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Initiative takes center stage at D.C. hearing

Legislation supporters get more time than expected

Owyhee Initiative supporters are in high spirits after the legislation was scrutinized last week by a Senate subcommittee chaired by

Sen. Larry Craig (R-Idaho).

Although Craig hasn't given an opinion on the Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act of 2006,

Initiative chairman Fred Grant was encouraged after testifying Wednesday in Washington, D.C.

"I thought it went very well,"

Grant said. "I got the opportunity to answer the questions I wanted to answer. I think Sen. Craig listened. I know he listened to

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Fred Grant's report to the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners

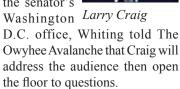
Craig plans forum in Marsing

U.S. Sen. Larry Craig (R-Idaho) has scheduled an Owyhee County town hall meeting Thursday in Marsing.

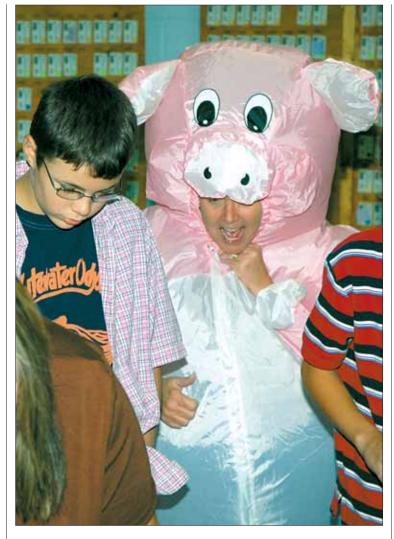
Craig's communications director, Dan Whiting, announced late last week that the senator will meet with constituents from 4:40

p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Phipps-Watson American Legion Community Center at 126 W. 2nd St. N.

Writing an e-mail from the senator's



Craig is visiting Owyhee County a week after chairing the Public Lands and Forests Subcommittee hearing on the Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act in the nation's capital last Wednesday.



HMS drive brings in thousands

Homedale Middle School secretary Linda Miklancic got in the spirit by donning a pig costume for Thursday's toy pig races. The races were held as a reward for students who helped the school raise nearly \$18,000 in its annual subscription drive. See story, Page 4A.

King's and others make airport pitch

Badiolas end bid for 7-acre parcel

A Burley-based discount department store chain could become the pied piper for other businesses to flock to a 7-acre parcel near the Homedale airport.

Tom King, president of King's Discount Stores, last week presented the City Council with plans similar to those his company

would use to build a store on about two acres of the parcel directly across Airport Road from the Homedale airport.

"If things would work out, definitely you can count us in," King told council members at their Thursday meeting.

There may be a few other businesses in line behind King's, too, but a group that includes Homedale residents Ben and Lori Badiola won't be among them.

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King's unveils store idea

King's stores president Tom King, far right, address the Homedale City Council on Thursday as members, from left to right, Dave Downum, Mayor Paul Fink, Steve Schultz, Bill Page and Tim Downing, look at a blueprint of a similar King's store planned for Shelley.



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Homedale P&Z seeks better record of businesses

Commission administrator drafts letter, application to create database of town's growing merchants

The City of Homedale does not currently require a business license to open and operate a business within the city, but that doesn't mean the idea of regulation hasn't been examined.

Both the Chamber of Commerce and the administrator of the city's Planning and Zoning Commission are studying ways to keep track of when new businesses hit town and what type of industry they promote.

Homedale P&Z Administrator Sylvia Bahem said last week that she is in the final stages of drafting a letter and application form to send to new businesses in town.

"It's not that the city is lax in (keeping track of new businesses)," Bahemsaid. "But let's say somebody comes into town and they rent a building from a property owner and open a business. How does the city learn about it?

"Unless someone comes forward and tells the city, no one knows about it."

Bahem said the first time she learns of new businesses in town usually is when she drives down Idaho Avenue, where a large number of new stores have set up shop.

The proliferation of new business in town is reflected in the Bahem's increased workload since she became P&Z administrator in January 2002. She said she started out working 10 hours a week in the position. Her hours were increased by the city to 45 per month, but Bahem said the council doubled her monthly hours for Fiscal Year 2007, which

Homedale business has new owners

The Owyhee Lanes Restaurant opens under new management today.

The restaurant and bowling center at 18 W. 1st St., in Homedale both were sold to new ownership recently. Donna Marose, one of the new owners, said the sale closed on Sept. 15, but the restaurant was under lease with a different operator until Sunday.

The restaurant will be open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. seven days a week. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served.

A grand opening is planned in the near future.

began Sunday.

"(Business growth) has just been tremendous," Bahem said, adding that she sees the administrator position becoming a full-time job if growth continues at its current pace.

Bahem said the application, which would be accompanied by a one-time fee of approximately \$50, isn't a license. The application forms would be used to form a database of the city's businesses, including contact information of the business owners in case of an emergency such as a fire or a



Business growth evident on Idaho Avenue

Homedale Planning and Zoning administrator Sylvia Bahem says that she sees new businesses cropping up all the time when she's driving around town. She has drafted an application to help the city maintain better records of the growth.

burglary.

"It's the safety aspect, but I think the city needs to know who's in town and who's doing business where," Bahem said.

Bahem said she wasn't sure how the application fee would be used specifically if the concept is approved by city fathers, but the money would go into the city's general fund.

Bahem, who is a part-time city employee, said she has spent time over the past two months developing a cover letter and application form to mail to businesses. She had hoped to have a draft of the letter to present at the Planning and Zoning public hearings earlier this week.

One public hearing dealt with the special use permit application of Munsters Ink tattoo shop on West Idaho Avenue. Munsters Ink is one of the businesses Bahem admits she didn't know had set up shop until she spotted the shop during a drive in town.

Bahem said any new process, including the letter and application, would have to be finalized by the City Council.

"What I'm going to do is send out the letter with a business application," Bahem said, adding that the process would be for new businesses only. "The businesses would submit it to City Hall with a fee, and City Hall would keep it on file."

Homedale Chamber of Commerce President Aaron Tines said last week that the organization has held discussions with city planners about the possibility of requiring business licenses, but no firm guidelines have been set.

Tines, who works at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, said the Chamber of Commerce is in favor of business licenses as a way to preserve the quality of businesses that come to Homedale. This proposal is separate from Bahem's idea of creating a database of city businesses.

Tines said the plan that has

been floated in discussions with the city includes a one-time \$100 licensing fee, criminal background check and other requirements such as proof of insurance. He said the fee and background check would not discourage reputable businesses from establishing themselves in Homedale, but they could discourage "fly-by-night" businesses from setting up shop.

"If they're going to spend \$1 million to open up a business, I don't think they will be bothered by it," Tines said.

Tines added that requirements, such as having professionally built signs and other regulations would protect established businesses from being surrounded by eyesores.

Tines said the licenses would be required for new businesses, but existing businesses likely would be "grandfathered" into the new guidelines and not made to obtain a business license.

"We can't really make it retroactive," Tines said, citing possible legal issues with forcing existing businesses to obtain licenses.

— JWB and JPB





Limited deer season set to open Tuesday

Youth deer hunt planned in specific area of Owyhee County again

The 2006 big game hunting season is scheduled to kick off Tuesday in Owyhee County, but Fish and Game officials warn deer hunting will be limited.

According to Idaho Department of Fish and Game Wildlife Manager Jon Rachael, Fish and Game had recommended in the spring closing Owyhee County deer hunting areas, but there will be a limited season when hunting begins Tuesday.

The two-point antlered season in Units 40 and 41 closes Oct.

Rachael said a wet spring and good over-winter survival last year was helpful to the deer population in the higher elevations. He said that same factor has made deer populations in the lower elevations more plentiful than sometimes wanted.

Fish and Game plans a special youth hunt for antlerless deer of either sex in Owyhee County in limited portions of Units 40 and 41, from Oct. 10 to Nov. 24. The Fish and Game's 2006 hunting regulations classify an antlerless deer as any animal without antlers or antlers that are less than 3inches in length.

According to the 2006 Big Game Rules, the scope of the youth hunt will be limited to the following areas, primarily along the Snake River:

"Only that portion of Units 40 and 41 within the following boundaries are open to youth, antlerless hunting-starting at the Oregon border on the Snake River, then upstream to the CJ Strike Dam Road to Highway 78 to Highway 51, then south on Highway 51 to the Shoofly Cutoff Road, then west on the Shoofly

'There will be some pretty happy hunters if the timing is right.'

> — John Rachael Idaho Fish and Game wildlife manager

Cut-off Road to the Mudflat Road, then north on the Mudflat Road to Highway 78, continue west on Highway 78 to the power line that crosses the Snake River, approximately 3 miles south of the Walter's Ferry Bridge at the 22.5 mile marker, then west along the power line to the Oregon border, then north along the Oregon border to the Snake River, the point of beginning." (Idaho F&G 2006 Big Game Rules, page 27)

Rachael said the youth hunt will be held in this area to "address and put some pressure on a (deer) population chronically in a depredation area."

Only short-range weapons are allowed on the islands in the Snake River, according to 2006 hunting rules.

As always, Rachael said, there are basic hunting rules to observe. "Be mindful of private land; be sure of your target and backdrop."

Rachael, who is based out of Fish and Game's Southwest Region office in Nampa, said elk hunting in Owyhee County should be productive and classified the elk in "good shape" for this season.

"The elk are in good shape.



Deer: Be on the alert for hunters

The special youth hunt for antierless deer, like this group of doe spotted recently in Owyhee County, will be held from Oct. 10-23 in a very limited area of the county along the Snake River. Photo by Rob Aman

We have the same roving band as in previous years. There will be some pretty happy hunters if the timing is right. There are some big bulls out there," Rachael said.

Refer to Idaho Fish and Game 2006 Big Game Rules for more information, or call the Southwest Region office at (208) 465-8465 for guidance or to find out where to obtain a copy of the latest rulebook.

Fish and Game seeks deer, elk jaws for study

Idaho Fish and Game is requesting the lower jaws from cow elk or doe mule deer. The jaws are needed as part of an effort to better estimate the age structure Fish and Game regional office or

of certain elk and deer populations across Idaho

"If we can collect enough lower jaws from female elk and deer, we can estimate the age structure of the female segment of several elk and deer populations," Fish and Game wildlife research biologist Craig White said. "That information is critical to better determine the status of these big game populations."

Hunters harvesting cow elk or doe deer from hunt units 23, 28, 32, 32A, 33, 34, 35, 36, 36A, 36B, 39, 43, 44, 45 (deer only), 48 (elk only) and 50 are asked to leave the lower jaw from their harvested animals at one of three locations: a Fish and Game check station, a

a jaw barrel.

Barrels will be placed at strategic points for jaw collection, and information cards will be available at all collection points to record simple information, such as the unit in which the animal was harvested.

The nearest Fish and Game office for western Owyhee County is the Southwest Region office at 3101 S. Powerline Road in Nampa. Call (208) 465-8465.

The nearest office for eastern Owyhee County is the Magic Valley Region, which is located at 319 S. 417 East in Jerome and can be reached by calling (208)

— JWB





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Correction

A letter writer was misidentified on the Commentary page of the Sept. 27 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche. Tom Skinner of Caldwell wrote a letter supported the Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act.

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HMS fund-raiser deemed success

Two words sum up this year's subscription drive at Homedale Middle School:

Mission accomplished.

Principal Keith Field said his school's students reached their goal of \$15,000 in magazine subscriptions in the long-standing annual fund-raiser that ended Sept. 26.

"Homedale Middle School would like to thank the community and all of those who helped our students reach their goal," Field said. "All of the teachers, students and parents are to be commended for all the hard work they did to accomplish this."

According a report from HMS, the fifth- through eighth-graders collected \$14,900 in magazine sales and another \$2,730 in subscriptions to The Owyhee Avalanche.

The total from the magazine sales is expected to go higher when so-called "reach-out" booklets are tallied.

Margaret Lejardi at HMS told The Owyhee Avalanche in an email that the reach-out booklets are address cards that students send to out-of-town family and friends. Lejardi said the booklets traditionally have generated as much as \$1,000 in subscriptions annually.

The school will receive this portion of the overall money from the fund-raising company Great American Opportunities between January and March of 2007, she said.

Overall, the school's activities fund receives 40 percent of the proceeds from the magazine sales and 25 percent of the proceeds from the Avalanche



And they're off

Homedale Middle School fifth-graders, from left to right, Adam Hotchkiss, Angel Cardenas and Esteban Lejardi, root on their favorite mechanical animal during the annual pig races inside the cafeteria Thursday. Twenty-four of the top-sellers in the school's subscription drive earned a chance to watch the races.

subscriptions.

"The middle school has used the magazine drive as our main fund-raiser for over 20 years," Field said. "In that time, it has helped to support our athletic programs, fund field trips, bring in special assemblies and otherwise provide opportunities that would not be afforded using district funds."

Field said volunteers Wendy Vaughan and Jennifer Meligan take care of the accounting for the magazine drive, which began on Sept. 14. The two women collect subscriptions, count money, hand out prizes and assist at prize events, such as Thursday's mechanical toy pig races.

"They have volunteered every year for the past five or more years," Field said.

The middle school's top-selling class this year was Wayne Skeen's fifth-graders, who brought in \$1,781.

The top sixth-grade class,

taught by David Hann, collected \$1,319 in subscriptions.

Among the seventh- and eighth-grade classes, Kevin Cornwall's students sold \$1,359 in subscriptions, and Judy Skeen's class reached \$972.

The top magazine-seller was Jordan Meligan with \$634 in subscriptions, while Deena Emry brought in \$358 in Avalanche sales.

— ЈРВ



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Preparedness fair to be held in Homedale

Homedale High School senior Scott Thatcher has organized a community preparedness fair as his Eagle Scout project.

The fair will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the high school.

Emergency service workers will be on hand, and information about first aid, child ID kits, food storage, water purification, disease prevention, how to build 72-hour kits of supplies in case of emergencies, financial preparedness will be available.

"I'd like to have the community be more prepared in case of emergency, in case something like (Hurricane) Katrina happened here," the 17-year-old said.

Thatcher anticipates several booths with public safety handouts and demonstrations by Homedale Ambulance and Homedale Fire Department.

He also approached the Homedale City Council for assistance at Thursday's meeting.

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√ Initiative

most of my testimony because he looked me right in the eye.

"We're sitting much better than what I thought when we would be heading into October."

Grant originally expected the crowded hearing of the Public Lands and Forests subcommittee of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee to last only about an hour. He said after the hearing that his testimony alone received more than 30 minutes.

Legislation sponsor Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) said he was thankful that Craig was able to put the Initiative on the hearing agenda along with Rep. Mike Simpson's (R-Idaho) Boulder-White Clouds legislation and bills dealing with land and resource issues in Oregon and New Mexico.

"Although the opposition to the legislation was given an opportunity to raise their issues, I thought that the process that was pursued in the hearing provided information and highlighted the thoroughness of the work group's effort to address all the issues," Crapo said.

Crapo said where the bill goes next is up to Energy and Natural Resources Committee chairman Pete Domenici (R-N.M.).

"We don't have to have a full committee hearing," Crapo said. "That's at the discretion of the chairman. Given the fact that this hearing was held and so thorough, he may decide not to hold a full committee hearing."

Grant said the course of the subcommittee hearing played into the hands of Initiative supporters. Many panelists testified about the bill, and not just Crapo, Grant and Idaho Conservation League executive director Rick Johnson.

But, according to Grant, the biggest moment in the hearing was when the schedule was modified to allow Idaho Wildlife Federation issues coordinator Russ Heughins to testify earlier than planned. The

agenda was altered because of Heughins' travel schedule.

Heughins used bird-hunting maps during his testimony, in which Grant said Heughins asserted that his group was held out of the 5½-year consensus-building process. Later in the hearing, Grant said, Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association executive director Grant Simmonds used material entered by Heughins to refute the claim and present that only 30 of the 530 roads Heughins' group wanted to open were to remain closed in the Initiative legislation.

"It worked to our advantage because we were able to correct misconceptions that he gave," Grant said.

Idaho Cattlemen Association president Mike Webster also provided testimony on the Initiative, even though he may have been scheduled to testify about Simpson's Central Idaho Economic Development and Recreation Act.

"We had equal time in spite

of the fact that we had fewer witnesses (on the list)," Grant said. "We were able to address some of the administration's concerns."

There were other Initiative supporters on hand in Washington last week, including Owyhee County rancher Brenda Richards, Owyhee County Commission chairman Hal Tolmie and county sheriff Gary Aman. None of the three testified during the subcommittee hearing, but they were able to discuss the Initiative in the halls of the nation's Capitol.

"What we got to do is very special," Aman said. "To take a common citizen that can walk into the Senate building and meet with any senator in there and testify in front of the Senate hearing to make laws that affect a nation is just phenomenal."

Crapo reiterated the consensus achieved through the efforts of the workgroup.

"I think it was solidly

established that this bill truly finds a successful approach to land management that improves everybody's situation over the status quo," the senator said.

Even though a report by The Associated Press suggested that a parliamentary hold by Sen. Tom Coburn (R-Okla.) could stall the Initiative's progress through the remainder of 109th Congress, Crapo continues to look forward. He is focused on getting a vote in the full Senate before adjournment, which is only a few weeks away.

"Everybody recognizes that we're on a short timeframe for any legislation remaining for this session," Crapo said.

"I work toward that possibility knowing full well that, between now and the end of this session, whatever action is taken — if it does not result in making it to the president's desk — it'll put (the Initiative) that much farther down the road (for the next session)."

— JPB

√ King's

"We're just backing out because our proposal was for the full seven acres," Lori Badiola said Friday. "I don't think it was handled correctly. We never did get a response to our proposal and never did get it voted on."

Although no vote was taken Thursday night, the council had voted on Sept. 13 to allow King's to pursue a lease proposal on a 1½- to 2-acre portion of the land fronted by U.S. Highway 95.

"We'd be thrilled to have a shopping store like that here," councilman Steve Schultz said during Thursday's meeting.

Tom King presented the council with an exterior blueprint of his chain's proposed Shelley store as an example of what the Homedale outlet might look like. Although he said the Shelley store is about 15,000 square feet, King said the Homedale location probably would be between 12,000 and 13,000 square feet and could employ as many as 25 people.

"I told (Realtor Alan McRae) there would be maybe 20 to 25 (employed), and at least half of those would be part-time," King said.

He added that other jobs would be added in the site planning and construction process.

King voiced concern about the availability of water and sewer service as well as access to the site. Homedale Mayor Paul Fink reiterated that the city is working on a meeting with the Idaho Transportation Department about access off U.S. 95.

Also on Thursday night, it was learned several other businesses were interested in a piece of the property, too.

Also discussed

Other items on the Homedale City Council agenda for Thursday's meeting:

Horseshoe sculpture of wagon and horses — Resident Barbie Vander Boegh presented the council with the idea of buying a Western-themed sculpture from a Nampa artist who works with horseshoes. It was suggested that the city apply for an Idaho Arts and Humanities matching grant to help pay for the sculpture. No action was taken

Sewer and water fees

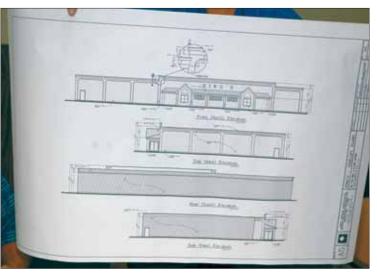
— Homedale engineering consultant Fred Ostler gave a presentation about service availability fees (SAF) for new city sewer and water users and suggested that the council consider adopting these fees at some point. No action was taken

Restaurant and motel

—Public Works Supervisor Larry Bauer said demolition of the Homedale Auto Wreckers said would start soon and that foundation work on the Best Western motel and restaurant on the site could begin as early as Nov. 1

Steve Burton, owner of Burton's Post and Pole in Homedale, expressed interest in acquiring some land to build a log furniture retail store and manufacturing business.

"I've had the idea for about a year now," Burton said. "I've been working out of my shop at my house, plus down at my post



Plans for the future

Homedale Mayor Paul Fink holds up a blueprint that King's Discount Stores president Tom King brought to the Thursday meeting of the Homedale City Council. The plans are from a store proposed for Shelley, but King said the Homedale store would be constructed in a similar fashion.

and pole fencing yard.

"I've just been doing more and more every year now, and I think it's about time where we have the business there because I've been in need of an outlet."

McRae, a Homedale resident who is an agent for Caldwell-based real estate firm The Preferred Co., represented King's at the Sept. 13 meeting, said he had other clients interested in pieces of the acreage.

In addition to the medical arts building to which he alluded on Sept. 13, McRae told council members last week that he has been in contact with a bank that wants to locate a branch amid the other business development.

Although he said the medical facility could be anything from a dentist, orthodontist or medical doctor, McRae refused to divulge the name of the bank that has its eye on Homedale.

McRae said the bank's representatives weren't specific

about how much land would be needed.

"I would think an acre for a bank would be plenty," he told the council when asked how much land would be needed for the financial institution.

At the previous meeting, McRae said the medical building would need about two acres.

With King's taking as many as two acres and another acre envisioned for the bank, that would leave just two acres vacant on the parcel that the city bought from the Department of Lands earlier this year.

But Burton told The Owyhee Avalanche on Friday that he's looking at about five acres for his proposed business, which would build and sell log furniture as well as other rustic accents for homes.

"I need five acres because I want room to grow, and I have to have a lot of room to stock material," Burton said.

Fink speculated that Ben Badiola could be approached about possibly developing some of the land he has adjacent to the seven acres.

"Maybe he has five or six acres, and he'd be willing to put some retail stores in there and build a commercial park, which would be good for Homedale," Fink said during the meeting.

Badiola briefly attended Thursday's meeting, but left before the 7-acre lease issue was addressed. But his wife left no doubt how they felt about possibly pooling land for retail development.

"That is our property," Lori Badiola said when asked about Fink's comments. "Eventually we will develop it as a business, but we have enough going on right now."

Badiola said she and her husband are trying to open a Homedale Moxie Java franchise by Christmas.

— JPB



Calendar

Thursday

Homedale Senior Citizens Center luncheon, music by Just Country, 60 and older, \$3; 59 and younger, \$5, 11 a.m., 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

Calvary Chapel Home Fellowship Bible study, 7 p.m., 532 W. California Ave., Homedale. (208) 880-8962

Friday

ION Museum fund-raiser yard sale preview, 508 Swisher Ave., Jordan Valley. (541) 586-2460 or (541) 586-2818

Saturday

Homedale Senior Citizens Center monthly breakfast, \$5, adults; \$2.50 children younger than 10, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

ION Museum fund-raiser yard sale, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 508 Swisher Ave., Jordan Valley. (541) 586-2460 or (541) 586-2818

Bazaar, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$10 vendor table rental, 525 Main Street, Grand View, (208) 834-2808

Community Preparedness Fair, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Homedale High

Sunday

ION Museum fund-raiser yard sale, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 508 Swisher Ave., Jordan Valley. (541) 586-2460 or (541) 586-2818

Tuesday

Exercise class, 11 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

Let's Talk About It discussion program, Lewis and Clark Expedition: Across the Snowy Ranges, free, 7 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Public Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

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Thursday, Oct. 12

Calvary Chapel Home Fellowship Bible study, 7 p.m., 532 W. California Ave., Homedale. (208) 880-8962

Saturday, Oct. 14

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Anniversary

Doran, Kay Parkins to celebrate 40th wedding anniversary this week

Doran and Kay Parkins of Marsing celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary this week.

Doran and Kay were married at the Methodist Church in Caldwell on Oct. 8, 1966.

They moved to Troy, where Doran was a teacher while finishing his Masters at University of Idaho. They lived in Troy for three years and had their first daughter Mitzi.

They then moved back to the Marsing family farm, where Doran was raised. After teaching at Marsing, he became Superintendent of the Marsing School District and they had a second daughter, Holly.

They then had two more children, Derek and Janai and eventually took over the family

Kay also worked for Marsing Schools as clerk/treasurer besides being a loyal, supportive wife and mother

Doran's passion for education



Doran and Kay Parkins

still enables him to work with school districts across the entire state of Idaho. They continue to live life to the fullest and enjoy their family and three grandchildren and look forward to two more grandchildren expected in 2007.

Marsing church plans seminar on heaven

A nine-week seminar on heaven will begin Sunday at the Marsing Church of the Nazarene at 12 2nd Ave. W.

The seminar, entitled "A Study in Heaven," will be held at 10 a.m. each Sunday through Dec. 3.

Ken and Martha Winkelman, who have taught the seminar at several churches across the Pacific Northwest, will lead the class, and Marsing Church of the Nazarene pastor Bill O'Connor encourages the public to attend.

The loss of two of their grandchildren moved the Winkelmans to take an added interest in the subject of heaven as the place where their granddaughters had gone. The course they now teach is a direct result of their journey in a quest for answers.

For more information on the seminar, call (208) 896-4184.

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Homedale center

Oct. 5: Salisbury steak, California blend vegetables, scalloped potatoes, roll, milk.

Oct. 10: Birthday lunch. Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, peas, roll, milk.

Oct. 11: Tuna salad, cottage cheese, pickled beets, milk.

Marsing center

Oct. 5: Baked chicken, a gratin potatoes, broccoli, carrot & onion, cabbage salad, soup, dessert,

Oct. 10: Chicken & noodles, broccoli, beets, salad, soup, dessert, drink.

Oct. 11: Roast beef, potatoes, Calif. mixed vegetables, pea salad, soup, dessert & drink.

Rimrock Center

(Tuesday-6pm/Thursday-Noon)

Oct. 5: Pizza, salad, vegetable, pineapple & oranges, milk.

Oct. 10: Fish wedges, cottage cheese, potato wedges, carrots, peas, onions, salad, orange juice, lemon rolls, rice pudding.





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Daniel

Dear Daniel,

You're doing a great job! I wouldn't advise putting it all toward retirement right now. You're probably going to have some short-term goals in the next few years, and savings for things like a car and a home can be put into a money market-type account.

Since you're on Baby Step Four, you can put at least 15 percent of your income toward retirement in a Roth IRA and maybe a little more above that into good growth stock mutual funds.

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— Dave

Dear Dave,

My husband and I bought a home with a VA loan, and had to sell it just a few months later when his orders came through. We got \$3,000 more than we paid for it, but that wasn't enough to cover the realtor costs. The VA did a short sell for us and covered the expenses. Now, our credit report lists this as "paid in full, not full price."

How will this look to creditors in the future?

Dear Heidi,

It's not exactly a black mark against you, but you don't have a clean slate, either. The debt was paid in full, but YOU didn't pay it in full. You got into trouble



and the VA helped bail you out, but you did it honorably and according to their provisions.

But in the future, Heidi, don't go the VA route. They're too expensive. Get a good, conventional loan and make a big down payment.

And next time, make sure you're going to be there a while before you buy a home!

— Dave

Dear Dave,

I have approximately \$2,000 worth of Series EE government bonds. The money for this investment is automatically deducted from my paycheck each month.

Should I cash these in and apply the full amount toward paying off the rest of our debt, or just leave them alone and wait for them to mature?

— Cary

Dear Cary,

Would you borrow \$2,000 on a credit card in order to buy some EE bonds that pay about 5 percent? I don't think so! But that's effectively what you've done by not bringing that money

You've got debt, so it's really pretty simple. Cash out the bonds, pay off the rest of your debt and then get ready to do some REAL investing in good growth stock mutual funds. Series EE bonds are NOT a good investment.

— Dave

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AARP driving course set for Marsing

An AARP Driver Safety cost is \$10. There will be a break Program will be held Oct. 17-18 at the Marsing Senior Center, 218 Main Street.

The course will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. both days, and the for lunch.

Many drivers who take safety courses are eligible for automobile insurance discounts. The Marsing Senior Center urges prospective

participants to check with their insurance agents on details.

Pre-registration is required.

For more information on the course or to register, call the senior center at (208) 896-4634.

Marsing cheerleaders plan yard sale

Marsing High School's cheerleaders are having a fundraiser yard sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Marsing High School gymnasium parking lot on Main Street.

The school doesn't sponsor the cheerleaders, who must raise money to buy uniforms and supplies.

For more information about the sale or to offer donations, contact Cindy Foster at (208) 896-4470.





OCHS luau offers glimpse at Hawaiian monarchy

The sights, sounds and flavors of the South Pacific migrate to Murphy this weekend for the fourth annual Aloha from the Owyhees.

The luau and night of entertainment is a fund-raiser for the Owvhee County Historical Museum building fund. The event takes place Saturday at the museum complex at 17085 Basey St., in Murphy.

Reservations are required for this event. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased by calling the museum at (208) 495-2319 or event coordinator Debra Lindner at (208) 495-2809.

"It is necessary to have reservations this year as we were sold out and overbooked before we knew it last year," Lindner said.

The event begins with a 5 p.m. social hour, followed by a 6 p.m. presentation by actress and lecturer Sara Edlin-Marlowe outlining "The Six Women of the Hawaiian Monarchy." The Idaho Humanities Council sponsors the appearance by Marlowe, who has a master's degree from the University of Hawaii and has performed one-woman plays in roles as Sacagawea and artist Georgia O'Keeffe as well as

her play and narrative on the six women of the Hawaiian monarchy.

The roasted pig feast begins at 7:15 p.m. after the building

This year's luau meal includes a pig roasted Polynesian-style by Aisa Jenkins, who is the grandson of former Owvhee County Historical Society president John Larsen. Jenkins is of Samoan descent, according to luau organizer Lindner.

The luau menu also includes sweet and sour chicken, sticky rice, salad, taro bread and fruit.

Dessert will be served at 8 p.m., when the dance performance

Pacific Rhythm, a group with members of Polynesian descent living throughout the Treasure Valley, will provide an exhibition of dances from the Polynesia region of the South Pacific. Some of the dances include the Hawaiian Hula, the Haka and Poi Balls from the Maori people of New Zealand, hip-shaking Tahitian dances and Siva Afi, the Samoan fire knife

The luau celebrates the culture of the people for which Owvhee County is named. In the early 19th century a group of Hawaiians

working for fur trappers were lost in the mountains that would later bear their name, the Owyhees.

Edlin-Marlowe has been developing The Six Women of the Hawaiian Monarchy while working on her Masters of Fine Arts degree in Theatre at the University of Hawaii at Manoa on the island of Oahu.

"It grew out of my love for the Hawaiian people as a result of teaching one summer at Kamehameha School," she said.

Edlin-Marlowe said her program covers the six women from the time of the missionaries through Hawaii's statehood until modern times.

The six women are Lili'uokalani, Owana Salazar, Kapiolani, Kaiulani, Bernice Pauahi Bishop and Ka'ahumanu.

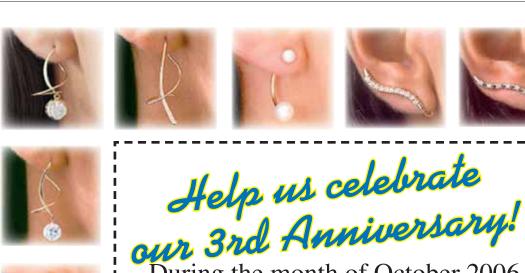
The 50-minute program features songs, poems and narratives from speeches made by some of the

Edlin-Marlowe lived in Hawaii for about 10 years beginning in the 1970s. Today, she serves as the faculty advisor for the Whitworth College radio station in Spokane and teaches and directs at Spokane Community College in Theatre and Speech.



Luau and a lecture

Sara Edlin-Marlowe narrates her one-woman presentation about the Six Women of the Hawaiian Monarchy. A Spokane resident, Marlowe will perform during the Owyhee County Historical Society's fourth annual Aloha from the Owyhees program Saturday in Murphy. Submitted photo



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Rimrock Senior Center receives award

The Rimrock Senior Center received Southwest District Health's 2006 Food and Sanitation award for Owyhee County in a ceremony Sept. 26 in Caldwell. On hard for the presentation were, from left to right, Dennis Morrison of Southwest District Health; Nettie Bain, executive director of the Elderly Opportunity Agency; Carolyn Larson, Rimrock Senior Center coordinator; and Hal Tolmie, Owyhee County Commission chairman. Submitted photo



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Hunters found by sheriff's air search

The Owyhee County Sheriff's Office dispatched aircraft last week to find a pair of hunters who had become lost in the Big Springs Ranch area.

Sheriff Gary Aman said Christian Stanciu, 35, of Nampa and James Brandner, 36, of Meridian, went missing on the morning of Sept. 26 after running out of gas.

The call went out at 7:01 a.m., Aman says, and the pair was located by 10:26 a.m.

The sheriff said Owyhee County Back Country Deputy George Reed helped the subjects once they were located.

Aman added that Stanciu and Brandner won't be charged for the rescue. The state's search and rescue fund will reimburse the county for the expense of the search, the airplane and manpower.

Owyhee County deputies responded to a bizarre call of a burned car on Idaho highway 78 near Melba on Thursday.

After Melba-Reynolds-Wilson fire crews had extinguished a 1999 Toyota Camry fully engulfed in flames, it was discovered the vehicle was stolen from Nampa.

"Someone takes a ride then they just torch it and go home," Aman said, adding the search for suspects began in the area of the car fire.

Because the car was stolen from Nampa, however, the Nampa Police Department will take the lead on the investigation with assistance from the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Oct. 5-6: No school.

Oct. 9: Early release. Sloppy Jo or hot dog, fries, chocolate pudding, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Oct. 10: Turkey & noodles or tuna sandwich, peas, cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Oct. 11: Chili or beef taco pie, roll, veggie, fruit & veggie bar,

Homedale Middle

Oct. 5-6: No school.

Oct. 9: Early release. Chicken patty or rib-b-que, tots, cookies, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Oct. 10: Taco burger or wiener wrap, green beans, animal crackers, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Oct. 11: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit roll-up, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Homedale High

Oct. 5-6: No school.

Oct. 9: Early release. Pizza, quesadilla or chef's salad, dessert, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Oct. 10: Wiener wrap or chicken tenders, scalloped potatoes, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Oct. 11: Enchilada, hot pocket, or baked potato w/toppings, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Bruneau

Oct. 5: Ham, potatoes/gravy, veggie, roll, fruit, milk.

Oct. 6: Nachos, salad, corn, fruited jello, cinnamon stick, milk.

Oct. 9: Chicken sandwich, potato wedges, veggie sticks, apple, cookie, milk.

Oct. 10: Taco & fixins, chips & salsa, corn, pears, milk. Oct. 11: Turkey & noodles, salad, roll, cherry cobbler, milk.



Wilder library gains computers with Gates Foundation grant

The Wilder Public Library District recently purchased four computers with Internet access through a public access computer hardware upgrade grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

The computers also have children's programs and office applications.

There is no cost to use the computers if you live in the Wilder library district and have a library card.

The cost for families living

outside the district is \$24.99 per

Wilder's library is located at 207 A Avenue E. and is open from noon to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday.

For more information, call (208) 482-7880.

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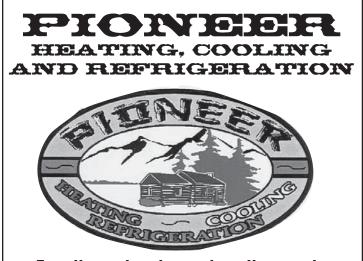


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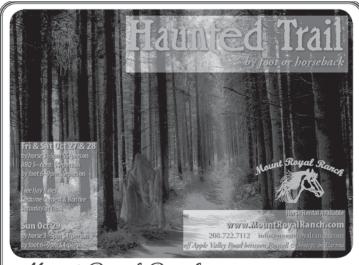
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Teenager suffers broken heel in crash

Top: Emergency crews from Homedale Ambulance and Canyon County Paramedics prepare to put 19-year-old Andrew J. Felty on a backboard Thursday morning at the corner of Agate Lane and Homedale Road. According to his grandfather, Homedale area resident Orville Felty, Andrew Felty suffered a broken heel and a bump on the head after jumping out of the hay truck he was driving when the brakes failed. The mishap occurred around 10 a.m. Thursday as Andrew was approaching the intersection from Agate Lane. Above: The hay truck Andrerw Felty was driving came to a rest in a field next to Homedale Road after rolling through the intersection. Canyon County Sheriff deputies said Felty was transported by Canyon County Paramedics to West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell. He was released later Thursday.



Mount Royal Ranch **Events for October**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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8	9	10 Team Penning: 7pm	11	12 Team Roping Practice: 7pm	13	14
15	16	17 Team Penning: 7pm	18	19 Team Roping Practice: 7pm	20	Play Day: Register 8am
22	23	24 Team Penning: 7pm	25	Team Roping Practice: 7pm	Haunted Trail & BBQ	28 Haunted Trail, BBQ & Bonfire
Haunted Trail	30	31	1	Z Team Roping Practice: 7pm	3	4 Play Day: Register 8am
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ION museum gaining momentum



Fledgling museum shines new light on ION region

ION Heritage Museum curator Joanne Cunningham stands next to a window in the old Elorriaga residence in Jordan Valley that will serve as the museum's home once renovation is complete. The museum will feature historic photographs and accounts of life in the Idaho-Oregon-Nevada region. Fund-raisers are planned for the renovation project, and museum memberships are available. Submitted photo



Volunteers help with restoration

Left: Johnny Madariaga does some work on a door jamb inside the house that will become the ION Heritage Museum in Jordan Valley. Above: Tanya Anchors prepares to pain the window frame elsewhere in the old Elorriaga residence. Submitted photos

Groups seeks funds with yard sale this weekend, cattle drive Oct. 27-29

Two events scheduled this month in Jordan Valley will raise money for the continued development of the I.O.N. Heritage Museum.

A community yard sale and flea market will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the old NAPA Owyhee Auto Supply building at 508 Swisher Ave., in Jordan Valley.

Interested buyers can preview sale items from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday.

Last week, Adele Payden of the museum said more than 20 organizations and individuals have made arrangements to sell items at the event.

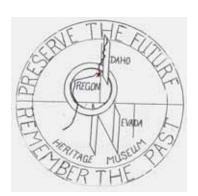
"We plan to have miscellaneous items such as computers, clothing, hardware and household items," Payden said.

Payden said she and the museum council still are looking for volunteers to help with the event.

The museum also plans a fundraiser cattle drive later in October. The three-day drive will leave Jordan Valley on Oct. 27 and return Oct. 29.

The drive, hosted by Jordan Valley rancher Mike Hanley, will feature a chuck wagon, team, cattle and hay for horses. Patrons must provide their own horses and gear, warm clothing and camping gear.

Musical instruments are encouraged. The cost for this historic event is \$750 per person,



which includes all food and a

No alcoholic beverages, guns, dogs or stud horses will be allowed. Patrons must have proof of current insurance. The cattle drive will be limited to 20 people.

All proceeds from these events go toward the renovation of the building that will house the Jordan Valley I.O.N. Heritage Museum.

That building is the former Elorriaga Home and Basque boarding at 502 Swisher Ave., in Jordan Valley. The museum has been in the works for about three years, Payden said. The museum council always is interested in obtaining items connected to the Idaho-Oregon-Nevada region's history.

There are museum membership packages available, too.

For more information on the fund-raisers, call (541) 586-2460, (541) 586-2100, (541) 586-2818, 586-2984 or 586-2428. You also may e-mail ionmuseum@yahoo. com.



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Owyhee Initiative goes to Washington

Work group chairman delivers report to commissioners

The following is text of the report on last week's Senate subcommittee hearing on the Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act of 2006 that Fred Kelly Grant was scheduled to deliver to the Owyhee County Commissioners during Monday's meeting in Murphy:

— *Ed*.

The Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act of 2006 was heard by the U.S. Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Public Lands on Wednesday, September 27, 2006.

Chairman Larry Craig held true to his word to Senator Crapo that he would help him secure an early hearing date for the bill which was not introduced until late July. It is very unusual for a bill related to natural resources to be heard in such short time after introduction. As a result, within only two months, the first bill to specifically apply to Owyhee County made its way into real congressional life.

Two specific advantages were gained by the hearing: (1) all of us now know, the supporters and detractors, that the bill is really going to be processed by the Congress — to passage or not, but it is going to happen, and now all members of Congress will know that our presentations to them are for real, not just hopeful; (2) our opponents have come forward with their arguments, some of which obviously have made it into the minds of members of the Subcommittee, so the opposition is now as real as the support.

The administration, Bureau of Land Management and Agriculture (Forest Service), oppose the bill. Even though the BLM testimony was greatly modified from its original draft which was almost vitriolic, it still is in opposition. I will provide the written testimony of the BLM in a later package, but the oral testimony was limited basically to the land exchanges which do not fit the age old BLM way of appraising lands and exchanging them. In other words, they do not like the fact that the 15 ranchers named their price based upon factors such as price for development lands, price for conservation sales, and elements of the grazing preference. Specifically they do not want to identify any payment going for any concept of grazing preference.

The Forest Service testified that it is a long held policy of the administration (true of the BLM, too) that grazing permits, or portions, not be retired unless the base property is sold also. They took the position that to allow the retirement of the permit just leads to sale of the base property for subdivision development. Both the BLM and Forest Service

stand, of course, fail to recognize any element of private property rights.

Grant's testimony to the subcommittee itemized

In my testimony, I focused first

on the Science Review which had been blasted by the BLM in its first draft of testimony (which had been released for internal review as the final testimony of the Bureau, until lightning struck them just the day before the hearing), and which had made its way into the thinking of the Subcommittee staff. I pointed out that the purposes of the Science Review were to get to a sound science basis, but also to speed up the process. The argument advanced by the administration to the subcommittee staff was that the science review would slow down the process. I pointed out that the science review would give the BLM the opportunity to see any flaws in its science before the final decision was released, thus giving it an opportunity to remedy the errors before the appeal process — thus reducing the number of times that an appeal has to be remanded for further proceedings, just delaying the process even more. I pointed out that this was a two edge sword, that the ranchers knew that if the science review showed the BLM was acting on sound science, then there wouldn't be much use for an appeal, because the administrative judge likely would follow the BLM decision, backed as it was by an independent review. I pointed out that some of the administrative appeals are in their 6th to 8th year without final resolution. I also pointed out that prior directors like Delmar Vail and K Lynn Bennett had seen nothing wrong with the Science Review, commenting to me that this was bringing their old days in the BLM when staff welcomed peer review, before the anti-grazing elements took over

Second, I discussed the Cultural Resource Protection Plan, and the fact that the Plan for the Project was agreed to by the BLM in 1999. In that year Kate Kitchel went with Terry Gibson to the Senators offices with the Plan seeking funding. Senator Craig nodded in assent as I reminded him of that fact. The Senators could find no funding that year, and since then the BLM has not funded the plan. I pointed out that this Plan is basically the same as the Plan which was approved by the BLM, with the law enforcement provisions added — the provisions which are so important to the Tribes as well as the County. I further pointed out that the law enforcement provisions are necessary to enforce the Recreation and Transportation Plan which relates directly to the Cultural Resource Protection Plan. I stressed the Plan because word had gotten to the staffs in DC from the BLM that this was an altogether new Plan, they had never seen it, and had never agreed to it, just as though the 1999 visit had never occurred. I pointed out that this portion of the bill was so important that Sheriff Gary Aman had come to DC to let staffs know that the law enforcement plans and funding were essential to prevent further destruction in the Owyhees from motorized vehicle use in unlawful

areas.

Before going on to the third main point of my testimony, let me tell you that it is really eye opening to go to DC and find out much about the Idaho BLM and its bias against the Initiative and grazing methods which favor the ranchers and County that seemingly goes unnoticed in our countless and endless meetings here

My five minutes were nearly up as I said that I wanted to stress those two points because I believed that the administration had been relating positions that were not accurate, and that I would be glad to discuss the compensation package in questions which I was sure would come.

Senator's question key to extending testimony

Senator Crapo, who had praised the Initiative and its process from the beginnings with the County Commissioners right up through presentation of the bill to his office, in earlier testimony was allowed to step up to the dais and participate in the hearing. His question to me allowed me to discuss the compensation package and how it originated with ranchers who needed to restructure their ranch operations in order to stay on a fiscally sound basis. I responded to the Forest Service position as to subdivision development by pointing out that this is exactly what we seek to avoid. By allowing the ranchers to sell or trade their highconservation value private lands outside the base ranch, we were facilitating their staying in the livestock business and resisting the necessity of selling these lands adjacent to wilderness to private developers for subdivisions, giant private and closed estates, and or private hunting and fishing clubs closed to the public. In my written testimony I emphasized that if the Congress is interested in preserving public lands for enjoyment of the public, these lands being offered by the ranchers are choice, while the federal lands being exchanged are dry grazing

Senator Craig asked me whether changes that were made by the Subcommittee would destroy the consensus of the Work

Group. I answered honestly that it depended on the change. If the change or changes merely were procedural in order to make the bill consistent with congressional type language, the consensus would remain. But if the change went to the core position of one of the parties, then consensus would end, because the Agreement is based upon a very sensitive balance of interests.

Senator Craig made it clear that he will not support the bill if the money for the ranchers is not available when the bill passes. He even discussed "trigger language" which would be language that would put off all elements of designating wilderness and wild and scenic rivers until the appropriations were made. This language will be hard to take, because with the middle east in its current state, if the pressure is taken off the appropriations committee by holding up designations of wilderness, we may see the whole process take 5 to 10 years, and by then property values will have changed, and the ranchers may have had to sell off the private lands for development. After the hearing, we met with Senator Crapo for about an hour discussing how we can get the money ready for the ranchers at the time the bill passes. It is critical that we do this because the landowners have to know the money is in place before passage, and the "trigger language" will probably lose us the national environmentalist support that is necessary to passage.

Russ Heughins had come to testify for Idaho Wildlife Federation, and because he had travel plans that wouldn't allow him to stay until the time assigned for his testimony, he was moved ahead of schedule and was placed on the panel with the New Mexico bill. As a result, we were able to hear his testimony. He presented the usual arguments which have been presented by the snowmobile interests (and Blue Ribbon Coalition) as well as the anti-grazing interests of (Katie) Fite and (Jon) Marvel. (Note the linkage of the two in the recent Statesman article in which Sandra Mitchell and Katie Fite are shown together in a front page picture). He pretended that his "hunting interests" had not been included in the process. That allowed Grant Simonds to reply and to show the Idaho BirdHunter maps which Russ Heughins himself had supplied to the Work Group. The maps showed, in Russ Heughins own markings, the 530 roads the Bird Hunters wanted open, and the 500 of them that were left open. Simons emphasized that only 30 of the roads were closed, and pointed out that hours and days were spent in reviewing these roads in the office and on the ground. Heughins also pointed out

that the science review would be just another level of bureaucracy which would slow down the process. So, when I lead off with the Science Review, it allowed me to answer that position which has been widely spread through the Senate staffs.

Brad Madron testified in opposition, claiming that motorized folks got left out with only 1 vote on the Work Group. Grant's testimony had already answered this opposition by showing how hard the Group members worked to recognize and follow as many demands of the motorized groups as feasible given the nature of what the Initiative is trying to do, and given the nature of the need to protect wilderness type lands and private property rights of Owyhee County citizens

Suffice it to say that the only interest shown in the Owyhee County citizens by the testimony came from the testimony of the Work Group members who testified (Rick Johnson of Idaho Conservation League, Grant Simonds and I).

Ground work before

hearing crucial component

The day before the hearing showed the Sheriff how important it is that we continue to make presentations to the Senate staffs. He went to a meeting with the staff of Senator John Kerry of Massachusetts. Her only interests were the wilderness and ATV plans. Will Whelan of the Nature Conservancy spoke up and said "the Sheriff is the guy to talk about ATVs". Gary then explained that in the Owyhee Front alone (which he carefully described as to width and length) there are 17,000 miles of trails, and went on to say how important it is to preserving the beauty of the landscape of this country to be able to control off road vehicles under a careful designation of trails. Not only was his presence worth while for that first hand view of law enforcement needs, it was worthwhile to show him the "other side" that we need to attract in order to get passage. Sometimes we tend to forget that we need Democrats like Kerry who has a special interest in

The fact that the Sheriff traveled with me to explain this bill was not lost on the various members of the Senator's staff as we prepared for testimony. It pointed up once again the need for local folks to get to DC to walk the halls and talk to staff people who will be the ones to whom Senators turn when its time for support. The presence of Tim Lowry two weeks prior was invaluable. He was able to describe as to his allotment, what we are trying to do with the bill.

Owyhee Initiative goes to Washington

Sheriff reflects on last week's legislative process in Washington

Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman visited Washington, D.C., last week as part of the contingent showing support for the Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act of

Although Aman wasn't among those who testified at Wednesday's subcommittee hearing regarding the Initiative and other land use bills, he did play a role in preparing others for their testimony.

On the morning of Sept. 26, he met in the Wilderness Society's Washington office to go over what was needed for testimony during Wednesday morning's hearing. Later in the day, Aman met with Sen. Mike Crapo's (R-Idaho) staff to examine the hearing agenda and witness list.

On Wednesday, he visited Crapo's Washington office and participated in a videoconference I was awestruck that common with the senator's Boise office staff to discuss the hearing.

Aman said he felt progress was made during the subcommittee hearing, during which each witness was allotted five minutes for testimony.

"Testimony came out for and against the Owyhee Initiative," Aman wrote in an e-mail to The Owyhee Avalanche. "Crapo and (Initiative chairman Fred) Grant, however, clarified to the hearing board several key issues that it did not seem they were aware of. Progress was made."

Following are Aman's thoughts after participating in the process last week:

It was all very impressive to watch our government at work. ordinary citizens of our nation can come into the Senate building and meet with senators and staff and be able to testify on issues involving Owyhee County and our nation. Thank God for the United States and the freedoms we have and that if we do not agree with something the government is doing we have the right to speak our minds.

But I also noticed the other side of that equation that we also have a right to do. Numerous demonstrations of one sort or another seemed to be going on all the time outside the offices. I did not see one that I would agree with, particularly the ones that were against the very government that gives them the right to do what they were doing and the ones trying to disrupt the people we ask

to represent us to our government leaders but it is all a part of our great nation.

I have been to D.C. as a tourist numerous times before, but this was the first time to be involved in the inner workings of making law. I am honored that I was chosen to go to represent Owyhee County and our future of why we live and work here.

I can assure you that Owyhee County is represented well in these great halls; however, our future is at stake. Cattlemen, farmers, city and county leaders and especially our citizens we represent need to get involved.

Calling and writing is a good way to let our representatives know how we feel, but to be able to go into their offices and talk with them one-on-one is worth every penny it cost.

There are a lot of politics and behind-the-scenes wrangling that goes on to educate our senators and congressmen, but work does get done somehow, some way amid all the seeming confusion of each side wanting to be heard.

Get involved. Your way of life, your assets, your right to live, work and play and your entire future are involved. Take the time; spend the money. It will be worth it, and you will come away from it being proud to be an American, an Idahoan and an Owyhee County citizen.

Again, I am so thankful for the experience and being able to represent Owyhee County to the United States.

Gary Aman Owyhee County Sheriff

$\sqrt{\text{Report}}$

When he pointed to his allotment on the maps and told that in the Cliffs allotment, his four month grazing season has been cut to one month, meaning that because of the difficulty of gathering the cows, he has to put them on the allotment and hold them in one place, staff persons as well as other organizations were amazed that the BLM would engage in such management practices. As Tim pointed out, "When I have to hold the cows there, it beats the devil out of the land, and then the next year the BLM says 'you beat the devil out of that ground' as if I didn't know it."

Tim, John McCarthy and I had visited Rick Krause, head of the American Farm Bureau Federation, during our prior trip about two weeks ago. Rick was impressed by the presentation and pledged his support if the state Farm Bureau endorses the bill. He also said he would try to make the hearing.

He not only made it, he stayed through the full day of the hearing, and had lunch with our group. Bill Myers, now nominated for the for the ranchers as their quid pro 9th Circuit Court of Appeals and quo at the time of passage.

prior lawyer for the PLC, also joined us for lunch and offered his help in getting the bill passed. I will discuss this with you in the meeting today.

This time, the Sheriff's presence made it clear that the Tribes Cultural Plan and the Recreation Transportation plans were essential, as he pointed out that the BLM had only one ranger for the whole Treasure Valley area, to try to patrol and control the onslaught from a 750,000 population outside Owyhee County. He also pointed out that the valley population is slated for another 85% increase in twenty-five years.

Brenda Richards was sent to DC for the hearing by the Owyhee Borderlands Trust, and it was to our distinct advantage to have her present during the hearing — the only rancher there, and her presence was emphasized by Senator Crapo.

Also, she had the chance to talk with Rick Krause and joined our group for our luncheon discussion with Crapo staff, and with Krause. After the hearing she joined us in Senator Crapo's office for discussion of how we go about assuring that money is available Washington visit spotlights difficulties of bureaucracy

Staci Grant had the opportunity to meet with the staff people she will be dealing with on a daily, perhaps even hourly basis, now that the bill is real and has a breathing life. She also had discussions with Krause, Bill Myers and others she will have to work with.

She had already met Craig Ferguson, but had the chance to meet Peter Fischer who is the Senator's Chief of Staff in DC. During the trip, trying to get my testimony completed and filed timely, she discovered the lengths one has to go to sometimes to work through the bureaucracy. Lessons learned there will be very helpful as we move ahead. It will also be important that she keep us up with writings we need to furnish the staff and has made the lines of communication firm with regard to future filings.

The hearing went well. But, it is clear that we have major hurdles to clear. Senator Bingaman's (New Mexico Democrat) questions and comments made it clear that he opposes putting land management programs in wilderness bills. He obviously favors wilderness bills which do no more than draw lines

on a map of the landscape. And, one reason he favors such bills is that he is not in favor of what he calls "inflated land prices" for payments to landowners. We have a big selling job on our hands for the compensation package. We also have a big selling job to do for the science review, and for direct funding to the Tribes for the Cultural Resource Protection Plan. All these issues are being worked hard by the administration behind the scenes and to staffs of the Senators and Subcommittee staffs.

The remedy? Constantly reinforcing our position through written analysis, but more importantly through visits by ranchers to personally tell the staffs the importance of this bill to them. There is no substitute for ranchers themselves walking the halls of Congress, telling the story as Tim Lowry told it, telling the story as Sheriff Aman told it — the story from the people themselves. I will be urging the Cattlemen to help ranchers make the trip, and hope you will, too.

It is important to realize that we are now on a different plateau. We now have reached the Congressional level, where the House in talking about this the issue is whether this bill serves Bill and supporting it.

the public interest of the United States as a whole. It's a different ball game. Until this hearing, the question was does this do Owyhee County and Idaho any good. Now, it has advanced to the national stage. Individual people have to sell their position not only from their own standpoint but also from the standpoint that their staying in business serves a public purpose. To do this they must sell two things: it is in the public interest to keep ranchers in business and avoid subdivisions and other destruction of the landscape, and it is in the public interest to protect and preserve the unique beauties of the County from subdivisions and other development.

My outlook on the hearing was that we were successful in getting our message into the record. It was a full and fair hearing, and my thanks go to Senator Craig for getting us a quick, full and fair hearing.

And, as always thanks go to Senator Crapo for his support and his efforts for this bill. What many of us don't realize until we get to DC is how many hours he has spent with the White House, other Senators and members of

Wednesday morning in Owyhee County



That's when the Owyhee Avalanche hits the news stands

Owyhee County gasoline prices plummet

Gas prices in Owyhee County have fallen nearly 30 cents in the past month, and at least one local retailer says prices may continue to fall for at least the next month.

Monday's price for regular unleaded was \$2.69 per gallon at both Jacksons and Matteson's in Homedale. Prices at those stores were as high as \$3.02 per gallon at the end of August.

Monday's price for regular unleaded at the ION Truck Stop in Marsing was \$2.73 per gallon. The ION price topped out at \$3.02 in early August.

The price for self-serve unleaded at the Snake River Mart in Marsing was \$2.69 per gallon.

According to Mike Matteson, owner of Matteson's in Homedale, gas prices may be "25 to 30 cents better in the next month."

Matteson said the reasons for falling gas prices are complicated.

"Crude oil going down, definitely," Matteson said. "Regionally, we have been higher, but California and Oregon's markets are softer now, which drives our prices down."

Matteson said Idaho retailers get most of their gas from Salt Lake City.

"We're glad to be lowering," Matteson said. "It helps everyone."



Matteson said one thing that drives up his cost is consumers using credit cards to pay for gas.

"What gets us is when we take credit cards. We pay 2 to 3 percent extra if we do." Matteson said, adding that a charge of gas at \$3 per gallon can mean an extra cost of 6 to 9 cents per gallon for his store.

John Jackson, spokesman for Jacksons, also said a drop in crude oil prices has affected gas prices, but added that Idaho traditionally lags behind the rest



of the nation.

"No one can predict," Jackson said of the course of prices. "It's a global market on crude oil, and no one can predict where it's going. (The drop in price is) certainly welcome."

Jackson doesn't think Idaho Attorney General Lawrence Wasden's inquiry into high prices had any effect on gas prices dropping.

"The attorney general wasn't out of line in inquiring why Idaho lagged behind," Jackson



said last week. "We did start getting our decreases. But we were several weeks behind the rest of the country, and we didn't see a reflection in our prices for a while.

"One thing that happened with Idaho, approximately six months or so ago, we were one of the lowest in the country. But, with a higher tax and with the single pipeline and no crude oil or refinery in the state, we're importing."

Jackson added that gas prices at



Prices at the pump

How much gas cost in the Homedale-Marsing area Monday morning. From left to right: ION Truck Stop, Marsing; Jacksons, Homedale; Matteson's, Homedale and Snake River Mart, Marsing.

some Jacksons stores are different than others. Jackson said that is related to several factors, such as the cost of shipping, distance from terminal, local competition and volume.

Jackson said he couldn't remember the last time there was a big drop in price like this, but said consumers saw a sharp decline in prices in the early 1980s when crude dropped from \$45 per barrel to \$10.

— JWB and JPB

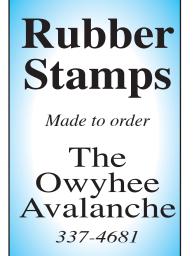


Owyhee irrigation water shutoff set for Oct. 13

Owyhee County irrigation water is scheduled to be shut off Oct. 13, according to Kris Ward of the Owyhee Irrigation District.

As of Sept. 30, the Owyhee Reservoir was at 109 percent of average, based on data collected during the past 30 years. The reservoir contains 416,506 acrefeet of water and is 58 percent full. The daily outflow on Sept. 30 was 240 cubic feet per second.

For additional information, visit the Bureau of Reclamation website at www.usbr.gov/pn/hydromet/.



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Owyhee marks National 4-H Week

The 300-plus members of Owyhee County 4-H clubs are smack-dab in the middle of National 4-H Week this week.

National 4-H Week began Sunday and runs through Saturday, and the 315 county 4-Hers as well as parents, volunteers and community members are celebrating.

4-H is one of the largest youth development organizations in America with more than 6.5 million participants ages 5-19, 538,000 volunteers, 3,500 staff and 60 million alumni.

The organization is Idaho's only youth development program directly connected to the technological advances and latest research of the University of Idaho. 4-H members learn leadership, citizenship and life skills through hands-on projects in science, engineering and technology, healthy living or citizenship.

Topics are as varied as rocketry, Global Positioning System (GPS) mapping, public speaking, DNA analysis, photography, nutrition and community service, as well as traditional livestock projects.

According to a 4-H press release provided by Owyhee County 4-H coordinator Judith McShane, recent studies show youth who participate in 4-H do better in school, are more motivated to help others, feel safe to try new things, achieve a sense of self-esteem and develop lasting friendships.

For more information, contact McShane at the U of I Owyhee County Extension Office in Marsing at (208) 896-4104, by e-mail at jmcshane@uidaho.edu or visit http://extension.ag.uidaho.edu/Owyhee or www.4h.uidaho.

Rusty Spurs 4-H news

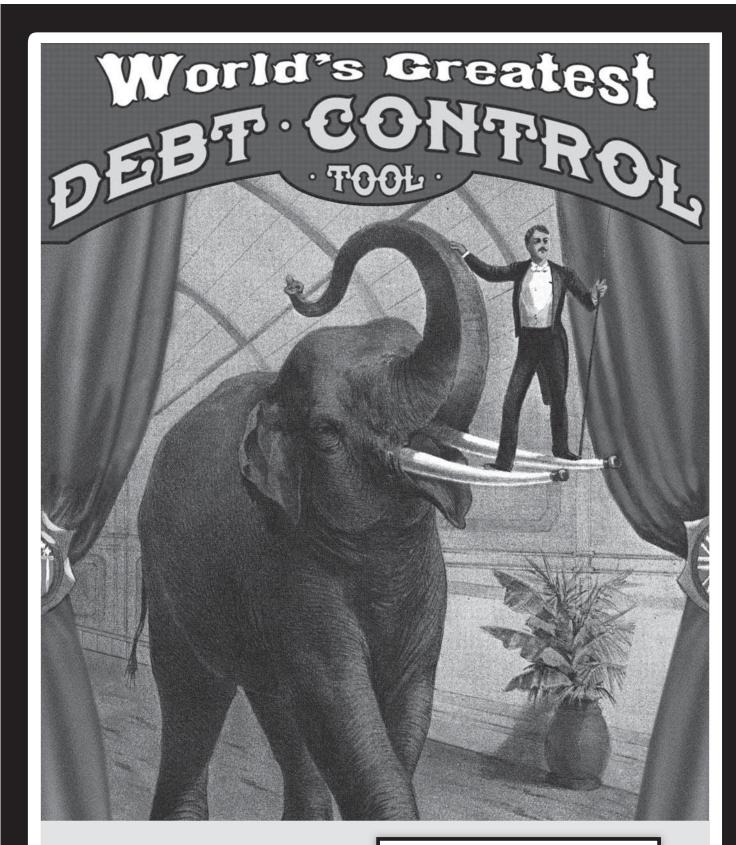
by Phaedra Stevenson

The Rusty Spurs 4-H Club held its first meeting Sept. 17 then had a class and rode.

Elisha Ressler was elected president, Jessica Eubanks is vice president and Tanner Lair is secretary. Andrew Eubanks was elected treasurer, and the sergeant of arms is Larianne Ressler. Phaedra Stevenson is the club reporter.

The club is looking forward to a successful year.





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PUBLIC NOTICE OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Two amendments to the Idaho Constitution will appear on the November 7, 2006 general election ballot. These amendments have been proposed to the people for ratification following action by the legislature. The proposed amendments, the Legislative Council's Statements of Meaning and Purpose and the Effect of Adoption, and the Statements for and the Statements Against are listed as follows:

H.J.R. 2

"Shall Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Idaho be amended by the addition of a new Section 28, to provide that a marriage between a man and a woman is the only domestic legal union that shall be valid or recognized in this state?".

Legislative Council's Statement of Meaning & Purpose H.J.R. 2

The proposed amendment would add a new Section 28 to Article III of the Constitution of the State of Idaho, stating that a marriage between a man and a woman is the only domestic legal union that shall be valid or recognized in the state of Idaho.

Effect of Adoption

If adopted, the proposed amendment would add language to the Constitution of the State of Idaho to provide that a marriage is only between a man and a woman. The language prohibits recognition by the state of Idaho and its political subdivisions of civil unions, domestic partnerships, or any other relationship that attempts to approximate marriage. The language further prohibits the state and its political subdivisions from granting any or all of the legal benefits of marriage to civil unions, domestic partnerships, or any other relationship that attempts to approximate marriage.

Legislative Council's Statements FOR The Proposed Amendment

- 1. Same gender marriages are not currently allowed under Idaho statutes, and this amendment provides for the same prohibition at the state constitutional level to ensure that Idaho state courts do not allow or require the recognition of same gender marriages.
- 2. This amendment would prevent ldaho state courts from recognizing same gender marriages that are legally allowed in other states or other countries.
- 3. Because marriage is a public institution with special importance to society, the state of Idaho has a legitimate interest in establishing the marriage policy for its citizens.
- 4. This amendment does not prevent private industry from extending certain benefits to its employees nor does it limit a person's right to name medical and financial agents or to enter into contractual agreements.
- This amendment does not deny any existing rights under Idaho law, but Idaho's current marriage laws could be weakened in the future without this amendment.

Statements AGAINST The Proposed Amendment

- 1. This amendment is not needed since Idaho Code already limits the right to marry to one man and one woman and does not recognize out-of-state marriages that are in conflict with Idaho public policy.
- 2. This amendment uses the term "domestic legal union," which is not defined and will likely result in costly and lengthy litigation.
- 3. Because this amendment is broadly drafted, it could be construed to prohibit domestic partners of private-sector employees who receive health and other benefits from access to Idaho courts to enforce such benefits.
- 4. This amendment could in the future deny same gender couples in committed relationships the protections and benefits available to married couples, such as access to spousal Social Security benefits upon a partner's death, automatic "next of kin" emergency medical decisions and "family member" hospital visitation rights.
- 5. Just as the United States Constitution's Equal Protection Clause guarantees equal treatment under the law for all persons, Idaho's Constitution is designed to protect liberties and should not be amended to exclude certain people from legal protections.

S.J.R. 107

"Shall the Constitution of the State of Idaho be amended by the addition of a new Section 18, Article VII, to create an Idaho Millennium Permanent Endowment Fund to consist of eighty percent of the moneys received each year by the state of Idaho on and after January 1, 2007, pursuant to the Master Settlement Agreement entered into between tobacco product manufacturers and the state of Idaho, and any other moneys that may be appropriated or otherwise directed to the Idaho Millennium Permanent Endowment Fund by the legislature, including other moneys or assets that the Idaho Millennium Permanent Endowment Fund receives by bequest or private donation, to provide that such moneys shall remain inviolate and intact except that the state treasurer shall distribute five percent of the Idaho Millennium Permanent Endowment Fund's average monthly fair market value for the first twelve months of the preceding twenty-four months to the Idaho Millennium Income Fund, to provide that such distribution shall not exceed the Idaho Millennium Permanent Endowment Fund's fair market value on the first business day of July; to create an Idaho Millennium Income Fund, subject to appropriation as provided by law, to consist of the distribution from the Idaho Millennium Permanent Endowment Fund and moneys that may appropriated or otherwise directed to the Idaho Millennium Income Fund as provided by law; and to provide that the remaining twenty percent of the moneys received by the state of Idaho on and after January 1, 2007, pursuant to the Master Settlement Agreement entered into between tobacco product manufacturers and the state of Idaho and the earnings thereon, shall be deposited to the Idaho Millennium Fund, to provide that the Idaho Millennium Fund may consist of any other moneys that may be appropriated or otherwise directed to the Idaho Millennium Fund by the legislature, including other moneys or assets that the Idaho Millennium Fund receives by bequest or private donation, to provide that moneys in the Idaho Millennium Fund shall be allowed to accumulate, but shall not exceed a maximum limit as determined by law, to provide that any amounts so accumulating in the Idaho Millennium Fund which exceed the maximum limit, shall be transferred, no less than once a year, to the Idaho Millennium Permanent Endowment Fund and to provide that such moneys and earnings in the permanent endowment fund shall also remain inviolate and intact?".

Legislative Council's Statement of Meaning & Purpose S.J.R. 107

The purpose of this proposed amendment is to create a permanent endowment fund into which 80 percent of the money received

annually as a result of the settlement between the state of Idaho and tobacco product manufacturers will be deposited. The remaining 20 percent of the annual settlement will be deposited into the existing Idaho Millennium Fund. No portion of the permanent endowment fund, including earnings, will be transferred, used, or appropriated, with the exception that each year 5 percent of the endowment fund's average monthly fair market value will be distributed to an income fund that will be subject to appropriation. In addition, any money in the Idaho Millennium Fund in excess of a maximum amount, as provided by law, will be transferred annually to the permanent endowment fund.

Effect of Adoption

If the amendment is adopted, 80 percent of the tobacco settlement money Idaho receives each year will be deposited into a newly created permanent endowment fund and 20 percent will be deposited into the existing Idaho Millennium Fund. All money in the permanent endowment fund will remain in the fund, with the exception that every year 5 percent of the fund's average monthly fair market value will be deposited into an income fund that is subject to appropriation. In addition, each year any amount in the Idaho Millennium Fund in excess of a maximum amount, as provided by law, will be transferred to the permanent endowment fund.

Legislative Council's Statements FOR The Proposed Amendment

- 1. Placing 80 percent of tobacco settlement money in a constitutional, permanent endowment fund will protect the settlement money from transfer to the General Fund in years of financial difficulty, while still allowing a fixed amount to be distributed and spent each year.
- 2. The creation of a permanent endowment fund will provide the State Treasurer with the opportunity to make long-term investments, at higher rates of return, with Idaho's tobacco settlement money.
- 3. Greater return on the long-term investment of money in the permanent endowment fund will result in more money being available for purposes such as tobacco prevention and cessation programs, and for relief to counties for the cost of caring for indigent persons with tobacco-related illnesses.

Statements AGAINST The Proposed Amendment

- 1. The proposed amendment is unnecessary because an existing law already provides for a fund into which Idaho's tobacco settlement money is deposited, and the amount of the distribution of money from a permanent fund should not be fixed in the Idaho State Constitution.
- 2. The Idaho State Constitution is a legal blueprint for government in Idaho and a historical document that should not be changed for relatively minor matters, which can best be managed administratively. Changes to the Constitution should be made only for major issues of interest to the entire state or in the event of a constitutional crisis.
- 3. Protection of the tobacco settlement money from transfer to the General Fund in years of financial difficulty for the purpose of balancing the budget can be addressed through governmental constraint rather than a constitutional amendment.

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Jordan Valley FFA news

by Elisa Eiguren

On Sept. 20, several students from Jordan Valley High School traveled to Vale, Ore., to participate in the FFA Dairy Judging Career Development Event sponsored by Vale View Dairy, Chamberlain Dairy and Captein Dairy. Competing teams were Jordan Valley, Adrian, Vale, Nyssa and Ontario.

Against four rivals, the Jordan Valley Beginning Team as well as the Advanced Team placed first in their divisions. Out of 87 participants, high individuals from Jordan Valley were Bryce Kershner, first; Brandan Mackenzie, second; Tad Jones, fourth; Anne-Marie Eiguren, fifth; and Ashley Hebison, seventh.

In the Advanced Division of 57 competitors, high individuals from Jordan Valley were Jerry Wroten, first; Bailey Kershner, second; Luisa Lowry, third; Annie Mackenzie, fourth; and Lacey Kershner, seventh.

Conservation programs deadlines near

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is accepting applications for the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP) and the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) until 4:30 p.m. Nov. 30 for fical year 2007 funds.

WHIP encourages creation, restoration and enhancement of wildlife habitats that support animal populations on private lands.

EQIP is a program for farmers and ranchers to treat identified soil, water, and related natural resource concerns on eligible land.

EQIP contracts provide incentive payments to implement conservation practices. Persons who are engaged in livestock or agricultural production on eligible land may participate in the EQIP program. A complete list of eligible practices is available at the U.S. Department of Agriculture's service center in Ontario, Ore., but some include irrigation pipelines, sprinkler systems, livestock watering facilities, direct seeding and fences.

EQIP is a competitive program and funds are limited.

Through WHIP, NRCS provides technical assistance and up to 75 percent cost-share assistance to establish and improve fish and wildlife habitat. WHIP agreements generally last from five to 10 years from the date the agreement is signed.

Applications must be submitted for either of these programs to the U.S. Department of Agriculture service center located at 2925 SW 6th Ave., Ontario, OR 97914.

For more information, contact the NRCS at (541) 889-9689, ext. 103 or ext. 118.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT #1

To Propose or Promulgate New or Changed Agency Rules

(See Ad #2 also in this section)

The following agencies of the state of Idaho have published the complete text and all related, pertinent information concerning their intent to change or make the following rules in the new issue of the state Administrative Bulletin. The written comment deadline is October 25, 2006, unless otherwise listed. Temp & Prop indicates the rule is both temporary and proposed. ** Indicates that a public hearing has been scheduled.

IDAPA 01 - BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0002

01-0101-0601, Idaho Accountancy Rules. Updates incorporations by reference; changes name of accrediting body to the "Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities"; changes "fee" to "fine" to clarify penalty for regulatory non-compliance.

IDAPA 02 - DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PO Box 790, Boise, ID 83701

02-0104-0601, Rules Governing the Idaho Preferred Promotion Progam. Adds a section requiring Department approval of use of logo on packaging and printed materials; and changes the symbol from Idaho Preferred $^{\text{TM}}$ to Idaho Preferred because the name and logo have completed the trademark process and are now registered marks.

**02-0602-0602, Rules Pertaining to the Idaho Commercial Feed Law. (Temp & Prop) Updates the label requirements for pet foods to be consistent with the AAFCO uniform label requirements for pet foods; clarifies that viable noxious weed seed found in a feed is an adulterant.

02-0622-0601, Noxious Weed Rules. (Temp & Prop) Amends noxious weed list and creates sub-lists; designates articles capable of disseminating noxious weeds; provides for cleaning and disinfecting of articles capable of dissemination of noxious weed propagules; deletes reference to Special Management Zone; adds penalty section and buffer zone allowance for counties

02-0631-0601, Noxious Weed Free Forage and Straw Certification Rules. Updates title of the National standard used for field inspection procedures; removes obsolete sections; adds definitions; addresses forage cube certification; upgrades distribution requirements; and corrects a reference to the Idaho Nox-

**02-0633-0601, Organic Food Products Rules. Updates incorporation by reference section; changes registration and certification deadlines; increases registration fees; establishes a late registration fee; caps the organic gross sales fee graduated scale; requires outside certifying agencies and their Idaho clients to register with Department.

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

07-0104-0601, Rules Governing Electrical Specialty Licensing. (Temp & Prop) Clarifies that only journeyman and apprentice electricians, employed by an electrical contractor, may install electrical wiring, equipment and apparatus in modular structures.

07.05.01, Rules of the Public Contractors License Board.

07-0501-0602 - Increases the fee cap rate for public works contractor and construction manager licenses.

07-0501-0603 - (Temp & Prop) Allows for a "guarantor" to pledge assets to small contractors to allow them to qualify for licensure when the assets of the contracting entity on its own are insufficient to qualify.

IDAPA 08 - STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

PO Box 83720-0037, Boise, ID 83720-0037
08-0111-0601, Out-of-State Institutions, In-State Non-Accredited Institutions, and Correspondence or Private Courses. Repeal of chapter.

08-0111-0602, Registration of Postsecondary Educational Institutions and Proprietary Schools. (Temp & Prop) Clarifies that postsecondary institutions must register to ensure they are legitimate degree granting institutions and that proprietary schools are legitimate and establishes criteria for evaluating these institu-

08.02.03, Rules Governoring Thoroughness

08-0203-0604 - Includes the subgroup of LEP students in the definition of "at-risk youth" so they will have access to additional acceleration services to assist them not only in their English language acquisition but also will increase their ability to participate fully in the classroom.

**08-0203-0605 - Increases total number of credits required for high school graduation to 46 credits starting with the 2013 duating class; increases math requirements to 6 credits and science requirements to 6 credits; requires students to take the ACT, SAT, or COMPASS test in the 11th grade, and to complete a Senior Project; and requires all school districts to provide at least one Advanced Opportunity for all students

08-0203-0606 - (Temp & Prop) Revises the English language development standards; establishes the Limited English Profeciency Program Accountability Plan; and establishes ISAT and IELA cut scores.

IDAPA 11 - IDAHO STATE POLICE PO Box 700, Meridian, ID 83680-0700

11-0501-0601, Rules Governing Alcohol Beverage Control. Provides licensees with a specific time period following loss or move of a licensed premise to secure and occupy a new premise

and display the alcohol beverage license; adds definitions to clarify references to Idaho Code; and updates licensing practices.

11-1001-0601, Rules Governing ILETS - Idaho Law Enforcement Teletypewriter System. Changes chapter name; changes fees charged for access and usage of the Idaho Public Safety and Security Information System to all agencies, local, state, and federal, by 25% beginning on 10/1/07.

11-1101-0601, Rules of the Idaho Peace Officers Standards and Training Council. Defines "Correction Officer" and "Adult Probation and Parole Officer" as law enforcement professions as it pertains to the two-year agreement so people working in those capacities get credit for time served; allows students attending the vocational law enforcement programs to be eligible for waivers for "uncharacterized" or "general under honorable conditions" discharges from military service and give the POST Executive Director the authority to waive these; adds language to prevent decertified officers from obtaining future POST certification with the exception of Correction Officers; adds the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics; clarifies that peace officer, county detention officer, and communications specialist experience must be with a duly authorized law enforcement agency to count toward peace officer and detention officer certification; clarifies the qualifications for the Supervisor certificate; and establishes the POST Hearing Board.

11-1102-0601, Rules of the Idaho Peace Officers Standards and Training Council for Juvenile Detention Officers. Adds a county clerk to the Juvenile Training Council.

11-1103-0601, Rules of the Idaho Peace Officers Standards and Training Council for Juvenile Probation Officers. Adds a county clerk to the Juvenile Training Council.

11-1104-0601, Rules of the Idaho Peace Officers Standards and Training Council for Correction Officers and Adult Probation and Parole Officers. Extends the voluntary certification option for correction officers from

2008 to 2010 and for adult probation and parole officers from

IDAPA 12 - DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0031

12-0110-0601, Rules Pursuant to the Idaho Residential Mortgage Practices Act. Amends agency access information and updates the references to the documents incorporated by refer-

IDAPA 13 - IDAHO FISH AND GAME COMMISSION PO Box 25, Boise, Idaho 83707

13-0104-0601, Rules Governing Licensing. (Temp & Prop) Amends eligibility requirements for a Disabled Person License; adopts eligibility requirements and permit conditions to implement the new "children with special needs big game permit/tag"; clarifies outfitter allocation process and the Handicapped Archery Permit rule to address equipment concerns of handicapped archers; deletes the Southeast Idaho Nonresident Deer License/ Tag rule because it is now a controlled hunt.

13-0105-0601, Fishing Contests. (Temp & Prop) Allows additional fishing contests on planted trout; clarifies certain definitions, and makes clerical corrections and updates

13-0108-0601, Rules Governing the Taking of Big Game Animals in the State of Idaho. (Temp & Prop) Simplifies the understanding of weapon type opportunities; addresses concerns of handicapped archers; implements new outfitter allocation; addresses elk depredations in eastern Idaho; adds an additional unit (Unit 69) to the Motor Vehicle Restriction Rule; lengthens the controlled hunt application period for deer, elk, antelope, and fall black bear; and clarifies and corrects hunt descriptions

13-0109-0601, Rules Governing the Taking of Game Birds in the State of Idaho. (Temp & Prop) Requires the wearing of hunter orange when hunting on Wildlife Management Areas where pheasants are stocked.

13-0111-0601, Rules Governing Fish. (Temp & Prop) Changes address biological issues and angler desires.

IDAPA 16 - DEPT. OF HEALTH AND WELFARE PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0036 16-0208-0601, Vital Statistics Rules. Changes align the

Department's disinterment rules with the amended statute and make other minor clarifications.

16.03.04. Rules Governing the Food Stamp Program

16-0304-0601 - Excludes one vehicle per adult family member in the Food Stamp household when determining eligibility.

16-0304-0602 - (Temp & Prop) Simplifies income calculations for self-employment and child support income; simplifies work requirements and sanctions for non-compliance; excludes additional military combat pay; amends definitions; aligns time lines with federal requirements

16.03.05, Rules Governing Eligibility for Aid to the Aged, Blind and Disabled

**16-0305-0603 - (Temp & Prop) Sets the criteria for determining how a working disabled individual's income and resources will be calculated to establish Medicaid eligibility.

**16-0305-0604 - (Temp & Prop) Establishes a method for the distribution of the annual cost of living adjustment increase to the basic allowance and the allowance for rent, utilities, and food.

16-0305-0606 - Requires Medicare-eligible individuals to enroll in Medicare as a condition of eligibility for Idaho Medicaid.

16.03.08, Rules Governing Temporary Assistance for Fami-

16-0308-0601 - Excludes one vehicle per adult family member in a TAFI household when determining eligibility.

16-0308-0602 - (Temp & Prop) Changes will help meet and assist work participants in improving work skills and training needed to be successful in obtaining jobs.

**16-0318-0602, Medicaid Cost-Sharing. (Temp & Prop) Implements cost-sharing provisions of Section 56-209n, Idaho Code, to help individuals with disabilities be eligible for Medicaid while working

16-0601-0601, Rules Governing Family and Children's Services. Makes guardianship assistance consistent with stature; utilizes "best practices" for implementing child protection rules and adoption rules for out-of-state adoptions, home studies, support, supervision, and limits on state-funded adoption and guardianship assistance; modifies "Professional Foster Care" requirements; and delete references to discontinued community

16-0602-0601, Rules Governing Child Care Licensing. Requires that additional safety devices and barriers be in place to protect young children living in licensed foster homes and children's residential care facilities with swimming pools, hot tubs, ponds or other bodies of water on the property; removes requirement for automatic fingerprinting and criminal history background checks of young adults in foster homes or residential care facilities when they stay in the same home or facility after turning 18, unless he moves away from the home and returns; updates adoption rules to address the Multiethnic Placement Act that prohibits the delay or denying placement of any child on the basis of race, color or national origin.

**16-0606-0601, Developmental Disabilities Family Support and In-Home Assistance. New chapter provides funding for services and equipment to help individuals with developmental disabilities continue to live with their families, prevent institutionalization, improve access to community supports, use existing resources efficiently, and obtain enhanced care; adds a new less costly grievance procedure option as an alternative to the more formal appeals process.

16.06.12, Rules Governing the Idaho Child Care Program. 16-0612-0601 - Chapter repeal.

16-0612-0602 - Chapter rewrite increases current income limits to 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines of 2005; updates copayment rates; adds requirement for post-secondary students to work in order to be eligible for child care benefits and limits the time they can receive child care benefits to 2 years.

IDAPA 17 - IDAHO INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0041

17-0206-0601, Employers Reports. Reconciles conflicting time periods by changing the second time period to 15 days from 10 days; extends the reporting time period to 120 days to allow sureties sufficient time to capture data they are required to submit on the Summary of Payments; allows auditing of total and permanent benefit payments within a time frame that allows useful feedback to be given and corrections made.

**17-0208-0602, Miscellaneous Provisions. Clarifies that the fee schedule does not apply to hospitals and substitutes an alternative method to compute fees for hospitals; reduces the number of conversion factors used for physician fees; and it allows health care providers to be fully paid after going through a dispute resolution process.

IDAPA 18 - DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0043

18-0127-0601, Self-Funded Employee Health Care Plans. (Temp & Prop) Implements House Bill 822 by outlining requirements for employer sponsored self-funded health plans including information that must be submitted to the Department to register the plan and requirements for maintaining and reporting reserves and surplus.

18-0128-0601, Governmental Self-Funded Employee Health Care Plans. (Temp & Prop) New chapter implements House Bill 825 for registering, funding and operating self-funded health plans offered by public entities and created through joint powers

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT #2

To Propose or Promulgate New or Changed Agency Rules

(See Ad #1 also in this section)

The following agencies of the state of Idaho have published the complete text and all related, pertinent information concerning their intent to change or make the following rules in the new issue of the state Administrative Bulletin. The written comment deadline is October 25, 2006, unless otherwise listed. Temp & Prop indicates the rule is both temporary and proposed. ** Indicates that a public hearing has been scheduled.

IDAPA 19 – IDAHO BOARD OF DENTISTRY PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0021

19.01.01, Rules of the Idaho State Board of Dentistry.

19-0101-0602 - Changes physical office address.

19-0101-0603 - Proposes to create and issue an extended access dental hygiene restorative license endorsement and outlines requirements for such licensure.

19-0101-0604 - Current Rule 40 of the Administrative Rules of the Board of Dentistry contains a number of subsections that identify behavior that constitutes unprofessional conduct on the part of a dentist or dental hygienist. A violation of any provision in Rule 40 may provide a basis for taking disciplinary action against a dental or dental hygiene license. The Board of Dentistry proposes to amend existing Rule 40.18 to clarify the fact that unprofessional conduct not only includes the violation of a law governing dentistry but also includes the violation of any law pertaining to or affecting a person's fitness to practice dentistry. For example, many criminal laws do not govern the practice of dentistry, but a conviction for criminal conduct may pertain to or affect a person's fitness to practice dentistry.

IDAPA 22 – IDAHO BOARD OF MEDICINE PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0058

22-0104-0601, Rules of the Board of Medicine for Registration of Supervising and Directing Physicians. Adds definitions; provides for the duties and responsibilities of supervising physicians of medical personnel providing cosmetic treatments, including at those locations that are remote or non-medical; describes training requirements and outlines scope of cosmetic treatments.

IDAPA 24 – BUREAU OF OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES 1109 Main St., Ste 220, Boise, ID 83702

24-0301-0601, Rules of the State Board of Chiropractic Physicians. Updates the version of reference guidelines for peer review standards.

**24-0401-0601, Rules of the Idaho Board of Cosmetology. (Temp & Prop) Corrects contact information; redefines hospital grade; defines "patron"; includes examiner qualifications with board qualifications; adds haircutter category to fee schedule; changes exam fees to allow for administration by third party; sets requirements for exam and theory exam criteria for haircutters; adds haircutter credit toward cosmetology license; changes reexamination eligibility; sets minimum hours for clinical services on patrons; and establishes rules for schools teaching haircutting.

24-0501-0601, Rules of the Board of Drinking Water and Wastewater Professionals. Requires applicants to take and pass the exam within one year in order to keep applications current.

24-0701-0601, Rules of the Idaho State Board of Landscape Architects. Increases original license fee and annual renewal fee to

24-0901-0601, Rules of the Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators. (Temp & Prop) Allows for a masters degree as part of experience/education requirements for licensure by endorsement.

24-1001-0601, Rules of the State Board of Optometry. Revises exam requirements and length of work experience required for endorsement; revises continuing education to include observation and the use of excess hours; updates the code of ethics; and revises contents of prescriptions.

24-1201-0601, Rules of the Idaho State Board of Psychologist Examiners. Updates contact information; increases fee for renewal of licenses and service extender applications.

24-1301-0601, Rules of the Physical Therapy Licensure Board. (Temp & Prop). New chapter provides definitions; defines supervision; establishes application process; sets fees, disciplinary penalties, and standards for continuing education; and provides a code of ethics.

24-1401-0601, Rules of the State Board of Social Work Examiners. Clarifies credentials to be filed; allows for termination of inactive files after 24 months of no contact; and deletes Clinical Practice Exemption and Independent Practice rules.

24-1501-0601, Rules of the Idaho Licensing Board of Professional Counselors and Marriage and Family Therapists. Updates incorporation by reference pertaining to ethics; clarifies and revises counselor and therapist supervisor requirements; clarifies qualifications for clinical professional counselors; and adds national credential registry for endorsement qualifications.

24-1701-0601, Rules of the Idaho State Board of Acupuncture. Updates contact information for the Board; and reduces the original license fee and the annual renewal fee to \$200 per license.

24-1801-0601, Rules of the Real Estate Appraiser Board. Updates contact information; clarifies education required to include courses approved by AQB; changes education effective dates to 1/1/08 for most licenses; allows board meeting attendance to count toward continuing education credits.

24-1901-0601, Rules of the Board of Examiners of Residential

Care Facility Administrators. Adds scope of practice; and increases license application and provisional/temporary permits

**24-2401-0601, Rules of the Board of Naturopathic Medical Examiners. (Temp & Prop) New chapter provides contact information and definitions; provides an application process and licensure fees; allows for renewal of registrations; sets standards for continuing education; defines scope of practice and approved schools

IDAPA 27 — BOARD OF PHARMACY PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0067

27-0101-0603, Rules of the Idaho State Board of Pharmacy.
Requires licensed pharmacies to submit the same theft loss information to the Board that they now submit to the DEA.

IDAPA 31 – IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0074

31-1101-0601, Safety and Accident Reporting Rules for Utilities Regulated by the PUC. Adopts the 2007 Edition of the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC) that is incorporated by reference.

IDAPA 33 – IDAHO REAL ESTATE COMMISSION PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720

33.01.01, Rules of the Idaho Real Estate Commission.

33-0101-0602 - (Temp & Prop) Establishes a mechanism by which a designated broker can access and review the electronically-kept continuing education records of the sales associates currently licensed with that broker.

33-0101-0603 – (Temp & Prop) Expands and amends list of topics approved for continuing education credits.

IDAPA 35 – IDAHO STATE TAX COMMISSION PO Box 36, Boise, ID 83722-0410

35.01.01, Idaho Income Tax Administrative Rules

35-0101-0601, Numerous changes conform to statutory changes; adds table for income tax brackets and rates for calendar year 2006; clarifies the addback for state and local income and sales taxes when limitations are imposed in computing the federal itemized deduction amount; changes holding period for real property to 12 months; clarifies time period that an interest in income of a pass-through entity must be met; modifies the calculation of the proration percentage; gives the Tax Commission authority to require an alternative method for determining Idaho source income of a partnership when the apportionment formula does not fairly represent the extent of the business activity in Idaho; clarifies that a corporation that is protected by federal PL 86-272 is exempt from the corporate income tax, including the minimum tax; addresses the modifications to the other state's adjusted gross income and tax required when computing the credit for taxes paid to another state; allows information returns to be submitted through electronic filing; clarifies that taxpayers whose business activities in Idaho are protected under PL 86-272 are not required to pay the permanent building fund tax; new rule addresses the Idaho Small Employer Investment Tax Credit.

**35-0101-0602, Addresses dividends from real estate investment trusts and regulated investment companies; clarifies that insurance companies are included in the combined report, but their tax is deducted from the tax liability computed for the unitary group if paying the Idaho premium tax.

35.01.02, Sales Tax Administrative Rules

35-0102-0601 – Adds required sections to rule; removes tax on sales of intrastate charter flights; sheriff's offices are assigned a seller's permit number and must file returns quarterly; clarifies that "transporting freight or passengers for hire" means providing transportation services to the public and not just to related parties; state that discount memberships are intangible and their sale is not taxable; clarifies that no tax is due on complimentary items given away when a purchase of tangible personal property is required as long as the sale of the item purchased is taxable; clarifies that an Idaho resident who forms an LLC in another state for the primary purpose of purchasing one or more motor vehicles does not qualify for the nonresident exemption; clarifies that credit will be given against any Idaho use tax due for local sales taxes paid in Alaska if the goods are then brought to Idaho.

35-0102-0602 - adds a provision that 50% of the sales price is presumed to be subject to tax when services and software are not separately stated.

35-0106-0601, Hotel/Motel Room Tax Administrative Rules. Removes references to the 4% Greater Boise Auditorium District tax rate

35-0109-0601, Idaho Kitchen and Table Wine Tax Administrative Rules. Adds definition of "wine direct shipper"; wine direct shippers are required by statute to remit wine tax and collect use tax on their sales of wine to Idaho residents; clarifies that wine

direct shippers are required to post a surety bond or some other acceptable form of security in the same manner as in-state wineries and wine distributors; wine direct shippers are required to obtain a wine tax reporting number in the same manner as in-state wineries and wine distributors; states what information is required on a wine tax return

35-0110-0601, Idaho Cigarette and Tobacco Products Tax Administrative Rules. Clarifies that shippers who are not licensed tobacco products distributors must pay the tobacco tax; requires distributors to obtain a copy of the owner's tribal identification card or a certificate of tribal ownership when selling to an enrolled tribal member or an Indian tribe.

35-0201-0601, Idaho Tax Commission Administration and Enforcement Rules. Establishes a formula for calculating the yearly interest rate applied to deficiencies of tax and refunds; corrects the calculation of penalties when a taxpayer qualifies for an extended due date, but files the return before such date; deletes the requirement that an offer of compromise include a remittance in the amount of the offer; changes references.

IDAPA 39 — IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPART-MENT

PO Box 7129, Boise ID 83707-1129

39-0222-0601, Rules Governing Mileage Use Fee Administration. Recognizes a new method of fee payments, based on registration and permit fees; addresses quarterly reporting requirements, installment payments, refunds, delinquent or non-payment of fees, suspension or revocation of a customer account and methods of payment.

39-0345-0601, Rules Governing Sale of No Longer Useful or Usable Real Property. (Temp & Prop) Allows local government entities to acquire surplus ITD property, for other than transportation purposes, at a negotiated price, up to the appraised value, expressly for public purposes, with sales proceeds to the State Highway Account.

39-0362-0601, Rules Governing Logo Signs. Updates incorportation by reference documents.

39-0364-0601, Rules Governing Tourist Oriented Directional Signs. Updates incorportation by reference documents.

39-0407-0601, Rules Governing Aerial Search And Rescue of Lost Aircraft and Airmen. Places the coordination of search and rescue under the direction and supervision of the Chief of the Bureau of Homeland Security while requiring aerial search and rescue operations be coordinated by the ITD, Division of Aeronautics.

IDAPA 41 – PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICTS 2195 Ironwood Ct., Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

41-0101-0601, Rules of Panhandle Health District 1. Expands Institutional Controls Program to include OU-3 (Coeur d'Alene River Basin) because remediation is taking place in OU-3 of the Bunker Hill Superfund site cleanup; clarifies sewage disposal systems standards and procedures; clarifies existing rules regarding critical materials on the Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer; corrects outdated references to the Department of Health and Welfare; adds required sections.

IDAPA 46 - BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

2270 Old Penitentiary Rd., Boise, ID 83707 46-0101-0601, Rules of the State of Idaho Board of Veterinary

Medicine. Changes reflect current practices and clarify processes and procedures; revises continuing education requirements; updates practice standards; clarifies the code of conduct; establishes a timeframe for the filing of complaints.

IDAPA 47 - DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITA-TION

PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0037

***47-0102-0601, Rules and Minimum Standards Governing Extended Employment Services. (Temp & Prop) Establishes IDVR as the agency with the authority to administer Extended Employment Services programs statewide.

IDAPA 48 - GRAPE GROWERS AND WINE PRODUC-ERS COMMISSION

117 North 9th Ave., Suite 2, Caldwell ID 83605

48-0101-0601, Rules of the Idaho Grape Growers and Wine Producers Commission. (Temp & Prop) New chapter imposes a tax on grape growers and producers and late fee penalties for failure to timely pay tax.

IDAPA 58 – DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706-1255

**58-0101-0603, Rules for the Control of Air Pollution in Idaho. Proposes to opt out of, or not participate in, the federal cap and trade program for $H_{\rm g}$ emissions from EGUs and proposes to prohibit the construction of any EGU with $H_{\rm g}$ emissions.

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Some wagging tongues will tell you those are the only times most people get their names in the newspaper.

In the first and last instances, the tongues continue, you just won't care. And when you get married, you have other things on your mind.

So what's the difference?

The difference is huge. Like a stopped clock, even wagging tongues are right a couple of times every day. Whether joyful or tragic, important junctures of everyday living make the papers. You probably did get your name published when you were born and when you got married. You probably will again when you pass away.

But today's newspapers do so much more than that. Newspapers cover your life - all your life, not just the beginning and the end. news but they also publish lots of comes in.

BUDGET — The lineup of news

stories scheduled for the next

BYLINE — The name of the

writer printed at the top of a

DATELINE — The line at the

beginning of a story giving the

you things you need to know and articles someone brought in. occasionally tickle your funnybone or even make you mad.

Hey, remember when your kid was the star of the big game? Remember the way the football kind of floated through the air Remember the way he took off for the end zone? How many papers did you buy that weekend? That's right. Some of them are still around and Grandpa still has the clipping on the wall above his desk, doesn't he?

Well, maybe it wasn't the big game. It might have been the recital or the school play or Vacation Bible School graduation or a feature picture or a million, zillion other things that sneak "beneath the radar" in this go-go-go world of ours. Not all of them are in the paper but

of the front page.

regular editions.

of government.

Most of the time, the stories will be written and the pictures taken by one of your neighbors who goes through the same things you do every day, who knows about the long lines at the grocery store until he reached up and pulled it in? and the prices at the gas station and who wonders why something isn't done about the same things you wonder about. If it's a local problem, something like that big pothole down the street, the reporter probably will ask somebody at City Hall and the newspaper again will be covering part of your life. With any luck, you and your newspaper will get that hole filled in.

Even if you don't see your own name in the papers too often (and lots of people like it that way), newspapers are still covering your life because they are covering your Newspapers do cover the hard times. That's where the hard news

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Hard news usually falls into two categories. There's institutional news such as what happens in Congress or at the courthouse, and breaking news, like when the airplane crashes or war breaks out. When big hard news happens, everybody's going to be telling you about it and it will be in your newspaper as well.

Newspapers may not be able to get it out first these days but they still can do it best, they still can fill in the details, they still can answer your questions and some of their people still write in a way that captures a moment or stirs your soul. Just because it came out first somewhere else doesn't mean that newspaper story doesn't contain information you need and want to know. More often than not, it does, and sometimes it's the only place you can get the story straight.

But you know what? Even though newspapers can do a great job on the big stories, they really excel with "little" stories, everyday things in your town that are probably going to affect your life more than anything halfway across the world or who's in the White House.

Go to a local meeting, say your town zoning board or your city council or maybe some kind of hearing in one of your courts. Is

"The great dreaded thing

every reporter lives with is what

there a reporter there? Where is he or she from? That's right. Nine times out of ten, maybe more often, it's your local newspaper. Yes, TV gives you local news but their people usually have to work on a broad canvas. They're covering lots of communities in half-an-hour while there's probably one or more newspapers working hard just to cover yours. If your neighbor makes an application to put in a trailer next to your backyard fence, they're not going to break into CSI to tell you about it. You're going to read about it in your local newspaper.

Some newspaper somewhere probably did carry a few words when you were born. There may have been two or three pictures and stories about your engagement and wedding. Newspapers did those things then and they do them now.

But newspapers don't stop there. This is National Newspaper Week and the theme for the week tells the whole story: "Newspapers – We Cover Your Life.

It's a good slogan because it's true. Newspapers do cover our

> By Wayne Trotter, Publisher of the Tecumseb Countywide News. Tecumseb, Oklahoma



NATIONAL **NEWSPAPER** WEEK

This year, National Newspaper Week is being celebrated from October 1 through 7.

Since 1940, the Newspaper Association Managers have sponsored and supported National Newspaper Week, a week-long celebration showcasing the impact of newspapers on the everyday lives of citizens.

Community newspaper readers are looking for news that's important to them - births, deaths, school and sporting events, local government and classifieds – and that's what they find in the pages of their local newspaper.

Local newspapers are committed to the community and to the people who live in

CUTLINE — The information name on page one. below a picture or art, which deoff all pages. FOURTH ESTATE — A tradiscribes it; also called a caption. tional name for the press, refer-SOURCE — The supplier of

FLAG — The newspaper's

ring to it as the "fourth branch"

Words to know while reading the newspaper

EAR — Either corner at the top

EXTRA — A special edition of

the newspaper, printed between

Newspaper Names Crossword Puzzle by Patrick Jordan

The answers so 20-, 32-, 41-, and 52-Across begin with common newspaper names.

ACROSS

- 1. Manufacturer
- 6. Director Howard and others
- 10. Abbreviation meaning "Right away!"
- 14. It may have a pimento inside
- 15. Brainstorm
- 16. Sandwich shop
- 17. Stirred up
- 18 Univ student's home "Remove," to an editor
- 20. Phonograph (2 words)
- 23. "Now I understand!"
- 26 Santa's little helper 27. French city with a famous
- car race (2 words)
- 28. Bean or pea, for instance 30 Allows customers to enter
- 32. Keep going (2 words) 34. Biblical aff
- 37. Sharpen, as a knife
- 38. Finale 39. Express contempt for
- "A Bug's Life" bug 41. New York City intersection
- (2 words) 45. Contributor
- 46. Adds (2 words)
- 47. Autumn flowers
- 50. Enemy
- 51. Brewed beverage
- London site where many of Shakespeare's works debuted (2 words)
- 56. Simpson who plays the saxophone
- 57. Noble title
- you" (Valentine line,
- 2 words) 62. Leave out
- 63. Word of sorrow
- 64. Some of it is "spam" "Wish you ___ here"
- 66. Medicinal amount
- 67. Couches

DOWN

- 1. Dad's mate
- 2 Boxer Muhammad 3. Brand in the cereal aisle

- - 5. Cashes in, as a coupon 6. No longer bothered by

 - Bad smell
 - 8. Bookish kind of person 9. Needlework project
 - 10. Family of Gomez, Morticia and Fester
 - 11. "Bye!" (2 words)
- 12. Tim ___ of
 "Home Improvement"
- Docking platforms 21. Ancient Egyptian queen,
- for short 22. Give temporarily
- 23. First Greek alphabet letter
- Long-necked wading bird 25. Actor's representative
- 29. Find a purpose for
- 30. One who possesses 31. Knee protectors
- 33. Lost fish in a Pixar film 34. It makes bread rise
- 35. Spooky Sports stadium
- Protrude prominently 41. Ripped (apart)
- 42. As a substitute 43. Leopard marking

- - 45. Formal argument
 - 47. Like a bright moon 48. Snail's trail
 - "____, With Love" (Sidney Poitier film, 2 words)
 - 50. Not true
 - Angel's circle
 - 54. Historical periods55. Ticklish "Sesame Street"
 - 59. Clumsy guy
 - 60. By way of 61. Pro golfer Ernie

ANSWERS BELOW



you don't know. The source you didn't go to. The phone call you didn't return Bob Woodward

news.

"When a dog bites a man that is not news, but when a man bites a dog that is news. John B. Bogart

"Newspapers cannot be defined by the second word – paper. They've got to be defined by the first word -

Arthur Sulzberg, Jr.

"Every time a newspaper dies, even a bad one, the country moves a little closer to authoritarianism; when a great one goes, like the New York Herald Tribune, history itself is denied a devoted witness.

Richard Kluger

inventors are the newspaper

"America is a country of inventors, and the greatest of

"The first duty of a newspaper is to be accurate. If it be accurate, it follows that it is fair."

Alexander Graham Bell

Herbert Bayard Swope

"The Defense Department's plan to ban newspaper reporters from



[pool coverage of] military operations is incredible. It reveals the administration to be out of touch with journalism, reality and the First Amendment. Arthur Ochs Sulzberger

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"A good newspaper is a nation talking to itself." Arthur Miller

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