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Juvenile detention center to be proposed near Poison Creek

Plans for a juvenile detention center near Poison Creek are in the beginning stages developer Rick Echeverria said last week. Earnest money has been placed on property contingent upon receiving a building permit, but Echeverria said filing an application for a conditional use permit through Owyhee County is not far off.

County Commissioner Chris Salove said several people concerned with the project, which has not been officially released yet, have approached him. He said right now the only thing he knows is what people in the area have heard.

The Poison Creek area is the proposed site of the facility, which Echeverria said is contingent upon obtaining a permit for the facility.

"Rick has come and talked to me about it and some of the property owners have approached me as well," Salove said last week. "I have had a number of people approach me who are concerned about it. From what I can tell it is in the earliest stages of planning. We have not seen anything from planning and zoning on it yet. Rick asked me what the procedure would be and I told him that area is zoned agriculture."

"Something like that could be permitted in an ag zone. It is not allowed and he would have to go through the permit process. He told me it was some sort of a juvenile detention center, but

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Voters reject Marsing water bond levy

Voters in the City of Marsing said no to a \$1.5 million bond levy election last week. Now Mayor Don Osterhoudt said the city would have to "bandaid" deteriorating water lines. The levy failed by a 76-42 vote.

Osterhoudt said he and the council were disappointed that the levy did not pass because he felt the project was a "win-win" situation.

Two public meetings, be-
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INTERNATIONAL CUISINE TO BE SERVED AT SATURDAY'S SMORGASBORD



Dinner preparation

Tim Quintana and Dirk Tolmie take boxes of food from a storage building in preparation for this weekend's International Smorgasbord in Homedale.

Annual event begins at 11 a.m.

Hundreds of pounds of food will be delivered to the Homedale Elementary School this week in preparation for the annual International Smorgasbord which will be held this Saturday from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. Middle school students have been actively selling tickets for the dinner and cooks have been preparing menus for the fundraising event.

This year's theme is "United we Stand for Education." Tickets have been on sale for nearly a month and sixth grade children at the middle school have been competing to see which class can sell the highest amount of meal passes.

Tickets will also be available at the door for \$28 for a family of two adults and kids with a limit of eight per family. Seven dollars

for adults, \$5 for seniors, \$4 for children grades 1-2 and \$2 for pre-school children.

Over the years, proceeds from the event have purchased over \$230,00 in instructional materials and equipment for students in all three schools. Last year the smorgasbord committee was able to give the schools over \$9,000.

The art show held in

conjunction with the annual event is open to anyone who has his or her work framed or matted. Ribbons and prizes will be awarded in four age group categories and all entries must be brought to the elementary school before 12 p.m. on Feb. 11th.

International food is being prepared in large quantities this week and includes 300 pounds of chorizos and 180 pounds of Basque codfish with pimentos. The European booth will be cooking 100 pounds of spaghetti and 5,000 meatballs. Over 2,500 pieces of Teriyaki chicken will be cooked and served in the Oriental booth and more than 250 pounds

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Voters pass fire levy

Marsing Rural Fire District voters said yes to a new pumper fire truck and equipment for the district with a 165 to 11 yes vote last week. The two-year levy will increase the district's 2004 and 2005 fiscal budget by \$90,000 per year.

Now bids will begin being accepted for a new

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Record number of people attend Saturday's disaster auction



Going once, going twice, gone

JB Salutregui and Pete Smit hold a hand made quilt auctioned off during last weekend's Marsing Disaster Auction. Over \$63,000 was raised during the auction, which featured everything from canned pickles to fishing excursions.

It was standing room only during last weekend's Marsing Disaster Auction as record numbers of buyers attended the daylong event. Chairperson Kelly Ineck said although the final totals are

not available yet, as of the end of auction day over \$63,000 had already been raised. She said as in years past, several thousand dollars are usually donated following the sale.

In the raffles, Jim Burnell won the Ruger 22-250 rifle, Lamou Loucks won the safe, Adrian Ineck won a digital camera with a printer, and Cory Watson won

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New Bruneau field manager says he's 'just one of the guys'

With all of the changes that have been taking effect in the Bureau of Land Management, one field manager says the goal is still the same and will remain the same as far as he is concerned. Mitchell Jaurena said his job is about customer service and will always be about customer service.



Mitchell Jaurena

Jaurena took the position as Bruneau Field Office Manager after the Owyhee Field Office was split. Jaurena will over see the Bruneau area and the east end of the county and Owyhee Field Manager Ron Kay will oversee the new Marsing office and the west end of the county.

Jaurena is no stranger to ranching as he grew up working in the family's sheep business in Coal-inga, California. After completing his Bachelor of Science degree in agriculture, he went to work for Warren Livestock Company in Cheyenne, Wyoming as a sheep foreman in 1978.

"My dad was one of the original founders of the Western Range Association that helped import the Basque herders," Jaurena said. "He founded it in the 1950s as the San Joaquin Valley growers association. It went on and on and eventually became the Western Range Association. I don't have any family in Owyhee County, but I know most of the ranchers from meetings we have attended, so I know them on a personal basis, not just a professional one."

Jaurena has only worked for the BLM for two years being the former Associate Field Manager of the Four Rivers Field Office before accepting the Bruneau position in December.

In 1980, Jaurena followed a different line of work by joining the U.S. Marine Corps. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant on July 1, 1980 and was designated a Naval Aviator on March 12, 1982.

"Right now, we have the Owyhee Initiative and we are

anxiously awaiting the legisla-tive before we make a comment on it," Jaurena said. "I would like to see what comes out of that. The process itself has been fantastic. The collaboration and cooperation between people to get to that point makes an important document in of itself because of the process."

Owyhee Cattlemen's President Brian Collett addressed the pos-sibility of a Bruneau Field office being located Grand View or Bru-neau during a recent cattlemen's meeting. Jaurena said he would also like to see a field office lo-cated in the area, but he did not feel that it would happen any time soon due to budget issues. But he said there is always a possibility for it to happen.

"It is customer service based," Jaurena said. "I understand that we may not have the money for an office in Bruneau right now, but lets face it, I have made a second-ary office of going down to the people my self. I understand that these folks have chores to do and it is not easy to take the time to run to Boise. I have been on their side of the fence. We are going to do that at least every other month if not more. We are down there and we intend to continue to be down there."

Jaurena said he has an open door policy and even goes as far as to give his home phone number to people who want it.

"I am a public servant," Jaurena said. "I have been a public servant for over 23 years and continue to recognize that I am a public ser-vant."



Basque center site

Ray Mansisidor and Tony Larrocea are pictured burning weeds last Saturday on the newly acquired property of the Txoko Ona Basque Club. The club plans to build a Basque center at the location in the near future.

Basque club purchases local site for center

The Txoko Ona Basque Club recently purchased 10 acres in Homedale for a new Basque Center. Last weekend several club members began clearing and clean-up of the property.

The upcoming 5th annual Basque Dance will be held at the Armory on March 5. Pilar Wheeler is the chairman for this year's dance.

The annual meeting was held on Jan. 30 and new board members were elected. Stan Zatica, Fred Egurrola and Chris Landa were elected as new board members.

Other board members include club president Dan Uranga and Luci Mereness. Tony Uranga serves as the treasurer and Teresa Ryska is the club secretary.

Dan, Johyn Lejardi, Ric Uria, Ben Badiola, Roman Usabel, Stan and John Badiola will serve

on the building committee. The group hopes to break ground within the year.

The club is attempting to increase membership from the Jordan Valley, Marsing, Wilder, Melba, Caldwell and the sur-rounding areas.

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✓ Auction

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Ruthie Caba won half a beef, Lettie Percifield won the \$250 shopping spree and Kyla Loucks won the Boise Get-away and the whole pig.

The sale item of the day was a first aid kit auctioned in memory of Debbie Kline a former EMT stricken with terminal cancer. Kline died late last year.

The kit sold three different times with purchasers paying nearly \$600 each time it sold. The final time it sold, Sue and Jerry Floyd purchased the kit and gave it to their daughter Cindy Floyd who is an EMT for the district.

Peggy Korte's famous pickles sold for \$75 this year and a variety of hand made quilts sold for upwards of \$1,000 each.

Plans have already begun for next year's auction in which Ryan Dines will the chairman of the event. Ineck said each year the chairman hopes for a better year than the previous, but this year she was pleased with the amount of people who attended.



Standing room only

Several thousand people attended last Saturday's disaster auction in Marsing. Food booths lined the walls as several auctioneers auctioned a wide variety of items. One dollar and \$10 raffle tickets were sold as donated items were given to lucky ticket holders.

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√ Detention

other than that I have no idea. I don't know much about it except that word has gotten out to some of the neighbors and some of them are very upset. I had one ask me yesterday why don't I just kill this thing. I told him that there are laws and we can't just stand up and say we are not going to do that. It is going to be pretty explosive."

Salove said he understands that the center could be a working youth ranch type of facility. He said he understands that 1,300 to 1,400 acres are being proposed for the facility. But he said at this point without seeing an application, he was not certain.

Planning and Zoning administrator Kay Kelly said Echeverria has requested information on how to get the conditional permit, but she said no application has been filed yet.

"I'm not ready to release anything today, but it is in the process," Echeverria said last week. "We are getting ready to go to planning and zoning and then I am sure we can do something then."

Echeverria said until the idea is put through planning and zoning, he was not ready to release any information on the project. He said himself and another gentlemen, who he would not identify, are doing the development.

√ Sm'gasbord

of baked ham will be served in the American booth. A large variety of salads, breads and deserts brought by volunteers will also be served during the one-day event.

Three hundred four art entries were submitted to the Smorgasbord art show last year with 16 entries from the elementary school, 61 from the middle school and 202 from the high school. Twenty-five adults submitted entries for the adult division and coordinators of the event said they expect as many will display their art work this year. Sherry Thomas and Katie Bellinger will oversee competition.

A basket auction will again be held with a huge variety of handmade theme baskets. Barbie Vanderbough and Merry Helwege will spear head the event and said baskets will be accepted until the morning of the dinner.

Some of the food booths include the Idaho booth which will be ran by Michelle Mashburn, Sherry Romriell, Teresa Gibson and Cindy Sims, the Basque booth, with John and Gloria Lejardi, the European booth with Loretta Hopkins and LeAnda Uranga, the Oriental booth with Betty Uda, the bread booth with Patty Syme, the dessert booth with Tracy Fisher, beverages with Virginia Landa and Teresa Ryska, the Mexican booth with Sara Seamount, salad booth with Melanie Harper, plates and utensils headed by Amy Free-

love, posters and tickets with Troy Sullivan and Dennis Ankeny and the booth setup will be done by Frontier.

Local groups have been organized to entertain throughout the day with musical talents. Dinner ticket sales will continue through Friday and can be purchased from a sixth grade student or at the door.

For more information contact Tim or Nikki at 337-5587 or Dirk or Robin at 337-4155.

√ Water vote

sides a public hearing, were held to inform voters exactly why the council wanted to pass the bond. Osterhoudt said both meetings were poorly attended and he felt the council did not have enough communication with the public.

The whole project was estimated to have cost about \$2.5 million and would include a reconstruction of the water system throughout the city. Osterhoudts said the project consisted of four main components including drilling a new well and construct treatment facilities to adequately treat the water, construct a storage reservoir for fire suppression and summer peak day demand, construct a booster pump station to provide increased, stable pressure, community wide and replace the bulk of the lines in the city's distribution system.

"We go back to the drawing board," Osterhoudt said. "Now we will have to look at mickey mousing our stuff on the Canyon County side to get the best possible use of it as we can. I am disappointed because there was a failure. It was a failure for the council to have enough time to communicate the need and the great deal that was presented to the voters. Frankly, as we went through the project, new information was being obtained every day. The council did not have the opportunity to communicate those needs."

Although the bond did not pass, Osterhoudt said with the passage of a resolution last month, the city's water bills will still go up \$18 per home. He said \$5 of the increase is a cost attributed to higher system expenses and must be incorporated into the basic water rate, regardless of the water project.

"While no one likes to raise rates for basic services, it is very important to note that greater than 40 percent of the project

will be paid for with grant funds, and this funding simply may not be available if the city waits until next year," Osterhoudt stated. "Folks are fed up with bad water and no pressure. The water system must be upgraded to allow Marsing to provide good quality water to the residents of the city at a pressure rate that is stable and consistent"

Osterhoudt said another bond election could happen again in May. Although he said the city will not soon have a deal like for this project.

√ Fire levy

pumper truck and equipment. Complete specifications will be available upon request from the district fire chief Brion Showalter or Roman Usabel, fire marshal. Bids will be opened on March 9 at the firehouse.

Grand View Lions to hold annual auction


The Grand View Lions Club will hold its annual community auction on Feb. 12 at the Grand View Elementary School gymnasium. Funds raised from last year's auction allowed the club to put glasses on several local children and help several others with medical needs.

The Lions Club will serve lunch with the auction to following at 1 p.m. The Baker Auctioneers will call out bids on many donated items including livestock, hay and straw, furniture, household products, petroleum products, cakes and pies and miscellaneous articles. Proceeds from the event will be used for community betterment.

A raffle for a 12-gauge pump shotgun and a gas barbeque grill are being sold by Lion members and can be purchased at the door.

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Wildlife plates do not help game animals

IDF&G push taxpayers to check off donation box on 2004 tax forms

Money that the Idaho Department of Fish and Game receives for wildlife license plates does not go where one might think it goes by looking at the game animals including deer, elk and trout on the plates. In fact it does not go to help any form of game animal, it goes to "non-game" creatures. Since its formation, donations have begun to fall and now the IDF&G are asking taxpayers to check off the donation box on their 2004 state tax returns.

Ed Mitchell, from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game said the funds are used for nearly 502 non-game animals like songbirds, water birds, raptors, small mammals, reptiles and amphibians and threatened and endangered wildlife such as the newly introduced wolf. Non-game wildlife is animals, which are not normally hunted, fished or trapped.

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game's Non-game, Endangered, and Watchable Wildlife Program (Non-game Program) was first formed in July 1982. The Idaho legislature established the state's first tax check-off on the 1981 income tax form as well. It was the funds derived from the check-off that allowed the establishment of a non-game wildlife program. State taxpayers contributed a portion of their refunds to the conservation of species not hunted, trapped, or fished. The non-game program raised about \$90,000 annually but has since

stabilized at around \$40,000 in the last eight years.

Elk, bluebird or trout wildlife license plates can also be purchased for motor vehicles. The program receives \$25 from every purchase of a new plate and \$15 from each annual renewal of the plates. A portion of the elk and trout plates supports non-motorized boat access and wildlife disease monitoring and testing.

"The Non-game Wildlife Program also supports appreciative uses like viewing, interpretive education and photography of all wildlife, including species that are game animals," Joel Sauder, non-game biologist for Fish and Game said.

While most department funds come in the form of license and tag fees from hunters and anglers, or from federal excise taxes on sporting equipment, most non-game funding comes from the voluntary tax form check off, wildlife license plate purchases and direct donations.

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Obituaries

Bobby S. Ishibashi

Bobby S. Ishibashi, 74, of Homedale passed away Monday, January 31, 2005 at West Valley Medical Center, Caldwell. Memorial services were held at 2:00 PM Monday, February 7, 2005 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale.

Bob was born September 7, 1930 in Puyallup, Washington, the son of Sadaji and Ise Ishibashi. He attended grade school at Firwood, a small community in Puyallup, at age 10 during World War II was relocated to Idaho, Hunt Relocation Center, in Minidoka County. After 1945 he and his family came to the Nampa area. He graduated from Caldwell High School in 1950. He joined the U.S. Army on April 10, 1951 and served in Korea; he was honorable discharged October 5, 1956.

He married Betty Dickson on January 18, 1980 in Winnemucca, Nevada, where they celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with Dale and Paula on January 16, 2005. Bob was a life long farmer in the Homedale area until retiring in 1992.

He enjoyed bowling, in which he was the first bowler in Caldwell Association to roll a perfect 300. Bob and Betty also enjoyed their trips to Winnemucca even if it meant losing.

He is survived by his wife, Betty of Homedale; step-sons and wives, Dale (Paula) Dickson of Caldwell; Tony (Deb) Dickson of Homedale; two step-grandchildren, Steven and Jennifer Dickson of Homedale; sister and brother-in-law Ruth (Ishi) Miyake of Nampa; and a brother-in-law, Taka Kora of Homedale; a brother-in-law, Carol (Annabelle) Sitts, sister-in-law, Janet Sitts, all of Parma and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Dyke and George, two sisters, Rose Kora and Jean Abbott.

Memorials may be given to your favorite charity.

Josephine R. Turkovich

Josephine R. Turkovich, 86, of Caldwell, died Monday, February 1, 2005 at a Caldwell care center. Memorial services were held at 2:00 PM Friday, February 4, 2005 at the Treasure Valley Christian Church, 2915 S Montana, Caldwell.

Josephine was born on October 26, 1918 in Kingston, Pennsylvania, where she went to school. In 1940 she married Joseph Turkovich, traveling across America with the U.S. Air Force, later joined by two daughters. Her work was at the Silk Mill then later at J.R. Simplot Company in 1967.

She enjoyed fishing, gardening, crocheting and being on the ranch on Cow Creek in Jordan Valley.

She loved all of us, including her many grandchildren and great grandchildren. We will miss you Mom and will always have a place in our hearts for you. Love your family.

She is survived by her daughters and spouses, Mickie and Jerry Stanford and Connie and Manuel Rapacon, grandchildren, Rob Stanford, David and Kandy Stanford, Dannelle Stanford, Kyle Stanford, Gordon and Lindsay Stanford, Kelly and Danette Stanford, Vonnie and Casey Walker, and Chris Rapacon, and eleven great grandkids. She was preceded in death by eight brothers and sisters, her parents and husband.

Memorials may be sent to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, PO Box 1000 Dept. 300, Memphis, TN 38148-0552

Charlie Scott

Charlie Scott was born December 12, 1919 to Roscoe and Pearl Davis Scott. At that time, they lived in Mountain Grove, Missouri.

He enlisted in the army in 1943 and served in Italy during World War 2. On January 10, 1947, he married Marjorie Hoots in Columbus, Kansas. They traveled to Homedale, Idaho and have been here ever since. They just celebrated 58 years of marriage.

He is survived by his wife Margie, his daughter Linda Rodgers of Round Mtn. Nevada, Shirley Anderson of Homedale, Idaho and by his son Chuck of Northern Idaho. He had nine grand kids and ten great grand kids.

Also surviving are sisters Helen Troy of Seattle, Washington and Carol Casey of Huntington Beach, California and one brother Paul Scott of Caldwell, Idaho.

He was preceded in death by his parents and five brothers.

Marsing Elementary to hold book distribution

Marsing Elementary, Reading is Fundamental, book distribution will be held at the district's cafeteria today (Wednesday) from 1:30 until 3 p.m. Volunteers are needed to help with the distribution.

For more information contact Charlotte Natale at 896-4111 ext. 146.

Taylor Nielsen joins Angus Association

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

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

The American Angus Association is the largest beef registry association in the world, with more than 34,000 active adult and junior members.

Homedale Senior Center

Feb 2: Sausage stuffed burritos, fruit & milk.

Feb 3: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, broccoli, rolls & milk.

Feb 4: Trip to McCall Winter Carnival. There is a bus load already. If we have enough people sign up the bus will go again on Monday Feb. 7.

Feb 7: Hearing aid test clinic.

Feb 8: Birthday lunch. Roast beef, mashed potatoes/gravy, carrots, rolls, milk. Board meeting.

Feb 9: Beef stew, tossed salad, rolls & milk.

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Three Creek

By Lola Blossom

Paulette Elsner of the Seven Triangle ranch is now a full fledged Elementary teacher. She graduated in December with a degree in Elementary education from the Idaho State University at Pocatello. She was able to take necessary courses at the college of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. She put in a brave couple of years to get the job done. Crossing the desert from Three Creek to Roseworth, across Lilly grade to Castleford a distance of 40 miles. She would drop her daughters off for school there and then drive another 30 miles to CSI at Twin Falls. She is at this time substituting teaching at Buhl, Filer and Castleford schools. Her daughters play basketball and Amanda is a cheer leader.

Destry and Kale Weekes from the Seven Triangle Ranch are now playing basketball at Castleford.

Ike Dean of Jerome is now a new resident of Murphys Hot Springs.

Lowell Prunty has some clients out or some lion hunting. Mountain lions that is.

Charely Drowns of Shingle Springs, California is at the Drown's Ranch on Deadwood. He has a couple of grandsons with him which he is home schooling.


Helen Young, our postmistress had a heart pace maker put in lately. She is doing fine with it.

Russel Baird, 81, passed away January 16, 2005 at Mountain View Care Center at Kimberly, Idaho. Russ was born on January 16, 1924 in Carey, Idaho the son of Ernest and Florence Harris Baird. He grew up on a small farm doing all the necessary work that is to be done. He served in the U.S. Army Air Force from March 1944 until May 1946.

In 1952 he came to the Diamond A Ranch with the Owen Barton Family. He was like one of the family and was with them until 1986 when he bought a place at Murphy's Hot Springs. He worked part time at Diamond A Ranch until 1996 when he wrecked his pickup on the way to the ranch. After his accident he was in Woodstone and Heritage retirement homes in Twin Falls until 2 weeks before his death. The veterinarians used to say Russ could run more calves up the chutes easier and better than any body they ever worked around.

Russ is survived by a brother, Donald (Nettie) Baird, sisters Mary (Vic) Barfuss, Cleone (Don) Arrininton all of Twin Falls and Marie (Oliver) Ingraham of Stokedale, N. C., He was preceded in death by a brother, Owen and sisters, Ina, Iris and Norma. He was buried in the Carey Cemetery January 19, 2005.

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Homedale soldier returns from Iraqi lines

Soldier greeted with new son

The return home by a Homedale soldier last week, was made just a little bit sweeter as he was able to meet his new two-week old son, Ian, for the first time.

Staff Sergeant John Powell has been stationed in Iraq for about three months and has been gone from his family for nearly eight months, but Thursday night, he returned home for a two-week leave and a chance to meet the new addition to his family.

"I get to be home just long enough to get the kids to recognize me again then I am off again," John said Friday.

Powell is in the army and said he is a combat engineer with the 116th division. He is a squad leader and has been in the military for over 10 years.

Powell said he is stationed among the Kurds in Iraq. He said the bulk of the Kurds like Americans, but among them Insurgents intermingle. Powell said the recent election in Iraq, the Kurds populations extremely accepted the freedom of voting. He said some difficulties were encountered, but overall he viewed the election as a total success.

"We still had a lot of difficulties, but the fantastic thing about it was, the Kurds are the ones that Saddam Hussein gassed," Powell stated. "He outlawed their language. He outlawed the way they dressed. This is the first time in most of their lives that not only can they have a say in what happens, but also they can say what ever they want about what happens. When Saddam was around, he outlawed any outside media. For all the Kurds new they won the gulf war. All they knew was the bombing had stopped and they were told that they had won. Now they have satellite dishes and they know what America is about. They know the women have a freedom of speech."

Powell said most of the insurgents that are caught are not Iraq people. He said most of them are Egyptian, Lebanese, and Iranian. He said that they are men who want a purpose to fight.

"It is all religious to them," Powell said. "Once in a while we will run into an Iraqi that is a former Saddam regimes, but most of the time they are insurgents from other countries."

Powell said he has learned Arabic, but it is not helping him in speaking to the Kurds. He said they understand him, but their dialect is different.

Powell said he grew up in Meridian and left for a short time. He said he returned to Meridian to live, but found the city to be too big for his liking. He said his family lived in the Homedale area and he chose to live here to be closer to them. He said when he got activated, he wanted his family to be close to relatives and friends.

"The day he was born, I knew when he was going to be born,"

Powell said. "We were scheduled to patrol in a town called Lalahan which is 90 percent Kurdish. We always have a warm welcome from them.

"The kids are everywhere. We will buy soccer balls here and take them back to give to the Kurdish children. They know two American words, mister and gimme."

Powell said getting the Kurdish people to vote was a bit difficult in

its self. He said the people showed up to the voting sites in droves, but when they got there they did not know what to do.

"They would stand outside and look a bit lost," Powell said. "Then a woman came up and went in to vote and the rest of them just followed. It is amazing to see the amount of kids in the area. You don't see many teenage children because during Saddam's time he

would take one son from each family so the families stopped having children. Now there are so many kids because they know he is no longer in control."

Powell said on the day his son was born, he was marking a mine field. He said he took many pictures, which he will be able to show his son when he gets older.

"It is just my opinion, but it is going to take a while," Powell said

of the length of time he thinks the military will be in Iraq. "Look how long we have been in Germany and the Germans were respectable. When they signed the surrender, they surrendered and went back to work reconstructing their country. In Iraq, everything is built on hate.

"They all want freedom and democracy, but they still live in the tribal times. I have pictures of their army and you have to realize we are training them, but their mentality is not like Americans. These people are farmers. They have lived in a world where they have been beat up. We have accomplished so much there. These people have so many things now. Things that they were not allowed having before. If we were to pull out you would have a bunch of individual armies who are loyal to their commander, not their government. We need to stay there. I think within a year, the Americans will stop doing the patrols and the Americans will be watching over their shoulders.

"The boys from Idaho are doing outstanding jobs. These guys are fathers, husbands and sons who are replacing hardened killers. They are bringing compassion to a hateful country. They are men who can fight in combat at one moment and show compassion the next in a country that needs it."

John's wife Molly said she was truly thankful to her family and friends in Homedale who have helped her while her husband has been gone. The couple has four children now, two boys and two girls.



Welcome home

John and Molly Powell sit with their two sons, two week old Ian and Gavin in the couple's home in Homedale. John just returned home from Iraq where he has been stationed for the last several months.

4-H members learn about government during stay at Statehouse

The Presidents' Day weekend will give Idaho 4-H members attending the annual Know Your Government Conference a sense of how democracy works inside the Idaho Statehouse.

This year's event is planned for Feb. 19 to 21 and will draw 160 4-H'ers from around the state. Local 4-H members among the group who plan to attend the event include Kati Stirm of the Reynolds Creek 4-H Club and Rebecca Bolshaw and Matthew Johnson both of the Stitch n' Stir 4-H Club.

The program will include an inspirational program focusing on Operation Military Kids, a partnership between 4-H, the University of Idaho Extension youth leadership program, and the Idaho National Guard to support youths with parents serving overseas. Jo Seely, the Idaho 4-H Teen Association president from Bonneville County, will lead the program.

Idaho Supreme Court Justice Daniel Eismann will speak at a Judicial Workshop for youths attending the event. Other traditional activities include a legislative

workshop led by Matt McCarter, who directs Boise's Healthy Community, Healthy Youth program. His workshop is titled, "Unleashing Your Power to Make Healthy Changes." A Feb. 19 Banquet will feature Canyon County 4-H leader Tass Heim.

During the Feb. 19 to 21 holiday weekend, conference delegates will act as legislators, judges and reporters.

Under the guidance of House Assistant Majority Leader Mike Moyle, R-Star, the youths will participate in a mock floor session and legislative committee hearings to consider bills written by 4-H delegates.

Judicial workshop participants will conduct mock trials and a sentencing hearing under the guidance of Fourth Judicial District Judge Ron Wilper based on a case of drunk driving and hit and run.

Delegates also will serve as reporters, producing a newsletter, video and webpage covering the weekend's activities.

The cost of the annual conference is borne largely by donors. This year's major contributors in-

clude Ada County Farm Bureau, D.L. Evans Bank, Idaho 4-H Endowment Fund, Idaho Grain Producers Association, Idaho Law Foundation, Idaho Potato Commission, J.R. Simplot Co., Land O'Lakes, Monsanto, and the Red Lion Hotel.

The Know Your Government Conference is one of dozens of youth events held by the University of Idaho around the state each year. A calendar of future opportunities for youths is available online at www.youthprograms.uidaho.edu.



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Special club awards

Steve Williams, Katie Price and Maddy Pendergrass hold special club awards they received last month from the Shoo Fly 4-H Club. Williams won boy sportsman, Price won most improved girl and Pendergrass won girl sportsmanship. Conner Landa was not pictured but won most improved boy.

Shoo-Fly 4-H news

The Shoo-Fly 4-H club recently elected officers at its January meeting. This year’s president elect is Steve Williams, vice president, Hailee Garrett, secretary Megan Harper, treasurer Josh Ryska, reporter Deena Emery and Cory Uria as the sergeant at arms. The club is currently selling raffle tickets for a fundraiser. Tickets will be available at the Smorgasbord and the Basque Dance in March. Raffle items include a western saddle, half a gallon of New York maple syrup, a gift certificate to D and B Supply, movie passes to Edwards Theater, outdoor thermometer, tool set, coffee mug set and many more items. The leaders of the club awarded certificates to four members who showed outstanding achievement last year. Those awarded were Maddy Pendergrass and Steve Williams for going out of their way to help other members as sportsmanship winners and Conner Landa and Katie Price for going the extra mile and doing more activities than just their projects.



Lucky winner

Jordan Valley FFA and Hanigan Motor Company announced the winner of the FFA/Chevrolet Scholarship Program’s grand prize, a 2005 Chevrolet Silverado, which was part of a national Chevrolet truck giveaway that they participated in.

Jordan Valley FFA announces winner of Chevrolet Silverado

Last week, Jordan Valley FFA and Hanigan Motor Company announced the winner of the FFA/Chevrolet Scholarship Program’s grand prize, a 2005 Chevrolet Silverado. Becky Harris of McLoughlin, OR is the new owner of the pickup, thanks to her donation to the scholarship program. Throughout the FFA/Chevrolet Scholarship program, FFA members requested \$5.00 donations from community members, who were then entered for a chance to win the Silverado. Harris made a donation to her local chapter, McLoughlin FFA. The money raised by the local FFA chapter is used for chapter scholarships, the chapter’s treasury for operational needs, and to support the states’ FFA organizations, which helps fund all statewide FFA programs. The FFA/Chevrolet Scholarship Program ran from August 30 until October 22. There were 1,187 FFA chapters and 580 Chevrolet dealerships enrolled in the scholarship program nationwide. The program raised over \$1,750,000 in scholarship money for the FFA.

Community pulls together for Bruneau school teacher

Nearly 100 people from the communities of Bruneau and Grand View gathered together last week to show their support, or to just receive information, on a Bruneau Elementary School teacher who has been suspended with pay after being accused of several “repeated material violations of the lawful rules and regulations of the board of trustees.” Coordinators of the meeting said Thursday night that the teacher, Sharon Ackley, is among many teachers who have been suspended or left the district because of “false” allegations and because of “harassment and intimidation”. The meeting began with patrons being handed a copy of a document labeled, “How did we get here?” The papers lists several pages of documented events of what “some” teachers and parents are considering are problems within the school district with the principal of Bruneau Elementary and Grand View Elementary, the school district superintendent, and two board members. Documents to substantiate the accusations lined the walls of the American Legion building where the meeting was held. John Romel, Ackley’s attorney from the Idaho Education Association, answered questions for Ackley saying since she has a hearing pending with the board of trustees, she was unable to answer questions on her own. Ackley said she did want to thank the staff in the district who had shown a great deal of support for her. A document, obtained by the Owyhee Avalanche, sent to Ackley from the school district states that Ackley has committed repeated material violations of the lawful rules and regulations of the Board including “staff conduct and responsibilities, staff ethics and conflict of interest, staff and student relations, school-parent-community relations goals and parent involvement in education.” The letter states that the “employee has committed acts which constitute grounds for revocations of a teaching certificate namely willful violation of any professional code or standard of ethics or conduct, adopted by the state board of education.” “The allegations generally are that in her interactions with parents and students in the school and at least one other employees in the building she violated the code of ethics,” Romel told the group of why Ackley had been suspended. “There is no allegation of criminal activity, there is no allegation really of deficiencies in her performance that pertains to her ability to teach children. It is largely based on interactions with parents that the district contends violates the code of ethics.” Romel said he was able to investigate Ackley’s personnel file

on Thursday. He said as of Thursday, none of the complaints were in her personnel file. “As of today, they were not in her personnel file,” Romel said. “I am assuming that if they were in there before they should have been in their today and every day previous. If someone took them out I am not aware of that. While we have received notice of them, but as of today, they have not been placed in her file. “As to the majority of the incidents there was never any documentation in her file. As to a couple of the incidents, there was some level of documentation. She has never been put on probation.” He said a couple complaints written by some of the parents involved were not given to Ackley until after she had been suspended. He said they were only offered to her after Romel requested copies of the complaints. Romel said Ackley has been with the district for nine years. He said she has never been reprimanded for her previous conduct and her evaluations have always been satisfactory or excellent. He stated that the conflict began in the spring of 2004. After Romel finished an extensive question and answer period, he and Ackley left the building. Following a short break, those attending proceeded to ask further questions regarding several additional teachers and personnel who have been suspended or have left their positions since the school’s superintendent Dallas Taylor was hired in July 2002. Rich Henderson, head teacher for Bruneau Elementary School was hired in August of the same year. A public hearing is set for Feb. 16 at 2 p.m. at the school district office. Romel said people wishing to attend need to sign up as the district office is a very small trailer. He said he requested that the meeting be moved to a larger building and the time changed to allow working witnesses to attend, but he said the district denied his request.



Ticket sales winners

Last week’s winners of the International Smorgasbord ticket sales were, back row, Kelley Babcock, Sarah Maggard, Jonathan Stacey and Summer Phelps. Over all winners were Stacey, Colin Lootens, front row and Marissa Ensley, also in the front row. Stacey sold \$1,436, Ensley sold \$1,421 and Lootens sold \$310. Total ticket sales as of Friday were \$6,486.

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Owyhee County wildfire mitigation plan completed

The Owyhee County Fire Mitigation Plan has been completed in draft and is available to the public for review and comment at locations throughout the County.

The plan includes risk analysis at the community level with predictive models for where fires are likely to ignite and where they are likely to spread rapidly once ignited. Northwest Management Inc is providing the coordination for this effort.

The planning committee includes rural and wildland fire districts, land managers, elected officials, agency representatives, and others. Public comments are being sought until close of business on February 25th.

For more information on the Fire Mitigation Plan, to make comments on the plan, or for questions contact, Northwest Management, Inc. project managers Toby Brown or William Schlosser at (208) 883-4488, or Jim Desmond 208-938-1270.

A copy of the plan can be found at the following locations: Owyhee County Courthouse, Pleasant Valley School, Bruneau Library, Eastern Owyhee Library, Lizard Butte Library, Riddle Store and Homedale City Hall.



US Ecology donates

Simon Bell, Chad Hyslop, Darlyne Aleksich (rear), Mary Heckathorn, and Roy Herman gather for a donation of computers to the Marsing Resource Center last month.

US Ecology gives computers to center

Simon Bell, General Manager of US Ecology, Chad Hyslop, Marketing and External Affairs and Roy Herman, Marsing area representative presented members of the Marsing Resource Center with 10 Hewlett-Packard computers last month.

The computers will be used to replace the original ten e-machines with which the center started in 1998.

The center recently applied for a grant from US Ecology to upgrade its old computers. Although the grant was denied, the Grandview Company offered the MRC “a few, possibly four or five, older computers that had just been replaced with newer models.” Since these computers would be a marked improvement over the ancient e-machines, MRC personnel accepted the offer.

“When the gentlemen arrived with 10 Pentium III computers the staff was stunned,” Resource Center spokesperson Darlyne Aleksich said. “The amount of money requested in the grant would have replaced six or eight of the computers with Pentium I systems. The donated 3-year-old computers are better than the 10 “good” mainstay Gateways the center received three years ago through a PowerUP grant.”

MRC President and chief technician, Daniel Carlson is putting the HPs on line.



Senior raffle

Two donated hand made wood wagon lamps will be raffled off from the Homedale Senior Center. The raffle will be held during the upcoming fair and rodeo, but tickets are available now. Tickets are being sold for \$1 each or six for \$5.

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Senior fitness

Betty Arriaga helps senior citizen's in Homedale exercise as part of a nation wide program to protect seniors from falls. Arriaga makes her classes fun and entertaining and helps approximately 30 seniors every Tuesday and Thursday.

Fitness class aims to protect seniors from falls

In Idaho alone, over 6,000 ambulance calls for falls are answered each year. A new class teaching senior citizens how to protect themselves from falls by being fit is hoped to reduce that number of injuries in our community's elderly.

Betty Arriaga teaches the class at the Homedale Senior Center every Tuesday and Thursday from 11 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Betty's classes have brought together nearly 30 seniors who spend the half hour exercising in a fit and fall proof class.

“It keeps their blood pumping,” Betty says as she cheers on her class Thursday. “We have a good time. We laugh and exercise and its good for a senior's health.”

Class participants learn simple exercises to increase strength, balance and endurance which helps prevent accidental falls and tripping sometimes associated with aging.

Statistics from the Central District Health Department show that one in three people over the age of 65 fall each year.

“When the class began we had about 10 people who attended,” Betty said. “Now we have a nearly 30 people every class. Its fun. We have a wonderful time and the seniors are learning how to be fall free.”

The classes began on Jan. 18 and will run through Feb. 24 at the center. The cost is free to everyone who wants to attend.

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Middle school b-ball

Eighth grader Tyler Gibson tries to keep the ball away from Fruitland's Jake Fabricous. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Young Trojans battle Payette and Fruitland

The seventh and eighth grade boy's teams lost both games this week against Payette Middle School and the undefeated Fruitland Grizzlies.

On Tuesday the seventh grade traveled to Payette Middle School and lost 26-23. They led at halftime but could not hold the lead. Alex Mereness led the Trojans with nine points and was supported with good rebounding from Bryan Reay and Reece Landa. The Trojan guards, Ryan Ryska and Cody Johnson were pressured the entire game and did a good job of handling the pressure. Jake Tolmie's defense was a real bright spot for the Trojans who let a game they should've won, get away.

On Thursday, they played the undefeated and very good Fruitland team and lost 46-14. The Grizzlies put on a clinic and were too much for the Trojans as they put the game out of reach by halftime. Athletic Director Luci Mereness said it was not a good game for Homedale, but hopefully showed us some areas we need to improve in.

The eighth graders lost to Payette at home on Tuesday 30-46. Austin Emry scored 12 points and Grant Sweet's seven points and eight rebounds wasn't enough. Rodrigo Villarreal's pulled down 10 rebounds to keep the Trojan hopes alive, but it wasn't enough. The Trojans shot a dismal 23 percent from the field and 33 percent from the charity stripe.

Thursday, the 8th graders traveled to Fruitland and played the undefeated 8th grade team and lost 43-59. Grant Sweet' Austin Emry and Rodrigo Villarreal scored 13, 8 and 7 points respectively and Emry pulled down 16 rebounds, but the Grizzlies took care of the ball and made the most of their opportunities. Ryan Garrett dished out 7 assists and pulled down 4 rebounds from the guard spot.

The Trojans shot 29 percent from the field and an impressive 64 percent from the free throw line.

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Mustangs stampede over Pine Eagle schools

by Jordan Valley reporters

On February 4th the Mustang boys' basketball team played an exciting game against Pine Eagle. Jordan Valley beat the Spartans with scores of 17-9, 32-21, 50-26, and 63-39.

With only eight players the win was cheered heavily by the local community. Paul Elsner and Pat Anderson both scored 17 points. Jerry Wroten followed with 14 points and Shane Smith with 12 points. The team played extremely well together and was successful in achieving team unity.

The Mustangs traveled to Adrian on the 5th to take on the Antelopes. To round out a victorious weekend the boys ended the evening with a score of 68-35. However, the Mustangs were only up by six points at half time, but they quickly made adjustments. The players realized the importance of winning this game.

In the third quarter the Mustangs outscored the Antelopes, 24-4 and in turn put the game away. Paul Elsner was the leading scorer with 21 points, followed by Pat Anderson with 18, Jerry Wroten with nine, Shane Smith with 12, T.J. Stubbs with four, and Frank Beckwith and Tim Eiguren with two points each. Brett Bucholv led the Antelopes with 12 points. Joe Witty backed him up with 9 and Chris Schurracher with six points. Coach Ted Doramus was proud of the turnaround the boys made.

He also commented, "T.J. was really good on defense. He had a lot of rebounds."



Shoot

Emil Schown shoots the ball against Pine Eagle defenders. Shane Smith, one of the now four seniors on the Mustang boy's basketball team.

Lady Mustangs lose to Spartans 70-54

On Friday, the Pine Eagle Spartans traveled to Jordan Valley for a girls basketball game and left as a winning teams scoring 70-54 over the Mustangs.

Pine Eagle played liked they wanted to have another win for an undefeated season. Both teams came out pumped and ready for a tough fight. In the first quarter, the teams took a quick break leaving the score at a 20-9 with the Spartans leading. Then by half time the Mustangs were able to score 16 points and went into the locker room with the score of 36 to 25, but the Spartans were still ahead. However, the Mustangs did not stop fighting.

They stuck with them but were not able to catch up point-wise. The final score was 70-54 with Pine Eagle taking home another win.

For the Mustangs, Lauren Cuvelier led in team points with 19 and Angela Larsen followed with 14. Bailey Kershner contributed nine while Cassia Trautman gave the team four points. Kayla Brown, Michelle Elsner, Breann Hipwell, and Jessica Davis each contributed two points towards their team. Cuvelier also led in rebounds with seven and Larsen with five. Bailey Kershner added three of the five assist. For the Pine Eagle Spartans, Molly Coffee led her team with 18 points while her teammate, JJ Shewham, led with 16 points. In the JV game before hand, Pine Eagle also took a win with a score of 44 to 28. Meagan Mackenzie, of the Mustangs, led the JV team with seven points while her teammate, Dinah Powers, scored five points. JJ Shewham was also the point leader on the JV Pine Eagle team leading with 13 points. Way to go Pine Eagle.

When the Mustang girls' team took on the Antelopes on Saturday they came away with a win. The final score was 63-29. It was only after half-time that the girls really pulled away hard.

Bailey Kershner led the team in points with 17 and Lauren Cuvelier followed with 11. Angela Larsen and Jessica Davis helped with eight points each. Rebounding was key in this game. Kershner again led with seven rebounds as did Larsen.



Drive

Lauren Cuvelier, a leader for the Mustang girls' basketball team, drives the ball to the hoop amidst Pine Eagle defenders.



Eighth grade b-ball
Eighth grader Tyler Gibson tries to keep the ball away from Fruitland's Jake Fabricous. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Middle school Trojans lose to Payette and Fruitland

The B team for both seventh and eighth grade boy's basketball teams lost last week to Payette and Fruitland's B Teams. Both teams lost the week before, but coaches said they played much better this week than in the previous games. The seventh graders were led by the consistent play of Dylan Kushlan and Drew Farwell, and the rebounding of Justin Harrell and Jose Gonzalez. The eighth graders were led in rebounding by Rowdy Lair in the low post and Bryant Armstrong and the steady play of Mitch Quintana.

Huskyettes beat Trojans 39-12

The Huskies' sixth grade girls added another win to their record, beating Homedale 39 to 12 last week. Flu symptom hampered over the girls for a slow paced game but teamwork, a press and steals lead the game for the young Huskies. High rebounding by Mayra Lino benefited the Huskies followed with baskets by Candi Leon eight points, Rebecca Cossel eight points, Bailey Peters seven points and Andi Merritt with six points. The Huskyettes traveled to Homedale for an early morning game on Jan. 31, playing the Payette Pirates. The Husky's guarded their winning record and sailed away with the Pirates gold for a 34 to 7 win. Marsing's overall strength, a strong press and the ability of the bench players contributed to their victory.

Even 4' 5" Arminda "Mighty" Marcial pull's down strong rebounds. Candy Leon lead the Husky's scoring 9, followed by Tinisha Garza 7, Kacie Salove 6, and Michelle Horner 6.



Power lifters

Last week's power lifter winners include Jonathan Page, Ryan Regis, Jeremy Ensley, Kyle Carson, Beto Obregon, Michael Wilhelm, Samantha Cambria, Cheyanne Andrade, Randalee Skeen and Kristin Phifer. The power lift is conducted by the school to help athletes with sports training.



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Cowmen attend meeting

It was “standing room only” at the annual meeting of the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association, held February 2 in Murphy.

Guest speaker at the meeting was Dr. Lee Sharp of the University of Idaho, who spoke on Range Resources. Reports were heard from Mike Hanley and Dick Bass on the E.I.S. Action Committee. Other speakers included Neil Rimbey, University of Idaho Agricultural Economist and Howard Raney and Mike Morgensen from the Idaho Cattlemen’s Association.

At the winter meeting the cowmen heard a report from the committee studying the proposed expansion of the Birds of Prey area. The committee went on record as being opposed to the expansion.

Wendell Collins, a member of the E.I.S. Action Committee, reported on upcoming events planned by that group. Collins said an attempt is being made to bring news commentator Paul Harvey to Boise for a fund raising barbecue. Collins said Earth Resources is financing the visit of a representation of the Mountain States Legal Foundation, who will brief ranchers on legal option concerning the E.I.S.

Bruneau decision final

The Bureau of Land Management this week announced final initial wilderness inventory decisions have been completed on 11 units in the Southwestern portion of Idaho.

The inventory areas, totaling 206,914 acres will now undergo “intensive wilderness inventory.”

Areas affected by the decision and the acres involved are: Spring Creek 39,185; Owyhee River 33,708; Little Owyhee River 26,817; South Fork Owyhee 47,516; Upper Little Owyhee 4,309; Juniper Basin 15,248; Oregon Butte 3,393; Upper Bruneau River 22,797; Jarbridge Addition 5,881; Salmon Falls Creek 5,977; Little Goose Creek 2,083

The decision on the area was separate from other lands in the Owyhee Resource Area because the units border land in Nevada and Oregon.

State BLM Director Bob Buffington said the intended final decision on the 11 units was announced December 14, 1979. Following the announcement, person wishing to protest or comment were given a 30-day period in which to do so.

Nettleton nominated

Nancy Nettleton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Nettleton of Murphy, was nominated by both of Idaho’s senators for appointment to the U. S. Military Academy at West Point.

Nancy, a senior at Melba High School was nominated by Senator James McClure and Senator Frank Church.

To graduate

Four area students received degrees from the University of Idaho at the close of the fall 1979 semester in December.

Richard D. Fritzley, Homedale, was awarded a degree from the U of I College of Engineering. Teri J. Wilson, also of Homedale, received a Master of Natural Science degree.

Laurel Trunnell-MacDonald of Wilder received a diploma from the College of Letters and Science. Wilbur G. Brown, Wilder, completed his work for a degree as a specialist in educational administration.

Bruneau bulletins

Mike Jewell and Clay Atkins have been elected deacons of the Bruneau Community Church. The action took place January 27. Jewell was elected for one year to fill the unexpired term of Rolf Glerum, who resigned. Atkins wills serve a three-year term. Peggy Tallman was re-elected treasurer and Judy Erwin as secretary.

Jerry and Letha Gingerich returned home recently after a six week visit to Africa. While in Africa they visited their daughter and family, Delores and Ervin Brubaker on the Ivory Coast. Much of their time was spent in a small town called Touba. The Brubakers are serving with the Worldwide Evangelization Crusade.

Trojan girls clinch state tourney berth

The Homedale high girls basketball team clinched a berth in the State Girls A-3 tournament Saturday night as they easily disposed of New Plymouth 52-23 in a game played in Marsing.

50 years ago

February 10, 1955

Water content on Owyhee

Water content in the Owyhee watershed February 1st was lower than the average for the past five years.

Paul House, Owyhee north district manager in Nyssa, said that this did not mean sure disaster.

He quoted Jack Frost, hydro engineer, who conducts snow surveys in the state of Oregon, as saying that required water content to supply the Owyhee project was 8.3 inches. On February 1 the water content measured 5.3.

Frost told House that with normal precipitation during the balance of February, March and April, there would be sufficient water in the Owyhee reservoir.

The same situation existed last year, he said, but here was an abnormally amount of precipitation during the spring of ’54 and the project was forced to use some of the reserve storage n the reservoir.

The storage in the reservoir was lower than on the same date during the past five years. The usable storage Feb. 1 was 169,930 acre feet. In 1954 there was 419,700 acre feet on Feb 1. On the same date in 1953 there was 512,750 acre feet and in 1952, 446,660 acre feet.

The average water content on Feb. 1 for the past years was as follows:

1955, 5.22 inches; 1954, 5.93 inches; 1953, 6.40 inches; 1952, 13.02 inches; 1951, 7.77 inches; 1950, 6.54 inches.

Election on Rural Fire District to be held here tomorrow

Farmers of the Homedale area will go to the polls Friday (tomorrow) to determine whether or not a rural fire protection district shall be formed as a taxing district in the immediate area.

The election, a culmination of a long and intensified endeavor to provide rural fire protection to this area, was called by the board of county commissioners following a hearing held at the county seat at which time there appeared to e very little opposition to the organization of such a fire district.

The area involved included basically that portion of the community bounded by the Oregon state line, the Snake River, The High Line Canal of the Gem Irrigation District, and the Marsing Rural Fire Protection district, excluding the lands lying within the city limits of Homedale.

Should the election carry, the initial board of directors would be appointed by Gov. Robert Smylie. The board would be responsible for determining the equipment to be purchased s well as the necessary mill levy on the rural property.

Marsing school elects officers

The Marsing High school student body held their general election for student body officers this week and the following results were announced.

President, Purvis Starr; vice president, Joe Arriaga; secretary, Mamie Oyler; treasurer, Donna Dines; host, Monte Parkins; hostess, Janet Sevy; sergeant at arms, Brent Clapier.

Gov. Robert E. Smylie gives address at annual banquet

Governor Robert E. Smylie reviewed the financial status of the State of Idaho and what he thinks the future holds in the main address of the evening at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet held last Thursday evening at the grade school.

A delicious dinner consisting of roast, turkey with all the trimmings, was served by ladies from the Lutheran church.

Lester Carter, president of the chamber and Mayor of Homedale, introduced Harvey Hoff of Caldwell, who was master of ceremonies for the evening. Mr. Hoff introduced the special guests of the evening, Gov. and Mrs. Smylie, Senator and Mrs. Adam Blackstock, Representative and Mrs. J. C. Hayes, and incoming president of the C of C, Mr. and Mrs. Del Greene. Also introduced were visiting chamber of commerce representatives from other towns.

Baby born to Landas

A son was born to 2nd Lt. John A. Landa and Mrs. Landa February 4, in Reno, Nevada. Lt. Landa is stationed at Stead Air Force Base at Reno. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Landa, Wilder and Mrs. Landa is the former Aileen Lane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Lane, Marsing. Mrs. Lane is now in Reno to be with Mrs. Landa for a week or two and then Mr. and Mrs. Tony Landa plan on going down for a visit. The baby weighed eight and one half pounds and was named Tony Craig Landa.

138 years ago

February 9, 1867

ED. AVALANCHE – Dear Sir: Having just returned from Gen. Crook’s command, and knowing with what interest your readers watch his movements, I send you an account of his last raid. He left the Owyhee Ferry the 24th inst., proceeding down the river forty miles, when the scouts reported an Indian tail going from the river in the direction of Stein’s Mountain. Here he halted until the scouts brought word that the Indians were encamped at the base of the mountains. Going in pursuit, we traveled twenty-four miles and halted at sundown, where we remained till three o’clock in the morning, when we were gain in our saddles. The scouts (Boise Indians) and six citizens were bordered round on the hills above them, getting between them and their horses, when at the break of day an Indian discovered us and gave the alarm. A signal gun was fired, when Gen. Crook’s charged across the field, over and over the lodges, killing everything before them. A few sufficed to gather up all that was trying to escape, but a number took shelter in a lodge, when Hanson, a citizen, killed one in the lodge, and advanced on it. Saying that he was shot and killed by the gun that Brown had when he was killed last spring near the Owyhee Ferry. Gen. Crook got a few men together, fired a volley into the lodge, charged upon it, and a soldier hauled the only surviving buck from under the dead bodies of his comrades, dispatched him, and the work was done. Result, forty Indians killed and twenty-seven prisoners. Yours in haste, Geo. W. Hill. P.S. John Manning was wounded.

SOCIABLE. This was a prominent feature of the Ball given by the Owyhee Quadrille Band on Tuesday evening. The attendance was not so large as such a good time deserved, but all danced when they wished and genuine good feeling prevailed. The room used – Concert hall – is the only fit one in town for dancing parties.

ORATOR AND READER. Frank Almon, Esq., has been chosen and consented to deliver the oration on the 22d; and F. E. Euaign will read Washington’s Farewell address on that occasion. Music by the Owyhee Band and probably a song or two by the school children will complete the order of exercise.

FITTING UP. Workman have been engaged for the last ten days in fitting up the large room adjoining The Avalanche office on the north, for County offices. Rooms have been partitioned off and neatly papered for the offices of Probate Court, Clerk of the District Court and Sheriff. Mr. Tregaskis offers the whole thing at a very reasonable figures, and the location is central and convenient.

IF TODAY IS A FAIR one the removal of the County Seat fixtures will be completed. The Recorder’s Office was brought up on Thursday, and those of the Sheriff, probate Judge and District Clerk are expected along today. The Treasurer’s Office is, for the present and probably permanently, in Col. Webb’s Book Store.

JAIL. For the benefit of those interested in this institution, or are shaping their way for a residence therein, we will state that it will remain at Ruby until the roads improve. We get this information from official quarters.

HUMBOLDT STAGE too late last night for this issue, and nothing further of Gen. Cook who, at last accounts, had a band of 150 Indians in two and was “going for” them.

WEATHER for the past week mixture of wind, snow and beautiful sunshine. Friday was a very soft, clear day. Wednesday averaged a temperature of 12° above zero.

MR. N. P. FEITTS is going to Flint District tomorrow, and say persons wishing to send letters or papers can do so by him.

THE RECORDER’S OFFICE is now east of Jordan Creek in Wickersham’s buildings. It is very well adapted for the purpose in the points of size and location. In a town of such inflammable houses, the records are more safe in the suburbs. Every person owning real estate in this County are deeply interested in the safety of the public records, and the present location is such that they are in little danger from fire in adjoining buildings.

THE GRASS IS GREEN in the lower foothills and along the small creeks putting into Snake River. Our information is gained from persons who are residing in the vicinity mentioned.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense

The anvil and the telephone pole

Sometimes a cowboy will ride a good lookin' bad horse for longer than it makes sense. This flawed thinking may have a more universal application; i.e., hangin' on to a pickup, dog or girlfriend long after they've bit you or knocked out.

It's even worse when the injured party thinks he can make a good horse, dog or wife out of a pretty renegade.

Roy was a California cowboy and an experienced horseman. Out of respect, the boss had given him the big, fancy 3-year-old bay to use in his string. He was a green broke, cinchy, snorty and antsy but he looked so good in his white stockings and star.

Within two weeks he pitched Roy into the rocks and broke his arm. But...he was a good lookin' devil so Roy turned him into the horse pasture while his arm healed. Every day Roy would see the bay grazing or kickin' up his heels, livin' the life of Trigger. This injustice began to prey on Roy. He himself couldn't throw a saddle over a horse or cut his own chicken fried steak. All he could do was hand things to the chore boy.

Still, he was a trainer at heart and believed he could gentle the young horse down. One afternoon he caught the horse up and with the help of one of the boys, saddled him...not to ride, only just to do some groundwork. Behind the hay shed was a dilapidated board corral that would serve as a round pen. Roy, using a plastic whip, put the pony doin' circles. But the horse was so skittish he would race away, then stop, whirl and generally act like he had iron fillings in his gyro compass. To steady his gait and add some drag, Roy decided to attach an anchor. He got the boys to bring the shoein' anvil out to the corral. He then tied it to the saddle on a ten foot leash and cracked the whip!

The first thing Roy noticed was "an anvil is not near as heavy when it's off the ground!" The horse was racing around the pen, the anvil bouncing, whacking and whip lashing behind the frightened beast! Big pieces of old board and rotten post filled the air like a wood chipper! It sounded like a 747 crashing in a Redwood forest! Roy stood frozen in the center, plastic whip limp in his good arm, as the board corral disintegrated around him.

When the big bay left the corral, the stirrups were bannin' together over the top of his back and the anvil was in midair! It took the boys an hour to saddle up and track him. They found him five miles down the road. He had been subdued by a telephone pole. There were three dallys around the pole and the anvil hung chest high.

Of course, the bay looked no worse for wear. He was pickin' at the weeds around the pole. Roy, however, was another story.

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... *but possibly of interest*



I was a newspaper reporter 24 years ago when I received word two Idaho Fish and Game officers had killed while investigating a poaching report at a place called Bull Camp, on the Idaho Nevada border. This week, Claude Dallas, the man responsible for the deaths of officers Bill Pogue and Conley Elms, is a free man after spending nearly a quarter century behind bars.

The search, capture and trial of Claude Dallas was one of the biggest crime stories in the state of Idaho during the 20th century and the most memorable event in my newspaper career. I was the only reporter to cover every phase of the investigation and trial. During a period of about two and a half years I interviewed just about every person involved in the case. I talked to the widows of the two officers and wrote a story that was never printed because the women found it too painful and personal. I met people who knew Claude (and was threatened by some). The only major character I never talked to was Claude himself. I doubt that will change now that he is a free man.

The decision by a jury of 10 women and two men to only convict Claude of manslaughter remains as controversial today as when it was handed down in autumn Dallas advocates claim he didn't deserve to go to jail. Folks on the other side say the northern Nevada trapper got away with murder, an opinion I share. But I do understand why this story played out the way it did.

One reason Claude Dallas didn't go to Death Row was inept prosecution. The Owyhee County prosecutor, and the state deputy prosecutor who helped out, missed pressing important points that a good high school debater should have seen. And when they had the opportunity to cross examine Claude, they acted like they were afraid to offend him. Both were in over their heads.

The defense attorneys did not defend their client. They put Bill Pogue -- who wasn't there to defend himself -- on trial, saying he was a mean, nasty man who went around looking for a fight. They said Claude feared for his life and had to shoot Pogue and Elms in self-defense.

What the jury wasn't officially told, because it has been ruled inadmissible, was that several years earlier Claude had been arrested by the FBI for dodging the military draft and had done some jail time. When released, he told friends he would never again allow a law officer to take him to jail. That's also what he told eye witness Jim Stevens right after he killed the officers. Claude deprived two men of their lives, not because he feared for his life, but because he didn't want to be inconvenienced by going to jail.

But, in my opinion, the primary reason Claude escaped a date with the lethal injection needle was what I call the "feminine factor."

The defense should have never allowed a jury to be seated so heavily weighted to one gender. When the soft-spoken, polite Dallas took the witness stand, you could almost hear a collective sigh in the courtroom. After his first day of testimony an older woman in the audience was heard to say, "He's such a nice boy. I would just like to take him home to dinner!"

But it wasn't just older ladies who wanted to take Claude home. There were a lot of younger ones, too. We called them the "Dallas Cheerleaders," and you got the feeling they had something in mind besides feeding him a hot meal. Some would angrily confront reporters whose stories the cheerleaders felt were unfavorable to the defendant. If Claude had such a profound effect on the women in the audience, one suspects it played a role in the deliberations of the 10 female jurors, too.

And comments made by jury members after the trial suggest that was the case.

Claude's effect on the ladies didn't stop in the courtroom. There was talk about a woman related to one of the officers of the court who had a "thing" for the defendant. After he was sent to the Idaho Penitentiary, there was the wife of a prominent Nevada businessman who had regular contact with him prior to his mysterious escape from that facility. And when authorities moved him out of state after recapture, the wife of Boise man took up residence near his new prison.

There's an old western song that claims "ladies love outlaws." Claude is living proof.

In my opinion there are two heroes in the Claude Dallas saga. When Claude was on the run following the killings, former Owyhee County Sheriff Tim Nettleton kept the heat on. The media loved Nettleton's folksy sayings and demeanor (much of it put on for the benefit of the reporters). Stories featuring the sheriff and Claude appeared in many national newspapers and magazines. The constant national exposure eventually drove Claude back to his old stomping grounds. If it had been another sheriff, Dallas might have been able to fade into America's vastness.

The other hero was District Judge Edward Lodge (now a federal judge). After the jury handed down its manslaughter verdict, Lodge issued a written opinion that said, in effect, "you guys don't know what you are talking about." Lodge sentenced Claude to the maximum time possible on the manslaughter charge -- 30 years.

Now Claude Dallas is a free man. He could have been released earlier, but he didn't want to be accountable during a parole period. And he has never showed even the slightest hint of remorse for killing two men.

I suspect by the time this is published Claude will be back in Northern Nevada. It wouldn't surprise me in the least if he celebrates by poaching a deer or mountain sheep -- just to prove he still doesn't have to obey the laws the rest of us live by. That's what he did when he was free on bail prior to his sentencing.

So, did Claude Dallas learn anything from 22 plus years in prison? By most accounts, probably not. Does he pose a threat to society? Not if you are an average citizen. But I wouldn't want to go to his camp wearing any symbol of authority -- even if I was a mailman. As a convicted felon, Claude can't have a gun. But I can't imagine him without one.

Did Claude Dallas pay for his debt to society? When he killed the two officers, he was a young man in his early thirties -- in the prime of life. Now he is 55 years old. No matter how hard he has tried to stay in shape in prison, he isn't the man he was in 1981. While there may be a woman out there who will feel sorry for him for all the long lonely nights he spent behind prison walls, he'll probably discover what even free males learn -- men over 50 are invisible to most females.

While the rest of us were living and loving and raising families and contributing something to the world, Claude Dallas was sitting in a prison cell, accomplishing nothing. A lot of his friends and family are dead now. Of course none of this brings Bill Pogue or Conley Elms back to their families. But given his view of the world, I believe Claude has paid a appropriate price for his decision at Bull Camp on that January morning in 1981.

Commentary

Guest opinion

Credible or incred-a-bull

Credibility Gap: an apparent disparity between what is said and the actual facts [New World Dictionary 2 nd Edition 1976].

I believe this accurately sums up what we readers of the “Editor’s Notebook” have been experiencing. Mr. Aman’s editorial efforts have consistently suffered from a lack of factual basis for too long. Recent memory recalls issues with the county commissioners, the county fair board, certain city councils, Mr. Hyer and now, the Bruneau-Grandview School District. These and other topics certainly deserve to be subject of editorial comment. In fact, well thought out comment based on factual data can help guide community discussion and decisions regarding issues of the day. Unfortunately, opinions put forward based on incomplete or inaccurate information often has the opposite effect. Owyhee County is particularly dependent on volunteers in various organizations to help the county function – and make no mistake about it – a school board trustee is essentially a volunteer. When volunteers or their organizations are unfairly portrayed to the public in an unfavorable light, finding replacements become a daunting task.

I don’t believe Mr. Aman has acted with malice in his editorials. From all accounts he appears to be a good man with the best intentions for our communities. I also understand that a small weekly paper has limited resources (don’t we all). Pressures to guard the business’ bottom line inevitably leads to certain compromises in the scope of activities conducted by that business. There is no shortcut to due diligence and on scene fact gathering. I suggest it is time for the Avalanche to go to spring training – if you will – go back to the basics of good reporting and subsequent editorial comment. Many people are able to write well, but what we need is a tenacious bulldog to root out the available facts. I think it bears repeating that the truth will speak for itself, if given the chance. If Mr. Aman cannot afford to hire a reporter to research an issue adequately, I think many would call on him to personally interview the main players in an issue and conduct investigation on site. It would seem reasonable that if an issue merits editorial comment, then the investigative effort would raise commensurately. Those of us who may be the subject of the resulting editorial opinion might not agree with it, but at least we could respect the effort and thought which went into developing that opinion. In a word, the result could be viewed as a credible opinion and may actually move people to re-examine their own positions on issues.

A case in point, the January 26 editorial regarding the Bruneau-Grandview School District contains so many factual errors that a detailed rebuttal is impossible. This screed delivered to the Avalanche readers is so mixed up as to render it devoid of redeeming merit. While the issue may qualify as the subject of an editorial, I respectfully submit this cannot be accomplished on the basis of a few phone calls and perusing the minutes of several meetings. Rendering legal advice or opinion in the sphere of ignorance in which this editorial was developed in is simply irresponsible and offensive to reasonable people.

Therefore I call on Mr. Aman to remove himself from the confines of Homedale. Come to our community and get to know us and our concerns on a first hand basis. Please conduct your due diligence investigations yourself – know your data. Give us the editorial comment which you are capable of and which the Avalanche readers deserve. If you take time to read this, the reader should know that, while I serve as a BruneauGrandview School District trustee, this is my opinion alone and I have not consulted with nor necessarily have the approval of my comrades on the school board.

Russell Turner
Bruneau

Letter to the editor

Animal factories

Huge feedlots and dairies are now firmly established nearby Homedale and Marsing. Owyhee County officials and citizens are allowing these “animal factories” to grow largely unregulated by state laws.

These enterprises have enormous potential to pollute surface and underground water as well as dry up existing

private wells. Unpleasant odors drift for miles and flies breed by the millions. Your property value is threatened if you live anywhere near these places.

Let our Commissioners Tolmie, Reynolds and Salove know how you feel about our quality of life before it is too late to do anything but suffer the consequences!

Paula J. Saunders
Homedale

Group making a point with ‘endangered’ snakehead fish

By Pamela Wood, “Liberty Matters” Staff Writer

A group of politicians from Western states has embarked on an unlikely cause: having the voracious, invasive northern snakehead declared as an endangered species.

But the move isn’t so much about the toothy fish - it’s a stunt aimed at gaining attention to property owners’ concerns about the federal government infringing on their rights to protect endangered species.

Alan Gardner, a commissioner in rural Washington County, Utah, admitted the application is a ploy for publicity.

“It may let other people in other areas realize what impact the Endangered Species Act has on them,” Mr. Gardner said.

The petition filed by Mr. Gardner and government officials from a dozen other Western states asks the federal government to protect the northern snakehead and its possible habitat - a massive stretch of land from upstate New York to parts of North Carolina.

In Utah and other Western states, property owners have clashed with federal authorities and environmentalists over the implementation of the Endangered Species Act for decades. Most notably, protecting the northern spotted owl was blamed for logging operations in the Pacific Northwest grinding to a halt in the early 1990s.

The petitioners are asking the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to declare the snakehead “endangered” and adopt rules to preserve its habitat, including scores of streams and rivers and a five-mile radius along their banks. The area includes 67 million acres of mostly private land in eleven Eastern states and the District of Columbia.

A bare-bones Web site, www.conservationwire.com, shows a map of the massive area.

“That’s something we feel is totally reasonable under the act and how it’s interpreted here in the West,” Mr. Gardner said.

The northern snakehead, channa argus, is native to Asia but appeared in a Crofton pond in 2002. With a huge appetite, the ability to breathe air and wriggle short distances across land, the snakehead set off alarms at the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. Officials feared the snakehead could eat or crowd out native fish.

The DNR eventually poisoned the pond and found hundreds of juvenile snakeheads. More recently, they’ve

been found in the Potomac River.

Upon hearing of the “endangered” application yesterday, a top DNR official reiterated the agency’s anti-snakehead stance.

“We don’t know what the problems with snakeheads will be and we don’t want to use the Chesapeake Bay watershed as an experimental tank to find out,” said Jonathan McKnight, associate director of habitat conservation for the DNR.

Mitch Snow, a spokesman for the Fish and Wildlife Service in Washington, confirmed that his agency received the petition. He said he couldn’t comment, however, until the agency has finished a preliminary review of the application, which would take at least 90 days.

The snakehead faces significant challenges to be considered endangered or threatened, a lesser level. For starters, the Fish and Wildlife Service already has declared the snakehead “injurious” to other wildlife. Invasive species aren’t normally considered for protection.

What Mr. Gardner and the co-applicants really want is for Congress to change the Endangered Species Act. They want outside scientific review of listing decisions, clearer definitions in plans to bring back a species and a clearer sense of when a species can be taken off the list.

Mr. Gardner complained that environmental groups hijack the Endangered Species Act to stop development.

Robert Nelson, an environmental policy professor at the University of Maryland, College Park, said Mr. Gardner’s concerns are nothing new out West.

“This kind of thing is going on all the time,” said Mr. Nelson, a former government official who specializes in land management issues. “A lot of rural Western states see the Endangered Species Act as a way of infringing on their private property privileges.”

He said those seeking changes in the Endangered Species Act have a “better shot” at getting reform in the current Congress, because of strong Republican majorities in both houses as well as a Republican in the White House.

Mr. Gardner stressed he has a bipartisan coalition behind the snakehead application. The co-signers are county-level officials in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Washington and Wyoming.

Wednesday morning in Owyhee County



That’s when the Owyhee Avalanche hits the news stands

Public notices

NOTICE OF BID LETTING

Notice is hereby given that the Marsing Rural Fire District will accept sealed bids for a pumper fire truck and equipment.

Complete specifications will be available upon request by contacting Brion Showalter at 5078 Edison Rd., Marsing, Idaho 83639, phone no. 896-4331 or Roman Usabel at 8139 U.S. Hwy 95, Marsing, Idaho 83639, Phone # 896-4511. The bids then can be mailed to Marsing Rural Fire District, P.O. Box 299, Marsing, Idaho 83639.

All bids shall be opened at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9, 2005, at the Marsing Fire House at 308 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho.

Bids must be accompanied by a Bidders Bond, Cash, Cashier's Check, Certified Check in an amount at least 10% of the bid amount and made payable in favor of the Marsing Fire Department as liquidated damages in the event the bidder fails to enter into a Contract for the equipment and bid as accepted. The Surety Company must be listed in United States Treasury Department Circular #570 and licensed in the State of Idaho.

The outside of the sealed envelope must be properly marked "Bid on Fire Equipment."

Bids to be on the basis of cash upon the final delivery and acceptance in accordance with the specifications for this equipment. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after bid closing date.

The Marsing Fire Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids and to accept the bid it feels is in the best interest of the Department.

Judith Malmberg, Secretary
DATED this 3rd day of February, 2005
2/9,16/05

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On the 2nd day of June, 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 RR 1 Box 1230, Homedale, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by Michael D. Stowell and Jana G. Stowell, husband and wife, as grantors, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho Corporation, as successor trustee,

for the benefit and security of Washington Mutual Bank, FA, as beneficiary, recorded January 6, 1999, as Instrument No. 227116, Mortgage Records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

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

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust Note, the monthly payments for Principal and Interest \$395.58, due per month for the months of September through December, 2004 and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement, with a monthly late charge accruing at \$19.79, uncollected late charges are due in the amount of \$79.16 with interest accruing at 4.625% per annum, and continuing to accrue from August 1, 2004. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$69,552.41, 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: January 27, 2005
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC.
By Monine Cole, Trust Officer
FA-18831/wm-wjx
First American Title Company of Idaho
Trust Dept. 1-208-375-0455
EXHIBIT A
Attached to Notice of Trustee's Sale

All that certain parcel of real property situate in the Northwest ¼ Northwest ¼ of Section 13, Township 3 North, Range 6 West, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Northwest corner of said Section 13, thence Along the West line of said Section 13, South 1° 31' 35" East, 161.27 feet, to a railroad spike in the center of Sage Road; thence

Easterly and parallel to the North line of said Section 13, North 89° 32' 00" East a distance of 1130.82 feet, to a 5/8" rebar, said point also being a point on an existing fence line; thence

Along said fence line, North 0° 54' 52" West a distance of 161.24 feet, to a 5/8" rebar, said point also being a point on the North line of said Section 13, from which the West 1/16 Corner common to Sections 12 and 13 bears North 89° 32' 00" East, 210.37 feet;

Thence along said North line, South 89° 32' 00" West, 1132.34 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Trustee Verification, Amy L. Wilcoxson
2/9,2,23; 3/2

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On May 5, 2005, at 11:00 a.m. of said day, in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, ID 83650, First American Title Insurance Company, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at

the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit: Exhibit "A" A parcel of land situate in the SW1/4 SE1/4 of Section 28, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Southwest corner of said SW1/4 SE1/4, Sec. 28, T3N, R4W, B.M.; thence South 89° 36' 45" East, a distance of 403.00 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 0° 04' 55" East, a distance of 389.70 feet; thence South 89° 36' 45" East, a distance of 203.00 feet; thence South 0° 04' 55" West a distance of 389.70 feet to a point on the South line of said SW1/4 SE1/4; thence North 89° 36' 45" West, a distance of 203.00 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING. Parcel No. RP 03N04W288703 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 the address of 6170 South Thompson Road, 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 Paul S. Tiffany, as Grantors, to Pioneer Title Company, Trustee, and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Greenpoint Mortgage Funding, Inc., as the Beneficiary, on a Deed of Trust Recorded on 7/31/03 as Document No. 244504 in the 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 the amount due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows: Monthly payments in the amount of \$610.38 for the months of 07/01/2004 and all subsequent monthly payments, late charges, and advances accruing after the date of this document. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$74,611.68 as principal, plus services charges, attorney's fees, costs of this foreclosure, and any and all funds expended by said Beneficiary to protect its security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 7.375% from 06/01/2004 to the date of sale herein described. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated: December 21, 2004 First American Title Insurance Company By: Laura M. Soza Title: Assist. Sec. First American Title Insurance Company C/o ForeclosureLink, Inc., 5006 Sunrise Blvd., Suite 200, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 (916) 962-3453 (916) 962-1334 (fax) TS No. fc13672-21 ASAP626883
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**T.S. No.: F-37953-ID-DL
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On 5/13/2005 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, ID 83650. In the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Fidelity National Title Company, as successor Trustee, on behalf of Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for the registered holders of New Century Home Equity Loan Trust Series 2003-2 Asset Backed Pass Through Certificates Series 2003-2 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: EXHIBIT A A part of the Northwest Quarter Northwest Quarter Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described, to wit: COMMENCING at the Northwest corner of Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian; thence North 89°45' East (formerly of record East) 133.00 feet, along the North line of the said Section 9, to the INITIAL POINT of this description; thence continue North 89°45' East 81.00 feet; thence South 01°03' East 341.73 feet, parallel to the West line of the said Section 9, to a point on the North line of the Owyhee Addition to Homedale, Idaho, No. 1; thence South 89°24' West 80.99 feet, along the said North line of the Owyhee Addition to Homedale, Idaho, No. 1; thence North 01°03' West 342.23 feet (formerly of record North 341 feet), parallel to the said West line, to the INITIAL POINT of this description. AND A part of the Northwest Quarter Northwest Quarter Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Northwest corner of Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian; thence North 89°45' East 214 feet along the North line of the said Section 9, to the INITIAL POINT of this description; thence continue North 89°45' East 74 feet; thence South 01°03' East 341.28 feet, parallel to the West line of the said Section 9, to a point on the North line of the Owyhee Addition to Homedale, Idaho, No. 1; thence South 89°24' West 73.99 feet, along the said North line of the Owyhee Addition to Homedale, Idaho No. 1: thence North 01°03' West 341.73 feet (formerly of record North 341 feet) parallel to the said West line, to the INITIAL POINT of this description. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 733 West Idaho Ave., Homedale, ID 83628, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust

executed by: William L. Wiggins and Cheryl Wiggins husband and wife, As grantors, To: Transnation Title, for the benefit and security of New Century Mortgage Corp., As Beneficiary, dated 8/28/2002, recorded 9/5/2002, as Instrument No. 240796, 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 8/28/2002. The monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$715.50, due per month from 9/1/2004, and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$80,641.16, plus accrued interest at the rate of 9.99% 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 fee, 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: January 11, 2005 By: Fidelity National Title Company, as successor Trustee By: Quality Loan Service Corp., as agent for successor Trustee 319 Elm Street, 2nd Floor, San Diego, CA 92101-3006 (619) 645-7711 For Sale Information call: 916-387-7728 or logon to: www.calpost.com Carmen Herrera, Asst. Trustee Sale Officer ASAP627715
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NOTICE OF CREDITORS CASE NO. SPIE 0500020M IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ADA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF
HAROLD EDWARD CORN,
Deceased.

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

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DATED this 25 day of January, 2005.

/s/ Rodney L. Corn, Personal Representative
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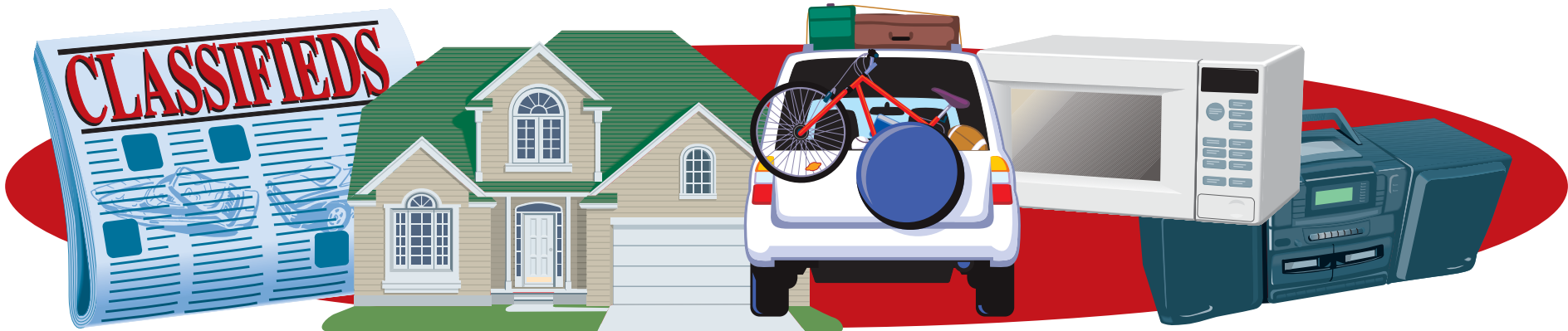
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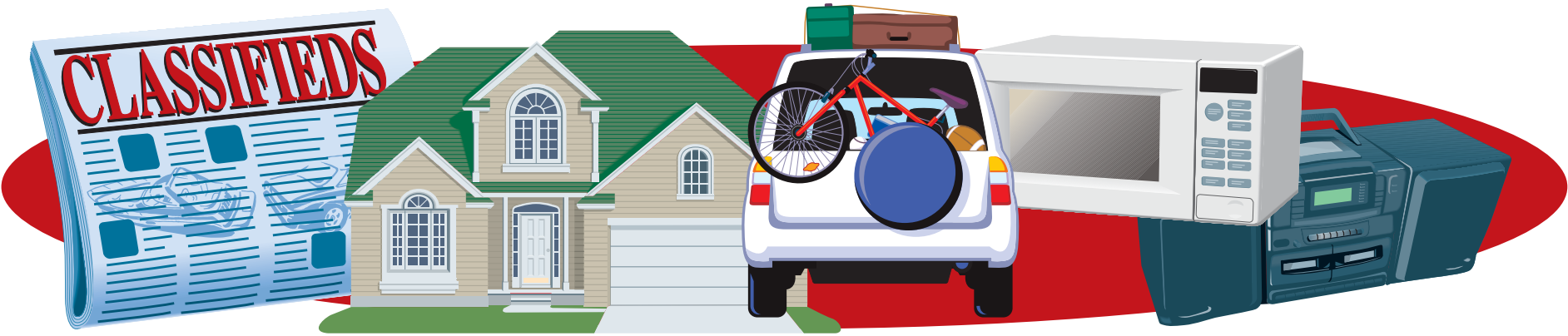
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THANK YOU
The family of Charlie Scott would like to say thank you to all of those that have shown how much they care. The phone calls, cards, visits, flowers, and food were greatly appreciated. The last few days have shown us how many friends we have. Thank you to all of those who helped set up dinner at Kristi's house. It was a very thoughtful thing to do. Many thanks again from the family of Charlie Scott.
Thank you to everyone who made my 50th birthday party a big surprise. Thanks for the food, drinks, cake, decorations, cards, gifts, friends and family for all the planning and making it a great surprise. Gerri Black
Thank you from the Marsing Fire Commissioners and the Volunteer Firemen to the patrons of our district for passing the override levy election for a new pumper truck. 176 of you voted, with 165 saying yes and 11 saying no. With this new truck, our volunteer firemen can continue to provide quality response, better protection and to make sure that we stay in certification so your fire insurance does not go up to the next higher rating. Again thanks. Let's continue to work together for quality fire protection.

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\$5.99
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Deli
Corn Dogs **49¢** ea.

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Burritos **3 for 99¢**
Western Family 16 oz.
Bologna **\$1.29** ea.
Pork Sirloin Steak **\$1.99** lb.

Broccoli **49¢** lb.
Green & Red Cabbage **79¢** ea.
Celery, bunched **79¢** ea.

Avocados **89¢** ea.
Cello Wrapped
Lettuce, head **59¢** ea.
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15.1-17.6 oz.
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Wheat Bread **2 for \$3**

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2 Liter Bottles
Pepsi Products **\$1.19** ea.

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5 Pack
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15 oz.
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12 Roll
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Soy & Teryaki Sauce **\$1.39** ea.
10 oz.
Western Family
Chunk Style
Dog Food 20 lb. **\$5.99** ea.
Tostitos
Tortilla Chips **\$2.79** ea.
13.5 oz.

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Sugar **\$3.69** ea.
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Shasta
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