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Owyhee parades ring in the season



Santa rides in style

Santa Claus rides in last weekend's Marsing "Just Christmas" parade with Les and Maria Blair of Marsing. Santa continued his visit at the elementary school by hearing children's Christmas wish lists.

Marsing kicks off celebration; Homedale festivities Saturday

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce officially starts the holiday season in town Saturday with its annual Christmas parade.

The Marsing Chamber of Commerce held its parade last Saturday.

this year, the Homedale Chamber will honor local service men and women with a "Welcome Home for the Holidays" parade.

Chamber President Aaron Tines said last week that the chamber hopes to thank every man and woman who has served in the Iraq war with a welcome home theme. Soldiers are still being sought to ride on a float during the parade.

The annual parade starts at 10:30 a.m. Saturday and will focus on honoring armed services personnel who have recently returned home from Iraq.

A special float will carry participating soldiers down Idaho Avenue, and a special presentation will be held for the service men at the intersection of Idaho Avenue and Main Street.



Santa's visit

Megan Bowman tells Santa her Christmas wishes at the elementary school after the Marsing Chamber of Commerce's Christmas parade Saturday.

The float will be a Clydesdale-drawn decorated wagon provided by Les and Maria Blair of Marsing.

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Sheriff asks residents to be prepared

With the season's first significant snowfall in Owyhee County last week, county Sheriff Gary Aman wants to remind recreationalists to be careful and be prepared.

During the Thanksgiving holiday, Aman's office received three reports of overdue persons in a four-day period. He said only one actually turned into a rescue, but the results of it alone could

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Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow

Snow flurries made driving conditions treacherous on Nov. 28, but a Thursday storm dumped about 6 inches of powder on the ground. Most all the snow was gone by Thursday afternoon, but not before causing havoc with some drivers in the area. More photos, Page 10A

Motorists battle year's first major snowfall

GV students get snow vacation

Students in the Bruneau-Grand View School District got an extra day of vacation last week as the district closed the schools because of deep drifting snow. Overall the amount of slide-offs and accidents in Owyhee County was much lower than in nearby counties during the area's first major snowfall last week, but the storm did cause delays on Highway 78 at Sinker Creek as

about four to six inches of snow fell in the area Thursday.

Idaho Department of Transportation sanding and plowing trucks worked most of the county's highways most of the day Thursday, but not before traffic was brought to a crawl on the Sinker Creek hill outside of Murphy. Grand View county deputy Daryl Crandall and posse member Bruce Cameron worked the east side of the hill directing traffic around a semi that slid off

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Benefit orange sale

Homedale Fire Department Secretary Mike Parker, left, and Homedale Rural Fire District Secretary-Treasurer Greg Kelly are ready for the department’s annual fund-raising orange sale. Sales will be held Monday, and oranges will be delivered by members of the Homedale fire district and ambulance service. Proceeds from this year’s sale will go toward medical expenses for volunteer Emergency Medical Technician Sherry Parrill, who is battling breast cancer.

Homedale Fire plans annual orange sale

Proceeds to benefit department volunteer

Volunteer firemen and ambulance crew from the Homedale Fire District will be selling oranges again this year for their annual Christmas fund-raiser. In the past, the department has used the proceeds to purchase emergency equipment, but this year, the money will go to help with medical costs for a volunteer emergency medical technician. Sales will be held Monday. The cost is \$2 per bag and the oranges will be delivered by members of the Homedale Fire District and ambulance service.

Ambulance EMT Sherry Parrill was recently diagnosed with breast cancer and will have to endure radiation, chemotherapy and surgery. Parrill has volunteered with the ambulance for about three years, and her husband Dan has been a member of the fire department for more than 20 years. Sherry Parrill’s father, John Kushlan, was a fire commissioner for more than 50 years. Oranges can be purchased from any fire department member or by calling Fire Chief Scott Salutregui at 573-0732 or Susan Mansisor at 337-4641.

— CAB

Man arrested in Homedale faces murder indicted in Nampa shooting

Nampa Police Department has confirmed that a battery suspect arrested in a home in Homedale in August has been indicted on murder charges stemming from a shooting in Nampa last summer. Juan Benito Martinez, 27 of Caldwell was taken into custody on Aug. 22 at a home on the 600 block of Wyoming Avenue and charged then with two Canyon County parole violation warrants, a warrant from NPD for a parole violation and aggravated battery also from NPD. At the time investigators would not confirm that Martinez was a person of interest in the Nampa murder case, but Thursday Nampa Police Detective Don Peck said he was indicted by a grand jury. Mario Torres, 31 of Caldwell was shot in August following a dispute with two men. Investigators said they would not elaborate on the dispute but the shooting had occurred about 30 hours after a Caldwell homicide, which Peck said is not connected to Martinez. Thursday, Martinez was served with an indictment accusing him of second-degree murder. He has been in the Canyon County jail in custody on unrelated charges since his arrest in Homedale in August. Homedale police department, several county deputies, posse members, and a number of tactical officers were at the scene of the incident in August following several hours of surveillance. Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller confirmed that Martinez was staying at the home in Homedale, but he could not confirm that Martinez lived in the home.



Juan Benito Martinez

Peck said that when officers were able to convince Martinez to come out of the home, he came out carrying a three-month old baby and had a small child by the hand. Peck said he did not believe that Martinez was using the children to protect himself. He said he felt once Martinez understood that the police were there, he decided to give himself up. “We received information that Martinez was held up in the home,” Eidemiller said. “Officers set up surveillance on the house. Due to the violent nature of the charges, officers had every reason to believe he was still armed and at this point very dangerous. That is why we called in the TRT team (Tactical Response Team) from Nampa. Before we could actually deploy the team Officer Mike Flores made verbal contact with him and he came out of the house. He was holding a three-month old baby and had a small child in tow with him. Officers approached him and we were able to get the

small children away from him.” Peck said the original battery charges Martinez was arrested on were not connected to the murder, but he would not confirm if the new charges are connected. He said Martinez was involved in a physical altercation in Nampa prior to the murder. Martinez is accused of shooting Torres in the head in the early morning hours of August 20 at a residence on the 400 block of 1st Avenue North. Investigators said at that time, two individuals entered the home looking for someone other than the victim. But instead, for reasons police decline to release, Torres got involved in a fistfight with one of the people at the home and was fatally shot. Peck said the department would not release the information, because the incident is still under investigation. He said Martinez did have a criminal history. Martinez is being held on a \$750,000 bond. Jail records show he faces the murder charge as well as aggravated battery, aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, probation violation and an Ada County hold. “Homedale and county deputies were instrumental in this arrest,” Peck said. “They did a wonderful job. We showed up basically at a moments notice and basically bent over backwards to help us with every officer they had. We were able to take this suspect into custody without anyone else getting hurt. Martinez is considered to be a dangerous person and now he is in jail.”

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Ministerial association sings carols Sunday

Homedale’s Ministerial Association is sponsoring its annual Christmas caroling at 5 p.m. on Sunday. Everyone is invited to attend, and churches are asked to provide a pot of chili and a dish of

cornbread to warm carolers. Singers will meet at the Presbyterian Church to begin their walk. For more information contact Marianne Paul at (541) 372-5011.

Charlie Brown trees help OCHS museum

They may look a bit rough at first, but slap on some lights, tinsel and ornaments, and you will have a true Owyhee County Christmas tree. The Country Christmas Bazaar will be held at the Museum Complex in Murphy from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Christmas trees will be sold in all shapes and sizes for \$10 each. Handmade crafts and homemade goodies will be available, along with jewelry, decorations and many miscellaneous items.

Local musicians will perform live entertainment each afternoon. Santa will make an appearance from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Breakfast rolls and lunch will be available along with beverages. Proceeds will go to the Owyhee County Historical Society. For more information contact Linda Charters at 834-2744 or Vikki Tyson at 834-2077.

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Arrested

Top: Homedale Police Officer Ian Takashige searches Jose Cuevas, 17, of Homedale as Officer Mike Flores and Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies Kenny Hoagland and Jim Bish look on. Cuevas was apprehended after a short pursuit in Homedale last week and charged with eluding an officer, resist and obstruct as well as several driving offenses.

Right: Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller and Hoagland investigate the crash scene at the corner of Third and Washington Friday morning. Cuevas was not injured in the accident.



Dog call nets wanted juvenile

A simple call for dogs at-large catapulted the Homedale Police Department into a chase that eventually ended in the arrest of a wanted juvenile last week.

Homedale Police arrested the teenager after a short vehicle chase and foot pursuit and the eventual arrest of a Homedale teen wanted on juvenile charges Friday.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said Monday that Jose Cuevas, 17, was taken into custody on several juvenile warrants and has now added several new charges.

Homedale Police Officer Ian Takashige responded to a dog-at-large call on the 600 block of West Wyoming when Cuevas fled the area in a silver Toyota.

Eidemiller said Takashige initiated a pursuit because he knew the suspect had outstanding warrants.

“He had a couple of outstanding detention orders,” Eidemiller said. “Ian was just about to terminate the chase when the suspect wrecked the car he was driving. He was getting dangerously close

to the elementary school.”

Cuevas traveled down side roads and alleys in Homedale before losing control of his vehicle and slamming into a chain-link fence at Third and Washington. From there, he took off on foot.

"He went into an apartment complex and Ian waited for backup, but as he was running the plates on the vehicle, he spotted the suspect fleeing again," Eidemiller said.

Homedale Officer Mike Flores joined the pursuit in his vehicle and stopped Cuevas on Fourth and Montana where he was taken into custody without incident.

Eidemiller said a toy gun was located in the vehicle.

The suspect was arrested on the previous warrants and will be charged with eluding, reckless driving, resisting and obstructing an officer, driving on a suspended license and with no insurance.

Eidemiller said Cuevas is being held in a Canyon County juvenile detention center.

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Community wish trees distributed

As the season of caring and giving continues, many needy families in the Homedale area are hoping for warm clothes and toys for their children this Christmas. The Wish Tree committee has placed trees with tags giving ages, sizes and Christmas wishes in various businesses, and this year more than 50 families are in need.

The Homedale School District has given the committee a list of families in need of Christmas items and community members are asked to take a tag and help the children have a merry Christmas. Gifts can be returned wrapped or unwrapped with the tag attached to the location the tag was picked up. Presents need to be returned by next Wednesday.

Trees are located at Tolmies Appliance and Repair, the post office, Homedale Drug, Main Street Café, Paul's Market and Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant. Presents will be delivered to the homes on Dec. 17.

Coordinator Teresa Ryska said each child would receive two gifts from the tree, including one item of clothing and a toy. She said this year there are more than 400 tags that must be filled. Ryska said a fund-raiser was held at the Tango last weekend, but more items are still needed.

For more information, contact Ryska at 337-3177 or 573-8088.

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Farm Bureau plans meeting in Marsing

Owyhee County Farm Bureau’s annual meeting will be held in Marsing at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office.

Board of directors elections and the presentation of annual reports are on the agenda.

“Farm Bureau members are invited to attend this very important meeting,” President Tim Lowry said. “Farm Bureau becomes stronger as the members get involved in the various issues and activities. If you are interested in serving on a committee, or working on a particular issue with us, please come to this meeting and let us know.”

Board members are Lowry, Howard Field, vice president, Ted Blackstock, secretary-treasurer, Dean Young, Paul Nettleton, Norman Mason and Golden Millet.

The seats occupied by Field, Young, Nettleton and Millet are up for election.

Owyhee children ‘Shop with a Cop’

Escorted by HPD, Owyhee Sheriff, kids concentrate on gifts for family

One by one, dozens of police cars with lights flashing and sirens blaring paraded into a Nampa department store parking lot Saturday, but they weren’t responding to a crime scene.

Instead they were loaded with area children, and the law enforcement officials were taking them Christmas shopping.

Every year officers, deputies and law enforcement administrators gather to take children to buy gifts for their families as part of the “Shop with a Cop” program. Deputies from the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office and officers from Homedale Police Department were among the nearly 50 officers who responded to assist.

Shop with a Cop gives children from underprivileged families a chance to get a gift for each family member and something for themselves.

But most of the kids Saturday were more interested in buying for their families.

“She doesn’t seem to want to buy anything for herself,” Jailer Jayne Kingston said of her young shopper from Grand View. “The kids are so unselfish when it comes to what to buy. I have had to talk her into something for herself.”

Santa stood at the front door to meet the officers and the children, and each child was given to



Early Christmas

Eleven-year-old Tammy Knappek, right, picks out a large stuffed dog for her brother while shopping with Owyhee County Sheriff’s Deputy Jailer Jayne Kingston during Saturday’s Shop with a Cop at a Nampa department store. Forty-five children were able to spend the morning with law enforcement personnel and were treated to breakfast before shopping for Christmas gifts.

opportunity to visit one-on-one with him.

Owyhee County Sheriff’s Deputy Jim Bish said some children have a tendency to be afraid of law enforcement personnel, but Shop with a Cop gives them a chance to quell their fears.

Forty-five kids were selected to participate in the 10th annual event. Each child gets about \$180 to spend on whatever he or she chooses.

The money is raised through corporate sponsors, local law

enforcement agencies, and community donations.

In fact, students from Melba High School raised enough money this year to help sponsor one child. Officials say that helps take some of the burden off the program, which admits it doesn’t have enough resources to include every child.

Law enforcement personnel from Nampa, Caldwell, Homedale, Owyhee County and Canyon County took part in Saturday’s

shopping spree.

Program coordinators say they might try staging something with Idaho State Police next year so the event can help more kids.

But chances are the children will be as selfless as ever.

“They’re truly looking for gifts for the other people on their lists. They usually pick gifts for themselves last,” said Lieutenant LeRoy Forsman with the Nampa Police Department.

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Farmers luncheon set for Marsing

The Owyhee Soil Conservation District will hold its Farmers Appreciation chili feed from 9 a.m. to noon Dec. 15 at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension in Marsing.

The pesticide applicator’s license renewal points program will be held. Those attending can earn three renewal points

on a 3-hour class for a USDA-approved program. Conservation of resources, fly updates and safe pesticide practices will be discussed.

The district would like to invite anyone involved in or interested in agriculture.

For more information, call Gina Millard at 896-4544, ext. 102.

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√ Parade

As part of the parade festivities, the city will unveil a plaque to returning soldiers as well as every soldier who has served in the United States military.

Lineup for the parade will be at 9:30 a.m. on Owyhee Avenue in front of Tolmie’s Hardware.

Gift baskets and turkeys will be given away during a drawing after the parade.

There will be a \$20 prize for first place in each parade category of commercial, kids, cars, animals and community. Ribbons will be given to all of the participants. The roaming Mayor’s Choice award also will be presented.

The parade will travel from Tolmie’s Hardware to Second

Street where it will head to Idaho Avenue and east to Homedale High School.

After the parade, Santa Claus will hand out candy and listen to Christmas wish lists from children in front of the post office on Main Street.

At noon, a drawing for 25 turkeys and 25 gift baskets will be held for people who dropped off entry tags at participating businesses from the “Homedale for the Holidays” section in The Owyhee Avalanche. The special section is included in this week’s edition. Tags must be delivered to a special box at the business by 4 p.m. Friday. Two tickets per business will be drawn.

For more information on the drawing, contact Tammy Giedd at 337-3161. To donate to the gift

basket, contact Susan Mansidor at Homedale City Hall at 337-4641.

In addition to colorful floats from participating businesses and anyone else who wants to enter, the high school band and flag corps will perform military songs and a member from each branch of the military will carry his branch's respective flag in the parade.

All military personnel in Homedale are invited to attend the parade and ride on a float.

For more information and to confirm a seat in the parade, call Cheryl Beeson at 989-9572. Armed forces personnel attending the parade should meet in front of the Owyhee Avalanche at 9 a.m. Saturday.

— CAB

√ Lost

have been much worse.

Aman did not release the names of those involved, but he said there was a report of two men and an 11-year-old boy hunting in the Succor Creek area near the Idaho-Oregon border when their vehicle got stuck in the mud. He said they unloaded a four-wheel ATV and rode out to Highway 95 and located a Idaho State Police patrolman.

“They located the ISP officer who was tagging an abandoned vehicle,” Aman said. “ISP called a tow truck, but the tow truck could not make it down the road so he gave the man a ride to a home in Caldwell. They got another pickup, went back out at about 6 p.m., and got it stuck. They had six sandwiches, no water and were really not dressed for the conditions. They didn’t have a fire or anything; they were just sitting there in their vehicles buried to their axles. If they were buried that deep, it probably wasn’t a good idea to have their vehicles running. We brought them out and had to leave the vehicles.

“I was up there a week and a half before, and it was very soupy. You could stand and sink. If you are not prepared, don’t come out. Take enough supplies with you for a day or two.”

Aman said he also responded to overdue persons on Nov. 23. He said two people were late returning from a deer-hunting trip on Rabbit Creek outside of Murphy. He said they were located on Black Mountain Road and were fine.

One instance of someone being prepared was 30-year-old Rita Payne, who got lost near Juniper Mountain on Nov. 27. Aman said she called her parents and advised them that she was OK and had built a fire to stay warm.

“She was very prepared,” Aman said. “She had enough supplies to last her if she did get stuck out there. She contacted her family to let them know she was fine and rode out on her horse the next day.”

Aman said Payne came out at the top of Juniper Mountain by Trout Springs at about 10:30 the next morning.

— CAB

√ Snow

the roadway. On the west side of the hill, Chief Deputy Dick Freund warned motorists to chain their vehicles until the hill could be sanded and plowed. Traffic was slowed for several hours.

A vehicle slide-off was reported on Highway 55 near Marsing at about 5:30 a.m. but no injuries were reported. At 6:44 a.m. another slide-off was reported on Highway 78 at the Highway 45 junction. A Ford Ranger pickup slid off the road on Highway 95 near Homedale at about 10:15 a.m. due to deep blowing snow and drifts.

Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman said motorists in general were very cautious for the first major winter storm, but he said drivers need to remember winter safety tips to keep accidents down.

“Motorists need to remember to drive slow and please drive with your headlights on,” Aman said last week. “They don’t have to legally, but it cuts down on accidents.”

Aman said he worked an accident during a recent fog inversion in the county and several cars were driving without their headlights on. He said it made them very difficult to see.

“The fog was thick,” Aman explained. I wrote a ticket to the driver of one semi who was traveling at 75 miles an hour in the fog. People need to use common sense.”

Aman said motorists also need to be prepared by carrying supplies in their vehicles in case an accident happens. He said they should carry a blanket, extra water and chains when needed.

— CAB

Snowfall increases mountain precipitation

More a foot of snow was recorded by the Natural Resources Conservation Service for the South Mountain area.

On Nov. 25, the SNOTEL site recorded 1.7 inches of snow, but by Monday, the site recorded 13.4 inches of snow. Reynolds Creek received 4 inches of new powder on Thursday, and Mud Flat recorded 5 inches of snow

during the Thursday storm.

The United States Bureau of Reclamation reported that Rome received 202 cubic feet per second of water on Monday.

Owyhee Reservoir was at 54 percent of full at 384,824 acre-feet.

Thirty cfs was being released at the dam. The reservoir is at 98 percent of a 30-year average.

Reynolds Creek		
Date	Snow Depth (inches)	Year-to-Date precipitation
11/28	2.8	
11/29	3.7	4.1
11/30	4.7	4.4
12/01	4.5	4.4
12/02	4.8	5.4
12/03	4.0	5.5
12/04	4.3	5.6
12/05	4.8	5.6

South Mountain		
Date	Snow Depth (inches)	Year-to-Date precipitation
11/28	6.3	
11/29	6.7	6.9
11/30	7.4	7.1
12/01	8.0	7.2
12/02	11.8	8.6
12/03	11.2	8.6
12/04	13.4	8.8
12/05	13.0	8.8

Mud Flat		
Date	Snow Depth (inches)	Year-to-Date precipitation
11/28	0.0	
11/29	2.7	2.5
11/30	3.6	2.6
12/01	3.1	2.6
12/02	5.8	3.3
12/03	unreadable	3.5
12/04	unreadable	3.6
12/05	8.3	3.8

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Birthday



Edwin Stansell, 1935



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Open house to celebrate Stansell’s 90th birthday

An open house to honor 90th birthday of Edwin Stansell of Homedale will be held at the Homedale Senior Citizens Center from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Edwin was born to A.M. and Golda Stansell in Idaho Falls on Dec. 8, 1915. He married Vera Evans, a teacher, in 1938. In 1940, they and their young son, Keith, with Edwin’s parents and his two youngest siblings, Jack and Velda, moved to Homedale, where Edwin and Jack farmed for more than 40 years. After Vera died, Edwin married Dorothy Westby in 1967.

For many years, Edwin served in leadership positions with the

board of directors of the Gem Irrigation District’s South Board of Control and the board of directors of the Western Idaho Potato Growers Association, as well as treasurer of the Homedale Friends Community Church. He also served a term on the Homedale City Council.

In addition to Keith, Edwin’s children include Ron, Glen (died 2001), Larry and Maxine Stansell. His stepchildren include Lauren Westby, Gloria Chell, Dean and Dale Westby, Kathy Williams and Linda LeClair. Together, Edwin and Dorothy have 27 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild.

Anniversary

Troy and Jean Bunch mark 60th wedding anniversary

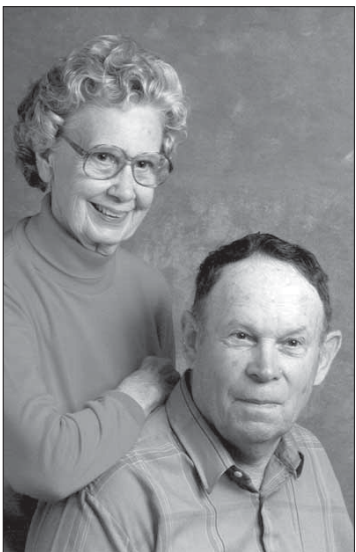
Troy and Jean Bunch will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Autumn Wind Assisted Living Center, 200 W. Beech St., Caldwell. The celebration will be a “card shower.”

The Bunches lived in Wilder, where Troy retired from Wilder Farms.

The couple married on Dec. 14, 1945, in West Plains, Mo.

They have one son, two grandsons and three great grandchildren.

Saturday’s reception will be hosted by their son and daughter-in-law, Lee and Jeanne Bunch, of Twin Falls.



Troy and Jean Bunch

School menus

Dec. 7 - 13

Homedale Elementary

- Dec. 7: Chili or beef taco pie, roll, veggie choice, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- Dec. 8: Chicken or beef nuggets, broccoli, cinnamon roll, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- Dec. 9: Pizza or popcorn chicken, salad, cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- Dec. 12: Spaghetti or hot pocket, French bread, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- Dec. 13: ½ ham & cheese or turkey sandwich, yogurt, veggie, granola, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Homedale Middle

- Dec. 7: Crispito or tst. Cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit bar, milk.
- Dec. 8: Chicken tenders or country-fried beef steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit bar, milk.
- Dec. 9: Spaghetti or chicken pot pie, bread stick, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- Dec. 12: Hamburger or hot do, fries, fruit bar, cookie, milk.
- Dec. 13: Rice bowl w/chicken or egg rolls, veggies, fruit bar, fortune cookies, milk.

Homedale High

- Dec. 7: Lasagna or burrito, French bread, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- Dec. 8: Chicken patty or hamburger/bun, fries/tots, fruit & veggie bar, dessert, milk.
- Dec. 9: Chicken taco or chili dog, corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- Dec. 12: Pizza or nacho bar, salad, fruit & veggie bar, dessert, milk.
- Dec. 13: Chicken nuggets or hot dog, rice, green bean, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Marsing

- Dec. 7: Red Baron pizza, salad, pineapple & cookies, milk, soup & sandwich, salad bar 4th-12th, roll.
- Dec. 8: Burritos, corn, strawberries & bananas, milk, corn dog, salad bar 4th-12th, roll.
- Dec. 9: Weiner wraps, veggies, fruit, milk, Caesar chicken wrap, salad bar 4th-12th, roll.
- Dec. 12: Turkey, corn, fruit, milk, chicken fried steak, salad bar 4th-12th, roll.
- Dec. 13: Hamburger, veggies, fruit, milk, chorizos, salad bar 4th-12th, roll.

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- Dec. 7: Cheese yum yum, vegetable soup, crackers, trail mix, fruit & cookie, milk.
- Dec. 8: Fried chicken, potatoes/gravy, peas, roll/butter, fruit cobbler, milk.
- Dec. 9: Lasagna, salad, garlic bread, fruit, milk.
- Dec. 12: Chicken wrap, fried rice, stir fry veggies, mandarin oranges, fortune cookie, milk.
- Dec. 13: Mac & cheese, little smokies, green beans, muffins, oranges, milk.

Homedale student gets UI honors

Homedale’s Jeremy Dawson, the son of Kerry and Ilene Dawson of Homedale and Wanda Dawson of Boise, is one of 55 University of Idaho students who will be honored with Awards for Excellence at a Friday banquet.

The awards are presented by the school’s alumni association.

Dawson is a physics major.

A panel of alumni, faculty and staff reviewers selected 55 outstanding students from more than 200 nominees. The overall grade point average for the group is 3.82.

Dawson among Idaho graduates

Homedale’s Alana Pilar Dawson will graduate with a bachelor’s degree in English from the University of Idaho during commencement ceremonies in Moscow on Saturday.

Dawson is one of 860 students who will take part in the ceremony.

Calendar

Today

No events scheduled

Thursday

AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Saturday

Homedale Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade. Lineup at Tolmies Appliance at 9:30 a.m. Parade will be held at 10:30 a.m. A turkey and gift basket drawing and visits with Santa will follow the parade in front of the Post Office.

Monday

Medicare Part D assistance fair, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center, 108 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3168

Tuesday

Bingo, 1 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Thursday, Dec. 15

AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Owyhee Soil Conservation District Farmers Appreciation chili feed from 9 a.m. to noon at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension office.

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 at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale, mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, 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.



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You don't need debt to get a loan

Dear Dave,

I'm 30 years old, single and I want to know how I can build a credit history in order to get a home loan. I've never had loans or car payments or anything like that. When I talked to a mortgage broker, he said in order to get a loan or be pre-qualified I'd have to pay extra because they'd have to do my credit report manually.

— Nancy in Michigan

Dear Nancy,

You need to get a new mortgage broker, because this guy's lazy. Most underwriters just pull it off a FICO score, and that's based on whether or not you have debt and a long credit history. If you don't have a big, long credit history they actually have to look at the paper with their eyes and examine it for a few minutes. That's what "manually" means. It's not like they have to dig a ditch or something.

Here's the deal. Even if all you've ever done is pay your rent on time or early, you have a credit history — and in that case, a good one. You don't have to run up a bunch of debt to have a credit history! I've even heard these people say that you need to have a car payment and several credit cards just to have a credit history and have a shot at a home loan.

The fact is, if you have several credit cards — even if you have zero balances and you've paid everything on time — it counts against you when you try to get a mortgage. Any decent underwriter would realize a person in that situation was an accident looking for a place to happen.

— Dave

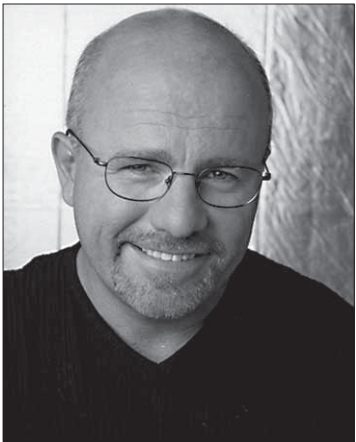
Dear Dave,

My son is a freshman in college, and he's coming home this weekend. I'm afraid we're going to have the dreaded "I need more money" conversation. What do you suggest in terms of spending money for a student who is on a tough course of study? We're willing to provide the spending money as long as he works hard and keeps his grades up.

— Bob

Dear Bob,

Why don't you let him set his



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own poison? I'm not talking about a blank check, but ask him how much he needs and then make him prove it. A generic figure of \$80 a day isn't what we're talking about. Ask him what he's spending money on, and make him do a budget right there in front of you. Tell him that if he can justify it on paper — and that he's not spending \$200 a month on pizza — that you'll give him that amount of money.

Later, if he comes back wanting a raise and it's a little higher than you think it should be, you can tell him you'll talk about it in a month. Tell him to save all his receipts and then you sit down with him and do a detailed cost analysis together. Based on this, if he can justify the raise, then he gets the raise. If he can't, then the money stays in YOUR pocket.

You might try this, too, Bob. If he comes home about once a month, separate the money you give him into four different envelopes — one for each week of the month. Then, when he sees one getting low, he'll know he needs to slow down the spending. If this doesn't slow him down, then when he's out of money he's OUT OF MONEY! College should be a learning experience outside the classroom, too.

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is the best-selling author of *The Total Money Makeover*. You can find tools to help with finances or previous columns at Davesays.org. Have a question for Dave? Send correspondence to syndication@daveramsey.com or write *Dave Says*, 1749 Mallory Lane, Brentwood, TN 37027

Honor roll

Homedale High School

Homedale High School released its first semester honor roll recently for students receiving a 3.0 to 4.0 grade point average.

Senior students receiving a 4.0 GPA included: Faith Brasher, Jennifer George, Stuart Miyasako, Tyler Christoffersen, Lyubov Pryadko, Michelle Uria and Patrick Vega.

Senior students receiving a 3.5 to 3.99 GPA include: Jessica Hansen, Shaunna Vaughan, Ian Lootens, Matthew Dillon, Andrew VanDerhoff, Hailee Garrett, Samantha Perry, Amanda Crosland, Luciana Silva, Karina Aguilera, Zachary Lootens, Jennifer Thomas and Richard Eidemiller.

Senior students receiving a 3.0 to 3.49 include: Wade Hyer John Hurich, Ryan Rupp, Garrett Sweet, Kalon Lord, Hailee Hall, Heath Phelps, Lawrence Wass, Kyle Carson, Kimberly Pershall, Elizabeth Steinmetz, Roberto Sandoval, Samuel Ensley, Tyler Leslie, Sara Bates and Sarah Cline.

Junior students receiving a 4.0 GPA include: Chanda Cox, Shanae Galloway, Ryan Johnson, Joshua Myers, Bonnie Price, Mark Vance, Amanda Gibbs, Angela Henman and Andres Vasquez.

Junior students receiving a 3.5 to 3.99 GPA include: Jared Haskett, Kyle Miyasako, Johnny Butler, Matson Lyon, Andrew Bingham, Andrea Schwangler, Jacob Anthony, Scott Thatcher, and Josh Jolley.

Junior students receiving a 3.0 to 3.49 GPA include: Sarah Black, Jared Brockett, Becky Thomson, Caleb Johnson, Vanessa Brown, Elizabeth Calderon, Esmeralda Alvarez, Ashley Bailey, Trevor Krzesnik, Kevin Nettleton, David Liddell, Kayla Bertagnolli, Jacob McRae, Aida Delgadillo, Matthew Borschowa, Amanda Brown, Jenine Lindbloom, Kevin Marrs, Tyler Maxwell, Gregorio

Monreal, Bradley Rudd, Jordan Warwick, Travis McRae, Kristin Phifer, Whitney Tackett, Jennifer Williams and Cory Uria.

Sophomore students receiving a 4.0 GPA include: Mandy Brasher, Kelsey Silva, Silvino Jimenez, Joshua Klug, Mark Klug, and Zach Tolmie.

Sophomore students receiving a 3.5-3.99 GPA include: Sarah Scarratt, Belen Vega, Samuel Sanchez, Gage Egurrola, Jarrod Driskell, Daisy Aguilera, Kathia Alvarez, Elizabeth Davis, Levi Jones, Jaime Uriarte, Rachel Wheeler and Yeraldin Juarez.

Sophomore students receiving a 3.0-3.49 GPA include: Andrew Eubanks, Kortney Bahem, Mathew Hansen, Terence Thomas, Brady Potter, Maria Sanchez, Shravan Sriganesh, Amanda Andaverde, Taryn Corta, Dayton Syme, and Samuel Hart.

Freshmen students with a 4.0 include: Briana Cornwall, Ryan Garrett, Hannah Gibson, Kara McRae and Kelsey Thatcher.

Freshmen students with a 3.5-3.99 include: Kali McRae, Kendall Rupp, Annamaria Salas, Andrea Vega, Mikal Mackenzie, Victoria Reed, Jessica Sotelo, Blanca Uriarte, Sierra Aberasturi, Trinity Heath, Rowdy Lair and Trevor Meligan.

Freshmen students with a 3.0-3.499 include: Vaughn Abels, Chance Bohr, Esmeralda Jimenez, Angelica Cuellar, Sean Dally, Monica Hernandez, Katie Lindbloom, Shelby McCain, Abedencio Sanchez, Eirka Shanley, Ryan Vance, Joel Aguilera, Austin Emry, Haylie Freeloove, Chantel Garcia, Marco Gaspar, Laken Hiser, Rye Hyer, Cortnee Krzesnik, Kevin Mercado, Manuel Quezada, Mithcell Quintana, Taylor Vaughn, Marissa Calderon, Rachelle Christoffersen, Chalsea Hicks, Daniel Rodriguez Zenor, Grant Sweet and Ashley Thomson.

Senior news

Homedale Senior Center


Dec. 7: Beef stew, roll, milk.
Dec. 8: Roast pork, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, peas & carrots, milk.
Dec. 13: Birthday lunch. Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, milk.
Dec. 14: Beef burrito, refried beans, milk.

Monthly calendar

Dec. 13 — Birthday dinner
Dec. 20 — Board meeting and board elections, 1 p.m. Entertainment by Sevy sisters.
Dec. 22 — Christmas dinner and party and visit from Santa. Bring a gift for a man or a woman.
Dec. 26 — Medicare Monday prescription drug coverage registration, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Bring a list of prescriptions. Sign up by phone at (800) 633-4227.

Marsing Senior Center

Dec. 7: Sweet & sour pork, mixed vegetables, rice, fruit salad, soup, dessert, beverage.
Dec. 8: Beef stroganoff, noodles, carrots, salad, soup, dessert, beverage.
Dec. 12: Caribbean chicken, rice, broccoli, salad, soup, dessert, beverage.
Dec. 13: Fish, mixed vegetables, potatoes, fruit salad, soup, dessert, beverage.
Dec. 14: Lasagna, spinach, garlic bread, salad, soup, dessert, beverage.



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December's second birthstone
Zircons are found in Ceylon, Burma, China, and Thailand.

This mineral species furnishes a suite of gemstones ranging from colorless through yellow, red, orange and brown, yellowish-green, a bright leaf-green, and a sky-blue. The colorless golden-brown and sky-blue stones, which owe their color to heat treatment, are the most important in jewelry and show off to the best advantage the adamantine luster of zircon.

The name zircon is said to have been derived from the word zargoon, which in Arabic means "vermillion" and in Persian "gold-colored". Zircons have evoked great interest to gemologists owing to the great variation of density and refractive indices exhibited by the species. And it was not until the work of K. F. Chudoba during 1887 that the mystery of the variations was finally solved.

The composition of the mineral is a silicate of zirconium. Usually there is a little iron present as an impurity replacing part of the zirconium, a variable amount (some 0.5 to 4 percent) of the rare metal hafnium and traces of thorium and uranium, to which the striking absorption spectrum of zircon is due. If you have any questions about and of December's three birthstones please feel free to call me. And please visit my new web site @ www.Ladonsfinejewelry.com

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Homedale schools to perform Christmas concerts

Homedale High School and middle school are planning Christmas concerts next week.

The high school band will perform at 7 p.m. on Dec. 15, while the middle school band puts on its show at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 19.

Concert band and choir from the high school will perform in the high school gym. Admission is by donation and is suggested to be \$1.50 for adults, \$1 for children kindergarten through 12th grade.

Senior citizens and children younger than 5 get in free.

A family can get in for a \$5 donation.

The middle school students in sixth, seventh and eighth grades will perform as well as the seventh- and eighth-grade choir.

Admission is also by donation and is suggested to be \$1.50 for adults, \$1 for children kindergarten through 12th grade.

Senior citizens and children younger than 5 will be admitted for free.

A family can attend for a \$5 donation.



King and queen
Homedale High School Winter Formal Court King Garrett Sweet, left, and Queen Jennifer George are all smiles while posing for photos after their coronation on Thursday night. Photo by Gregg Garrett

Homedale High crowns royalty

George, Sweet named king, queen of winter court on Thursday

Jennifer George was named queen of Homedale High School's Winter Formal Court before Thursday's boys basketball game.

Garrett Sweet was named king of the Winter Formal Court.

George is the daughter of Philip and Patricia George. She is president of the National Honor Society chapter, the Science Club and Wrestling Rallies.

She's also a member of the school's Drama Club and INEEL Team.

Among her academic awards are a Boise State University Academic Scholar Award and an Idaho Top Scholar Award.

Sweet's parents are Greg and Lisa Sweet.

He was named an All-Snake River Valley conference football player and also played in the East-West Shrine All-Star Game in Boise last month. He's a starter for coach Brad Hill's boys basketball team, too.

Sweet is also a member of the National Honor Society.

Other queen candidates included:

Samantha Cambria, the daughter of Richard Cambria and Dona Williams; and Sarah Cline, whose parents are Joe and Sindy Cline.

Other king candidates were Ian Lootens, the son of Kelly and Niki Lootens; and Andrew Davey, senior class president whose parents are Robin and Deanna Robinson.

Junior attendants were Amanda Brown (parents, Michael and Anita Brown) and Trevor Krzesnik (parents, Darren and Sherri Krzesnik).

Sophomore attendants were Megan Leslie (parents, Greg and Meri Leslie) and Austin Ferguson (parents, Jim and Bobbie Ferguson).

Freshman attendants were Cortnee Krzesnik (parents, Darren and Sherri Krzesnik) and Danny Rodriguez Zenor (parents, Shain and Misty Zenor).

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P&Z approves Wilkie findings

Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission approved the facts and findings of a conditional use permit filed by Tom Wilke of Wilke Farms near Homedale. The commission on Nov. 23, with several stipulations, approved the memorandum of decision.

Wilke filed an application for conditional use permit for a confined animal feeding facility to be used as a dairy heifer feedlot. The lot is located on Johnstone Road south of Homedale and will maintain a maximum of 9,000 heifers ranging in ages from five to 25 months of age. The facility is proposed to be a dry scrape, open lot system and the manure will be stockpiled on site or composted prior to land application.

Several people in the area have contested Wilke’s application, but in May a rainstorm sent water and manure onto a neighbor’s property prompting the commission to reopen testimony. Last month, Wilke’s permit was approved with a long list of conditions.

“The commission finds that a surface water run on and run off from the facility during rain events which occurred on May 5-9 of this year were of such magnitude that there was run-

off from applicant’s (Wilke) feedlot facility onto neighboring property which impelled applicant to contact the Idaho Department of Agriculture to report the event and request investigation,” the memorandum of decision states. “In corral containment did not hold all of the run-off. Liquid storage is not adequate, run-off discharge from feedlot will be further investigated to determine if run-off reached the waters of the state.”

But, after further investigation on July 1, found that the run-off from Wilke Farms did not reach state waters.

“The Commission finds that during the rain event, surface water run-off flowed onto neighboring property on the north boundary of applicant’s property,” the memorandum states. “The owner of that property was Helen Kettle, an opponent of this application. She requested that this Commission reconvene the hearing to inquire into danger to properties from applicant’s operation.

“The hearing was reconvened. Kettle and applicant entered into a Settlement Agreement under the terms of which Kettle agreed not

to testify regarding the run-off and not to appeal any decision of the commission. The applicant agreed to install a berm along applicant’s north property boundary no later than December 31, 2005 and that the berm shall be engineered to NRCS standards and approved by ISDA.

“Further, under the agreement, applicant agreed to provide dust control strategy consistent with the requirements outlined in DEQ’s comment letter of March 25, 2005 and that the corrals and manure stacking will be no closer to than 100 feet to the neighbor’s existing wells. Both parties to the agreement requested that the agreement be made a condition of the approval of the permit if the commission determines to grant the permit.”

— CAB

Marsing chamber to present awards at its annual meeting

The Marsing Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual business meeting and election of officers at its December luncheon at noon Thursday in the fellowship hall of the Marsing Church of the Nazarene.

Lunch will be served for \$5 per person.

The chamber also will present its annual community leadership award and three community beautification awards.

The leadership award goes to an individual who has offered outstanding leadership in some area of civic or business life during the past year.

The beautification award is given to business owners who have made obvious efforts to beautify the business district of the city.

All members of the chamber as well as members of the community are invited to attend.

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Public Notice of Intent To Propose Or Promulgate New Or Changed Agency Rules

The following agencies of the state of Idaho have published the complete text and all related, pertinent information concerning their intent to change or make the following rules in the new issue of the state Administrative Bulletin.

IDAPA 07 – DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY
1090 E. Watertower St., Meridian, ID 83642

07-0205-0501, Rules Governing Plumbing Safety Licensing. Adds definition of “general supervision” to allow greater flexibility for journeymen who supervise apprentices and deletes reference to “constant on the job” supervision. Comment by: 12/28/05.

07-0206-0502, Rules Concerning Uniform Plumbing Code. Requires that the discharge line for a water softener must be a minimum of 3/4” rather than the 1/2” required by the Uniform Plumbing Code. Comment by: 12/28/05.

IDAPA 11 – IDAHO STATE POLICE
PO Box 1177, Meridian, ID 83680-1177

11-0201-0502, Rules of the Idaho State Brand Board. Raises the cattle brand inspection fee from \$.84 to \$.94, and the pasture cattle brand fee from \$.42 to \$.47. Comment by: 2/22/06.

IDAPA 16 – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE
PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0036

16-0309-0506, Rules Governing the Medical Assistance Program. Allows for Medicaid coverage of investigational medical treatments and procedures when such procedures are not necessary; adds a definition of experimental services or procedures; updates current standards for the coverage of weight loss surgery and clarifies coverage of non-surgical options or the treatment of obesity; clarifies the coverage limitations for organ transplants. Comment by: 12/28/05.

Notice of Extension of Public Comment Period
Industrial Commission - PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0041
17-0208-0501, Miscellaneous Provisions – Comment by: 01/13/06.

Please refer to the Idaho Administrative Bulletin, **December 7, 2005, Volume 05-12** for notices and text of all rulemakings, public hearing schedules, Governor’s executive orders, and agency contact information.

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It's beginning to look a lot like ...

Snow and decorations can mean only one thing: Christmas is just around the corner



Christmas construction

The City of Homedale built its nativity scene Nov. 28 at the town's entrance on Idaho Avenue. City maintenance worker Jack Ulrich, standing on ladder, shores up the manger as Brad Hunt, right, and Scott Mahler, left, steady the ladder for him.



Marsing decks the halls

Danny Martin, left, and Fred Hukill of the City of Marsing maintenance department hang a holiday wreath and garland on the railroad towers that loom over Main Street in Marsing on Wednesday.



Scraping snow

December came in like a lion with the first major snowstorm of the season dumping about 6 inches of snow in the valley. Residents were forced to scrape windows and shovel snow Thursday morning, but most of the white stuff was gone by mid-afternoon.



Slippery roads

An unidentified motorist sits stranded inside a Ford Ranger pickup stuck in the snow on Highway 95 near Homedale on Thursday. Drifting snow from a winter storm caused delays on Highway 78 near Sinker Creek and several minor accidents in the county.



First flurry

Snow flurries around one of the decorative trees on Idaho Avenue in Homedale during the city's first snowfall on the afternoon of Nov. 29.



Throwin' snow

A snowplow from the Idaho Department of Transportation tries to keep Highway 95 clear Thursday morning after a winter storm dumped about six inches of powder in the area. Crews remained busy most of the morning, but the snow was nearly gone by evening as afternoon showers melted most of it.

Battling breast cancer

Disease strikes Homedale EMTs



Sherry Parrill

They are the words that every woman fears: “You have breast cancer.”

But two Homedale women are making the best of a serious condition by speaking out to others about their own alarming diseases.

Sherry Parrill and Tammy Giedd both recently heard those

dreadful words, but hope that by talking about their illnesses they can help other women, and men, understand the importance of being checked with not only mammograms, but also with regular checkups with their doctors.

Neither woman has the same type of cancer, but both have a

good prognosis, and a positive attitude.

As emergency medical technicians with Homedale Ambulance, Parrill and Giedd both are trained to give medical attention in emergency situations. But neither ever expected to be fighting for their own lives after being diagnosed with breast cancer.



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Tammy’s story: Ductal Carcinoma In-situ

Tammy Giedd was diagnosed with Ductal Carcinoma In-situ in September. She said her lump was found during a routine mammogram.

“It was pre-cancer,” Giedd said. “It was in the ductal lobes and had not spread yet. I had a surgery to remove the lump in October and now I am doing radiation. I go five days a week, and it will last six weeks.”

Giedd undergoes routine mammograms because she has lost two relatives to breast cancer. Her maternal aunt and grandmother had breast cancer, and her grandmother had a total mastectomy.

“I had a maternal aunt who died from breast cancer at 36 years old, so when I turned 36 I began going in regularly for mammograms,” Giedd said. “This year, I was about six months behind because my regular doctor had moved. So when a mammogram unit came to town one day, some girlfriends and I scheduled mammograms.”

Giedd said her lump actually had showed up on her mammogram a year ago, but because it was not very prominent, it went undetected. If she had not followed through with a mammogram this year, her cancer would have gone undetected for yet another year.

“They got it all, and my prognosis is very good,” she said. “It was not detectable through self-examination; it would have only showed up on a mammogram. It is a stage zero cancer, where it has been contained into the duct and has not spread.”

Giedd said she wasn’t real worried when she was told she had cancer, because she felt the tumor had been caught early. She



Tammy Giedd

said what she did have a hard time with was the possibility of having radiation.

“I don’t know that I was really scared, more of when they told me that they had gotten it all with the surgery, I wasn’t really sure radiation was necessary,” she said. “I had a difficult time deciding to go with it. I feel good, but I do get very tired by the end of the day.”

“It doesn’t take very long for a mammogram. Everyone says it hurts, but it is a very short pain.”

The early detection and support from those who know her has bolstered Giedd.

“I am very thankful that I went back in,” she said. “My friends and family have been very supportive. People need to take care of themselves. My 22-year-old daughter is also considering going in.”

“It doesn’t only affect women, men also need to be checked.”

— CAB

Sherry’s story: Mastitis

Sherry Parrill was diagnosed with breast cancer only about a month ago.

She made an appointment with her doctor after feeling pain in her left breast while exercising at Pick Up the Pace in Homedale. She said the whole incident happened so fast.

“I was on a rowing machine and when I would bring my arms back, I could feel pain in my breast,” Parrill said. “One week I was fine, and the next I had a golf-ball size lump. I made an appointment to see my doctor on a Tuesday in October. I told her that my breast was sore and red, and she had me in her office by 11:30 a.m. that morning. She told me that she was going to treat it as mastitis (inflammation of the breast) with a very strong antibiotic, but she scheduled a mammogram for the next day.”

Parrill said the mammogram showed a lump, but it was not conclusive so an ultrasound was done. She said by the end of the week she had an appointment with a surgeon.

“They set me up for the following week, and he did a needle biopsy,” Parrill said. “Two days later, he called me and told me it was malignant.”

Parrill was diagnosed with Inflammatory breast cancer, which affects only 5 percent of women with breast cancer. She said the disease is very aggressive, but she is positive because the cancer was caught early.

Although Parrill was diagnosed early, she still will have to endure rigorous treatment, including four sessions of chemotherapy, a full mastectomy then four more sessions of chemo followed by five days a week of radiation for six to nine weeks.

“Scared to death,” Parrill said about hearing her diagnosis. “I cried. I was at work when they called me, and Dan (Sherry’s husband) happened to be across the street when they called.”

“I called him, and he was there immediately. I fell apart, of course, and he brought me home. He said ‘You’ve got tonight to



Community support

Homedale Ambulance member Trent Price places a cancer victim support ribbon on the side of the ambulance. The service is selling the magnetic ribbons to help raise money for Sherry Parrill who was recently diagnosed with breast cancer.

fall apart, cry, do whatever you want, because starting tomorrow morning we are starting down the positive road.’ If it hadn’t been for Dan, I wouldn’t have made it through all of this. Everyone has been so very supportive.”

Homedale’s ambulance service also is showing support for Sherry Parrill by selling pink ribbons with her initials and her ambulance call numbers on them. The funds raised from the ribbons will help the Parrill family offset what is sure to be substantial medical bills.

“I am doing pretty good,” Parrill says with a smile. “We have our ups and downs, but for the most part we are very optimistic. I look at life a lot different. It has brought Dan and I much closer.”

“A person tends to take things for granted, until you are unsure of your future. I am a lot more patient with people because I don’t know what they might have going on in their lives. They don’t know what I have going on in my life.”

Parrill’s cancer is a cluster of cells like a sheet instead of one lump. She said that in most

cases, the cancer isn’t detected by mammograms or ultrasounds. It only shows when the cancer gets to a certain point.

“They told that mine was one of the earliest cases they had ever seen,” she said. “I will have to have a mastectomy and remove a lymph node under my arm and one under my collar bone. They did a PET scan from my eyes to my knees. It was pretty extensive.”

“They said they used to treat this one like they did all other cancers, but they didn’t have very good luck with it. Now they have an all-new cocktail, as it is called, of medication for it. Anyone who could be aware needs to be educated.”

Parrill said her doctor told her that even if she had a mammogram a month prior to diagnosis it might not have been found. She said about 30 years ago she had a lumpectomy and everything was fine, but this time it was not.

“I just hope people, men and women, will take my case and see their doctor,” Parrill said. “It could be a difference between life and death.”

Online resources

- American Cancer Society — www.breastcancer.com
- Susan G. Komen Foundation — www.komen.org



Close call
The Homedale fire department responded to a trailer house fire in Sunset Village on Wednesday night. Fire crews quickly extinguished the blaze and saved the home. No one was injured in the incident.

American Cancer Society offers breast cancer facts

The American Cancer Society says that breast cancer is the second-most common cancer among women, next to non-melanoma skin cancers.

“The chance of developing invasive breast cancer at some time in a woman’s life is about 1-in-8, 13 percent of women,” the society reports.

An estimated 211,240 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in 2005 among U.S. women. Currently there are slightly more than 2 million breast cancer survivors in the U.S. Women in North America have the highest rate of breast cancer in the world.

But breast cancer does not afflict only women. The American Cancer Society says an estimated 1,690 cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in men this year.

In 2005, about 40,110 women and 470 men will die from breast cancer in the United States.

Earlier detection and better treatments are helping drive down breast cancer death rates, American Cancer Society researchers report. Although the decline isn’t huge — 2.3 percent per year since 1990 — it has been steady. What’s more, women of all ages have seen breast cancer death rates drop, although the decline has been greatest in women under age 50.

The goal of screening examinations for early breast cancer detection is to find cancers before they start to cause symptoms. Screening refers to tests and examinations used to detect a disease, such as cancer, in people who do not have any symptoms. Early detection means applying a strategy that makes it possible to diagnose breast cancer earlier.

Cancers that are detected because they can be felt during self-examinations tend to be larger and more likely have spread beyond the breast. In contrast, breast cancers found during screenings are more likely to be small and still confined to the breast.

Evidence supporting mammograms is even stronger than in the past. In particular, recent evidence has confirmed that mammograms offer substantial benefits for women in their 40s. Mammograms also have limitations. A mammogram will miss some cancers, and it sometimes leads to follow-up of findings that are not cancer, including biopsies.

Clinical breast examination is a complement to mammograms and an opportunity for women and their doctors to discuss changes in their breasts, early detection testing, and factors in the patient’s history that might increase the risk of cancer.

Research has shown that breast self-examination plays a small role in finding breast cancer compared with finding a breast lump by chance or simply being aware of what is normal for each woman.



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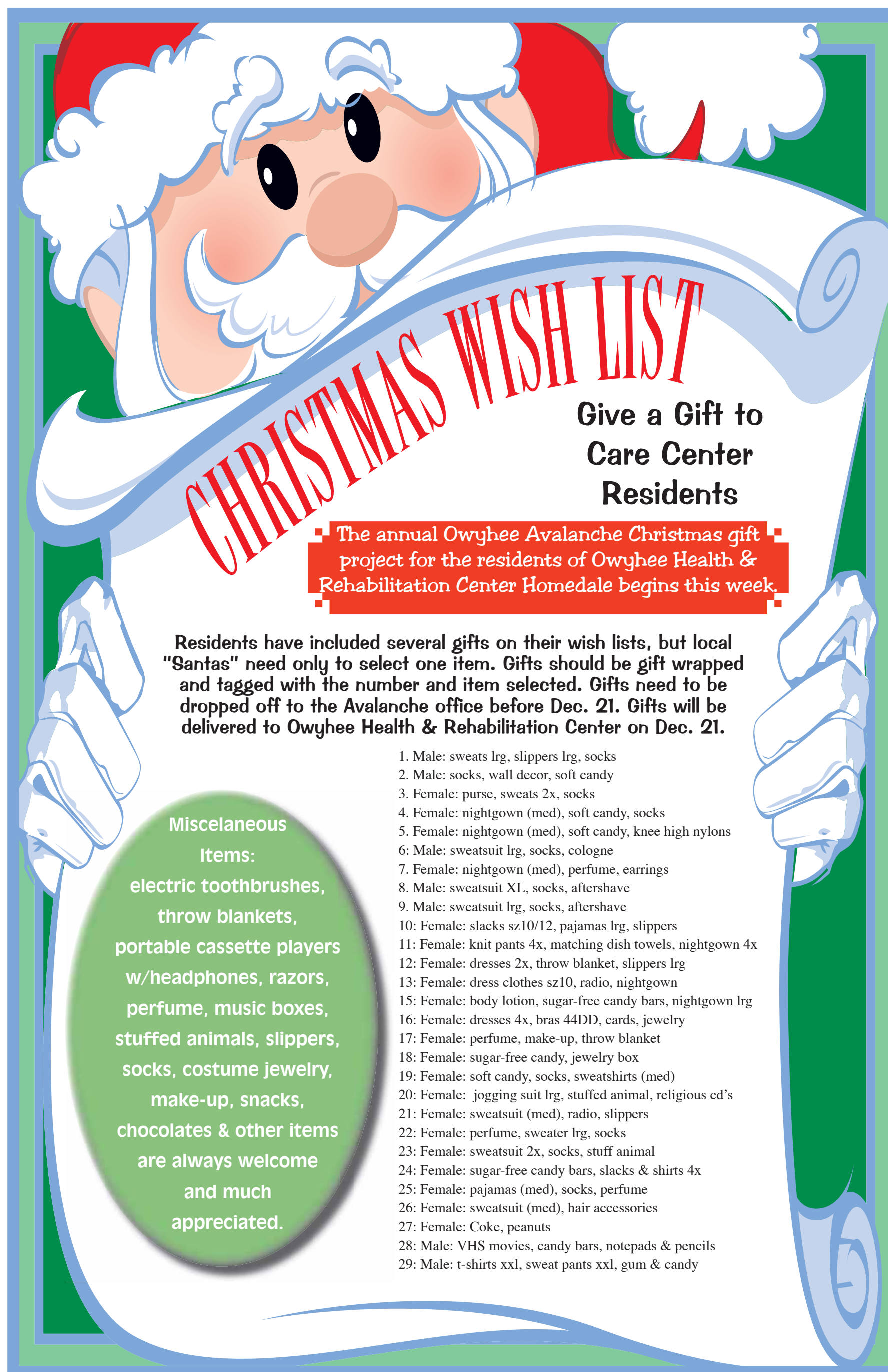
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CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

Give a Gift to Care Center Residents

■ The annual Owyhee Avalanche Christmas gift project for the residents of Owyhee Health & Rehabilitation Center Homedale begins this week. ■

Residents have included several gifts on their wish lists, but local "Santas" need only to select one item. Gifts should be gift wrapped and tagged with the number and item selected. Gifts need to be dropped off to the Avalanche office before Dec. 21. Gifts will be delivered to Owyhee Health & Rehabilitation Center on Dec. 21.

Miscellaneous Items:

electric toothbrushes,
throw blankets,
portable cassette players
w/headphones, razors,
perfume, music boxes,
stuffed animals, slippers,
socks, costume jewelry,
make-up, snacks,
chocolates & other items
are always welcome
and much
appreciated.

1. Male: sweats lrg, slippers lrg, socks
2. Male: socks, wall decor, soft candy
3. Female: purse, sweats 2x, socks
4. Female: nightgown (med), soft candy, socks
5. Female: nightgown (med), soft candy, knee high nylons
6. Male: sweatsuit lrg, socks, cologne
7. Female: nightgown (med), perfume, earrings
8. Male: sweatsuit XL, socks, aftershave
9. Male: sweatsuit lrg, socks, aftershave
10. Female: slacks sz10/12, pajamas lrg, slippers
11. Female: knit pants 4x, matching dish towels, nightgown 4x
12. Female: dresses 2x, throw blanket, slippers lrg
13. Female: dress clothes sz10, radio, nightgown
15. Female: body lotion, sugar-free candy bars, nightgown lrg
16. Female: dresses 4x, bras 44DD, cards, jewelry
17. Female: perfume, make-up, throw blanket
18. Female: sugar-free candy, jewelry box
19. Female: soft candy, socks, sweatshirts (med)
20. Female: jogging suit lrg, stuffed animal, religious cd's
21. Female: sweatsuit (med), radio, slippers
22. Female: perfume, sweater lrg, socks
23. Female: sweatsuit 2x, socks, stuff animal
24. Female: sugar-free candy bars, slacks & shirts 4x
25. Female: pajamas (med), socks, perfume
26. Female: sweatsuit (med), hair accessories
27. Female: Coke, peanuts
28. Male: VHS movies, candy bars, notepads & pencils
29. Male: t-shirts xxl, sweat pants xxl, gum & candy

Terry Reilly grant helps Homedale youngsters fight childhood obesity

Homedale Elementary School is a target for a Terry Reilly Health Services grant, which funds activities to fight childhood obesity for the next three years. But the grant is nothing new to the school that has had a program for five years, which made physical instructor Dan Moore instrumental in the service receiving the grant.

Students at three Caldwell and Homedale elementary schools will participate in exercise programs during the project, which received nearly \$200,000 per year. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Health Resource and Services Administration provided federal money for the project, which will target children in the third and fourth grade. Terry Reilly Health Services has named its program Healthy Families Active Youth and said its goal is to promote healthy weight and activity levels in rural children.

Moore said last week that his program is the pilot program for the grant and he has actively been involved in working with the service on their program. He said he has been working on the grant for about two years.

“A group of professionals have been meeting for the last two years to coordinate healthy living for our children,” Moore said. “We have been seeing an increase in obesity in young children. It started out that they wanted to target fifth and sixth grade children, but I felt we should concentrate on younger children.”

Moore said his program would not change much because of



Walk for health

From left to right, Jacob Deal, Kendall Freelove and Joel Vega receive their walking tokens from Homedale Elementary School physical education instructor Dan Moore, center, after finishing a lap. Nearly 200 students walk in Moore’s program each day.

the grant most of it will go to administration.

“That number looks enormous, but the program is huge,” Moore said. “The grant has a lot of different parts. I have been training other teachers in other schools to run programs similar to ours. One after school program is going to be we have contracted with YMCA and they will bring about four people into the schools once a week. They will take 50 kids and work on values, teen aspects and fitness. This month we are doing karate this month, next month some dance and we plan different exercises like rock climbing and we plan on going to the YMCA every other month once a week for swimming and gymnastics.”

“Healthy Families Active Youth is a health promotion and fitness project that will target elementary

school children and their parents in two towns in rural southwest Idaho to prevent and treat pediatric obesity,” Ann M. Sandven from Terry Reilly said. “The goal of the project is to promote healthy weight and activity levels in rural children. Objectives include increasing the knowledge of healthy foods, increasing servings of fruit and vegetables, increasing the percentage of children who get at least 30 minutes of physical activity five days a week, stabilizing or decreasing the weight of overweight children participating in a weight management program, and promoting appropriate identification and treatment of childhood overweight by health care professionals.”

Sandven said the target population is low-income elementary school children and their families. Poverty rates for

most of the target area are higher than state averages. The project will serve 1,400 children, at least 100 parents, and 25 health care professionals.

Moore’s program serves about 100 to 150 student walkers per day. He said many days he has up to 200 walkers including teachers, parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. Currently his students have traveled nearly 500 miles. The program also has about 200 students per week who are involved in the intramural program at lunch and about 300 students have walked more than 10 miles so far this year. He said he has several who have walked 50 miles or more in three months.

Healthy Families Active Youth partners include Terry Reilly Health Services as the lead agency, Southwest District Health Department, Treasure Valley Family YMCA, Homedale School District, and Caldwell School District. All partners have participated in a broad-based community coalition of more than 15 organizations that began in October 2003 to address childhood overweight.

At the end of each year, organizers will test each student to measure individual gains. Some of these areas include sit and reach, push-ups, sit-ups, trunk lift for the lower back, and height and weight measurements.

Although the grant money only funds the three schools, organizers hope to expand the program to reach more students after the three-year period.

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OWC starts grant program

The Owyhee Watershed Council in partnership with the Owyhee Soil Conservation District and the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) announced the opening of a new grant program for Owyhee County landowners and operators.

Owyhee Restoration Incentive Program applications are being taken for water quality restoration projects on private/public lands within the Upper Owyhee, Middle Owyhee, Mid-Snake Succor, and Jordan sub-basins of Owyhee County.

The Owyhee Watershed Council received funding in the amount of \$225,285 from IDEQ to accomplish these goals.

Program priorities are based on TMDL plans / implementation plans developed by the IDEQ and are designated by area as follows:

Priority 1 – Middle Owyhee Sub-basin

Temperature (improve riparian conditions)

Priority 2 – Upper Owyhee Sub-basin

Temperature (improve riparian conditions)

Sediment (reduce sediment inputs)

Priority 2 – Mid-Snake Succor Sub-basin

Temperature (improve riparian conditions)

Sediment (reduce sediment inputs)

Bacteria (reduce animal waste contamination of waterways)

Nutrients (reduce nutrient inputs)

Stream bank Erosion (reduce erosion)

Priority 3 – Jordan Sub-basin

Temperature (improve riparian conditions)

Sediment (reduce sediment inputs)

Bacteria (reduce animal waste contamination of waterways)

Nutrients (reduce nutrient inputs)

Stream bank Erosion (reduce erosion)

Applicants are required to provide a 40 percent match (cash or in-kind services) for proposed projects.

Grant applications are available at the Farm Service Agency Office in Marsing; at the Bruneau River Soil Conservation District office in Bruneau; from our local committee representative; or by contacting the Owyhee Watershed Council at (541) 889-2588 ext.117.

The deadline for application submission is Jan. 31, 2006.

Applications should be mailed to the following address by Jan. 31, 2006 to be eligible for funding:

Owyhee Watershed Council
Attn: Jennifer Martin
2925 S.W. 6th Ave., Ste. 2
Ontario, OR 97914

For more information or to have questions answered, contact Jennifer Martin at (541) 889-2588 ext.117.

Eastern Owyhee library promotes reading with programs, upgrades

With colder weather upon us and more indoor time at our disposal, reading is a great way to spend winter hours.

The Eastern Owyhee County Library in Grand View has been doing its part to promote family reading with a Family Reading Night earlier this month. The library also will participate in the Child Care Reads program again this year.

The Eastern Owyhee library presented 25 new children’s books apiece to five childcare facilities during the last Child Care Reads program.

Adult leaders of the childcare locations undergo a three-hour training and resource session with library staff.

The library also will give students in preschool through first grade the opportunity to read at home and earn the book “K is for Kissing a Cool Kangaroo.”

This program is facilitated by the Idaho State Library, according to the Eastern Owyhee library, which urges parents to read with their children for 20 minutes each day.

To promote family reading, the library held Family Reading Night on Nov. 15 as part of its observance of Idaho Family Reading Week from Nov. 13-19.

The focus of the Eastern Owyhee reading event was bringing families to the library to spend time reading and having fun together.

Families toured the library and were able to scan the collections to find books to read.

The families made puppets together. Family histories were highlighted, and children were given family tree pages to fill out.

Another activity was making flipbooks of family members.

Treats provided included Rice Krispie treats, chocolate Chex mix and sugar cookies.

Grand View Elementary School helped publicize the event, and librarian Christine Meyers assisted at the activity.

The Idaho State Library donated banners and two books each for the Eastern Owyhee library and the Grand View Elementary library to give away as prizes during the week. Eastern Owyhee library also chipped in some books for the drawings, and each family that attended went home with at least one new book.

The Eastern Owyhee library has upgraded its computers and added a broadband Internet connection through a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and the Idaho State Library. Grants from US Ecology Idaho helped purchase a new printer and fund Internet service before the arrival

of the broadband connection.

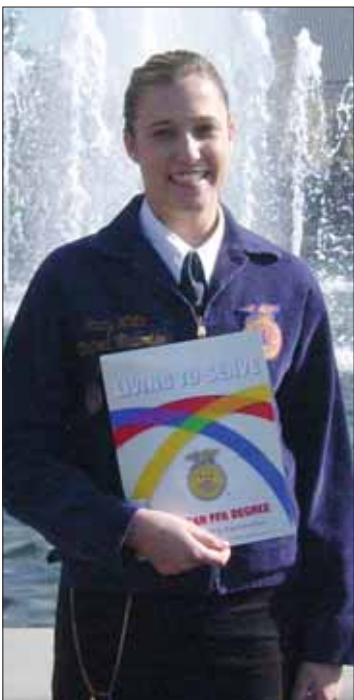
The Eastern Owyhee library plans to upgrade its automation program to InfoCenter to allow greater community cooperation between school libraries and the public library.

Other improvements at the library include remodeling the restroom to make it more accessible for handicapped persons. Grants obtained with the help of Southwest RC&D funded that project.

The library also installed an automatic door at the building’s entrance.

The woodshop class from Rimrock High School, which is taught by Gary Jones, built new shelving and book cubes for the library, too.

The library also thanks the foundations and organizations that help the library and the community.



Stacy White

Rimrock’s White gets top FFA honor

Rimrock FFA Chapter member Stacy White received the American FFA Degree at the 78th FFA National Convention in Louisville, Ky., on Oct. 29.

The American FFA Degree is the highest degree awarded by the national FFA organization and recognizes White’s demonstrated leadership abilities and outstanding achievements in agricultural business, production, processing and service programs.

Fewer than one in 165 FFA members advance through their local chapter and state FFA degree programs to earn this national degree. White, the daughter of Bill and Berverly White, is currently attending college at Idaho State University in Pocatello.

She is a member of the Rimrock FFA Chapter and her agricultural education instructor and FFA advisor is Alan Schoen.

White received a gold American FFA Degree key, wallet ID card and a certificate to commemorate the achievement. The recognition program is sponsored by BASF, Case IH, The Farm Credit System and Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc., as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

The National FFA Convention is the nation’s largest annual youth gathering, welcoming students, parents and educators from all across the United States

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Visit www.ffa.org for more information.

Rimrock FFA news

On Oct. 24, members from the Rimrock FFA Chapter left Boise to attend the 2005 National FFA Convention in Louisville, Ky. Members who attended were Cole Merrick, Leigh Martin, Geoff King, Jay Long, Shawn Servis, Robynn Ridley, Ellie Cantrell and Stacy White. Also attending was our advisor, Alan Schoen, and chaperones Tammy Schoen, Vicki Granden and Beverly White.

On Oct. 25, we started off our week by touring Graceland in Memphis, Tenn., and then returned to Nashville to walk through the famous Opryland Hotel. On Oct. 26, we went through the Country Music Hall of Fame in Nashville then drove to Louisville.

On the morning of Oct. 27, we attended one of the three opening ceremonies and the National FFA Career Show. Later that day, we had the chance to go through the home of the Kentucky Derby, Churchill Downs.

On Oct. 28, we took a steam paddle boat tour of the Ohio River on the Belle of Louisville. After returning to the tour, we went to a Clay Walker and Miranda Lambert concert put on by the National FFA.

On Oct. 29, we attended the American FFA Degree ceremony, where Rimrock FFA member Stacy White received her American Degree. The American Degree is the highest degree awarded by the National FFA. That night we returned to Nashville and had the



Members of the Rimrock FFA Chapter pose for a photo with adviser Alan Schoen in Louisville, Ky. Submitted photo

opportunity to go to the Grande Ole Opry and see performances by many country music artists. We spent Oct. 30 traveling home.

Everyone enjoyed the opportunity to attend the convention and get a chance to see sights we probably would have never seen otherwise. We would like to thank our advisors, Alan and Tammy Schoen, for giving us the opportunity to go.

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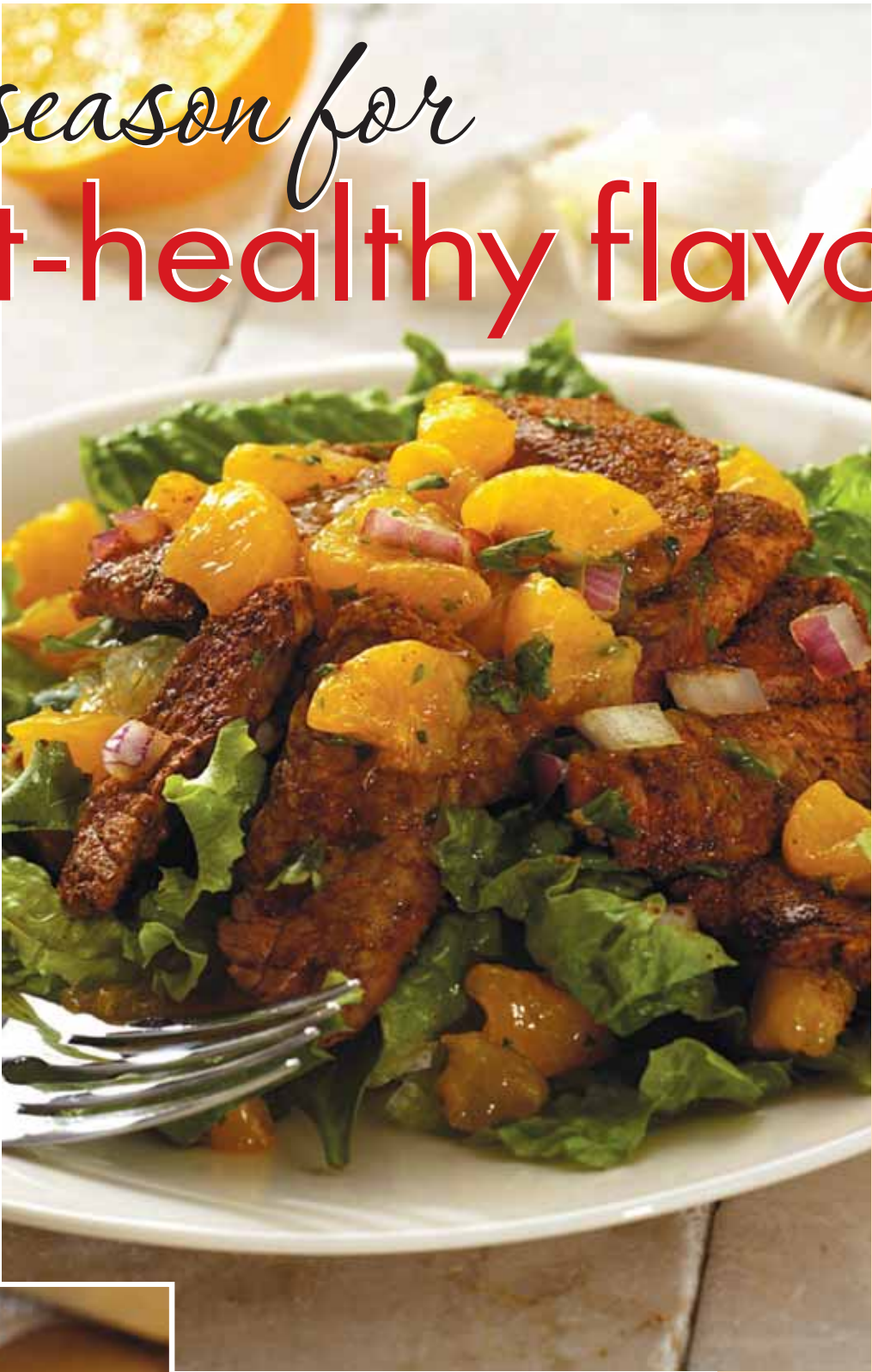
This holiday season, give your friends and family the gift of good health!

FAMILY FEATURES EDITORIAL SYNDICATE

For many the holidays bring about a dizzying array of festivities, including menu planning, endless hours of shopping and entertaining out-of-town guests. This year, relieve the guilt of overindulging by serving healthy holiday selections and good-for-you temptations to friends and family. Not only will your family and guests love your holiday cooking, they won't suspect that you're serving up nutritious dishes, saving time and money, and giving yourself some peace of mind.

This holiday season, Wal-Mart, the nation's largest discount retailer, is committed to providing quick and easy recipes that are both healthy and great tasting. And thanks to everyday low prices, consumers can purchase all of the necessary ingredients for a hearty meal without a hefty price — allowing for extra dollars to be spent on gifts for friends and loved ones.

By choosing from foods that are low in saturated fat and cholesterol, it's easy to control calorie intake, guard your family's heart health and offer interesting and delicious holiday dishes that never leave you feeling deprived. Wal-Mart SuperCenters offer a wide variety of healthy choices that are sure to satisfy every taste!



Spicy Flank Steak Salad

Spicy Flank Steak Salad

*Prep Time: 15 minutes
Cook Time: 5 minutes
Serves 4*

- 2 (11-ounce) cans mandarin orange sections, drained
- 1/3 cup chopped red onion
- 1/3 cup mild green picante sauce or green taco sauce
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- 1 pound beef flank steak or boneless beef sirloin steak
- 2 to 3 teaspoons Great Value chili powder or Mexican seasoning
- 1 teaspoon bottled minced garlic or 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 teaspoon canola oil
- 8 cups torn mixed greens

1. Coarsely chop orange sections. In medium bowl toss together orange sections, onion, picante sauce and parsley. Set aside.
2. Trim fat from steak. Thinly slice steak across grain into bite-size strips. Toss together steak, chili powder, garlic and cumin.
3. Lightly coat large nonstick skillet with cooking spray; stir and cook half of meat over medium-high heat 2 to 3 minutes or to desired doneness. Remove from skillet. Add oil to hot skillet; stir and cook remaining meat. Return all meat to skillet; heat through.
4. Arrange greens on 4 serving plates. Top with hot meat and fruit mixture.

Per serving: 280 calories, 10g fat, 57mg cholesterol, 216mg sodium, 22g carbohydrate, 26g protein, 4g fiber

Garden Eggplant Bake

*Prep Time: 15 minutes
Cook Time: 50 minutes
Serves 6*

- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 tablespoon tomato paste
- 1 tablespoon water
- 1 medium (about 1 pound) eggplant, peeled and cut into 3/4-inch cubes
- 2 medium tomatoes, cored and chopped
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh basil leaves
- 1 teaspoon Great Value dried oregano leaves
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 tablespoon Italian bread crumbs

1. Heat oven to 400°F. Spray 1 1/2-quart casserole with nonstick cooking spray; set aside.
2. Heat oil in small nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add garlic and onion; cook and stir 1 minute. Stir in tomato paste (if using canned, freeze remainder) and water.
3. Combine onion mixture and remaining ingredients except Parmesan cheese and bread crumbs; mix well. Pour into prepared casserole; cover and bake 30 minutes. Stir. Bake 10 minutes longer; stir. Top with Parmesan cheese and bread crumbs. Reduce heat to 375°F. Bake uncovered 10 minutes or until eggplant is tender.

Per serving: 61 calories, 2g fat, 1mg cholesterol, 146mg sodium, 10g carbohydrate, 2g protein, 3g fiber

Maple Apples With Cinnamon Cream

*Prep Time: 15 minutes / Cook Time: 5 minutes
Serves 4*

- 3 medium apples, peeled (if desired), cored and sliced
- 1/2 teaspoon grated orange peel (optional)
- 1 tablespoon natural or sugar-free maple syrup
- 1 teaspoon margarine or butter
- 1/2 cup reduced sugar or sugar-free nonfat vanilla yogurt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg (optional)

1. Place apple slices and orange peel, if desired, in 1-quart microwave-safe casserole or baking dish. Drizzle with maple syrup; toss to mix. Dot with margarine. Cover loosely; microwave at HIGH power 3 to 5 minutes or until apples are crisp-tender, stirring once.
2. Meanwhile, in small bowl, blend yogurt, cinnamon and nutmeg. Spoon apples, hot or room temperature, into serving dishes. Drizzle each serving with yogurt mixture.

Per serving: 87 calories, 1g fat, 0mg cholesterol, 32mg sodium, 20g carbohydrate, 1g protein, 3g fiber



Garden Eggplant Bake

create pantry-to-plate meals with these time-saving tips

- Prepare as much of the dish as you can in the week leading up to the big meal. Defrost the meat, cut the potatoes or set the table the night before.
- Plan your holiday meals, doubling-up on side dishes that reheat easily and making enough for leftovers. For instance, roast a large enough turkey (or roast two!) to have leftovers for turkey sandwiches, soup or turkey salad for the next entertaining occasion.
- When possible, line baking sheets and casserole dishes with aluminum foil to cut down on the after dinner clean-up.
- Make cooking a family affair! Let the little ones roll the dough or stir in the chocolate chips. Turn on holiday music and divide up tasks in the kitchen to spend quality time with your family while preparing a great meal.
- With big meals planned, reduce the holiday snacking by providing guests with healthful options — choose low-fat dairy products as substitutes in cheese trays and eggnog. For dips, use low-fat sour cream and offer whole fresh fruits and vegetables instead of chips.
- Don't be afraid of boxes. Not all meals have to be prepared from scratch. Many healthy side items and family meals are now available in the grocery aisles of your local Wal-Mart SuperCenter.
- Today, tasty homemade meals incorporate quality convenience items, such as chopped vegetables, bagged salads, pre-cut fruit, bakery-fresh whole wheat bread and ready-made sauces and dressings.
- Add more fruits and vegetables to your holiday season meals. Serve festive combinations such as marinated green beans with red pimiento or red bell pepper, green leaf or romaine lettuce salad with broccoli and cherry tomatoes, or sautéed green and red peppers.
- Enhance the color, taste and aroma of your holiday meals by adding spices and herbs — such as basil, cilantro, parsley, curry or rosemary. Top potatoes with chopped parsley, onion, garlic or chives. Add a sprig of rosemary and garlic cloves to your roasted turkey. Top sweet potatoes with rosemary, sage or thyme.
- Don't plop in front of the TV after the holiday meal. Get the family out for a stroll, throw a ball or bring out the ice skates for fun activities that help burn off holiday calories.

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Jordan Valley FFA news

by Athena Beckwith, J.V. historian
and Nickie Naegle, J.V. reporter

Soils judging in Nyssa

On Oct. 12, the Jordan Valley Intro to Ag class took a trip to Nyssa, Ore., to compete in the annual Snake River District Soils judging CDE event.

Sam Charters, Quirt Cornett, Alek Quintero, Cole Scown, Koehl Troutman, Nickie Naegle, Catie Kershner and Zac Fillmore along with advisor Adam Ineck attended the competition, which involves getting into a pit and looking at the different layers of the soil and judging them on color, texture, horizon layers.

Kershner took fifth high individual, and Jordan Valley's beginning team took fifth high in the team competition as well.

JV FFA attends national convention

During the last week of October, seven Jordan Valley FFA members: Athena Beckwith, Nickie Naegle, Cole Scown, Kershner, Frank Beckwith, Elisa Eiguren, and Emil

Scown, traveled to the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. FFA advisors Anna-Marie Chamberlain, Adam Ineck and parent Mindy Kershner went along as chaperones. The members spent one week traveling on this exciting trip. We all agreed that it was a great experience.

We spent Oct. 24 and Oct. 30, traveling on planes to get to and from our destination. On the way to the convention, we landed in Nashville. The next day, we traveled toward Kentucky and made a quick stop at Bowling Green, Ky., to tour the Corvette factory. This factory was very large and made 20 cars per hour. It's amazing to think that the world would actually need that many corvettes. We were allowed to walk through the entire plant. You could see all of the workers and watch what their job was in the making of the vehicles. Toward the end of the tour, our advisor, Mrs. Chamberlain, was allowed to sit in and start a brand-new Corvette just as it was finished. Everybody enjoyed

learning about the process in which Corvettes were made.

We traveled to Keeneland Race Park the next day. When we arrived at Keeneland, we were surprised at how many people there were and how large the facility actually was.

The following day, we were at the convention. The members watched the first opening session. We saw all of the national officers and listened to a motivational speaker, Amanda Gore. She talked about how to be happy through life. She stressed that happiness was the key to a long and healthy life. The Gore speech was very entertaining and everybody walked out after the session with a smile on his or her face.

From there, we walked around the FFA shopping mall and the huge ag career show. That afternoon we got a chance to go to Churchill Downs, home of the famous Kentucky Derby. The Kentucky Derby Museum, located on the famous track's grounds, was really neat. We got to see many informational exhibits on horse racing and famous racehorses and jockeys. We even got to tour the track. It

was a memorable day.

The next day was also spent at the convention. We toured through the career show and found lots of information on many colleges, companies and products. We also bought some final goodies from the FFA Shopping Mall. That evening, we saw a concert at the convention performed by Miranda Lambert and Clay Walker. After the concert we headed back to the convention hall to hear a speech given by Sam Glenn. He spoke about being brave through life and doing whatever it was that you wanted to do. We all learned from his words of wisdom.

The next day, we traveled back to Nashville. We stopped to tour Mammoth Caves National Park, which turned out to be very interesting. This cave is the longest cave in the world. It had more than 300 miles of recorded tunnels, with explorers still finding more. We learned that it was the main source of gunpowder during the War of 1812 and that it was a vital part of the war. We walked through two miles of the cave and learned a lot about its history. The next day, we flew home with many lifelong memories.

A special thanks to all who support the Jordan Valley FFA. Also, thank you to the Jordan Valley School for its support in this eye-opening, educational trip. Thank you to Mr. Ineck, Mrs. Chamberlain and Mrs. Kershner for chaperoning this trip and helping to organize it. Everybody had fun and learned a lot. We are all looking forward to next year's convention in Indianapolis.

JV FFA holds annual coat drive, fund-raiser

The Jordan Valley FFA Chapter is again hosting their annual coat drive. The coats will be donated to charity to help keep children and adults warm this winter.

All sizes of coats are accepted as long as they are clean and still usable.

You can drop donations off at the Jordan Valley Ag room or give them to an FFA member.

The Jordan Valley FFA is selling grapefruit, oranges and Christmas trees. We will be accepting orders until Christmas. For more information or to place an order, call Adam Ineck, Anna-Marie Chamberlain at (541) 586-2213 or contact an FFA member.

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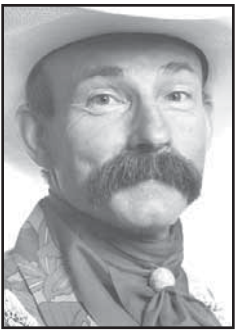


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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense

The auction barn miracle

If ya hang around a sale barn long enough you are bound to see some strange — some would say supernatural or even extraterrestrial — happenings. Like a cattle buyer actually bidding a penny over the market, or a waiter in a tuxedo at the sale barn café, or what happened to Chato and the Indian cow.

Sonny said when the truck arrived from the reservation, a lot of the cows were thin but the last one required gentle assistance to unload. She was thin, a common-lookin’ white face cow with a wide muzzle, ringed horns, bony hips and a long tail. A T-11 brand as well as several hieroglyphic brands decorated her hide.

Chato came in to report that the cow in question was now, and as he put it, “had been dead all day long!” Sonny sent two cowboys to the pen. Sure ’nuf she was still dead. They hooked onto her hind legs with ropes, pulled her from the tight stockyard pen, down three alleys and out to the road.

Chato picked her limp body up with the front-end loader. Sonny checked her IDs and watched as her head hung over the bucket draining digestive fluids. She was lowered gently into the dump truck and laid to wait for the final trip.

Since it was noon, Sonny suggested Chato eat his lunch and deliver the dead beast afterwards. Sonny did the paperwork and went on to the next crisis. Then, unexpectedly, he heard what sounded like the Navy’s crack acrobatic team of Blue Angels roaring over the sale yard at the speed of jet fuel! Thinking they would be strafed, he clutched his chest then realized to his relief it was only the old dump truck, pedal to metal, black smoke billowing and the iron bed rattling like chains on the gates of hell!

Sonny ran outside to see Chato, brakes locked, sliding through the gravel in a cloud of dust! Chato stopped, crashed out of the door and turned back to look. The crazy-eyed cow was looking down at Chato with a malevolent glare. With the bright sunlight at her back, her eyes glistened out of a silhouetted black head with horns. “¡Es un diablo!” yelled Chato as he staggered away.

While Chato was catching his breath and genuflecting, the boys drove the dump truck into a pen. Two of them held the tailgate up as the bed was tilted. The resurrected cow slid, upright, all four feet splayed out like a novice on the bunny hill. She hit the ground running, on the fight and put ’em all over the fence.

The next week she went through the sale as unnoticed as Clark Kent. Sonny thought it was best to leave sleeping cows lie.

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... *but possibly of interest*



A “curmudgeon” is defined as “a crusty, irascible cantankerous old person full of stubborn ideas.” I suspect that description was written by someone no older than 30.

When I go to work in the morning, I sometimes pass a spot where several middle-school-age youngsters wait for the school bus.

A few weeks ago, most of the group was standing in the middle of the street as I approached and made me stop before they moseyed out of the way. As I drove past, a girl ran toward my vehicle, stopping so close to the side that I involuntarily swerved because I was afraid I would hit her.

I forgot about the incident until a recent foggy morning when I again took the route. The kids again blocked my progress and as I drove past, the girl again ran out toward my vehicle, stopping close enough that if she had slipped on the icy pavement, her momentum would have probably carried her under my wheels.

About 50 feet down the road I stopped my pickup and got out. I told the youngsters what they were doing was dangerous as well as against the law. I didn’t shout or yell or threaten — I just told them.

As I was talking, a young man, who appeared to be about 13 years old, emerged from the group and came toward me. I would describe his dress and manner as “gangsta wannabe” — knit cap pulled down over his head to just above his eyebrows, baggy pants, etc. His walk was sort of a stooped-shouldered strut, which he probably thought

made him look tough.

The young man shouted something at me that I couldn’t quite make out. But from his tone it was obvious he trying to impress the other members of the group by standing up to the “cranky old man” (I doubt he could have pronounced curmudgeon, let alone spell it).

As the baby boy did his posturing, it occurred to me that when I was his age there was no way I would have come at an adult in that manner. Kids just didn’t do that, especially when there was no question who was right and who was wrong. If my parents had found out I was challenging an adult, I would have been in a lot of trouble. But I suspect the parents of a kid with the attitude of my challenger would have been right beside him, “getting in my face,” too.

I told the young man there really wasn’t anything to argue about, and I would solve the problem by calling the police when I got to work. So I left him in possession of the field. It was tough to do. I wanted to give him a valuable lesson of life — that a 60-year-old, 6-foot-1, 200-pound adult wouldn’t have much trouble turning his 5-foot-5, 115-pound frame over a knee and giving him a well-deserved spanking — which is what he desperately needs.

If the above incident makes me a curmudgeon, so be it. If so, I will wear the title proudly. I will argue, however, that while I may be older, irascible and cantankerous, I do not believe I am “crusty” — whatever that means.

And if I am, I really don’t care.

From Washington

Much-needed tax changes are in the wind

by Sen. Mike Crapo

Simplicity just isn’t a word synonymous with taxes. With nearly \$150 billion spent annually on compliance, federal taxes are a confusing web of seemingly arbitrary rules, endless line items, schedules and worksheets. Even with multiple instruction books, maneuvering the maze of the tax code is costly and time-consuming.

Individuals and businesses must participate in a national discussion about a simpler tax system, one that collects sufficient revenue to meet appropriate federal responsibilities, but one resting on a broader, fairer tax base without penalizing saving and investing, the backbone of a strong, decentralized and thriving economy.

Some disturbing facts face taxpayers today:

— Prior to the temporary fix approved by Congress, the Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) was anticipated to affect 21.6 million middle-class taxpayers in 2006. Without a permanent repeal of the AMT, that number will total 52 million, 45 percent of all taxpayers, in 2015.

— A recent study indicated that 2 million taxpayers collectively paid more than \$1 billion in additional taxes by making the wrong decision between itemizing and taking the standard deduction.

— The IRS estimates that in 2001 between \$281 billion and \$322 billion went unreported on business and individual tax returns, amounting to a tax increase of more than \$2,000 per year for honest taxpayers.

The current tax system discourages saving and investing, encourages fraud and incurs inordinate cost burdens because of the complexity. Certain provisions, namely the AMT, unfairly penalize taxpayers making more than \$45,000.

One year ago, a bipartisan advisory panel was created to assess our tax system and recommend improvements. Panel members visited with citizens nationwide and took comments online and by mail. From dozens of witnesses at 12 public meetings and thousands of written comments, the panel’s final report, submitted in November, outlines simple, fair and logical ideas that promote economic

growth vital to individual and collective success. These proposals will be thoroughly debated and discussed in Congress in the upcoming months.

This was a significant undertaking — for example, one proposal reduces the schedules, forms and worksheets related to Tax Form 1040 from 53 to 10. Panel members also address outdated problems such as basing computer depreciation schedules on depreciation of government typewriters in the 1970s. The panel proposes eliminating double taxation on corporate savings: corporations are taxed once on earnings, and then these dollars are taxed again when distributed to shareholders. Another proposal combines 15 different tax provisions for at-work, health, education and retirement savings into three simple, tax-friendly saving plans.

Ironically, our current system rewards individuals and businesses for debt but penalizes for saving. Some proposals dealing with mortgage interest deduction and employee stock ownership plans require careful consideration and detailed debate before changes are made.

The writing is on the wall. Household net savings for France, Germany, Italy and the Netherlands exceed 10 percent, while the United States lags behind at less than 2 percent. Increasingly, the employer part of payroll taxes is shifting to employees in the form of lower wages and reduced benefits. We’re at a critical juncture in tax reform and must examine realities of our economic future.

The Treasury Secretary is reviewing the panel’s proposals and will make recommendations to the president, who will make recommendations to Congress. Next year, my colleagues and I on the Senate Finance Committee will hold oversight hearings on those recommendations. Individuals, businesses and interest groups should participate in this national conversation on tax reform.

I look forward to hearing from Idahoans, and I’m confident that positive changes are in store for our families, our communities, our state and nation. For more information, please go to <http://crapo.senate.gov>.

— Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) is a U.S. senator.

Commentary

Summary Judgment

When did academia's hatred of the U.S. military begin?

In "The Scariest Place in the World: A Marine Returns to North Korea," James Brady tells of the men with whom he served in "the forgotten war." "Korea was just maybe the last war Americans fought in which everyone went, the rich and the poor, the Harvards and the high school dropouts, the cowboy and the rancher's son." Brady's fellow lieutenants were "[w]ell-bred college boys" from Harvard, Yale, Brown,

Columbia, and Princeton; his company commander was blue-blood John Chafee.

Brady identifies Chafee as the hero of "The Coldest War: A Memoir of Korea" and the inspiration for the protagonist in "The Marines of Autumn: A Novel of the Korean War," and Brady ends "The Scariest Place" with a eulogy to Chafee. No wonder.

At Yale on Dec. 7, 1941, Chafee enlisted and fought as a private on Guadalcanal; in the Marine Corps' last battle of World War II, Okinawa, Chafee was fighting as a second lieutenant. He returned to Yale, graduated, graduated from Harvard Law, passed the bar, and entered law practice. In 1950, the Marine Corps called up the reserves, including Capt. Chafee.

After Korea, Chafee returned to his law practice, was elected to Rhode Island's House of Representatives, became governor, was Secretary of the Navy, and served 23 years in the U.S. Senate.



William Pendley Perry

It was a different time. Compare, for example, another Secretary of the Navy, James Webb, who entered law school 25 years after Chafee.

When Webb, a highly decorated combat Marine captain medically discharged due to his wounds from Vietnam, arrived at Georgetown Law School in 1972, he was stunned at the "disdain that many of the advantaged in my generation felt for those who had fought in Vietnam." There was a reason.

Of the 1,800 students, Webb met three combat veterans. Law professors engaged daily in a condescending harangue of things military.

One professor, knowing of Webb's experiences, gave him a test question about Marine platoon sergeant "Jack Webb," who smuggled jade in the bodies of dead Marines. Webb reported the professor, arguing he "lacked the judgment to teach at such a prestigious school."

"If such a fact pattern had been written after World War II," says Webb, "the professor would have been drawn and quartered, probably by the students themselves." At Harvard in 1947, Chafee would have led the detail. Webb's professor was given tenure!

This cultural shift and the resulting cultural schism is why the U.S. Supreme Court, on Tuesday, heard arguments on the constitutionality of a federal statute that denies universities federal funds if they refuse military recruiters

access granted other employers. In November 2004, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, by 2-1, held the "Solomon Amendment" unconstitutional, siding with elite law schools that wish to bar military recruiters purportedly because of Congress' "Don't ask, don't tell" policy.

Although attorneys arguing the case will discuss freedom of speech and association, Congress' war powers, "compelled speech," Congress' ability to condition grants, and contract law, the case is about class hatred: that of law schools and their professors for the military and those who wear the uniform. It is also a case filled with irony: law schools discriminate racially to ensure "classroom diversity" but object to the military's need to assure unit cohesion; law professors, who rant from their podiums throughout the academic year, oppose the one-day-a-semester presence of military recruiters; law schools, weeks from pronouncing their seniors ready to practice law, argue that they are unable to discern whether the military is an ethical employer; and law professors, who demand the right to speak, deny law students the ability to hear the speech of military recruiters.

What the Supreme Court will do is anyone's guess; however, the dissenting judge from the Third Circuit, a Marine who served in the Pacific, spoke for most Americans when he wrote, "men and women in uniform" are "heroes" who bring credit to the nation's campuses.

— William Perry Pendley is the president and chief legal officer of the Mountain States Legal Foundation.

Accuracy in Media

Fuzzy memories abound these days in Washington

by Roger Aronoff

Lewis "Scooter" Libby, Vice President Dick Cheney's former chief of staff, has been charged with lying for having a different recollection of the facts than Washington journalists about the CIA leak case. The affair took another strange turn when, after the Libby indictment was filed, Bob Woodward of the Washington Post said he had knowledge of the case and knew about the CIA employee at the center of the "scandal." Woodward didn't claim a faulty memory, though; he said he had covered up the information because he didn't want to be dragged into a criminal matter. But Woodward "forgot" to tell his own editor about his involvement in the case.

There are others whose memories haven't been so good lately. Judith Miller of the New York Times was released from jail when she received specific written and verbal waivers from Libby to talk to the grand jury. She says she also got an agreement from Special Prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald to limit his questioning of her. After emerging from the grand jury, Miller wrote an article for the Times, spelling out what she told the grand jury, and what she couldn't remember.

"Mr. Fitzgerald asked me about another entry in my notebook," Miller wrote in her Oct. 16 article, "where I had written the words 'Valerie Plame,' clearly a reference to Ms. Plame. Mr. Fitzgerald wanted to know whether the entry was based on my conversations with Mr. Libby. I said I didn't think so. I said I believed the information came from another source, whom I could not recall. She added, 'Mr. Fitzgerald asked if I could recall discussing the Wilson-Plame connection with other sources. I said I had, though I could not recall any by name or when those conversations occurred.'"

If Libby had used the "I can't recall" defense, he might have avoided being indicted.

But Miller's critics have fuzzy memories, too, such as when they try to blame her for taking the Times into the tank for the Bush administration by falling for claims of WMD in Iraq. As I pointed out in this column in November, there were many articles and editorials by others at the Times who reported the existence of WMD and the threat they posed, even before President Bush was elected to office.

Then there's Andrea Mitchell of NBC News, someone with

a very convenient memory lapse. On Oct. 3, 2003, she was a guest on CNBC's Capital Report, with Alan Murray. Murray asked her if "we have any idea how widely known it was in Washington that Joe Wilson's wife worked for the CIA?"

Mitchell replied that "It was widely known among those of us who cover the intelligence community and who were actively engaged in trying to track down who among the Foreign Service community was the envoy to Niger. So a number of us began to pick up on that. But frankly, I wasn't aware of her actual role at the CIA and the fact that she had a covert role involving weapons of mass destruction, not until Bob Novak wrote it."

These explosive comments added to the possibility that, despite what Fitzgerald said about the case, Plame's name and CIA affiliation were common knowledge, at least among certain journalists. It's therefore possible, as Libby claimed, that he learned about Plame from a journalist, if not Tim Russert or Andrea Mitchell of NBC News then perhaps Bob Woodward or someone else. Who has the perfect memory to determine the ultimate truth?

But when Mitchell recently appeared on the Don Imus Show and was grilled about her comments to Murray, she backed away from them. She said, "All I can figure is that I misunderstood the question and I screwed it up. I know that I didn't know about Joe Wilson's wife till after the [Novak] column. Clearly back in October '03, I screwed it up. I was confused about the timeline. . . . We were focused on Niger, the 16 words. I was muddled on the timeline." NewsMax carried the full transcript of her conversation with Imus.

Another memory-challenged public figure is former President Clinton, who recently received a standing ovation in the United Arab Emirates when he told a group of students that the U.S. made a "big mistake" when it invaded Iraq. Clinton has also expressed doubts about the links between al-Qaida and the regime of Saddam Hussein, one of the justifications for going to war, as have many in the media and in Congress. But in 1998, Clinton's Justice Department prepared an indictment of Osama bin Laden that read in part: "*Al-Qaida reached an understanding with the government of Iraq that al-Qaida would not work against that government and that on particular*

projects, specifically including weapons development, al-Qaida would work cooperatively with the government of Iraq." Did Clinton just forget that piece of evidence?

In 1998, Clinton signed the Iraq Liberation Act, calling for regime change in Baghdad, and ordered the bombing of Iraq for four days, without any congressional authorization. Clinton went on TV on Dec. 16 and said the attacks were directed at "Iraq's nuclear, chemical and biological weapons programs and its military capacity to threaten its neighbors."

A lot of people seem to have forgotten this, too, as they claim that President Bush somehow made up evidence of Saddam's WMD and deliberately lied us into war.

Finally, on a lighter note but one that affects a possible run for the presidency, Gov. Bill Richardson of New Mexico has been caught with a very bad memory.

Richardson, the Secretary of Energy and ambassador to the United Nations under Clinton, was exposed when the Albuquerque Journal uncovered the fact that Richardson's claims to have been drafted to play baseball for the Kansas City Athletics was false. Richardson told the paper he believed that he had been drafted, "based on conversations with scouts and other sources. . ." He later admitted that he had not been drafted. He couldn't even keep his story straight. Sometimes he said he was drafted in 1966, sometimes it was 1967.

Richardson is reported to be running for president in 2008, just like Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware. The difference is that Biden ran for president before, in 1988, and was forced out of the race when he was uncovered as a plagiarist who stole lines from a speech by a British politician. Our media somehow "forget" to mention that fact when Biden, ranking Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, appears on TV these days as a foreign policy expert.

Perhaps it's not a case of faulty memory. Perhaps journalists don't want to remind the public that the premier spokesman for the Democratic Party on foreign policy matters and a major critic of President Bush on Iraq was once exposed for having committed a serious ethical lapse.

We at AIM don't and won't forget.

— Roger Aronoff is a media analyst with Accuracy in Media.

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

50 years ago

December 8, 1955

City council declares policy of stricter law enforcement

Councilmen decided at the regular city council meeting Monday night to crack down on violators of the city ordinance against disturbing the peace, and to prosecute persons charged with drinking and causing disturbances at the Saturday night dances at the American Legion hall. Claims in the amount of \$3,349.63 were paid.

Trojans win one, lose one

The Homedale Trojans will be hard to beat if they keep improving, Coach Deward Bell declared early this week. He based his conclusions on the results of the game with St. Teresa’s academy Friday night which the Trojans won 49-38.

Coach Bell stated the Trojan showing was fair in their game with St. Teresa’s. They had lots of hustle and determination, but he said the team was short on height. To compensate for this weakness the coach said he would use a good defense, basically man to man.

The only tall players on the team are Don Sweep, 6’1 1/2”, a senior, and Aaron Bright, 6’, a junior.

Other players are juniors Vic Landa, Junior Uranga, Bill Carson, Don Tviedt, Keith Stansell, Pat Thompson, Ted Neef, Dave Townsend, Fred Faulks and Jim Parker.

Seniors are Norm Leslie, Boyd Shipley, Chuck Dunn, Charlie Maher and Lynn Taggart.

Returning lettermen are Uranga, Landa and Taggart.

Tentative starters are Landa and Taggart, guards; Uranga and Bright, forwards, and Don Sweep, center.

Boys listed on the Trojan junior varsity are guards, Pat Parker, Joe Newton, Clifford Beagley, Nolan Taggart, Jack Aberasturi, Ted Davenport and Lannie Leslie; centers, Ronnie Snyder and Dave Kushlan, and forwards, Vernon Kershner, Laron Waite, Roger Myer, Don Kushlan and Jay Jackson.

Their coach, Rudene Perkins, says the players are new at working together and lack experience, but believes after a few more games they will be much improved and will be in good competitive condition by the middle of the season.

City decorated for Christmas

Decorated Christmas trees in the intersections at Idaho avenue and first street east and first street west help emphasize the Christmas season in Homedale this week.

Carrying out the theme, colored lights are strung throughout town and on Idaho avenue and Main street, and branches of evergreen have been arranged on light poles.

A large lighted star approximately four feet in diameter has been made and will be hung sometime this week.

Pete Phillips is in charge of the decorating being done by the chamber of commerce members, Idaho Power company boys and the city crew.

McKague wins toss of coin and seat on highway board

Roy McKague was officially chosen commissioner of Homedale highway sub-district No. 3 by a flip of a coin at the regular meeting of the commissioners Wednesday night. At the election Monday Mr. McKague, incumbent, tied with Allen Sircin with 31 votes each, making the coin flip necessary.

Gerald Parker was elected commissioner of sub-district No. 1 with 41 votes. Hobart Wood received 12 votes and A. N. Anderson 6 votes in sub-district No. 1. Three votes were cast for Elmer Barlow in sub-district No. 3. All ballots were write-in as no candidates had filed.

Lutheran church fire extinguished

Firemen were called Tuesday evening at 10 p.m. to extinguish a fire at the Lutheran church

The fire was located at the base of the stove pipe where it connected with the brick chimney. It was necessary to cut a hole in the wall to put out the flame.

Bruce Smith estimated the damage at about \$100.

138 years ago

December 7, 1867

ON THE WING – AT CARSON CITY. Ens. Avalanche: Were is possible, I would like to describe the welcome that greets me on my return to familiar area of old haunts and places of former visitation. The kindly “How do you do!” from familiar voice, the grasp of the hands I pressed three years ago, the welcome assurance, “we are glad to meet you,” has filled my heart to the brim of content and gratitude. Resting in peaceful Carson Valley, under the snowy crown of the grand old Sierras, I seem to go back on the past three years “as it were all a dream.” The parting visit here, the trip through Oregon, and my rapid fall over the precipice in Umpqua Valley, the wonderful escape, the turn, mangled forms of all that load of passengers, my long year on crutches, my visit back to Wisconsin and return to the Pacific Coast, passes before me like a panorama, the points of which, I can hardly believe, as I sit here one more in the genial sunlight of Nevada skies, I left Virginia for a temporary visit here the 3d of November to return on the 6th.

Virginia City numbers now 15,000 inhabitants; its streets have lengthened out, clasping the foot of Mount Davidson and encircling larger bills, and filling up the gulches for miles; how readily we recognize and rapid pulse of the restless fever of Pacific progress; quietly we discern its great track of energetic blood as it gurgles through the life of its restless people and incites the passes to their greatest possible activity. Virginia had changed but little in its recklessness: every lady is in a hurry, everybody is on the run, and more whisky is drank in one day than is possible for outsiders to believe. Two or three melodious are kept open nightly. Pipers Opera House is the popular place of melodeon performances – the receipts of this house are often \$1,200 a night. In view of this is the deplorable fact that there is not a place in the whole city patronized by ladies; they are excluded from every entertainment because nothing is of a suitable for their presence. Sad, indeed that public taste should be so morbid that it hungers for the low, depraved, sensual exhibitions of a melodeon in preference to the higher order of Drama and intellectual entertainments. Such is life!

Alas! For the vanity, of Christian morality. In Virginia City.

Great excitement prevails in Virginia about new discoveries and new mines. The Belmont district gives evidence of immense fortunes, and the faith of the people is strong in other portions of the state. Carson City has improved wonderfully since my visit here three years ago. Hotels are excellent. Business houses are fine buildings, having an air of any dignity about them. The State rooms, public offices, and State Library are beautifully furnished. I still adhere to my ideas of my former visit, that Carson City is peopled with a class of inhabitants superior to most towns of its size; they are intelligent, refined to their tastes, and a reading thinking people.

HOW TO PROMOTE PEACE IN A FAMILY.

1. Remember that our will is likely to be crossed every day, so prepare for it.
2. Everybody in the house has an evil nature as well as ourselves, therefore, we are not to expect too much.
3. To learn the different temper and disposition of each individual.
4. To look on each member of the family as one for whom we should have a care.
5. When any good happens to any one to rejoice at it.
6. When inclined to give an angry answer to “overcome evil with good.”
7. If from sickness, pain, or infirmity, we feel irritable, to keep a strict watch over ourselves.
8. To observe when others are suffering and drop a word of kindness or sympathy suited to them.
9. To watch the little opportunities of pleasing and to put little annoyance out of the way.

10. To take a cheerful view of everything, even of the weather, and encourage hope.
11. To speak kindly to the servants – to praise them for little things when you can.
12. In all little pleasures which may occur, to put yourself last.
13. To try for “the soft answer that turneth away wrath.”

MILITARY ORDERS. The following general orders are issued from the Head Quarters Military Division of the Pacific.

General Orders No. 35. – In order to afford small dealers and producers an opportunity to compete with larger contractors, proposals will be received for any part of army supplies advertised for, and this will be stated in all advertisements for proposals.

At all interior posts where pack animals are employed, a sufficient number of enlisted men will be detailed as packers, and properly instructed in that duty. Inspecting officers will examine into the efficiency of the packers so instructed and report upon the execution of this order.

By order of Major-General Halleck: James B. Fay, Assistant Adjutant General

WINTER IS UPON US. Why can’t we have a debating society, a good, old-fashioned spelling school, or something of that sort, to while away some of the long evenings? Will not some of our young people take the matter into consideration! It only needs some one to make a beginning.

INDIAN SCARE IN FLINT. On Tuesday night, as G. W. Hill and two others were on their way from Jordan Valley to Flint District, with two wagons loaded with hay, they were encamped near the Minear Ranch on Big Boulder. Soon after they turned their teams out they spied a fire some distance down the creek, and concluding at once that is must be Indians. Mr. Hill and his nephew took their guns and went down to reconnoiter. Arriving near the camp they discovered two Indians on the side of the mountain, above the camp, and several others around the fire. Mr. H. fired twice into the party with his Spencer, when they set up a war whoop and he retreated to his own camp. Mr. Fife, one of the party was dispatched to Flint for reinforcements, while the two Messrs. Hill gathered up the cattle and hurriedly as possible and corralled them at Minear’s Ranch; after which they fortified themselves in the house preparatory to receiving an attack. About a dozen citizens from Flint rushed immediately to the scene of conflict on hearing of the attack, arriving simultaneously with a detachment of soldiers from Camp Three Forks, who reported that their Indian scouts had been fired on by wild Indians while quietly engaged in camp duty. A mutual explanation ensued, the soldiers went again into camp, the teamsters to bed and the citizens of Flint returned to their homes, all glad that nobody was hurt and that it was all a mistake.

NEW GOODS – POPCORN! Attention is directed to E. Lobenstein’s (Red’s) new ad in this paper. Besides everything that anyone needs in the shape of clothing or provisions, Red has Yankee notions and nick-nacks of all kinds, such as candies and popcorn – yes, genuine popcorn! It swells to such huge dimensions when popped that Red says one pound will make ten. At all events eating sweetmeats and popping corn is a pleasant way of spending an evening – is also liable to assist in popping question.

STAGE BUSINESS. Hill Beachy now has control of the entire Stage route from Hunter’s to Boise City. This is as it should be – Boise City is the proper termination of the Railroad Stage line. The change will result favorably in a pecuniary point of view for Beachy; and without detracting from the merits of the former proprietors of the Boise Stage the public can now rest assured that the mails will be carried with the utmost regularity and dispatch.

Public notices

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES NOVEMBER 21, 2005

Present were Commissioner’s Tolmie, Reynolds and Salove, Clerk Sherburn, Treasurer Richards, Assessor Endicott and Jim Desmond.

Amendments to the agenda were: Weed Free Hay, Sage Grouse Projects, Resolution on tax charges, tax cancellations, and appointment to Board of Community Guardians.

Approved Resolution 05-38 adjustment by Tax Collector.

Approval of waste fee to Westown’s of \$5.00 per load.

Approval of appointment of Cathy Sherrow to Board of Community Guardians

Approval of signature on letter for Weed Supervisor.

Approval of letter to BLM on Ratification of Resolution 05-39. Adopting the requirement of weed free hay on BLM lands.

Approval of all bills to be paid from the following funds:

Current Expense \$183,339
Road & Bridge \$75,060
Bond Redemption \$203
District Court \$8,162
Fair Grounds & Bldg \$1,595
Probation \$12,135
Health District \$8,509
Historical Society & Museum \$766
Indigent & Charity \$46,953
Jr College \$8,200
Revaluation \$2,449
Solid Waste \$86,423
Tort \$5,170
Weed \$5368
911 \$12,718

Approved Cancellation of market value on Parcel No’s RP 03NO5W359000 A and RP 03NO5W080900A.

Indigent & Charity Case No 05-49 approved with reimbursement.

Indigent & Charity Case No 05-51 denied the county is not the last resource.

Approved letter to Idaho Fish & Game on Sage Grouse Local Working Group recommended projects.

Approval of adjournment.

The complete minutes can be viewed in the Clerks office.

s.s/Harold Tolmie

Attest: s.s/Charlotte Sherburn

12/7/05

NOTICE

The Southwest District Board of Health will hold a **Board Meeting** on Friday, December 16, 2005 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Southwest District Health, Room 206, 920 Main Street, Caldwell, Idaho.

12/7/05

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT DUE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ACCORDING TO SECTION 43-707, IDAHO CODE, assessments for the Grand View Irrigation District 2005, Irrigation season are due and payable and will become delinquent at five o’clock p.m. on the twenty day of December 2005, Payment must be made in lawful money of the United States, negotiable bank draft or cashiers check. Payment may be made in person at the Irrigation District Office or mailed to the District.

Dixie McDaniel, Secretary
PO Box 9
Grand View, ID 83624
12/7,14/05

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On Thursday, the 9th day of March, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 o’clock a.m. of said day at the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, on the corner of

Hwy 78 and Hailey St., Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Charles W. Fawcett, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

LOTS 3 AND 4 IN BLOCK 2 OF METZER ADDITION TO THE CITY OF Homedale, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, put for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 711 W. California Ave., Homedale, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by LINDA E.M. LOWE, an Unmarried Woman and WILLIAM W. LAMKEN, an Unmarried Man, Grantor, to Charles W. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of FIRST HORIZON HOME LOAN CORPORATION, recorded September 20, 2002, as Instrument No. 240991, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to the Idaho Housing and Finance Association by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on January 9, 2003, as Instrument No. 242141, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated September 14, 2002, in the amount of \$413.00 each, for the months of June through October, 2005, inclusive; and for each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reimbursement. All delinquent payments are now due, plus accumulated late charges, plus any costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure. The accrued interest is at the rate of 5.50% per annum from May 1, 2005. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$51,845.88, plus accrued interest at the rate of 5.50% per annum from May 1, 2005.

DATED This 8th day of November, 2005.

CHARLES W. FAWCETT, a Member of

The Idaho State Bar,
SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE
11/16,23,30;12/7/05

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Notice of Trustee’s Sale Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: November 21, 2005 Sale date and time (local time): March 29, 2006 at 11:00 AM Sale location:

in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: Rt 1, Box 1213B, Nelson Lane Homedale, ID 83628 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: Launie T. Mashburn, an unmarried man Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company of Canyon County Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Sierra Pacific Mortgage Company, Inc. Recording date: October 9, 2002 Recorder’s instrument number: 241246 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of November 21, 2005: \$165,498.59 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: In Township 3 North, Range 6 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. Section 36: The North half of the Northwest quarter, lying East of the East right of way line of the South Canal; Excepting therefrom the South half of the South half of the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter, and also excepting therefrom the South 30 feet of the North half of the Southwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter, and also excepting therefrom the East half of the North Three-Quarters of the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter. 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# 7307.21769) 1002.49918-FEI

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE TRUSTEE’S SALE NO. 02-MS-40492

Notice is hereby given that, FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on February 14, 2006, at the hour of 11: 00 am, of said day, On the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, located at the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, Murphy, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the “Property”), situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, to-wit: Lot 13 and 14 of Block 16 of the amended townsite plat of Homedale, Owyhee county, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the recorder for Owyhee county, Idaho The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the

above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 412 W California Ave, Homedale, ID 83628, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Donald L Liddell and Viola F Liddell, husband and wife,, as Grantor, to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Homeq Servicing Corporation, F/ K/A TMS Mortgage Inc, DBA The Money Store, as Beneficiary, dated 12/19/1995, recorded 12/26/1995, under Instrument No. 217646, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by Homeq Servicing Corporation, F/K/A TMS Mortgage Inc, DBA The Money Store. The above Grantors are named to comply with Section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 12/19/1995, the monthly payment which became due on 12/1/2003 and all subsequent monthly payments, plus late charges and other costs and fees as set forth. Amount due as of October 7, 2005 Delinquent Payments from December 01, 2003 23 payments at \$673.40 each \$15,488.20 (12-01-03 through 10-07-05) Late Charges: \$0.00 Beneficiary Advances: \$717.74 Suspense Credit: \$0.00 Total: \$16,205.94 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$64,608.52, together with interest thereon at 11.500% per annum from 11/1/2003, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to b heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. Dated: 10/7/2005 Fidelity National Title Insurance Company Trustee by S Shippard c/o Regional Trustee Services Corporation, 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: <http://www.rtrustee.com> ASAP728607

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

LOAN NO. 0419323423
T.S. NO. 1078640-09
PARCEL NO.
RPA00100770120A
On February 28, 2006, at the

hour of 11:00am, of said day, at In the Lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Id 83650, Murphy, Idaho, First American Title Insurance Company, as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashier’s check drawn on a State or National Bank, a check drawn by a State or Federal Credit Union, or a check drawn by a State or Federal Savings and Loan Association, Savings Association, or Savings Bank, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit: Lot 12, block 77, the amended townsite plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof filed August 9, 1911 as Instrument No. 7284 on file in the office of the recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. Commonly known as 113 East Montana Avenue Homedale Id 83628. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, 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 Walter Pearson and Maria Pearson, Husband And Wife as Grantor, to Pioneer Title Company Of Canyon County, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as Beneficiary, recorded February 05, 2004, as Instrument No. 246660, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due July 1, 2005 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said deed of trust. The estimated balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$62,491.95, including interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation thereunder or in this sale, and trustee’s fees and/ or reasonable attorney’s fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. First American Title Insurance Company C/ o Cal-western Reconveyance Corporation P.O. Box 22004 El Cajon Ca 92022-9004 (800)546-1531 Dated: October 26, 2005 First American Title Insurance Company Signature/By Kathleen M. Mayerle, Asst. Sec. R-123269

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Assembly of God Church Homedale 15 West Montana, 337-4458 Pastor George Greenwood Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm	Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm	Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church 1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon
Mt. Calvary Lutheran Homedale 337-4248 or 454-1528 SE corner Idaho and West 7th Sunday School: 9:00 to 9:45 am Services: 10:00 am Wednesday Night Bible Study: 7 to 8:30 pm	Friends Community Church Homedale 301 W. Montana, 337-3464 Pastor: John Beck Sunday School: 9:30 am Worship Services: 10:45 Wednesday CLC: 3:15	Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Alan McRae Bishop Dwayne Fisher Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm
Homedale Baptist Church Homedale 212 S. 1st W. Sunday School 10am & 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7pm Pastor James Huls	Wilder Church of God Wilder 205 A St. E, 482-7839 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm	Mountain View Church of the Nazarene 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm Bible Based Recovery: Friday 7:00 pm
 MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 221 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Ricardo Rodriguez 896-5552 or 371-3516 Sunday School 1:30 pm • Sunday Service 3 pm Thursday Service 7 pm • (Bilingual Services/Español)	Iglesia Evangelica Wilder 317 3rd st., Pastor Ramiro Reyes 10 am Sunday School 11 am Service 482-7484 Bilingual	Marsing Church of Christ Marsing 932 Franklin, Marsing Minister Gib Nelson Sunday Bible Study 10am Sunday Worship 11am
Christian Church Homedale 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastors Maurice Jones & Duane Crist Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45	Bible Missionary Church Homedale West Idaho, 337-4437 Pastor Paul Miller Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm	Assembly of God Church Marsing 139 Kerry, 896-4294 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm
Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing Pastor Dave London 116 4th Ave. W., 587-4866 Sunday worship 11am-12pm Sunday school 10 am-10:55am Sunday evening 6pm-7pm Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm Every 3rd Sat. family video at 6 pm	Nazarene Church Marsing Pastor Bill O'Connor 896-4184 Behind Mr. B's Market Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Sunday School - 9:45am Mid Week TLC Groups	Trinity Holiness Church Homedale 119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Bishop Streibel Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm Primary 11am	Vision Bible Church Marsing 221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-896-5407 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Youth Meeting Wed. 7:00 p.m.	United Methodist Church Wilder Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. 880-8751 Pastor Carolyn Bowers Sunday Services 9:30am
First Presbyterian Church Homedale 320 N. 6th W., 337-3060 Pastor Marianne Paul Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am	Calvary Holiness Church Wilder Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave., • 761-7843 Pastor Matthew Hunt Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. Food Pantry Open Fridays 2-4 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventist Homedale 16613 Garnet Rd., 880-4685 or 453-9289 Pastor Allan Payne Sabbath School Sat. 9:30am Worship 11am Wednesday Prayer Mtg. 7:30
Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale 711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am	ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE	Knight Community Church Grand View Pastor Paul H. Ryan • 834-2639 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study: Wednesday, 7 p.m. Knight's Neighborhood: (Youth Activity Group) Friday 5-6:30 pm

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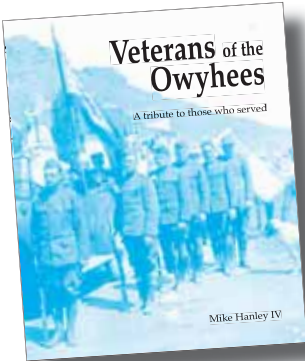
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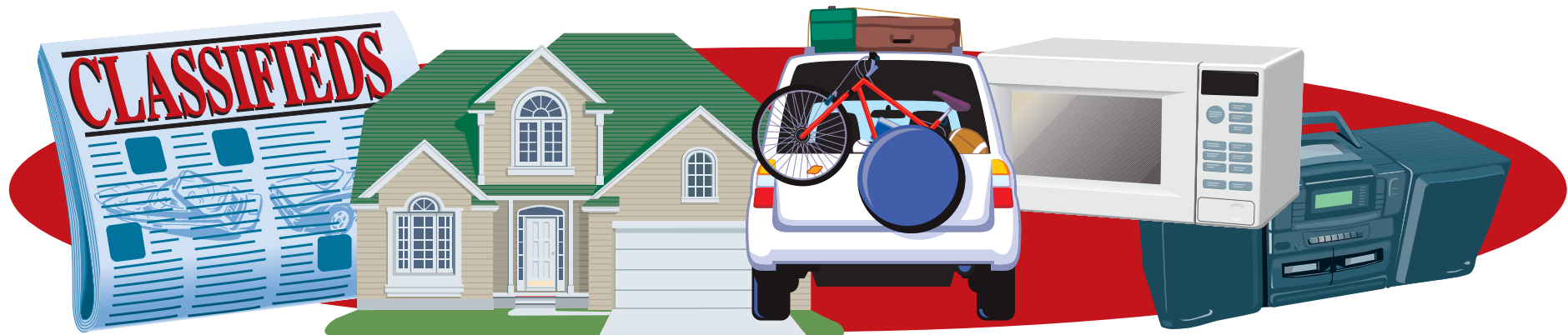


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