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Homedale, Marsing make switch to 911

Residents no longer can dial direct numbers for fire, ambulance help

As Owyhee County tries to coordinate emergency response efforts, the direct numbers for the

fire departments and ambulances services in Homedale and Marsing have been discontinued.

Officials say residents should call 911 in case of an emergency now. The consolidation of the number also means one dispatch center and faster response time, officials say.

"It would be better for everyone

if they would use the 911 phone number," Marsing Ambulance Service training officer Betty Ackerman said. "The fire department will decide when the numbers will no longer be available. Canyon County calls

are also dispatched through the Owyhee County 911 dispatch."

In the past, people would call a seven-digit telephone number to request help from fire departments

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Burglary suspects arrested

Two sought as persons of interest

Six Canyon County residents and a Payette man were arrested over the course of two weeks in connection with a burglary and stolen check ring, which could include additional charges in other counties as the investigation continues.

Owyhee County Deputy Jim Bish said the investigation began following a burglary in the Homedale area in November. But some of the accused thieves didn't stop with one break-in, they burglarized the same home again the next month. Bish said during

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International delight

Kendall Nash, 6, waits her turn in line during the annual International Smorgasbord on Saturday at Homedale Elementary School. Additional photos on **Page 15A**.

Irrigation board issue unresolved

Discussions over whether to reappoint a manager for the South Board of Control continued last week with the board remaining in executive session since the first of January.

Although information concerning the meeting is kept discrete, South Board attorney Bruce Smith said the session can continue as long as the board needs.

After a Jan. 2 meeting abruptly ended in executive session, the Gem Irrigation District, the Ridgeview Irrigation District and the South Board of Control have met two additional times, but an appointment has not been made. The manager's position was appointed in December 2004 for one year.

Connie Chadez was appointed as the secretary-treasurer for the district, and during January's

meeting, Rod Price was appointed as chairman of the Ridgeview Irrigation District, Steve Nash as the chairman for Gem Irrigation and Elmon Thompson and Dale Chrz were sworn into the Gem Irrigation District.

Tim Leavitt, board member for the Gem Irrigation and the South Board, said last month that the board entered into an executive session meeting over personnel issues, but following heated discussions, the board ended the meeting and remained in executive session.

Late last month, the Gem and Ridgeview irrigation districts, and the South Board of Control held special meetings on three consecutive days, but no resolution was made.

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Find the leak

Homedale City workers Scott Mahler, Brad Hunt and Jack Aldrich try to locate the source of a water leak that shut water off in the city.

Water line break floods home, stalls traffic in Homedale for three days

A water line break on Owyhee Avenue in Homedale left about two inches of water in a home, shut down traffic for about three days and shut water off to the city for about 2½ hours last week.

Homedale Elementary School also was affected when water service was restored when a faucet was left on.

City Services Superintendent Larry Bauer said old fittings

broke, causing the line to rupture. Several connections had to be replaced.

"We put in new piping to get rid of some old galvanized, rotted-out piping," Bauer said. "The piping we tied it to was 8 inch and a design we have never seen before. It was an oddball material that they used many years ago. It broke on us."

Bauer said about 7 to 8 feet of

pipe was replaced, but the city also removed several fittings. The cost was about \$500 for material.

An apartment also received some damage from flooding. Bauer said about 2 inches of water entered the residence on Owyhee Avenue. About 20 man-hours were recorded in the project.

"We appreciate how considerate everyone was with the inconvenience," Bauer said.

Homedale OKs city resident's dog

Council says woman must build taller fence around her property

During a city council meeting in Homedale last week, a local resident was finally able to meet the city's requirements to keep her rottweiler mix dog, which the city has deemed vicious because of its breed.

Ida Burt, who is 72 years old, went head-to-head with the council after she tried to get her dog, "Baby," licensed, as the city requires.

Burt said when she was informed that the city had passed an ordinance specifically stating that rottweilers and pit bull breed dogs were considered vicious in the city, she was appalled.

Last week, Burt was finally able to meet the criteria to keep her dog, but the expense has put a strain on her.

To have a "vicious" animal licensed in the city, the owner must abide by several regulations, including

'I cannot sign a piece of paper stating that I knowingly have a vicious dog, because I don't think I do.'

Ida Burt
Homedale resident, dog owner

marking property with a 24-inch-by-24-inch sign in indelible fluorescent ink with the words in capital letters stating, "vicious" animal on premises, "vicious" canine property, or words similar in meaning.

Burt's insurance carrier stated that it would not be able to insure her if she posted a "vicious" animal sign.

Stating that the certificate provided by Burt's insurance company was acceptable, the city allowed Burt to license the dog and agreed that Burt could place a

sign stating that she had a dog on the premises. But now Burt must have a 6-foot fence installed to replace the 4-foot fence around her yard.

"It is horrible what I have had to go through just because they think the breed makes a dog vicious," Burt said. "My insurance does not state the city as an additional insured, but it also does not exclude it, so I guess that is what it takes."

The city ordinance has other provisions that must be followed:

- The dog must, at the owner's expense, have a licensing number tattooed on him.
- The owner must sign a statement declaring that she will maintain insurance

- The owner must have a locked enclosure for the animal and notify authorities if the animal becomes loose.

• Owners of the "vicious" animal also must increase liability insurance in the amount of not less than \$500,000 and name the city and Owyhee Vet Clinic as "additional insured."

• Owners must also add a clause to the policy that states "the policy covers any damage or injury which may be caused by the policyholder's canine, which has been deemed a "vicious" animal," and that the insurance must be for a 12-month period "for which city licensing period is sought."

Council tabs Downum as its next president

Status quo on other city appointments

After a one-month delay, appointments to Homedale City positions will remain the same except for a new president of the City Council.

Councilman Dave Downum will replace Kevin Barlow as council president. Barlow's term ended in December when he moved away from Homedale.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller, City Clerk Susan Mansisidor, Attorney Chris Nye and Planning and Zoning Administrator Sylvia Bahem will remain in their respective positions.

One other change was announced during Wednesday night's City Council meeting.



Dave Downum

Longtime Library Board member Judy Tolmie has resigned, and Leora Zanks was appointed to take her place.

— CAB

In April last year, the council amended its current dog ordinance and included several additional limitations to animal owners, including a breed-specific reference to pit bull and rottweiler dogs indentifying them as "vicious" animals.

Pit bull, pit bull terriers, American pit bull terrier, American Staffordshire terrier, Staffordshire bull terrier, bull terrier, bull mastiff and the rottweiler, purebred or mixed are "per se" "vicious," according to city ordinance No. 349.

"I don't think I have a vicious dog," Burt told the council last week. "I cannot sign a piece of pa-

per stating that I knowingly have a vicious dog, because I don't think I do.

"I tried to comply with everything. My insurance company says if I put one sign up saying I have a vicious dog, they will cancel my policy."

City Clerk Susan Mansisidor told the council that she had informed Burt and her family that they only had to post a sign saying beware of dog and that "every other person" has a posting. Mansisidor said a signature on the city's required document does not state that Burt has a vicious dog; it only states that she acknowledges that she understands the city's

ordinance.

"All I tried to do was abide by the law," Burt said. "My dog is in an enclosed area, not 6 foot, but how long do I have to put up this fence?"

"I am on a limited income and Medicare. How long do I have before you guys come out and take him away?"

Mansisidor told Burt that if the fence is not up, Baby would have to be muzzled when he is outside.

"I won't muzzle my dog," Burt said. "You will have to come into my yard and take my dog. That is my private property. It is mine."

Dave Cereghino, a representative from Farm Bureau Insurance, said that, in the section two-liability coverage, no questions could specifically state anything about animals. Mansisidor told Cereghino that the insurance certificate the city received was deemed acceptable by the city's agent.

She said the insurance was no longer a problem.

"She just has to go down the checklist now and finish the requirements," Mansisidor said.

"The ordinance calls for a sign to be posted out there," Mayor Paul Fink said.

"To follow the ordinance, that is the law of Homedale, and we have no other alternative but to enforce the ordinance."

Burt said she had licensed the dog several years ago and could not understand why the city would license the dog then, but it would not now.

"I can't do anything about what happened four years ago," Fink stated.

"This council cannot do anything about what happened four years ago. We are enforcing the ordinance as it is today."

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County Republicans plan Lincoln Day banquet

Candidacies often declared at lunch in Marsing

The Lincoln Day banquet of the Owyhee County Republican Party, slated Feb. 23, will feature guest speakers and political hopefuls. The event begins at noon at the Sandbar Restaurant in Marsing. District 23 Rep. Frances Field

will serve as emcee for the luncheon. Several Republican candidates and some who are not up for election this year plan to attend the event, including U.S. senators Larry Craig and Mike Crapo, governor-hopeful Idaho Congressman Butch Otter, congressional candidate Bill Sali, superintendent of public instruction candidate and District 15 State Rep. Steve Smylie, as well as Lt. Gov. Jim Risch,



Larry Craig Mike Crapo

Secretary of State Ben Ysursa, state Attorney General Lawrence Wasden, state Treasurer Ron

Crane and state Controller Keith Johnson. Local office candidates, including Owyhee County Commissioner Dick Reynolds, County Treasurer Brenda Richards, County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn and County Assessor Brett Endicott also plan to attend, according to Field. Field said she expects to have several possible candidates for county offices make formal announcements during the

event. Republican candidates for congressional, state and legislative seats also will attend. An auction of donated items will be held during the luncheon, which usually sees about 100 in attendance. Tickets are now available from any Central Committee member for \$15 each or can be purchased at the door.

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BLM donates computers to schools

Students in Homedale, Marsing, Pleasant Valley and even as far away as Rockville soon will benefit from surplus computers from the Bureau of Land Management's Owyhee Field Office in Marsing. The BLM, through the Computers for Learning program, will donate surplus computers to schools in the Owyhee County communities.

"The BLM is pleased to be able to assist these smaller communities with this technology," Owyhee Field Office Associate Manager Myra Black said. "This helps to forge better working relationships with the communities as well as prepare students for what lies ahead."

Black said 21 total computers will be donated between the four schools.

The Computers for Learning program provides an avenue for surplus but still usable computers to be transferred to educational facilities from kindergarten through college.

"Seems like every couple of years we buy new computers and we surplus the old ones," Black said last week. "We really want to reach out to the community here and especially to the youngsters. We plan to provide computers for Homedale, Marsing and Pleasant Valley and hope to get someone from Rockville to take some of the machines."

Idaho BLM and the National Interagency Fire Center (NIFC) in Boise donated more than \$700,000 worth of surplus computers, equipment and furniture to local schools during fiscal year 2005.

— CAB



Vandalism

Manuel Ramos stands in the doorway of his business, Del Rio Restaurant in Homedale, after vandals broke out the front windows of his establishment last week. Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said it is estimated that the vandalism occurred between 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. Thursday. Ramos said he will offer an award to information leading to the arrest and conviction of the vandals.

FSA office in Marsing will close closed for training next week

The Owyhee County Farm Service Agency office staff will be attending Farm Program Training from Feb. 22 to Feb. 23. During those days the Farm

Service Agency office located in Marsing will be closed. The closure does not affect the other agencies located within the USDA Service Center.

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Owyhee Fair sets 2006 enrollment deadlines

The Owyhee County Fair Board has set enrollment deadlines for 4-H and FFA projects for the 2006 fair, which will run from Aug. 7 to Aug. 12 at the fairgrounds in Homedale.

"Since we are growing and space at the fair is at a premium, we must have an accurate count of the numbers in each project in order to provide for barn and stall assignments, judges, record book judges, and space for club displays in the Armory Exhibit Hall," fair board secretary Teri Nielson said. "We also need project designations of 4-H or FFA in order for us to determine if a project is complete under the respective criteria."

Last year's fair was hampered by a problem with adequate exhibit space because of inaccurate number counts. The deadlines first were discussed at the board's wrap-up meetings last September.

The deadlines for the 2006 fair will be March 1 for livestock projects, May 1 for Family and Consumer Science and miscellaneous projects. June 1 is the last day for 4-H and FFA members to submit changes to

their project enrollments for the 2006 fair.

Nielson said the goal continues to be to provide a good educational and fair experience for the youth involved in 4-H and FFA programs.

"However, we are asking for your cooperation in our attempt to know the numbers in order to do this," Nielson said. "As everyone knows, the fair does not begin on the first day. It takes many hours of advanced planning and preparation and ... project enrollment numbers affect many areas of this preparation."

Nielson said the board will continue to remind leaders, members and parents in order to avoid any problems after the June 1 deadline.

"Please be sure and mark your calendars with these deadlines," Nielson said. "If anyone wants to enroll in a project after these dates, they will be able to do so; however, they will not be able to complete the project because they will not be able to show or sell their project until the 2007 fair."

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Marsing's Lizard Butte library unveils two new computers

A Staying Connected Grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has the Lizard Butte Public Library in Marsing humming along on the super information highway.

Because of the grant, which was administered by the Idaho State Library and part of more than \$200,000 given to the state by the Gates Foundation, Lizard Butte has upgraded two of its computers and established a DSL Internet connection through Frontier.

The two Dell computers feature flat-screen monitors, quiet keyboards, 80-gigabyte hard drives and 512 megabytes of RAM. The computers that were upgraded were financed by another Gates Foundation grant a few years ago.

"Even with five computers on the Internet together, it is still quite fast," Janna Streibel from the library said.

The Lizard Butte Public Library is located in the Owyhee Plaza on Main Street in Marsing, and it's opened noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

"We would like to invite everyone in to use the new computers," Streibel said.

Streibel said the computers are used by 20 or 30 people each week, primarily children doing school work or playing games. Adults use the Internet connection to check e-mail or research vacation destinations.

This is the latest grant from the state library to Owyhee County libraries, according to Sonja Hudson, the Idaho State Library's grants contract officer. A total of about \$18,700 in grants have been awarded to Lizard Butte, Bruneau Valley, East Owyhee and Homedale libraries to upgrade computers and Internet connections.

"They were allowed to purchase 'X' number of computers and one printer," Hudson said. "Then they were allowed to investigate replacing some of the software on those computers."

The structure of the grants included 84 percent of funding from the foundation, 5 percent from the state library and the remaining 11 percent from the individual libraries.

The next phase of the grant program is financing more computer training at the libraries, according to Hudson.

The Gates Foundation, set up by Microsoft founder Bill Gates and his wife, has doled out more than \$16 million nationwide with the Staying Connected grants.

— JB



Recognition

Melba School District employee Barbara Shattuck, right, smiles after receiving the Idaho Education Technology Association's Outstanding Support for Technology by a Network Technician award from Idaho schools superintendent Marilyn Howard. Submitted photo

State tech group honors Melba schools employee

Longtime Melba School District employee Barbara Shattuck has been honored by the Idaho Education Technology Association for her work with the district's computer system.

State Superintendent of Public Education Dr. Marilyn Howard presented Shattuck with the Outstanding Support for Technology by a Network Technician award during the IETA's annual conference in Boise.


The Melba district's Technology Advisory Committee nominated Shattuck for the award, citing the valuable role she performs for each school and the difference she makes in the lives of children.

"Barbara consistently goes above and beyond the call of duty to make sure that our equipment is performing as required," the committee wrote in its nomination papers.

"The Board of Trustees, staff, patrons and students are very delighted that Barbara was recognized for her extraordinary efforts through this prestigious award," Melba schools superintendent Bob Larson said.

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Irrigation

Nash said that he is confident that a decision will be made soon as the last meetings held with the groups were productive.

“Obviously I can not get into very much detail, we are in executive session,” Nash said. “Business is going forward as it always has. We took care of business, paid bills, and approved the minutes. We are just in executive session regarding this personnel issue. There is some disagreement over the issue.”

South Board attorney Bruce

Smith said the board could remain in executive session for however long it takes. He said, “the rumor mill does not dictate how South Board operates.”

“Much of what we are dealing with is the conjecture and speculation with outside parties wanting to dictate how the South Board operates,” Smith continued. “One of the things I can say, having represented a lot of entities such as this is, we can’t deal with every individual’s attitude of the way they think things should be going.”

“I can tell you this, the South Board has a lot of employees. They go through, they adopt budgets, they consider personnel

Special meeting for Gem district

The Gem Irrigation District will hold a special meeting at 1 p.m. Friday to discuss personnel issues in executive session.

The meeting will be held at the South Board of Control office located at 118 W. 1st St. South in Homedale.

issues consistent with Idaho statutes, which means you go into executive session to discuss personnel issues because they

are not meant to be public. I can assure you that the South Board complies with Idaho laws regarding personnel matters. The board will stay in executive session long enough to consider all of the input that they need to consider. The South Board does not do non executive session decision making within executive session.”

Smith said the board is still in executive session and will remain so until they believe it time to come out and make a decision. Nash said the session should be concluded in the near future.

“I felt we had two good meetings,” Nash said. “We are in agreement that this is a pretty

important issue. We want to give it some more time to go forward with some things we have discussed in executive session. We are not going to drag this on forever. I don’t want to and neither does anyone else.”

Nash said he feels very positive about the last few meetings and he feels a decision would be made soon. He said as of last week, there were no plans for another special meeting, but he said that could change. If the board schedules any additional meetings they will be posted at the South Board of Control office.

— CAB

Arrests

the course of the investigation, they were also able to solve a series of incidents involving cashing stolen checks.

“Following an investigation conducted by Chief Deputy Dick Freund on a burglary at the Floyd Woods residence that took place in November, he developed information on the suspects,” Bish said. “The same home was burglarized again the next month. During my investigation of that burglary in December, I recovered part of the items stolen. During the recovery process I was able to locate some of the items stolen in the burglary in November. Further investigation has also led us to a chain of forgery and writing checks on closed accounts.”

Bish said two “persons of interest” are being sought in connection with the burglaries. He said Chad Bond, 18, of Payette and Billy Williams, 22,



Jordan Beers

of Caldwell have not been located and deputies would like to speak to them.

Bond is approximately 6 feet tall, 185 pounds, brown hair and blue eyes. Williams is 6 foot 2, about 215 pounds and also has brown hair and blue eyes. Bish said if anyone knows the whereabouts of Bond or Williams, they need to contact their local



Bambi Knight

law enforcement agency.

Bambi Knight, 26 of Caldwell and Jordan Beers, 24, of Nampa were arrested and charged with cashing closed account checks. Dusty Knight, 23, of Caldwell was charged with counterfeiting and forgery and is being held in a Canyon County jail. Colette Newman, 27, and Edward Maybon, 30, both of Caldwell



Edward James Maybon

were arrested and charged with burglary and Jennifer Hoch, 23, of Caldwell, has been charged with aid and abet burglary.

Bish said about \$1,000 in property was taken from the home, but many items are sentimental items that would be difficult to put a price tag on. He said Canyon County and Payette County are also investigating some of the



Collette Newman

accused.

“We had about a \$1,000 in closed account and stolen checks cashed over the New Year’s weekend in the Marsing area,” Bish said. “Some were stolen from burglaries in Canyon County. We have been working closely with Canyon County on the case.”

— CAB

911

or ambulance services in Homedale and Marsing.

Since the installation of Enhanced 911 into the county dispatch, residents were asked to call 911 for faster service. Last week, several of those seven-digit numbers have become inactive and the departments are reminding people to use the Enhanced 911 system through the county.

Homedale Ambulance Administrator Lisa Price said last week that the normally used seven-digit numbers are now inactive for ambulance and fire

service. She said if a person calls the former numbers of 337-3550 for an ambulance or 337-3000 for the fire department, they will hear a recording saying that they need to hang up and call 911.

“When Sept. 11, 2001 happened, emergency response teams were asked to consolidate their dispatch centers through one local source,” Price said. “We are now operating on the new interoperability channel, which allows all the agencies to communicate to each other on one channel.”

Ackerman said county personnel in Murphy have been dispatching the Marsing Ambulance Service for some time, and although

Marsing crews still use the alternate phone numbers, they are trying to phase them out soon.

All Owyhee County emergency units are on the same interoperability channel so they can talk and hear each other during emergency calls.

“This way we will save a lot of time for dispatching calls,” Price stated. “Now there will only be one dispatch center instead of two. Our dispatch time will be

much faster.”

Price said the county dispatchers are trained in emergency medical dispatch and can advise a caller on certain life-saving actions to take before an emergency medical technician can arrive. She said recently Homedale was dispatched to a call of a person choking on an object and before EMTs could respond, dispatch had advised the family member on how to perform the

Heimlich maneuver. The object was eventually dislodged.

“It could have saved this person’s life,” Price said.

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Obituary

Kit Carson

Kit Carson, 70, of Homedale passed away on Wednesday, February 8, 2006 at a local hospital. A memorial service was held at 10:00am on Monday, February 13 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. An inurnment followed at the Wilder Cemetery.

Kit was born April 29, 1935 in Homedale at the home of his parents, Owen and Leah Carson. He was the youngest of eleven children. They lived in Homedale for a few years then moved to Danner where Kit went to school until 5th grade. His family moved back to the Homedale area where he finished school.

Kit married Roberta Reno on March 21, 1953 in Kellogg, Idaho. They spent a short time in Boise where he worked at the Stinker Station before moving to Long Beach, CA. There he worked for a janitor service and a car wash. In 1954 they moved back to Homedale. There he worked for his Brother-In-Law, Dale Jackson at the Texaco Station, then moved on to work for J.C. Jackson running heavy equipment. Kit and Roberta were married eight years and had one child, Valerie.

He married Pam Love on



October 4, 1968 in Reno, NV. They had three children; Mike, Chris, and Cara. They were married 13 years. During this time he worked for A&J Construction in the Northwestern States and Hawaii. He was considered top in his field as a finish road grader operator. Kit owned and operated K.C. Construction, specializing in concrete ditch lining.

Kit was a foster parent, a Cub Scout Advocate, and a friend to many. He enjoyed taking his family camping, driving, and picnicking. Many days were enjoyed in Silver Creek, Silver City, Succor Creek Canyon, Bruneau Sand Dunes, or the Karcher Mall. The

destination didn't really matter; he simply enjoyed the ride and the company.

The first Carson Family Reunion was held at the family residence on Succor Creek in 1978. Not a year has been missed to this date. He loved having his family together; they shared memories and arguments about those memories, loud conversations, weighing and measuring of cars with his brothers and making new memories to argue about. Kit enjoyed those times.

One of his most memorable trips was with Gypsy, Jim and Betty, Grant and Betty, their son Bob, and grandson Brian, when they went to Spain, Portugal, and Morocco, Africa.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, and sisters, Vera Carson, Geraldine Tidwell, Louella Paugh, Afton "Pat" Young, Clair Carson, Buster Carson, Ted Carson, Grant Carson, and Jim Carson.

He is survived by his Sister, Gypsy Jackson, children; Valerie Bideganeta and Joe, Mike Carson, Chris Carson and Tia, Cara Neeser and Kenny, 10 grand-children, two great-grand-children, and many nieces and nephews.

Honor roll

Homedale High School

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

Senior students receiving a 4.0 GPA include: Faith Brasher, Jennifer George, Tyler Christoffersen, Lyubov Pryadko, Michelle Uria and Jessica Hansen

Senior students receiving a 3.5 to 3.99 GPA include: Shaunna Vaughan, Ian Lootens, Samantha Perry, Luciana Silva, Zachary Lootens, Jessica Mooney and Heath Phelps.

Senior students receiving a 3.0 to 3.49 include: Amanda Crosland, Richard Eidemiller, Wade Hyer John Hurich, Ryan Rupp, Hailey Hall, Lawrence Wass, Roberto Sandoval, Samuel Ensley, Tyler Leslie, Sarah Cline, Stuart Miyasako, Andrew VanDerhoff, Patrick Vega, Mathew Dillon, Haillee Garrett, Karina Aguilera, Cheyanne Andrade, Jennifer Thomas

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

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

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

Marrs, Tyler Maxwell, Bradley Rudd, Jordan Warwick, Travis McRae, Kristin Phifer, Whitney Tackett, Andrea Aguilera, Kiaya Combs, Jamie Frost and Cory Uria.

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

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

Sophomore students receiving a 3.0-3.49 GPA include: Andrew Eubanks, Kortney Bahem, Terence Thomas, Maria Sanchez, Amanda Andaverde, Taryn Corta, Dayton Syme, Katie Cammack, Alysha Baheem, Levi Jones and Samuel Hart.

Freshmen students with a 4.0 include: Briana Cornwall, Ryan Garrett, Hannah Gibson, Kendall Rupp, Annamaria Salas and Kelsey Thatcher.

Freshmen students with a 3.5-3.99 include: Kali McRae, Andrea Vega, Mikal Mackenzie, Jessica Sotelo, Sierra Aberasturi, Trinity Heath, Rowdy Lair, Kara McRae and Trevor Meligan.

Freshmen students with a 3.0-3.499 include: Kevin Abels Vaughan, Chance Bohr, Esmeralda Jimenez, Angelica Cuellar, Sean Daily, Monica Hernandez, Abdencio Sanchez, Erika Shanley, Ryan Vance, Joel Aguilera, Austin Emry, Haylie Frelove, Chantel Garcia, Laken Hiser, Kevin Mercado, Mitchell Quintana, Chalsea Hicks, Daniel Rodriguez Zenor, Victoria (Tori) Reed, Blanca Uriarte, Mario Gaeta and Ashli Kelser.

Life's milestones

The Owyhee Avalanche welcomes any news of engagements, weddings and births or announcements of significant birthdays or anniversaries. Photos are accepted, too. Announcements must be received by 5 p.m. Friday the week before publication.

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The Owyhee Avalanche

Mrak birthday celebration set

Friends of Fannie Mrak are invited to attend a celebration of her 95th birthday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 19, 2006, at the Homedale Senior Citizens Center.

Mrak is one of the first settlers in Homedale.

Her daughters and granddaughters are hosts for the celebration. No gifts, please.

HMS plans dinner for conference night

Regularly scheduled parent-teacher conferences will feature a new element at Homedale Middle School this week. Volunteers and after-school program staff will offer a dinner for students and their families attending.

Conferences will be held at the middle school from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and Thursday.

Tonight, families can enjoy a

baked potato with toppings served cafeteria-style until 7.

Coordinators said a highlight to the evening will be an informational session about the new Project Alert drug prevention program being offered after school and on other upcoming events.

Parent-teacher conferences will also be held today and Thursday at the high school.

Middle school staff hope

offering a light dinner will help get families to participate in the conferences at both schools.

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Shoo-Fly 4-H news

By Aubrey Nash

The Shoo-Fly 4-H Club is off to a great start for the 2006 year and officers were recently elected.

Megan Harper is the club’s president, Josh Ryska, vice president, Gabby Nash, secretary, Katie Price, treasurer, Tyler Theile sergeant at arms and Aubrey Nash as reporter.

Club livestock projects this year will be swine led by Brad Dines and Heidi Nash, sheep led by Leslie Nash and dairy led by Melanie Harper. The Cloverbuds are being led by Margaret Lejardi and Lori Emry will lead the miscellaneous projects.

On Jan. 6, the group met at Barney and Melanie Harper’s home for a community service project sponsored by the Idaho Fish and Game. The members built 12 wood duck nesting boxes. The Harpers, along with other parents were on hand to help with the cutting and assembly.

“This was a really fun project and we hope our boxes will make a difference for wood ducks in our area,” members said.

The project is not the first community service project for the club as they held a food and warm cloths drive over the Christmas holiday. Members also worked to pack community Christmas food boxes and helped wrap Wish Tree Christmas gifts.

The group met again on Feb. 12 and Lori Emry gave a special presentation to the club on what makes up a good demonstration or illustrated talk. Austin Emry stood up and gave an example of a poor illustration talk. He received many laughs while doing it. Following, Lori had the group score him using the same system that judges use when presentations are given at the county level.

The next meeting will be one of two demonstration days and it will be held on March 12 at 3 p.m. Members will present their demonstration-illustrated talks followed by a short business meeting and pizza afterward.

Owyhee Silver Spurs 4-H news

Owyhee Silver Spurs met for their first meeting of the year last month at the Owyhee County extension office in Marsing on Jan. 12. Leaders of the group said they had many returning and new members attend.

The club finished its first community service project by helping with the clean up following the Marsing Disaster Auction held on Feb. 4.

This year’s horse leader is Ginger Loucks, market swine leader is Sarla Jensen and market sheep leader is Jan Aman.

During the group’s next meeting, which will be held on Feb. 22 at 5:30 p.m. at the extension office, officers will be elected, registration will need to be completed and dues will need to be paid.



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Your finances

They put 'con' in debt consolidation

Dear Dave,

Why are you against debt consolidation?

— Misti via e-mail

Dear Misti,

The idea of debt CONSolidation is to get you a lower payment. This sounds good on the surface, but there are only two ways to get a lower payment — either lower the interest rate or lengthen the term of the debt. So, you stay in debt just as long or even longer.

I call it debt CONSolidation because it's a con. These things rarely help much on the interest, it keeps you in debt longer and maybe the best reason is that you can't borrow your way out of debt. Nearly 90 percent of people who fall for debt CONSolidation wind up with even more debt because they don't change the habits that got them into debt in the first place.

The way to get out of debt is by getting mad and selling stuff. You do a debt snowball, list your debts smallest to largest, make minimum payments on everything but the little one and then you attack it with a vengeance. Then you work your way right down the rest of the list. You will get out of debt faster doing that, because focused intensity is more important than math when it comes to getting out of debt.

Go crazy and get some righteous anger going on about it. You've got to draw a line in the sand and determine that you're never going to do the stupid things that got you into debt ever again. There is no magic pill. There's no microwave approach to this, and that's what debt CONSolidation pretends to be. You cannot borrow your way out of debt!

— Dave

Dear Dave,

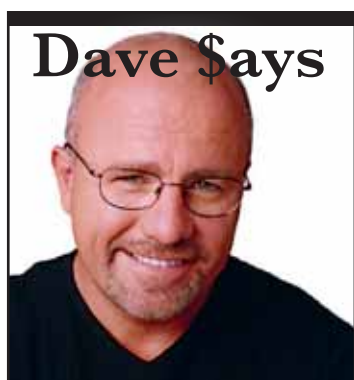
My sister is engaged and getting married in a few months. Her fiancé is bringing a considerable amount of debt into the marriage. He has six credit cards that are all maxed out, a \$30,000 mortgage and lots of medical bills. She's quit college to work full-time and help him pay all of it off. Is this a good idea?

— Heather

Dear Heather,

Your sister is helping him pay his bills before they get married? Why? Those bills become their joint responsibility AFTER marriage and not one second sooner. This is not a wise thing. What if something unexpected happens and they break up?

Once you get married, there's no "yours" and "mine" anymore, it's all OURS and you should pay everything together. Even marrying someone who is in debt



DAVE RAMSEY

is fine, as long as the habits that caused the debt have been broken and you're in agreement from that point forward on how you're going to handle money.

Her biggest responsibilities right now are making sure she really loves this guy and that they're in agreement on financial issues before the big "I DO." Never pay your fiancé's bills before you get married. I've seen too many people come in to our offices for counseling who were broke because they paid someone's bills who then left them before they reached the altar.

— Dave

Dear Dave,

I'm a minister and have been preaching for about five years. I opted out of Social Security, and wanted some advice on retirement. My wife and I have a couple of Roth IRAs for about four years, and we've maxed them out. Is this going to be adequate for retirement, or do we need something else?

— Rob in Louisville, Ky.

Dear Rob,

First, continue to max out your Roth IRAs in good, growth stock mutual funds. Also, check with your tax accountant to verify if you have any self-employed income. The Roth IRA, fully funded, will ensure that you retire with dignity if you have several years to invest.

For example, if you're 30 years old and you annually fund \$6,000 into a couple of Roths in a great mutual fund, you'd have more than \$5 million at age 70 if the fund averages 12 percent. If you want to do more, look to the 401(k) or 403(b) for tax-deferred investing.

— 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



KYG students

Owyhee County 4-Hers, from left to right, Logan Stirm, Matthew Johnson, Ariel Turner will join Ben Bolshaw (not pictured) to attend the Know Your Government exercise in Boise during Presidents Day weekend.

Know Your Government 2006 includes Webcast of session

County students participate in Presidents Day weekend event

For 160 Idaho 4-H members, the 19th annual Know Your Government (KYG) exercise during Presidents Day weekend will offer a novel opportunity to practice governance and follow the Boise City Council's lead onto the Internet.

Several Owyhee County 4-H members will participate.

Eighth- and ninth-grade students from throughout the state will engage in a mock floor session from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday that will be Webcast live from the Boise City Council Chambers. The 4-H session will be accessible at www.cityofboise.org.

Local 4-H members who plan to attend the event include Logan Stirm, Melba of the Reynolds Creek 4-H Club, Ariel Turner, Bruneau of the Bruneau Sage Riders 4-H Club, Ben Bolshaw, Nampa and Matthew Johnson, Greenleaf of the Owyhee County Sharpshooters and Stitch 'n' Stir 4-H clubs.

The Webcast is the newest

wrinkle in the event that gives Idaho 4-H members a first-hand look at how democracy works inside the Idaho Statehouse.

The statewide 4-H program, which is operated by University of Idaho Extension, drew the participation of 54,217 youths and 3,934 adult volunteers in 2005.

This year's event runs Saturday through Monday at the Red Lion Hotel Downtown. Youths will act as legislators, judges and reporters and will hear from state and local officials and others.

Idaho Supreme Court Justice Daniel Eismann, a former Homedale resident, will speak at a judicial workshop for youths.

Gem County Magistrate Judge Gordon Petrie will be the keynote speaker at Saturday night's banquet. He recently returned from serving in Iraq and will share his experiences there.

Matt McCarter, executive director of Boise's Healthy Community - Healthy Youth, will lead legislative workshops Monday.

4-H members will continue the KYG tradition of mock committee meetings and mock trials and breakfast with legislators and judges. A tour of the Idaho Statehouse, including a chance to observe the Legislature in session, also is scheduled.

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

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Marsing FFA news

by Kallie Roeser

FFA activities

The Marsing FFA Chapter recently had four students receive the Idaho FFA State Degrees: Daniel Ineck, Kallie Roeser, Jessica Elsberry and Mary Jo Usabel.

These four individuals worked on their Supervised Agricultural Experience record books for the past month putting all finishing touches on them.

On Feb. 1, they went to Kuna High School for the Boise Valley District State Degree sifting. They all took tests on Parliamentary Procedure and FFA knowledge, as well as being interviewed concerning their business or projects.

The requirements to receive a State Degree include completing the application, having all books complete, and passing the FFA Knowledge and the Parliamentary Procedure tests. All four did an excellent job, Marsing FFA advisor Jason Nettleton said.

The members will receive the prestigious award on stage during the State Leadership Conference, which will be held April 5-8 in Twin Falls.

Also on Feb. 1, Marsing representative Kelsey Granden placed third in the Boise Valley



State degree honors

Marsing FFA members, from left, Daniel Ineck, MJ Usabel, Jessica Elsberry and Kallie Roeser, receive their Idaho FFA State Degree from Kara Jackson, Idaho FFA state reporter, at Kuna High School on Feb. 1. . Submitted photo

Upcoming Events

Feb. 15 – Parliamentary Procedure practice, 3:15 p.m. in AG room.

Feb. 21 – Legislative breakfast and Day on the Hill at Idaho Statehouse, Boise.

Feb. 21-22 – Made for Excellence and Advanced

Leadership Conference, Boise.

Feb. 23-24 – Agriculture Olympics, in Marsing High School Ag shop.

March 15 – Parliamentary Procedure Career Development Event, Vallivue High School, Caldwell.

District Creed Speaking held at Kuna High School.

For those of you who don't know Creed Speaking is for

freshmen only.

From the Ag department As chairman of the Ag Expo,



Creed presentation

Kelsey Granden is presented a third place plaque from Idaho FFA State Reporter Kara Jackson for her presentation at the Boise Valley District Creed Career Development Event at Kuna High School on Feb. 1. Submitted photo

Jessica Elsberry has been working with about 10 different schools to schedule students to come visit Marsing High School this year.

Currently we are gearing up to have nearly 1,000 students attend the Expo this year. The Ag Expo is scheduled for May 4-5.

Seven members for the Varsity Parliamentary Procedure team have been meeting at 3:25 p.m. each Wednesday to get ready

for the contest on March 15 at Vallivue High School in Caldwell. Eight members of the Freshman Parliamentary Procedure team are meeting at 3:15 p.m. on Tuesdays for the Freshmen contest.

Fabrications

The Ag Fab. Class completed and donated three "awesome" lawn flowers to donate to the Community Auction.



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Avalanche columnist appears at Bruneau library's lunchtime speaker series Feb. 22



Wayne Cornell

Owyhee Avalanche columnist Wayne Cornell will be the featured speaker Feb. 22 at the Bruneau Valley Library's first What's Hot at the Library luncheon of the year.

The event, which is free and open to the public, begins at noon with a hot lunch. Cornell is expected to speak at about 1 p.m., according to library board member Ginny Roeder.

Cornell, whose "Not Important ... But Possibly of Interest" column appears in the Avalanche's Commentary pages each week and looks at the life of a local resident through an interesting prism.

Reservations are encouraged.

RSVP for the event by calling the library at (208) 845-2131 on Tuesdays or Thursdays. Or call librarian Clara Morris at (208) 845-2345.

The library is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The What's Hot at the Library program was started with a \$2,000 humanities grant a few years ago, according to Roeder. The grant has run out, but the library has kept the speaker series going because of its popularity.

Roeder said between 25 and 40 people attend the event, which is put on monthly through May usually.



Grand View Lions auction

Here's a sampling of the items on the block for the annual Grand View Lions Club auction scheduled for Saturday inside the Grand View Elementary School auditorium. The day starts with lunch served at noon and the auction at 1 p.m. There also is a raffle with top prizes including a 12-gauge shotgun and a barbecue grill. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. For more information on the auction or raffle, call Doug Thurman at (208) 834-2442. Submitted photo

County UI Extension office launches Web site

The University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office's Web site is ready for use.

The site, at <http://extension.ag.uidaho.edu/owyhee> was created to provide information about programs and activities throughout the county in 4-H; Ag, livestock and range; family and consumer sciences; and Extension nutrition programs.

There is a calendar with a schedule of activities in the Extension Office meeting room, and a list of other dates and deadlines related to programs.

Links to previous issues of the Cattlemen's Corner Beef newsletter, 4-H newsletter and Family Issues newsletter are available.

Brochures and registration forms for upcoming events, such as Lost Rivers Grazing Academy, AI School, and the Beef Cattle Field Day for Youth also are available online.

Registration forms for 4-H members and leaders, fair project enrollment forms for FFA members and advisors are available to download as well.

"We would appreciate input," Debbie Titus from the Extension Office said. "If anyone has suggestions for ways to improve the site, or if they have requests for other information for us to include in it, please contact the Extension Office."

Titus can be contacted at (208) 896-4104 or owyhee@uidaho.edu.

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Homedale Guardsman settles into civilian life

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Folks making a difference in Owyhee County

Kent Simon is home for good. The Homedale native recently returned from his last tour in the war on terrorism and decided to trade in his 29 years in the Idaho Air National Guard for the relatively sedentary life of a real estate agent.

"I made a decision to get out of the Air Guard when I returned this summer," the 47-year-old Simon said. "With my business, Mountain Valley Properties, it's hard to be in really when you have to leave."

So Simon has settled back in Homedale, in a newly constructed 1,400-square-foot house that has been finished for a while but that he hasn't seen much of.

He has been home for about a month.

His new house was built in October, and he left for his final stint in Afghanistan in November. But he's glad to be back on his little piece of paradise.

"I've always liked it here," Simon said, "and I'm big into four-wheeling. It's easy to get into the hills from here."

And it beats living in a tent or the cramped quarters of barracks on some faraway air base in the Middle East.

Simon knows all too well the life of an Air Guardsman, doing four tours in both Iraq and Afghanistan since April 2004. He also has seen some time with the Air Guard in Bosnia.

"One thing I'm thankful for is the Guard has let me see the world," he said.

In addition to his time in the Middle East, including places such as Kuwait, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan, Simon has spent time in South America and Hawaii.

His most recent memories of his Air Guard career, though, are as the flight engineer on a six-man C-130 crew flying out of a place with names like K2, Manas, Bagram and Ali Al Saleem.

"We hauled beans and bullets and bodies," the master sergeant said in summing up the duties of the crew.

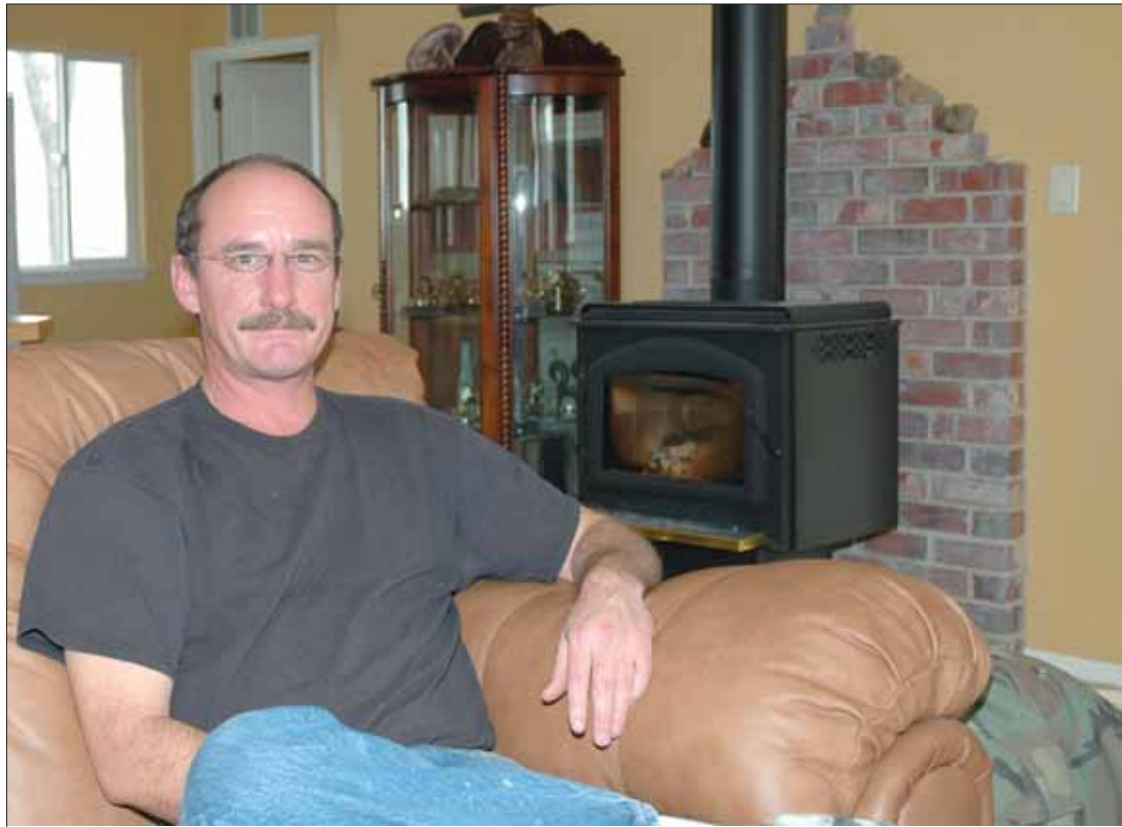
The C-130s were used to support operations in both Afghanistan and Iraq, and the crews did air drops of supplies as well as air lifts of wounded to Bagram, where the troops were then transferred by C-5 to Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany if their injuries were severe enough.

There were more solemn assignments, too, as the crews sometimes flew out the war dead.

"It's pretty somber," Simon said. "As they're loaded, we have a formation and a chaplain say a prayer and we line up and salute."

"When we're hauling HRs (human remains), we usually don't haul anything else."

For the most part, though, Simon and his Guard buddies were flying in and out of combat zones, keep-



ing the forward lines stocked for the war. There were also humanitarian flights into Pakistan after the devastating earthquake in that country on Oct. 8.

Most Air Guardsmen had rotations of 60 days during the three-year Idaho assignment. Simon, though, is a something called a Guard traditionalist and opted to stay on for 180 days on his first stint.

"I did three tours in a row. That was a big mistake," he said.

A six-month stay meant Simon gained more retirement points and also got a year's salary from the Guard. But it also meant he was away from home much longer than any of his comrades.

"It's pretty tough. You're flying with all your buddies, and they get to go home after 60 days."

Simon and his fellow Guardsmen didn't see their home away from home much during their deployment. In his first six months, workdays lasted as long

as 16 hours as the crew flew from Kuwait into Iraq.

Two of the nine Air Guard crews were from Idaho, and a typical day included four or five flights, or what the Guardsmen call "lines."

A couple times, Simon said, the Guard planes were fired upon by insurgents.

"Our second flight in Afghanistan, we got shot at," Simon said. "It was dark, and we saw the red streaks."

"They were quite a ways away, and we said, 'Oh, look at that. I think someone shot at us.'"

When on the ground, one Guard crew was tasked with being the duty crew. That group drove active flight crews back and forth from the tarmac, among other things.

But it wasn't all flying around and avoiding enemy rockets.

"We would play cards, read and watch movies," Simon said of the downtime. "Just try to keep ourselves entertained."

But whether mundane or exciting, Simon knows his time in the war zone was much more bearable than what the troops on the ground have to endure.

"I've got total respect for the infantry on the ground," he said. "We had hot showers and hot meals, and those guys don't have it so good."

"What we had was rough, but relatively speaking, we got it made compared to the infantry."

— JB



Life in the Guard
Clockwise from top right: Kent Simon relaxes in his Homedale residence after returning from his final tour in the Middle East with the Idaho Air National Guard. Simon and a buddy pose on the streets of Prague, Czech Republic, during a stopover as they returned home. Flight engineer Simon is ready in the cockpit for a mission. No rest for Simon as he prunes a branch outside his house. A huge prop from a C-130 looms close as Simon poses in his flight suit.



BLM has Idaho RAC vacancies

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is seeking people with an interest and background in natural resources to fill 21 vacancies on four Resource Advisory Councils (RACs) in Idaho.

The RACs represent a cross-section of the public and provide advice and recommendations to BLM on issues concerning the management of the 11.8 million acres of public land in Idaho.

"I encourage Idaho citizens to become actively involved in the management of public lands by submitting an application to BLM for membership on their local RAC," said Acting Idaho State Director Kurt Kotter. "The RACs give stakeholders a seat at the table and an opportunity to make a contribution to the future of lands managed by the BLM."

Each council has 15 members who are appointed to three-year terms, and represent one of three general interest categories:

Category 1 seeks members who are holders of federal grazing permits, representatives of energy and mineral development, timber industry, transportation or rights-of-way, off-highway vehicle use or commercial recreation.

Category 2 is composed of representatives of nationally or regionally recognized environmental organizations, archaeological or historic interests, dispersed recreation users or wild horse and burro organizations.

Category 3 consists of state, county or local elected officials, employees of a state agency responsible for the management of natural resources, members of an American Indian Tribe, academicians involved in natural sciences, or representatives of the public-at-large.

The Idaho RACs — one for each BLM District — are the Boise District RAC in southern Idaho, the Twin Falls District RAC in south-central Idaho, the Idaho Falls District RAC in southeastern Idaho and the Coeur d'Alene District RAC in northern Idaho.

The Boise District RAC has two vacancies in Category 1, one vacancy in Category 2 and two vacancies in Category 3.

The Twin Falls District RAC has two vacancies in Category 1, one vacancy in Category 2 and three vacancies in Category 3.

Nominees will be evaluated based on their education, training, experience and knowledge of the area administered by the respective BLM District. Once appointed, members will begin their terms on or about Oct. 1.

Nomination forms are available at area BLM District or Field Offices and online at www.blm.gov/rac/id/index.htm.

Send application packages to: Bureau of Land Management, Idaho State Office (ID-912), 1387 S. Vinnell Way, Boise, ID 83709, Attn.: Shelley Davis-Brunner.

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Owyhee Cattlemen support industry call for ban on beef from Japan and Canada

The Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association has endorsed the efforts of cattlemen’s associations from across the nation to issue a joint press release calling for the halt of Canadian live cattle and beef imports and Japanese beef imports into the U.S.

The historic action comes after more cases of bovine spongiform encephalopathy, known as BSE or Mad Cow Disease, were confirmed in Canada and Japan. Canadian officials last month acknowledged the discovery BSE in a 6-year-old crossbred cow located in Alberta and born after the 1997 feed ban. It’s the fifth known case in the country.

“The issue of Canadian and Japanese beef imports could have a significant impact on our industry,” Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association President Brad Huff said in a statement last week.

“The most recent policy that OCA has states that: ‘OCA request(s) that USDA halt the



Beef flap

The Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association has endorsed efforts by industry groups to get the federal government to ban beef imports from Canada and Japan.

BSE minimal-risk region rule making and maintain USDA’s current ban on the import of cattle and beef from Canada pending completion of a thorough scientific risk assessment, identifying all potential factors for

BSE occurrence and their historic perspective and that analyzes the risk of introducing BSE into the U.S. as a result of resuming imports of cattle and beef from a country where BSE is known to exist.”

The press release issued by Cattle Producers of Washington, Colorado Independent Cattle Growers Association, Independent Beef Association of North Dakota, Independent Cattlemen of Nebraska, Montana Cattlemen’s Association, New Mexico Cattle Growers Association, Oregon Livestock Producers Association, and South Dakota Stockgrowers Association states that during the same time period, Japanese officials confirmed the 22nd case of BSE in that nation.

The cattlemen’s associations asked Congress and the Secretary of Agriculture to adopt the following policy:

- Halt the importation of live cattle and beef from Canada until Canada can prove the prevalence of BSE in its herd and can provide proper assurances that the feed ban has been properly enforced.
- Halt beef trade with Japan until international trade standards are harmonized.
- Immediately provide independent companies with the opportunity to blanket test cattle for BSE for both domestic consumption and export purposes.
- Immediately implement mandatory country of origin labeling.

Huff said no new resolutions were presented during the OCA winter meeting Feb. 4 in Oreana, so he feels that the current OCA policy agrees with the requested ban.

“The U.S. Department of Agriculture has taken no action to halt the import of live cattle or beef from Canada, nor has the agency taken steps to halt the import of Japanese beef into the U.S.,” the release states. “The World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) recommends that nations that have not yet identified any cases of BSE should test at least 187,000 cattle consecutively just to determine if they have the disease, regardless of the size of the country’s cattle herd.”

The press release asserts that Canada has tested only about 90,000 head of cattle after the discovery of the first case of BSE in 2003 and that after the fourth case, the country tested only 57,000 cattle in 2005, an amount the cattle groups say is insufficient to meet the minimal testing requirements recommended by the OIE.

“The prevalence of BSE in Canada is not clear and will not

be until Canadian authorities adopt an aggressive surveillance program,” the press release said.

“USDA’s action to permit the importation of cattle and beef from countries with a known BSE problem abandons all historical protocol implemented to protect the U.S. cattle industry and beef supply. As a result, the U.S. now has some of the lowest import standards in the world. We must restore the high standards that caused U.S. beef to be considered the safest in the world.

“USDA refused to permit independent companies to blanket test slaughter cattle for BSE. As a result, Japanese markets were closed to U.S. beef for two years, draining billions of dollars from the U.S. cattle and beef industries.

Japanese officials closed markets to U.S. beef imports on Jan. 20.

“This action stems from a single U.S. meat processor violating trade regulations,” the release said. “In an effort to protect consumers and preserve consumer confidence in the domestic beef supply, the Japanese government took definitive and immediate action. Despite discovery of Japan’s 22nd case of BSE, the U.S. continues to accept beef imports from Japan derived from cattle of any age and any breed, without a required BSE surveillance program.

“U.S. consumers continue to be subjected to beef that is a co-mingled product and sold without a country-of-origin label attached, preventing consumers from making a choice to purchase U.S. beef and precluding U.S. cattlemen from differentiating their product in retail cases.

The cattle groups say domestic BSE testing has been exhaustive.

“The U.S. has tested more than half-a-million high-risk cattle and, according to USDA claims that have not been verified through the public release of specific information, has discovered only one case of BSE in an animal born long before the feed ban was implemented,” the release said.

“U.S. cattle producers are serious about preserving consumer confidence in U.S. beef and we consider our domestic and international consumers our first priority. American ranchers have worked diligently to provide a proven, safe product. Compromising that reputation is unacceptable.”

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Mountains of pie

A young child seems to contemplate whether she might have room for one more piece of pie during last weekend's International Smorgasbord held Homedale. Nearly 3,000 people attended the day-long feast that featured local entertainment, an art show and an auction for goody-filled baskets.



Art

Several hundred art items were on display at Homedale Elementary School during the annual art show held in conjunction with the 45th annual International Smorgasbord.



Heaping helpings

Sophie Nash, 4, helps serve customers in the European booth at the 45th annual International Smorgasbord at Homedale Elementary School on Saturday.

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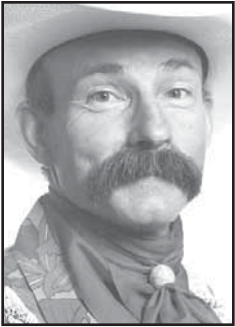
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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense



Havin’ a cat

Dr. G is a veterinarian in the cold country. They are a tough breed, those vets and cowmen and outfitters who live where the snowdrifts are over a horse’s head and the thermometer has to wear a wool sock in the winter!

One of Doc’s more remote clients had been through two wives. His thrifty nature and insistence on doing things the hard way was more than they could take. He had grown sour on women, so Doc was surprised one day when Sourdough, we’ll call the reclusive hardhead Sourdough, dropped by the clinic just to visit. He hung around, had some coffee and piddled. Doc knew he had something on his mind, so he waited. Finally Sourdough said, “I gave a girl a ring.”

Dr. G had a momentary vision of Sourdough being swept away by a woman who was able to reinstill his romantic urges and fire his heart to bursting with feelings of true love, mutual adoration and the realization that there is more to life than work.

“What’s she like?” asked Doc with more than a little compassion for his friend.

“She can irrigate,” said Sourdough.

“What!” said Doc.

“She can irrigate! Fix fence, drive a team. She’s a horse trainer, too. Turns ’em out better than I do! Changes her own tires, runs heavy equipment,” Sourdough was beaming.

Doc was invited to the wedding. He had trouble imagining the new bride. From her resumé he pictured a female version of Hulk Hogan, but with more hair on her chest. She turned out to be a petite dynamo, easy on the eyes, and everything Sourdough had said. She’d been a cook in an outfitter camp, a horse wrangler, could weld and spoke Spanish!

A few months after the wedding she came by the vet clinic for something and told Doc about her dream, “Ya know I’m pregnant, and in my dream I wake up in the middle of the night and the time has come. Sourdough says, ‘Well, it’s a long way to the hospital, and we’d get charged an emergency call, so why don’t we just get Doc to come out?’ ”

“Yeah,” said Doc to the bride, “he’s the tightest man I know.”

“But,” she continued, “Last night I dreamed you did come out and you had your calf puller and chains — and guess what, I had a cat!”

Well, the baby was born, both mother and child are healthy and Dad is a proud papa. But every time Dr. G sees the new mother, he always asks, “How’s our cat doin’?”

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... *but possibly of interest*



I called her Momma Kitty. She didn’t have a real human-type name. Maybe she had a cat name — one used by the other alley cats who live in the general area around the plant where I work.

My first encounter with Momma Kitty occurred nearly a decade ago. I came out the front door of the building and glanced down the sidewalk. Coming toward me was the toughest-looking cat I had ever seen. Her coat was brown and gold and black and white, with probably a few other hues mixed in. She was terribly skinny, had a bobbed tail and one of her ears and maybe an eye appeared damaged. She had either a small rat or a large mouse in her mouth. She was moving along at a trot — as if late for an appointment.

Momma Kitty saw me about the same time I saw her. She stopped about 30 feet away and eyed me suspiciously. I said “Hello, Momma Kitty.” She was not impressed. She sat down, the rodent still in her mouth, and waited for me to make my intentions clearer. It was obvious she was not going to let me get any closer. I told her to have a good day, walked over and got in my vehicle. As soon as the door closed, Momma Kitty got up and continued her journey.

As the years went by. I learned more about Momma Kitty. She lived in a vacant building across the street from the plant. She spent her days prowling the banks of Indian Creek and the structures along the Union Pacific main line, hunting food. She apparently was pretty good at her trade as she almost always had a mouse in her mouth. There also was evidence that a pigeon occasionally got careless.

Momma Kitty wasn’t terribly popular with the owners of the business where I work. When she wasn’t hunting she was giving birth to litter after litter of kittens. Although Momma Kitty never showed any interest in getting into the

plant, her kittens did. About once a year, one or more young cats would slip into the building, and it would require a real rodeo to evict them.

I had a lot respect for Momma Kitty. She wasn’t one of your bat-around-a-yarn-ball, litter box cats who purrs when you scratch its ears. She was a genuine, I’ll-do-it-myself, just-leave-me-alone cat who made her living the way her prehistoric ancestors did — by hunting. No Dumpster diving for Momma Kitty.

Over the years, Mommy Kitty and I crossed paths many times — but always at a distance. If she was passing by on the far side of the street and I said, “Hello,” she might give me a cursory look without ever breaking stride. Her first rule of life was “Never trust a human.” And it served her well.

After lunch today, I heard some co-workers talking about a dead cat in the street in front of the office. My first thought was, I wonder whose cat it is? It must be a newcomer to the neighborhood. Traffic moves slowly down the street — too slowly to pose a threat to any cat familiar with the area.

I peeked out the front door to check the accident scene. A cat was lying on its side in the westbound lane. Its coat was brown and gold and black and white with flecks of some other colors. I stepped out on the sidewalk and walked closer. The cat also had a bobbed tail.

I picked up Momma Kitty and moved her to the side of the street. I suspect mine was the first human hand to ever touch her.

She looked a lot heavier than she looked when I saw her several months ago. Maybe age had taken its toll on her speed and agility. Still, I didn’t think the car had been built that could ever get Momma Kitty.

She was a real cat.

Accuracy in Media Oprah experts know of what they speak

Oprah’s show featuring her apology for hyping the James Frey book *A Million Little Pieces* was marred by the appearances of Frank Rich and Maureen Dowd of the New York Times, the paper that employed the plagiarist and fabricator Jayson Blair. The Blair scandal forced the resignations of top Times editors. He had gotten a job at the Times through an affirmative action program that still remains in effect. Now, serious questions have been raised about some of the sensational charges being made by Times reporter James Risen in his book, *State of War*.

Rich, who appeared live on Oprah, and Dowd, who was on tape, were supposed to represent the heightened vigilance of the mainstream press to fakers and con artists. Rich, a venomous Bush-hater, played politics by trying to connect Frey, a serial liar, to the Bush administration’s rationale for going to war in Iraq. His obsession with the president borders on the pathological. He was even more of an embarrassment than Frey, who sat stone-faced throughout much of the show as the key ingredients of his book were shown to be lies and exaggerations. It was good television, but it would have been far better if Frank Rich and Maureen Dowd had been left off the show. They added nothing.

Dowd, another Bush-hater, made a nasty personal comment about the need for Oprah to kick Frey’s butt, but Dowd mispronounced Frey’s name in the process, showing that she was unfamiliar with the basic facts of the controversy, such as the author’s name. But the question remains: Why would Oprah invite representatives from the Times on a show about the need for more accountability

and professionalism from the book publishing industry? A Times reporter, James Risen, is the author of a new book, *State of War*, that could possibly do far more damage than James Frey’s phony “memoir” about his drug and alcohol problems. The Risen book, *State of War*, benefited from an illegal leak of classified information about an National Security Agency spying program to uncover al Qaida operations on American soil.

The book has some other “revelations,” such as Risen’s claim that “some journalists” in Washington’s power circles are among those relying on “Saudi money or Saudi access” and, in the process, have ignored or suppressed information “about Saudi links to Islamic extremism.” This sensational charge is on page 177 of his book, but he names no names. Isn’t that interesting? Why is Risen allowed to get away with making such a controversial charge without backing it up with evidence? Are any of these journalists at the Times or the Washington Post? I had hoped to question him about it, but his publicist says he is not giving any more interviews for the time being. He did have time, however, to appear on The Daily Show on Comedy Central.

The Risen book, which directly attacks “conservative ideologues” in the Bush administration, is why the major media have endlessly repeated the misleading claim that, “for the first time since the Watergate-era abuses, the NSA is spying on Americans again, and on a large scale.” This is what Risen claims on page 43 of his book.

Commentary

✓ Accuracy

In his speech at Georgetown University Law Center, U.S. Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales ripped into the press accounts of the “purported activities” of the NSA. He said, “These press accounts are in almost every case, in one way or another, misinformed, confusing or wrong. And unfortunately, they have caused concern over the potential breadth of what the president has actually authorized.” Gonzales, like the president, calls it a “terrorist surveillance program.” But Risen, the media and liberal Democrats would prefer to say that it constitutes domestic spying on Americans.

It is an obvious effort to suggest that what the Bush administration is doing is not only illegal and unconstitutional but impeachable.

But Gonzalez declared that “... for as long as electronic communications have existed, the United States has conducted surveillance of those communications during wartime — all without judicial warrant. In the Civil War, for example, telegraph wiretapping was common and provided important intelligence for both sides. In World War I, President Wilson ordered the interception of all cable communications between the United States and Europe; he inferred the authority to do so from the Constitution and from a general congressional authorization to use military force that did not mention anything about such surveillance. So, too, in World War II; the day after the attack on Pearl Harbor, President Roosevelt authorized the interception of all communications traffic into and out of the United States. The terrorist surveillance program, of course, is far more focused, since it involves only the interception of international communications that are linked to al Qaida or its allies.”

Just two paragraphs before Risen makes his sensational claim about the administration violating the rights and privacy of Americans on a large scale, he refers to how the Bush administration has supposedly established “a series of secret prisons around the world...” for suspected terrorists. Dana Priest of the Washington Post had originally reported in a Nov. 2, 2005, story that the CIA had created “a covert prison system” in various countries. The story ran under the headline, “CIA Holds Terror Suspects in Secret Prisons.”

But the evidence — which is supposed to be important to journalists — is lacking. A headline over a Jan. 25 story by Craig S. Smith in Risen’s own New York Times was “Europe’s C.I.A. Inquiry finds no Evidence of Secret Prisons.” The story reported, “An inquiry by the Council of Europe into allegations that the C.I.A. has operated secret detention centers in Eastern Europe has turned up no evidence that such centers ever existed, though the leader of the inquiry, Dick Marty, said there are enough ‘indications’ to justify continuing the investigation.”

Notice how the “prisons” had become “detention centers.” Even so, no evidence was produced that they had ever existed. There are some allegations that suspected terrorists may have been briefly held on European soil or by some other countries, but this alleged practice hardly constitutes a network of “secret prisons,” as Risen and Priest described it, or even “detention centers.”

Will Risen’s publisher issue a correction of this claim in his book? Will he apologize? Don’t count on it.

Like James Frey’s *A Million Little Pieces*, Risen’s *State of War* is supposed to be true. I’m beginning to have my doubts. The NSA program certainly exists because administration officials have been forced to defend it. But Risen, his sources and his media collaborators have so distorted its nature and purpose as to make it seem like something it is not. That, too, is a form of fraud. But don’t expect to see James Risen in the hot seat on Oprah — or any other television program for that matter. This kind of fraud serves partisan political purposes.

— Cliff Kincaid is Editor of the AIM Report.

From Washington

Crucial choices lie ahead for nation

by Sen. Mike Crapo

Times of testing and trial reveal a number of truths. Character becomes evident. Priorities are defined. Hearts are revealed for what lies beneath the surface. Leaders emerge, as well as those willing to follow with wisdom, discernment and honesty. President Bush called this time in history “a time of consequence.” Never easy, choices made now, as he told our nation in the annual State of the Union address, define America’s future at home and abroad.

We choose courage in the ongoing battle against terrorism and tyranny. Extensive knowledge about those who would eradicate freedom lay behind the president’s decisions about terrorist surveillance and troop presence in Iraq and Afghanistan. He is correct to trust military decisions to military commanders — the ones with first-hand experience on the battlefield. We must stand firm in promoting freedom. Terrorists have darkened the skies of our nation once this century, we cannot allow this to happen a second time.

We choose long-term solutions to help Americans at home. Affordable health care decisions face families and society. Improvement is occurring system-wide with the new Medicare Part D prescription drug program, and incrementally, with improvements in health care technology. As a longtime proponent of telehealth programs that increase health care access for rural Idahoans, I’m encouraged by the president’s enthusiastic support of these technologies.

Idaho, a pioneer in the field of what has traditionally been called alternative energy, has already answered one challenge presented by the president. Starting with nuclear power more than 50 years ago, the Idaho National Lab sets the standard for cutting-edge nuclear research and development. Idaho’s universities and colleges are engaged in important ethanol research and developing fuel from biomass and wind farms are being established-all renewable resources. Idahoans, particularly those in agri-business, know the detrimental effect of high energy costs on business

viability and profitability. Substantially reducing foreign energy dependence demonstrates a commitment to security, affordable energy and a healthier environment.

We choose stronger immigration enforcement and border protection. An effective guest worker program that does not grant amnesty is both possible and desirable.

Recent economic choices have steadily improved our economy. Job growth is robust, and financial markets are strong. In order to continue creating opportunities for families to achieve and maintain financial freedom, it’s essential to eliminate ineffective government programs and support those that truly benefit people. In the Senate Budget Committee, we will be reviewing the Bush administration’s recommendations in order to present a fiscally

responsible budget to taxpayers.

President Bush discussed entitlement programs, creating a bipartisan commission to examine Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid. We must periodically re-evaluate and improve critical programs funded by hard-earned tax dollars. This is simply good stewardship of scarce resources. In the Senate Finance Committee, I look forward to working on these issues and the future findings of this commission.

We choose the tried-and-true tenets of a healthy economy, including free-flowing resources in the marketplace. This happens when income stays in taxpayers’ pockets rather than in government coffers. Temporary tax cuts must be made permanent, especially those on capital gains and dividends, which are vital to seniors looking to maintain their quality of life in retirement. These cuts, as well as the reconciliation bill pending in the Senate, must be passed into law.

We have the right and responsibility to make wise decisions in “times of consequence.” As the president said, our choices matter. We each have an active role to play as our nation’s history unfolds. It’s a mistake to believe that anyone is inconsequential to this process, and I look forward to your ongoing input and dialogue about our future.

— Mike Crapo is a Republican U.S. senator from Idaho.



Sen. Mike Crapo

Letters to the editor policy

The Owyhee Avalanche welcomes letters to the editor.

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

Letters can be e-mailed to owyheeavalanche@cableone.net or faxed to (208) 337-4867 or mailed to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628.

The deadline for submitting letters to the editor is noon on Friday. For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

50 years ago

February 16, 1956

Trojans lose mathematical chance for 1st place in SRV-B league race

The Homedale Trojans lost their chance of obtaining a tie for first place with New Plymouth in the Snake River Valley class B league when they dropped a 57-54 encounter to Parma Tuesday night on their home floor. They still hold a good grip on second place.

It was a close, exciting game, with the two teams tied at the first quarter and the Trojans following close behind the remaining stanzas, keeping the Panthers on their toes.

High point man for Homedale was Junior Uranga with 24 points.

The Trojans boosted their record to nine victories in SRV-B league when they defeated the Adrian Antelopes 65-37 Friday night. Don Sweep, one of 14 players to see action, was high point man with 14.

In a non-conference bout with St. Teresa’s academy Saturday night at Boise the Trojans were defeated 45-36.

The contest was a see-saw affair until the final period when St. Teresa’s command of the back board set up a fast break attack which carried the Saints to victory.

Air Force boys home on leave

Four Homedale boys who joined the air force last November arrived home on leave over the week end from Parks AFB, Calif., where they went trough basic training.

Denzil Wyman, Kenneth Metzer and Norman Loving came on the evening bus last Thursday. Kent Bergeson came Friday evening. The first three will go to their assigned bases February 22. Bergeson will report February 23.

Wyman has been assigned to Sheppard AFB, Tex., where he will receive schooling in A&E mechanics; Metzer goes to Francis E. Warren AFB, Cheyenne, Wyo., for auto mechanics training; Loving will be trained in radar at Keesler AFB, Miss., and Bergeson will receive training in the weather department at Chanute AFB, Ill.

School bond election passes; vote is 353 for, 136 against

The special school bond election carried with a majority of over two-thirds Monday afternoon after having failed in two previous elections.

Electors of Joint Class A School District No. 370 of Owyhee and Canyon counties cast a total of 489 votes at the election held in Deward Bell’s classroom at the high school. Of these, 353 were yes votes and 136 no.

A similar bond issue was rejected last June 13 when a total of 294 votes were cast with 194 for and 100 against. Six affirmative votes were lacking for the bond to carry.

On Tuesday, July 19, the issue was again brought up for election and lost by 34 votes of a two-thirds majority. A total of 470 votes were cast with 302 for and 168 against.

Monday’s election brought out only a few move voters than the second election, but apparently some voters who previously were against the measure supported it in the third election.

The bond empowers the board of trustees to issue negotiable coupon bonds in the amount of \$115,000 to construct and equip a new eight room elementary school building and make repairs to the roofs of the existing school buildings.

Mrs. Dora Upton acted as clerk and Mrs. Kathryn Matteson and Mrs. Vella Taggart were judges.

Monty Worden gets plaque as ‘Bean Master’ at feed

Monty Worden was presented a plaque inscribed “Bean Master, Monty Worden, for 18 years meritorious service, Legion Post 32” at the annual bean feed at the Legion hall Wednesday night. Mayor Lester Carter made the presentation on behalf of the Legionaries.

Over 100 attended this 18th annual feed, including local business men and representatives from most of the posts in the third district.

James C. Hayes acted as master of ceremonies.

138 years ago

February 15, 1868

ANOTHER RAILROAD. On the 13th of Jan. Hon. E. D. Holbrook Delegate from Idaho introduced a bill into the House asking for aid in the construction of a railroad and telegraph line from the Union Pacific railroad to Idaho, Montana, Portland and Puget sound for the bill provides that the name of the corporation shall be “The Idaho, Oregon and Puget Sound Railroad Company.” The beginning of the road shall be “at some point on the Union Pacific Railroad line between Green river and the 113:30 degree longitude: thence northerly to Snake river valley; then northwesterly on the most feasible route to the Columbia river valley; thence to Portland, Oregon, and from the most feasible point in Columbia river valley, via the Cowlitz valley route, to Puget Sound.

The Idaho World of last Saturday in reference to the bill says:

The route proposed may possibly terminate the best of any yet projected for Idaho, but we believe otherwise. We believe the best connection for Idaho will be that which will give as direct communication with California, and we think the surpassing wealth which is almost daily being developed in Owyhee – so far beyond the expectation of the most linguine one year go – added to other freshly awakened enterprises and important causes demand that Idaho’s first exertions towards railroads building shall be applied wholly and energetically upon such a route.

We concur neighbor World. The Idaho papers that so persistently advocate a railroad communication with the Union Pacific will ere long see their folly. A year from to-day the Central Pacific railroad will be completed to a point less than 209 miles from here and then our short-sighted contemporaries will see it.

RAILROAD EARNINGS. The gross earnings of the 94 miles open for traffic of the Central Pacific railroad for the quarter ending Sept. 30 were \$556,509.39. The operating expenses for the same time \$101,820.83, being \$454,688.41 net earnings, in gold. Referring to this the Statesman says: we derive from the above statement coincide able argument in favor of a speedy commencement of the road from Salt Lake to the Columbia River. You meant to say from the Humboldt river, instead of Salt Lake didn’t you Mr. Statesman? Instead of making the connection with the Union Pacific east of Salt lake, we think the above figures furnish abundant evidence why our branch railroad should immediately by commenced at a point on the line of the Central Pacific south of here, thus making the connection with Columbia at a saving of more than 159 miles in the distance and at least three million dollars in the expense of building. Quite an item itself.

THE IDA ELMORE. During the last five months a vast amount of work has been performed on the Ida Elmore mine. It is now being worked to a depth of two hundred and thirty feet where the ore is richer than ever. A drift has been run and is just completed, connecting the discovery shaft on what is known as the New York mine with the main shaft on the Ida Elmore. This was done for the purpose of demonstrating that these two mines are located on one and the same ledge. The proprietors now seem confident that such is the case. We are informed that without the use of a compass, a force of men commenced work at each shaft about five hundred feet apart, drifted towards each other on the vein and met about midway the only difference being, when the connection was made, the drift from the New York shaft was found to be a few feet lower than the other. We went through the entire distance and all along the line saw quartz in some places wide and in other places very narrow, much of it a crystalline formation. Thirty hands are now employed in the mine, considerable manual labor I save by the little steam engine, which does all the hoisting.

NEW STRIKE! Judge Watson has discovered a new

ledge on War Eagle mountain at the head of Web-foot gulch. It was struck about two hundred and fifty feet north of the northern limits of the Poorman, and on a direct line with that famous mine. We have been shown pieces of rock from the new discovery, and it certainly very much resembles Poorman ore. It is very probable that the Judge has stumbled on the counterpart or rather the extension of the richest Poorman on record.

THE ORO FINO. Fifty men are now at work in the Oro Fino mine. A very rich chimney has recently been struck South words, at a depth of about 275 feet from the surface. The ledge varies in width from four to six feet. We understand that it is intention of the company, next summer to build a mill somewhere near the mine which will save a large amount of money now paid for hauling. The Cosmos Mill is running night and day on Oro Fino Ore.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY. We have received information by which it appears that our not having a District Attorney is no fault of Judge Curtis, he having made repeated efforts to have some one appointed to fill the place but could fin no one ho would accept it. The necessary papers empowering appointment are now in the hands of Messrs. Ganahl & Huggan who inform us that they are ready and willing to attend to the duties of the office free of charge until some one shall be appointed.

PACIFIC LOCOMOTIVES. The Central Pacific Railroad Company have recently turned out of their shops in Sacramento six new locomotives named as follows: Idaho, Sampson, Goliath, Ajax, Achilles and Antelope. Constructed in the most approved style and with all the modern improvements they are a credit to the Pacific Coast. The Idaho with its tender weighs 37 tuns; drivers 4 feet: cylinder 17 inches; length of stroke 24 inches.

THE GOLDEN CHARIOT. The Owyhee mill has worked 200 tuns of Golden Chariot ore, and Minear’s mill is constantly running on the same, both of which, it is understood, have given very satisfactory results. We learn that a contract has just been let for sinking a shaft fifty feet on the ledge at forty dollars per foot.

WATER WORKS. The Idaho Hotel, kept by Eastman & Co., is abundantly supplied with water from a limped spring on the side of Florida Mountain. It is conducted nearly a mile to a reservoir in the hotel, a portion of the distance in a ditch, and the remainder in pipes. It is really a splendid and valuable acquisition; the water is sweet, and in summer time it is icy cold. Taken altogether Eastman has splendid water works.

LOOK OUT FOR FRESHETS. Owing to the great depth of snow in the surrounding valleys, and which will most likely go off before long with a rush, there will be a more destructive freshet than has ever been known in the country. People living along the rivers will do well to prepare for it. Especially look out for your ferry-boats, or you will be under the necessity of building new ones.

WILL LEAVE. W. Clemmens, pioneer Postmaster of Owyhee, will bid a final farewell to this country about the first of next month, which we regret. In his official capacity he has been efficient and obliging and wherever known is universally liked. He will go overland to St. Joe, his old home from which he has been absent eighteen years. On his was he will visit Salt Lake, Cheyenne, Fort Sanders and the Sweetwater mines. After visiting the scenes of his youthful days, it is his intention to proceed to Washington, where it is rumored, he has a good thing in view. In connection with the Post office Mr. Clemmens has kept a stationery and book store, which ha been purchased by Mr. A. V. Bradley, a very accommodating and good business gentleman, who will most likely be our future Postmaster. Mr. Clemmens having resigned in his favor.

Public notices

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES JANUARY 23, 2006

Present were Commissioners, Tolmie, Reynolds, Salove, Clerk Sherburn, Treasurer Richards, Sheriff Aman, Assessor Endicott, and Jim Desmond.

The Board amended the agenda to include the Quarterly Report, Board of Equalization, Appointment of P & Z Commissioner, and a catering permit.

The Board reviewed the Treasurer’s Quarterly Report.

The Board went into Board of Equalization, there was no business.

The Board appointed Joe Weatherby to serve as a Planning and Zoning Commissioner.

The Board approved a full time employee to work in the Treasurer’s, and Clerk’s offices.

The Board approved the revisions on a grant for the Sage Grouse Local Working Group project.

The Board approved sending a letter of support to USDA Rural Development on the Marsing Water Improvement Project.

The Board approved the LHTAC agreement for funding on the Reynolds Creek Bridgereplacement.

The Board approved Indigent and Charity liens on No. 06-01, 06-02, 06-03, and 06-04.

The Board approved payment of bills for Indigent and Charity Case No. 05-33.

The Board approved a catering permit for the Ducks Unlimited Banquet.

Silver City Homeowners Association met with concerns about the Silver City Road.

The Board conducted a jail inspection will all found in order.

The Board approved the minutes.

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

s.s/Harold Tolmie
Attest s.s/Charlotte Sherburn
2/15/06

NOTICE OF SALE CASE NO. CV-05-5205M IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FSB, Plaintiff,
Vs.
DAVID FREEMAN and VIRGINIA L. FREEMAN, husband and wife; RISK MANAGEMENT ALTERNATIVES, INC.; a Delaware corporation; COUNTY COMMISSIONS OF OWYHEE COUNTY; and DOES 1-10 as individuals with an interest in the real property described as:

That part of NE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 35, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the North boundary line of said NE ¼ of the SE ¼ which point is 376 feet East of the Northwest corner of said NE ¼ of the SE ¼; thence

South on a line parallel with the West boundary line of said NE ¼ of the SE ¼ a distance of 463.5 feet; thence

West on a line parallel with the North boundary of the said NE ¼ of the SE ¼ a distance of 188 feet; thence

North on a line parallel with the West boundary line of the said NE

¼ of the SE ¼ a distance of 463.5 feet, more or less, to the North boundary line of the said NE ¼ of the SE ¼ a distance of 188 feet, more or less, to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

And commonly known as Route One, Box 777, Marsing, Idaho, 83639.

Together with right, title and interest in the 1998 Goldenwest Manufactured Home, Serial Number GW0R23N20059AB located in the real property described above,

Defendants

Under and by virtue of an Order for Sale of Foreclosure entered on January 17, 2006 and Writ of Execution issued on January 12, 2006 out of and under the seal of the above-entitled Court on a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure recovered in said Court in the above-entitled action on the 17th day of January, 2006, in favor of the above-named Plaintiff, I am commanded and required to proceed to notice for sale to sell at public auction the real property described in said Order for Sale of Foreclosure and Writ of Execution and to apply the proceeds of such sale to the satisfaction of said Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure with interest thereon and my fees and costs.

The property directed to be sold is situate in Owyhee County, State of Idaho, and is described as follows, to-wit:

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 23red day of February, 2006 at the hour of 2 o’clock p.m., at the location of Owyhee County Courthouse Murphy, Idaho, I will attend, offer and sell at public auction all or so much of the above-described property thus directed to be sold as may be necessary to raise sufficient funds to pay and satisfy the Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure as set out in said Order for Sale of Foreclosure to the highest bidder therefore in lawful money. The time period for redemption of the above property is six (6) months from the date of sale herein.

The Sheriff, by a Certificate of Sale, will transfer right, title and interest of the judgment debtor in and to the property. The Sheriff will also give possession but does not guarantee clear title nor continue possessory right to the

purchaser.

DATED This 2nd day of February, 2006.

GARY AMAN, OWYHEE COUNTY SHERIFF
By: /s/ Richard Freund, Deputy Sheriff
Lance E. Olsen/ ISB #7106
Derrick J. O’Neill/ ISB #4021
R O U T H C R A B T R E E OLSEN
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2/8,15,22/06

CITY OF HOMEDALE ORDINANCE 356 AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PORTION OF PLATTED ALLEY RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH AT 120 SOUTH MAIN STREET, BLOCK 63, ORIGINAL PLAT, CITY OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO;

DETERMINING THAT THE VACATION OF SUCH ALLEY IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF AND ADVANTAGEOUS TO THE CITY OF HOMEDALE AND ITS CITIZENS AND PROPERTY OWNERS; DETERMINING THAT NO DAMAGE WILL BE SUSTAINED BY THE CITIZENS OR PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE CITY OF HOMEDALE BY REASON OF THE VACATION OF SUCH PORTION OF ALLEY; PROVIDING THAT THE TITLE TO THE ABOVE VACATED PORTION OF PLATTED ALLEY SHALL REVERT TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ADJACENT REAL ESTATE SUBJECT TO ALL EXISTING EASEMENTS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR CITY WATER MAINS AND LINES, ELECTRIC POWER POLES, LINES, AND ANCHORS, TELEPHONE LINES, POLES AND ANCHORS AND NATURAL GAS MAINS AND LINES; AND FURTHER EXPRESSLY RESERVING UNTO THE CITY OF HOMEDALE, IDAHO, RIGHTS-OF-WAY ACROSS SUCH VACATED PORTION OF ALLEY FOR EACH AND ALL OF THE ABOVE SPECIFIED PURPOSES; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMEDALE, IDAHO:

Section 1: PURPOSE: It is hereby declared that a portion of Platted Alley running North and South at 120 South Main Street, Block 63, Original Plat of the City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, is not necessary for the use of the City of Homedale and that it is in the best interests of the surrounding land owners and to the advantage of the City of Homedale that the City vacate said portion of alley. It is further determined by the City of Homedale that there will be no damage sustained by the City of Homedale, or by the citizens or property owners of the City of Homedale by reason of vacation of said portion of alley.

Section 2: VACATION OF PORTION OF PLATTED ALLEY: It is hereby declared that the platted alley running North and South at 120 South Main Street, Block 63, Original Plat, City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, shall be vacated. It is further determined that the title to the above described vacated portion of platted alley shall

NOTICE OF SCHOOL PLANT FACILITIES RESERVE FUND LEVY ELECTION (JT.) SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 136 CANYON, ADA, AND OWHYEE COUNTIES, IDAHO

Public Notice is hereby given according to law, and the requisite action of the Board of Trustees of (Jt.) School District No. 136, Canyon, Ada and Owyhee Counties Idaho, that a special School Plant Facilities Reserve Fund Levy election will be held on February 28, 2006 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of said District their vote and determination on a supplemental tax levy.

The poles will be open from 8:00 o’clock a.m. until 8:00 o’clock p.m. at the following locations:

Canyon County: Melba School District Office, 520 Broadway, Melba, ID 83641, (208) 495-1141

Ada County: Reverend Russ Steiner, 7979 Initial Point Rd, Melba, ID 83641, (208) 495-2213

Owyhee County: Owyhee County Court House, Murphy, ID, (208) 495-2421

An elector must be a registered voter who has resided in this state and in this school district at least thirty (30) days preceding the election.

The question submitted will be:

OFFICIAL BALLOT

MELBA JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 136
CANYON, ADA, AND OWHYEE COUNTIES, IDAHO
SCHOOL PLANT FACILITIES RESERVE FUND LEVY ELECTION

QUESTION:

Shall the Board of Trustees of Melba Joint School District No. 136, Canyon, Ada, and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, be authorized and empowered to levy a School Plant Facilities Reserve Fund Levy in the amount of \$200,000.00, (Two Hundred Thousand Dollars) for the first fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 and continuing each year in the amount of \$200,000.00, (Two Hundred Thousand Dollars) for **10 (Ten) years** for the purpose of allowing the District to acquire, purchase or improve school site or sites; to accumulate funds for and to build a school house or school houses or other building or buildings; to demolish or remove school buildings; to add to, remodel or repair any ventilation and sanitation facilities and appliances necessary to maintain and operate buildings of the District; to purchase technology equipment and support software, to purchase school buses; for lease and lease purchase agreements for any of the above purposes and to repay loans from commercial lending institutions extended to pay for the construction of school plant facilities.

ANSWER:

For School Plant Facilities Reserve Fund Levy of ___ Yes (\$200,000.00 Per Year for 10 Years)

For School Plant Facilities Reserve Fund Levy of ___ No (\$200,000.00 Per Year for 10 Years)

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: To vote **“Yes”** on the proposition, place an **“X”** in the square opposite the words **“For School Plant Facilities Reserve Fund Levy of \$200,000 YES.”** To vote **“No”** on the proposition, place an **“X”** in the square opposite the words **“For School Plant Facilities Reserve Fund Levy of \$200,000 NO”**.

Qualified electors who expect to be absent from the District on February 28, 2006, or who will be unable, because of physical disability or blindness, to go to a polling place, may vote by absentee ballot. Written application for an absentee ballot may be made to the Clerk of the Board of Trustees on a form made available at the Melba School District No. 136 district office at 520 Broadway, Melba, Idaho Monday through Friday from 8:00AM till 4:00PM. Such application must be received no later than 4:00PM, Monday, February 27, 2006. Electors applying in person may obtain their ballots starting January 30, 2006. Electors applying by mail should submit their requests as soon as possible. The absentee ballot must be received by the Clerk no later than 8:00PM on the day of the election.

By Order of the Board of Trustees.

Beth Cole, Clerk

The Clerk shall also cause the notice of election to be published at least once a week for two consecutive weeks, prior to the date set for the election in the Idaho-Press Tribune, a newspaper published in Nampa Idaho, and of general circulation in said school district.

Passed and Approved this 14 day of November, 2005

Connie Pratt, Chairperson
Attests: Beth Cole, Clerk of the Board
2/15,22/06

revert to the owner or owners of adjacent real property; provided, however, that the title reverting to the adjacent property owners shall be subject to all of the existing easements and rights-of-way for the City water main and the right-of-way to the City of Homedale across such vacated portion of platted alley for all of the above described purposes, and for the maintenance of those items

Section 3: CONFLICT: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

PASSED BY THE HOMEDALE CITY COUNCIL on this 8th day of February, 2006.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR, CITY OF HOMEDALE, on this 8th day of February, 2006.

/s/Paul J. Fink, Mayor
ATTEST: /s/Susan Mansisidor, City Clerk

2/15/06

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE MARSING CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING: On 8th day of March 2006, at 7 p.m. at Marsing City Hall, Idaho. The subject matter of the public hearing is to adopt new water hookup fees, new sewer hookup fees and meter removal fees. Copy of fee schedule available at city hall during regular business hours.

Janice C. Bicandi, City Clerk
Treasurer
02/15,22/06

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**SUMMONS
CASE NO. CV-05-05293
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE**

SIMPLOT EMPLOYEES
CREDIT UNION,
Plaintiff,
Vs.
RENE ARTEAGA-FARFAN,
Defendant.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN
SUEDBYTHEABOVE-NAMED
PLAINTIFF. THE COURT MAY
ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST
YOU WITHOUT FURTHER
NOTICE UNLESS YOU
RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS.
READ THE INFORMATION
BELOW.

TO: DEFENDANT ABOVE
NAMED: Rene Arteaga-Farfan

YOU ARE HEREBY
NOTIFIED that in order to
defend this lawsuit, an appropriate
written response must be filed
with the above designated court
within 20 days after service of
this Summons on you. If you
fail to so respond the court may
enter judgment against you as
demanded by the Plaintiff in the
Complaint.

A copy of the Compliant is
served with this Summons. If
you wish to seek the advice of
an attorney in this matter, you
should do so promptly so that your
written response, if any, may be
filed in time and other legal rights
protected.

An appropriate written response
requires compliance with Rule
10(a)(1) and other Idaho Rules
of Civil Procedure and shall also
include:

1. The title and number of this
case.
2. If your response is an
Answer to the Compliant,
it must contain admissions
or denials of the separate
allegations of the Compliant
and other defenses you
may claim.
3. Your signature, mailing
address and telephone
number, or the signature,
mailing address and
telephone number of your
attorney.
4. Proof of mailing or delivery
of a copy of your response
to Plaintiff's attorney, as
designated above.

To determine whether you
must pay a filing fee with your
response, contact the Clerk of the
above-named court.

DATED this 21st day of
November, 2005.

CHARLOTTE SHERBURN,
Clerk of the Third Judicial District
Court.

By: Lena Johnson, Deputy
Clerk

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2/1,8,15,22/06

**AMENDED TRUSTEES
NOTICE OF SALE
LOAN NO. 0432117174
T.S No. 1075702-09**

Reference is made to that
certain trust deed made by Thomas
W. Driscoll and Lois Hart-
Driscoll, husband and wife as
grantor(s) to Alliance Title &
Escrow Corp as trustee, in favor
of North American Mortgage

Company as beneficiary, recorded
April 04, 2000 as no. 231950 in
book xx, page xx, in the official
records of Owyhee County, Idaho,
covering the following-described
real property situated in said
county and state, to wit: A portion
of East one-half of the Northeast
quarter Northwest quarter, section
9, township 3 North, range 5 West,
Boise Meridian, Owyhee County,
more particularly described as
follows: Commencing at the
North quarter corner of Section 9,
aforesaid; thence South 1°01' East,
635.11 feet to a point; thence North
89°54' West, 267.58 feet, to the
Northwest corner of the Fry
Subdivision in section 9, the true
point of beginning; thence
continuing North 89°54' West,
400.0 feet to a point; thence South
681.5 feet, more or less, to the
Southwest corner of the East one-
half of the Northeast quarter of the
Northwest quarter, section 9;
thence East 675 feet, more or less,
to the Southeast corner of the
Northeast quarter of the Northwest
quarter, section 9; thence North
0°01' West, 276.4 feet, more or
less, to the Southeast corner of
Fry Subdivision in section 9;
thence North 89°54' West, 272.41
feet to a point; thence North 0°20'
West, 405.0 feet to the True Point
of Beginning. Save and except
therefrom: A portion of East one-
half of the Northeast quarter of the
Northwest quarter, section 9,
more particularly described as
follows: Commencing at the
North quarter corner of section 9,
aforesaid; thence South 1°01' East,
635.11 feet to a point; thence North
89°54' West, 267.58 feet to the
Northwest corner of the Fry
Subdivision in section 9; thence
true point of beginning; thence
continuing North 89°54' West,
400.00 feet to a point; thence
South 581.5 feet, more or less, to
a point 100.00 feet North of the
South 581.5 feet, more or less, to
a point 100.00 feet North of the
South boundary of Northeast
quarter of the Northwest quarter,
section 9; thence East 403.4 feet
parallel to the South boundary of
Northeast quarter of the Northwest
quarter, section 9, to a point to the
West boundary of Fourth Street
West extended; thence North
0°20' West along the West
boundary of Fourth Street West
extended and Fourth Street West
580.8 feet, more or less, the true
point of beginning. Also save and
excepting therefrom: A part of
Northeast quarter of the Northwest
quarter, section 9, township 3
North, range 5 West, Boise
Meridian, Owyhee County, more
particularly described to-wit:
Commencing at the Southwest
corner of Northeast quarter of the
Northwest quarter, section 9,
township 3 North, range 5 West,
Boise Meridian, Owyhee County,
Idaho; thence South 89°52'14" East
943.48 feet, along the South
line of Northeast quarter of the
Northwest quarter to the initial
point of this description which is
North 89°52'14" West, 100 feet
from the Intersection of the West
side of Fourth Street West
extended with the said South line
of Northeast quarter of the
Northwest quarter; thence North
0°20' West, 100 feet, along a line
parallel to the said West side of
Fourth Street West extended;
thence North 89°52'14" West,
295.49 feet, along a line parallel
to the South line of Northeast
quarter of the Northwest quarter;
thence South 0°12'08" East
(formerly of record South
0°22'08" East) 100 feet; thence
South 89°52'14" East, 295.74 feet
to the initial point of this
description. Also save and

excepting therefrom: a part of
Northeast quarter of the Northwest
quarter, section 9, township 3
North, range 5 West of the Boise
Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho,
more particularly described to-
wit: Commencing at the Southwest
corner of Northeast quarter of the
Northwest quarter, section 9,
township 3 North, range 5 West,
Boise Meridian, Owyhee County,
Idaho; thence North 89°46'40" East,
943.36 feet, along the South
line of Northwest quarter of the
Northwest quarter to the initial
point of this description; thence
continue North 89°46'40" East,
100.00 feet, to a pint on the West
line of Fourth Street West
extended; thence North 0°38'50" West,
100.59 feet (formerly of record
North 0°20' West, 100.59 feet
along the said West line of Fourth
Street West Extended; thence South
89°45'20" West, 100.00 feet;
thence South 0°38'50" East,
100.55 feet (formerly of record
South 0°20' East 100.00 feet),
parallel to the said West line of
Fourth Street West, to the initial
point of this description; thence
continue North 89°46'40" East,
100.00 feet, to a point on the West
line of Fourth Street West
Extended; thence North 0°38'50" West,
100.59 (formerly of record
North 0°20" West, 100.00 feet)
along the said West line of Fourth
Street West Extended; thence
South 89°45'20" West, 100.00
feet; thence South 0°38'50" East,
100.55 feet (formerly of record
South 0°20' East 100.00 feet),
parallel to the said West line of
Fourth Street West, to the initial
point of this description. Also
save and excepting therefrom: A
parcel of land being a portion of
the Northeast quarter of the
Northwest quarter of section 9,
township 3 North, range 5 West,
Boise Meridian, Owyhee County,
Idaho and being more particularly
described as follows: Commencing
at a found brass cap marking the
North quarter corner of said
section 9, township 3 North, range
5 West of the Boise Meridian,
Owyhee County, Idaho; thence
South 00°05'17" East, 1040.89
feet along the Easterly boundary
of said Northeast quarter of the
Northwest quarter section 9 to a
found ½" iron pin marking the
Southeast corner of Fry
Subdivision as recorded in
Instrument No. 108607, Records
of Owyhee County, Idaho, said
point lying on the Southerly
boundary of Utah Avenue and
marking the point of beginning;
thence North 89°13'47" West
273.26 feet along the Southerly
boundary of said Fry Subdivision,
and along the Southerly boundary
of Utah Avenue to a found ½" iron
pin marking the Southwest corner
of said Fry Subdivision; thence
South 00°22'05" West, 92.00 feet
along the Westerly right-of-way
of Fourth Street West extended to
a set 5/8" iron pin; thence South
89°13'47" East 273.99 feet
parallel to the Southerly boundary
of said Fry Subdivision to a point
lying on the Easterly boundary of
said Northeast quarter of the
Northwest quarter of section 9,
and to a set 5/8" Iron pin; thence
North 00°05'17" West 92.01 feet
along the Easterly boundary of
said Northeast quarter of the
Northwest quarter of section 9 to
the point of beginning. And also
save and excepting therefrom any
portion thereof lying West of the
West boundary of said Fourth
Street extended. Commonly
known as: 401 South Fourth
Street West Homedale ID 83628-
3140 There is a default by the

grantor(s) or other persons owing
an obligation, the performance of
which is secured by said trust
deed, or by their successor in
interest; The default is: Failure to
pay the monthly payment due
February 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. Monthly Payment
\$796.98 Monthly Late Charge
\$39.85 By reason of said default,
the beneficiary or the beneficiary's
successor in interest has declared
all obligations secured by said
trust deed immediately due and
payable, said sums being the
following: \$84,865.11 with
interest thereon at the rate of
9.875% per annum, from January
01, 2005, until paid, plus monthly
late charges of \$39.85 each,
beginning February 01, 2005 until
paid; together with title expenses,
costs, trustee's fees and attorneys
fees incurred herein by reason of
said default; and any further sums
advanced by the beneficiary or the
beneficiary's successor in interest
for protection of the above-
described real property and its
interest in it. The beneficiary and
trustee or their successors in
interest, have elected and do
hereby elect to cause the property
to be sold at public auction to the
highest bidder for cash to satisfy
the obligations secured by said
trust deed and the expenses of the
sale, including the compensations
of the trustee or successor trustee
and the reasonable attorneys fees
incurred. The Original Notice of
Sale given pursuant thereto stated
that the property would be sold on
September 20, 2005 at the hour of
11:00 AM, Standard of Time, at
In the lobby of the Owyhee
County Courthouse, 20381 State
Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650
in the City of Murphy County of
Owyhee State of Idaho; however
subsequent to the recording of
said Notice of Default the original
sale proceedings were stayed by
order of the Court or by
proceedings under the National
Bankruptcy Act or for other
lawful reasons. The beneficiary
did not participate in obtaining
such stay. Said stay was terminated
on December 17, 2005 Whereof,
notice hereby is given that the
undersigned trustee will on
February 28, 2006 at the hour of
11:00 AM Standard of Time, at In
the lobby of the Owyhee County
Courthouse, 20381 State Highway
78, Murphy, ID 83650 City of
Murphy County of Owyhee State
of Idaho, sell at public auction to
the highest bidder for cash the
interest in the said described real
property which the grantor had or
had power to convey at the time
of the execution by him of the said
trust deed, together with any
interest which the grantor or his
successors in interest acquired
after the execution of said trust
deed, to satisfy the foregoing
obligations thereby secured and
the costs and expenses of sale,
including a reasonable charge by
the trustee. Dated: January 23,
2006 FIRST AMERICAN TITLE
INSURANCE COMPANY,
Trustee C/O CAL-WESTERN
R E C O N V E Y A N C E
CORPORATION P.O. BOX
22004 EL CAJON CA 92022-
9004 (619) 590-9200 Signature/
by: Marisa Herrera, Asst. Sec R-
125083
2/1,8,15/06

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO: CV2006-05384
IN THE DISTRICT COURT**

**OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE**

In the Matter of the Estate of
DONALD JOEL ROOKER, also
known

As DONALD J. ROOKER,
Deceased Person

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the undersigned has been
appointed Personal Representative
of the above-named estate. All
persons having claims against
the said decedent are required to
present their claims within four
(4) months after the date of the
first publication of this notice or
said claims will be forever barred.
Claims must be both filed with the
Court and presented to the Co-
Personal Representatives of the
estate of the law office of DAVID
E. KERRICK, 1001 Blaine Street,
(Post Office Box 44), Caldwell,
Idaho 83606.

DATED this 9th day of
February, 2006.

/s/Karen Louise Rooker
Co-Personal Representative
/s/Kimberly Anne Rooker
Co-Personal Representative
DAVID E. KERRICK
1001 Blaine St.
PO Box 44
Caldwell, ID 83606
Phone (208) 459-4574
Fax (208) 459-4573
Attorney for Co-Personal
Representatives
2/15,22;3/1/06

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
PROBATE CASE NO. CV-06-
05362**

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATES OF JULIO GAVIOLA
and EVELYN FLORENCE
GAVIOLA, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HERE BY GIVEN
that the undersigned has been
appointed Personal Representative
of the above-named decedents.
All persons having claims against
the decedents or their estates are
required to present their claims
within four months after the date
of the first publication of Notice
or said claims will be forever
barred.

Claims must be presented to
the undersigned at the address
indicated, and filed with the Clerk
of the Court.

DATED this 24th day of January,
2006

/s/RAYMOND C. GAVIOLA

c/o Charles W. Fawcett
Skinner Fawcett
PO Box 700
Boise, ID 83701
(208) 345-2663
2/1,8,15/06

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Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
TS NO. 06-00308
DOC ID #000680015872005N
TITLE ORDER NO. 6610002
PARCEL NO.
RPA0080001002A

The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, ID 83650, on 05/24/2006 at 11:00 am, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 09/17/2004 as Instrument Number 249263, and executed by LOUISE E DILLON, A SINGLE WOMAN, as Grantor(s), in favor of “MERS” MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, to RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Owyhee County, state of Idaho: LOT 2 OF BLOCK 1 OF PONDEROSA ADDITION, H O M E D A L E , O W Y H E E C O U N T Y , 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 real property, but for purpose of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of 404 WEST COLORADO AVENUE, HOMEDALE, ID 83628 is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the bid at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier’s check drawn on a state or federally insured savings institution. 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 that certain Deed of Trust. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due 05/01/2005 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 7.990% per annum; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of this date on said obligation is \$55,690.63, plus interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder and in this sale, together with any unpaid and/ or accruing real property taxes, and/or assessments, attorneys’ fees, Trustees’ fees and costs, and any other amount advanced to protect said security, as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause said trust property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND THAT THE DEBT MAY BE DISPUTED. 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. DATED: 02/07/2006 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: ReconTrust Company, N.A. 177 Countrywide Way, LAN2-88 Lancaster, CA 80028-1821 PHONE: (800) 281-8219 Rahmi Bernaldez, Assistant Secretary ASAP# 753312 2/8,15,22;3/1/06

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On 5/15/2006, at the hour of 10:00 A.M., of said day, in the lobby, at the Owyhee County Courthouse, off Hwy 78, Murphy, Owyhee County, Idaho, on behalf of PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, as the Successor Trustee; will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 3, Bruneau Townsite, as the same appear on the plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho.

For purposes of compliance with Idaho Code 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 32524 Belle Avenue, Bruneau, ID 83604 may sometimes be 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 ANTHONY EUGENE WILLIS, A SINGLE MAN to PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, as Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of BOYD CAMPBELL as Beneficiaries; and Deed of Trust having been recorded on 8-30-2002 as Instrument No. 240763, records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The above Grantors are named to comply with Idaho Code Section 45-1506 (4) (a). 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 the failure of the Grantors to: 1.) make monthly installments as set forth on the Deed of Trust Note secured by said Deed of Trust. 2.) pay at least ten days before delinquency all taxes ad assessments affecting said property. 3.) provide, maintain and deliver to the beneficiary fire insurance satisfactory to and with the loss payable to Beneficiary. The original loan amount was \$77,000.00 with interest thereon at the rate of 7% per annum as evidenced by the note dated 8/27/2002. The monthly installment in the amount of \$692.10 plus \$3.00 (the monthly long-term escrow handling fee) is due for 10-1-2005 and on the first day of each and every month thereafter until such default is cured and until 9-1-2017 at which date the entire remaining principal balance and accrued interest are due and payable in full. All amounts are now due and payable along with all costs and fees associated with this foreclosure, including, but not limited to, attorney fees,

trustee costs and fees, property insurance and county property taxes, together with any and all assessments, penalties and interest; for the purpose of protecting the beneficial interest of the Beneficiary. The principal balance is \$67,438.03 plus accruing interest, costs and fees. DATED 1-13-2006 PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC LORI A. BALL, SENIOR TRUST OFFICER 1/25;2/1,8,15/06

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho: 57-11681

DENNIS TURNER
2830 RIVER RD
HOMEDALE ID 83628
Point(s) of Diversion L3 (SESWSW) S20 T04N R05W OWYHEE County Source SPRING
Tributary To SNAKE RIVER
Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 To 11/15 0.1 CFS
Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 To 12/31 0.03 CFS
Use: DOMESTIC 01/01 To 12/31 0.04 CFS
Total Diversion: 0.17 CFS
Date Filed: 11/23/2005
Place Of Use: IRRIGATION T04N R05W S29 NWNW Lot 8
Number of Acres 3.5
Place Of Use: DOMESTIC T04N R05W S29 NWNW Lot 8
Place Of Use: STOCKWATER T04N R05W S29 NWNW Lot 8
Remark: Applicant agrees to mitigate consumptive use in the future as needed.
Domestic use is for 1 home.
Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho Code. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 03/06/2006. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.
KARL J DREHER, Director
2/15,22/06

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States at the time of sale, in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 203081 Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, 83650, on Tuesday, April 25, 2006, at 3:00 p.m., by M. Darin Hammond or his agent, Successor Trustee, under the Deed of Trust executed by DENISE L. COLLINGHAM, Trustor, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF CANYON COUNTY, as Trustee, and ZIONS FIRST NATIONAL BANK, N.A., as Beneficiary, and recorded on November 17, 2003 as Instrument No. 245863 in the Official Records of Owyhee County, Idaho, covering real property purportedly located in Owyhee County, Idaho, and more particularly described as follows:

This portion is a portion of the Northeast Quarter Northwest Quarter of Section 16, Township 3 North, Range 5 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and is more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter Northwest Quarter; thence South 00°31’13” West along the

West boundary of said Northeast Quarter Northwest Quarter a distance of 544.96 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 89°16’11” East parallel with the North boundary of said Northeast Quarter Northwest Quarter a distance of 364.58 feet; thence South 15°37’00” West a distance of 61.29 feet; thence South 16°44’15” West a distance of 68.18 feet; thence South 19°18’14” West a distance of 187.39 feet; thence South 23°38’56” West a distance of 245.50 feet; thence South 27°45’20” West a distance of 99.11 feet; thence South 37°05’48” West a distance of 95.51 feet; thence North 89°16’11” West parallel with the North boundary of said Northeast Quarter Northwest Quarter a distance of 70.54 feet to a point on the West boundary of said Northeast Quarter Northwest Quarter; thence North 00°31’13” East along said West boundary a distance of 693.72 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SUBJECT TO AND RESERVING THERE FROM;

A 25.00-foot wide ingress-egress and irrigation easement along the West boundary to and together with a 30.00-foot wide ingress-egress and utility easement more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Northwest corner of said Northeast Quarter Northwest Quarter; thence South 89°16’11” East along the North boundary of said Northeast Quarter Northwest Quarter a distance of 25.00 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing South 89°16’11” East a distance of 30.00 feet; thence South 00°31’13” West parallel with the West boundary of said Northeast Quarter Northwest Quarter a distance of 544.96 feet; thence North 89°16’11” West parallel with the North boundary of said Northeast Quarter Northwest Quarter a distance of 30.00 feet; thence North 00°31’13” East parallel with the West boundary of said Northeast Quarter Northwest Quarter a distance of 544.96 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

The purported address of said parcel is 3778 Frontier Lane, Homedale, Idaho, 83628.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrance to satisfy the obligations secured by, and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust. The grantors named herein are listed to comply with section 45-1506 of the Idaho Code. No representation is made whether they are currently personally responsible for the obligation listed herein.

The Resignation of Trustee was recorded on December 15, 2005 as Instrument No. 254487 on the records of the Owyhee County Recorder. The Appointment of Trustee was recorded on December 15, 2005 as Instrument No. 254488 on the records of the Owyhee County Recorder. The Notice of Default was recorded December 15, 2005 as Instrument No. 254489 on the records of the Owyhee County Recorder.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure of the Trustor to make the payments under a Note of even date with and secured by the above mentioned Trust Deed, together with subsequently accruing installments, escrow fees, late charges, service charges, and any other disbursements, costs, fees or expenses incurred or paid

by the Beneficiary under said Trust Deed. The Beneficiary has declared the entire principal and accrued interest due and payable in full. The balance owing on the obligations secured by said Trust Deed as of August 1, 2005 is \$132,835.19, plus after accruing costs, attorneys fees, interest, and any other expenses incurred in furtherance of said foreclosure.

DATED this 21st day of December, 2005.

M. Darin Hammond, Successor Trustee
4723 Harrison Boulevard, Suite 200
Ogden, Utah 84403
Telephone: (801) 476-0303
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO this 21st day of December, 2005.

Debra J. Hohosh
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE A-56
SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE
MARSING CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING.

THE PURPOSE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING IS TO REVIEW PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CITY OF MARSING’S SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE A-56. THERE ARE PROPOSED CHANGES TO ALL SECTIONS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:

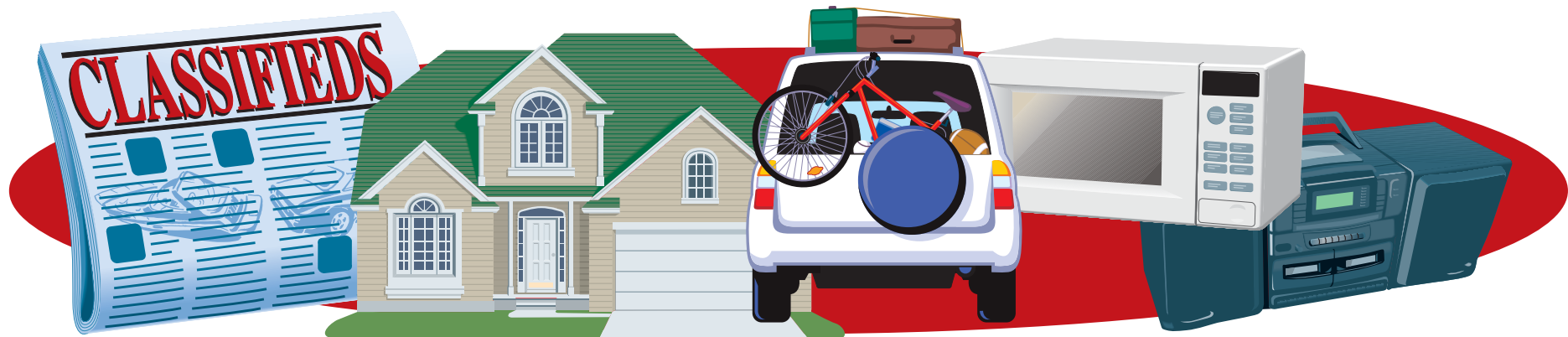
- PREPARATION APPROVAL AND RECORDING OF PLAT REQUIRED, SALE BY METES AND BOUNDS
- DEFINITIONS
- PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING APPROVAL OF SUBDIVISIONS REQUIRING SUBMISSION OF FINAL PLATS
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- DIVISION OF COSTS OF IMPROVEMENTS
- DESIGN REQUIREMENTS
- INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION OF FINAL PLAT
- FINAL INSPECTION AND RELEASE
- ISSUANCE OF BUILDING AND OCCUPANCY PERMITS
- AMENDED PLATS
- SCHOOL SITES, PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS, ETC.
- NO PERMIT OR LICENSE FOR USE IN VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE
- MONUMENTS
- PENALTIES
- V A L I D I T Y O F ORDINANCE
- REPEALER

TIME: 7 PM
PLACE: MARSING CITY HALL
DATE: MARCH 8, 2006
A COPY OF THE FULL TEXT OF THIS AMENDMENT IS AVAILABLE AT MARSING CITY HALL, DURING BUSINESS HOURS.
2/15-22/06

Send your comments by March 31, 2006 to Patricia Raino, Intermodal Planning Manager, Idaho Transportation Department, P.O. BOX 7129, Boise, ID., 83707-1129 or by email to pat.raino@itd.idaho.gov.

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PUBLIC HEARING

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The plan, attachments and support documents are available for review at the SICHA administrative office located at 1108 West Finch Drive, Nampa, Idaho 83651 between the public business hours of 9:30 a.m and 3:30 p.m. In Owyhee County, the plan and attachments can be examined at the El-Ada Community Center, 15 West Colorado, Homedale, Idaho. In addition, a Public Hearing will be held at the SICHA administrative office in Nampa at the address indicated above on April 7, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend.



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We would like to thank all of you for your prayers, cards, calls, food and flowers during the loss of our husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend, Marvin Wallin. A big thank you to Dick and Karen Bass for their comforting attention during the service and to the members of the Phipps Watson Community Center for providing the hall during our time of sorrow. We appreciate all of you. Also, a special thanks to the Marsing Ambulance EMTs who responded so quickly. Paulette Wallin and family.

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