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## Marsing man arrested in shooting

A Marsing man is facing felony charges in Owyhee County after a domestic dispute erupted into shots being fired at a family member.

The suspect, 39-year-old

Ruben Villarreal of Marsing, was captured and jailed in Ada County.

County dispatchers received a report of shots fired at a home on the 200 block of Wells Road

in Marsing at about 9 p.m. Monday.

A statement released from the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office states that Villarreal reportedly shot at a female family member

with a .357-caliber pistol, but the shot narrowly missed the woman. The incident reportedly began over a family disagreement and law enforcement officials say it — to page 5A

## Homedale gets three land bids

City council may make decision on property June 14

Three new lease proposals were submitted to the Homedale City Council on Thursday for a seven-acre parcel the city purchased earlier this year for the intent of airport expansion.

Now the council will consider which proposal will benefit the people of the city with new jobs and shopping options before deciding the fate of the property.

The city opened the land to new offers when its proposed lease with businessman Dave Holton was questioned by other businessmen and concerned

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## Murphy's Outpost Days back in saddle

Celebrating 37 years of fun, educational events and historical preservation, Owyhee County Historical Society will hold its annual Outpost Days in Murphy on Saturday and Sunday.

Proceeds from Outpost Days are used to fund the programs and activities of the museum and the society. The museum is located on the corner of Hailey and Basey Streets in Murphy

The following is a schedule of events for the celebration, which will get under way Saturday morning and will wind down Sunday afternoon.

The cattle drive through town will begin events at noon on Saturday with about 80 head of longhorn cattle being herded through town by young cowboys and cowgirls with several adult chaperones. Jon Martin provides the cattle from Oreana.

After the drive, the herd will be split. Most will be sent back to the loading pens on the edge of Murphy where they arrived. About 15 head will be held in the corral where the youngsters will

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### Memorial Day remembrance

Marsing American Legion Post 128 commander Darrell Brown places a flag at the gravesite of World War I veteran Hervey "Herbie" Phipps at the Homedale-Marsing Cemetery on Monday to mark Memorial Day. Brown said the Phipps-Watson American Legion Community Center in Marsing was dedicated to Phipps and Terry Watson in honor of their service to the community and to their country. Phipps died in 1995.

## Homedale summer block party ready to roll

The City of Homedale will present its second annual summer block party Saturday beginning at 11 a.m.

The festivities will include food, games, vendor booths and dancing.

Events will be held at Homedale City Park on Idaho Avenue, starting with a vendor fair from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Booths for food, crafts, antique

dealers, a farmer's market, a flea market, local performers and other entertainment will fill the park.

A barbecue and street dance will immediately follow the fair and run until 11:30 p.m.

Live country and bluegrass music will be performed by The Howlin' Coyotes for the street dance, which will start at 6 p.m. The band regularly performs at

the Mirage in Adrian, Ore.

A "Good Ol' Fashioned Barbecue" also will be served as celebrators enjoy the street dance festivities.

Barbecue meal tickets cost \$8 per plate and can be purchased at City Hall prior to the event or at the park on Saturday.

For more information on the summer block party, call City Hall at (208) 337-4641.

### Block party schedule

**11 a.m. to 6 p.m.**

Vendor fair at City Park

**6 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.**

Barbecue and street dance featuring the Howlin' Coyotes

Barbecue tickets are \$8.

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# GV city council considers lifting alcohol ban

Grand View City Council is considering lifting a public drinking ordinance that has made drinking in public illegal since 1982.

Early last week, City Clerk Helena Race issued a public notice announcing a hearing to rescind a 24-year ban on drinking in public. The hearing had been set for June 14, but by Friday, the city had issued a cancellation of the hearing pending the location of a first and second reading of the ordinance.

Ordinance 20, passed on April 14, 1982, prohibited anyone from carrying or having possession of an open container of beer, wine or liquor in a public place within 300 feet of any structure that is licensed to sell beer, wine or liquor.

Spang said the council rescinded the original ordinance and moved to hold a public hearing on the possibility of completely repealing the original ordinance and allow any person of legal drinking age to carry or have in their possession an open container containing beer, wine or liquor in a public place in

the City of Grand View.

The Owyhee Avalanche faxed a written request to Grand View City Hall on May 23 asking for copies of city council meeting minutes from the past several months. After initially asking what the Avalanche would do with the information, city officials had not responded the formal request by Tuesday morning.

Spang confirmed Thursday that the council had decided to repeal the ordinance, but he refused to give a reason for the action. He said the ordinance actually had been rescinded “a long time ago,” Spang said. Problems in the clerk’s office had delayed publishing the new ordinance, Spang said.

Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman said the county and the City of Grand View do not have a contract for law enforcement. He said deputies do respond to incidents within the city limits, but the county does not have jurisdiction to enforce ordinances within the city.

— CAB



**Exercising their right**  
*Three people filled the voting booths at Homedale City Hall last week to cast their ballots for state, federal and local election candidates. Voter turnout was up slightly from the 2004 primary election at 38 percent.*

## Voter turnout up 2 percent from 2004 primary election

Voter turnout for the 2006 primary election held on May 23, was up by about 2 percent over the 2004 primaries, but still was recorded at only 38 percent, 1,687 total votes cast, of the 4,424 registered voters in Owyhee County.

Officials said they had hoped that new voting machines designed to assist disabled voters would bring more people to the polls. But County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said the machines really weren’t used that much May 23. She said, as voters get used to the machines being readily available to assist them, people will be more comfortable about using the devices.

Sherburn said some “minor” problems occurred with the machines, but nothing that would have delayed voting. In Homedale, a ballot jam shut down one machine for a few minutes, but election chairman Maxine Stimmel said no one asked to use the machine while it was inoperable.

However, according to some voters, South Homedale election judges asked that voters not use it “unless it is absolutely necessary.”

“The percent voted in the three mail ballot precincts varied,” Sherburn said. “In the Three Creek precinct, there was 67 percent returned, and in the Riddle precinct, there was a 21 percent return. Pleasant Valley returned 66 percent of the mail-in ballots.”

Sherburn said that although percentages were not even half of the total registered voters, the turnout was not bad for a primary election.

In the 2004 primary election, 36 percent of the county’s voters cast ballots, and in 2002, 35 percent of the registered voters turned out. In 2000, 41 percent of the registered voters cast a ballot.

Owyhee County voters seemed to nearly follow the state trend by voting for most every state and federal candidate who won overall.

The exception was in the District 1 congressional race. If the vote had been up to Owyhee County, Robert Vasquez would have won the race over Bill Sali, who received 26 percent of the statewide vote. County voters gave Vasquez 529 votes and Sali 206.

Owyhee County, a predominately Republican county, also had about 95 votes cast in the Democratic primary. Sherburn said the exact total of Democratic votes cast could not be determined yet.

County Democrats gave Larry Grant 57 votes in the congressional race; Jerry Brady led the tally for governor with 73 votes; Larry LaRocco for lieutenant governor with 60 votes; and Jana Jones received 58 votes for Superintendent of Public Instruction. Grant, Brady, LaRocco and Jones won the state vote respectively.

“We would like to extend a very heartfelt thank you to all of those people that worked on the 2006 Primary Election,” Sherburn said.

“To all of the poll workers in each precinct that spent a day devoted to all of us voters in the county, so the system would work well. We’re sure there were probably other things you would have rather been doing. It is you folks that make the election system work as efficiently as it does. Thank you for your patience in learning about our new ballot-marking device so you would be able to assist anyone wanting to use the machine.”

— CAB

### 4-H scavenger hunt set for C.J.

The University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension office will host a 4-H teen scavenger hunt from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Friday at C.J. Strike Reservoir near Grand View.

4-Hers attending will gather required items from a variety of locations for prizes.

For more information, contact Judith McShane at (208) 896-4104. Carpooling will be available.

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# Homedale hires dog to take bite out of crime



## City Council approves addition of drug-sniffing canine to police force

A new face will be seen on the force of the Homedale Police Department soon. But the newest officer will not be seen standing on two legs ... he will be conducting searches on all fours.

Bosco, a 20-month-old Labrador retriever, was welcomed to the force during a city council meeting last week with Homedale officer Ian Takashige, who has owned him since he was a pup.

Bosco and Takashige have been training with surrounding narcotics units for several months and are expected to be certified this summer. Takashige offered the dogs abilities to the city for 1 cent per year.

"We have been trying to implement a narcotics dog, and it has been ongoing for several months," Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said. "We have two canine handlers who will talk about how they have implemented canine programs in Canyon County and how successful they have been."

The official addition of Bosco, which will come sometime this summer when the dog and Takashige are certified, will end Homedale's dependence on the Canyon County Sheriff's Office's dog unit.

"Right now, we depend on Canyon County and other law enforcement agencies to respond with their dogs when we suspect drugs," Eidemiller said. "We have to wait for them to get here, and at some point, they will not be able to continue to do this for us for no charge. A good dog will pay for itself."

Eidemiller said because Takashige owns Bosco, and narcotic dogs are trained to bond

with only one officer, Takashige would offer Bosco's services to the city.

"It is important that these dogs be handled by one officer," Eidemiller said. "They stay with the officer 24 hours a day, seven days a week."

Eidemiller said Takashige has received funding for dog food until the end of the budget year. He said Cpl. Paul Mond from the Canyon County Sheriff's Office stated the dog would cost about \$500 per year but Bosco will eventually pay for himself.

Mond told the council that he has been a narcotics dog handler for about 15 years for Canyon County, and he actually had the first law enforcement dog in that county.

"The dog program has grown to where we have had up to 14 dogs at one point," Mond told the council. "We run narcotics dogs, tracking dogs and dual-purpose dogs. The narcotics dogs have been the best benefit to our department and to Canyon County. Just in the years past, using the dogs alone gives us probable cause when we stop cars. You guys have a major thoroughfare here where we have information of large amounts of drugs coming through Owyhee County, Canyon County and Ada County right now."

"The drugs are around, and they are not going away. We can put a damper on them, but with the drug-detection dogs, it makes it that much easier for the officer."

Mondo told the council that narcotics dogs usually pay for themselves in items seized from drug busts. He said when an arrest is made, the city is allowed to seize property used in the

offense. Often times, vehicles, firearms and cash are taken, and the city is given ownership upon prosecution.

"We seize anything that is in connection to the distribution or manufacturing of narcotics," Mond said. "What we do in Canyon County is after we get things built up, we hold an auction. Basically in a roundabout way, it pays for itself. It brings funds back to the general fund."

Mond said that last year alone Canyon County seized 12 firearms, several vehicles, and about \$1,300 in cash that went back to the county.

Takashige gave the council a demonstration of what Bosco could do.

Two training items, laced with a narcotics smell, were placed in the courtroom prior to the meeting. Bosco was brought into the room, and Takashige put the dog to work.

The animal searched the room and immediately found both items. He alerted his handler by sitting down.

Doug Daniels, canine officer from the Canyon County Sheriff's Office, said in his professional opinion, Bosco was more than ready to pass the certification test.

"This is an awesome dog," Daniels said. "He is a dog that our county would take in a heartbeat. I have spent the last couple of months with Ian and Bosco, and he is more than qualified right now."

Until Bosco is certified, he can be used on consent searches. He will continue to stay with Takashige, but the officer said he would be available for searches any time, day or night.

The council moved to approve using Bosco as the city's narcotics dog.

— CAB

### Narcotics dog impresses at meeting

Bosco, Homedale Police Department's new narcotics detection dog, takes orders from handler Ian Takashige during a demonstration at a city council meeting last week as Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller, left, looks on.

'This is an awesome dog. He is a dog that our county would take in a heartbeat.'

— Doug Daniels  
Canyon County Sheriff's canine officer

## Irrigation meetings set

Three local irrigation district boards will hold regular monthly meetings Monday. All three meetings will take place at the South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1<sup>st</sup> St., in Homedale.

The Ridgeview Irrigation District board meets at 7 p.m.

The Gem Irrigation District meets at 7:15 p.m.

The South Board of Control meets at 7:30 p.m.

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**Family Dollar opens doors in Homedale**  
*Family Dollar held the grand opening for its new Homedale store Thursday. The store is located at the corner of West Idaho Avenue and West Third Street. According to the Family Dollar corporate office in North Carolina, new store hours typically run 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Corporate spokesperson Sandra Wilkenloh said that each store typically employs seven to eight people and that store hours are subject to change once the grand opening period (about two weeks) ends. Each Family Dollar store is corporately owned, Wilkenloh said.*

## Lack of jurors stalls grand jury

A grand jury summoned to convene in Owyhee County last Wednesday was canceled because of a lack of jurors.

It's unclear why Prosecuting Attorney Matthew Faulks convened the grand jury because details of the case for which the jury was called are not considered public information.

But Faulks said because not enough jurors could be convened, additional means would have to be found to hear the case.

"I can tell you that there is not a grand jury going on right now," Faulks said. "Other than that, I cannot say what else went on. In this particular incident, we didn't end up with a jury. There could be a number of reasons for that, but I can't get into the reasons it didn't happen."

Faulks said the jury was short "quite a number" of summoned

jurors. He said about four or five jurors just did not appear.

"I don't know if it would have made any difference in the particular incidence," Faulks said.

Faulks said the court would initiate any action regarding punishment of someone who failed to appear for jury duty. He said Idaho Code 2-217 provides the procedure and penalty, but the final decision lies with the judge.

"The process could be a couple of things," Faulks said. "(It) might be that (the delinquent jurors) are summoned into court, and here, they could have a warrant issued. But it is up to the court."

Under Idaho Code, jurors who do not comply with a summons to appear for jury duty and cannot show good cause for "noncompliance with the summons" can be found guilty of misdemeanor criminal contempt.

Conviction carries a maximum fine of \$300 and maximum jail time of three days.

Faulks said the case could be called again in the future, but he couldn't say if or when that would happen.

"There is not really a limit on the time of when this has to happen," Faulks said. "There are other ways to get this done. It is just a cost and time to the court and an inconvenience to the individuals who did show up. Certainly it helps a lot to have jurors show up who are willing and able to act as jurors. It is very important to our justice system."

"Our justice system just doesn't work without jurors. We do try to avoid having jury trials because it is an inconvenience and it's something that creates a challenge for both the defense and the state."

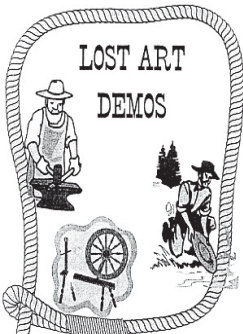
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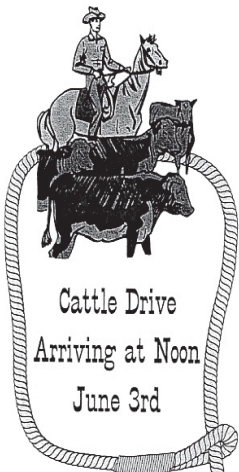


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## Info sought on missing backhoe bucket

Owyhee County Sheriff's Office is seeking information in the case of a stolen backhoe bucket from a residence on Market Road near Homedale earlier this month.

Chief Deputy Dick Freund said last week that a Case backhoe bucket was stolen from the residence at about 5 p.m. on May 4. He said a witness saw the theft, but didn't think much about it. The witness reported that another Case backhoe was used to transport the stolen bucket.

"Someone drove into the guy's place, wrapped a chain around the bucket, loaded it up in the bucket of the backhoe and drove north on Market Road with it," Freund said.

Freund said the only description deputies have of the suspect is that he is a shorter man in a blue coat.

"I think if we get the word out on this case, we will find someone else who saw him with it," Freund said.

Freund said a reward is being offered "at least" for the return of the bucket.

To report information, call the sheriff's office at (208) 495-1154.

## Weather

	H	L	Prec.
May 23	68	42	.06
May 24	77	44	
May 25	83	43	
May 26	79	44	
May 27	no read		
May 28	no read		
May 29	no read		
May 30	68	33	.08



Correction

Because of an editing error, election results in the May 24 Owyhee Avalanche were incomplete for the Republican primaries for the offices of state controller, state representative, seat A and state superintendent of public instruction.

Correct precinct numbers for the entire election appear below:

Precinct reports														
Contested races	N. Homedale	S. Homedale	N. Marsing	S. Marsing	Pleasant Valley	Wilson	Murphy	Oreana	Grand View	Bruneau	Riddle	Three Creek	Absentee	
U.S. Representative, 1st District														
R. Skipper Brandt (R)	7	18	14	3	27	19	12	6	6	10	0	0	3	
Keith Johnson (R)	27	29	25	28	2	26	29	16	26	21	4	3	10	
Bill Sali (R)	20	29	29	16	0	31	17	7	29	19	2	0	7	
Norm Semanko (R)	26	44	14	22	3	10	15	14	6	40	1	7	8	
Sheila Sorensen (R)	24	33	21	25	7	17	11	7	31	17	3	0	5	
Robert Vasquez (R)	93	96	48	66	8	69	44	14	37	31	1	2	20	
Larry Grant (D)	9	9	7	5	0	10	1	1	2	7	5	0	1	
Cecil Kelly III (D)	2	5	1	3	0	1	2	0	2	1	2	0	0	
Governor														
Dan Adamson (R)	34	25	20	22	3	23	12	1	20	21	0	1	4	
Walter Bayes (R)	8	11	14	2	5	13	4	1	7	6	0	0	0	
Jack Alan Johnson (R)	12	8	8	8	2	7	2	5	9	1	0	0	0	
C.L. ‘Butch’ Otter (R)	144	203	107	127	39	129	109	62	103	108	11	10	52	
Jerry M. Brady (D)	11	15	10	5	0	11	2	2	3	6	7	0	1	
Lee Chaney Sr. (D)	2	1	1	3	3	3	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	
Lt. Governor														
Larry LaRocco (D)	9	12	6	6	0	12	1	0	1	8	4	0	1	
Dan Romero (D)	5	7	6	2	0	2	2	0	3	2	5	0	0	
State Controller														
Royce Chigbrow (R)	51	83	40	39	13	56	44	21	46	43	3	2	13	
Donna Jones (R)	119	128	79	92	25	88	62	31	78	68	4	10	29	
State Rep., A														
Jim Conder (R)	52	81	41	38	12	39	22	15	47	38	3	3	9	
Jim Patrick (R)	94	104	73	78	30	102	86	37	71	70	6	6	33	
Attorney General														
Myron Dan Gabbert (R)	46	60	32	31	9	33	19	17	33	29	1	0	7	
Lawrence Wasden (R)	132	157	107	103	30	124	103	43	85	86	8	11	40	
State Superintendent, Public Instruction														
Steve Casey (R)	41	42	28	24	9	21	22	9	24	17	1	0	4	
Tom Luna (R)	74	104	55	75	8	86	49	25	42	53	6	10	23	
Steve Smylie (R)	74	82	59	55	31	58	47	23	67	53	4	2	20	
Jana Jones (D)	9	9	8	4	0	7	1	1	4	5	9	0	1	
Bert Marley (D)	3	5	4	5	0	7	2	0	0	5	0	0	0	
Owyhee offices														
Commissioner, No. 1														
Dick Reynolds-I (R)	36	49	23	26	19	36	29	15	48	82	7	5	16	
Richard Freund (R)	78	87	70	46	11	61	57	13	7	5	0	0	18	
Chris Collett (R)	29	45	18	23	3	27	13	19	64	24	0	3	7	
Nick Ihli (D)	53	76	42	61	18	48	36	22	20	26	4	4	12	
County Clerk														
Charlotte Sherburn-I (R)	106	126	75	86	45	104	88	28	74	86	9	9	28	
Sherry Olson (R)	67	106	64	54	6	57	43	32	56	39	2	2	21	
County Assessor														
Brett Endicott-I (R)	122	159	95	95	36	117	80	36	69	92	7	7	38	
Gene Winchester (R)	71	92	52	57	16	54	48	29	63	37	4	5	11	
County Treasurer														
Brenda Richards-I (R)	113	140	98	109	32	122	89	28	58	83	7	11	34	
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Land

citizens. The city had intended to give Holton a 25-year lease on the land (at \$100 per month) so he could relocate his Snake River Lumber business within the Homedale city limits.

According to Mayor Paul Fink, Dirk and Robyn Tolmie, owners of Tolmie’s Appliance and Hardware, developer Steve Thomas and businessman Ben Badiola submitted proposals before the noon Thursday deadline. City councilman Steve Schultz said Friday that Holton didn’t submit an additional proposal.

Council members said they would review the proposals and discuss the issue again at their June 14 meeting.

The city purchased the property adjacent to the airport from the Department of Lands in April. During a council meeting nearly two weeks later, the city council decided to lease the property to Holton.

But several business owners and members of the Homedale community did not agree with the lease, and some demanded the city put the property out for bids. Councilman Dave Downum then moved that the board take proposals for two weeks.

Badiola was among the local businessmen who offered to either lease or buy the property, and he outlined his intentions at Thursday’s meeting.

Badiola said he would offer the city \$200,000 “right now” to purchase the property if the city would allow it. He said as for his lease proposal, he and several other businesspersons had made a submission for a joint business park.

“I would like to lease it for \$800 a month for 25 years,” Badiola said. “Our intention would be to put in a car wash, which I talked to Paul about over a year ago. We have done some research to put in a coffee shop, breakfast shop, and we have been looking at some other things that I would rather not mention right now.”

Councilman Bill Page said whoever takes the bid would need to build within a limited time. Fink asked Badiola if he understood that the property did not have any access for traffic. Badiola said he and a co-partner would have adjoining properties and a road would not be a problem.

Fink also mentioned an

I would like to see everyone work together and create something down there. ’

— Paul Fink  
Homedale mayor

irrigation ditch would have to be diverted to improve access, too.

“We could get a grant and put in an industrial park or a business district down there as long as it creates jobs,” Fink said. “We want to divert the ditch to give some access to the property, and we are trying to get a grant for that.

“What I am trying to get across to you is your proposal is good. I would like to see everyone work together and create something down there.”

Thomas submitted a proposal for \$500 a month and said he had several options in mind for the property. Thomas did not get into details about his intentions.

Fink asked the city’s attorney, Kathy Edwards, to point out the legal issues of the property.

Edwards said that some people had thought Homedale had acted illegally in its actions with the property and that the city had illegally used money from the airport fund to purchase the site. She said the airport fund is not a dedicated fund; the money is from the general fund as well.

“By definition the airport fund itself cannot be a dedicated fund and used solely for airport purposes. Therefore, any land purchased with that money can be used as the city sees fit,” Edwards said. “It was also indicated that it was illegal for the city to propose leasing that property without putting it out for bid. That is also incorrect.

“Idaho Code provides that to lease property the city has full authority. (Homedale has) gone above and beyond what is legally required by accepting bids and by putting it up for bids. (The city has not) done anything illegal by what some of the community is saying and by what is implied by the local paper. That is simply wrong.”

Robyn Tolmie asked Edwards if she had read the Idaho Code pertaining to aeronautics and municipal corporations. Edwards replied that at one time or another

she has read the whole Idaho Code and, in her opinion, the city has done nothing illegal.

Dirk Tolmie told the council that he wanted to lease the property to expand his current business through Ace Hardware. He said Ace Hardware had offered to give him \$50,000 if he would expand his store to 10,000 square feet. He said the company also contributes to the community with additional donations such as baseball diamonds, a paint the town program and other things.

“We propose \$500 a month for 25 years,” Dirk said.

Dirk told the council that two attorneys have told him that what the city has done is fraud. He asked Edwards why she did not feel that was true.

“Lawyers will always differ in opinion,” Edwards said. “That is my opinion. The city has done nothing wrong.”

Perry Whittaker, Real Estate Bureau Chief for the Idaho Department of Lands, said Friday morning that the city purchased the property from the Idaho Military Division, and the Department of Lands processed the sale. He said the city had led the agencies to believe that the property would be used for airport expansion, not business leases.

Whittaker stated that he is not an attorney, but he did not believe that the code indicated anything that would require the city to use the property for a specific purpose.

“It is not a deed restriction, and there is not really anything that indicates (the city has) to use it for the specific purpose,” Whittaker said. “Basically the city qualified to buy the property because (it is) a tax-supported entity. Under Idaho Code, (the city qualified) as a tax-supported entity to acquire surplus properties. We worked through the process and got approval to transfer the property. There is no deed restriction.”

Whittaker did not comment if the determination to sell the property would have changed if the city had given a different intent of use. He said after reading Idaho Code, the city is within its rights to use the property as it sees fit.

“They qualified, they reached an agreement with the military and basically there is no specific deed restriction,” Whittaker said. “If there was a deed restriction in there then that could have been a factor.”

— CAB

Shooting

was not drug- or gang-related.

A county dispatcher said the female received powder burns to her upper arm, but was not hit by the bullet.

The dispatcher said Marsing Ambulance emergency medical technicians checked the woman,

but she was not transported to a hospital.

Reports state that as Villarreal drew a handgun from the small of his back, the gun fired. According to the report, Villarreal tried to fire the gun a second time, but it jammed.

Family members tackled Villarreal and took the gun from him.

He then fled the scene toward Canyon County in a gray Cadillac.

An attempt to locate was dispatched to surrounding law enforcement agencies, and Canyon County sheriff’s deputies located the vehicle a short time later. The Owyhee County dispatcher said a pursuit ensued from Canyon County into Ada County, where

Villarreal was arrested after he drove through road spikes on Greenhurst and Robinson roads.

According to the report, two Ada County sheriff’s sergeants shot Villarreal with Tasers when he would not comply with several orders to exit the vehicle.

Ada County sheriff’s deputies arrested Villarreal for felony eluding officers, resisting arrest and

possession of drug paraphernalia. Owyhee County is charging Villarreal with possession of a weapon by a convicted felon and battery with the use of a deadly weapon. Further charges could be pending.

The incident is still under investigation.

— CAB



# Obituary

## Gwendolyn Alice Grete Spurgeon

Gwendolyn Alice Grete Spurgeon, 106, of Caldwell, passed away Tuesday, May 23, 2006 in the assisted living home where she resided. Memorial services were held at 4:00 p.m. Thursday, May 25, 2006 at Caldwell United Methodist Church, Rev. John Mars officiated. Interment preceded the service at Canyon Hill Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Dakan Funeral Chapel, Caldwell.

Gwen was born February 23, 1900 in Silver City, Idaho to Fred and Charlotte Townsend Grete. Her family came to Idaho in 1863. She graduated from Caldwell High School and married Glen Hubert Spurgeon on December 30, 1919 and they made their home in Silver City where she worked at the Court House. When they moved to Caldwell, she worked in the Assessor's office in Canyon County. A daughter Patricia Jean was born on March 28, 1934. Mom bought a lot at 15th and Everett in Caldwell and was in the process of building a home when World War II started. The home got finished before rationing and the family moved in February 1942. In 1946 Mom went to work for the Golden Rule Store that became the Idaho Department Store Company and worked there until her retirement. She was a member of many clubs in Caldwell, including the Soroptimist Club and the Daughters of the American Revolution. She bowled for many years and when she was working,



bowled two leagues in one night. She and her sisters spent many days in their home in Silver City and took visitors through the old home. She also talked to the Boy Scouts that came to Silver City to camp. She loved to talk about Silver City to anyone who would listen.

Survivors include daughter Patricia Hinton, grandchildren Nancy McNemee (Ken) and Larry Hinton, great grandchildren Laura Catter, Abby, Charley, Hailey and Aryn Hinton. Her sisters, Edna, Alta and Nelle and her husband preceded her in death.

The family would like to thank Lavora Sutton for all of the loving care she has given Mom for many years. Donations can be made to the Caldwell United Methodist Church, 824 E Logan.



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# Owyhee schools serve summer meals

The Marsing and Bruneau-Grand View school districts are participating in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's summer feeding program this year.

The program is open to all children ages 1 to 18. Meals must be eaten on the respective school sites where the program is offered.

The Marsing program began Tuesday and will run through June 30. Breakfast will be served weekdays from 7:45 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., and a hot lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All meals will be served at the school district cafeteria.

Call (208) 896-4111, ext. 146 for more information.

The Bruneau-Grand View program runs June 12 through June 29. Meals will be served at Grand View Elementary School at 205 First Street. Meals will be available Monday through Thursday.

Breakfast will be served from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., and lunch will be served from noon to 12:45 p.m.

## Marsing school menu May 31 – June 7

*(Breakfast is served from 7:45 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., and lunch runs 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. daily. These services are free to any child from the ages of 1 to 18; they just need to show up and eat their meal on school grounds.)*

May 31: Breakfast burrito, fruit, milk, juice – Tacos w/fixings, rice, peaches, milk.

June 1: Cereal, yogurt, milk, juice – Idaho haystack, fruited jello, veggies, milk.

June 2: French toast sticks, scrambled eggs, milk, juice – Chicken patty/bun, salad bar, fruit crisp, milk.

June 5: Pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, milk, juice – Pizza, salad w/dressing, fruit, cookie, milk.

June 6: Biscuits & gravy, sliced ham, milk, juice – Hot dogs, baked beans, chips, fruit, milk.

June 7: Breakfast burrito, fruit, milk, juice – Burritos w/fixings, rice, veggies, pears, milk.

For more information about the Bruneau-Grand View program, call (208) 845-2492.

As reported earlier, Homedale School District will run its summer feeding program from June 12 to July 14 at Homedale Elementary

School, 420 W. Washington Ave. Breakfast will be served from 8 a.m. to 8:45 a.m., and lunch will run from 11 a.m. to noon.

For more information on the Homedale program, call (208) 337-4611.

# Calendar

## Today

Entry deadline for Lizard Butte Library Fun Run. \$25 registration for 5-kilometer and 10K run; \$15 registration for 1-mile walk. 5K and 10K entry increases to \$30 June 1. (208) 896-4690

## Thursday

Storytime for first- through third-graders, 4:15 p.m., Lizard Butte Public Library, Owyhee Plaza, 105 Main Street, Marsing. (208) 896-4690

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

## Saturday

Homedale Summer Block Party. (208) 337-4641  
Homedale USBC Youth

Bowling Association benefit car wash, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Les Schwab, Caldwell (across from Simplot Stadium). (208) 573-4371 or (208) 337-3785

## Tuesday

Weekly luncheon, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., \$5 for younger than 60 years old, \$3 for 60 and over. Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

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

## Wednesday

Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales summer reading program, 3:30 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave. (208) 337-4228



Mary Johnstone

## Party planned for Johnstone's 80th birthday

Friends and family will help mark Owyhee County native Mary Johnstone's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday with a surprise party in her honor from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at the Hampton Inn and Suites at 5750 E. Franklin Road in Nampa.

The Hampton Inn and Suites is located off the Interstate 84 Garrity Boulevard exit.

Johnstone was born in Squaw Creek Canyon outside of Marsing.

Johnstone's six children are hosts for the celebration. They include Johnna Shumate and Bobby and Kevin Thompson of Nampa, Kim and Bonnie Johnstone and Larry and Renee Johnstone of Boise, Jeanette and Steve Reynolds of Mountain Home and Patty and John Howard of Twin Falls.

Because of Mary's space restraints, the family is asking for no gifts. Bring old photos to share at the celebration.



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# JV graduate earns IAC scholarship

Jordan Valley High School graduate Shane Smith was recently awarded an Idaho Association of Counties (IAC) scholarship. Smith is a freshman at the University of Idaho.

Association president Lori Beck, the Butte County treasurer, made the announcement earlier this month. Smith, the son of David and Patty Smith of Pleasant Valley, was one of seven students to receive a \$1,000 scholarship

from the IAC fund. The seven students were finalists in a pool of 69 applicants.

Smith's father is employed by the Owyhee County Road and Bridge Department.

The IAC scholarship fund was created nine years ago to provide scholarships to children of county elected officials, county employees and grandchildren of county elected officials. County elected officials and employees

contribute to the fund through personal donations and other fund-raising efforts, such as auctions.

This is the eighth year scholarships have been awarded. With the extraordinary efforts of county elected officials, county employees and corporate sponsors, the IAC Scholarship Fund went from two scholarships awarded in the first year to seven this year.

# Lizard Butte Library seeking 'Friends' to serve on guidance committee

An organizational meeting to establish a Friends of the Lizard Butte Library group will be held at 6 p.m. Wednesday in Marsing.

The meeting, which is open to anyone who would like to help in fund-raising or educational

programs, will be held at the library at 429 Main Street, Suite 105 in Marsing.

For more information, call Dottie Christensen at (208) 455-2550 or Jana Streibel at (208) 869-4690.

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# Homedale graduate recognized for ag support

Do not mistake Jessica Hansen as the quiet one in her family. If she has something to say, you're going to hear it.

The recent Homedale High School graduate's outspoken nature has evolved into a passion to promote the virtues of the agricultural industry to young and old alike.

"I want people to understand about agriculture and to be excited about agriculture," said Hansen, who graduated from high school Saturday night. "And to know that I'm making a difference is good."

Hansen received validation for her work last week when she was named a Distinguished Finalist for the Prudential Spirit of Community Award. The 18-year-old Hansen received a bronze medal during a school awards assembly May 23. She is one of two Distinguished Finalists from Idaho.

"It's kind of a high-five to me," Hansen said. "I've done so much stuff throughout high school that it's kind of nice to be recognized."

She also received the President's Volunteer Service Award and a letter signed by President Bush.

"We're extremely proud of her," Hansen's mother, Kelley, said. "She works so hard in all areas, and she loves to talk to people about the beef industry."

Jessica Hansen, who lives on a farm in Wilder, recently ended her one-year reign as Beef Ambassador for the Idaho Cattlewomen Association and the Idaho Beef Council. As ambassador, she traveled throughout the state promoting the nutritional virtues of beef to children and adults.

Hansen's work as Beef



## Homedale grad earns medal

Jessica Hansen, who graduated from Homedale High School on Saturday, shows off the medal she received as a distinguished finalist for the Prudential Spirit of Community award.

Ambassador prepared her for the job of coordinating the Homedale FFA chapter's first Ag Expo earlier this month.

"Jessica's work in the past and her continued dedication will help not only our nation's citizens realize the importance of American agriculture, but also helps remind us as producers that we must become advocates for our industry as well," Homedale FFA advisor Lori Harrison wrote in an e-mail.

"Not everyone is as fortunate as us to reside in the Owyhees and see our food go from hoof or seed

to the table, and it is our job to inform the world that we produce a safe, affordable product."

Harrison said that Homedale and Owyhee County were fortunate to have Hansen as a "promoter and activist of one of the most prestigious industries in our county."

At the May 6 Ag Expo, Hansen taught schoolchildren from Homedale and Middleton about the benefits of the beef industry.

"I got to talk to kids in my community and see the smiles on the faces and help them learn

about agriculture," Hansen said.

Hansen's road from a farm kid to a person willing to grab the nearest soap box in the name of American agriculture began six years ago when she took exception to the work of an Idaho environmentalist extremist who wanted to end grazing rights. With help from her mother, Hansen wrote a letter to a local newspaper speaking out against the anti-grazing stance.

"When I was 12 years old, I found out I could make a difference," Hansen said. "From then on, it has been this big 'wow' about being able to speak out about something I care about."

No one is really sure where Hansen gets her outspoken tendencies. Kelley Hansen says she and her husband, Jeff, helped establish the Homedale FFA chapter, but essentially they're both quiet.

"We're both strong agriculture people, but she's taken the communication and public-speaking on her own," Kelley said.

Jessica Hansen plans to major in Communications at the University of Idaho, but will put an emphasis on Agriculture Education while in Moscow, too. She plans to be either an agricultural teacher or spokesperson for agriculture, but she wants her message to reach all ages.

"I really don't want to just focus on kids and high school kids," Hansen said of her target audience. "I want to hit little kids, second- and third-graders. I want hit adults, who are the consumers."

— JB

# Seniors earn praise from the president

Five Homedale High School students were honored with presidential recognition last week during the school's year-end awards assembly.

Seniors Matt Dillon, Michelle Uria, Patrick Vega, Jennifer George and Jessica Mooney were presented with the President's Award for Educational Excellence during a May 23 assembly.

Each received a certificate and a letter signed by President Bush. The program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education.

To be eligible, students must carry a grade-point average ranging between 3.5 and 4.0 or meet criteria set by Homedale High School as well as landing in the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile for math or reading standardized achievement test scores or receive a recommendation from a teacher and a school staff member.

Also at the assembly:

Senior Jessica Hansen received a medal as a distinguished finalist in the annual Prudential Spirit of Community volunteerism program. Jeremy Ensley and Tyler Christoffersen also were recognized for volunteer work in youth baseball and youth wrestling, respectively, according to Homedale counselor Kelly DeWitt.

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## Several benefits planned for Homedale woman injured in mobile home fire

Several benefit fund-raisers are being planned for a Homedale woman who was seriously injured in a mobile home fire earlier this month. The fire also took the life of her 6-year-old daughter.

Patti Smith is recovering at her mother's home in Canyon County, but friends and family in the Homedale area are coordinating events to help raise money for Smith's medical bills, and to help pay funeral costs for her daughter. Carolina Davis.

Donna and Wes Bernard had provided daycare for Carrolina since the little girl was about 3 years old. Donna said now she feels she needs to give something back to Smith to help in her time of need.

Donna has been selling scented candles and has donated the proceeds to Smith. She said the sale would end Friday.

Wes has been coordinating a June 24 poker fun run for cars and motorcycles. All types of

vehicles are invited to join in the run, but Wes said the main attraction will be motorcycles and hot rods.

The run will begin at the Homedale Fire Station at 9 a.m. and will travel to surrounding cities. Wes said The Matrix Band has been invited to perform. He said further information would be released later.

Homedale Elementary School students have been gathering money to donate to Patti, and last week the fourth-grade class deposited more than \$400 in a benefit account set up for Smith at the Homedale branch of US Bank. Cheyenne Steinmentz and Katie Deal initiated a coin drive during the final week of school and collected the money.

A bowling benefit will be held at The Owyhee Lanes on June 11 with two sessions of bowling. All the proceeds from the event will be donated to Smith. Two sessions will be held with a

maximum of 48 bowlers per session. The first session will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the second will be held from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person, and all proceeds will be donated to Smith.

A spaghetti dinner will be held at the Eagles Club at 118 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. North in Nampa at 7 p.m. Friday. A silent auction and a live auction also will be held.

The cost of the dinner is by donation. All proceeds will go to Smith. For more information, call Vanessa Wilkerson at (208) 350-3327 or Donna at (208) 337-6180.

— CAB



## Coin drive pays off for good cause

*Homedale Elementary School fourth-graders Cheyenne Steinmetz and Katie Deal get ready to make a deposit of more than \$400 into a US Bank account set up to benefit Patti Smith, the victim of a recent house fire in Homedale. The girls initiated a coin drive at their school during the final week of school, collected, rolled and labeled the coins and delivered the money to the Homedale branch of the bank. Photo by Gregg Garrett*



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# HMS aide honored by school district

## Carri Lauson latest to receive monthly award

Carri Lauson, an educational aide at the Homedale Middle School, has not only shown superior excellence in her daily duties, but district officials feel she also has gone above and beyond her normal duties. That extra effort has earned her an award of excellence.

School district officials honored Lauson during a recent board meeting with a plaque and said because of her caring for children she is considered an excellent staff member.

Lauson has been working as an educational aide at the middle school for the past three school years. She has been a full-time aide for the past two years.

Her daily duties have included monitoring the playground before school and at lunch, monitoring the lunchroom, reading to students, testing students, filling in when a substitute is needed, answering phones in the office, helping teachers set up students in the PLATO program, and generally helping students and teachers wherever she is needed.

"Her Spanish language skills and work as an EMT (emergency medical technician) have been very helpful on many occasions," Homedale school superintendent Tim Rosandick said.

"Mrs. Lauson has accomplished all of the aforementioned tasks with the utmost of professionalism, but it is her involvement in extracurricular



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## HMS staffer cited for hard work

*Homedale Middle School educational aide Carri Lauson, left, accepts the Homedale School District's latest award of excellence from Homedale School Board chairman Kurt Shanley. Submitted photo*

activities that sets her apart."

Rosandick said Lauson makes herself available to help out in many different types of activities, including supervising basketball and volleyball games, chaperoning dances, playing the piano for the choir, and helping during after-school programs.

"Most recently she has stayed after school for several Fridays until 8 p.m. helping at our Project Alert gym nights," Rosandick said.

"She has volunteered to sit on our school improvement team this year, as well as other similar teams in past years. She has been willing to be a part of a district policy review committee.

"Mrs. Lauson cares for kids. She cares about their physical well-being as well as their social

and emotional well-being," Rosandick said.

"As a lunchroom/playground monitor, she is in position to watch kids exhibit destructive behaviors and is not afraid to confront students when necessary. She speaks to kids in a consistently caring, professional manner and does not raise emotions in the situation, though many students would like to."

Rosandick said Lauson is respected by the students and appreciated by the staff of the middle school.

"She is a teacher of character not only through her words but also through her daily life," Rosandick said.

"Carri Lauson is a staff member that truly deserves our Award of Excellence."

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Every October the Idaho State Tax Commission compiles ratio studies of sales within the county in comparison to the assessment values. If the gap in the ratio is below 90% of market, adjustments to the assessed values must be made to bring the ratio in to compliance.

Increases in assessed values will be showing on the Owyhee County Assessment notices that will be mailed out by June 5, 2006. It is imperative that you look at these assessed values and if there are any questions the Assessor's office must be contacted by June 23, 2006. The assessed value is the amount used for taxation rate-county, fire, school, cemetery, library, road districts, etc. Any tax increase caused by an increase in assessed value will be reflected on the 2006 tax billing mailed out in November 2006.

Owyhee County Assessor, Brett Endicott  
Owyhee County Treasurer, Brenda Richards

## Library fun run deadline nears

Today is the final day to register for the inaugural June 10 Lizard Butte Library Fun Run in Marsing.

A \$5 late fee will be tacked on to any registration form for the 5- and 10-kilometer events received after today. The entry fee for the 10K and 5K is \$25 until today.

The fun run, which will raise money for the library's building fund, consists of a 10K run, a 5K run and a 1-mile walk for children and families.

The registration fee for the walk is \$15, and children 4 years old and younger get to walk free.

The fun run and walk will coincide with the second day of the Marsing Old Fashioned Festival, which begins June 9.

For more information on the fun run, call the library at (208) 896-4690 or e-mail lizardbuttelibrary@yahoo.com.

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## Your finances

# Fix the car before junking it for a new one with a big loan

Dear Dave,

I just finished paying off my car, a 2000 sedan at \$250 a month, and now I'm having problems with it. A computer chip shorted out last week, and now I'm having transmission problems. My friends have looked the car over and tell me it's falling apart. They say I should buy another one. Should I just fix the one I have instead?

— Kathy

Dear Kathy,

First, instead of just friends I'd have a real mechanic take a look at this vehicle. Your friends probably aren't trained mechanics and are encouraging you to do something silly like THEY might do — running out to buy a new car just because the radio knob falls off in the old one.

This car has still got several good years left in it. If your options are go into debt or fix this car repeatedly — fix it repeatedly! You just freed up a big chunk of cash when you finally finished paying for the car. If you allocate even half that amount each month toward maintenance and upkeep, that's \$1,500 a year and more than enough to keep a good car up and running.

Fix the car, Kathy. Don't go back into debt!

— Dave

Dear Dave,

When you're married, does it matter who keeps the checkbook and pays the bills? I've heard some people say those things are the man's job, and I was wondering what you think.

— Daniel

Dear Daniel,

It doesn't matter one bit. Whoever is good at it and is the most organized of the two should handle those duties.

In each family, there's a nerd and a free spirit. The nerd is the one that's organized and very good at keeping everything in place. The free spirit is not a detail-oriented person. This doesn't mean they're not concerned or that they're irresponsible, but they just aren't as administratively gifted and they don't get a rush when the checkbook balances out.

Now, that doesn't mean that whoever keeps the checkbook



should make all the financial decisions, either. Those decisions, like all others in a marriage, should be made together with input from both the husband and the wife. When you do a budget, you should both sit down together and come to an agreement on where the money's going each month.

If you do this, Daniel, you'll not only have better communication in the marriage, you'll also experience increased unity in your daily lives.

— Dave

Dear Dave,

I started an Internet business a while back, and we're doing really well. We've always tithed 10 percent to the church, but I was wondering if there are any guidelines for giving to the church and other places above and beyond the 10 percent.

— David

Dear David,

If I were you, I'd set up a budget based on the base salary you receive from the company. Then, take everything else that you make above that and divide it up to where you can do some extra tithing, extra giving to other good causes, extra investing and extra spending.

If your company is doing that well, then you've been working really hard to make it a success. Reward yourself with a little extra blow money and have some fun. But make sure you budget this extra income just like you would your regular salary. If you don't, it'll be easy to get selfish and spend it all on personal lifestyle items.

— 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](http://davesays.org). Have a question for Dave? Send correspondence to [syndication@daveramsey.com](mailto:syndication@daveramsey.com) or write Dave Says, 1749 Mallory Lane, Brentwood, TN 37027



## South Mountain 4-H tackles another year

Members of the South Mountain Livestock 4-H club include, front row, left to right: Jordan Jones, Nathan Elsner and Ben Telleria. Back row, left to right: Tad Jones, Bryce Kershner, Tyler Elsner and Bailey Kershner. Club member Breann Hipwell is not pictured. Submitted photo

## South Mountain Livestock 4-H news

by Bryce Kershner

In April, the South Mountain Livestock 4-H club held its first meeting of the new year. We have eight member this year. We would like to welcome Ben Telleria to our club.

The eight members are taking care of a variety of animals — two steers, one swine and five sheep.

The following club officers were elected at the meeting: Breann Hipwell, president; Tad Jones, vice president; Bailey Kershner and helper Jordan Jones, secretary/treasurer; and Bryce Kershner, reporter.

Our next meeting came in May. We discussed community projects and decided on yard work for the new Heritage Museum in Jordan Valley and picking up trash along the South Mountain Road. We

received our record book portfolio packets and made plans to sell programs at the Jordan Valley Rodeo, which we've done for a

number of years now.

We are off to a good start, and are looking forward to a fun summer together as a club.

## Thank you



to all those who supported me in the race for Owyhee County Commissioner.

To those who worked so hard behind the scene making calls, putting up signs, making posters, ads and flyers, talking to their friends and sharing our ideas for the future of Owyhee County and those who took the time to vote.

I could not have won the Republican nomination without your efforts and support.

I would also like to thank my wife who put up with a lot from me over the last few months and didn't kill me in my sleep.

Dick Freund

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# Outpost Days in Murphy

## Cattle drive spectacle spurs featured artist

Jersey boy falls in love with longhorn show, recreates event on canvas

Joe Dienes was so impressed with last year's longhorn cattle drive during Outpost Days in Murphy that he wanted to put the scene on canvas.

Saturday, his rendition of the drive, entitled "Cattle Drive," will be available to the public as the special edition print.

Outpost Days festivities begin at 10 a.m. both Saturday and Sunday in the Owyhee County seat.

Dienes said from his "part-time" Homedale home last week that as a child he had seen the cattle drives on television and in the movies, but never thought he would be able to see it firsthand. Last year, Dienes was in the audience as about 80 head of longhorn cattle were herded down the streets of Murphy to a pen near the Owyhee County Historical Museum.

"I was born in New Jersey and moved to Pennsylvania, but have only lived in Homedale for a short time," Dienes said. "We live here part-time, sometimes in Florida. We travel a lot."

Dienes said his wife, Janet, spent more of her life living in Homedale and has children that still live in the area. He said that because of the kids, he got involved with the Owyhee County Historical Society.

"They (his children) sent me a copy of (The Owyhee Avalanche) actually," Joe Dienes said. "They wanted me to see what was going on in the area, and to this day I still have my paper sent to me no matter where I am."

Dienes said he read an article about a historical society tour that piqued his interest. He said after that, he wanted to know what the organization was all about.

"I heard so much about the kids going up to Murphy when they were young," Dienes said.

"They would tell me that I would like it there. They went to Silver City and told me about the city. They said that I needed to see these places. It is amazing to go down there, close your eyes and try to visualize that (for example) a guy got shot here, or that guy broke out of jail there. I got into it because of the paper. Now I know more about this area than some of the kids who grew up here."

Dienes said he had been to the sites of Silver City, Dewey, Ruby City and Murphy many times, but felt he needed someplace else to go to research the history of the area. He said someone, he could not recall who, told him he needed to visit the county museum.

"I go down every year now to Outpost Days," Joe said.

"I have been going about five or six years. The cattle drive last year was so amazing. You read about it. You see it in the movies. But to actually see it is pretty amazing."

Dienes said the experience stuck in his mind so much that he decided to put the scene on print. But to do that, Dienes had to have some help.

"He is color blind," Dienes' wife, Janet, said. "When I first met him, he showed me a picture he had done of a sail fish scene, and the fish were purple. I couldn't figure out why they were purple, then he told me he was color blind."

Joe says Janet is his eyes when it comes to color. She tells him what colors he needs, and he goes from there.

"She and the kids are my cheering squad," Joe said. "Janet is my critic. I read the tubes after she tells me the colors. If I need a strange color, I just ask Janet."

Joe contacted museum officials and asked if they would like a copy of the painting after he



### Easterner glimpses Old West as Outpost art

Joe Dienes is a part-time Homedale resident. In fact, he was born in New Jersey and has lived in Owyhee County for only a short time. Still, he is faithful attendee of Murphy Outpost Days, and he has turned his fascination with the annual cattle drive into the featured art for this year's event, which runs this weekend.

'The cattle drive last year was so amazing. You read about it. You see it in the movies. But to actually see it is pretty amazing.'



— Joe Dienes  
Outpost Days featured artist

Some historians say the longhorn breed came to the county in about 1868 when Con Shea brought about 1,000 head to the area from Texas with the help of his brothers, Jerry and Tim.

Longhorns were the dominant breed in the county until about 1888 when a severe winter storm that lasted several months starved or froze to death most of the cattle. Durhams then replaced longhorns.

After the Outpost Days drive last year, the herd was split. Most of the animals were sent back to the loading pens on the edge of Murphy where they arrived. About 15 head were held in the corral where the youngsters demonstrated sorting, handling cattle in a bunch and other skills they worked on in the winter.

— CAB

finished it. He said they asked him to be the feature artist for this year's celebration.

"I was thrilled," Joe said. "I wanted to give something back to them, and this is my way of doing that. I am really pleased that they would allow me to do this."

Joe will be available during the two-day event to sign his prints. He said he would not miss "it for

the world."

The cattle were provided last year by John Martin of Oreana and were driven by the young members of the Idaho Youth Horse Council Working Ranch Horse Project. Twenty youths and 16 adults were involved. All participated in at least four monthly clinics before the drive last year.

## ✓ Outpost

demonstrate sorting, handling cattle in a bunch and other skills they have been working on.

Saturday and Sunday events will include:

- Artist print signing with Joe Dienes from noon to 4 p.m. at the gift shop
- Authors table from noon to 2 p.m. at the museum entrance
- Colonel Dewey at 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the Depot Stage
- Cowboy poetry at noon and 1 p.m. at the Depot Stage
- Dog and sheep demonstration at 12:30 on the lawn
- Pioneer farmer at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. at the equipment yard

- School Marm at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the schoolhouse

- Senior friends at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. at the Depot Stage on Saturday and at 2:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. on Sunday.

- Birds of Prey, boot-maker, black-powder, blacksmith, caning, Dutch oven cooking, fiber arts, goat packers and gold panning will be held at various locations throughout the entire day.

- The Hit and Miss engines, horsehair braiding, knapper, mule packer and Outpost Saloon also will hold demonstrations on the grounds.

Yesteryear piano, vintage cars, a treasure hunt, stagecoach demonstrations, spinning, silver-smithing, and a saddle maker will entertain in the various locations.

The pie shop, pioneer kitchen and pioneer woman in the kitchen also will be open in the new kitchen, near the caboose and in the old museum, respectively, throughout the day.

Pony rides will be given north of the depot, and quilters and the saddle makers will work in the schoolhouse and at the old museum.

Evening events will include music from Bona Fide at 7 p.m. Saturday only with Doug Jenkins on the fiddle at the Depot Stage.

Champion fiddler Cristin Newhall originally was scheduled to appear with Bona Fide, but organizers have announced she is unable to attend the event.

Kelly and Friends on the Depot Stage at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday and at 11 a.m. on Sunday.

A good old-fashioned chuck wagon barbecue will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday at McKeeth Hall, and musical group Kountry Cookin' will give a live performance for the evening dance at 8:30 p.m. at McKeeth Hall.

Sunday, the annual auction will be held at 2:30 p.m. at McKeeth Hall, and Blue Dove will perform at the Depot Stage at 10 a.m.

The Heatherwood Singers will perform at 1 p.m. at the Depot Stage on Sunday only.

The "World Championship Horny Toad Race" will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday after the auction.

Proceeds from the auction, quilt raffle, gift shot and pie shop benefit the Owyhee County Historical Society.

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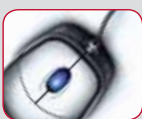
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Final stats for  
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# Avalanche Sports

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2006

## Sprintboat season kicks off Saturday

It's time to get wet and wild again at the Marsing International Sprint Track.

The 2006 United States Sprint Boat Association season gets under way Saturday with the first

of three races at MIST.

Marsing also will play host to racing on July 8 and July 29.

The gates open at 9 a.m. Saturday with qualifying beginning at 10 a.m. at the permanent multi-turn

layout off Idaho highway 55 near the Marsing bridge over the Snake River.

Tickets are \$15, with children 12 and younger being admitted free. Pit passes cost \$5. Tickets

are available through ictickets.com or at the gate the day of the races. Concessions will be sold in the confines of the racetrack. No coolers will be allowed.

According to USSBARacing.com, sprintboaters will display their machines at a show and shine from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday at Victor's Hogs & Horns restaurant

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### Antelopes thrower wins two medals

Adrian High School's Stephenie Hutchings brought home a shot put medal from the 1A Oregon track and field championships at Western Oregon University held recently in Monmouth, Ore. The junior finished eighth in the shot and also medaled in the discus for the second straight season. Photo by Angie Sillonis

## JV athletes grab gold at Oregon state track meet

### Adrian athletes win medals in Monmouth, too

Two different Jordan Valley High School track and field athletes earned gold medals at the 1A Oregon state meet in Monmouth, Ore., recently.

Senior Lauren Cuvelier closed her high school career by dominating the field in the girls shot put. Mustangs junior Angela Larsen walked away with the state championship in the discus.

The meet was held on the campus of Western Oregon University on May 20. The top eight athletes in each event earned medals.

Cuvelier ripped off a put of 38

feet, 5 inches to win the shot event by nearly three feet over Faedra Rasmussen of Harper. It was the third consecutive top-four finish in the event at State for Cuvelier, who finished second last year and fourth in 2004.

Larsen was sixth in the shot put at 34-2.

Jordan Valley coach Jacque Naegle, who leads the team with Melinda Cuvelier, said Lauren Cuvelier rebounded with a vengeance after a 10<sup>th</sup>-place finish in the discus throw earlier in the day.

"She was a little disappointed in her performance that morning, and I think that it just made her more determined (about) how she

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### Mustangs corral two state titles

Jordan Valley High School athletes Lauren Cuvelier, left, and Angela Larsen were all smiles after their success at the 1A Oregon track and field championships. The senior Cuvelier won the state title in shot put, while junior Larsen reached the summit with a gold medal in the discus. Submitted photo



# Sports



**HMS honors trio of athletes**  
*Homedale Middle School eighth-graders, from left to right, Kortney Stansell, Alexander Mereness and Dylan Kushlan, show off the plaques and certificates they received as the school's athletes of the year.*

## HMS recognizes its best athletes on field, in class

Homedale Middle School has crowned its eighth-grade male and female athletes of the year.

Kortney Stansell was the finalist among six girls eligible for the female athlete of the year award. She helped the HMS volleyball team to a District III championship and qualified for the district track and field championships in four events. She also played basketball for the Trojans.

The male athlete of the year award was shared by Alexander Mereness and Dylan Kushlan. The boys were among seven athletes eligible for the award. Mereness and Kushlan were four-sport athletes at HMS, and both won district wrestling championships. Mereness and Kushlan also reached the district track meet in four events each and played basketball and football.

The 13 eighth-graders considered for the athlete of the year award were rated by their coaches on a scale of 1 to 5 with 5 being the highest mark in areas such as coachability, citizenship, dedication, leadership among peers, sportsmanship and total athletic involvement.

HMS also honored its scholar-athletes with certificates at the Friday banquet. The criteria for scholar-athlete are a grade-point average of 3.0 or higher for three quarters and participation in three sports.

The scholar-athletes included:

Eighth grade — Jessica Eubanks, Eddie Garcia, Dylan Kushlan, Megan Quintana, Kortney Stansell, Jake Tolmie, Ashlynne Uria, Carmen Zatica

Seventh grade — Sydney Cornwall, Jessica Craft, Brook Fry, Trevor Gibson, Caitlyn Johnson, Jeff Kesler, Tanner Lair, Colin Lootens, Sarah Maggard, Nate Perry, Kiley Potter, Jonathan Stacey, Kirsi Thatcher, Taylor Thomas, Sagan Wade, Jessica Westergard, Aiesha Zenor.

"It is an honor to have such stellar student athletes involved in our middle school activities," Homedale Middle School activities director Lucia Asumendi-Mereness said.

"These kids have made many sacrifices — more than many of us will know — to maintain their academic achievement and participate in an extra-curricular activity. It is a privilege for me to honor them and encourage them to continue to work hard to excel in and out of the classroom."

## ✓ Sprintboats

at 3110 E. Cleveland Blvd., in Caldwell.

Several of the top drivers and race teams in the USSBA from the 2005 season call MIST their home track, including rookie of the year Chris Sandoval, an Ontario, Ore., resident who finished third in the Stock class standings a year ago.

The 2005 Stock class championship team of Steve and Brenda Rice is part of the Thunder

Bowl Racing promotions team at MIST. Steve drives No. 13 Superstition, and Brenda serves as his navigator through the twisting turns of the course.

Other USSBA races scheduled this year include June 17 and Aug. 12 in Richland, Wash., and Aug. 26 in Woodland, Wash.

The USSBA Nationals, which were held in Marsing last year, will be staged Sept. 9 in Richland this season.



**Adrian athletes earn all-district accolades**  
*Adrian High School softball players Kat Sillonis, left, and Paige Branstiter were among six Antelopes to be named to the Special District 8 all-star team recently. Sillonis, a junior catcher, was an honorable mention selection, while Branstiter, a sophomore pitcher, made her way onto the first team. Teammate Ryann Bowns, a junior second baseman, joined Branstiter on the first team. Adrian's season ended with a 6-1 loss to host Regis in Wednesday's first round of the 2A Oregon state tournament. Photos by Angie Sillonis*

## Antelopes drop State opener

The Adrian High School softball team's season ended in the first round of the 1A/2A Oregon state tournament last week.

But the Antelopes also got word that their hard work paid off with multiple appointments to the district all-star squad.

Sophomore pitcher Paige Branstiter, who struck out 159 batters during the 16-game 2A Wapiti League campaign, joined junior second baseman Ryann Bowns on the Special District 8 all-star first team.

Branstiter, a 6-foot right-hander, took the loss Wednesday in a 6-1 setback to host Regis in the first round of the state tournament.

Regis pitcher Justine Kendall surrendered a run in the first inning and then silenced the Antelopes with a two-hitter that featured seven strikeouts and no walks on a rainy day.

Junior catcher Kat Sillonis, an honorable mention selection for all-district, tripled for Adrian, which ended its season at 18-9 after a 10-6 league slate.

Adrian Senior Andrea Garner and sophomore Oralia Dominguez were placed on the all-district second team.

Garner was selected as an outfielder, and Dominguez earned her spot as a utility player.

Three players from coach Jay Gomeza's squad landed on the honorable mention list, including junior shortstop Amanda Simpson, freshman third baseman Terra Rust and Sillonis. Sillonis caught every inning of Adrian's 27 games this season.

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# Sports

## Sports tracker

A look at Owyhee County athletes competing beyond high school

Homedale High School graduate **Kelsi Haylett** has been a busy athlete while winding down her junior season at Oregon Tech. The Hustlin’ Owls’ only three-sport athlete, Haylett competed for both the softball and track and field teams this spring.

The junior ran in the women’s 100 meters preliminaries at the NAIA track and field national meet Friday in Fresno, Calif. Haylett failed to qualify for the final, clocking a 10th-best time of 12.22 seconds. The top nine runners reached the championship race. Haylett’s road to the nationals included a second-place finish in the 100 at the Cascade Collegiate Conference championships. She was also second in the 100 hurdles and fourth in the 200 at the conference meet.

On the softball diamond, Haylett earned All-NAIA Region I honors. She was never nabbed while stealing 23 bases and she hit .339. Last week, the Dental Hygiene major was named a Daktronic-NAIA Softball Scholar-Athlete. The 5-foot-2 outfielder started 33 games, scored 38 runs and led OIT (37-6) with four triples.

Melba graduate **Kerri Russell**, a right-handed pitcher, has wrapped up her college career with the Albertson College of Idaho softball team. The senior was 9-12 with a 4.33 earned-run average in 2006. She started 21 games and notched 47 strikeouts.

**Adam Duryee**, a graduate of Homedale High School, was given the Outstanding Wrestler Award for the 2005-06 season by Portland State coach Marlin Grahn. Duryee, one of the winningest wrestlers in Homedale history, wrestled at 149 pounds for the Vikings. He finished second in the Best of the West tournament in Central Point, Ore., in November and racked up a team-high 13 victories in his senior season. He also was named to the All-Pacific 10 Conference academic second team with a 3.21 grade-point average with a major of Business Administration.

Marsing’s **Becky Guyette**, a Melba graduate, finished 17th in the women’s 5,000-meter run for Boise State University at the NCAA Western Regional track and field championships Friday in Provo, Utah. She finished her junior season with a time of 18 minutes, 37.50 seconds.

**Trisha Hernandez**, an Adrian graduate, closed out her softball career at Treasure Valley Community College with a strong sophomore season. According to Chukars coach Shane Quesnell, Hernandez played several positions — outfield, second base, third base and catcher — and improved on her hitting and power numbers. She batted .293 with five doubles and 23 RBIs. Hernandez crushed seven home runs this season after having none as a freshman, and her on-base percentage was .421.

## Husky pitcher makes All-WIC

Senior right-handed pitcher Nicole Gelinas was the lone Marsing High School representative on the All-2A Western Idaho Conference softball first team released last week.

Gelinas was 7-15 for the Huskies, who were eliminated from the conference tournament in two games.

She started all 22 games for Marsing this season, striking out 71 in 118 innings pitcher during the regular season. Statistics from the conference tournament haven’t been provided.

Gelinas hit .303 with five doubles and 18 runs scored during the regular season for the Huskies.

Three Huskies landed on the all-conference second team, including Jessica Elsberry, Angela Martinez and Keshia Stafford.

Only Martinez is a senior in that group.

Elsberry emerged as the Huskies’ leading hitter, racking up a .448 average with two doubles and triple and 10 RBIs.

An outfielder, Stafford rebounded from a scary arm inju-



Nicole Gelinas

ry early in the season to hit .392 with 13 RBIs and four doubles for Marsing.

Martinez played shortstop and hit .261 with 20 runs scored and four doubles.

Senior Mollee Nielsen was named to the honorable mention squad. The second baseman scored 16 runs and collected a double and a triple out of the leadoff spot and provided steady defense.

Melba’s Don Jamison was named conference coach of the year.

Melba first-teamers included pitcher Cara Duckworth, Kayla Tiegs and Dusty Krivanec.



### Adrian’s McPeak places in one of two events

*Sarah McPeak, a junior for the Antelopes, repeated her sophomore effort at the 1A Oregon track and field state championships by earning a fifth-place medal in the 100-meter hurdles. McPeak finished ninth in the 300 hurdles at Western Oregon University in Monmouth. Photo by Angie Sillonis*

## √ Track

wanted to compete in the shot put that afternoon,” Naegle said.

Larsen’s championship performance in the discus covered 119-2, beating 2005 champion Jamie Lewellyn of Crow by more than three feet. Larsen finished fourth in the event a year ago. This year, Larsen went wire-to-wire, grabbing the competition lead on her first throw and never looking back, according to Naegle.

“Angela had a personal best at district this year, and it gave her the confidence that she needed to really show what she can do at State,” Naegle said.

Despite suiting up only two athletes for the May 20 meet, Jordan Valley’s girls team finished 11<sup>th</sup> in the team race with 23 points.

A newcomer to Jordan Valley, but no stranger to the state meet, senior James Stacy collected a second-place showing in the boys shot put with a school-record throw of 50-4¼. It was his third straight top-

four finish after placing third in 2005 and fourth as a sophomore in 2004 for Huntington.

Stacy battled with Dufur’s Kacey McCullough throughout the competition. The pair traded the top mark throughout the day with both reaching personal-best marks on each of their three throws. McCullough won the state title with a heave of 51-9½.

“It was a very close competition and very exciting to watch,” Naegle said.

“I am very proud of James. He pushed himself each throw and did a terrific job.”



James Stacy

Four Adrian athletes medal

Adrian junior Stephenie Hutchings grabbed fifth in the discus (109-2) one year after finishing third in the event. Hutchings also

medaled in the shot put with an eighth-place throw of 32-1¾.

Adrian junior Sarah McPeak failed to improve on her 2005 showing in the hurdles events, but did come home with another medal. She was fifth — again — in the 100 hurdles in a time of 17.59 seconds, and slipped to ninth place in the 300 hurdles with a time of 50.50. She finished third in the 300 hurdles in the 2005 championships.

Senior Logan Branstiter reached the medal stand in the boys triple jump for the Antelopes. He reached 40-9½ for fourth place.

Another Adrian senior, Brett Buchholz, closed his prep career with a 12<sup>th</sup>-place finish in the 100 meters. He was clocked at 12.25.

“I feel we had a very successful season and competed well at the state level,” Adrian first-year coach Aimee Goss said. “The competition is always at a higher level, and it’s great to have athletes make it to the medal stand.”



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# Sports

## Bruneau cowgirl among competitors at CNFR

### MSU’s Marissa Black earns spot in goat tying

At least one Owyhee County athlete will be competing in the College National Finals Rodeo next month in Casper, Wyo.

Bruneau’s Marissa Black is listed on the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association’s Web site as a qualifier for the CNFR in goat

tying.

The CNFR will be held June 11-17 at the Casper Events Center.

Black, who competed for the Big Sky Region team champion Montana State University, was ranked eighth in goat tying in the region. She was the third-place all-around cowgirl in the Big Sky and was rated seventh in barrel racing.

Wade Black of Homedale, who also competes for Montana State, was ranked fourth in the Big Sky

saddle bronc standings after the May 6-7 rodeo at the University of Montana. He was 11<sup>th</sup> in team roping as a heeler and 12<sup>th</sup> in the all-around.

In the Northwest Region, Jordan Valley’s Shane Smith is the highest-ranked competitor from Owyhee County. The University of Idaho freshman was ranked fifth in the region in team roping as a heeler.

Marsing’s Scott Roeser, who competes for Treasure Valley

Community College in Ontario, Ore., appears in four different rankings in the Northwest Region. He’s sixth in steer wrestling, seventh in team roping (header) and 15<sup>th</sup> in tie-down roping. His performance this season landed him ninth in the all-around standings.

Another Marsing cowboy, Jason Miller from the University of Idaho, was rated eighth in steer wrestling and 10<sup>th</sup> in team roping (header) to occupy 13<sup>th</sup> in the

all-around.

Two other Vandals with Marsing ties — Kirby Cook and Andrew Endicott — also show up in the regional rankings.

Endicott is 10<sup>th</sup>-best in tie-down roping. Cook is 11<sup>th</sup> in team roping as a heeler and holds down the 14<sup>th</sup> position in tie-down roping.

Homedale graduate Gloria King has a spot in the top 12 for three events: 11<sup>th</sup> in breakaway roping and goat tying and 12<sup>th</sup> in barrel racing.

## Trojans teams set to present training

### Boys, girls soccer teams to hold free youth camp; time running out to sign up for volleyball workouts

The Homedale High School soccer program will sponsor another youth soccer camp this year.

Trojans boys coach David Correa and girls coach Lesa Folwell will conduct the camp from June 12 to June 15 at Homedale Elementary School.

The workouts are open to boys and girls ages 5-10. There is a suggested donation of \$5, and other donations will be accepted. The camp hours will be 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

For more information on the camp, call Correa at (208) 250-1839.



As was the case a year ago, Homedale High School soccer players will assist with the camp.

“We had such a great time last year that we decided to do it again this year,” Correa said. “Last year, we had close to 100 participants from Homedale. We hope we can increase the attendance this year.”

All participants must bring a water bottle and are encouraged to bring shin guards and a soccer ball labeled with their names. The ball and shin guards aren’t necessary to participate, though, according to Correa.

Campers will have the opportunity to work and develop basic soccer skills by taking part in fun-filled games, drills and activities, the coach said.

“As a coach, it is a priceless sight seeing your team working together, sharing their knowledge and love for the game with all these young players,” Correa said.

“We are fortunate to have on

our teams players with such great spirit for service — not everybody gives up a week of their summer to help the younger kids in their community. That is admirable.”

### WOU volleyball camp

Thursday is the final day to register and avoid a late fee for the July 11-13 Western Oregon University Volleyball Camp at Homedale High School.

After Thursday, a \$10 late fee will be assessed.

The camp will be conducted by WOU coach Joe Houck.

A team camp will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day. The camp is open to no more than six teams of at least 10 players each. Returning varsity and junior varsity players are eligible to attend, and registration is \$75 per player through Thursday.

An All-Skills Session will be held from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. each day July 11-13 at the high school. This camp is open to all ages and all skill levels and will include instruction in beginning and advanced techniques. Cost for the 9-hour camp is \$60 per athlete, again, through Thursday.

A package deal combining both the team camp and the skills camp is available for \$100 per athlete through Thursday.

The camp is being hosted by Trojans coaches Maleta Henry (varsity), Jamie Freelove (JV) and Toni Brinegar (freshman).

Houck, who has won five college titles in either the NCAA or NAIA and four high school state championship in the Portland area, will bring regional college coaches and former All-American players for instruction.

For more information on the camp, call Henry at (208) 337-4613 or (208) 250-3996 or e-mail her at mhenry@homedaleschools.org.

## Homedale youth bowlers make splash at YABA state tournament

About 20 youth bowlers from Owyhee Lanes have helped put the Homedale USBC Youth Bowling Association on the map recently in the Idaho State Tournament in Lewiston.

Now, organizers of the United States Bowling Congress-affiliated group want to put those young bowlers on the road.

The youth bowling association and the Homedale men’s bowling association will hold a benefit auction from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 17 to raise money for a travel fund for the youth bowlers.

Donations are being sought for the auction, which will take place in the banquet room of the Owyhee Restaurant at 18 W. First St. in Homedale as well as in the alley behind the business.

Kelly Burns, whose parents have owned the bowling center since 2001, is spearheading the auction effort. She said a fund will be established to help youth bowlers with travel expenses during their season, which typically runs from September through April.

over the course of a youth bowler’s career. There’s the potential for quite a large chunk of college money at the end of the road.

And it’s fun to watch the youngest bowlers, Burns said.

“These 4- and 5-year-olds are darn good bowlers. They’re so cute to watch,” she said. “No one sits on the bench. Everybody participates.”

Other Homedale association youth bowlers competed for scholarships during the Young American Bowling Alliance (YABA) state tournament at Orchard Lanes in Pocatello. Competitors at the state tournament included Cassity, Adley and Anthony Cassity, and Homedale’s Greg Kushlan. The team finished third in handicap division 3.

Other Homedale residents who competed in the Idaho State YABA Tournament in Pocatello included Coy Gardner, Eugene Folger, Carissa Gardner, Monica Gonzalez, Kristen Perkins, Stephanie Gomez, Jonnie Burns, Alec Egurolla, Donald Burns, Alan Kennedy and Thomas Burns.

for Wes Cassity’s trip to Florida. The first car wash will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 pm. Saturday at the Les Schwab tire store across from Simplot Stadium in Caldwell. The second car wash runs 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 10 at the Les Schwab store on U.S. Highway 95 in Homedale.

For more information on the auction, including donating items for bid or donating to the association’s travel fund, call Burns at (208) 573-4371 or (208) 337-3785. More information on the car washes or donating to Cassity’s travel fund can be obtained by calling Burns or Lorne and Kathleen Cassity at (208) 455-1090.

— JB

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# Marsing, Homedale high school scholarship winners

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Faith Brasher — Julie Badiola scholarship, Paul’s Market scholarship and Homedale High School Rodeo Club scholarship  
Kyle Carson — Homedale Lion’s Club  
Andrew Davey — University of Idaho Leadership scholarship and Idaho Promise scholarship  
Samuel Ensley — College of Southern Idaho Presidential scholarship and Idaho Promise scholarship  
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Ian Lootens — Idaho Promise scholarship, Idaho Academic scholarship, University of Idaho Achievement scholarship and Silver City Masonic Lodge scholarship.  
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Bryan Tolmie scholarship, Idaho Wrestling Hall of Fames scholarship, Arizona State Dean’s scholarship, University of Idaho Leadership scholarship, University of Utah Academic Tuition scholarship, University of Utah Heritage Commons scholarship, Idaho Promise scholarship, Albertson College of Idaho Presidential scholarship, Albertson College of Idaho Walt and AK Lienhart Minnick scholarship, Albertson College of Idaho Ambassador Council scholarship and Gonzaga University Funded scholarships, four years  
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Garrett Sweet — West Valley Medical Center Auxilliary scholarship, Idaho Promise scholarship, Idaho State University Matching scholarship and Dr. George and Lenora Wolff scholarship.  
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and Health Occupations scholarship.  
Andre VanDerhoff — Idaho Promise scholarship, Idaho State University matching scholarship and James and Trixie Miller scholarship.  
Shaunna Vaughan — James and Trixie Miller scholarship  
Magdalena Vega — Idaho Promise scholarship, Idaho State University matching scholarship and Lewis-Clark State College College Assistance Migrant Program scholarship.  
Patrick Vega — Idaho Promise scholarship, Idaho Academic scholarship, University of Idaho Achievement scholarship, George Murray scholarship and Frank Haylett Memorial scholarship.

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# Auction nets nearly \$40,000 for R-CALF USA

The third annual R-CALF USA calf auction and dinner held recently at Treasure Valley Livestock Auction in Caldwell generated more than \$38,500 for Ranchers-Cattlemen Action Legal Fund United Stockgrowers of America (R-CALF USA) and Oregon Livestock Producer Association.  
“The event draws ranchers from Idaho and Oregon, and although, the crowd was smaller than usual, producers dug deep in their pockets to support the organization that is supporting them,” said Bill Davison, co-owner of Treasure Valley Livestock.  
LU Ranch, located in Jordan Valley, donated the rollover calf for the auction, which generated \$10,060. Other livestock donated by Lequerica Brothers, Jordan Valley, Richard Eiguren, Jordan Valley, Branch Keyhole Ranch, Midvale, Jerry Miller, Crane, Ore., Grenke Brothers, Jordan Valley, and Fred J Eiguren, Jordan Valley, added \$4,785 to the contributions, bringing the total from livestock donations to \$14,630. Treasure Valley Livestock added one-half of its commission for all cattle sold that day, including cattle in its regular sale.  
“We can see that R-CALF is working to keep markets open and competitive, and that will benefit everyone in the business,” said Ron Davison, co-owner of the yard.  
R-CALF USA co-founder and former president Leo McDonnell

spoke to the crowd after dinner. McDonnell recapped the events that brought R-CALF USA into existence, starting in 1998 with the filing of one of the largest trade cases in history against Canada and Mexico. He said it became clear then that the U.S. cattle producer had lost their voice within the industry and that was the beginning of R-CALF USA.  
“Leo said that organizations cannot become ‘Golden Cow Groups’ that are placed before family, spiritual beliefs, your business, community and country,” said Bill Lowry, of Jordan Valley.  
“We’ll always remember and appreciate hearing that from a leader of R-CALF, and that is one more way R-CALF is working for the best interests of the U.S. cattle producer.”  
McDonnell went on to point out one of the great fallacies in the industry today: The U.S. cattle industry is under-producing for the U.S. market by 3 billion pounds, the equivalent of 3.9 million cattle.  
Even though imported live cattle (numbering 1.8 million in 2005) are counted as U.S. production, in 2005 the U.S. produced only 24.9 billion pounds of beef while domestic consumption was 27.9 billion pounds. The wide gap between domestic production and domestic consumption suggests domestic cattle supplies are short and cattle prices should be exceptionally

strong.  
However, in addition to imported cattle already being added to our domestic production, packers are also importing near-record volumes of cheaper foreign cattle and beef and selling them at a premium in the U.S. market. This is detrimental to the U.S. producer because it effectively displaces and replaces domestic production. It is the combination of cheaper imported cattle and cheaper imported beef leveraged with their growing numbers of captive supply cattle that give the packers control over the price of domestic cattle.  
“After listening to Leo, there is no doubt that we have a lot to thank R-CALF for,” said Elaine Smith, of Prairie City, Ore. “R-CALF put together the largest lobby group in history to pass Country-of-Origin Labeling (COOL) so that we could have our beef identified to the consumer in the marketplace, and Congress hasn’t honored the law to date. Producers countrywide need to unite to pressure Congress to get the law implemented.”  
“All producers here today are very appreciative of the fact that Treasure Valley Livestock holds these fund-raisers, not only for the benefit of R-CALF, but for the U.S. cattle industry,” said Margene Eiguren, organizer of the event.  
“R-CALF is the only cattle organization that has a plan in place for U.S. producers to regain

their fair share of the domestic market. Other cattle organizations oppose R-CALF’s plan calling for mandatory Country-of-Origin Labeling, enforcement of the Packers and Stockyards Act to prevent packer manipulation of markets and keeping our import health and safety standards high to protect the U.S. herd. That’s why producers show up to support R-CALF,” Eiguren said.  
Immediately after McDonnell’s speech, a live auction began, featuring Western items such as chaps, western prints and decor, mecates, quilts, jewelry, and a bridle. To make things exciting, Steve Russell of Harper, Ore., donated a horse, and grandparents engaged in lively competition over chaps made to fit children from 6 months to 6 years. It was a fine example of how healthy competition can affect markets.  
Contributors included: LU Ranch-Bill and Nita Lowry/Tim and Rosemary Lowry; Mike and Elaine Smith, Emmett Valley Livestock; VM Diamond Ranch; Gazelle Land & Timber; Bell A Grazing Coop; Old West Credit Union; Joyce Capital; Richard and Margene Eiguren; Intermountain Community Bank; Davison Ranches; George and Donna Bennett;  
Gene and Dean Strange; Jimmy and Sarah Thomas; John Deponte; Weeks Trucking; Oregon Trail Livestock Supply; Treasure Valley Livestock; Idaho Saler

Association; Skook Gorrell; John and Sherry Anderson; Lequerica Brothers; Branch Keyhole Ranch; Jerry and Linda Miller; Grenke Brothers; Fred J and Kristie Eiguren; Steve Russell; Dave Hack Chaps; Tim Thibert Design; Beck’s Spray Service;  
Easterday Transportation; Sale Trucking; Energy Feeds; Shannon’s Tire; PM Welding; Grizzly Sports; Schlofman Tractor; Farm & City Animal Supply; Canyon Honda; Echanis Distributing; Matteson’s and Owyhee Auto; Ernest McNeil; Paul’s Market; Pipeco; Pruett’s Tire;  
Three Rivers Insurance; Nampa Livestock Auction; Tim and Michelle Freeman; A TO Z Ranch; Andre Ranches; Cliff and Bertha Gardner; Frank and Cindy Bachman; Gillette Livestock; Gordon and Rose King; Mike and Linda Bentz; Isabel Eiguren; Greenough Cattle Co.; D&B-Ontario, Ore.; Janice Thurman; R.C. Bean Saddlery; Banner Bank; Andrea Burch; Betty Collins; Sabino de la Concepcion and Bennie Goitiandia; Rick and Diana Camara.

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# Looking back...

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

## 50 years ago

May 31, 1956

**National Guard ready for camp**

Homedale’s Army National Guard unit will be in the first group to move into Gowen Field at Boise for 15 days of summer maneuvers, Maj. Gen. John E. Walsh, Idaho Adjutant General, said today.

Walsh pointed out that members of the 615<sup>th</sup> transportation company would join more than 3,000 guardsmen for intensified training during the first week of June. Training will get under way June 2.

A greater emphasis will be placed on recruit training this year because of the large increase in the strength of the Idaho Army National Guard, the general said. The Guard has gained more than 1,000 men since last summer.

“The new trainees will be instructed in basic fundamentals designed to make each a better guardsman and to aid him in better performing his duties as a member of a guard unit,” Walsh said.

**Petrified wood found in gravel pit on ION Highway**

Considerable petrified wood has been found by men operating a gravel crusher on the ION highway according to C. L. Varian, district engineer for the Idaho department of highways.

Sixteen men are employed by Quinn Brother and Robbins, contractor, at the crusher located at the place known as state stockpile No. 132. The crusher is working two 9 hour shifts producing 3/8 in. covercoat material which will be used later for sealing sections of the ION highway.

The contractor has to reject considerable sand in this crushing process so the state has provided in the contract that the sand be stockpiled for future sanding of icy highways.

About 15 men are employed by Contractor A. D. Stanley on a similar crusher operation between Wilder and Huston at stockpile No. 135. Two 8 hour shifts are operating, producing 3/8 in. covercoat material for sealing and stockpiling sand as a by-product to be used for sanding highways during the winter.

**Homedale tops Wilder 12-9 in practice tilt Friday; to play Nampa June 1**

The Homedale Hotshots won a 12-9 practice game from Wilder’s entry in the Border league Friday night as acting manager John Shanley and a squad of nine players appeared for action.

The team consisted of Ralph Dine, catcher; Ralph Lineberger, pitcher; Donnie Kushlan, 1b; David Kushlan, 2b; Johnny Krzesnik, ss; Clyde Hill, 3b; Carl Hays, lf; Robin Hays, cf, and Billy Phillips, rf.

Despite the high score, the team looked good for a young ball club, Shanley said. Ralph Lineberger had a 12-1 lead for five innings. Krzesnik finished the game on the mound.

Both Homedale and Wilder will play Nampa in a doubleheader Friday night.

**Homedale locals**

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stutheit and Mr. and Mrs. Mac McGuire left last week to visit relatives at Portland, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Cahill entertained with a pinochle party Saturday night at their home. Two tables of cards were played. Joe Buck won low and Robert Fisher high.

Steven Cahill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Cahill, left last week with Mrs. Jack Frye for Portchicago, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Carson and son Tommy, Jordan Valley, Ore., visited the O. T. Carson home Friday.

Kelly Carson, daughter of Jim Carson, attended the birthday party for Brenda Carson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Carson on her 5<sup>th</sup> birthday Saturday.

Sharon Tidwell, Grand View, Wash., arrived Saturday and returned with her mother, Mrs. Geraldine Tidwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Matteson visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Red Stone in Caldwell Sunday.

## 140 years ago

May 26, 1866

“OWYHEE” AGAIN. Some months ago we gave an account of what was supposed to be the origin of the name “Owyhee” — that it was given to the River by some Kanuakas in the employ of the Hudson’s Bay Company, etc., etc. But subsequently, J. M. Kirkpatrick, Esq., who had prospected the Upper Owyhee country in 1864, gave us a different version of the matter; said he had been informed by some Indians up there that the word meant “walled river” in the Indian language: or rather, that the northeast or main fork was named “Owyhee,” and the southwest, Umm-wyhee (“valley river”) which names convey accurate ideas of the natural characteristics of the objects of which they were applied. In the matter of names — a matter of more importance than is generally supposed — the Aborigines exhibit a sort of sense worthy of imitation by the whites everywhere. Had the post office at this place been called Owyhee and a few less cities gotten up on Jordan Creek and named similarly to post office towns elsewhere they would be no confusion of letters heard of. The simple name Owyhee is address sufficient to hiring a letter from anywhere on this coast — and many other points. Notwithstanding “Kirk’s” version appeared to knock our account into “pi” we wouldn’t give up just yet, so we dropped a note to the editor of the Pacific Commercial Advertiser, (Mr. Henry M. Whitney) at Honolulu requesting his opinion of the subject. If the following extract from his answer does not settle the matter, it will at least throw it back on the Kanuakas and Indians and then, for all we care, may the devil get the whole of them:

I have always supposed that the name of your settlement was derived from the fact that several Sandwich Islanders, in the employ of the H. B. Co., located on the river of the name and for the want of some more appropriate name, it was called after them, or more likely called so by them; and when foreigners came in and settled, they continued the nomenclature, giving it the English mode of spelling. Owhyhee or Owyhee (for they are both alike or synonymous) is the native name of the largest island in this group, as given by Capt. Jas. Cook, and subsequently retained by English authorities. The native Government and laws do not recognize that orthography and spell it Hawaii — the sound of the two words being almost the same; but Capt. Cook spelled it evidently according to some private rules of orthography which he had laid down. You asked the meaning of the word. Hawaii in our vernacular is a verb meaning to generate steam, as by pouring water on to hot stoves. It evidently refers to the volcanic origin of the Island and the constant appearance of steam or vapor from the craters. The second I in the word now used is probably added for emphasis.

After all the pros and cons are brought forward I think you will find that the river Owyhee derived its name from the Kanuakas who were employed as boatmen or messengers on it, and that they named it so, or Hawaii in honor of their native country.

We will incline to the after opinion until something else turns up to the country more convincing than yet developed. The distinct feature of the river is its volcanic surrounding — sufficiently so as to remind a Kanuaka or any other man of the crater walls of Hawaii alone. Aside from that the coincidence arising in the naming of the respective places by the English is suggestive of the truth of our version. The word Owyhee consists of a combination of sounds unlike any word found in the language of any tribe of American Indians — as far as we can learn. Walled River is very applicable to the Owyhee but the Snakes or Bannocks must have some other vocal twitch to render it Indian than the one supposed by our friend “Kirk” or else the mingling of tongues is past finding out. So we leave it.

COUNTY ROADS. The more of these the better for the county. Bloom and others have petitioned the Board of County Commissioners to declare the road from Silver to the “Rogers River Sawmill” a public highway. This should be done and the road improved. Wood, timber, lumber and

quartz to a great extent must come over the road, and it is much better to have it declared public and public labor and funds keep it in good repair. Should this not be done before the next Session of the Legislature, we reasonably expect some enterprising individual, in conjunction with one or more shrewd Solons, to secure a franchise to “construct and maintain a toll-road” over it. Nothing more certain in the future.

ROADS in every direction are being put in repair and new pieces made. The road on the west side of Jordan between Ruby and Silver is being widened, ditched and is being made excellent. On the east side, the N.Y. & O. Co. have as smooth and well graded road as can be made by anybody or anywhere. The bridge across Long Gulch in Silver only needs the plank to have it finished. The streets of both burgs are being renovated, but considerable room remains for more improvements in this particular.

INTERESTING – the letter of E. B. Crocker to J. L. Browne, to be found in this issue; not because of its wells of news, but because the author is the Attorney of the Central Pacific R. R. Co., and greenhorns would suppose he possesses views equal in scope at least to a vendor of peanuts. For a man in his position to write such a narrow contracted epistle is small business. A more thorough vein of zealously and selfishness probably never emanated from the pen of a toll road man, to say nothing of a man engaged in constructing a Continental railway, which depends upon the interior settlements for success as well as upon the country at large. He wished the road to secure the trade of Idaho, yet ignores and denies its richness and justices metropolitan sheets in keeping the truth from the people. The Union, Bulletin and Alla profess to give correct news from all parts of the world – and Idaho is believed to be a part thereof. This great man prefers their course – even would have them ignore the existence of good mines in Nevada which pour \$400,000 weekly into California. He’s afraid of the Chico and Red Bluff wagon roads – isn’t willing to see them prosper. This wonderful man is enabled to see one narrow strip of country from Sacramento via their road, Truckee River and probably Humboldt. He speaks of the California mines as surpassing those of Idaho now and forever. He talks of building the road into a county which he would fain have Californians avoid; of its value, he wants them kept in ignorance. He is no doubt one of the men who would rejoice at the destruction of San Francisco by an earthquake, if Sacramento didn’t go off with a flood at the same time. No sane man denies or attempts to conceal California’s richness and attractiveness but is freely acknowledged by all everywhere. It is as well established as that of any state in the Union. We presume, however, that the hardy prospectors, miners and agriculturalists of that state know it full as well as E. B. Crocker. If his comparative statements are correct, all the “glowing accounts” he wishes suppressed might be safely published, for he must know that laboring men will not leave a place “that out strips all your Owyhee and Idaho mines.” This well informed (?) Crocker speaks of the Idaho mines with such positive knowing that contradiction seems useless. For a man who never set foot in Idaho, he’s remarkably well posted on her mines. We respectfully suggest that he deliver a series of lectures on the poverty of Idaho mines; or, if he can’t lecture, that he write a book. The Sacramento Union might employ him as a traveling correspondent for Idaho and let him travel from Crocker’s office to the Union office. He’s probably gifted with such powerful abilities that he can write just as truly of anything without as with seeing it. However, reader, peruse his letter, and if you don’t believe him to be a man of broad views and great wisdom, you and us a-g-r-ee. That’s all.

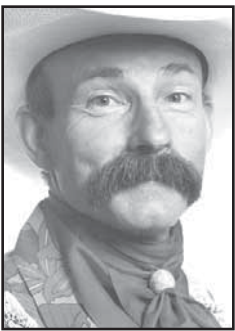
NEWS. Col. Webb of the Silver City Book store keeps the latest eastern and California papers: magazines and scientific publication. He has for sale, the Congressional Globe, of this Session, compete to date.



# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

## On the edge of common sense



### New Orleans

*Laissez Faire — Live and let live, let the good times roll. Levees, let’s roll, run for your life, life ain’t fair: Basin Street Blues, jambalaya, Mississippi mud, ya know what it means to cry, New Orleans. Katrina took back the swamp.*

I went to see if I could help. I found out I was one of many, many thousands to come. Unless you were in the Tsunami, lived through Vesuvius or stowed away on Noah’s Ark, it is hard to picture the loss.

Room after room, house after house, block after block, mile after mile, parish after parish, abandoned homes. Vast shopping centers with colorful signs; KFC, Payless Shoes, Home Depot, Wal-Mart, Walgreens, bright against a pretty blue sky; but no cars in the parking lot, no shoppers, no noise. It is an eerie sci-fi movie where the people have all disappeared.

Square miles of residential areas with not a single livable home. FEMA trailers, 7x30, white, one door, hooked up to electricity, parked in driveways or yards; homeowners trying to re-stake their claim, “Everybody’s broke and fighting with insurance.” But the huge majority of houses stand alone, full of each families’ destroyed memories. Houses whose owners requested that they be mucked out are fronted by a mountain of digested regurgitated contents 6 feet high, filling the yard to the curb.

Imagine a flood of muddy water filling your house to the ceiling in 30 minutes; then draining out over a matter of weeks. Six months later, someone like me on a mucking-gutting crew goes in, and with dollies and shovels and crowbars and gloves removes your disabled couch, TV, linen closet, pots and pans from under the sink, bathroom toiletries, scrapbooks, chest of drawers, closed doors, hardwood floors, rugs, nativity scenes, Monopoly set, dishes, pictures off the wall, door and window trim, baseboard, children’s books and attic treasures. The drywall and paneling is bashed in and removed. The house finally stands naked to the studs. It is ready for inspection and it’s verdict: rebuild or destroy.

It is no small emotional undertaking to muck out a house. The work is so arduous and foul, even with protective clothing and mask, one must concentrate. This allows the wielder of the sledgehammer to push back the tangle of heart and mind conflicts that beset you. Then you reach under a bed and pull out a soggy doll. I worked with a faith-based group. Our leaders emphasized that precious items should be treated with sensitivity. It was not uncommon to see a framed, water-stained photograph or an embroidered wall hanging proclaiming “God Bless Our Home,” set aside from the pile.

The overall program is so immense, so unimaginable, just fixing the levees won’t solve everybody’s problem. Estimates approaching 100,000 homes and businesses have been damaged by wind and water. When I was there, the group I was with (HilltopRescue.org) had mucked out 1,800 homes in four months, one at a time.

Infrastructure is still functioning spottily. Commerce is Third World, hope has not shown itself on the horizon. The locals all asked one thing, “Please tell everyone what it is like. Don’t forget us.”

Wayne Cornell

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

### The Indian Crick Gang, part two



*Continued from last week*

One reason Jerry was the leader of the Indian Crick Gang was he had tree house. It was the gathering place and the jump-off point for many of our activities. The structure was a classic example of what an imaginative adolescent could accomplish in the days before kids became hypnotized by television and video games.

The tree house was suspended about 10 feet above the ground, between the branches of a black locust tree. It was built from lumber odds and ends Jerry scrounged around town. The project left several isolated sheds and barns with gaps in their exterior sheathing.

Entry to the tree house was through a trapdoor in the floor. There was enough room inside for a half-dozen small- to medium-sized adolescents — as long as they didn’t mind scrunching up a bit.

The tree house provided protection from the elements and from human enemies (older teens). The interior was small enough that a couple of candles kept the place relatively warm even when the outside temperature dropped to near freezing. There were viewing ports in the walls that could be closed to prevent the entry of rocks thrown by the aforementioned older boys. If one of the occupants sat on the trapdoor in the floor, it was virtually impossible for anyone to push it open from below. Another trapdoor in the ceiling led to a lookout post on the roof. Jerry limited access to the tree house (the trapdoor could be padlocked when he wasn’t around). And he was pretty choosy about who he let in. But sometimes he made exceptions.

When the members of our group entered the seventh grade, we became eligible to participate in the annual rally the night before the high school homecoming football game. The event included a snake dance through the middle of town led by the cheerleaders, followed by a bonfire.

The best thing about the celebration was that it brought a lot of seventh-grade girls to town after dark — girls who normally were home under the watchful eyes of their parents at that time of night.

To most seventh-grade boys, girls were a real mystery. Something had happened to a lot of the female members of our class during the previous summer vacation. When school started again, they were different. We sensed that it no longer was appropriate to greet girls by punching them on their shoulders.

When the homecoming bonfire died down, a small group of boys and girls, cut through the vacant lot between the football field and the street where Jerry lived. The girls said they wanted to see the famous tree house. Unfortunately, there was one more boys than girls. I ended up on the roof on lookout, while my buddies experimented with “making out” in the room below.

Jerry’s tree house became a community landmark of sorts. But some adults saw it as an eyesore, not to mention a hangout for undesirables. Concerned citizens started demanding that it be dismantled.

The tree house controversy was resolved one evening when the siren on the fire station started wailing. The volunteers rushed to the station, jumped on the truck and headed for the reported address of the fire. When they arrived, they found Jerry’s famous tree house engulfed in flames. Curiously, nobody tried very hard to put out the fire.

That was the end of the tree house. Some citizens claimed it just showed what could happen when irresponsible kids were allowed to play with matches. We always were suspicious that Jerry’s tree house was the victim of adult vigilante justice.

— *More on Jerry and the Indian Crick Gang next week*

## From Washington Big picture is key in salmon debate

*by Sen. Larry Craig*

Where are the salmon? What is happening? Until late April, when spring Chinook began to arrive at Bonneville Dam, many people throughout the Northwest — environmentalists, biologists, sportsmen, tribal members and even newspapermen — were asking this question. But within the last weeks, spring Chinook have begun the journey to the spawning grounds of the Columbia River.

On the first of May, 2,602 spring Chinook passed through Bonneville Dam. While lower than past years, the numbers increased more than 12,000 in just five days. A delayed migration also happened last year. By Aug. 31, more than 209,000 spring and summer Chinook salmon were counted at Bonneville Dam, close to the 10-year average. However, just 75,485 made it to Bonneville Dam by May 2005. Sometimes we forget that salmon don’t run on our schedule. They run on their own, so shifts in the migration shouldn’t be surprising from time to time. Back in 1952, the peak of the spring run did not occur until May 27.

The lack of answers about the late run underscores what I believe is the most important aspect of the salmon recovery debate in the Pacific Northwest — the ocean. We don’t know why spring Chinook are returning so late because we know virtually nothing about what they have

been doing for the past five years out there.

I’ve been criticized recently by some for what they perceive as a lack of support for, or an opposition to, science in the salmon debate. Nothing can be further from the truth. The critics ignore the fact that I have repeatedly spoken about the need for research to address the salmon’s time in the ocean, this “black box,” about which we know the least.

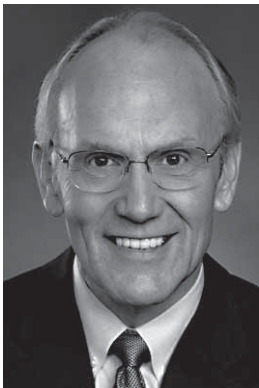
By comparison, we know a lot about salmon in the Snake and Columbia rivers.

According to the Army Corps of Engineers, adult fish ladders have been very successful in allowing fish to swim past the dams, even though sea lions eat more and more each year. In fact, adult salmon survival on a per-project basis is about 98 percent of listed salmon and

steelhead that return through the dams.

Furthermore, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Fisheries data indicates that in-river spring and summer Chinook survival has improved, so that it is now comparable to the 1960s — when there were only four dams on the lower Columbia and Snake rivers. Currently, 95 to 99 percent of juvenile salmon survive through the bypass and spill at many dams, and turbine passage has survival rates of 85 to 95 percent. Some say that dams must be removed to allow as many

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Sen. Larry Craig



Commentary

From Washington More to D.C. than just monuments

by Sen. Mike Crapo

When visiting Washington, D.C., the White House, Washington Monument, Capitol, and the Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials tend to be the main attractions to tourists. After spending considerable time here over the past 14 years, I’ve learned about an entirely different Washington, one that includes these important monuments and memorials to our celebrated political and military history, but one that also caters to specific interests of many different people.

The world’s most-visited museum, the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum, recently opened an auxiliary arm next to Dulles Airport — a mammoth hangar housing a space shuttle, SR-71 Blackbird, Concorde, and the Enola Gay, to name a few. Visitors can drive or take a shuttle from the Air and Space Museum on the National Mall.

For military history buffs, once you’ve seen the four war memorials on the Mall, it’s just a short Metro (subway) ride across the Potomac River to Arlington National Cemetery where you can watch the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. If you have a particular interest in the Civil War, important battlefields are less than two hours away: Bull Run/Manassas, Antietam, Gettysburg and Fredericksburg.

From cherry blossoms in late March to brilliant fall foliage, gardens and parks boast a beautiful variety of flowers, shrubs and trees. The U.S. Botanic Garden sits one block west of the Capitol. Near the Washington Cathedral and National Zoo, you will find Hillwood, home-turned-museum of the sole heiress to the C.W. Post fortune. The zoo is picturesque, and kids will enjoy the newest addition to the Giant Panda family, Tai Shan, along with other animals. There’s a fee to park, but admission is free. It is easily accessible from the Metro.

History and horticulture meet in the plantation homes of two former Presidents, George Washington and Thomas Jefferson. Mount Vernon, George Washington’s home, is 15 miles south of downtown Washington, and Monticello, home of Thomas Jefferson, is located south near Charlottesville, Va. Both have magnificent houses and grounds and bear the marks of these great men and their extraordinary lives.

Washington has many galleries, most notably the National Gallery of Art on the National Mall. Admission is free. The gallery houses more than 6,000 objects, many from the late middle ages to the present, from Europe and the United States. The National Museum of Women in the Arts is the only museum in the world dedicated solely to recognizing contributions of women to the arts. The National Building Museum explores construction, engineering, architecture, design and urban planning. These are just a few of the many galleries in Washington.

For those interested in the performing arts, the Kennedy Center and the National Theatre host regular repertoires of live theatre, dance and music.

Washington is home to five major professional sports teams, including the NFL’s Redskins, baseball’s Nationals, the NBA’s Wizards, the NHL’s Capitals, and Major League Soccer’s D.C. United. Depending on the time of year, you may be able to catch a game.

As many say when they arrive in my Washington D.C. office breathless after a day of hiking around the Mall, there is too much to see in one or even a few days! My office offers tours of the Capitol Building and, with six months’ notice, my office can submit requests for White House tours. A note on closures: the Smithsonian National Museum of American History will be closing for a two-year renovation after Labor Day 2006, and the National Portrait Gallery is currently closed for a multi-year renovation.

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

William Pendley Perry

Summary Judgment American Indian denied civil rights



On June 13, 1999, Thomas Lee Morris, aged 16, was driving his family’s vehicle, with his parent’s permission, near their home in Ronan, Montana, on the Flathead Reservation, when he was stopped by a Ronan City Police Department officer, allegedly for speeding. The officer asked if he were a tribal member; Morris informed him that he was a member of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe of Leech Lake Reservation like his father.

Although Morris, his father, and mother, who is a non-Indian, have lived in Ronan for many years where his father runs an upholstery business and his mother works at several jobs, including caring for five children and four minor grandchildren, all of whom are tribal Indians, none of them are members of the tribes of the Flathead Reservation.

In fact, though all members of Morris’s family except his mother are American Indians, they do not qualify as members in the Salish or Kootenai Tribes because they have no Salish or Kootenai ancestors. Thus, they may not participate in the political life of the reservation tribes: they may not vote in elections, hold office, serve on juries, or help determine the laws, rules, or regulations that apply to them.

Nonetheless, Morris was ordered to appear in the Flathead Reservation Tribal Court to answer a charge of violating Tribal Code by speeding. Although non-Indians are not sent to Tribal Court but to Montana State courts where the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and the Fourteenth Amendment apply, Morris does not have that right.

Therefore, at Tribal Court, Morris, with the aid of pro bono legal counsel, moved to dismiss for lack of jurisdiction and requested a jury trial, which was denied. Thereupon, Morris filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus in the U.S. District Court for the District of Montana; that too, was dismissed.

Remarkably, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit reversed the Montana district court’s ruling and ordered that court to address the serious constitutional

issues raised by Morris, that is, his claim that the adoption by Congress of the Indian Civil Rights Act, which makes all American Indians, regardless of tribal membership, subject to any tribal jurisdiction, violates the Constitution’s equal protection and due process guarantees.

Back in Montana, the federal district court asked the United States, which had filed a friend of the court brief earlier, to join the lawsuit now as a party, which it did; however, the United States argued, not in favor of the civil rights of Morris, but in favor of the jurisdiction over him by the Flathead Tribal Court. Then, the State of Montana jumped into the case with a friend of the court brief in favor of the Flathead Tribal Court.

Morris’s attorney claimed that Congress had violated *Adarand Constructors, Inc. v. Peña*, a landmark 1995 ruling in which the Supreme Court held that the Constitution’s equal protection guarantee applied to Congress. The federal district, however, ruled that *Adarand* did not apply to American Indians because theirs was a political designation, not one based on race. In so ruling, the district court relied on a 1974 decision by the Supreme Court that legal experts believe was overruled by *Adarand*. Plus, as Morris could attest, tribal membership, unlike membership in other political entities, is based on blood quantum. The district court did have a solution for Morris; he could escape Flathead Tribal Court jurisdiction by giving up membership in his father’s tribe. Instead, Morris appealed to the Ninth Circuit.

After the Ninth Circuit ruled against him, Morris, earlier this year, asked the U.S. Supreme Court to hear his case to decide whether its *Adarand* ruling and its bar against unconstitutional acts by Congress applies to American Indians. Morris hopes the Supreme Court cares about such matters. It is obvious that no one else does — not Congress, not the U.S. Department of Justice, and not the State of Montana.

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

√ Craig

juvenile salmon as possible to reach the ocean, but these data suggest that is unnecessary.

Another thing we know about life in the river is that birds such as Caspian terns and cormorants are a major cause of mortality in fish. Before management agencies implemented plans to reduce the impact of these birds, they were responsible for consuming 15 million salmonids in 1999 alone. In 2005, that number was reduced to 3.6 million. Other predators, including the northern pikeminnow, consume thousands more. Some agencies actually pay people to catch these predators and thus reduce salmon losses.

We have made great strides in learning more about salmon and doing more to help them when they are in the rivers. We must continue to do that. But we need to better understand the big picture of the lifecycle of salmon. I’m not alone in saying so.

Leading marine biologists at several Northwest universities argue the region must understand ocean survival so we can understand which freshwater changes help. Then we can focus our money and efforts on areas

that will yield the greatest recovery. This information can also help the region develop management actions to improve salmon survival.

One project addressing this lack of science is called Pacific Ocean Shelf Tracing (POST), which helps to measure marine and in-river salmon survival. According to noted researcher David Welch, this project installs a network of acoustic receivers off the Pacific Northwest coast and at the mouth of the Columbia River Estuary to track fish implanted with transmitters. Current tracking mechanisms stop at Bonneville Dam and don’t track through the estuary or the ocean. Since we now know that the greatest impact to salmon lies in the ocean, the key is to examine the entire lifecycle, not just their trip through the hydrosystem.

We all have the same common goal — to bring the salmon back. Where people diverge is on the proposals. Some are reasonable. Some less so. We shouldn’t prescribe drastic measures when we don’t even know what the No. 1 cause of salmon mortality is. So, let’s abandon the frenzied rhetoric, come together, get serious and get a big picture of what impacts the salmon. The questions are tough, but the answers are out there.

— Larry Craig is a Republican U.S. senator from Idaho.

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Public notices

NOTICE OF PROPOSED BUDGET HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, Pursuant to Idaho Code 33-801 that a regular meeting and hearing will be held by the Trustees of Pleasant Valley School District No. 364 on June 12, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. at the Pleasant Valley School. The purpose of said meeting and hearing is to hold a public hearing on the proposed 2006-2007 M&O budget. A copy of the budget is available for inspection in the School District Office by the public during office hours and shall remain available until the hearing. A summary of the 2006-2007 proposed budget is attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein as if set forth in full herein and being posted and published with the NOTICE OF PROPOSED BUDGET HEARING. The meeting and hearing are open to the public. The public is welcome and invited to attend and submit testimony. Time limit for testimony may be set forth by the Board of Trustees at the time of the meeting.

Rosa Maria Lowry, Clerk

SUMMARY STATEMENT - 2006 - 2007 SCHOOL BUDGET  
ALL FUNDS

School District PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 364

REVENUES	GENERAL M & O FUND				ALL OTHER FUNDS			
	Prior Year Actual 2003-2004	Prior Year Actual 2004-2005	Prior Year Budget 2005-2006	Proposed Budget 2006-2007	Prior Year Actual 2003-2004	Prior Year Actual 2004-2005	Prior Year Budget 2005-2006	Proposed Budget 2006-2007
Beginning Balances	\$ 79,974.00	\$ 79,283.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 87,754.00	\$ 88,000.00	\$ 97,589.00	\$ 89,695.00
Local Tax Revenue	\$ 70,198.00	\$ 77,740.00	\$ 66,163.00	\$ 47,707.00				
Other Local	\$ 4,772.00	\$ 6,224.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,337.00	\$ 1,384.00		
County Revenue								
State Revenue	\$ 145,352.00	\$ 157,430.00	\$ 116,575.00	\$ 160,081.00	\$ 213.00	\$ 6,003.00	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 6,000.00
Federal Revenue					\$ 15,161.00	\$ 35,385.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 15,800.00
Other Sources	\$ 3,215.00	\$ 1,713.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 25,245.00	\$ 6,238.00			\$ 8,245.00
Totals	\$ 303,511.00	\$ 322,390.00	\$ 236,738.00	\$ 256,033.00	\$ 110,703.00	\$ 130,772.00	\$ 116,989.00	\$ 119,740.00
EXPENDITURES	Prior Year Actual 2003-2004	Prior Year Actual 2004-2005	Prior Year Budget 2005-2006	Proposed Budget 2006-2007	Prior Year Actual 2003-2004	Prior Year Actual 2004-2005	Prior Year Budget 2005-2006	Proposed Budget 2006-2007
Salaries	\$ 48,643.00	\$ 63,790.00	\$ 69,505.00	\$ 70,513.00	\$ 11,714.00	\$ 10,939.00	\$ 10,916.00	\$ 11,695.00
Benefits	\$ 18,793.00	\$ 20,459.00	\$ 22,243.00	\$ 22,327.00	\$ 2,102.00	\$ 2,061.00	\$ 1,969.00	\$ 2,110.00
Purchased Services	\$ 149,230.00	\$ 128,073.00	\$ 125,990.00	\$ 143,120.00	\$ 443.00	\$ 4,477.00	\$ 24,500.00	\$ 15,620.00
Supplies & Materials	\$ 7,562.00	\$ 12,529.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,745.00	\$ 4,831.00	\$ 2,274.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
Capital Outlay		\$ 2,053.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 1,114.00	\$ 22,462.00	\$ 11,589.00	\$ 8,500.00
Debt Retirement								
Insurance & Judgments		\$ 4,392.00						
Transfers (net)					\$ 2,499.00	\$ 1,713.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 33,490.00
Contingency Reserve								
Unappropriated Balances	\$ 79,283.00	\$ 91,094.00	\$ -	\$ 328.00	\$ 88,000.00	\$ 86,846.00	\$ 41,515.00	\$ 40,825.00
Totals	\$ 303,511.00	\$ 322,390.00	\$ 236,738.00	\$ 256,033.00	\$ 110,703.00	\$ 130,772.00	\$ 116,989.00	\$ 119,740.00

A copy of the School District Budget is available for public inspection at the District's Administrative or Clerk's Office.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE  
T.S. NO.: ID-06-58102-DL  
LOAN NO.: 5300824652

On 8/22/2006 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho: On the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at the corner of Highway 78 and Halley St., Murphy, ID 8365, Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, as Trustee, on behalf of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lots 5, 6, 7 of Block 1 of Grand View Townsite, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 135 State St Grand View, ID 83624, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by John C. Juring and Amanda A. Juring, Husband and Wife, as Grantor/Trustor, in which Merit Mortgage Corp., A Washington Corporation, is named as Beneficiary and Stewart Title of Idaho, Inc. as Trustee and recorded 12/26/2000 as instrument No. 234683 in book --, page -- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A),

Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 12/15/2000. The monthly installments of principal interest and impounds (if applicable) of \$459.65, due per month for the months of 9/1/2005, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$47,419.17, together with interest thereon at the current rate of 8.00 per cent (%) per annum from 8/1/2005. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder’s sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Dated: 4/21/2006 By: Fidelity National Title Insurance Company Quality Loan Service Corp. 319 Elm Street, 2nd Floor San Diego, CA 92101 By: Carmen Herrera \*\*\* For Sale Information Call: 714-259-7850 or Login to: www.fnasap.com If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder’s rights against the real property only. This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit

report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 767634  
5/10,17,24,31/06

SUMMONS  
CASE NO. CV-06-05481  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT  
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY  
OF OWYHEE  
CITIMORTGAGE, INC.,  
successor in interest to Principal  
Residential Mortgage, Inc.,  
Plaintiff,  
Vs.  
JAMES H. CONRAD  
(Deceased) and/or the Unknown  
Heirs, Assigns, & Devises  
of James H. Conrad; DORIS  
CONRAD; and DOES 1-10 as  
individuals with an interest in the  
real property legally described as:

Lot 20 in Block 9 of Sunset Ranch Subdivision, part of the north half of the Southeast quarter and the Southwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 36, Township 4 North, Range 6 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof and of record in the office of the recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho.  
Commonly known as: Route 1, Box 3026, Homedale, Idaho, 83628.  
Defendants.  
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 FOLLOWING BELOW.  
TO: JAMES H. CONRAD (Deceased) and/or the Unknown Heirs, Assigns & Devises of James H. Conrad  
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.  
The nature of the claim against you is for, among other things is for judicial foreclosure of the real property located at Route 1, Box 3026, Homedale, Idaho, 83628.  
A copy of the Compliant is served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice of or representation by an attorney in this matter, 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 below.  
To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named Court.  
DATED This 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2006.  
CHARLOTTE SHERBURN,  
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT  
By: Trina Aman, Deputy Clerk  
Lance E. Olsen, ISB#7106  
Derrick J. O’Neill  
ISB#4021  
ROUTH CRABTREE  
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225 North 9<sup>th</sup> St., Ste 800  
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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE SALE**  
**At 10:00 o'clock A.M. on August 3, 2006, on the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho,** First American Title Insurance Company, as Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

The North half (N1/2) of Lots 9 and 10 of Block 85 of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, on file and of record in the Office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho.

Information concerning the foreclosure action may be obtained from the Trustee, whose telephone number is (208) 785-2515. According to the Trustee's records, the street address of 109 2<sup>nd</sup> St. E., Homedale, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Nina A. Morris, a single person, as Grantor, First American Title Insurance Company, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, dated August 21, 1992, recorded August 21, 1992, as Instrument No. 208646, all records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

The above named Grantor(s) are named to comply with Section 45-1506(4)(a) Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to:

- (1) make the scheduled monthly installment due on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of each and every month. Amount delinquent totalled \$3,861.69 as of October 5, 2005.

The above Grantor(s) is named to comply with Section 45-1506(4)(a), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently

responsible for this obligation. The principal balance is \$41,257.90, together with interest thereon at 8.25% per annum in the amount of \$4,243.06, subsidy granted is \$3,972.00, and current fees assessed are \$2,022.85, all as of March 23, 2006, and accruing interest. All delinquencies are now due together with any late charges, advances to protect the security, and fees and costs associated with this foreclosure. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause said property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

DATED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2006.

First American Title Insurance Company

By: /s/Darlene Diehl-Nilsson, Trust Officer

5/17,24,31;6/7/06

**SUMMONS**  
**CASE NO. CV-06-05481**  
**IN THE DISTRICT COURT**  
**OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**  
**OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,**  
**IN AND FOR THE COUNTY**  
**OF OWYHEE**

CITIMORTGAGE, INC., successor in interest to Principal Residential Mortgage, Inc., Plaintiff,

Vs.

JAMES H. CONRAD (Deceased) and/or the Unknown Heirs, Assigns, & Deviseses of James H. Conrad; DORIS CONRAD; and DOES 1-10 as individuals with an interest in the real property legally described as:

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Defendants.

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**TO: DOES 1-10 as individuals with an interest in the real**

**property**

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.

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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 below.

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

DATED This 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2006.

CHARLOTTE SHERBURN, CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Trina Aman, Deputy Clerk

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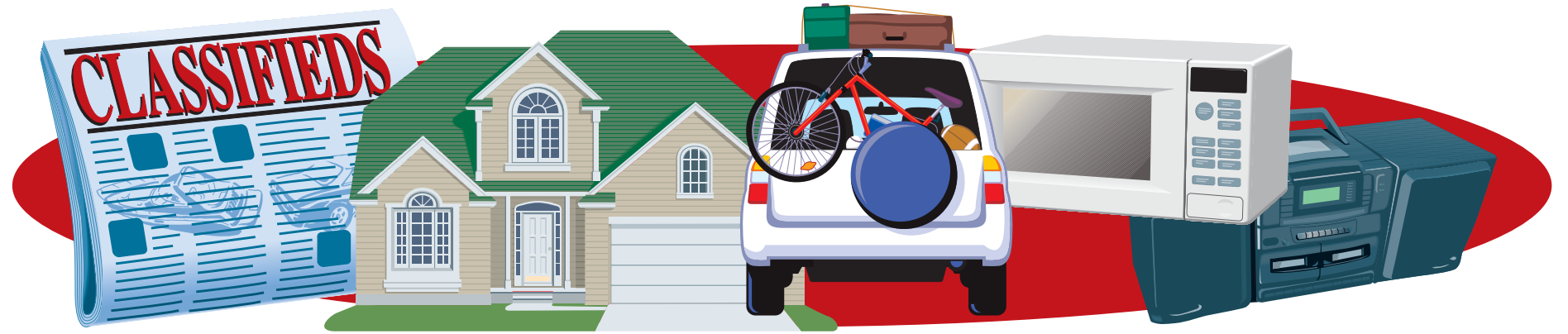
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**\$319**  
lb.

Seedless  
**Red Grapes**



**\$139**  
lb.

**Cantaloupe**



**39¢**  
lb.

Boneless Beef  
**Cross Rib Steak**



**\$199**  
lb.

BBQ Pork  
**Country Style  
Ribs**



**\$139**  
lb.

**Lemons** 4 **\$1** for  
**Limes** 5 **\$1** for



**Avocados**



**89¢**  
ea.

Western Family 5 oz.  
**Burritos** 3 **\$1** for  
Tray Pack  
**Hi-Grade Links** **\$279** ea.  
Market Pack  
**Sausage** **\$159** lb.

Better Buy  
**Imitation Cheese** 2 **\$1** for  
Market Pack  
**Cheddar Cheese** **\$239** lb.  
Market Pack  
**Bacon** **\$249** lb.

Dole  
**Salad Mix** **\$159** ea.  
**Tomatoes** **99¢** lb.  
**Cucumbers** 3 **\$1** for

Green  
**Bell Peppers** 3 **\$1** for  
10 lb.  
**Potatoes** **\$169** ea.  
2 lb.  
**Clip Top Carrots** **89¢** ea.

**Hot Pockets,  
Lean Pockets &  
Croissant Pockets**



**\$219** ea.  
9 oz.  
3 oz.  
**Top Ramen** 9 **for \$99¢**

Western Family  
**Paper Towels**



**69¢** ea.  
1 Roll  
Jet Puff 16 oz.  
**Marshmallows** **\$119** ea.

**Coca Cola  
Products**



**\$399** ea.  
12pk 12oz Cans  
2 Liter Bottle  
**Coke Products** **\$129** ea.

**Coors Beer**



**\$1199** ea.  
18pk 12oz Cans or Bottles  
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**MGD - Miller Lite** **\$1199** ea.

Western Family  
**Cottage Cheese** **\$219** ea.  
24 oz.  
**Rice A Roni &  
Pasta Roni** **\$109** ea.  
4-6.9 oz.  
**Hi-C  
Drink Boxes** **\$229** ea.  
10 ct.  
**Northern  
Bath Tissue** **\$399** ea.  
6 Roll  
**Purina  
Cat Chow** **\$1099** ea.  
18 lb.  
**Dixie  
Plates & Bowls** 2 **\$5** for  
22-60 ct.

Shasta Soda  
12pk Cans **\$239** ea.  
Le Nature's  
Water **\$399** ea.  
24pk 20oz Bottle  
Western Family  
Charcoal Briquets **\$349** ea.  
10 lb.  
Ore Ida  
Frozen Potatoes 2 **\$4** for  
20-32 oz.

Quaker  
Granola Bars **\$219** ea.  
10 ct.  
Wonder Hot Dog  
& Hamburger Buns 3 **\$5** for  
12-16 Pack  
Western Family  
Refriend Beans 2 **\$1** for  
16 oz.  
Tostitos  
Tortilla Chips 2 **\$6** for  
12-13.5 oz.

Nalley Chili **\$109** ea.  
15 oz.  
Jello Gelatin - .6oz  
Jello Pudding **79¢** ea.  
1-4 oz.  
el Pato Hot Sauce &  
Jalapeno Sauce **59¢** ea.  
7.75 oz.  
Lay's  
Potato Chips 2 **\$4** for  
11 oz.

SRM COUPON

**Full Flat**

**\$100 off**

**Pony Pack**

**Flowers or Veggies**

NO LIMIT • PER VISIT

SRM COUPON

**Any Bagged**

**Soil Products**

**50¢ off**

NO LIMIT • PER VISIT

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**Perennials**

**\$119** ea.

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