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## GV mayor doesn't want council election

Spang says he'll appoint interested parties to fill seats to save town costs

The City of Grand View could be challenged with finding people to fill three of its four city council seats this year after no one filed

a declaration of intention by the Sept. 30 deadline. The community has until Oct. 25 for hopefuls to file as write-in candidates, but as

of this printing no one has showed any interest in the positions.

City Mayor Paul Spang said he is not completely concerned that no one has filed as he plans to appoint three people after the election and save the city election costs.

A notice of election is required to be published in the city's designated newspaper, but it has been discovered that the city did not publish the notice until after the end of September deadline. The city clerk, Lani Race, said the reason the legal notice was

not published was because she does not work on Friday's, which is the deadline to have notices published. She said she sent the notice on Monday, Sept. 26 but it was too late to be published.

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### Fall colors

Snow drapes Cinnabar Mountain near Silver City and fall colors have begun to take over the trees as fall, and signs of winter, make an appearance in the area. Temperatures are expected to remain comfortable with cool nighttime temperatures in the upper 30s and daytime temperatures in the upper 60s to lower 70s. Photo by Joe Aman.

## Marsing council candidate pulls out of November race

A candidate for city council has pulled her declaration of intent to run for office, saying family health issues would keep her from running for office.

Ellen Boatman of Marsing contacted City Clerk Janice Bicandi Oct. 3 and stated that she needed to cancel her declaration.

LeRoy Peck, Soila Contreras, Teresa Martinat and Rick Sherrow remain on the ballot for the city's two vacant city council seats.

The incumbents, Rob Howarth and Tony Purtell, did not file for another term.

The general election will be held Nov. 8.

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## Crapo: Consolidation of Owyhee, Boulder not vital to survival

Senator says California politician isn't drawing a 'line in the sand'

United States Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) said a comment made by House Resources Committee Chairman Richard Pombo (R-Calif.) during a Society for Environmental Journalists meeting at the University of Texas last week was just a comment and is not set in stone. A Boise newspaper reported that Pombo said he would prefer Idaho Republicans link wilderness bills for the Boulder-White Cloud Mountains in central Idaho and the Owyhee Initiative.



Initiative chairman Sen. Mike Crapo Fred Grant said getting the support of Pombo is critical to the passage of the initiative bill. Grant said Rep. Pombo's comment does not mean the congressman doesn't support bill or that he won't support the initiative if the two bills aren't combined.

"I don't think this is something we will have to do to get his support," Crapo told The Owyhee Avalanche by phone Thursday. "I haven't had the chance to talk to him personally since he made that

statement, but when I heard of that, I took it just to be a response to a question. Kind of an off-hand comment.

"(Pombo's) certainly not drawing a line in the sand saying that they can't move unless

they were put together because he and I have been talking for some time about the Owyhee project, and I know he has been talking for the same amount of time with (Idaho Republican congressman) Mike Simpson over the Boulder-White Cloud and he has never ever said that the two had to be in one vehicle. If he had been thinking that as a mandate, he would have talked to us about that."

Crapo said that although he feels the two bills should run separately, at some point he thinks they may be combined in some way. He said occasionally multiple bills of the same subject matter are brought together and put into one big package.

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daily readings

**Snow**                      **Snow**                      **Year-to-Date**                      **Current**  
                                 **Water**                      **Depth**                      **Precipitation**                      **Temp**  
                                 **Equivalent**                      **(inches)**                      **(inches)**                      **(degrees F)**

| Reynolds Creek |       |      |      |      |
|----------------|-------|------|------|------|
| 10/04          | -99.9 | -0.2 | 0.0  | 31.6 |
| 10/05          | -1.1  | -0.3 | 0.0  | 31.7 |
| 10/06          | -1.0  | -0.4 | 0.0  | 37.5 |
| 10/07          | -0.8  | -0.5 | 0.0  | 46.3 |
| 10/08          | -0.7  | 0.1  | 0.0  | 45.6 |
| 10/09          | -0.7  | 0.1  | 0.0  | 43.7 |
| 10/10          | -0.8  | -0.2 | 0.0  | 38.5 |
| South Mountain |       |      |      |      |
| 10/04          | -99.9 | 0.3  | 0.8  | 30.3 |
| 10/05          | -99.9 | 0.5  | 0.9  | 31.6 |
| 10/06          | -99.9 | 0.0  | 0.9  | 39.5 |
| 10/07          | 1.4   | -0.1 | 0.9  | 49.9 |
| 10/08          | 1.5   | 0.0  | 0.9  | 35.5 |
| 10/09          | -99.9 | 0.0  | 1.2  | 42.5 |
| 10/10          | -99.9 | 0.4  | 1.2  | 36.8 |
| Mud Flat       |       |      |      |      |
| 10/04          | 0.2   | 0.8  | -0.1 | 33.3 |
| 10/05          | 0.1   | 0.8  | 0.1  | 30.4 |
| 10/06          | 0.2   | 0.6  | 0.1  | 40.4 |
| 10/07          | 0.2   | 0.1  | 0.2  | 40.3 |
| 10/08          | 0.3   | 0.1  | 0.4  | 43.4 |
| 10/09          | 0.2   | 0.5  | 0.3  | 39.0 |
| 10/10          | 0.1   | 0.9  | 0.2  | 31.8 |

*This table represents what the Natural Resources Conservation Service is calling a good end to the 2005 water year in the area. A major weather system moved through the Northwest on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 to create the optimistic outlook. For more on the water year past and the one ahead, see **Page 10A**.*

Homedale FFA plans harvest  
auction fund-raiser Saturday

The Homedale FFA Chapter is having a Harvest Auction on Oct. 15 at the Hyer Ranch located off of Highway 19 on Gulley Road and left on Hyer Lane.

A ham dinner, donated by the Mane Street Café, will begin at 5 p.m.

The auction starts at 5:30 p.m.

Coordinators say there will be many items to auction off, including 40 hard-working FFA members, a bull calf and produce.

The money from the auction will be used for future FFA travel expenses to the state leadership convention, state career development events, Made For Excellence and many other events.

For details, call Lori Harrison at 337-4613.

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Blaze guts  
Marsing log  
furniture  
company

A blazer destroyed the Sportsman’s Lodge Furniture Company in Marsing on Thursday night, but the cause of the blaze still has not been determined.

Fire crews were called to the business on Old Bruneau Highway at about 7 p.m. Thursday night and found the interior of the metal building engulfed in flames.

Witnesses at the scene said the intensity of the burn was located near the area where a wood stove stood.

Marsing ambulance was dispatched to the scene, and one firefighter was treated for lacerations to his hand. The fireman was not transported to the hospital.

Owners of the building could not be reached at press time.

— CAB



**Total loss**  
*Marsing Fire crews battle a blaze at the Sportsman’s Lodge Furniture Company on Old Bruneau Highway last week. The fire gutted the building of the company, which builds log furniture for homes and resorts. A wood stove was said to be the possible cause of the fire, which is still under investigation. Photo by Brian Schrage.*



**Sworn in**  
*Owyhee County Commissioner Hal Tolmie swears new county treasurer Brenda Richards into office on Oct. 3 in Murphy. Richards was appointed to replace long time treasurer, Barbara Wright who retired on Sept. 30. Richards will have to run for office to keep her position during next year’s general election. Submitted photo.*

Motorcycle  
crash kills  
Wilder man

A Wilder man died from injuries suffered in a motorcycle accident near Lowman on Saturday.

Idaho State Police troopers say David B. Thomsen, 36, was eastbound on Garden Valley Highway when he lost control and slid into a guardrail. Thomsen, who was wearing a helmet, was pronounced dead at the scene.

Homedale  
library to sell  
books by pound

The Homedale Public Library will hold its Fall Book Sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday at the Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

The book sale gives people a chance to buy used books by the pound and helps the library get rid of a backlog of surplus books.

Used books will be sold for 50 cents per pound. A typical hardcover book, such as Jeffery Deaver’s “The Stone Monkey,” would cost about \$1.35. A stack of four typical paperback books would cost about \$1.

For more information on the sale, call 337-4228 between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.

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Fatal accident

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller speaks to an Idaho State Police Trooper near the body of an Ontario man who apparently committed suicide by jumping in front of a fuel truck Tuesday morning.

Ontario man dies after being hit by fuel truck on highway

An Ontario, Ore., man was killed instantly after being hit by a fuel truck Oct. 4 on Highway 95 near Homedale. The incident is not being called an accident. Investigators say it seems the man jumped in front of the truck on purpose.

Police say 38-year-old Jose Jesus Mirelas-Martinez was walking along the highway when he jumped in front of a fuel truck driven by a 25-year-old Homedale man.

Officers said the first contact they had with Mirelas-Martinez

was the day before when he asked officers for help in looking for a job. Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said his officers helped him look but were unable to help him. He said on the night of Oct 3, officers found Mirelas-Martinez asleep in front of a business in town.

“Best that I am hearing, and that is not definitively, this has all the earmarks of a suicide,” Rick Ohnsman from Idaho State Police said Thursday. “I don’t believe a final determination has been done, but he had a brother who lives in Caldwell who was notified of his

death.”

Traffic was detoured for several hours Oct. 4 while ISP performed a reconstruction of the accident. Ohnsman said reports state that the driver of the truck apparently didn’t even have time to react. The driver was not injured.

Ohnsman said results of toxicology tests would not be available for several weeks. He said it was not known if drugs or alcohol contributed to the incident.

— CAB

Senior news

**Homedale Senior Center**  
Oct 13: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, carrots, roll, milk.  
Oct 15: Homedale Library book sale; Senior Dance 7pm.  
Oct 18: Stir fried rice, chicken chow mein, oriental veggies, milk.  
Oct 19: Tuna salad, cottage cheese, pickled beets, roll, milk.

**Marsing Senior Center**  
Oct 13: Sweet and sour pork, rice, broccoli, salad, soup, dessert, beverage.  
Oct 17: Meat loaf, mixed veggies, potatoes, pork and beans, salad, soup, dessert, beverage.  
Oct 18: Liver and onions/chicken nuggets, scallop potato, corn, soup, salad, dessert, beverage.  
Oct 19: Fish or sandwiches, potatoes, peas & carrots, salad, soup, dessert, beverage.

Weather

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| Oct 4 | 59 | 30   | .02   |
| Oct 5 | 59 | 26   |       |
| Oct 6 | 63 | 27   |       |
| Oct 7 | 68 | 26   |       |
| Oct 8 | no | read |       |
| Oct 9 | no | read |       |
| Oct10 | 70 | 29   |       |



Brush fire

Homedale Fire Department doused an out of control brush fire off of Pioneer Road last week. The fire destroyed a section of fence and threatened structures. No one was injured in the incident.



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Oct 13 - 19

**Homedale Elementary**  
Oct 13: Chicken or beef nuggets, broccoli, cinnamon roll, fruit bar, milk.  
Oct 14: Pizza or popcorn chicken, tossed salad, cookie, fruit bar, milk.  
Oct 17: Hamburger or fish patty/bun, fries/tots, cookie, fruit bar, milk.  
Oct 18: Chicken tenders or chicken-fried beef steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, hot roll, fruit bar, milk.  
Oct 19: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, churro, fruit bar, milk.

**Homedale Middle**  
Oct 13: Chicken tenders or chicken-fried beef steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, hot roll, fruit bar, milk.  
Oct 14: Lasagna or hot pocket, French bread, fruit and veggie bar, milk.  
Oct 17: Hamburger or hot dog, fries, fruit bar, cookie, milk.  
Oct 18: Rice bowl with chicken or egg rolls, veggies, fruit bar, fortune cookie, milk.  
Oct 19: Burrito or popcorn chicken, salad, fruit bar, cookie, milk.

**Homedale High**  
Oct 13: Chicken patty or hamburger/bun, fries/tots, fruit and veggie bar, dessert, milk.  
Oct 14: Chicken taco or chili dog, corn, fruit and veggie bar, milk.  
Oct 17: Pizza or nacho bar, salad, fruit and veggie bar, dessert, milk.  
Oct 18: Chicken nuggets or hot dog, rice, green beans, fruit and veggie bar, milk.  
Oct 19: Idaho haystack or burrito, fruit and veggie bar, cinnamon roll, milk.

**Marsing**  
Oct 13: Beef nuggets, mashed potatoes, fruit, milk, chicken patty/bun, salad bar 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, roll.  
Oct 14: Hot dog, fruit, veggies, milk, sub sandwiches, salad bar 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, roll.  
Oct 17: Chicken nuggets, cinnamon twists, fruit, milk, tostada delight, salad bar 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, roll.  
Oct 18: Fish sticks, potato wedges, fruit jello, milk, rib-b-que sandwich, salad bar 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, roll.  
Oct 19: Corn dog w/fixings, chocolate pudding, veggies, milk, soft tacos, salad bar 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, roll.

**Bruneau**  
Oct 13: Chili and cornbread, coleslaw, applesauce, cinnamon rolls, milk.  
Oct 14: Early release. Chicken nuggets, scalloped potatoes, veggies, pineapple cake, milk.  
Oct 17: Chicken fajita, fried rice, stir-fry veggies, fruit cup, milk.  
Oct 18: Hamburger/bun, fries, carrot sticks, oranges, milk, cookie.  
Oct 19: Nachos, tossed salad/croutons, corn, fruit, breadsticks, milk.

Nancy Seal promoted at Farmers & Merchants State Bank



Boise, Idaho (October 3, 2005) - Farmers & Merchant State Bank, one of the state’s oldest independent banks is pleased to announce that **Nancy Seal** has been promoted to the position of assistant vice president, private banking officer. The announcement was made by Michael M. Mooney, president and CEO and Debbie Cleverley, vice president and manager, Private Banking.

In her new role, Seal will be responsible for developing relationships with prospective high net worth clients and deepening existing financial relationships by helping clients meet their personal and business financial goals. Farmers & Merchants Private Banking department offers highly personalized, value added products and services through a team of experienced professionals of which Seal is a part of. Seal joined Farmers & Merchants in September of 1998 as an assistant vice president and assistant branch manager at our Caldwell Office. Seal has been in the financial services industry for over 30 years and has had a variety of positions including branch manager and business development officer. She is actively involved with the United Way CEO Call Campaign, the Caldwell Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, and the Idaho Equine Foundation Board. She was honored by the Women’s & Children’s Alliance as a 2003 TWIN Honoree.





# BLM to burn slash piles in Silver City

The Boise District Bureau of Land Management is burning slash piles in Silver City through Thursday.

There are approximately 150 slash piles in the Silver City area. The piles are the result of a hazardous fuels reduction project.

During the summer and fall of 2004, Boise District fire and fuels crews cut juniper and small-diameter fir trees in the Silver City area.

These trees were encroaching on the historic vegetation

communities of aspen, mahogany, and upland shrub communities and increasing the likelihood of a devastating crown fire, which potentially could have threatened the historic town of Silver City.

The cutting reduced the threat of catastrophic wildland fire by lessening the amount of ladder fuels, vegetation that allows fire to move from the ground to the crowns of trees.

The cutting also created openings in the vegetation, which slows the rate of a fire's spread.

The pile burning will further reduce the threat of catastrophic wildland fire by burning the slash during a cool time of the year under controlled conditions rather than having the slash available to burn on a hot windy day in a wildland fire — a scenario that could threaten people, property, and resources in the Silver City area.

BLM burn boss, Gary Smith said, “The project will be an important step in reducing the wildland fire risk in the Silver City area.”

# Couple plans mini mall for crafters in Homedale

Del and Carol Motz are opening a new mini mall in Homedale and are looking for vendors to fill about 10 spaces.

The mall will be located at 122 E. Idaho and will accommodate any type of business a person wants to start. Carol said the couple hopes to fill the business with crafters, new to you vendors or what ever a person wants to sell. The spaces are about six to eight foot sections and will rent

for \$35 to \$85 per spot.

Carol said they hope to be open in November, just in time for Christmas. She said they have already received calls.

Also, Carol and Del plan to open The Buck Stops Here store next door to the mini mall. The store will be a second hand dollar store and she said whatever is in the store will be sold for \$1. Carol said the store will not be open for some time.

# Hunters Breakfast set for Marsing Saturday

The annual Hunters Breakfast will be held Saturday at the Marsing Senior Center.

The breakfast begins at 7:30 a.m. at the center, 218 W. Main St.

Adults eat for \$5, while children 6-and-younger eat for \$3.

# Protecting the public

Since the publication of registered sex offenders in Owyhee County last month, two more have been added to the state’s registry.

This list is published for the protection of the public. The complete list can be accessed on the Internet at [www.isp.state.id.us/identification/sex\\_offender/index.html](http://www.isp.state.id.us/identification/sex_offender/index.html)



**Arent, Timothy Jon**  
**Date of birth**  
July 8, 1962  
**Address**  
12811 Rocky Top Lane  
Melba, ID 83641  
**Conviction**  
lewd conduct with minor child under 16.



**Carroll, Harold Roy**  
**Date of birth**  
May 16, 1949  
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2049 W. Market Road  
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Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri.  
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Tue. 8:30 AM-9:00 PM  
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Election

Spang said Thursday that he was notified of the late publication Wednesday night, but he does not see a problem with it. He said no one has filed anyway and he has spoke with the current council and only one is considering running. He said the other council incumbent is definitely not going to run.

“What it boils down to is I think I will have to appoint three, and I will just re-appoint him (the current council person),” Spang said Thursday. “That would save

us election money and costs. I don’t know what the ruling on the late publication would be. I don’t plan to do anything, but if push comes to shove I will just appoint someone and go from there and there won’t be an election.”

Spang said he would just have anyone wanting to run wait until after the election so an election would not have to be held.

A spokesman from the Secretary of State’s Office said the Secretary of State does not oversee city elections. She said the city clerk does. She said the first notice of election shall not be made no less than 45 days prior to the election.

To print the notice according to the election calendar, Race would have had to publish the notice in the Sept. 21 issue.

Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Matthew Faulks said he was not sure who had jurisdiction over city elections if the city clerk made a mistake. He said he felt if the conduct fell under criminal code, the county sheriff would probably investigate it, but if it fell under any other code, he did not know who would handle an investigation.

“If the city clerk makes a mistake, if it was criminal, then it would be the prosecutor’s office,” Faulks said. “I know the

prosecutor’s office has a duty to oversee county elections, but I am not sure who would oversee city elections. It could invalidate an election, I would think, could be one of the outcomes of (mishandling notifications). First, someone would probably have to challenge the election, but there is probably one of many approaches a person could take. I would speculate that the code has a mechanism for challenging the city election, but I have not read up on it. That would put it to the courts.”

Race said she did post public notices in Grand View before the deadline.

“I posted it around the city in three places and by word of mouth,” Race said. “I don’t know what will happen.”

Idaho code states that the first notice of election will include the name of the city, where the election will be held, the purpose of the election, the date of the election and the hours the polls are open. It says if the election is held for the purpose of electing the mayor and or city council, the first notice will include the deadline for filing the declarations.

The second notice must be published no less than 15 days prior to the election.

— CAB

Initiative

“In the end it may be that these and other bills are brought together for a resource package, but I don’t think in any way we will need to do that before we have his (Pombo) support,” Crapo explained.

Simpson’s bill would transfer more than 1,000 acres of federal land in the Boulder-White Clouds area to Idaho counties, ensure most current motorized trails remain open, pay ranchers to willingly give up grazing in the area and shut off motorized use and development.

Preservationists, ranchers, county officials, motorized recreationists and outfitters developed the initiative bill.

“We prefer to go it on our own,” Grant said. “We don’t have any problem with Representative Simpson’s plan, but we started this, the county started this. We have worked through a very long collaborative process, and we would like this one to stand on its own merits. We have developed the support. It was hard to get the support of the Owyhee Cattlemen for wilderness. It is not something they favor, and we did it because that was a trade-off. It was not easy to get the environmentalists to approve of the science review. We worked hard at it, and we want that to stand on its own.”

Grant said he would not speculate on the fate of the Owyhee Initiative without Pombo’s support because he does not believe that will happen. He said he feels the initiative will show Pombo the reason why it should be kept separate. He said the plans are two very different plans.

“If Senator Crapo wants to keep them independent, I think he will,” Grant said. “I think we can demonstrate a very good reason why they should be kept separate. I do believe that if he is seriously considering that, I think we can give him a very good reason to keep them separate.”

Grant said provisions have been made in the initiative to help control lawsuits by environmental extremists by not challenging an amendment of any other statute. He said nothing in the initiative conflicts with the Federal Lands Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) or is inconsistent with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). He said nothing in the initiative is inconsistent with the rules or regulations of the Bureau of Land Management.

“There is no changes that we believe will be challenged in court on the basis of being inconsistent with any other law or regulation,” Grant said. “We have made a real effort. All of us have made a real effort. There have been some things that we would have liked to put in, but we didn’t because it could be challenged. Anyone can file a lawsuit, as Karl Llewellyn used to say in law school, you can sue anybody, but the question is can you win?”

Grant said appraisal reports are finished and the Owyhee Initiative work group has been meeting with their independent people for approval.

He said meetings have been planned throughout the week. Next week, meetings are planned with individual ranchers.

“All of the other language is settled, and this is all we have to do now,” Grant said.

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# Obituaries

## Martha Jane Munro

Martha Jane Munro, 84, passed away Friday, October 7, 2005, after suffering a paralyzing stroke.

She was born on September 5, 1921, to Willis Vernon and Ruby Ethel (Leutwiler) Gould in Washington D.C. and graduated from Burbank High School in California.

She eloped to Yuma, Arizona, with her high school sweetheart, James Ralph Munro, 67 years ago, and they were secretly married on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July. Their first home was on a ranch in the mountains of Northern California. The family migrated to Idaho where they farmed/ranched in Eagle before buying a homestead and farm in Grand View, and later lived in Oreana. After retiring, they built a home in Garden Valley, but spent a number of winters in Utah and Arizona.

Martha drove the Grand View school bus for many years and was an active 4-H leader. She was also an accomplished seamstress and especially enjoyed creating clothing for all the family. She was a member of the Idaho Cattlemen's Association, she was also involved in the Owyhee County Extension Agencies and the Grand View Lady Lions. Whether business or pleasure, whatever Martha was involved in, she always gave it her best.

Each of her grandchildren experienced Martha's great caring for them. She always had interesting ideas for things they could do, and she would sit ever-so-patiently while the children brushed and/or put curlers in her hair. Martha was a wonderful



example of giving love and living with integrity.

Martha is survived by her husband Jimmy of Grand View, a son Richard and his wife Joyce Munro of Northglenn, Colorado, a daughter-in-law Kathy Munro of Grand View, five grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and a sister Francine (John) Lightner of St. George, Utah. She is preceded in death by a son Larry Munro, and two infant children.

The family will gather to celebrate Martha's life on Wednesday, October 12, 2005, in a memorial service at the Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel in Mountain Home. In lieu of flowers, please honor your favorite charity.

Services under the directions of Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel, Mountain Home.

## Charlene Simper

Charlene Simper, 70, died on October 5, 2005, at Grand View, Idaho, after fighting a courageous battle against cancer.

Charlene was born on February 14, 1935 to Eden Thurmond and Sophia Marguerite Penmen. Eden and Marguerite later divorced and Marguerite married Ralph Child, whom later adopted Charlene.

She attended Weber High School in Hooper, Utah, and later moved to Burley, Idaho, where she graduated from Burley High School. During her junior and senior years of high school she worked at the Farmer's Corner in Burley where she met her future husband, Leon R. Wicket.

Leon and Charlene were married on February 21, 1957, in the Idaho Falls Temple, Idaho Falls, Idaho. Shortly after being married Leon was drafted by the Army and they were sent to Detroit, Michigan, where they spent two years. Later they moved to Burley, Idaho, and then to Grand View where they raised their four children: Lon, Michelle, Lisle and Lynn.

In 1975, Leon was abruptly taken from his family in a car accident, which left Charlene to raise her four small children whom she diligently and superbly did for six years, by working as a custodian for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She was a woman of service helping anyone who was in need.

On October 1, 1981, Charlene married Harold Vaughn Simper and have enjoyed many years together. This marriage has united two families consisting of ten children, forty-nine grandchildren and thirty-nine great-grandchildren.

Charlene's retirement from the LDS church did not sway her enthusiasm to keep busy and her drive to help others. She opened a craft store in her home which she helped others learn to paint and sew. She finally closed the store after ten years of serving the public.

Charlene's hobbies include, genealogy, quilting, sewing, painting, gardening and canning. She used these hobbies to better the lives of the people around her. Her grandchildren will remember her for her giving nature and fun they have had crafting with grandma.

She had an enthusiasm for



genealogy work and had many stories to tell about her ancestors. Her love for genealogy work was infectious to the many people that asked for and received her help.

She is survived by her husband Vaughn, a son, Lon Wicket and wife Gloria of Nephi, Utah, a son, Lynn Wicket and wife Ronda of Shelley, Idaho, a daughter Michelle Stan rough and husband Jack of Crownsville, Maryland, and a daughter Lisle Fisher of Harriman, Utah. She is also survived by her brother Duane Child and wife Gloria of Portage, Utah, a sister Betty Barlow and husband Reid of Arvada, Colorado, a sister Ann Jenson and husband Gene of Burley, Idaho, three half brother, Steve Thurmond and wife Sherrill of Hooper, Utah, Jack Thurmond and wife Pamela of Layton, Utah, and Reed Thurmond and wife Susan of Clearfield, Utah.

A special thanks to the many family and friends for your phone calls, meals, cards, assistance and most of all prayers.

God bless the wonderful doctors and staff at MSTI in Nampa, Idaho, and Horizon Hospice for all your care and support.

Arrangements are under the directions of Roost Funeral Home, Curtsey Chapel, and Mountain Home. Services were at the Grand View LDS church, Saturday, October 8, 2005, 11 a.m. A viewing was held October 7, 2005, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Curtsey Chapel. A second viewing Saturday at the church, from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

# Calendar

## Today

Snake River Quilters meeting, 9:45 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. Business meeting followed by a program on quilting. Call 337-5836

Marsing City Public hearing for community development block grant 7:30 p.m. at Marsing City Hall.

Homedale Planning and Zoning public hearing at 7 p.m. for an application to vacate a public right-of-way filed by the American Legion. Legion requesting vacation of 1<sup>st</sup>. Street East in Homedale. Hearing will be held at Homedale City Hall.

## Saturday, Oct. 15

Homedale Public Library Fall Book Sale, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. Call 337-4228 between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.

Homedale FFA Harvest Auction, 5 p.m. dinner, 5:30 p.m. auction, Hyer's Ranch. Call 337-4613.

Hunters Breakfast, 7:30 a.m., Marsing Senior Center, 218 W. Main St., Marsing. \$5 adults, \$3 for children 6 and younger.

Pheasant hunting season opens at noon.

## Thursday, Oct. 13

Homedale Chamber of Commerce meeting, noon at Owyhee Restaurant.

The quarterly meeting of the fire commissioners of MRW (Murphy, Reynolds, Wilson) will be held at 7:00 p.m. at Murphy.

## Wednesday, Oct. 19

Homedale City Council public hearing for vacation of right of way on Railroad Ave. 6 p.m.

Homedale City Council Meeting 6 p.m.

Owyhee County Planning and Zoning public hearing for Raymond Robison, 10 a.m. Rob Black, 10:30 a.m. and Skip and Helen Bicandi, 1:30 p.m.

*Submit information on upcoming fund-raisers, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays for inclusion in the calendar. Drop off press releases off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale or mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628 or fax them to (208) 337-4867 or e-mail them to either jbrowneditor@cableone.net or cherylbeeson@cableone.net. For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4861.*

# Death notice

**David B. Thomsen**, 36 of Caldwell, died Saturday from injuries received in a motorcycle accident in Boise County. The viewing was held Tuesday at the Homedale LDS Church with the family there. Services will

be held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday at the McCammon LDS Church in McCammon. Burial will follow at the Norton Cemetery in McCammon. Services under the direction of Potter Funeral Chapel Emmett.

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*I love you all, Margie Isaguirre*



Your finances

Dave \$ays

Rein in lifestyle before taking drastic step of selling house

**Dear Dave,**  
I make \$78,000 a year, and my debt is \$64,800 plus \$60,000 left to pay on the house. Should I sell my house for \$125,000, wipe out all the debt and move my family into an apartment and start over?  
— Bart in Houston, Texas

**Dear Bart,**  
I don't think I'd sell the home. Selling your home to get out of debt is a last resort to avoid bankruptcy. If you had said you were unemployed, way behind on your bills and thinking about filing bankruptcy, then you might have to look at selling your house to pay those bills.  
You guys have been living the classic American model. The problem with the classic American model is that it doesn't work. That model goes like this: every year I spend a little bit more than I make. I put it on credit cards and when that gets up too high I get a debt consolidation loan. When I don't like that loan anymore, I go get another one.  
What happens is that every few years you think you've borrowed your way out of debt, but what you've really done is



DAVE RAMSEY

borrowed yourself into debt right up to your eyeballs! The debt is not the problem here, Bart; it's the symptom of living without a plan. You've been living on \$88,000 while you were making \$78,000.  
Now, how are you going to reverse that? You're going to have to start living on \$50,000 and pay down the debt. If it were me, I'd look at the family and tell them we are about to become apartment-dwellers if we don't make a commitment to going crazy and getting out of debt. This means no vacations, working more, selling some of the stuff sitting around

and even getting an extra job.  
Be prepared, Bart. There's going to be some culture shock if you make these radical changes. There's going to be the shock of getting used to living on less than you make, because you haven't been doing that. Then, there's the additional shock of having to live on even less than that, because you've got to pay back the mistakes you made.  
— Dave

**Dear Dave,**  
I, a mere mortal, am trying to understand 529 plans for college savings. Is the money put into the plan completely exempt from taxes or is only the growth exempt?  
— Shannon via e-mail

**Dear Shannon,**  
I understand what you're saying about the mere mortal thing. It's like you need an advanced degree of some kind to understand half of that stuff. To start with, I don't recommend 529 plans. The only reason you'd want to use a 529 plan is if you'd maxed out your Educational Savings Account (ESA), or if you make more than \$200,000 a year. If you're making that kind of money, then you don't

qualify for an ESA and you'd have to look at a 529.  
Many of the 529 plans are very inflexible, and no, the money's not exempt from taxes. Only the growth is exempt, and it's only exempt if you use it for college. I don't understand why so many financial planners are getting excited and turning back flips over the 529. Ninety-eight percent of Americans qualify for the ESA, which is totally flexible. With the ESA you get to choose the investment, you don't lose control and it grows tax-free just like the 529.  
You should always do an ESA before you even consider a 529. There are lots of downsides to the 529, particularly the fact that you completely lose control of the investment.  
— Dave

**Dear Dave,**  
I am being harassed by a collections agency about a bill that I paid in full 10 years ago. I called the bank to get a copy of the transaction, but because it's so old they cannot get a clear copy from the microfilm and the collections company would not accept it as proof. I just can't see paying the same bill again, but

I don't want to mess up my credit record. What should I do?  
— Theresa via e-mail  
**Dear Theresa,**  
Call this collections company back and tell them you're going to sue them, turn them over to the Federal Trade Commission and file a complaint with the consumer affairs division in your state. Then, I'd call the bank and tell them to make as many copies as it takes of that transaction until you get one that's readable. You're paying them for this service, so you deserve to get something useful out of the deal.  
Now the real fun begins. Once you get a legible copy, go cram it down that collector's throat! They know you don't owe the money, Theresa. These guys figure if they harass you enough, you'll pay the money anyway. You've got to solve the problem. Until you do, it will never go away.  
— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is the bestselling author of *The Total Money Makeover*. Have a question for Dave? Send correspondence to [syndication@daveramsey.com](mailto:syndication@daveramsey.com) or write Dave \$ays, 1749 Mallory Lane, Brentwood, TN 37027

Homedale Middle School launches box top drive again

Homedale Middle School is embarking on another Box Tops for Education drive this year. The first collection date is Nov. 11.  
The General Mills Box Tops for Education program allows schools to clip and collect box

top logos from hundreds of the company's products and turn them in.  
Each box top has a value of 10 cents, and Homedale Middle School's goal for the 2005-06 school year is to collect 5,000 box tops.

Susan Ankeny, the box top coordinator at Homedale Middle School, says this is an easy way for students, parents, grandparents and the community to get involved with education at HMS.  
The school plans to use money

raised to expand its Accelerated Reader program through the purchase of new books.  
Money also can be earned for Homedale Middle School by shopping at the online Box Tops for Education Marketplace at [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com).

Simply designate Homedale Middle School as your school of choice when registering. There are more than 250 participating stores online.  
General Mills donates a percentage of qualifying purchases to the school.

Church plans holiday bazaar

The Homemade Holidays Bazaar will be presented by Homedale Mountain View Nazarene Church from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Nov. 5.  
The bazaar will feature seasonal crafts, decorations, handcrafted items, baked goods, candies and gifts.  
The church is located at 26645 Ustick Road in Wilder.  
Also available at the bazaar will be fresh cinnamon rolls and soup, coffee, espresso and hot chocolate.  
Vendors are wanted for the bazaar, too. Spaces are \$25 prepaid and \$30 on the day of the sale.  
All vendors must pre-register by calling Janice Holton at 340-5864.  
For more information on the bazaar, call Minda Jacobsen at 841-0381.



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# Young hunter bags chance-of-a-lifetime bull

Most adult hunters will spend their lives searching for that one big bull, but now a Homedale teen will have a tough time finding a bull to match the one she has already bagged.

Kendra Harden, 14, attends Homedale Middle School and is the daughter of Randy Harden of Nampa and Joe and Susan Mansisidor of Homedale. But the petite young lady is a sharp shooter behind the scope.

On Sept. 25, she dropped a five-by-six-point bull on a special tag she drew in Oregon. She said she got the bull near South Mountain and dropped it on the first shot with a .243-caliber rifle.

The teen said she has been hunting with her father, mother and stepfather for as long as she can remember. She said her whole family likes to hunt, but so far she has killed the biggest animal.

Kendra's tag opened on her birthday, so she sees the bull as a very nice present. She said she gets to eat the meat. When asked where she hit him, Kendra says, "Right where I needed to because he just dropped."

"I think he weighed a lot," Kendra beamed while describing



### Once in a lifetime

*Homedale Middle School student Kendra Harden, left, and her father, Randy, pose with the five-by-six-point bull elk she shot on Sept. 25 in South Mountain in Oregon. Submitted photo*

her bull. "He was about 200 yards from me and my dad. He was the biggest one we saw."

Kendra was looking for the right bull because she passed up several bulls before taking the one she got. She said she and her dad heard the

bull bugle, and they tracked the animal. She said she didn't have to help pack it out, but she did carry the tools and the antlers.

Kendra now plans to kill a big buck and hopefully get another elk in Idaho. She said she plans to

hunt with her dad again because he can find the big ones.

"I like the antlers," Kendra grinned. "My dad's six-point is on the wall at home, and he said mine is bigger than his."

— CAB

# Marsing seaman completes Navy basic training

Navy Seaman apprentice Andrew W.R. Bowen, son of Richard and Pat Bowen of Marsing, has completed the U.S. Navy basic training at Great Lakes Il. on Aug. 5'.

This training is designed to promote the basic attribute of sacrifice, dedication, teamwork, and endurance in each recruit through the practical application of basic skills and the core values of honor, courage and commitment.

After completion of the eight weeks basic training, Bowen then reported to the Navel Technical training center at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas. He completed his master of arms, military police, "A" school on Oct. 5.

After spending two weeks leave with his parents in Marsing, Navy Seaman Apprentice E2, Bowen will be stationed in the Puget Sound area in Washington. Bowen is a 2005 graduate of Marsing High School.

Bowen's parents reported that three graduations in less than five months are to be commended.

# Masons plan scholarship breakfast

The Silver City Masonic Lodge No. 13 will present its Silver City Scholarship Breakfast on Oct. 23 at the lodge hall at 19 W. Idaho Ave., in Homedale.

The breakfast will be held from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$5 for the all-you-can-eat meal.

This is the Masons' major fund-raiser to benefit schools in Homedale, Marsing, Wilder and Parma.

# Church plans world premiere of feature film

The Homedale Assembly of God Church will present a world premiere movie, "Left Behind: World at War", later this month.

"World at War," the third movie in the Left Behind series, is based on work by authors Tim LaHaye and Jerry Jenkins. The film is being released through churches rather than in theaters, and it's being brought to Homedale by the Assembly of God churches in Homedale, Marsing and Wilder (Crossroads).

The movie, which is rated PG-13 and stars Lou Gossett Jr., will be shown for free at 7 p.m. each night from Oct. 21 to Oct. 23. Donations are appreciated.

The Homedale Assembly of God Church is located at 15 W. Montana Ave., in Homedale.

For more information on the film, call 337-4458 or 337-6291.



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# Homecoming Week

Jordan Valley High School photos by Tara Echave, JVHS journalism advisor



### Opposites attract

Senior Emil Scown and Bailey Kershner were the winners of opposite sex day during Jordan Valley High School homecoming week.



### Royal court

Jordan Valley High School's homecoming royalty included (from left to right): senior escort Emil Scown, senior princess Lauren Cuvelier, Junior escort Jerry Wroten, junior princess Bailey Kershner, sophomore escort Tim Eiguren, sophomore princess Kelsey Prescott, and freshman escort Koehl Trautman, and freshman Princess Tessa Matteri. homecoming king Emil Scown and homecoming queen Lauren Cuvelier.



### Flag football

Jordan Valley High School junior Bailey Kershner runs the ball past Lauren Cuvelier and Athena Beckwith on her way to a touchdown during the school's homecoming week powder puff game.

## Ridley earns Rimrock homecoming queen crown

Robyn Ridley (queen) and Anthony Hofer (king) were named Rimrock High School homecoming royalty Friday night. Activities began Oct. 3 and ended with Friday's football game, a 46-0 loss to Council. Senior princes and princesses included Eliamar Quenzada, Carolann Wilson, Jade May and Wes Aquiso. Attendants were Jake Steiner and Katrina Schiermeier (junior class), Nate Hofer and Ellie Cantrell (sophomores) and Telby Black and Kaile Murray (freshmen). The sophomore class won the overall events and the school's spirit rock.

## Marsing Senior Center to hold health fair

A health fair is planned Thursday, Oct. 27, at the Marsing Senior Center. The fair, which is open to all ages, begins at 9:30 a.m. at the center, 218 W. Main St. The fair will include a flu clinic and blood pressure screening.

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# Marsing FFA news

On Sept 21, the Marsing FFA Chapter put on a barbecue for the community. More than 100 members and guests attended the Kick-Off BBQ.

Daniel Ineck addressed the crowd with some of his plans as chapter president for the upcoming year.

Advisor Jason Nettleton touched on some of the accomplishments that members have achieved during the summer as well as covering plans and opportunities for the chapter this year, presenting the chapter calendar and covering a few of the main goals that he has for the year ahead.

Chapter members gave a special thank you to Jason Tindall, advisor of the Notus FFA chapter for helping them with the barbecue. Tindall brought his smoker over to help prepare more than 70 pounds of smoked pork tenderloin.

As an ending touch to the evening, a few members rolled up their sleeves to dive into a watermelon-eating contest. The award for the fastest watermelon eater went to Vanessa Ross.

On the Sept. 29, the chapter took two teams to Melba High School to compete in the BVD Dairy Cattle Career Development Event (CDE) and also in the BVD

Food Product CDE. All of the members did very well.

The chapter has made arrangements to travel with Notus FFA to Moscow on Oct. 21-22. On Oct. 21, students will have the opportunity to take part in five hands-on workshops at the University of Idaho.

These workshops include a Plant Tissue Culture Lab with Dr. Bob Tripepi, a professor in Plant, Soil, and Entomological Sciences, to learn tissue culture techniques through vegetative propagation. Workshop participants will take home a plant culture to see how shoots develop. Nettleton said that this is the perfect workshop for students with an interest in horticulture, plant science or biotechnology.

Students also can work with Ron Richard, an instructor in the Animal and Veterinary Science Department and manager of the Vandal Meats Lab. Students will learn techniques used in evaluating various cuts of meats. Each group also will receive a complimentary tour of the facility where the famous "Vandal Dogs" and "Lil Smokies" are made.

A DNA Extraction Lab with Jenny Hansen, a research Scientist in Plant, Soil and Entomological

Sciences, will teach how to extract DNA and use it to identify genes pertinent to wheat cultivars. Students can take a tour of the Agriculture Biotechnology Building.

Dr. Amin Ahmadzadeh, a professor in the Animal and Veterinary Science Department will demonstrate the imaging technique that uses high-frequency soundwaves reflecting off internal body parts to create images for medical examination. This technique will be used on dairy cows to demonstrate the advantage of this technology in diagnoses during gestation.

Students also will be treated to a hayride on a flatbed pulled by a tractor, while getting a tour of the Agriculture facilities at the University of Idaho. Potential places to stop include: Cloned mules, Charolais research cattle, Biodiesel and Biological and Agricultural Engineering facilities.

That Saturday, students will be involved in a Livestock Judging CDE and a Dairy Cattle CDE. Later that afternoon, they will attend the University of Idaho Vandals and Fresno State Bulldogs football game.

## Campaign promotes responsible OHV recreation

A new highway billboard has been catching motorists' attention throughout Idaho for the past two weeks. The billboard reads "Use Your Power Responsibly" and asks off-highway vehicle (OHV) users to "Stay on Trails" when riding in Idaho.

The highway billboard is part of a new public outreach campaign promoting the responsible and safe use of OHVs on Idaho's state and federal lands. The campaign also features a radio advertisement now airing on 25 stations across the state.

The Idaho Off-Highway Public Information Project is the product of a partnership of five Idaho state and federal land management agencies: the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, Idaho Department of Lands, U.S. Forest Service and U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

"OHV recreation is a great sport," BLM's Idaho State Director K. Lynn Bennett said. "But if used irresponsibly, OHVs

can impact the natural resources we all value and share. Every OHV rider can make a difference by avoiding cross-country travel and staying on trails."

The billboards and radio ads direct viewers to [www.idaho-ohv.org](http://www.idaho-ohv.org), a companion Web site that provides a wide range of information sought by OHV riders in Idaho.

The Web site has useful information about where to ride, how to register and how to use your OHV during hunting season, and it provides tips for having a safe, responsible and fun OHV experience.

The campaign was created because OHV recreation is booming in Idaho and the growth in OHV use is causing concerns for land managers. More than 90,000 OHVs are registered in Idaho today, while only 1,800 were registered in 1984. The number of OHVs in Idaho is doubling every four years.

As OHV use increases, the effects of irresponsible behavior

by some riders are becoming more apparent. One of the biggest problems is cross-country travel by OHVs. Cross-country travel can scar the land, increase erosion, disturb wildlife, ignite wildfire and spread noxious weeds.

The improper use of OHVs is also a safety concern. More adults and children in Idaho sustain injuries each year as participation in OHV recreation continues to grow. Lack of knowledge or failing to follow basic riding techniques and safety precautions are factors in many accidents.

OHVs are powerful machines. But with power comes responsibility.

The OHV Public Outreach Campaign asks riders to use their power wisely.

Here's how each rider can make a difference: stay on trails, be considerate of wildlife and others, register your vehicle, wear your helmet and ride in control.

# Faces of Meth

Faces of Meth(tm) is a project of Multnomah County (Ore.) Sheriff's Office. This project began when a deputy in the Corrections Division Classification Unit, Bret King, put together mug shots of persons booked into the Multnomah County Detention Center.

King worked with his co-workers in the Classification Unit to identify people who had been in custody more than once. He then worked to verify criminal records and files to determine and assure a history of methamphetamine related use. Deputy King also started interviewing people in custody to learn of their drug use, experiences with methamphetamine, how or if methamphetamine contributed to their criminality, and asked what they would tell young people about methamphetamine.

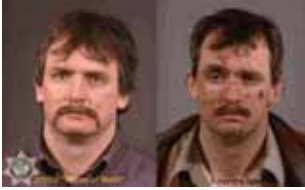
What King set out to do was create a realistic presentation about methamphetamine. He didn't want to create something that made people curious about a drug nor that was a scared straight program. The idea was simple, be honest with kids, let them hear directly from the inmates, and show them what people who work on the front lines — whether it be a corrections deputy in the jail, a police officer on the streets or a public health nurse in a clinic — see methamphetamine doing to people and to our communities.

King starts each of his presentations by saying, "I thank the men and women who, through their stories and photos, can share their experience with methamphetamine so you never have to try it yourself to know what it can do. I have seen and interviewed each of these people in jail. I hope that in seeing this you will make choices to not use methamphetamine and that I will never see you come inside my jail."

Deputies at the Multnomah County Jail see hundreds of inmates per month. They estimate up to 85 percent of them use meth.

"Because of the unit I work in, it enables me to interview people right off the street," King said. "And if I know they're users and they're willing to talk about it, and most are, then I'll sit down and talk with them about it."

King saw a teachable moment within the sad parade. The words and pictures hold value, even as



the lives they depict become worth less with each tweak of meth.

King says inmates hate what's happening to them. "They don't want this to happen to their worst enemy," King said. "They'll do anything to help a kid stay away from this. They know how destructive it is."

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# Homedale seniors learn about help to pay gas bill

With the approach of a crisp fall and a 27 percent increase in residential natural gas bills, Owyhee County residents can expect a spike in energy bills soon.

Intermountain Gas Co. got the go-ahead from the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to raise commercial and residential rates as of Oct. 1. On Oct. 4, Byron Defenbach and Lucinda Meeds from Intermountain Gas visited the Homedale Senior Center to give tips on lowering heating costs and getting help on paying the soaring bills.

The talk came during the lunch hour and was attended by about 25 at the center, but the tips Defenbach and Meeds imparted can be used by anyone to lessen the crunch of rising utility costs.

Intermountain Gas asked to raise its rates to recoup some of the expense of buying natural gas on the commodities market for use by its customers. Defenbach said while high prices are tough to swallow, there is a silver lining.

“When prices are up, everybody wants to go produce,” Defenbach said of an increase in natural gas production. “And when the supply is brought up, the price tends to come down.”

Until those prices drop, though, many people will struggle to pay their bills.

Meeds said offered advice on several different programs to help pay those bills.

One program is the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). This federal program, which is administered in Owyhee County by El-Ada Community Action Agency, provides one-time grants to be applied toward a heating bill.

“We wanted to get the word out (about the program),” Meeds said. “A lot of people think it’s charity, and it’s not.”

Meeds implored the audience to look into the program because it’s tax dollars that they can use to help pay their utility bills. The one-time grant, which ranges between \$100 and \$200, would free up money usually spent on that portion of the bill for use on other necessities, such as medical expenses, Meeds said.

“We know in Idaho that only about one-third of the people that are eligible for this assistance are



## Information, please

*Homedale's Lois Santo, right, listens as Intermountain Gas Co. representative Lucinda Meeds explains the benefits of an automatic setback thermostat during the natural gas company's seminar at the Homedale Senior Center on Oct. 4.*

receiving it,” Meeds said.

There are income guidelines for qualification. Ricardo Vargas, the Owyhee County coordinator for El-Ada, said the 2005-06 criteria should be released sometime this week.

People must file applications for the assistance program, and you can call the El-Ada Owyhee County office at (208) 337-4812 to make an appointment to apply. Vargas also said that the agency has outreach programs to make the application process easier, including a three-day signup session at the Marsing Senior Center.

This year’s program will stretch from Nov. 1 to March 31, Vargas said. In years past, the window was Dec. 1 to April 30, but because of the cold weather arriving earlier in the year the program dates have been changed.

Vargas also said he expected to find out more about the Marsing outreach sometime this week.

Lois Santo of Homedale will be one of those people curious to learn more about the program when more information becomes available.

“I don’t want to be stuck with hundreds of dollars in bills a month,” Santo said after talking to Meeds about the LIHEAP

program and an energy-saving automatic thermostat.

Santo said she’s concerned because she recently bought a house in Nampa that is heated by gas, and she has been using wood to heat her home in Homedale.

Meeds also talked about the Level Pay program, which averages out a consumers’ annual utility cost and splits it into 12 equal monthly installments. This avoids higher bills in the winter.

“It’s a great budgeting tool, especially if you’re on a fixed income, because every month you know how much it’s going to be,” she said.

Another grant assistance program is Project Share, which is administered by the Salvation Army. Meeds said a one-time benefit of up to \$150 can be given when a consumer is in danger of having their utility disconnected.

Most of the programs discussed by Meeds at the Senior Center apply to all forms of heating, she said, including natural gas, electric, wood and propane.

Meeds said more information on the programs can be obtained by calling Intermountain Gas Co. at (800) 548-3679 or log on to [www.intgas.com](http://www.intgas.com).

— JB



## History of gas prices

*Intermountain Gas Co. market products and services manager Byron Defenbach explains to the audience at Homedale Senior Center on Oct. 4 that Intermountain Gas has maintained the same operating cost bottom line while natural gas prices have fluctuated over the years.*

## Intermountain Gas offers tips to reduce energy costs

Higher energy bills are here to stay for a while, but Byron Defenbach of Intermountain Gas Co., told a group of Homedale senior citizens on Oct. 4 that there is a lot that can be done to prevent more of their money from dissipating into their utility bills.

And the conservation tips go for everyone, Defenbach stressed.

“One way you can keep the cost on that space heating down is to keep that thermostat turned down a little bit,” Defenbach said.

Defenbach, who is Intermountain Gas Co.’s market products and services manager, said lowering the thermostat means wearing a long-sleeved shirt or sweater or maybe throwing an extra blanket on the bed, but it also could save money in the long run.

He stressed keeping the thermostat lower is something that needs to be done consistently. Raising and lowering the thermostat setting frequently can cause higher energy bills, too.

One way to take the guesswork out of keeping your thermostat set at conservation levels (70 degrees or lower during the day and 68 or lower at night) is to invest in an automatic setback thermostat, Defenbach said.

Essentially, these thermostats have timers that will raise or lower the desired temperature in your house according to the time of day.

“It’s easy to program, and in the time of winter heating use, they can pay for themselves in about two months,” Defenbach said, adding that the lower-end thermostats cost between \$35 and \$40.

“This is savings that goes for years and years on in, and it can also work with your air conditioning as well.”

Defenbach said the thermostat — and most conservation tips



## Consevation tips

*Byron Defenbach from Intermountain Gas Co., told an audience at the Homedale Senior Center on Oct. 4 that changing furnace filters on a regular basis and installing an automatic setback thermostats can cut a lot of unnecessary expense from monthly energy bills.*

for that matter — works for either electric or gas furnaces.

He also suggested changing the filter in your furnace monthly to ensure proper airflow for that heating unit.

“A furnace filter can cost as little as 50 cents each, but a clogged furnace filter can cost you \$5-\$10 a month in heating cost if your furnace isn’t moving enough air,” Defenbach said.

He also said another big user of energy in the home is the hot water heater — and most heaters are set too high in the first place.

“A lot of times, a water heater is set at 240 or 250 degrees — scalding,” Defenbach said. “You don’t need it that hot.”

He suggested using a candy thermometer and pitcher of tap water to lower your hot water heater to about 125 to 130 degrees.

“That’s warm enough, but if you’re worried about getting your dishes clean, a lot of dishwashers have temperature boost cycles,” he said. “That’s cheaper than keeping the water hotter.”

— JB

## Helpful hints

*Intermountain Gas Co. spokesmen Byron Defenbach and Lucinda Meeds brought several brochures to educate the seniors who attended the Oct. 4 talk at the Homedale Senior Center.*





# Looking back...

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

## 50 years ago

October 13, 1955

**Record number of Owyhee deer taken; 85 per cent of hunters successful**

Shades of Davy Crockett! He shot a bear when he was only three. That was a record. Nimrods of '55 packed their trusty firearms into the Owyhee county hills over the week end and more than 85% bagged their deer. This, too, is a record.

Idaho fish and game department checking stations at Grand View, Walter's Ferry and on highway 95 south of the Homedale Marsing junction reveal that a record number of deer were checked out during the first five days of the hunting season, Saturday through Wednesday.

Over 1200 deer were checked through the station on highway 95 up to 4pm Wednesday, according to John Brooks, Boise, fish and game department checker, who was Chuck Haines, Nampa, fish and game department biologist, is manning the station.

The 1200 includes 482 deer which were taken on permits, were checked out. Figures from the checking stations at Walter's Ferry and Grand View were not available before the Chronicle went to press.

**Pilgrims down Trojans 27-17 in SRV-B game**

The New Plymouth Pilgrims continued their drive for the Snake River Valley class B conference championship Friday afternoon, dumping the Homedale Trojans 27-13 in a league game at New Plymouth.

The Pilgrims pushed across one score in the first period, two in the third and another in the fourth to take the victory. The game was a hard-played affair throughout.

**Murphy**

We have had several inquiries about the absence of the Murphy news. We are sorry indeed, but what with it being canning time at home and tax computing time at the office, yours truly was just too busy to round up the news.

Murphyites are pleased to have Jim Howard back in their midst after a spell in the hospital and nursing home. We are sorry to say, however, that Jim still isn't up to par, but we are all pulling for him. Several of his neighbors got together and cleaned up his place and painted the walls to make his home more attractive for his convalescence.

The Jack Houghtons entertained one evening and everyone had a most enjoyable time. Jack used to be a professional banjo player and everyone coaxed him into getting the banjo out and playing some tunes for them. Their addition which they worked so feverishly on all summer was completed and so several couples tripped a light fantastic to Jack's rhythmic beat. Among those present were: Lillian Rock, Jim Howard, Fred Brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Hunter, Jack Dunning, Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Cort, Mrs. Bill Lewis, Lola May and Ronnie Stansberry. Coffee and cake were served.

After a long siege of work at last the 1955 taxes are computed and are ready for the auditor to turn over to the treasurer's office. The county valuation appears to be about the same this year and other than special county levies which include school districts, the levies remained about the same as last year.

Yes, Murphy is well aware that the big game hunting season has opened. Last week end a stream of cars, jeeps, trucks, trailers, etc. roared up to the hills. And, it was gratifying to see so many of them come back with their deer and elk. Ronnie Stansberry, a freshman at Melba high, took advantage of the long week end afforded him by the teachers conference, and went to the hills with his folks. He must have had good instruction, because he brought down a nice yearling doe. Believe that is was around Duck Valley that he had his luck. Kenny Downing, Jim Tucker and several others are planning to take off to Josephine this week to bay their deer.

## 138 years ago

October 12, 1867

ON WAR EAGLE. A friend of our reports everything tranquil on this mountain. In places where war and tumult were imminent, peace and industry reign together.

The Oro Fino mine is supplied with laborers again – some by the day and others by contracts. Rich ore is coming out, with the best of prospects for a continuance. A house has recently been erected over the dump, and in it the quartz is broken and assorted, and the men are shielded both from storms and oppressive sunshine. The Company has decided to sink a shaft on the extreme south line of the claim, to fully prove up its extent. At this point the ledge is found near the surface to be over two feet side, clearly defined and the ore bearing a fine mineral stain – some being spotted with free gold. The vein here is much decomposed and blasting is not required. A shaft will be put down fifty – probably one hundred – feet as fast as possible.

Just above and to the west about 75 to 100 feet are the ledge and works upon which Col. Fogus & Co. are working, and a little to the south the vein and works of – well, we don't know who, but it is the ground claimed by Hill Beachey & Co. as the Golden Chariot, and by Fred. Reuter & Co. as the North Star. We understand that the controversy is in a fair way of amicable adjustment, and what Webb & Myrick and G. W. Grayson has become interested parties. Work has been recommenced, both in the tunnel started to strike the vein and on the vein itself.

Col. Fogus & Co. are pushing work with much energy. They has a double shaft down over fifty feet, and timbered in a neat and substantial manner. We are informed that the quartz very well charged with the precious minerals. Roads have been made to the mine, and a shaft house will be put up soon. A large boarding house is being prepared, and surface improvements generally being made preparatory to winter.

The Pauper mine has a whim erected over the shaft and work proceeds day and night.

The Woodstock is yielding some very rich ore. The mine is getting into shape so that more ore can be extracted in a day at less expense. The sinking of the main shaft and driving of tunnels so as to prepare for stopping has been slow and expensive – every foot having to be made by blasting.

The Poorman's works were stopped by the strike, but is again being started up – partly by contract.

EVERYBODY knows J. R. Oliver, alias "By Dad." He went to California about six weeks ago – for billiard tables and a sewing machine. People wondered, but now the joke is explained, as will be seen by reference to a marriage notice in this paper. Jim, the sly rogue, returned three or four days ago and his sewing machine is expected to arrive shortly. He tells us that he has procured one that "can make a pudding as well as a shirt." Bully! Them's the kind: we're glad of it: and Jim, may everything go with you "merry as a maraiage bell." Much joy.

ALMOST ESCAPED. On Wednesday night last the prisoners confined in the County Jail made a wholesale attempt to escape, but, through the vigilance of the Sheriff and his assistants, their designs were prevented. They had succeed in unlocking their cell doors, and also, by an ingenious contrivance, opened the heavy iron door of them main entrance, and with knives cut the outside wooden door round the staple so that is dropped out. Just then their noise aroused a dog whose barking awakened the Sheriff and his aids in the nick of time to prevent the flight of the jail birds. In some manner they had procured a key, and by the use of a file, with which, no doubt, some outside friend had secretly furnished the, they managed to adopt it to the different locks. The coveys are becoming rather uneasy, the more so as court is near its session. The ringleaders and hardest cases are Smith and Bradley. It will

be remembered that they escaped once before and were recaptured, and they say they will get away again if they can; but "Oldman Springer" says that he is determined to keep them for trial, and to enable him to better to do so, he will henceforth chain the heroes both hands and feet to the floor of their cells.

THE CAMP is fast recovering from the "strike." Nearly all the companies have commenced work again – some at the former wages and a few at increased rates. Ere long the wages will most likely settle down on the old basis of \$5 per day, which is about right, if paid in coin or its equivalent. Many of the 'striker' have left the country, while some of the more sensible that remain have come to the conclusion that the movement is a failure – however, it has had the effect of inaugurating the system of contracts, which hitherto has not been much in vogue here. The Oro Fino Company have let contracts to run tow tunnels on their mine – one 50 and the other 100 feet in length. A contract has also been let to sink a shaft 100 feet on the Poorman.

Altogether, business of every description begins to assume a much better appearance. Six mills are running nearly all the time. Black's Mill is also pounding away in Flint, and the Iowa Company will probably start their new mill next week. The redundant population has almost entirely disappeared, and no laboring man need remain idle if he desires to work.

A COUPLE OF DAYS AGO two huge "prairie schooners" arrived from Grand Ronde Valley laden with flour for J. f. Dye & Co. Now is the time to procure a supply for winter. Every snow storm will increase the price of flour five cents on the pound.

MCQUAID & MCQUAID have removed their law office from Gabriel's Building to No. 7. Broadway, east side Jordan Creek, near their residence. Any person becoming entangled in the meshes of the law, by consulting the above firm will be put on the right track, if honest and able lawyers can do it.

THE WEATHER. It commenced snowing last Saturday night, and continued to do so till towards Monday evening, when it cleared up, and the snow has now entirely disappeared before the magic influence of Old Sol. No one could wish for more delightful weather than we now enjoy.

THERE IS A GREAT crowd of people at Ewing & Co.'s store to-day. What's the matter? Well, a large quantity of their new goods have arrived, and "that's what the matter with Hannah!"

BY LETTER FROM HILL BEACHEY, dated San Francisco, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, we learn that the man who wrote the San Francisco Examiner in derogation of the management of the mails on the Railroad Stage Line is named Bledsoe, who is not a citizen here, and if ever here at al must have been only in passing or for a day or so. There is or has been such a named man in Idaho, but none such a subscriber to that paper at the Silver City office, and his communication is false in all other particulars. It is such a palpable tissue of falsehoods that any resident of or near Silver City would not have thought of weaving for publication, knowing it would carry upon its face to the people the evidence of its maliciousness and untruthful character. It was written elsewhere for effect elsewhere, and the author has succeeded in getting himself published as a falsified without much gratification.

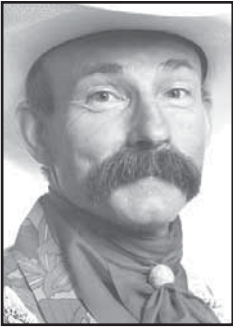
The Sacramento Union reaches this place regularly in four days from its date, and the San Francisco papers that do not get into Portland mail, in five days. Letters and papers sometimes get missent to Silver City, Nevada, or Montana, which is not the fault of the mail carrier. Any man who makes a contrary statement to this, makes one devoid of truth.



# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

## On the edge of common sense



### One of the cowboy days

It's the kind of day every cowboy dreams of. Almost makes you wish they weren't numbered. When the desert is green, it's like Wyoming when the wind's not blowing, or a sunny winter day in Ohio. It's early fall. Still supposed to be hot today but we've got morning cloud cover, so at 8:30 it's not bad.

Two days ago, we dumped a handful of cows in this canyon pasture. They haven't found the water yet so our job this morning is to push 'em back to the water trap and start over. First trick, of course, is to find 'em! Not as simple as it is in some places. Several ridges, arroyos and big bosquets of mesquite look from the top of a ridgeline like green lakes amongst sandy hills and rocky fords. I always empathized with those cowmen in Missouri and elsewhere who run cows in the woods. Especially since they don't even have any high ground to ride up on to take a look!

Lo and behold, there was a flash of white in the sea of mesquite green. Maybe the white cow. I'd like to say a Charlois, but I suspect she's not purebred! The white spot disappears, but we've got their location. This saves us riding clear to the backside.

The monsoon rains have been plentiful, grass is abundant, and though it's still green it's beginning to go to seed. Down in the brush where the mesquite, cat claw and white thorn rake at our leggings, we ride as the horses pick their way like pole-bending porpoises.

The wild flowers are rioting, so fragile they melt in your hand; yellow daisies, orange poppies, delicate white blossoms with petals no bigger than a grain of rice, purple morning glories, little blue cornets, giant ivory jimsonweed trombones! Guajia with its feather dusters. And starring in its fall bloom, the bulbous porkypinish barrel cacti with their slashes of deep red that gleam as your eyes constantly scan for tracks and cows.

Even the light green- and rust-colored lichens decorating the rocks are reveling in the day. Jackrabbits are fat, and the deer are everywhere you look. All the four-footed grazers and browsers are enjoying the heavy mesquite bean crop and the giant stalks of many century plants have been gnawed to a ragged stump.

I don't know if the deer or coyotes or javelinas, cow dogs or hawks, rattlesnakes, Gila monsters, quail, mountain lions or cows appreciate what a glorious day this is, but I know one cowboy who understands.

This is as good as it gets.

Wayne Cornell

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



When I was kid, back in the early 1950s, our school had a "Pen Pal" program. Our class wrote letters describing ourselves and our community. These letters were sent to elementary students in foreign countries. They wrote us letters telling us about themselves.

The letter exchanges usually took several months. My Pen Pal was supposed to be an English girl named Betty. She never responded to my initial letter. I guess my life didn't excite her.

Worldwide communication is different today.

About two years ago, Tom, a doctor in Canada, contacted me via e-mail about an old Russian camera I had offered for sale on the Internet. We have continued to correspond almost daily. In July 2004, Tom sent me a gift — a German Contax II camera. Like me, Tom is a camera buff, and his specialty is the Contax. Apparently, he had an extra Contax and felt I would appreciate it, which I do. The camera was manufactured in 1938 in Germany.

I posted a picture of Tom's gift on my Web site, which includes photos and information on many old cameras. In my description, I noted that the lens on the Contax might not be original because it is coated. Coated lenses transmit light more efficiently than plain glass lenses but weren't common until after World War II.

Now, I'll be the first to admit there aren't a lot of people in the world who give a rat's rear end about old cameras. There are even fewer who care if the lens on one of those cameras is coated. But that is a relevant — maybe even interesting — piece of information for someone who is a camera buff.

A couple of weeks ago I received an unexpected e-

mail from someone named Peter Hennig. Peter lives in Stockholm, Sweden. Peter is a writer and a member of the Zeiss Historica Society. Zeiss is the company that built my Contax camera.

Peter apparently was searching the Internet for Zeiss-related information when he bumped into the page featuring my Contax II. The photo was sharp enough he could read the serial number on the lens. He did some research and sent me the following message:

"It is quite likely that the camera was fitted with this lens from the very beginning. This Sonnar is in a batch of 3,000 Sonnar 1,5/5cm lenses, in the number serial 2 551 801 - 2 554 800, that left Zeiss on the 03.06.1939. A small quantity of this serial of lenses where T-coated. This was the first serial coated lenses on the civilian market."

The coating process developed by Zeiss before the war was so important the formula was kept secret and was used primarily on optics manufactured for the German military. Only a few lenses for civilian consumption made it onto the market prior to the war — my lens being one of them.

So, a stranger in Sweden told me the lens on my 67-year-old German camera, given to me by a guy in Canada, is quite rare.

There's a whole generation of people now who weren't even alive when there weren't personal computers or a World Wide Web. They take the technology for granted. But for somebody who was a kid when dial telephones, television and ballpoint pens were novelties, and mail moved at a snail's pace, it's all pretty amazing.

But I suspect Betty would still find my lifestyle something less than exciting.

Cheryl A. Beeson

## From the reporter's desk On the spot

Life is funny some times. I have done interviews with hot-head politicians, drug addicts and hardened criminals, but still to this day, the hardest interview to do has got to be an interview with a child.

Children will tell you anything. As a reporter, you must sift out what should be reported and get "just the facts."

A couple weeks ago, I must have gotten caught up in an interview with six young children concerning a "mock trial" conducted by the Owyhee County Extension Office at Marsing Elementary School. The entire fifth-grade class was the judge, jury, witnesses, prosecutors and defense attorneys, and one young man from each classroom was the defendant. The Extension educators were teaching Marsing's youngsters how to make the right choices and what can happen if you make a wrong choice — an absolutely wonderful program.

In what I felt would be a "soft" article, I chose to interview some of the key players in the trial and write the article based on what they did, felt and how the trial affected them in their everyday lives. What happened after the article was not what I had hoped for.

As the six young children sat on the stage in the school's gym, they were in a flurry of comments and statements to tell me their story. All were very excited to be interviewed

by a newspaper reporter and feeling particularly proud to have been a part of the trial.

Each one of the children proceeded to tell me about their experiences with alcohol from their parents, friends, relatives or just people they knew. I felt proud that they all agreed that locking up alcohol from children was so important that I added a statement from one child in my article concerning her parents. Not even stopping to think that the child's parents may be offended.

The young girl's mother contacted me on Wednesday, obviously upset because she felt the article appeared to read that she and her husband were "heavy drinkers." She was, rightfully, concerned that the people of the community in which she lives would think ill of her. My sincerest apologies to her if there is any belief in that.

I would like to make it perfectly clear: The young children that I interviewed never implied that members of their family drank heavily or in access. In fact, they told me more of how, if their parents happened to have an alcoholic beverage every now and again, that they drank responsibly.

You never know what you will be told during an interview, but sometimes there is no right way to clarify their comments. Hope this helps.



# Commentary

## Accuracy in the Media

### Conservative media distorts court nominee’s record

In a case of sensational but factually inaccurate reporting, WorldNetDaily (WND) is alleging that Bush Supreme Court pick Harriet Miers “is on record as supporting the establishment of the International Criminal Court” and “homosexual adoptions” and other controversial positions. But the documents being cited as proof of the claim have been distorted by WND. One document is merely a listing of issues that were supposed to come before a meeting of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association in 1998. There is no evidence that Miers personally endorsed them.

Columnist Robert Novak also has been caught promoting the misinformation. In a column that appeared Oct. 4 in the Chicago Sun-Times, he writes that Miers was “chairwoman of a panel that recommended legalization of gay adoption and establishment of an International Criminal Court.” He added, “That will not sit well with the Republican base.” In fact, the evidence shows that Miers was the chair of a panel that merely passed along recommendations from various ABA entities for consideration by the ABA. There’s no evidence that she put her personal stamp of approval on those controversial positions.

Ironically, the liberal Boston Globe got the story correct and put it into context. The paper reported Oct. 4 that “In 1998, while heading the ABA’s rules and calendar committee, she submitted policy views for discussion by the group’s membership, including two that are hardly conservative: endorsing an International Criminal Court and lifting bans on adoptions by homosexuals. But Gail Alexander-Wise, director of ABA media relations, emphasized that Miers was only carrying out an administrative duty and did not necessarily endorse those positions just because she submitted them for discussion.”

The Globe is to be congratulated for going to the ABA for clarification and comment. That was the right thing

to do. It is unfair to personally tie Miers, as chair of the ABA committee, to the views and policy positions that she was passing forward for consideration by the ABA membership.

The media distortions of the Miers record, coming so quickly after she was nominated, are extremely troubling. Accuracy in Media is urging the conservative media, who could play a constructive role in analyzing her background, to conduct their research in a careful and constructive way and not jump to unwarranted conclusions about her personal views on public policy issues.

AIM also has said that it is perfectly appropriate for the media to analyze the Miers selection in view of the Bush campaign promise to appoint judges in the tradition of conservatives Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas.

As the New York Times reported Oct. 4, “... there is no clear public evidence that she meets another test that Mr. Bush long ago suggested he would apply to his nominees: that they fit the mold of Justices Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas, who have aggressively sought to move the court rightward, becoming heroes to many conservatives in the process.”

But the sensational WND story, which was highlighted on a Web site that is very popular among conservatives, went beyond analyzing the nomination in light of the Bush promise. The story claimed to have uncovered her positions on several controversial issues. The subheadline said, “Bush pick supported International Criminal Court, homosexual adoptions, women in combat, tax hike.”

WorldNetDaily insisted that Miers endorsed the recommendations on the International Criminal Court and homosexual adoptions that she was merely passing along to ABA members. As its evidence for the charge, it claimed that “... during Miers long affiliation with the American Bar Association, she submitted a 1999 report to the ABA’s house of delegates that included recommendations to

develop and establish an International Criminal Court and the enactment of laws and public policy providing that the sexual orientation of adults be no bar to adoption of children.”

It’s true that Miers submitted the report. But that doesn’t mean she agreed with those recommendations. It was her job to submit those reports to the ABA membership. There’s no evidence in the documents that Miers was advising the ABA membership to adopt any of the policy recommendations. Instead, it is clear that she was advising that they consider and study them, in order to come to their own conclusions.

WorldNetDaily added, “Along with the proposed agenda was a memo, dated Oct. 28, 1998, that explained the document.” It said, “The Committee urges all Delegates to review this list for items of interest to their constituencies, and to act as the catalyst for further contact and action so that each entity will have the earliest opportunity for consideration and input.”

WND said, “The memo is signed by Miers as chairwoman of the Select Committee of the House.”

But this memo doesn’t prove what WND implies. This memo, which is a separate document, is a cover letter for the report. Miers was, in fact, one of 12 officials who signed and submitted the report.

It may be the case that Miers endorsed or even voted for these controversial positions as a member of the ABA. There is no evidence of that at this point. But the documents being cited by WND, and which apparently provided the basis for Novak’s charge, do not prove it.

Accuracy in Media believes that the conservative media have every right — even an obligation — to subject Miers’ record to scrutiny. But that effort must be undertaken with careful consideration and attention to the actual facts of the case.

— Cliff Kincaid is Editor of the AIM Report.

## Letters to the editor

### Otter was right to seek aid accountability in disaster

Accountability. Congratulations, Congressman Butch Otter. Butch Otter stood fast against those who wish to throw federal tax money, without any accountability, as the most important aid in a disaster.

Butch Otter had accountability in his plans before shoveling billions of tax dollars at the Katrina hurricane disaster just to show he stood firm in respect for us workers. We, the workers and business operators who earn those tax dollars for our Congress and local leaders, must demand and expect accountability for those billions of dollars.

The leadership of CEOs of many of our great business institutions have been fined, jailed and dismissed. Why? They were proven not accountable.

Now, our 1<sup>st</sup> District congressman, Butch Otter, was remaining firm for accountability of some \$50 billion approved, by our president and Congress, spent on Hurricane Katrina.

Now, these great Democrats are lining up to discredit Congressman Butch Otter, who remains firm in his stance for accountability of our disaster spending. It is amusing to now hear left-wing commentators of the major TV networks comparing life-saving disaster plans of Hurricane Katrina of three weeks ago versus those plans of Rita one week ago.

Vote for Congressman Butch Otter, Mr. Accountability, as our next governor of Idaho. I sure will.

Tom Skinner  
Caldwell

## Letters to the editor policy

We welcome letters to the editor.

Our policy is that locally-written letters receive priority. We do not publish mass-produced letters. The length must be limited to 300 words; the letters must be signed, and include the writer’s address and a day phone number where the writer can be reached for verification.

Deadline is Friday noon.

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# Public notices

| CITY OF HOMEDALE             |              |                           |             |              |                              |                  |                           |
|------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| Quarterly Expenditure Report |              |                           |             |              |                              |                  |                           |
| 4th Fiscal Quarter, FY2005   |              |                           |             |              |                              |                  |                           |
| Jul, 2005 to Sept, 2005      |              |                           |             |              |                              |                  |                           |
| FUND                         | PERSONNEL    | Overhead /<br>Maintenance | CAP IMP     | QTR TOTAL    | Fiscal Year to<br>Date Total | BUDGET<br>AMOUNT | PERCENT of<br>BUDGET USED |
| 01 General                   | \$58,560.56  | \$34,158.37               | \$0.00      | \$92,718.93  | \$405,610.56                 | \$462,475.99     | 87.7%                     |
| 02 Streets & Highways        | \$8,884.53   | \$7,785.99                | \$0.00      | \$16,670.52  | \$77,963.74                  | \$101,850.00     | 76.5%                     |
| 03 Parks                     | \$11,631.73  | \$8,402.14                | \$0.00      | \$20,033.87  | \$82,055.54                  | \$90,885.00      | 90.3%                     |
| 04 Library                   | \$5,560.14   | \$2,348.64                | \$2,773.60  | \$10,682.38  | \$44,512.51                  | \$44,734.00      | 99.5%                     |
| 30 Airport                   | \$0.00       | \$1,647.79                | \$0.00      | \$1,647.79   | \$25,555.31                  | \$20,850.00      | 122.6%                    |
| 60 Irigation                 | \$9,115.59   | \$5,674.59                | \$0.00      | \$14,790.18  | \$82,016.71                  | \$79,150.00      | 103.6%                    |
| Special Funds Total          | \$93,752.55  | \$60,017.52               | \$2,773.60  | \$156,543.67 | \$717,714.37                 | \$799,944.99     | 89.7%                     |
| 25 Water                     | \$19,516.67  | \$75,756.52               | \$4,112.90  | \$99,386.09  | \$282,661.72                 | \$177,645.00     | 159.1%                    |
| 26 Sewer                     | \$13,135.70  | \$7,495.05                | \$9,506.75  | \$30,137.50  | \$109,526.23                 | \$96,414.31      | 113.6%                    |
| 27 Sanitation                | \$0.00       | \$17,093.54               | \$0.00      | \$17,093.54  | \$65,329.89                  | \$73,950.00      | 88.3%                     |
| En. Funds Totals             | \$32,652.37  | \$100,345.11              | \$13,619.65 | \$146,617.13 | \$457,517.84                 | \$348,009.31     | 131.5%                    |
| TOTAL (all funds)            | \$126,404.92 | \$160,362.63              | \$16,393.25 | \$303,160.80 | \$1,175,232.21               | \$1,147,954.30   | 102.4%                    |

The General Public is invited to inspect all supporting documents for the above Fiancial Statement at City Hall during regular business hours.

Publish: October 12, 2005

Signed: Susan Mansisidor  
City Clerk-Treasurer

**OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup> 2005**  
**OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURPHY, IDAHO**

Present were Commissioners Tolmie, & Salove, Clerk Sherburn, and Jim Desmond.

The Board adopted Resolution No. 05-24 fixing the fiscal year 2006 budget.

The Board approved the Computer Arts contract for technical assistance for 2006 in the amount of \$43,338.

The Board approved the appointment of Greg Kelly, Tom Pegram and Junior Uranga for the renegotiation of the Homedale Impact area.

Larry Howard met with the Board concerning mileage costs.

The Board called for an executive session on a Planning & Zoning issue.

The Board conducted Indigent & Charity hearings on Case No. 05-32 and 05-14.

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

s.s/ Harold Tolmie

Attest: s.s/Charlotte Sherburn

10/12/05

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Please be advised that a public hearing will be held before the Homedale City Council of the City of Homedale on October 19, 2005 at 6:00 pm at Homedale City Hall, 31 W Wyoming Homedale, Idaho. The subject matter of this public hearing will be the Application for Vacation of Public Right of Way submitted by Rick Echevarria, seeking to vacate that portion of Railroad Ave. between 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Streets and to approve proposed Westwood Subdivision at the same location.

Susan Mansisidor  
Homedale City Clerk

10/5,12/05

**NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION CITY OF HOMEDALE, IDAHO**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the General Election to be held in and for the City of Homedale, Idaho, will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2005, for the purpose of electing two (2) council members for a term of four years and one (1) council

member for a term of two years. On Election Day, the polls will be open from 8:00am to 8:00pm at the following designated precinct polling place: Homedale City Hall, Court Room, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale, Idaho.

s.s/Susan Mansisidor, City Clerk

10/12/05

**NOTICE OF ELECTION NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION CITY OF MARSING, IDAHO**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the general election to be held in and for the City of Marsing, Idaho, will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2005. The election is held for the purpose of electing (two councilmembers for a term of four years). On Election Day, the polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following designated precinct polling place: Marsing City Hall.

Janice C. Bicandi, City Clerk

10/12/05

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Please be advised that a public hearing will be held before the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Homedale on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. at Homedale City Hall, 31 West Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho. The subject matter of the public hearing is the Application for Vacation of Public Right-of-Way filed by the American Legion. The American Legion is requesting approval of the vacation of 1<sup>st</sup> Street East. The American Legion currently owns the property on three sides of First Street East.

Sylvia L. Bahem, Administrator

Planning & Zoning Commission

City of Homedale

10/5,12/05

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Please be advised that a public hearing will be held before the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Homedale on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. at Homedale City Hall, 31 West Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho. The subject matter of the public hearing is the Application for Special Use Permit filed by Roark William Cooper. Mr.

Cooper is requesting a special use permit to build a residence, pool, boathouse and shop/garage/ office on property located in a commercial zone. This property is bare ground and is located adjacent to the Snake River and is accessed from Idaho Avenue, north on Fourth Street East, then east on Owyhee Avenue to the end of Owyhee Avenue.

Sylvia L. Bahem, Administrator

Planning & Zoning Commission

City of Homedale

10/5,12/05

**NOTICE OF ELECTION**

NOTICE is given, pursuant to IDS 43-201 to 43-207, inclusive, the election of one Director from Division 1 and one Director from Division 4 Opaline Irrigation District will be held on November 8, 2005 for terms of three years to being January 1, 2006 and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Nomination may be made by petition, singed by at least six electors of the District qualified to vote for the candidate nominated and filed with the Secretary of the District by October 19, 2005. Petitions may be obtained from Cyndi Eaton by calling 896-5273.

In the event more than one candidate is nominated within the Division, notice of time and place of election will be posted as required by IDS 43-206. Dated October 4, 2005.

Opaline Irrigation District

Cyndi Eaton, Secretary

10/12,19/05

**NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That declarations of candidacy for the Office of Commissioner for district No. 2 of the Owyhee Pioneer Cemetery must be filed with the district secretary, whose address is 17082 Basey Street, Murphy, Idaho or PO Box 24, Murphy, Idaho, 83650, no later than 5:00pm on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2005.

Such declarations are available at the district office at the residence of Joan Bachman at the above address.

Individuals who run as write-in candidates must file a declaration of intent no later than 5:00pm on the 25<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election.

SAMPLE BALLOT

City of Marsing, State of Idaho

November 8, 2005

INSTRUCTIONS: Vote for such candidates as you desire by placing an X in the small square to the right of the name or by writing in the name of the persons you desire to vote for, and placing an X in the square to the right of their name. If you tear, deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and get another. Mark only with pencil or pen. You cannot vote for more than the number given for that office.

FOR COUNCILMEMBER

Four Year Term  
(May Vote for Two)

Soila Contreras

Teresa Martinat

Leroy H. Peck

Rick Sherrow

| NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING<br>PROPOSED BUDGET, FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006<br>OPALINE IRRIGATION DISTRICT<br>FISCAL YEAR NOVEMBER 1 TO OCTOBER 31   |                     |                          |                        |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Notice is hereby given that the Directors for the Opaline Irrigation District will meet November 1, 2005 at 7 p.m. for a budget hearing meeting pursuant to Idaho Code 42-3229 at Elias Jaca’s Farm; take Jaca Road South ¼ mile, then West ¼ mile. The proposed budget may be examined at the home office of the Secretary, Cynthia Eaton, 8004 Birmingham Road, ph. 896-5273. |                     |                          |                        |
| The following is a copy of the proposed budget, including expenditures through October 4, 2005 fiscal year.   |                     |                          |                        |
| <b>Expenses:</b>  |                     |                          |                        |
| <b>Item</b>   | <b>Budgeted</b>     | <b>Expenses</b>          | <b>Proposed</b>        |
| Bond Pymt.  | \$8,000.00          | \$7,114.57               | \$7,200.00             |
| Insurance   | 2,500.00            | 1,244.00                 | 2,500.00               |
| L&P Fees  | 2,700.00            | 2,150.00                 | 2,700.00               |
| Maint.  | 22,900.00           | 19,364.19                | 22,900.00              |
| Office  | 1,000.00            | 392.31                   | 1,000.00               |
| Phone   | 800.00              | 655.37                   | 800.00                 |
| Power   | 122,350.00          | 92,669.49                | 123,150.00             |
| Soc. Sec.   | 2,500.00            | 1,433.25                 | 2,500.00               |
| Wages   | 14,500.00           | 13,875.40                | 14,500.00              |
| Misc.   | 250.00              | 0.00                     | 250.00                 |
| Refunds/Re-emb.   | 0.00                | 0.00                     | 0.00                   |
| Other   | 0.00                | 0.00                     | 0.00                   |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>\$177,500.00</b> | <b>\$138,898.58</b>      | <b>\$177,500.00</b>    |
| <b>Income:</b>  |                     |                          |                        |
| <b>Item</b>   | <b>Budgeted '05</b> | <b>Actual Income '05</b> | <b>Anticipated '06</b> |
| O&M Int. Inc.   | \$1,000.00          | \$1,140.65               | \$1,000.00             |
| Bond Int. Inc.  | 1,000.00            | 1,147.90                 | 1,000.00               |
| 2001 Bond   | 12.50               | 0.00                     | 12.50                  |
| 2002 Bond   | 42.19               | 0.00                     | 42.19                  |
| 2005-O&M  | 177,500.00          | 162,665.44               | 14,834.56              |
| 2006-O&M  |                     |                          | 177,500.00             |
| Late Fees   | 284.14              | 31.03                    | 400.00                 |
| Nxt. Yr.Inc.  | 0.00                | 0.00                     | 0.00                   |
| Refunds   | 1,500.00            | 1,500.00                 | 1,500.00               |
| Other   | 0.00                | 0.00                     | 0.00                   |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>\$181,338.83</b> | <b>\$166,485.02</b>      | <b>\$196,289.25</b>    |
| Cynthia Eaton<br>Secretary-Treasurer<br>Opaline Irrigation District<br>PO Box 331<br>Marsing, ID 83639  |                     |                          |                        |
| 10/12/05  |                     |                          |                        |

s.s/Joan Bachman, Secretary  
Owyhee Pioneer Cemetery  
District

10/12/05

**NOTICE**

The quarterly meeting of the fire commissioners of MRW (Murphy, Reynolds, Wilson) will be held at 7:00pm October 13<sup>th</sup> at Murphy.

10/12/05

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# Public notices

**NOTICE OF ELECTION**  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to IDS 43-201 to 43-207, inclusive, the election of one Directors from Divisions 1 and 2 of the Gem Irrigation District, will be held on November 8, 2005 to elect a Director for the term of three (3) years from the first of January 2006, and until their successors are elected and qualified.  
Nomination for Director may be made by Petition, signed by at least twelve (12) electors of the District qualified to vote for the candidate nominated and filed with the Secretary of the District not less than 20 days nor more than 40 days before the date of the election. Petitions may be obtained from Connie Chadez, Secretary of the District, 118 S.W. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Homedale, Idaho. (Petition due date is October 19, 2005)  
In the event more than one (1) candidate is nominated within a Division, notice of the time and place of election will be posted as is required by IDS 43-206.  
Dated: September 19, 2005  
GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
Connie Chadez, Secretary  
10/5,12/05

**SUMMONS**  
**CASE NO. CV-04-04717M**  
**IN THE DISTRICT COURT**  
**OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL**  
**DISTRICT OF**  
**THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN**  
**AND FOR THE COUNTY OF**  
**OWYHEE**  
CAST IN PLACE, INC.,  
An Idaho Corporation and  
WILLIAM HUCKSTEP,  
d / b / a H U C K S T E P  
HOUSEMOVER,  
Plaintiffs,  
Vs.  
LYLA L. SEPULVEDA,  
a/k/a LYLA L. SEPULVEDA-  
HERNANDEZ,  
a/k/a LYLA HERNANDEZ,  
and LYLA SEPULVEDA,  
a/k/a LYLA L. SEPULVEDA-  
JUICA,  
and ODLIAN HERNANDEZ,  
and THE BANK OF NEW  
YORK as Trustee, under the  
Pooling and Servicing Agreement  
Trust Series CWABS #2000-4,  
and UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA,  
and PIONEER TITLE CO.  
and HAROLD L. NOACK,  
JR., PA.  
and UNITED SURETY  
AGENTS, INC.  
and RANGER INSURANCE  
COMPANY  
and BRETT SHOUSER  
and BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS OF  
OWYHEE COUNTY,  
Defendants.  
**ODLIAN HERNANDEZ**  
**NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN**  
**SUED BY THE ABOVE-**  
**NAMED PLAINTIFFS.**  
THE COURT MAY ENTER  
JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU  
WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE  
UNLESS YOU RESPOND  
WITHIN 20 DAYS. **READ THE**  
**INFORMATION BELOW.**

You are hereby notified that in order the defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above designated court within 20 days after service of this Summons on you.  
If you fail to so respond the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the Plaintiffs in the Complaint.  
A copy of the Complaint is served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so

promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in the time and other legal rights protected.  
An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10(a)(1) and other Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:  
1. The title and number of this case.  
2. If your response is an Answer to the Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Complaint and other defenses you may claim.  
3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.  
4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.  
To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.  
Nature of claim against you: Foreclosure of Deed of Trust.  
WITNESS my hand and the seal of said District Court this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2004.  
G. Noel hales  
Clerk of the District Court.  
DAVID E. KERRICK  
Attorney at Law  
1001 Blaine Street  
PO Box 44  
Caldwell, Id. 83606  
Phone: 208-459-4574  
Fax: 208-459-4573  
Idaho State Bar No: 2565  
Attorney for Plaintiffs  
10/12,19,26;11/2/05

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
**CASE NO. CV-05-05180**  
**IN THE DISTRICT COURT**  
**FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL**  
**DISTRICT OF**  
**THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN**  
**AND FOR THE COUNTY OF**  
**OWYHEE**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE  
ESTATE OF  
THOMAS ANTHONY  
COLLETT, 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.  
Claims must either be presented to the personal representative of the estate, at the office of D. Blair Clark, Ringert Clark Chartered, 455 South Third, P.O. Box 2773, Boise, Idaho 83701, or filed with the Clerk of the Court and a copy sent to the personal representative.  
DATED: 9-13-05  
s.s/Margaret Hexum  
23346 River Road  
Grand View, ID 83624  
(208) 834-2497  
9/28;10/5,12,19/05

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
**CASE NO. CV-05-05196**  
**IN THE DISTRICT COURT**  
**OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL**  
**DISTRICT OF**  
**THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN**  
**AND FOR THE COUNTY OF**  
**OWYHEE**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE  
ESTATE OF  
ROBERTA I. OSBORN,  
Deceased.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Tangie Frisch and Derrell Osborn have been appointed

co-personal representatives 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.  
Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.  
Dated: October 3, 2005  
BOSCH, DAW &  
BALLARD, CHARTERED  
By: s.s/Les Bock, of the firm  
BOSCH, DAW &  
BALLARD, CHARTERED  
225 North 9<sup>th</sup> St. Ste 210  
Boise, ID 83702  
Phone: 208-344-8990  
Fax: 208-344-9140  
ISB#2994  
Attorneys for Co-Personal  
Representatives  
10/12,19,26/05

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
**CASE NO: CV2005-05193**  
**IN THE DISTRICT COURT**  
**OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL**  
**DISTRICT OF THE**  
**STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND**  
**FOR THE COUNTY OF**  
**OWYHEE**  
In the Matter of the Estate of  
M A M I E L O R A I N E  
WHITTAKER  
a.k.a. LORAIN WHITTAKER,  
Deceased Person.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be both filed with the Court and presented to the Personal Representative of the estate at the law office of DAVID E. KERRICK, 1001 Blaine Street, (Post Office Box 44) Caldwell, Idaho 83606.  
DATED this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2005  
s.s/Thomas Edward Whittaker  
Personal Representative  
10/12,19,26/05

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S**  
**SALE**  
**T.S. NO. 200403097-Z-22315**  
**LOAN NO. 0623243117**  
On 01/25/2006 at 11:00 am (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho: In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, ID 83650, First American Title Insurance Company, as 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 real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows: EXHIBIT "A" A portion of the SE1/4 SW1/4 of Section 30, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho, described as follows: BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of the SE1/4 SW1/4 (W 1/16th corner) in

Section 30, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence 32 feet East on the South line of said SE1/4 SW1/4 to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 600 feet parallel with the West line; thence East 365 feet parallel with the South line; thence South 600 feet parallel with the West line; thence 365 feet West on the South line, to the POINT OF BEGINNING. 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 1820 W. Thompson Road, Homedale, Idaho 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 Tab T. Cahill, and Erin J. Cahill, as grantors, to Pioneer Title Company of Canyon County, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., as Beneficiary, dated 05/24/2002, and recorded on 05/31/2002, as Instrument No. 239794, of Official 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 05/24/2002. The monthly installments for principal, interest and impounds (if applicable) of 1060.20, due per month for the months of 7/1/2005 through 10/12/2004, and all subsequent installments 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 \$142,371.36, plus accrued interest at the rate of 5.625% per annum from 06/01/2004. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Melmet Default Services 1820 E. First Street, Suite 210, Santa Ana, CA 92705 Sale Information Line: 916-387-7728, Reinstatement and payoff requests: 949-622-3388 THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: 9-23-05

First American Title Insurance Company By: Kathleen M. Mayerle, Asst Sec ASAP724465  
10/12,19,26;11/02/05

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S**  
**SALE**  
Notice of Trustee's Sale Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: September 21, 2005 Sale date and time (local time): January 25, 2006 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 5699 Edison Road Marsing, ID 83639 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009-0997 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Andrew Keys and Cindy L. Keys Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company of Ada County Original beneficiary: Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. Recording date: January 16, 2004 Recorder's instrument number: 246483 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of September 21, 2005: \$80,021.24 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: A portion of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 4 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and is more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter; Thence North 00 degrees 33'48" East along the East boundary of said Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter a distance of 319.03 feet to the True Point of Beginning; Thence North 89 degrees 16'17" West a distance of 273.00 feet; Thence North 00 degrees 33'48" East, parallel with said East boundary a distance of 159.61 feet; Thence South 89 degrees 15'07" East a distance of 273.00 feet to a point on said East boundary; Thence South 00 degrees 33'48" West along said East boundary a distance of 159.52 feet to the True Point of Beginning. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7023.10194) 1002.46306-FEI  
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| <b>Assembly of God Church Homedale</b><br>15 West Montana, 337-4458<br>Pastor George Greenwood<br>Sunday School 9:30am<br>Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am<br>Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm<br>Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm  | <b>Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder</b><br>Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644<br>Sunday School 10am<br>Sunday Morning Worship 11am<br>Sunday Evening Worship 6pm<br>Wed. Bible Study 7pm  | <b>Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church</b><br>1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell<br>459-3653<br>Mass:<br>Saturday 5:00 pm<br>Sunday 9:30 am<br>Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon   |
| <b>Mt. Calvary Lutheran Homedale</b><br>337-4248 or 454-1528<br>SE corner Idaho and West 7th<br>Sunday School: 9:00 to 9:45 am<br>Services: 10:00 am<br>Wednesday Night Bible Study: 7 to 8:30 pm   | <b>Friends Community Church Homedale</b><br>301 W. Montana, 337-3464<br>Pastor: John Beck<br>Summer Worship: 9:30 am  | <b>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale</b><br>708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112<br>Bishop Alan McRae<br>Bishop Dwayne Fisher<br>Sunday 1st Ward 9am<br>Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm   |
| <b>Homedale Baptist Church Homedale</b><br>212 S. 1st W.<br>Sunday School 10am & 11am<br>Sunday Evening 7pm<br>Wednesday Evening 7pm<br>Pastor James Huls   | <b>Wilder Church of God Wilder</b><br>205 A St. E, 482-7839<br>Pastor Ray Gerthung<br>Sunday School 9:45am<br>Sunday Service 11am<br>Sunday Eve. 6:00pm<br>Wed. Eve. 7:00pm   | <b>Mountain View Church of the Nazarene</b><br>26515 Ustick Road, Wilder<br>337-3151<br>Sunday School 9:30<br>Worship 10:30<br>Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm<br>Bible Based Recovery: Friday 7:00 pm                               |
| <br><b>MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY</b><br>Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing<br>221 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho<br>Pastor Ricardo Rodriguez<br>896-5552 or 371-3516<br>Sunday School 1:30 pm • Sunday Service 3 pm<br>Thursday Service 7 pm • (Bilingual Services/Español) | <b>Iglesia Evangelica Wilder</b><br>317 3rd st.,<br>Pastor Ramiro Reyes<br>10 am Sunday School<br>11 am Service<br>482-7484<br>Bilingual  | <b>Marsing Church of Christ Marsing</b><br>932 Franklin, Marsing<br><br>Minister Gib Nelson<br>Sunday Bible Study 10am<br>Sunday Worship 11am   |
| <b>Christian Church Homedale</b><br>110 W. Montana, 337-3626<br>Pastors Maurice Jones & Duane Crist<br>Sunday Morning Worship 11am<br>Church school 9:45  | <b>Bible Missionary Church Homedale</b><br>West Idaho, 337-4437<br>Pastor Paul Miller<br>Sunday School 10am<br>Worship 11am<br>Sunday Evening 7pm   | <b>Assembly of God Church Marsing</b><br>139 Kerry, 896-4294<br>Pastor Rick Sherrow<br>Sunday School 10am<br>Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm   |
| <b>Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing</b><br>Pastor Dave London<br>116 4th Ave. W., 587-4866<br>Sunday worship 11am-12pm<br>Sunday school 10 am-10:55am<br>Sunday evening 6pm-7pm<br>Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm<br>Every 3rd Sat. family video at 6 pm  | <b>Nazarene Church Marsing</b><br>Pastor Bill O'Connor<br>896-4184<br>Behind Mr. B's Market<br>Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm<br>Sunday School - 9:45am<br>Mid Week TLC Groups  | <b>Trinity Holiness Church Homedale</b><br>119 N. Main<br>Pastor Samuel Page<br>337-5021<br>Sunday School 10am<br>Sunday Morning Worship 11am<br>Sunday Evening 7pm<br>Thursday Evening 7:30pm  |
| <b>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing</b><br>215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151<br>Bishop Streibel<br>Sunday 1st Ward 9am<br>Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm<br>Primary 11am  | <b>Vision Bible Church Marsing</b><br>221 West Main Marsing, Idaho<br>208-896-5407<br>Sunday School 9:30 a.m.<br>Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.<br>Youth Meeting Wed. 7:00 p.m.  | <b>United Methodist Church Wilder</b><br>Corner of 4th St. & B Ave.<br>880-8751<br>Pastor Carolyn Bowers<br>Sunday Services 9:30am  |
| <b>First Presbyterian Church Homedale</b><br>320 N. 6th W., 337-3060<br>Pastor Marianne Paul<br>Sunday Morning Worship 11am<br>Sunday School 11am   | <b>Calvary Holiness Church Wilder</b><br>Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave., • 761-7843<br>Pastor Matthew Hunt<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.<br>Food Pantry Open Fridays 2-4 p.m. | <b>Seventh Day Adventist Homedale</b><br>16613 Garnet Rd.,<br>880-4685 or 453-9289<br>Pastor Allan Payne<br>Sabbath School Sat. 9:30am<br>Worship 11am<br>Wednesday Prayer Mtg. 7:30  |
| <b>Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale</b><br><br>711 W. Idaho, 463-9569<br>Pastor Jose Diaz<br>Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am   | <b>ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE</b>   | <b>Knight Community Church Grand View</b><br>Pastor Paul H. Ryan • 834-2639<br>Sunday School 9:30 a.m.<br>Worship Service 10:45 a.m.<br>Adult Bible Study: Wednesday, 7 p.m.<br>Knight's Neighborhood:<br>(Youth Activity Group) Friday 5-6:30 pm |



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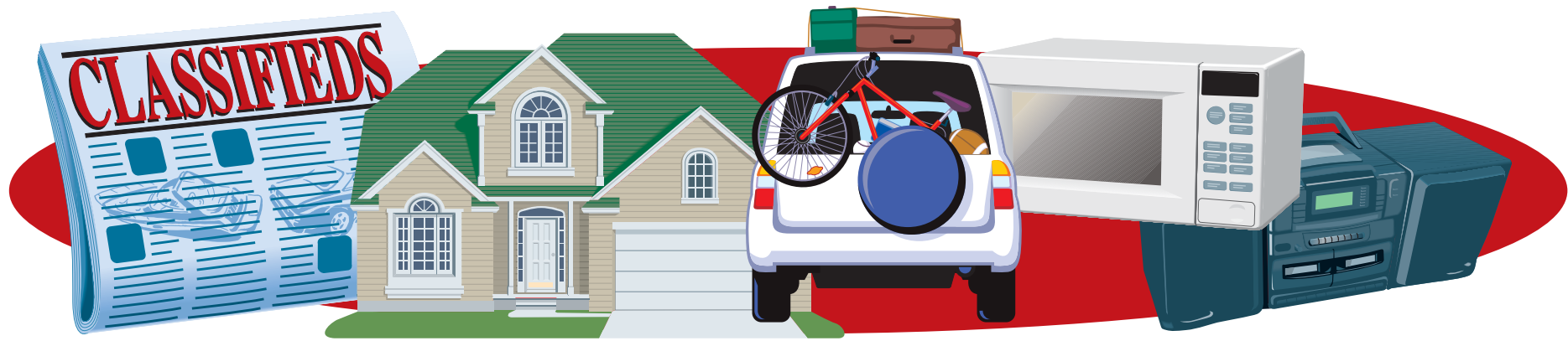
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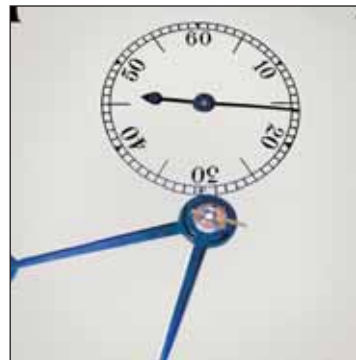
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| <div>Beef Stew Meat <b>\$2.19</b> lb.</div> <div>Market Pack Cheddar Cheese <b>\$2.29</b> lb.</div> <div>Market Pack Bacon <b>\$1.89</b> lb.</div>   | <div>Oscar Mayer 12 oz. Bologna <b>99¢</b> ea.</div> <div>Gem Pack Chorizos <b>\$2.89</b> lb.</div> <div>Gem Pack Weiners <b>\$1.99</b> lb.</div>   | <div>Pineapple <b>\$1.99</b> ea.</div> <div>Red Globe Grapes <b>\$1.19</b> lb.</div> <div>Dole Salad Mix <b>\$1.29</b> ea.</div>   | <div>All Tomatoes <b>99¢</b> lb.</div> <div>Local Yellow Onions <b>5lb \$1</b></div> <div>Yams <b>69¢</b> lb.</div>   |
| <div>Western Family<br/><b>Frozen Apple Juice</b></div>  <div><b>69¢</b> ea.<br/>12 oz.</div> <div>Home Pride 24 oz. White or Wheat Bread <b>2 \$3</b> for</div>  | <div><b>Pepsi Cola Products</b></div>  <div><b>3 \$10</b> for<br/>12pk 12 oz. Cans</div> <div>2 Liter Bottle Pepsi Products <b>\$1.19</b> ea.</div>  | <div>Western Family<br/><b>Apple Juice or Cider</b></div>  <div><b>2 \$4</b> for<br/>128 oz.</div> <div>Western Family 46-48 oz. Apple Sauce <b>3 \$5</b> for</div>   | <div><b>Coors Beer</b></div>  <div><b>\$6.99</b> ea.<br/>12pk 12oz Cans</div> <div>12pk Bottles Michelob Beer <b>\$8.99</b> ea.</div>  |
| <div>Western Family Hot Cocoa Mix 39 oz. <b>\$2.99</b> ea.</div> <div>American Beauty Pasta 24 oz. <b>4 \$5</b> for</div> <div>Western Family Flour 10 lb. <b>\$1.99</b> ea.</div> <div>Hi-C Fruit Drink Box 10 ct. <b>2 \$4</b> for</div> <div>Pillsbury Cake Mixes 18.25-18.9 oz. <b>\$1.19</b> ea.</div> <div>Crisco Oil 48 oz. <b>\$2.99</b> ea.</div> | <div>Hunt's Tomato Sauce 8 oz. <b>3 for 99¢</b></div> <div>Western Family Spaghetti Sauce 26 oz. <b>4 \$5</b> for</div> <div>Western Family Sugar 10 lb. <b>\$2.99</b> ea.</div> <div>Fantastic Trigger Spray 32 oz. <b>2 \$5</b> for</div> <div>Tri-Pro Dog Food 17.6 oz. <b>\$5.99</b> ea.</div> <div>Western Family Laundry Detergent 30 lb. <b>\$5.99</b> ea.</div> | <div>Planters Dry Roasted Peanuts 16 oz. <b>2 \$5</b> for</div> <div>General Mills Cheerios &amp; Honey Nut Cheerios 14-15 oz. <b>4 \$10</b> for</div> <div>Rhodes Frozen Rolls Ass't'd Sizes <b>2 \$6</b> for</div> <div>Fritos &amp; Cheetos 9.5-11 oz. <b>2 \$3</b> for</div> <div>Maruchan Ramen Noodles <b>9 \$1</b> for</div> <div>Kellogg's Cereals Apple Jacks, Corn Pops, Froot Loops 15 oz. <b>2 \$6</b> for</div> | <div>Fruit Gushers, Rollups &amp; Fruit by the Foot <b>\$1.89</b> ea. 6-10 ct.</div> <div>Pop Secret Microwave Popcorn 6 ct. <b>2 \$6</b> for</div> <div>Doritos Tortilla Chips 13 oz. <b>2 \$4</b> for</div> <div>Whole Sun Frozen Orange Juice <b>\$1.16</b> ea. While Supplies last!</div> |

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