeting.

The Board approved the road name of Latigo Lane, requested by Ron Striebel.

There being no further business the Board moved to adjourn.

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

s./ Harold Tolmie

Attest s./ Charlotte Sherburn
1/5/05

NOTICE

Pursuant to Idaho Code 25-2301, the State Brand Inspector is holding one bwf cow, found on South Mountain, Owyhee County. She will be sold at Treasure Valley Livestock on Friday 12/14/04. May be claimed with proof of ownership and paying all expenses. 459-4231

1/5,12/05

**The following application(s)
have been filed to appropriate
the public waters of the State
of Idaho:
57-11671**

VELLA M HAMMOND
11224 EDGE HILL DR
BOISE ID 82709
G DALE HAMMOND
11224 W EDGEHILL DR
BOISE ID 83709
Point(s) of Diversion SESWE
S36 T04N R06W OWYHEE
County Source SPRING
Tributary To SINKS
Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 To
12/31 0.02 CFS

Total Diversion: 0.02 CFS
Date Filed: 12/16/2004
Place Of Use: STOCKWATER
T04N R06W S36 SESE

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho Code. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 01/24/2005. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J DREHER, Director
1/5,12/05

**PROPOSED CHANGE OF
WATER RIGHT**

THE FOLLOWING THREE TRANSFERS HAVE BEEN FILED WITH IDAHO DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES (IDWR) ON THE SAME WATER RIGHT WITH A 1949 PRIORITY DATE. ALL THE TRANSFER ARE LOCATED IN HIDDEN VALLEY ESTATES SUBDIVISION LOCATED FOUR MILES SOUTH OF MARSING AND 1/2 MILE EAST OF HIGHWAY 78:

Sanwann LLC of 4225 Riva Ridge Way, Boise, ID 83709 filed application for transfer no. 71510 totaling 0.04 cfs from the Snake River. The purpose of the transfer is to split the right and add a separate pump in the river to irrigate a separate parcel resulting from the split instead of using the original pump that served the entire acreage. The proposed site is aka Lot 4, Block 1.

Glen and Valerie Schorzman of 7752 Riverfront Drive, Marsing, ID 83639 filed application for transfer no. 71509 totaling 0.04 cfs from the Snake River. The purpose of the transfer is to split the right and add a separate pump in the river to irrigate their parcel resulting from the split instead of using the original pump that served the entire acreage. The new river pump located in Lot 12, Block 1 will be shared with the owners of the transfer number 71510 mentioned below. The proposed site the water right will be put to use is aka Lot 13, Block 1.

Frederick Ashworth Jr. and Down Roy of 7726 Riverfront Drive, Marsing, ID 83639 filed application for transfer no. 71510 totaling 0.04 cfs from the Snake River. The purpose of the transfer is to split the right and add a separate pump in the river to irrigate their parcel resulting from the split instead of using the original pump that served the entire acreage. The new river pump located in Lot 12, Block 1 will be shared with the owners of the transfer number 71509 mentioned above. The proposed site the water right will be put to use is aka Lot 12, Block 1.

For specific details regarding

the above applications, please contact IDWR Western Region at 208-334-2190 or visit www.idwr.state.id.us with detail provided under "new water right applications". Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-222, Idaho Code. Any protest against the proposed change must be filed with the Department of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705-5082 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before January 24, 2005. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

KARL J DREHER, Director
1/5,12/05

**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

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Public notices

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, as Beneficiary, dated 4/11/2003, recorded 4/17/2003, under Instrument No. 243201, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by 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 31st 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.

12/15,22,29;01/5/05

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) A the entrance to Owyhee County Courthouse 20381 State Highway 78 Murphy ID 83650. In the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, First American Title Insurance Company by Alliance Title Company, its duly authorized agent, as trustee on behalf of New Centruy 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 the said northwest quarter of section 28 and along the 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, 329.12 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 the 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 from a found 5/8" iron pin marking the northwest corner of the said one-half of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 28; thence south 89 degrees 09' 40" east, 326.2 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. Tow), recorded February 7, 1997 as 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 for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$943.68 due per month from 9/1/2004 through 4/28/2005, and all subsequent payments until 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 28, 2004 By: First American Title Insurance Company By Alliance Title Company, Its Duly Authorized Agent Les Poppitt P224951.
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Commentary

From pot to porn to AARP

BY Cliff Kincaid, Editor of the AIM Report.

The American Association for Retired Persons now calls itself simply "AARP" because some members are offended by the term "retired" and it wants to appeal to younger Americans. But the organization is now trying to explain a far more serious and deceptive practice. It hired an admitted former drug user and dealer as an editor of its 22-million circulation magazine. He has emerged as a spokesman on the so-called "medical marijuana" issue, telling America that seniors might benefit from smoking dope.

AARP confirmed AARP magazine editor Ed Dwyer's curious background, saying that he wrote for High Times magazine and Playboy but had also done work for "quality" publications. AARP said his resumé didn't include a stint as a writer for Penthouse, but there are several references to that in the public record. What's more, AARP magazine top editor Steven Slon also worked for Penthouse. It turns out he and Dwyer are old friends.

High in America, a book taking an inside look at the drug culture, reported that High Times was described by its founder, drug smuggler Tom Forcade, as being like a "sleazy carnival" with "pills in one room, grass in another, coke in another room, nitrous in the next room, glue in another room, and so on down the hall."

Dwyer didn't respond to my emails and telephone calls. But emerging as a national spokesman for the magazine, Dwyer was quoted by the Associated Press as saying that "The use of medical marijuana applies to many older Americans who may benefit from cannabis." An article and poll results on the issue will appear in the March-April issue. Slon says Dwyer helped edit the marijuana article and claims that it is a balanced treatment, but he wouldn't provide an advance copy.

The poll results were released in advance, generating widespread coverage with Tonight Show comedian Jay Leno cracking, "Nearly 75 percent of elderly Americans approve of the legalization of medical marijuana. And you thought grandpa used to forget stuff before!" But it's not a laughing matter to anti-drug activists who recognize the use of marijuana cigarettes for "health" reasons as a ploy to soften opposition to the legalization of pot.

Slon claims Dwyer's drug use is a thing of the past and AARP says that he worked for High Times years ago, from 1974-1978. However, he also authored a piece for the December 2004 "anniversary" edition of the magazine about how High Times "was a dope-fueled mission" for him. Dwyer didn't disavow his early drug-taking years and, in fact, speaks fondly of "the memories and opportunities."

For those who have never seen a copy, High Times features centerfold pictures of illegal substances, like Playboy features women exposing their private parts. The "sex was plentiful" and the work, Dwyer wrote, was "most rewarding when we got to sample the centerfolds," naming several varieties of dope. He said that some of his best story ideas "came out of a balloonful" of nitrous oxide or laughing gas.

High Times founder Tom Forcade, he said, would "give me pounds of marijuana or hash to peddle..." but Dwyer gave most of it back because he wasn't good at dealing drugs. However, he took the job when Forcade gave him "a bag of Colombian" marijuana as an inducement.

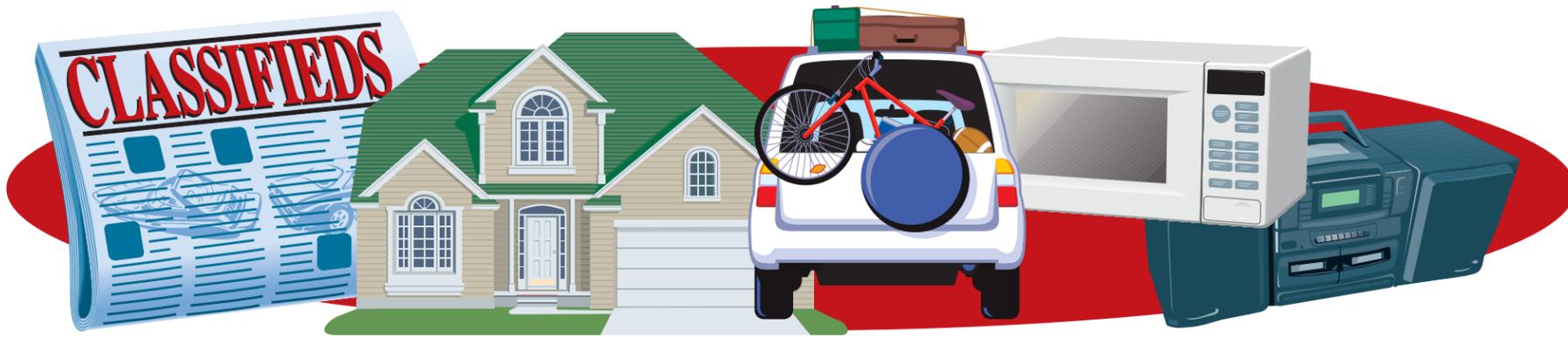
Dwyer reveals that Forcade would talk only "half-jokingly" in admiring terms about such figures as North Korea's Kim Il Sung, Hitler, and Juan Peron of Argentina. He eventually committed suicide, but Dwyer survived, bouncing from job to job until he has ended up at what is now called "AARP The Magazine." The old name, "Modern Maturity," was dropped because it was too bland. The new version is apparently modeled after ESPN The Magazine and designed to be fashionable and youth-oriented. But AARP may have become too slick for its own good by hiring veterans of the counter-culture and using seniors in a deceptive campaign to peddle dope.

With the assistance of Jeanette McDougal of Drug Watch International, anti-drug activists Joyce Nalepka and Dee Rathbone uncovered the Dwyer connection when they read how AARP had "decided to study" the issue of "medical marijuana." They said, "To those of us who've known for years that High Times magazine is a virtual market place for all things pro-drug, including marijuana seeds, mushroom spores, and drug paraphernalia, we had to wonder how many grandparents who participated in this AARP poll were aware what they were voting to support. We suspect very few have any idea. Grandparents are the most anti-drug segment of our society."

Perhaps this is why seniors have been targeted with a poll that is being used to push dope. Forcade, if he were alive, would be proud of AARP The Magazine.

Owyhee County Church Directory

<p>Assembly of God Church Homedale 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</p>	<p>Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm</p>	<p>Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church 1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon</p>
<p>Mt. Calvary Lutheran Homedale 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</p>	<p>Friends Community Church Homedale 301 W. Montana, 337-3464 Pastor: John Beck 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Worship</p>	<p>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Alan McRae Bishop Dwayne Fisher Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm</p>
<p>Homedale Baptist Church Homedale 212 S. 1st W. Sunday School 10am & 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7pm Pastor James Huls</p>	<p>Wilder Church of God Wilder 205 A St. E., 482-7839 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm</p>	<p>Mountain View Church of the Nazarene 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</p>
<p> MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY 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)</p>	<p>If your Owyhee County church would like to be included, please fax information to 208-337-4867</p>	<p>Marsing Church of Christ Marsing 932 Franklin, Marsing Minister Gib Nelson Sunday Bible Study 10am Sunday Worship 11am</p>
<p>Christian Church Homedale 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastors Maurice Jones & Duane Crist Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45</p>	<p>Bible Missionary Church Homedale West Idaho, 337-4437 Pastor Paul Miller Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm</p>	<p>Assembly of God Church Marsing 139 Kerry, 896-4294 Pastor Rick Sherron Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm</p>
<p>Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing 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</p>	<p>Nazarene Church Marsing 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</p>	<p>Trinity Holiness Church Homedale 119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm</p>
<p>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Bishop Streibel Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm Primary 11am</p>	<p>Vision Bible Church Marsing 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.</p>	<p>United Methodist Church Wilder Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. 880-8751 Pastor Carolyn Bowers Sunday Services 9:30am</p>
<p>First Presbyterian Church Homedale 320 N. 6th W., 337-3060 Pastor Marianne Paul Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am</p>	<p>Calvary Holiness Church Wilder 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.</p>	<p>Seventh Day Adventist Homedale 16613 Garnet Rd., 880-4685 or 453-9289 Pastor Allan Payne Sabbath School Sat. 9:30am Worship 11am Wednesday Prayer Mtg. 7:30</p>
<p>Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale 711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am</p>	<p>ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE</p>	<p>Knight Community Church Grand View 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</p>



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