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County offices in balance in Tuesday's election

When they take to the polls next week, voters will choose between a large number of candidates in state, federal and local primary elections.

But in Owyhee County, Tuesday's Republican primary election will determine who will be the next county commissioners, county clerk, treasurer and assessor because all have filed as members of the GOP.

The winners in other races in the Republican and Democratic primary elections will earn the right to run as their respective party's representative in November's general election.

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Homedale voters also will decide fate of water and sewer bonds Tuesday.

Avalanche to delay delivery for results

The Wednesday, May 24 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche will be delayed in most areas until Thursday, May 25, so results of the primary election can be published.

Homedale and Marsing subscribers' papers will be delivered Wednesday.

Child perishes in early Monday fire



Fire apparently started in mobile home's kitchen

Fire engulfs a mobile home in the Sunset Village Mobile Home Park on Main Street in Homedale early Monday morning. The fire took the life of a 6-year-old girl and sent her mother to a local hospital.

Electrical problem blamed for deadly Homedale blaze

A 6-year-old child died in a mobile home fire early Monday morning in the Sunset Village Trailer Court on Main Street in Homedale. The child's mother was seriously injured in the blaze.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said early information from witnesses indicated that Carolina Davis was sleeping in a bedroom near the rear of the home and her mother, Patricia "Patty" Smith, was sleeping at the front of the home when the blaze started at about 4:15 a.m. Monday. He said the girl's mother made every attempt to retrieve the child.

"It looks at this point like the

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Owyhee preps gear for State

Last week's District III high school sports action produced several state tournament opportunities for Owyhee County athletes.

The Homedale High School softball team qualified for the 3A state tournament in Coeur d'Alene.

Rimrock's baseball team qualified for its first 1A state tournament.

Six Homedale tennis players and 10 Homedale track athletes will take part in state competition.

Marsing High School will send six to the state track meet.

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Trojans softball qualifies for State

As assistant coach Greg Kelly gives a thumbs-up, right, Homedale High School softball players a berth in the 3A state tournament in Coeur d'Alene after Friday's 9-4 win over Fruitland. See story, Page 1B

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Homedale changes course on S.R. Lumber land deal

Original lease deemed illegal; city opens property to other offers

In front of a standing-room-only crowd and after several city business owners voiced complaints, Homedale City Council members changed their minds and will now allow the general public to submit lease proposals on a piece of property that the city had originally leased to a county businessman.

During discussions at Wednesday's meeting, Homedale City Council chairman Dave Downum moved to accept bids on the lease for two weeks before deciding who would be allowed to build on the property.

A legal notice sent to The Owyhee Avalanche on Friday afternoon and published in today's edition on Page 14B stated that the city would accept "proposals for lease" until May 25 at noon.

In March, the city purchased seven acres of land just south of the airport. City fathers at the time said the land would be used for airport expansion. But in April, the board approved leasing the land to a local businessman Dave Holton for \$100 per month for a term of 50 years. More than \$23,000 was entered into a property line item in the airport fund, which was used to pay for the property and fees.

The original decision drew fire from several business owners in the city who said the property should have been put out for bid to give everyone an opportunity to lease it. Mayor Paul Fink said that, upon receiving information from the Idaho Association of Cities, that the original terms in Holton's lease were considered illegal and the city could not lease the property for 50 years. He said a new proposal was before the city's attorney and Holton's attorney that would allow a 25-year lease.

But business owners did not accept that option either, saying that because the property now was owned by the city it either had to be sold or offered to anyone who wanted to lease it. Some business owners said if the city only offered it to one private individual, they would expect Homedale to purchase their properties and lease it back to them.

The first businessman to address the council was Steve Zatica, co-owner of Paul's Markets, who said he felt it was a good idea for the city to purchase the property, but that the city fathers did not keep the citizens in mind when they offered it for lease to only one individual.

'Just to take it to one individual and not offer it to everyone else, just doesn't smell right. It needs to be fair, and this way is not fair.'

— Ben Badiola
Homedale resident

"You have an obligation to the people of Homedale to do the best you can to get the dollars and what is best for the community out of that property," Zatica told the council. "In reviewing the lease of the property that we have at this point at \$100 a month for 50 years, I don't think that is reasonable."

"We work a lot of leases in our company, and there is a lot of ways it can be done. I think it should be put more to the public to decide how to run the lease and get the most you can for the community of Homedale and be fair about it."

Resident Ben Badiola told the council that he agreed with Zatica, but he didn't understand why the city would not sell the property. He said Homedale has a \$250,000 piece of property for which it paid \$23,000, and questioned why city leaders wouldn't put it up for sale. He said if the city would not sell the property, Homedale should at least put the property out for bid so everyone could have the

opportunity to build on it.

"Just to take it to one individual and not offer it to everyone else, just doesn't smell right," Badiola said. "It needs to be fair, and this way is not fair."

Dirk Tolmie, owner of Tolmie's Appliance, said he has been in contact with the developer of a new AutoZone that is being built on Main Street, and said he was told AutoZone would have considered leasing the property for more than \$2,000 per month to build a store and a distribution center on the site.

"I'm not opposed to leasing the property, just not in this way," Tolmie said.

Hal Tolmie, Owyhee County commission chairman and former owner of Tolmie's Appliance, said he was speaking to the council as a concerned taxpayer. He questioned how the council could use airport money, a dedicated fund, to purchase property for a private business. He said he thought it was a mistake.

"When the business comes in,

(Holton) is saying he is going to bring in employment," Tolmie said to the council. "The business is already in the Homedale area. He will bring current employees, so he won't be adding to the employment in Homedale. He already has them. He is not generating new jobs at this time; he is just relocating."

Tolmie said he also was concerned about property at the end of the airport that was given to the city by the county several years ago. He said Homedale asked the county for the property in order to lengthen the runway, but Tolmie said that never happened.

"Now you are leasing it to a guy for his horses," Tolmie said. "It has been leased for \$1 per acre, per year. If you lease it to a rancher for cattle, he is willing to pay \$25 per month per head."

Tolmie suggested the city post the disputed seven acres for sale, but Fink said he would never recommend the city sell the property because it will only increase in value.

Council members did not answer any of the questions directed at them, but Fink said the lease would not be signed during last week's meeting because it was still being worked on. He said Holton has not approved the lease yet, but the terms have changed because the original agreement was not legal.

— CAB

County puts bounty on gophers wreaking havoc on irrigation systems

Owyhee County has decided to do something about the gopher problem some say is threatening local irrigation systems.

At a May 8 meeting, commissioners allocated \$6,000 in Fiscal Year 2006 funds to

establish a gopher bounty.

Beginning Monday, the county will pay \$1 per gopher tail received on Mondays between 8 a.m. and noon at the National Guard Armory at 432 W. Nevada Ave., in Homedale. The bounty

will be paid on a first-come, first-serve basis until the funds are exhausted, Owyhee County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said.

The program won't be open on holidays, and only people who own or lease cultivated

agricultural land or those people hired by an owner or a lessee will be eligible for compensation.

Eligible gopher hunters will receive a voucher for each tail. The vouchers will be redeemable at the county offices in Murphy on Friday mornings. Hunters either can mail the paperwork to the county clerk or visit Murphy for payment in person.

Sherburn said the commission's resolution, No. 06-15, grew out of the Gem Irrigation District's

request to create a gopher district. Irrigation managers said because recent drought years, gophers had been more fervent in burrowing into ditch banks and canal banks.

"The county is administering this the best way they know how," Sherburn said.

For more information, call the county clerk's office at (208) 495-2421. The mailing address for the clerk's office is P.O. Box 128, Murphy, ID 83650.

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Homedale voters set to mull bonds

Second informational meeting slated tonight; water, sewer bonds to be decided May 23

Homedale city officials are hoping voters will approve nearly \$4.5 million in two bond elections for water and sewer projects during a special election Tuesday.

Voters will cast their ballots at Homedale City Hall between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

An informational meeting is planned for 7 p.m. today in the Homedale High School Library. The first informational meeting on the bond issues, which was held Thursday at Homedale High School, drew about a dozen people.

City Engineer Fred Ostler presented information on the bonds and said passing the bond would give the city system viability, expanded capacity, economic development and fix many problems the city now faces.

Voters will be asked to pass nearly \$2.3 million for installation and construction of improvements to the domestic water system and \$2.1 million for improvements to the sewer system. The 30-year bonds will issued with an interest rate of about 4.5 percent per year. The city estimates it will pay back \$4.17 million on the water bond and \$3.77 million on the sewer bond.

“It will impact direct growth in the area. It spreads the burden to new growth and annexed areas and prevents an immediate and larger rate increase,” Ostler said. “If the city waits and works on a pay-as-you-go basis, they will endure higher rates, inflationary costs which will increase every year. With the bonds, they can use up to these amounts. If the cost is less, they don’t have to spend it.”

Homedale Mayor Paul Fink said during the 30-year period, the city expects to draw in \$19.4 million in water fees and \$14.3

million in sewer fees, which will more than pay for the bonds.

Fink said that the water and sewer fees would not increase because of the bond because current fees would be able to cover the payments. He said he promised the people of Homedale that the city would not increase fees with a bond, and he plans to stick to his promise.

“The fees will increase by 5 percent every year, which was passed some time ago,” Fink said. “But we will not increase fees because of the bond, at least not during my term in office.”

The water bond will be used to install a new domestic well, replace transmission and service lines, valves, hydrants and meter boxes.

The sewer bond will replace or reconstruct approximately 15,500 linear feet of transmission lines, pay for building a sewer trunk line system with collectors, construct a new lift station and replace a force main between the primary lift station at the treatment plant.

Ostler said the new water project would include a new potable well in the Riverside Park area, add a new 12-inch water main from the park to U.S. Highway 95, add an extension of a 12-inch water main that would parallel the proposed U.S. 95 sewer trunk line, connect pipelines to Utah and Kansas avenues and replace all water mains installed before 1960 and or those 4 inches in diameter or smaller. Work from the bond also would replace or install isolation water mainline valves.

The sewer bond would include the proposed U.S. 95 sewer trunk line system, including collectors on Utah and Kansas avenues, add a lift station at Riverside Park, replace or reline in-city sewer lines installed before 1960 and three blocks of sewer line between Wyoming and Colorado, west of



Public gets information on bond proposals

Homedale City Services Supervisor Larry Bauer shows Owyhee County commissioner and Homedale resident Hal Tolmie an overview of the locations that will have changes if a water and sewer bond election passes Tuesday.

Main Street. It would also finance the replacement of an 8-inch force main between the primary lift station and sewer treatment plant.

“We need this,” Fink said. “We have had a great deal of problems with the current system, which is ancient. Valves will be replaced so if we have a problem it can be

isolated instead of shutting down the entire system.”

The last bond passed in the city for water or sewer was in 1979.

— CAB

Owyhee County has been home to my family for generations...

My great-grandparents homesteaded here. My parents—John & Irene Tyson—taught my brother and me to treat this great place with integrity and respect. I’ve had the opportunity to serve and work for Owyhee county for over 25 years. Please help me to continue to serve this great county as your Treasurer & Tax Collector.

Please vote on Tuesday, May 23.

Vote for knowledge, experience and integrity.



Linda Charters
Owyhee County
Treasurer & Tax Collector

Congratulations, Grads!



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✓ Fire

intensity of the fire was centered in the kitchen, which is about the middle of the home,” Eidemiller said at the scene. Eidemiller said later Monday morning that the state investigator had determined the fire was caused by an electrical problem near the kitchen.

Eidemiller said the scene originally was treated as a crime scene because of the fatality, but he did not suspect any crime had been committed.

Smith was transported to a local hospital by air ambulance with burns to her arms, numerous cuts and smoke inhalation.

Witnesses said they heard popping noises, like gunshots, and found the home on fire.

Former court manager Bunny

I feel for
Patty. Carolina
was her life. ’

— Karen Douds
Patricia Smith’s
neighbor

Andree said she had rented the single-wide mobile home to Smith several years ago. She said the mother and child had lived in the court for many years.

“This is the reason why we are moving to a house,” Andree said. “Trailers go up so fast. We loved Carolina; she would play here in the park and talk to everyone. She was a beautiful little girl.”

Many neighboring residents watched as Homedale fire crews

extinguished the blaze, which completely destroyed the home.

“I wonder what started it?” Karen Douds asked as she watched fire crews extinguish the home. “It makes you wonder about trailer houses. All (Smith) did was work and spend time with Carolina. Carolina was always taken care of. She is a good mom.

“When I came out because I heard the noises, Patty was trying to get back inside for Carolina. I feel for Patty. Carolina was her life.”

Andree said the home was equipped with smoke alarms when she rented it to Smith several years ago. Smith’s condition was not available at press time.

Monday afternoon, Owyhee County Coroner Harvey Grimme confirmed Carolina’s cause of death was smoke inhalation.

— CAB



Aftermath

Members of the Homedale Volunteer Fire District clean up after a deadly fire Monday morning that took the life of a 6-year-old Homedale child. Witnesses said they awoke early Monday morning to find the home engulfed in flames.

Corrections

Because of an editing errors, some information in last week’s special section on the 2006 primary was incorrect.

Part of Richard ‘Dick’ Freund’s candidate profile for Owyhee County Commission, District 3, was altered. One paragraph regarding the county’s policy manual should have read: “Freund said the policy manual affects every county employee. He warns that someday a problem will arise and there will be no adequate policy for reference.” The word “arise” was omitted from the original paragraph.

In a list of candidates on Page 17C, county assessor Brett Endicott hometown was

misidentified. He lives in the Marsing area.

“Applications” for absentee ballots need to be received by the clerk on Wednesday, not the ballots.

Dick Reynolds is the commissioner for District 3, the largest district in the Eastern section of the county.

Because of incorrect information provided to The Owyhee Avalanche, the names of Homedale High School graduating seniors Tyler Christoffersen and Andrew VanDerhoff are misspelled in the Class of 2006 graduation supplement in today’s editions.

Homedale EMS planning free health clinic at Paul’s

Along with recognizing the efforts and dedication of its members and volunteers, Homedale Ambulance Service will offer health checks during Emergency Medical Services Week, which runs through Saturday.

The National Emergency Medical Services Department says that EMS Week brings together local communities and medical personnel to publicize safety and to honor the dedication of those who provide the day-to-day life-saving services on medicine’s “front line.”

Homedale Ambulance Administrator Lisa Price said this year’s theme is “Neighbors

Helping Neighbors.”

“Because so many of our patients are our neighbors or people that we know,” Price said of the theme. “Living in a small community allows us to get to know many people, and it helps patients to see a familiar face in their time of need.”

On Saturday, the crew will gather in the parking lot of Paul’s Market from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and give free health checks to patrons.

The crew will provide free blood pressure checks, health information handouts and tours of the ambulance.

— CAB


Weather

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May 9	65	30	
May 10	65	29	
May 11	74	35	
May 12	no	read	
May 13	no	read	
May 14	no	read	
May 15	91	35	

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Election information

Where to vote in Owyhee County

North Homedale Senior citizens center 224 W. Idaho Ave.	Murphy Owyhee County Courthouse 20381 State Hwy 78
South Homedale Magistrate Court-City Hall 31 W. Wyoming Ave	Oreana Oreana Community Hall 18092 Oreana Loop Road
North Marsing Marsing Community Hall 126 2 nd St. N.	Grand View Eastern Owyhee Library 520 Boise Ave.
South Marsing County Extension Office 238 W. 8 th Ave. (across from schools)	Bruneau American Legion Hall 29776 Davis Road
Wilson Wilson Fire House 10427 Johnston Lane (off Idaho Highway 78)	Mail ballot precincts Riddle Three Creek, Pleasant Valley
	Absentee Owyhee County Courthouse P.O. Box 128, Murphy, ID 83650

Mail-in precincts receive ballots

Voters in precincts designated mail ballot precincts — Three Creek, Pleasant Valley and Riddle — have received their ballots in the mail, Owyhee County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said.

Citizens who have not registered to vote and have lived in the county for 30 days prior to May 23 will have to go to the Owyhee County Courthouse to register and vote an absentee ballot for Tuesday’s primary election.

Voters in all other precincts in

Owyhee County can register at the polling places on Election Day by showing a form of identification and a piece of mail verifying their residential address.

The polling places will all be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sherburn encourages everyone to vote in the primary election because it will determine all of the countywide races.

For more information, call the clerk’s office at (208) 495-2421, (208) 337-5522 or (208) 495-2806.

County introduces machines to make voting easier for some

Voters will see a new system in voting when they go to the polls for the primary next week as Owyhee County has upgraded its voting system to meet the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) requirement.

Now disabled voters will be able to have privacy and independence in the voting process thanks to machines brought to the county in the wake of HAVA.

HAVA legislation implements improvements to voting systems and voter access that were identified after the 2000 presidential election. HAVA includes requirements for a centralized voter registration database, privacy and independence in the voting process, access for people with disabilities and voter outreach and education.

Election deadlines

Applications for mail-in absentee ballots must be received by the county clerk in Murphy by 5 p.m. today.

The deadline to return mail-in absentee ballots to the county clerk’s office in Murphy is 8 p.m. Tuesday.

The last day for application for in-person absentee voting at the absent elector’s polling place is 5 p.m. Monday.

his or her selection by touching the display screen or using the Braille-marked keypad. The AutoMARK marks the selection on the ballot and returns the ballot to the voter to be deposited in the ballot can.

Sherburn said the machine is not a counting device, and the county will continue to use paper ballots.

“(In the past) if there was a handicap person who came to the polling place, we would go outside for curbside voting,” Sherburn said. “Now with the new machines, handicap persons can come right into the polling place and will have a place to vote.”

Riddle, Pleasant Valley and Three Creek have been designated as mail-in ballot precincts and will not receive a machine. Murphy is designated as the absentee precinct, so a machine will be located in the county courthouse.

Sherburn said she would like to ask voters to register early to keep the confusion down with the new system. Eligible citizens will be able to register to vote on Election Day, but she hopes people will register beforehand.

— CAB

✓ Election

Six county positions — commissioner District 1, commissioner District 3, county clerk, county treasurer, county assessor and county coroner — are up for election this year, and only two positions will be unopposed.

County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said that no one else filed by the May 9 write-in candidate deadline.

Candidates in the county election include:

County commissioner, District 3
Incumbent, Dick Reynolds, 76, has been commissioner in District 3 for seven years. He lives in Bruneau with his wife Mary and is a retired rancher. He still works on his farm with his son.

Christine Collett, 43, is a former deputy clerk and welfare director for Owyhee County. She lives on a fifth-generation ranch in Oreana with her husband,

Brian, and sons. She is president of the Owyhee County Historical Society and a 34-year resident of county.

Dick Freund, 57, is Chief Deputy for the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office. He lives with his wife Linda in Murphy. He is a former Homedale School District Trustee and a Vietnam veteran. He has lived in the county for 30 years. Freund has four children and six grandchildren.

Nick Ihli, 76, is retired, but is a former “longtime” county clerk and recorder. He lives in Murphy with his wife Delores. He is past president of the state’s county clerk association and of the Idaho Title Association. He has three children, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

County commissioner, District 1
Jerry Hoagland is the only candidate for the seat. Incumbent Chris Salove has decided not to seek re-election.

County clerk and auditor
Incumbent, Charlotte

Sherburn, 52, has been county clerk for four years, but has worked for the office for 11 years. She lives in Murphy with her husband, Ted. The couple has two daughters and five grandchildren. She has lived in the county for 17 years.

Sherry Olson, 46 is a records clerk for the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office and has worked in the county for more than 10 years. She and her husband, Eddie, live on a ranch outside of Murphy. She has been a county resident for 13 years. The couple has three daughters and three grandchildren.

County treasurer
Incumbent, Brenda Richards, 43, has been county treasurer since being appointed last year. She replaced Barbara Wright, who retired from the position in October. Richards lives with her husband, Tony, and their three sons in the Reynolds Creek area where they operate a family ranch. She has lived in the county for 10 years.

Linda Charters, 52, lives in the Sinker Creek area with her husband Dennis and stepson Danny. The couple moved back to Owyhee County two years ago, but Charters was raised in the area. She graduated from Melba High School and has worked a variety of county jobs for 34 years.

County assessor
Incumbent, Brett Endicott, 57, has worked in the assessor’s office since 1996 as an appraiser and as an elected official. He and his wife, Maggie, have lived in the Marsing area for more than 20 years. The couple has two sons, a daughter and one grandchild.

Gene Winchester, 70, recently built a home near Homedale where he and his wife, Lena, have lived for about a year. He is a retired rancher and former lawmaker who served 14 years in the state House of Representatives.

County coroner
Harvey Grimme is the incumbent, and he’s running unopposed.

Precinct committeeman
The only race for precinct committeeman will be in the Murphy district between incumbent Tangie Frisch and Shawn Dygert.

Endicott has filed in south Marsing, and Lavada Loucks has filed for north Marsing. Kenneth Tindall will seek another term in Riddle and, in Homedale, Steve Schultz has filed as the only candidate for the south precinct, and Joan Mason has filed for the north precinct.

State representative, District 23, Seat A
After the announced retirement of longtime Rep. Frances Field (R-Grand View), three candidates threw their hats into the ring, including Peter Rickards (D-Twin Falls), Jim Conder (R-Filer) and Jim Patrick (R-Filer). Conder and Patrick will be on Tuesday’s ballot vying for the Republican nomination for the Nov. 7 general election.

— CAB

Obituary

Charles D. Tovey

Charles D. Tovey, 71 of Homedale, passed away Saturday, May 13, 2006 at a Caldwell hospital of throat cancer, complicated by pneumonia. Graveside memorial services will be held at 11:00 AM Friday, May 19, 2006 at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery, 10101 N Horseshoe Bend Road, Boise. Services are under the direction of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale.

Mr. Tovey was born on April 12, 1935 in Malad, Idaho. His family later moved to Nampa where he graduated from high school in 1953. He graduated from the University of Idaho in 1958 and then served in the military in Korea. His teaching career began at Wilder High School, then at South Junior High

in Boise and then in Moscow, Idaho. Mr. Tovey then moved to Portland, Oregon where he worked for the Insurance Services Office, followed by working for the Oregon department of Corrections. Mr. Tovey retired in 2000 and moved to the Homedale area in the spring of that year, back to the area of some of his fondest memories from his years of teaching. He enjoyed his small acreage with his horses, tractor, and small farm work. He was looking forward to “real” country living on his small farm in the Wilder area.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Sylvia, a sister, Geraldine Winter (Bill), brother-in-law Jim Varnadoe, a daughter, two stepsons, and 5 grandchildren.

Reception planned for retiring teacher

A retirement reception has been planned for a longtime Homedale Elementary School teacher from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday at the elementary library.

Carol Garmire will leave the district this year after spending 33 years of her 34-year teaching career in Homedale.

BSU graduates from Owyhee

Boise State University commencement was held Saturday in Taco Bell Arena:

Frances B. Morales, Homedale — College of Applied Technology, Associate of Applied Science, Electronics Technology

Linnea Marie Schwartz, Homedale — College of Arts and Sciences, Bachelor of Arts, Spanish; College of Education, Bachelor of Arts, Elementary Education

Jose G. Galvan, Marsing — College of Arts and Sciences, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Illustration

Michael Scott Warwick, Homedale — College of Business and Economics, Bachelor of Business Administration, Marketing

Dannette Lea Ann Ritzert, Homedale — College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs, Bachelor of Arts, Communication

Daniel Matthew Housley, Homedale — College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs, Bachelor of Arts, History

School menus

May 18-26

Homedale Elementary

- May 18: Spaghetti or hot pocket, French bread, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- May 19: Hot ham & cheese or cold turnkey sandwich, yogurt, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- May 22: Beef wiener wrap or chicken pot pie, mac & cheese, green beans, rice krispie treat, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- May 23: Beef or chicken taco w/cheese, lettuce, tomato, corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- May 24: Chicken patty or rib-b-que/bun, potato wedges, applesauce cake, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- May 25: Cook’s Choice, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- May 26: Early release. Cook’s Choice, fruit & veggie bar, milk. Last day of school.

Homedale Middle

- May 18: Pizza or popcorn chicken, salad, fruit bar, cookie, milk.
- May 19: Nachos or baked potato, fruit & veggie bar, rice krispie treat, milk.
- May 22: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, tots, fruit bar, cookie, milk.
- May 23: Sloppy Joe or wiener wrap, green beans, fruit bar, animal crackers, milk.
- May 24: Beef of chicken taco, corn, fruit bar, fruit rollup, milk.
- May 25: Cook’s Choice, milk.
- May 26: Early release. Cook’s Choice, milk. Last day of school.

Homedale High

- May 18: Chicken patty or sandwich & soup, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, dessert, milk.
- May 19: Crispito or rib-b-que/bun, corn, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- May 22: Cook’s Choice, milk.
- May 23: Cook’s Choice, milk.
- May 24: Cook’s Choice, milk.
- May 25: Cook’s Choice, milk.
- May 26: Early release. Cook’s Choice, milk. Last day of school.

Marsing

- May 18: Cook’s Choice, milk.
- May 19: Cook’s Choice, milk.
- May 22: Cook’s Choice, milk.
- May 23: Field day!! Hamburgers
- May 24: Cook’s Choice, milk.
- May 25: Breakfast only. Last day of school

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- May 18: Spaghetti, tossed salad, fruit, garlic bread, milk.
- May 19: Cook’s Choice, milk.
- May 22: Pizza, tossed salad, pineapple, milk.
- May 23: Cook’s Choice, milk.
- May 24: Early release. Cook’s Choice, milk. Last day of school.

QUESTIONS FOR ALL OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONER CANDIDATES

- 1) What is your plan and ideas on effectively increasing the Tax Base? The financial future of the County and our Schools are at stake.
- 2) What are your plans for increasing the funds for the health and welfare needs of the citizens of the county? Specifically for Sheriff, Fire and Quick Response.
- 3) With our county being so large, the differences in areas are like Night & Day. How do you propose handling the differences in the future?
- 4) There have been more changes in Southwest Idaho in the last year than the last 50 years. What are your thoughts on hadling the present and future growth?
- 5) Are you concerned about the questions and controversy about some of the County finances? Do we need outside help?
- 6) How do you propose paying for the future construction, repair and maintenance of roads throughout the county?
- 7) Do you believe all concerned and affected citizens should be able to tesftify at all public hearings?
- 8) What are your three highest priorities if you are elected?

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Your finances

Some aspects of working for charity are tax-deductible

Dear Dave,

I work as a volunteer for a couple of church conferences each year, and there are travel expenses for which I am not reimbursed. Can I claim these as deductions on my income tax, and would this include food, too, or just the mileage?

— Joy

Dear Joy,

Yes, you can claim a deduction for charitable mileage. Absolutely.

Ordinarily, food is non-deductible. But if you buy supplies to be used at the conference or give them to the organization itself, then they are deductible, as well.

Make sure you keep a written log of the miles you drive both to and from the conferences, Joy. You'll want to have a record of this and any supplies you buy for these groups when tax time rolls around.

— Dave

Dear Dave,

I'm only 19 years old, and I'm in real trouble.

I've been pretty rebellious for the last year, not listening to my parents and other dumb things, and now I've got \$8,000 in debt thanks to writing several bad checks and running up bills on credit cards. I also totaled my car and lost my job a couple of weeks ago, and I'm about to lose my apartment in a few days, too. A friend of mine said I could stay with her for a while, but I'm still really scared. My parents won't help. They say I need to take care of this myself. Have you got any advice?

— Stephanie

Dear Stephanie,

Sounds like you're about as close to rock bottom as a person can get. It's a scary situation, but the fact that you're looking for help and realized the way you've been living is stupid means you want to change — and that's a good thing.

It sounds like you're going to have get two or three jobs, and then find a really cheap little car that will get you around.

The good news is that if you do this for maybe a year and a half, you'll be able to pay off all that stupid tax you've accumulated. I'm not picking on you, Stephanie, because I've done stupid stuff, too — stupid with LOTS of zeros on the end. But when you do stupid things, you have to pay the consequences. It's all part of being an adult.



I think you've also recognized that you left your integrity on the sidelines for way too long. Doing the right thing really needs to be a priority from this point on. The cool thing about the practical issues you mentioned — finding a permanent place to live, something to drive and paying off the debt — is that these things will all get better now that YOU'VE made the decision to get better. That's a promise!

You might want to think about finding a good church and having a talk with the pastor, too, Stephanie. Any caring minister would be honored to have the chance to pray with you as you turn your life back around in the right direction.

— Dave

Dear Dave,

How would you determine the value of an old coin? I uncovered several as part of my father's estate, and was wondering if there was any value to them other than simple face value.

— Diane

Dear Diane,

Some old coins can be very valuable.

It usually depends on how rare they are, or other factors like if a mistake was made on the coin when it was minted.

I'd first check with a coin dealer and get an appraisal or an offer on the coins. These guys deal with old money and collectibles for a living. If you have a computer, you might also want to check online for references to the coins you're talking about. You could probably find several sites that will give the market value of old coins.

Just remember, Diane, hobbies and collectibles are fun but they rarely keep up with other types of investments, like mutual funds or real estate.

— 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

Homedale student joins UI honor group

Homedale's Yasone Lejardi has become part of the University of Idaho's Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society chapter.

To qualify, Lejardi had to carry 12 to 25 institutional credits and no more than 24 transfer/advanced placement credits by the end of the first semester with a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher.

Senior menus

Marsing Senior Center

- May 18: Pork chops, potatoes/ gravy, beets, salad, soup, fruit, dessert, drink
- May 22: Beef stew, biscuits, salad, soup, dessert, drink.
- May 23: Liver & onions or hamburger gravy, corn, potatoes, salad, soup, dessert, drink.
- May 24: Sweet & sour pork rice, mixed vegetables, salad, soup, dessert, drink.

Homedale Senior Center

- May 18: Baked fish, scalloped potatoes, California blend vegetables, roll, milk.
- May 22: Spaghetti & meat sauce, tossed salad, roll, milk.
- May 23: Primary elections.
- May 24: Sausage & biscuits, scalloped potatoes, carrots, milk.

On the Water

It may be time ...

by Owyhee County Marine Deputy Bruce Cameron

There comes a time for everything to be replaced. Nothing lasts forever, although it may seem so.

In the coming days or weeks while you have some time, check out your boat or vessel and prepare for the upcoming season. Hopefully the wind will stop blowing, and it will quit raining.



- 1) Batteries — if they are older than you, your first child — “it may be time to replace them.”
- 2) Life Jackets — should the buckles or strap or cover be worn or torn and you can't read the Coast Guard rating — “it may be time to replace them.”
- 3) Tires — if they have more miles, cracks and wrinkles on them than your grandma's forehead — “it may be time to replace them.”
- 4) Fire extinguisher — if you can't read the rating on it or you bought it with your last 8-track tape at Coast to Coast — “it may be time to replace it.”

All jokes aside, take the time to look over your equipment before you leave home. When you get out to the water it may be too late. Enjoy our water and remember, “We're in this together.”

For more boating information visit the Idaho Parks and Recreation Web site at www.boatidaho.org.

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County opens Silver City Road, but there are travel restrictions

The road to Silver City was opened last week with strict restrictions for its users.

Owyhee County Chief Deputy Sheriff Dick Freund said Monday that the road is restricted to high-clearance vehicles only and anyone traveling the road would do so at their own risk.

“Travel at your own risk,” Freund said. “It is not maintained. It is not traveled. It is rough, and it is not advisable to travel it if you don’t have to.”

Freund said no trailers are allowed in the damaged area for any reason.

The road was completely closed in November for the winter, and has been closed through the spring months because of extensive damage inflicted by January floods.

The county is working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and with the Department of Homeland Security to begin construction

on rebuilding the access to Silver City. Freund said construction is not expected to begin until June, and the road is not expected to be open to the general public until later this summer or early fall.

Travelers venturing into the area are warned that they must travel at their own risk and if they become stuck or need to be rescued, the county will charge for operation costs.

— CAB

County to determine status of road near GV

Public hearing planned June 12 in Murphy

The status of an “unnamed” road that intersects with Idaho highway 78 southeast of Grand View will be under review by Owyhee County commissioners during a public hearing next month.

The hearing is scheduled for 10 a.m. on June 12 in the county courthouse, courtroom 2, in Murphy. The purpose of the hearing is to help determine if the road is private, public or a public

RS 2477 right of way.

The commissioners will take public testimony that is relevant to the issue.

Fred Kelly Grant, named as hearing officer, will conduct the hearing, the pre-hearing procedures and assist the board of commissioners in post-hearing actions.

If any person or organization intends to be represented by counsel, notice of counsel’s name, address and telephone number should be provided to the hearing officer as soon as possible so arrangements for scheduling pre-hearing conferences regarding procedures, marking documents

and pre-hearing briefs can be made.

Notice should be provided to Grant before 5 p.m. on May 30 by contacting Kay Kelly at (208) 495-9851, ext. 139, by fax at (208) 495-2051 or by mail to Fred Kelly Grant, Hearing Officer, P.O. Box 128, Murphy, ID.

Individuals wanting to testify, without the assistance of legal counsel, need to notify the hearing officer prior to 5 p.m. June 5 by submitting a Notice of Appearance identifying the person who will testify, the nature of the testimony and identification of any documents to be offered during testimony.

Chevron, Shell have high praise for Jacksons

Chain with roots in Homedale scores big with mystery shoppers

It was recently announced that Jacksons Food Stores — an Idaho-based multi-state company that grew out of an original store in Homedale — is ranked as the No. 1 marketer in the nation on Chevron’s Customer First mystery shop program and Shell’s Go Further customer service program. Jacksons was chosen as No. 1 in both programs from a field of over 22,000 facilities nationwide.

Award winners were selected through the use of mystery shoppers that score each facility on key customer service initiatives, such as cleanliness of restrooms, presentation of the facility, gas island preparedness, ease of shopping, product availability and employee interaction with customers.

“Jacksons Food Stores continually strives to be an industry leader,” said John Jackson, the CEO of Jacksons who grew up in Homedale.

Jackson contributes the company’s success to the outstanding employees on his team. The high quality of Jacksons employees is attributable in part to the superior compensation package the company offers. This includes college tuition reimbursement, 401(k) retirement plan with company match, medical insurance and a

commission program for all employees.

Additionally, in a quest to be an employer of choice, Jacksons provides employees with in-depth training before they work at any of the stores to ensure every employee is ready to serve the customer with superior service.

It is a little known fact that each employee completes more than 60 hours of training in customer service, company history and ethics, product and facility preparedness, security, robbery prevention, as well as restrictions on the sale of alcohol and tobacco products.

Jacksons facilities follow strict guidelines in the prevention of alcohol and tobacco sales to minors and the company monitors its stores by sending secret shoppers out monthly to validate the enforcement of the policies.

“Jacksons is a leader in the industry in preventing sales of alcohol to minors,” according to Lt. Bob Clements of the Idaho State Police Alcohol Beverage Control.

“We’re thrilled to receive top honors from Chevron and Shell,” Jackson said, “but we couldn’t have done it without the great support from our employees. It takes a real team effort to be an award-winning facility.”



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Cliffs classmates reunite after nearly 80 years

After 78 years, old friends reunited in Jordan Valley at the home of Evelyn Loveland on Friday.

The reunion included Evelyn Loveland, Frankie Dougal, Gertrude Anderson, Ruby Staples, Ruth Lessman Wicklund, and Mrs. Luise Lessman, who all attended the log cabin one-room country school at Cliffs, school district No. 28 in the 1920s. They were the last students to attend the school.

Loveland, 94, lives by herself in Jordan Valley. She raises a garden and maintains her large yard and several acres. Dougal, 88, lives by herself on her ranch

at Cliffs. She still rides a horse, helps with the care of cattle and raises a large garden. Dougal, her daughter Charlene Stanford, and son-in-law Frank Stanford, all run the ranch.

Anderson, 90, lives on her ranch in Jordan Valley by herself. She manages the ranch with hired hands and grandsons.

Staples, 86, recently moved from Jordan Valley to Caldwell after living in Jordan Valley many years.

Wicklund, 95, was born in Jordan Valley and lived her younger years at Cliffs. She now lives in Washington with her daughter and does handiwork,

sewing quilt tops for her church.

Another old classmate, Alice Lessman, was unable to attend because of ill health. She lives in Enterprise, Ore.

Others in attendance at the reunion were Wicklund's daughter, Linnea Balkan, and son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Betty Wicklund; Loveland's daughter, Ruth Clapier, and Ray and Lova Easterday of Hagerman and Don and Tootie Turner, who are sons-in-laws and daughters to Loveland; Dougal's son-in-law and daughter, Frank and Carlene Stanford; and Jeanie Stanford, who lives on the old Lessman Ranch.



Old school reunion

Several former classmates from a one-room schoolhouse in Cliffs got together Friday in Jordan Valley, including, from left to right, Frankie Dougal, Ruby Staples, Gertrude Anderson, Ruth Wicklund and Evelyn Loveland. Submitted photo

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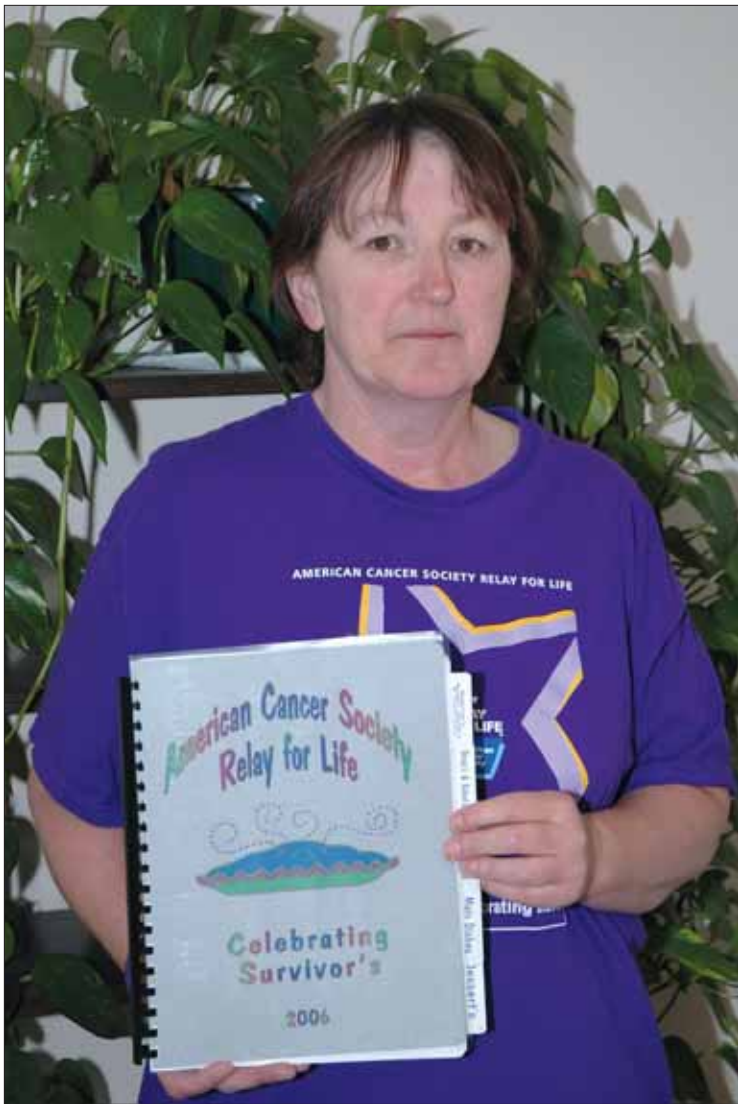
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Folks making a difference in Owyhee County

Homedale residents join Relay for Life



Cooking for a cure

Homedale resident Debbie Koskie displays one of the cookbooks she is selling to raise funds for the American Cancer Society Relay For Life. Koskie will personalize the cover of the cookbook to the specifications of those who order the book. Order forms are available at the Homedale location of Pick Up the Pace, 2 W. Owyhee Ave.

Team sponsored by Pick Up the Pace in Homedale still looking for pledges, members before June event in Nampa

A group of at least seven Homedale women will be walking for a cure June 16-17 at the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life in Nampa.

Debbie Koskie is the captain of a team sponsored by Homedale's Pick Up the Pace franchise, and she said team members are now taking pledges for the overnight marathon relay at Bulldog Bowl on the Nampa High School campus.

Homedale residents Koskie, Kim Waters, Kathy Watson, Mindy Hansen, Tami Steinmetz, Stevi Campbell, Christie McCutchen and Carolyn Lindbloom are part of a 13-person team that will take part in the relay. Other members include Koskie's daughter, Nicole Schlapia — a Homedale native — and Koskie's grandson, Anthony Philley of Caldwell. Teresa Barksdale and Ashley Bloom also will be on the track.

Each relay team is allowed 15 members, so Koskie is looking for two more walkers (or runners) to chew up some laps. She said team members also are taking pledges for the relay. All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society.

Koskie is a cancer survivor who became aware of the Relay For Life seven years ago when

her niece dedicated a booth to her at a relay. Koskie said her sister and family participate in the Relay For Life in the Yuba City, Calif., area.

There are several ways to contribute to the Relay For Life fund-raising effort, Koskie said. She's selling personalized copies of a cookbook that is chock full of her own recipes.

During the relay, the track will be lined with luminarias that can be purchased for a \$5 donation and personalized to honor a loved one.

"You can decorate the luminaria, or the committee will do it," Koskie said.

Order forms for the cookbook are available at the Homedale Pick Up the Pace at 2 W. Owyhee Ave. For more information on ordering a cookbook or becoming part of Koskie's relay team, call her at (208) 250-6400. More information on the relay also is available through Pick Up the Pace at (208) 337-4040.

Pledges in the name of "Team 10," which is the initial name of Koskie's relay team, can be dropped off at Pick Up the Pace, too.

This is the third year for the Nampa Relay For Life. Other

American Cancer Society relay fund-raisers are scheduled throughout Idaho at different times this year.

Another relay close to Owyhee County will be held Aug. 18-19 in Mountain Home.

Donna Yule, a community relationship manager for the American Cancer Society in the Treasure Valley, said a kickoff fund-raiser for the Mountain Home relay will be held June 10 at Carmela Vineyard in Glens Ferry.

Yule said she expects between 300 and 450 participants for the Mountain Home relay. Upwards of 600 walkers and runners are expected for the Nampa relay. She said the 2005 relays in those two communities raised more than \$80,000 combined.

The Nampa relay begins at 5 p.m. June 16 with a celebratory lap of recognition for cancer survivors. Relay teams begin their rotations at 6 p.m. Each relay team must have a member on the track at all times between the start on June 16 and the close of the fund-raiser at 10 a.m. on June 17.

The overnight relay is a symbol of the battle that cancer patients take on, both Yule and Koskie said.

"Night symbolizes the dark times when cancer patients feel all alone," Yule said. "We're trying to simulate what the patient goes through."

— JB



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Marsing FFA teaches with Ag Expo
Jessica Elsberry, Ag Expo chairman, second from the right, demonstrates to elementary students how to use an irrigation siphon tube during the Marsing FFA chapter's annual Ag Expo. The Ag Expo was held earlier this month and attracted nearly 500 students from nearby elementary schools. Submitted photo.

Marsing FFA news

by Jason Nettleton, advisor
Marsing FFA Chapter started the month off with the State Leadership Conference held on April 5-8.
Daniel Ineck represented the Marsing chapter and the Boise Valley District while serving on the Idaho FFA State Officer Nominating Committee. He spent three days with the committee, interviewing and selecting the 2006-07 State Officer Team.
“Being involved in the sifting process has given Daniel a desire to run for state office during next year’s convention,” chapter advisor Jason Nettleton said.
The chapter received a silver placing this year for submitting the National Chapter award, and also received the Superior

Chapter Award. The chapter also submitted a chapter scrapbook to the Idaho State FFA.
“I encourage anyone to come take a look at these pages from the past year during the Chapter Banquet on May 17 (tonight),” Nettleton said.
Kallie Roeser, Jessica Elsberry, Daniel Ineck and Mary Jo Usabel were awarded the prestigious award of the State FFA Degree. They achieved this award through their active roles in the chapter as well as the various Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) projects.
“Marsing can be proud of these members that attended the convention, as they are a great representation to the chapter and our community. Thank you,” Nettleton said.

Marsing FFA chapter members provided tours for groups of elementary students during the annual Marsing Ag Expo, while discussing with them the different things received from each aspect of agriculture.
“The elementary kids seemed to learn a lot as well as enjoy a few tasty products from the world of agriculture,” Nettleton said. “This was an absolutely wonderful success for everyone involved in the Expo as the Marsing Ag students toured nearly 500 guests through the Expo this year.”
Coming events
Chapter banquet, 7 tonight at the high school cafeteria
State CDEs, June 6-9, Moscow
Chapter officer retreat, July 10-13, Pine


OSCD offers cost-share incentive program

The Owyhee Soil Conservation District is offering an agricultural water quality cost-share incentive program to farmers and landowners on the Jump Creek and Lower Succor Creek watersheds.
The deadline to sign up has been extended to May 31.
The goal is to address and improve agriculture surface and ground water quality concerns within the watershed with cost-sharing incentives for the implementation of agricultural water quality best management practices on critical areas within the Jump Creek and Succor Creek watersheds.
For information, contact Gina Millard at (208) 896-4544.

Snake River Livestock 4-H news

by Jackie Thurman
The Snake River Livestock 4-H club has started off a brand new year with new officers. This year’s officers are: Alex Meyers, president, Jackie Thurman, vice president, Anna Cantrell, secretary, and Courtney and Nick Bennett as scrapbook.
This year, the club presented its “dedicated and wonderful” leaders, Joe and Verla Merrick, with plaques. Members said they wanted to show their appreciation for all the work the Merricks have done for the club.
The club is selling tickets for its fund-raiser to raffle off a solid oak rocking horse and a hunting knife handmade and donated by Joe Merrick.
Tickets are currently being sold and will be available at Grand View Days in July and during the

Owyhee County Fair in August in Homedale. The winning ticket will be drawn at the fair.
Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for six. For tickets, contact Joe and Verla Merrick at (208) 834-2641 or any of the 4-H members, Anna Cantrell, Clay Cantrell, Alex Meyers, Austin Meyers, Keni Meyers, Brittany Raiher, Ayla Rinner, Jackie Thurman, Ross Lemon, Reid Hipwell, Heather Morrison, Crystal Good, Baileigh Atland, Courtney Bennett and Nick Bennett.
The next chapter meeting will be held May 22 at the public library in Grand View.

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6. We need to reclaim Idaho title to the so-called Federal Public lands.
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The following open house community meetings are being held to share information about the planning process and to obtain public input on resource and management issues to be considered in the RMP/EIS. The BLM also encourages the public to provide written comments during the extended public scoping period, which runs through June 15, 2006. People who have previously submitted scoping comments may also provide additional comments during this second scoping opportunity if they wish.

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For additional information , please contact: RMP Project Manager Jarbidge Field Office 2536 Kimberly Rd Twin Falls, ID 83301 Phone: (208) 736-2350 Fax: (208) 736-2375 E-mail: ID_Jarbidge_RMP@blm.gov	To be most helpful, written comments should be submitted by June 15, 2006 via: 1. Web: www.blm.gov/rmp/id/jarbidge 2. E-mail: ID_Jarbidge_RMP@blm.gov 3. Mail: RMP Project Manager, Jarbidge Field Office, 2536 Kimberly Rd, Twin Falls, ID 83301 4. Fax: (208) 736-2375
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For more information, please visit the project website: www.blm.gov/rmp/id/jarbidge

Homedale FFA member hands off her beef ambassadorship

Homedale FFA member Jessica Hansen, a senior at Homedale High School, handed off her responsibilities as Idaho’s Beef Ambassador during an awards ceremony recently.

Hansen was chosen as the ambassador for 2005. She awarded the 2006 ambassador Whitney Lusk from Idaho Falls during a ceremony in Twin Falls earlier this month.

Lusk was named the 2006 Idaho Beef Ambassador after winning the speech and interview categories at the Beef Ambassador Contest held at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

Five finalists were selected from a slate of written essays submitted in March on topics including beef nutrition, safety and animal welfare.

Dan Billington of Richfield was named runner-up, and Mindy Soderquist of Terreton captured third place.

Each finalist presented a speech to a panel of judges, followed by an interview in which contestants were asked questions regarding their speech content and current beef industry issues.

Judges included Laurie Lickley of Jerome, Janice Streng of Boise and Jeff Faulkner of Gooding.

Lusk was received a \$500 cash



Seeds of spirit

A few planter baskets can be seen around Homedale in the wake of the local FFA chapter’s greenhouse sale. This one is parked outside the main entrance to the high school.

award, a plaque and a trip to Minneapolis, Minn., to compete in the National Beef Ambassador Contest in October. Billington received \$200, and Soderquist received \$100.

The Idaho Beef Ambassador Contest is managed by the Idaho Cattlewomen Council and funded by Idaho Beef Producers through their \$1-per-head beef checkoff through the Idaho Beef Council.



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Quick recipes bring family together

Finding time to be together as a family can be challenging in today's fast-paced world. When schedules have parents and children scurrying, it's hard to envision fitting in another activity. For many families, one of the prime opportunities to spend quality time centers on the dinner table.

According to a recent study by Kraft Foods conducted with its "What's Cooking" magazine readers, 92 percent of households surveyed believe a sit-down evening meal is a time for the family. Dinner is one of the main meals that everyone eats at home, and it presents an occasion for family members to connect.

In fact, according to Peter Zollo's "Getting Wiser to Teens" (Ithaca, N.Y.: New Strategist Publications, 2003), 79 percent of adolescents named dinnertime as one of the top-rated activities that they like to do with their parents. What's more, eating together as a family can have a positive effect on dietary quality in older children and adolescents. The American Dietetic Association reports that children tend to eat more fruits, vegetables and dairy foods at meals shared with their parents.

Carving out time for a family dinner can do more than nourish your body, as it also fulfills a need for family bonding.

Here are a few quick tips that will help children stay at the table for more than just dinner:

- Keep a blank grocery list on the fridge and allow all family members to write down their favorite items. If they feel more involved in the meal planning, it will encourage them to relish the meal and time with family.
- Include the children in simple meal preparation steps. You'll be surprised how much more interested they are in the food and its presentation when they have taken an active part.
- Give everyone at the table a chance to share the day's events, relating the best thing that happened to them or perhaps something positive another family member did.
- Select recipes that maximize your time. Meals that can be prepared in 30 minutes or less, have just three steps or contain seven or fewer common ingredients will give you more time to enjoy the meal and the company of your family.

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