

Trojans baseball hits highway to improve

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Raiders take short cut to state tournament

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Pegram, Trojans strong off tee in 2007

Jordan Pegram follows his tee shot on the No. 7 hole at River Bend Golf Course in Wilder during the Homedale Invitational held March 12. Pegram shot a 39 to lead the Homedale High Schools boys golf team to the win in the nine-hole tournament. The Homedale boys outlasted seven other area teams. Photo by Gregg Garrett

Sizzling start stokes Trojans' confidence

Golfers finish first, second in opening tournaments

Homedale High School's golf squad is off to a promising start to its second season under the guidance of coach Dave Thompson.

And Thompson has high hopes for his team, which has a strong mix of young and veteran golfers.

"Homedale should be more than capable of earning a berth in the state tournament this year," Thompson said.

A championship and second-place finish in tournaments last week would seem to bear out Thompson's confidence. The 3A state tournament will be held May 14-15 in Post Falls.

Leading the way is senior Trevor Krzesnik, a four-year letterman who narrowly missed a trip to the state tournament as a sophomore and junior. Krzesnik finished third during Wednesday's Payette Invitational at Scotch Pines Golf Course.

Krzesnik fired a career-best 3-over-par 75, just two strokes behind medalist Mike Slegers of Nampa Christian and one shot behind second-place Colin Hershey of Payette.

"The varsity guys continued to play well, especially Trevor with his career-best round," Thompson said.

Bolstered by Krzesnik and an 82 by junior Jordan Pegram, the Trojans finished second in the team portion of the 18-hole tournament. The Trojans carded a 332, nine strokes behind fellow 3A Snake River Valley conference team Fruitland

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— Dave Thompson
Homedale golf coach



and four shots in front of Payette, another SRV squad which was state tournament runner-up a year ago and has three top players back.

Sophomore Grant Sweet shot an 87, while Ryan Ryska and Reece Landa, a pair of freshmen, scored 88s.

"Our younger guys — Grant, Ryan Ryska, Reece, Ryan Garrett and Aaron (Wheeler) — are all contributing good scores and our veteran guys — Trevor and Jordan — are showing the way," Thompson said.

Pegram finished in a three-way tie for second behind Payette's Nick Morrison during the March 12 Homedale Invitational at River Bend Golf Course in Wilder. Pegram, Slegers and Bryce Glarburg of Weiser each shot a 39 to land one stroke behind Morrison, another returner for the Pirates.

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Marsing, Adrian track unveil future in Nyssa

Familiar name — Heller — captures Don Walker shot put for Huskies

Granted, Tyson Heller has competed in just one meet in his high school career, but the Marsing High School freshman showed signs of following the family tradition Friday in Nyssa, Ore.

The younger brother of a former Huskies shot put state champion, Heller bested a field dominated by juniors and seniors to win the event championship at the Don Walker Invitational.

The best throw by Heller, who was one of three Marsing freshmen competing in the event, was nearly 3 feet better than second-place Levi Case, a junior from Nyssa. Heller won the event with an effort of 45 feet, 2 inches.

While freshman teammates Ty

Shippy and Brian Galligan finished out of the points, Marsing senior Don Galligan — Brian's older brother — placed 15th to pick up two points for the Huskies. The top 16 athletes in each event were awarded points for their team.

Heller, whose older brother Cody won a state championship and now competes for Northwest Nazarene University, was fourth in the discus. Junior Marcus Miller finished ninth, and Don Galligan 11th for the Huskies.

The Marsing boys scored 154.5 points and finished sixth in the team race, just 8.5 points behind Adrian. Vale won the team championship.

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Antelope out of blocks fast

Sarah McPeak leads the 200-meter field at the Ontario Ice Breaker track meet early last week. Photo by Kat Sillonis, AHS

Freshman girl shines for Adrian at Walker meet

Adrian High School's track and field program capped the first week of the season Friday with a pair of fifth-place showings at the Don Walker Invitational in Nyssa, Ore.

Senior Sarah McPeak swept the hurdles events, winning the 100-meter event in 18.6 seconds, and taking home the gold in the 300 with a time of 52.9. In both races, McPeak beat a pair of athletes from Vale.

During a meet in which the top 16 athletes in each event earned points for their teams, the Antelopes girls piled up 194.5 points, finishing more than 80 points behind fourth-place Vale, Ore. Nyssa edged Ontario for the team title.

The Adrian boys were fifth with 166 points, more than 80 points behind fourth-place New Plymouth. Vale easily captured the team championship.

Coach Aimee Goss' girls squad got a big boost

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Sports

Marsing rec signups slated for today

Registration for Marsing Community Summer Rec sports will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. today inside the Marsing Middle School gymnasium.

Today is the only day signups will be taken.

Players are being sought for T-ball, coach-pitch, baseball and softball. Organizers say more players and coaches are welcome even though teams are filling fast.

For more information, call Tammy Bowman at 896-4299 or Barbara Dines at 896-4894.

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√ Huskies: Family ties permeate Marsing's first effort of the 2007 season

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Coach Don Heller's boys were paced by several underclassmen in the first scoring meet of the season. The Huskies took part in at non-scoring meet in Parma two weeks ago.

Sophomore Francisco Martinez finished fifth in the 200 meters (24.2) and 10th in the 100.

Miller was fifth in the 300 intermediate hurdles, and he tied for fourth in the pole vault.

Sophomore Arnold Martinez soared 16-9 to finish eighth in the long jump.

Both Martinezes, Ethan Sauer and Sammy Olvera finished fifth in the 4x100 relay in 48 seconds flat.

A second Huskies squad of Miller, freshman Brandon

Walgamott, Heller and Shippy was eighth.

Sprinter Elisa Moreno spearheaded the Marsing girls' effort in Nyssa with a championship in the 100 meters.

Her victory was a slim one as Moreno's winning time of 13.5 edged Crane's Alex Borelli by one-hundredth of a second.

Moreno was third behind a pair of Ontario sprinters in the 200.

The Huskies scored 89.5 points and finished sixth in the meet. Nyssa won the team championship.

Junior Holly Heller, the older sister of Tyson, was fifth in both the shot put (29-2) and the discus (87-7).

Marsing's 4x100 relay team finished eighth.

√ Trojans: Homedale faces tough test in SRV with likes of Payette, Weiser, Fruitland

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Homedale won the team portion of its own tournament with a 161 that out-paced second-place Weiser by seven strokes. Garden Valley, a 2A school, was third at 175, while Payette was fourth at 181.

The Trojans also won the junior varsity boys title at the Homedale Invitational, beating Weiser by 30 strokes (187-217).

Garrett won medalist honors with a 43, while Aaron Wheeler tied for second with Evan Hershey of Payette after both carded 45s.

Garrett was medalist during Wednesday's JV competition in the Payette Invitational, too. He shot an 88 to lead Homedale's championship drive. Wheeler finished second with a 91.

Thompson said Homedale's competitive spirit in tournaments and duals will be forged during hotly contested practices this season.

"Our returning lettermen — Krzesnik, Pegram, Sweet and Garrett — are going to be pushed to success because of our depth this year," the coach said.

Another barometer of where the Trojans are this year comes Thursday in the Canyon County Invitational at River Bend. Vallivue from Caldwell is playing host to the event, but Homedale could make some waves on its home course.

"The other teams on the invite list are all larger schools, so the competition should be stiff and gives us an indicator of how good we will be in the conference race," Thompson said.

The SRV will be a strong conference this season with Homedale improving, Payette returning three top players and Weiser and Fruitland carrying their traditional depth.

But Homedale shows off its own deep roster this season, even if Krzesnik and Kyle Miyasako are the only seniors on board.

On the junior scroll behind Pegram are Mat Hansen, Zach

Tolmie and Dustin Regis, all of whom Thompson said will compete at the varsity level during the year.

With Sweet and Garrett, even the sophomore class will be lethal. Jonathan Verwer and Rowdy Lair are 10th-graders who saw extensive JV action as freshmen in 2006.

As for the freshmen, Ryska, Landa, Wheeler and Dylan Kushlan bring Idaho Golf Association junior tournament experience to the table.



Trevor Krzesnik



Kyle Miyasako



Mat Hansen

Homedale Invitational girls results

The Trojans don't have any girls on the roster this season, but schools brought their girls squads to the Homedale Invitational on March 12.

Ontario, Ore., crushed Nampa Christian in the varsity tournament. The Tigers' Jennifer Jaramilla fired a 40 as Ontario crushed Nampa Christian by 32 strokes (190-222). Payette was third at 265. Jaramilla cleared the individual field by six strokes. Her teammate, Megan Schram, and Fruitland's Rachael Rode carded 46.

On the JV side, Payette had the only full team, while Weiser's Emma Coats was medalist with a 59.

— JPB

Trojan Spring Sports

Softball Varsity Thursday, March 22 at Melba, 5 p.m. Junior varsity Thursday, March 22, home vs. Melba, 5 p.m.	Baseball Varsity Friday, March 23 vs. Joseph, Ore., at Orofino Tournament, 2 p.m. MST Saturday, March 24 vs. Orofino at Orofino Tournament, 1 p.m. MST Saturday, March 24 vs. opponent TBA at Orofino Tournament, 3 p.m., 5 p.m. or 7 p.m. MST Junior varsity Friday, March 23, home vs. Homedale JV, 5 p.m.
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Trojans hit tough road

Homedale sets sights on improvement

Tim Fulwood has a plan. The Homedale High School baseball coach wants to build his team's competitive spirit by running the Trojans out against some of the toughest teams to land on the schedule in a few years.

The foundry opened for business Monday at home against 4A Emmett (results weren't available at press time), and the Trojans' mettle will be tested further this weekend in the Skip Wilson Invitational in Orofino.

"We wanted to do something fun for the kids, but make them play some quality teams that they haven't seen before," Fulwood said of the reasoning behind heading north just before Spring Break.

"We wanted to come us with as tough of a non-conference schedule as we could to make us better."

With several young players picking up key roles this season, this week's gauntlet of Emmett, Joseph, Ore. (2 p.m. MST on Friday), and Orofino (1 p.m. MST on Saturday) truly could be seen as a trial by fire.

Homedale will play a third game later Saturday afternoon in the Orofino tournament, which marks only the second time the Trojans have entered a tourney situation in Fulwood's six years at the helm — and the first time the tournament competition has come from outside the Treasure Valley.

"We're going to be facing some good competition," Fulwood said. "If we go in with the mindset that, win or lose, we'll get better, that will help us grow."

Joseph (1-1) is familiar with tournament play this season. The Eagles, who draw talent from a co-op with Enterprise, split a pair of games last weekend at the Grant Union Tournament. Joseph was nipped by Nyssa, Ore., 8-7, then walloped Vernonia, Ore., 17-7, in six innings.

Although a 2A school, Orofino has the reputation of being one of the toughest teams in the state at that level. The Maniacs finished third in the state tournament on their home turf a year ago after losing in the semifinals to eventual champion Grangeville and then beating Nampa Christian on May 20 for the third-place trophy.

"Orofino traditionally has been a very powerful program," Fulwood said.

And that's where the sixth-year coach would like to take Homedale, with a little help from this week's competition and a lot of input for his team's mix of seasoned veterans and promising young guns.



Brockett endures painful at-bat

Homedale High School first baseman Jared Brockett fouled this pitch off his foot Friday against Melba.

"Our strength will be our senior leadership," Fulwood said before the season. "We will go as far as they take us. Our weakness will be a lack of varsity experience from key newcomers. They will need to step up fast."

The inexperience poked through last week as the Trojans struggled at the plate and found quality pitching difficult to come by. Homedale ended last week at 1-3 after a 5-1 loss to Nampa Christian on March 13 and a 10-5 setback to Melba in Friday's home opener.

But while dropping both its games last week, Homedale possibly unearthed a diamond in the rough in sophomore utility player Ryan Davis.

Davis went 3-for-8 against Nampa Christian and Melba and entered this week batting .467 (7-for-15) with five runs batted in and five stolen bases.

"He's stepping up and showing he has the capabilities to contribute for us," Fulwood said.

"He's been a pleasant surprise for us."

Davis had one of the Trojans' two hits against Melba's Doug Beus on Friday.

Davis scored a run during a 2-for-4 outing against Nampa Christian, during which Homedale surrendered four unearned runs because of a botched rundown in the fifth inning.

— JPB

Homedale JV slides into winning streak

The bats came alive late in the week, propelling the Homedale High School junior varsity baseball team to a pair of non-conference victories.

The Trojans (3-2) beat Melba 14-6 on the road Friday behind key defensive plays that thwarted two Mustangs' rallies that started with the bases loaded and no outs. Melba failed to score during either threat.

Trent Acree and Tyler Gibson pitched Homedale to victory. Acree also had a triple to lead a strong Trojans' hitting attack. Jose Gonzales and Alfredo Machuca both doubled.

Melba had trounced Homedale

18-0 in both teams' home opener on March 8.

Homedale 17, Marsing 7
John Bittick blasted a home run and Gonzales doubled as the Trojans beat their Owyhee County rival on the road Thursday.

Joey Cline surrendered just one run in four innings for Homedale.

Nampa Christian 20
Homedale 6 (5)
Tyler Gibson and Brandon Brockett collected hits during a six-run third inning, but Homedale dropped a 20-6 non-conference decision to visiting Nampa Christian on March 13.

Homedale's six-run rally trimmed Nampa Christian's lead to 7-6, but the visitors scored 13 runs in their next two at-bats to end the game via the 10-run rule.



Tyler Gibson

Trojans baseball sets parents meeting

The Homedale High School baseball program plans a parents meeting at 5:30 p.m. today at the baseball field.

The meeting will be an informal

gathering allowing parents to meet the coaching staff, learn more about the program and its policies and procedures and ask questions.

Marsing Huskies

Baseball

Varsity
Thursday, March 22 at Wilder, 5 p.m.
Friday, March 23 at Fruitland JV, 4:30 p.m.
Junior varsity
Friday, March 23 at Homedale JV, 5 p.m.

Softball

Thursday, March 22 at Wilder, 5 p.m.

Track & Field

Saturday, April 7 vs. Cole Valley Christian at Horseshoe Bend

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✓ **Adrian:** Sprinters carry boys to fifth-place finish at Don Walker Invitational

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Orosco also tied for third in the 100 hurdles and served on the Antelopes' third-place 4x100 relay team along with Heather Thompson, Bowns and Dayana Soares. The quartet finished just 1 second behind Crane's winning squad.

Another ninth-grader, Sammy Bowns, ran the 1,500 meters in 6 minutes, 11 seconds to finish third for the Adrian girls.

Senior Stephenie Hutchings tossed the discus 99 feet, 1 inch and was edged out for the gold. Ontario's Christina Garcia won with a 99-3. Hutchings heaved the shot put 31 feet, 10.5 inches for third place.

On the boys side, event victories by senior Joe Witty and junior Maurus Hope led the Antelopes.

Witty ran a 48.8 to beat Vale freshman Ryan Nyborg by half a second in the 300 intermediate hurdles. Nyborg wound up scoring more points than any other male competitor at the meet.

Witty finished a distant second in the 400 (55.8).

A junior, Hope won the triple jump by nearly a foot with an effort of 39-2. He tied for third in the 100 meters with an 11.5.

Sophomore Kyle Osborn signaled the promise of a strong sprint season for the Adrian squad with a second-place finish in the 200 (23.6) and a fifth-place finish in the 100 (11.6).

Osborn, Witty and Hope teamed with Kyle Rogers to comprise Adrian's fourth-place 4x100 relay squad.

The Antelopes, who began the season March 13 with the Ontario Ice Breaker, next competes in Harper beginning at 11 a.m. Friday.



Fast Antelope

Adrian's Maurus Hope, right, finished 2nd in the 200 at Ontario, finishing with a time of 24:42. Hope also placed 2nd in the 100 meter race. Hope won the triple jump and finished third in the 100 during Friday's Don Walker Invitational in Nyssa. Photo by Kat Sillonis


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First-year varsity pitcher finds going rough

Erin Collet, who is taking over from 2006 Marsing High School Nicole Gelinas as a pitcher, fires a pitch toward the plate Thursday against Homedale. Collet and the Huskies are back in action Thursday with a 5 p.m. game on the road against 1A Wilder.

Homedale hammers Marsing

Trojans have young yet veteran team; Huskies begin year with new coach

There will be no resting on laurels in the Homedale High School softball dugout this season.

Coach Larry Corta has made sure the Trojans will be on their toes as they try to return to the 3A state tournament. He scheduled a doubleheader on the road against 4A Emmett (the Trojans were swept on March 10), and Homedale also faced Melba twice in the non-conference season.

“All dates (on the schedule) are big for us,” Corta said. “We are a young team, and it’s going to take every game to get better and better.”

The Trojans were 3-3 before facing Marsing at home Tuesday. Results for the second contest against the Huskies weren’t available at press time, but Homedale clubbed first-year coach Bryan Marquardt’s squad 22-3 last week on the road.

Homedale welcomes back just five returners from the 2006 squad that reached the consolation final in at State. None of those returning players are seniors.

In fact, Kayla Bertagnolli is the only upperclassman on Corta’s roster, and she didn’t play on the varsity squad last season.

The five returning players include two juniors (pitcher Corey Hall and shortstop Taryn Corta) and three sophomores (catcher Hannah Johnson, center fielder

Kendall Rupp and left fielder Erika Shanley).

Corta, Rupp and Johnson scored three runs each in Thursday’s win over Marsing, which was halted after five innings because of the 10-run rule.

Junior Brittany Ambeau, who is up from the junior varsity, scored four runs against the Huskies.

Homedale rolled out to an 11-0 lead after a half-inning against the Huskies, who elected to pass up the first mercy rule after three innings and played until the game was stopped after five.

With the likes of Rupp, Johnson and Shanley — all sophomores and all veterans of varsity softball — Homedale could be a team to watch in the 3A Snake River Valley conference this season.

But Corta admits that Homedale’s luxury is shared by the entire league.

“The conference will be very tough; each team has a lot of returning players,” he said.

Homedale, though, welcomes back Hall for her junior season. She limited the Huskies to four hits on Thursday. On March 13, she tossed a two-hitter at Nampa Christian as visiting Homedale triumphed, 10-0, in five innings at West Park.

Johnson, Hall, Cortene Krzesnik and Jessica Eubanks all ripped two hits apiece for Homedale during the five-inning



Trojans outfielder gets plunked

Erika Shanley takes one for the team in the first inning against Marsing High School. Shanley later scored one of Homedale’s 11 first-inning runs.

route.

Hall, meanwhile, was unhittable in every inning except the third when No. 9 hitter Chelsea Goelz

and leadoff hitter Taylor Myers collected back-to-back singles.

Hall would allow only one other base runner in the game.

Myers perfect early for Trojans tennis

Three of the four No. 1 seeds collected victories March 13 for Homedale High School, but host Kuna walked away with a non-conference tennis victory.

The Trojans’ Joshua Myers (No. 1 boys singles), Shanae Galloway (No. 1 girls singles) and Vanessa Brown and Chanda Cox (No. 1 girls doubles) all won their matches in straight sets.

But the 4A Kavemen won every other match for a 9-3 triumph.

Myers routed Blake Krebs, 6-1, 6-2. Galloway rolled past Tressa Cole, 6-2, 6-2. Homedale’s other victory came when Brown and Cox out-



Joshua Myers

lasted Karen Roe and Asia Burton in the first set then cruised in the second for a 7-5, 6-2 victory.

The Trojans and Kavemen played only one match beyond the minimum two sets. Homedale No. 1 boys doubles team of Andrew Bingham and Caleb Johnson won the first set in a tiebreaker, but couldn’t duplicate the success as Kevin Lundergen and Vaughan Christensen came from behind for a 6-7 (7-9) 6-2, 7-5 victory.

Homedale played another 4A school, Emmett, to a 6-6 draw on the road Friday.

Against the Huskies, the Trojans swept the boys singles action with Myers, Johnson and Bingham all winning in straight sets.

Homedale also grabbed both boys doubles matches behind winning performances from the duos of Scott Thatcher and Levi Jones and Gage Egurrola and Shravan Sringanesh.

Emily Verwer won the No. 2 girls singles match for Homedale’s sixth victory.

The Trojans, who opened the home portion of their schedule against Nampa on Monday, plays host to Emmett at 4 p.m. Friday before starting Spring Break.

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Sports

Regular season merely State tuneup for Rimrock

Dearth of 1A baseball teams guarantees Raiders' return to postseason

Bob Murray visited the state tournament for the first time in 15 years last season. Unlike 2006, though, the Rimrock High School coach already knows where he'll be spending late May this year.

Even without three key starters from a year ago, Murray enters the early part of the season with one certainty — the Raiders already are guaranteed a spot in the 1A state tournament.

In the southern half of the state, only Rimrock and Wilder are fielding teams this season. Gone is the Council team that booted the Raiders from the state

tournament in Juliaetta last May. The Lumberjacks couldn't cobble together enough players for a team this season.

Same goes for Notus. The Pirates' remaining athletes joined forces with Wilder coach Larry Puckett's charges this season.

So, Murray said, Wilder and Rimrock will see a lot of each other this spring, essentially playing a round-robin regular season for ... nothing. Both teams already are guaranteed a spot in a four-team state tournament that will be held somewhere in Southwest Idaho in May.

The first showdown between the 1A Western Idaho Conference clubs comes April 3 in Bruneau.

The Raiders opened the season Wednesday with a 11-3 setback at the hands of Melba in Canyon County.



Bob Murray

The Mustangs' Chris Thiel struck out 13 and walked just two.

Rimrock jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first inning, but Melba fired back with four runs in the bottom of the inning. The Raiders wouldn't score again until the top of the seventh.

Three different returning lettermen reached Thiel for hits. Ryan Hipwell doubled and knocked in two runs, while Devin Meyers and Nate Hofer laced singles.

Meyers took the loss while striking out four and walking four.

Murray has singled out Hipwell, Meyers and Hofer as key players this season, along with Alan Draper, T.J. Snyder and Logan Thomas. There are three other returning lettermen from last year's 9-9 squad.

Missing this season, though, are Wes Aquiso, Dylan Meyers and Anthony Hofer, all of whom graduated.

Only two of Rimrock's returners in 2007 started last season, but Murray says team defense will be a strength.

Stars leave, but Rimrock softball still plenty strong

Just because its chief rival is sitting out the spring doesn't Rimrock High School's softball team will have an easy go of it in the 1A Western Idaho Conference this season.

"It'll be a close race," Raiders veteran coach Mike Chandler said. "The teams are pretty equal."

The parity between 1A WIC teams, including Rimrock, Council, Notus, Wilder and Horsehoe Bend, probably is helped out a bit by the absence of Greenleaf Friends Academy.

The Grizzlies failed to field a team this season, one year after beating the Raiders to win the 1A District III championship and a berth in the 1A softball tournament.

While Greenleaf's participation fell off this year, Chandler was greeted by another strong group of girls.

Shannon Hipwell and Emily Chandler both graduated after last year's 10-8 campaign. Team leader Chandler moved on to play women's basketball and softball at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton, Ore.

Chandler was the Raiders' play-

er of the year in 2006, and Hipwell teamed with Shelby Chandler to provide a formidable 1-2 punch from the pitching circle.

Shelby Chandler, a junior who also plays second base, is one of seven returning starters for the Raiders this season.

Three of those returners are seniors (BreAnne Merrick, Lenzi Murray and Devani Lawson). But while Mike Chandler embraces the experience as a strength he readily admits that the Raiders will battle through youthfulness at a few positions.

The Raiders welcome six freshmen to the team this season, including basketball phenom Jackie Thurman.

But with 20 players on the roster for tiny Rimrock, things could be looking just fine this season.

The Raiders jumped into the 1A WIC season Tuesday with their season opener against visiting Horseshoe Bend. Results weren't available at press time.

Rimrock's next game comes at 4:30 p.m. on April 3 in Bruneau against Wilder.



Mike Chandler



Shelby Chandler



BreAnne Merrick

Trojans' work in field events at NC pays off

Liddell lifts off as Homedale boys begin season with strong showing

Homedale High School sophomore Austin Emry sent a message Thursday: His 2006 track and field season was no fluke.

He didn't set foot on the Nampa Christian track last week, but Emry still figuratively roared out of the blocks, collaring the high jump and triple jump in record-breaking fashion.

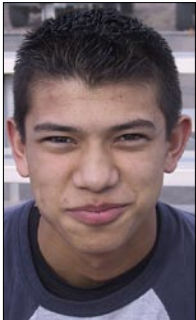
Emry even bettered the arena record in the long jump, but had to settle for second place behind senior teammate David Liddell's venue record 20 feet event.

The performances by Emry and Liddell helped the Trojans boys to a second-place finish in the 10-team meet. Homedale lost to Nampa Christian, but finished ahead of third-place Weiser and fourth-place Payette.

"I expect to be strong in the field events again this season," Homedale coach Thomas Thomas said before season started.

Beating Weiser — and its hoss Mikel Overgaard — without the services of Terence Thomas could be all the evidence one needs to believe the elder Thomas. Terence, who qualified for the 3A state tournament as a freshman and sophomore, packed up his shot put and discus and transferred to Caldwell sometime after the football season.

The departure of Terence Thomas and the graduation of Cheyanne Andrade — another state meet qualifier — could signal a shift



Austin Emry



David Liddell

in the focus at Homedale.

Speed and athleticism seem to be replacing sheer strength as the Trojans' new way to score points in the meets.

Liddell, who passed up his senior season of baseball to run track, did win the long jump in record fashion Thursday. But he also showed a gift for speed with a pair of runner-up showings in the short sprints.

He lost by one-tenth of a second to Jake Scharbrough in the 100 meters, and had to settle for second in the 200 after finishing in a hand-timed tie with Tommy Hickey (23.3 seconds each).

Liddell also anchored the Trojans' third-place entry in the 4x100 relay, teaming with Mark Vance, Matt Holloway and Eric Engum.

Furthermore, Trent Acree and Vance both finished in the top five in the 100.

"Our track speed should be better than last year since we have a lot of key sprinters back," Thomas Thomas said.

"We also picked up talented David Liddell. He is speedy with the ability to be a strong long and triple jumper."

The season could be a bright one for the Trojans as the 3A Snake River Valley conference campaign won't include perennial powerhouse Middleton, which moved up to 4A before the 2006-07 school year.

"It is hard to say where we will

end up," Thomas said. "A lot of factors do come into play. The key thing is we have talented kids who want to be there."

A lot of those "kids" were there last year in the state meet. Emry, Holloway and Austin Ferguson all qualified in the high jump, and none of them seemed to lose much ground to start '06.

Emry cleared 6 feet, 5 inches to shatter the Nampa Christian track record of 5-10 held jointly by New Plymouth's Jaimie Brown and Marsing's Chris Covey. Holloway was third at 5-10, and Ferguson cleared 5-8 for fourth place. Acree was seventh at 5-6.

Emry won the triple jump in a record length of 40-11, and teammate Mark Vance — who qualified for State in the event last season — was second.

Chris Anders qualified for the state meet in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles a year ago. Thursday, he failed to log a time in that event, but finished fourth in 18.6 in the 110 high hurdles.

On the girls side Thursday, 2006 state-meeter Jordan Warwick finished ninth in the long jump with an effort of 13-4½.

Homedale may have found someone to fill Andrade's shoes in the shot put as Nickole D'Alessio won the event at Nampa Christian with a throw of 29-10½.

Kindra Galloway finished fifth in the 100 dash.

As a team, the Homedale girls finished seventh.

The immediate future may look bright for the Trojans, who also have a new surface to run on. The Homedale School District paid to resurface and reline the track in the fall.

The town will have a chance to show off the new track on April 24 for the conference meet.

— JPB

Read all about it in the Avalanche!

Sports

PREP STANDINGS

Baseball				
3A SRV	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Fruitland	0	0	1	0
Homedale	0	0	1	3
McCall-Donnelly	0	0	0	0
Payette	0	0	2	2
Weiser	0	0	2	3

This week's games
Thursday
Payette at Weiser
McCall-Donnelly at Fruitland
Friday
Skip Wilson Invitational
In Orofino
Homedale vs. Joseph, Ore., 2 p.m. MDT
Les Schwab Tires Tournament
In Ontario, Ore.
Weiser, Fruitland entered
Non-conference
Payette at Shelley
Saturday
Skip Wilson Invitational
In Orofino
Homedale vs. Orofino, 1 p.m. MDT
Second game to follow at 3 p.m., 5 p.m. or 7 p.m. MDT
Les Schwab Tires Tournament
In Ontario, Ore.
Weiser, Fruitland entered
Non-conference
Payette at Shelley
Tuesday
Nampa Christian at Weiser

Last week's scores
Saturday
Weiser 8, New Plymouth 3
New Plymouth 11, Weiser 10
Friday
Melba 10, Homedale 5
Thursday
Vale, Ore., 7, Weiser 4
Fruitland 5, Nampa Christian 0
Payette 9, Parma 1
Tuesday, March 13
Nampa Christian 5, Homedale 1
Weiser 5, Parma 4
Payette 5, Melba 4

2A WIC	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Marsing	0	0	0	0
Melba	0	0	3	1
Nampa Christian	0	0	2	2
New Plymouth	0	0	1	2
Parma	0	0	0	3

This week's games
Thursday
Marsing at Wilder
Melba at Nyssa, Ore.
Friday
Marsing at Fruitland JV
Melba at Wilder
Nampa Christian at Grangeville
Saturday
Nampa Christian at Kamiah (2)
Glenns Ferry at New Plymouth (2)
Tuesday
Nampa Christian at Weiser

Last week's scores
Saturday
Weiser 8, New Plymouth 3
New Plymouth 11, Weiser 10
Friday
Melba 10, Homedale 5
Thursday
Wilder at Marsing, ccd.
Melba 11, Rimrock 3
Fruitland 5, Nampa Christian 0
Payette 9, Parma 1
Tuesday, March 13
Nampa Christian 5, Homedale 1
Weiser 5, Parma 4
Payette 5, Melba 4
Nyssa, Ore., 16, New Plymouth 6 (5)

1A WIC	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Rimrock	0	0	0	1
Wilder/Notus	0	0	0	0

This week's games
None scheduled
Last week's scores
Friday
Rimrock at Nampa Christian JV
Thursday
Melba 11, Rimrock 3
Wilder at Marsing, ccd.

Softball				
3A SRV	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Fruitland	0	0	1	1
Homedale	0	0	3	2

PREP BASEBALL STATISTICS

Homedale Trojans

Batting	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	R	RBI	SB	Avg.
Bittick	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Brockett	3	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.000
Cline	3	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.000
Davis	3	11	6	1	0	0	2	5	5	.545
Garcia	2	4	2	0	1	0	3	1	0	.500
Graber	3	7	1	0	0	0	3	0	2	.143
Johnson	3	8	3	1	0	0	2	2	1	.375
Jolley	3	6	1	1	0	0	2	2	2	.167
Machuca	3	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Rangel	3	7	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	.286
Marrs	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Lie	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Totals	3	64	15	3	1	0	15	10	11	.234

Pitching	G	GS	W	L	IP	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
Garcia	1	1	0	0	4 1/3	3	2	2	6	4	3.23
Rangel	1	0	0	1	2/3	2	5	3	1	1	31.50
Cline	1	0	0	0	0	3	3	3	0	0	Inf.
Johnson	2	2	1	1	9	5	8	3	5	13	2.33
Jolley	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0.00
Machuca	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0.00
Totals	3	3	1	2	16	14	18	11	13	21	4.81

McCall-Donnelly	0	0	0	2
Payette	0	0	2	4
Weiser	0	0	1	1

This week's games
Thursday
Homedale at Melba
McCall-Donnelly at Fruitland
Payette at Weiser
Friday
Fruitland at Parma
Nampa at Payette

Last week's scores
Saturday
Columbia 9, Fruitland 2
Friday
Nampa 1, Payette 0
Thursday
Homedale 22, Marsing 3 (5)
Melba 10, Fruitland 0 (5)
Payette 10, Parma 7
Tuesday, March 13
Homedale 10, Nampa Christian 0
Fruitland 15, Marsing 2
Parma 6, Weiser 4
Melba 6, Payette 4
Monday, March 12
Payette 10, Marsing 0

2A WIC	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Marsing	0	0	0	2
Melba	0	0	2	0
Nampa Christian	0	0	0	4
New Plymouth	0	0	3	0
Parma	0	0	1	2

This week's games
Friday
Melba at Columbia
Fruitland at Parma
Thursday
Marsing at Wilder
Homedale at Melba
New Plymouth at Nyssa, Ore.
Nampa Christian at Vale, Ore.
Friday
Fruitland at Parma

Last week's scores
Friday
New Plymouth 11, Adrian 2
Vale, Ore., 13, Nampa Christian 9
Thursday
Homedale 22, Marsing 3 (5)
Melba 10, Fruitland 0 (5)
Payette 10, Parma 7
Nyssa, Ore., 15, Nampa Christian 7
Tuesday, March 13
Homedale 10, Nampa Christian 0
Fruitland 15, Marsing 2
Parma 6, Weiser 4
Melba 6, Payette 4
New Plymouth 13, Nyssa, Ore., 7
Monday, March 12
Payette 10, Marsing 0

1A WIC	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Council	0	0	0	0
Horsehoe Bend	0	0	1	2
Notus	0	0	0	1
Rimrock	0	0	0	0

This week's games Saturday Pine Eagle, Ore., at Council (2)				
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Last week's scores
Saturday
Adrian, Ore., 3, Horseshoe Bend 0
Adrian, Ore., 11, Horseshoe Bend 5
Thursday
Horseshoe Bend 19, Notus 1 (5)

2A District 6	League		All	
	W	L	W	L
Adrian	0	0	2	1
Elgin	0	0	0	0
Enterprise	0	0	0	0
Pine Eagle	0	0	0	2
Union	0	0	0	0
Wallowa	0	0	0	0

This week's games
Friday
Wallowa at Union (2)
Elgin at Baker City JV (2)
Saturday
Pine Eagle at Council (2)
Irrigon at Union (2)

Last week's scores
Saturday
Adrian, Ore., 3, Horseshoe Bend 0
Adrian, Ore., 11, Horseshoe Bend 5
Nyssa 13, Pine Eagle 3
Nyssa 4, Pine Eagle 2
Friday
New Plymouth 11, Adrian 2

PREP BOX SCORE

Baseball
March 13 game
Nampa Christian 5,
Homedale 1

Homedale 000 010 0 — 1 3 2
Nampa Chr. 202 100 x — 5 3 0
Johnson, Machuca (6) and Jolley.
Ryan, Leonard (5) and Hinricksen. WP — Ryan. LP — Johnson (1-1). SO-BB — Johnson 3-8, Machuca 1-0, Ryan 3-5, Leonard 5-2
Batting — Hom: Davis 2-4, Rangel 1-2, Machuca 0-4, Johnson 0-3, Brockett 0-3, Graber 0-2, Jolley 0-2, Bittick 0-2, Cline 0-2. NC: Meservy 2-2, Hinricksen 1-2.
Runs — Hom: Davis. NC: Meservy 2, Leonard, Eckstrom 2
RBI — Hom: None. NC: Eckstrom
SB — Hom: Davis 3, Graber, Rangel.
NC: Meservy 5, Eckstrom 2
PB — Hinricksen

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Track and field

Rimrock boys have numbers this year

The Rimrock High School track and field season began Thursday in Nampa Christian without the Raiders' top athlete.

Two-event 2006 1A state meet qualifier Ellie Cantrell didn't compete in the first scoring meet of the season for the Raiders. Instead, her younger sister, Anna, was one of only two Rimrock girls to enter.

Anna finished 16th in the long jump, but it was Chelsey Wilson who picked up the only point for Kermit Tate's girls squad.

Wilson ran a 20-second 100-meter hurdles to claim the final scoring spot (sixth) in the event.

The Rimrock boys brought a strong contingent to Nampa, and came away with 11 team points, a showing that was good for seventh place.

Mike Myers finished sixth

in the high jump with a best effort of 5 feet, 8 inches after he lost a three-way jump-off with Homedale's Austin Ferguson and Nampa Christian's James Nederend for fourth place.

Ten Rimrock boys entered the long jump, with Myers soaring 17-11 for eighth place and the Raiders' highest finish.

In the triple jump, Myers scored points with a fourth-place effort of 37-9¼. Teammate Stephen Campbell just missed placing with a seventh-place showing of 36-10¼.

Joseph Morrison finished ninth in the discus with a toss of 107-0.

Next up for the Raiders is the Cole Valley Invitational at Horseshoe Bend High School on April 5. Rimrock competed at Melba on Tuesday. Meet results weren't available at press time.

F&G loads up pond in Marsing with trout

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game announced last week that by the end of the month, crews will have planted more than 1,200 catchable-size rainbow trout in the Marsing Island Park pond in March.

The Fish and Game Web site says that the number of trout that actually will be released depends on weather and water conditions, equipment problems or schedule changes. If delays do occur, Fish and Game reschedules the stocking when conditions improve.

In addition to 1,240 trout going into the pond this month, Fish and Game planted 740 catchable-size triploid troutlodge kamloop on Thursday. Evin O'Neale of the Fish and Game's Southwest Region office in Nampa said the plant was part of a catch-rate research project by the state agency.

The Fish and Game Web site also reported in its fishing report that Idaho Power has planted 50,000 catchable rainbow trout in C.J. Strike Reservoir recently, and the best fishing was near the dam where the fish originally

were released.

Perch fishing is slow at the reservoir, but Fish and Game reports that most fish are as big as 12 inches.

Fishing is best along the shoreline, but there are more trollers trying their luck in the water as the weather warms up.

O'Neale said that while Fish and Game publishes a fishing report for C.J. Strike Reservoir, stocking the lake is the responsibility of Idaho Power.

There are two bass fishing tournaments remaining on the C.J. Strike schedule this month. Both launch from the Blacksands boat ramp.

The first is from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday and is open to 25 people and 20 boats. The catch-and-release tournament is sponsored by the Mountain Home Hawg Hunters.

The final fishing tournament of the month comes March 31 from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m., and the Snake River Bassmasters are running the show.

The catch-and-release competition is open to 20 boats.

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Dual membership not consistent to law

The Homedale City Council will either have to appoint a new planning and zoning member or a new councilman, Mayor George Murray said Friday. The council meets for its regular monthly meeting tonight.

Murray was referring to an opinion made by Robie G. Russell, Deputy Attorney General of the State of Idaho, in reference to Herb Fritzley’s membership on the city planning and zoning commission while also serving as a city councilman.

“We would counsel against such dual membership. The question is whether a conflict could arise in the duties involved or whether the functions of the two offices are inconsistent or incompatible with each other. If one office has some control or supervision over the other office, or the officers for one office appoint the other, the offices are generally regarded as inconsistent and one person should not hold both offices at the same time,” Russell stated in a letter.

Russell added, that “in the case at hand, the city council confirms the membership of the local planning and zoning commission under 67-6504, Idaho Code. Therein, it is provided that the members of the board are appointed by the mayor and must be confirmed by a majority vote of the city council. Thus, the planning and zoning commission is subordinate to the offices of mayor and city council and we therefore are of the opinion that the two offices are incompatible.”

Fritzley also received the letter, and said Monday he would resign from the planning and zoning commission.

Murray said he plans to recommend to the council that Fritzley be replaced by Fred Aspiazu, a local tire shop proprietor. The matter will be discussed tonight.

Commissioners hear from PV delegation

A delegation of four Pleasant Valley residents met with the Owyhee County Commissioners Monday afternoon to voice complaints concerning organization, management and operation of the county road district in that area.

The delegation included Bob Bruce, Wendell Collins, Pat Stanford, and Bill Lowry.

Complaints by the group included statements of road employees not putting in hours of work paid for, using county equipment for private use, and poor results for tax money spent.

The group urged the commissioners to replace all road employees with a “completely fresh” crew. There’s a “flagrant abuse of everything,” Lowry claimed. “We see fuel going to other places,” Bruce said, referring to county gas and diesel being used other than for county equipment.

The group also questioned the collapse and reconstruction of the Pleasant Valley bridge, and the paving job on the Pleasant Valley road. They expressed opinions on the future of the road, saying they didn’t want more tax money spent until they could be guaranteed of a quality job.

Commission Chairman Don Davis said he was in agreement with the group’s feeling on the road, and hoped that any further expenditures would be carefully scrutinized.

No action was taken concerning the charges of mismanagement made by the delegation.

Local boxing team participates in tourney

Desert Horse Boxing Team of Homedale traveled to Warm Springs Open Boxing Tournament at Ontario, March 13-14.

Anthony Volde, 10-11 years, 75 pounds, lost by decision to Emmett Linden from Tacoma, Wash.

Bill Camel, 12-13 years, 119 pounds, lost by decision to Gar Fletcher of Spokane, Wash.

Alfredo Anzaldua, 14-15 years, 100 pounds, lost by decision to Terry Calleja of Solano, Calif.

Duane Hegge, 19 years, 125 pounds, lost by RSC (referee stopped contest) to Kirk Bocook of Spokane, Wash.

Zach Camel, 14-15 years, 112 pounds, was eliminated in the semifinals on decision to Pat Williams of Tacoma, Wash.

50 years ago

March 21, 1957

Trojans grab 4th in state “B” tourney at Pocatello

A second-round defeat by Rathdrum knocked the Homedale Trojans out of competition for the state class B basketball crown, but the Trojans went on to beat Ririe and Glenns Ferry to cop 4th place at the Pocatello tourney which ended Saturday night.

North Gem overpowered American Falls to win the state title. American Falls was runner-up and Rathdrum placed third.

The Trojans marched out to a 13-11 lead at the end of the first quarter Saturday night against Glenns Ferry, but the Ferryman rallied and went ahead 15-13 in the second quarter before Homedale canned 14 to Glenns Ferry’s two and the half ended 27-17.

The Ferryman tried another spurt in the third quarter and closed the gap to 31-25 at the end of the period. It was 33-31 a minute later and then Homedale edged to the front, 39-31 and kept a six point margin for the remaining play.

Vic Landa led Homedale scoring with 15.

Mayor Carter announces he will not run for re-election

With registration for the city election opening Monday only a few have registered so far this week according to Bertha Ehrhart, city clerk. City residents who voted at city elections either two or four years ago need not re-register. Registration books will be open until April 20 and the election will be held April 23.

Filing for mayor and the two vacancies on the city council will commence Saturday, March 23. Both Joe Eiguren and Del Greene, whose terms expire, have signified that they will run for re-election.

With Mayor Carter declining to run, Orville Soper, who is serving a term as councilman with two years yet to go, announced that he will be a candidate for mayor.

In announcing his decision not to seek re-election, Mayor Carter said:

“I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to you good people of Homedale for the privilege and honor of serving on the city council and as mayor for the past six years.

“It has been a very gratifying and pleasant experience for me and I have tried to perform my duties of this office to the best of my ability.

“I would also like to thank each member of the city council who has served with me. Their work and cooperation has been outstanding.

“Further, I would like to express my appreciation and thanks to our city employees for the outstanding work they have done for our great city of Homedale.”

Peggy Key named valedictorian of Class of 1957

Peggy Key has been named valedictorian of the Homedale high school senior class of 1957. This honor was earned with a 3.85 grade average. Peggy was business manager of the chorus last year and president this year. She has been active in pep club, honor society and editor of the Trojan Trumpet for two years. She has been a student council representative for three semesters, participated in the junior and senior class plays, was Girls’ State alternate last year, and is senior princess of Job’s Daughters.

Jim Parker and Keith Stansell share honors of being named salutatorian of this class with grade averages of 3.41. Jim was secretary and president of the sophomore class, FFA chapter reporter and district reporter, student body vice president, class president, FTA president, honor society treasurer in his junior year, and this year is student body treasurer. He participated in both the junior and senior class plays. He has been active in Key club, FFA, FTA, band, chorus, speech parliament and on the office staff. He also attended Boy’s State last year.

Keith has been a member of the student council during the past four years, active in H-club, member of the football squad and basketball manager this year.

140 years ago

March 16, 1867

PITY THE POOR. Yesterday \$50 per cord was asked in this city for wood. It would be cheaper to boil a pot with city scrip.

So says the Enterprise. The Trespass foots up several hundred thousand dollars as the damage done to mining and business generally in Virginia by the late snowstorm.

HILL BEACHEY is reported as well pleased with the cutoff via Hall’s Ranch and the Forks of the Owyhee to Camp McDermit. The proprietors of the new road measured it with a chain at the time Beachey went over, and found anew and direct pass through from the Forks to McDermit. From Silver to Hall’s Ranch the distance is called twenty miles; from the latter to the Forks, the measurement makes it thirty, and thence to McDermit (due south – leaving Summit Spring to the right) thirty miles. Thus a saving of at least fifty miles will be effected on this side of McDermit, and Beachey has men at work beyond McDermit viewing the route and matters pertaining thereto, so as to further reduce the distance and the time occupied by the through stages.

The determination is to shorten the time between Owyhee and San Francisco so that, when the roads get settled, three days will be sufficient. A good natural road is found from McDermit in to the Forks, and the bridge men are going to have a ferry on the main stream immediately below, by the middle of April, when the new arrangement will go into effect. In the meantime, we are credibly informed, the Jordan Valley Toll-Road Co. will make a stage road direct from Boonville to Hall’s Ranch, which will set aside still another kink of the route now traveled. Altogether, a great improvement on the matter of communication will be practically demonstrated within a month – six weeks at most.

P.S. Since the foregoing was put in type, Mr. J. A. J. Chapman, on of the exploring party, called on us – requesting us to state that the thanks of the party are due Col. Baker at McDermit, Cols. Coppinger and O’Byrneat Winthrop, and Jno. Farneman, Esq., at Hall’s Ranch, for many favors in the way of horses to ride, escorts for protection, &c., &c. The foregoing is so nearly correct that for the present it is unnecessary to occupy more space. Mr. Chapman is severely afflicted with snow-blindness, a gift resulting from the trip, as others of the party are likewise. By the way, there are generally quite a number afflicted with the now disease.

COUNTY SEALS. The County Recorder and Clerk have each been provided with a lever press and engraved seal. Heretofore, the County has been without these official appendages. In addition to their use, they lend a little more tone and impression to the offices. The recent Legislature has provided against any money getting into the Treasury, and a little style is quite opportune in the way of keeping up appearances.

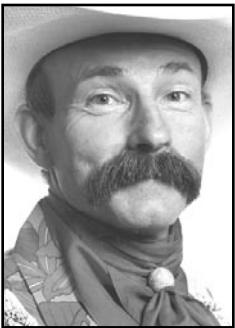
RAMPANT. A foul-tongued put; in the early part of the week, surrounded too much whisky and charged round town in a lively way. In her rounds she kicked up a row with a gentleman whom she stabbed – not seriously – while he was trying to eject her from his house. Such queens need to be confined – in a cold cell in the jail.

WEATHER. The early part of the week being much the coldest of the winter, we give the thermometrical record of a few days as kept by Messrs, Learned & Richards at the Knickerbocker office.

This shows the coldest average to have been near 3° below zero on the 12th and 13th. A self-registering thermometer marked 16° below zero at sometime between 1am and daylight of the 14th. Previous to this cold snap the mercury had not got down to zero by 2°. Thursday was very moderate and about 2pm the temperature was 28° above zero. Friday, clear and still warmer.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense

Friends

I was walkin’ back to the house about 9:30 p.m. It was dark. Orion, 7 Sisters, Taurus and Canis Major were blazin’ away as I walked by a beautiful handmade bird feeder, complete with water tower, laurel branches and a copper-roofed cabin. Dan made it for me the year before he died. ‘Evenin’, Dan,’ I said as I passed it by.

‘Howdy, Wayne,’ I said as I scraped my boots on the handmade horseshoe foot scraper. ‘Thanks.’ That afternoon, I had put on a 10-year-old pair of Carhartt overalls Andy had given me when he bought a new pair; he is a better dresser than I and has always tried to class up my act. Thanks, Andy. And, Larry, thanks for this hat.

There was snow on my 2-year-old Suburban this morning. I’ve had it a month. Red got a new one, and I always buy his trade-in. They usually need new brakes or transmission work. But it’s worth the money. Thanks, Red.

We checked the heifers this morning. My good horse I got from Sonny, my bit from Chuck, and my saddle from Roger. They give me good deals. I’m tryin’ to live up to their expectations. One of the heifers in the bunch was the daughter of a cow Gerald traded when he left the ranch. Thanks, boys.

My dog went along. Mary had raised him, and Jeb showed me how to make him a better stock dog. Thanks.

I can’t walk through the house or out to the corrals without trippin’ over someone’s contribution to my good life. Grandpa Tommy’s 8-foot table, Jack’s gate, Dick’s molasses tank, Grandpa Landers’s Regulator clock, Butch’s 8-track studio board, Warner’s jaguar photo, Ace’s cartoons, Mother’s paintings on the wall, Chris’s furniture, Ron’s tapaderas, Phyllis’s caned chairs, Pinto’s subscription to a favorite publication ... friends, mostly, who have taken the time to do something special. More properly, it’s people who have penetrated my marrow and help me remember how lucky I am. For me, it’s the people whose names I remember.

I sent a book to an old partner now living in a nursing home. He can’t remember me anymore, but I know him. Forty years ago, he gave me a beautiful hunting knife. It had a flexible blade. Over the years, I lost it or wore it out, who knows. But there is a deer head hanging above my piano that came off his ranch.

When I go see him next time, he probably won’t know me, but I’ll tell him about the hunting knife and the deer head on my wall. I’ll tell Billy what a blessing it has been to have him in my life. I’ll honor him. Couldn’t hurt.

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... *but possibly of interest*

Sticker-shock time machine

The other day I purchased a new pair of shoes. I wanted something that would be comfortable for walking during our upcoming vacation.

Now some readers may be asking themselves, “What’s the big deal about getting a new pair of shoes?” Well, when you have a size 13 NARROW foot, it’s a big deal in a number of ways.

It only has been a few years since size 13 and larger became available in most stores. Even now, most shoe manufacturers seem to believe if you have a size 13 foot, you need a really wide shoe. Once in a while, a medium width will show up, but that’s the best I usually can hope for.

Another problem is that I am cheap when it comes to shoes, and size 13 shoes (any width) usually don’t show up on the bargain table. So, I usually get the cheapest shoes that sorta fit, then limp around for several months before buying another pair of cheap shoes that sorta fit.

But as our vacation approached, I decided if I was going to be walking around Europe for a couple of weeks I didn’t want shoes that sorta fit. So after some research, we went to a store that sells only one brand — actually made in Texas, U.S.A. They have size 13 shoes. Not only do they have narrow widths. They have SLIM widths. I tried a pair on and was instantly transported to heaven. Then I looked at the price tag, which turned out to be about double the monthly payment on the first house we bought back in 1967.

But then I put the price into better perspective.

When I entered grade school back in 1951, most of my



male classmates wore tennis shoes — the original kind with black canvas tops and rubber soles. But because I had flat feet I couldn’t wear tennis shoes. So every fall, just before school started, Mom would take me to the shoe store and they would fit me with a pair of semi-orthopedic leather shoes with tops high enough to cover my ankles. My shoes were commonly referred to by my classmates as “clodhoppers.”

My clodhoppers cramped my style and also slowed me down. While my peers raced around the playground in their tennis shoes, I clumped along several yards behind in my high tops. I wore, and hated, the clodhoppers until Mom finally relented when I entered junior high and let me wear more fashionable shoes. My feet immediately went bad on me and I ended up wearing custom plastic arch supports for the next 15 years of my life.

If I remember correctly, those clodhoppers cost about \$20 a pair. At that time, my dad was making less than \$400 a month before taxes. In 1951, \$20 would buy enough groceries to feed a family of four for at least two weeks. You could rent an apartment for \$20 a week. I can remember times when there were things we didn’t have because there wasn’t enough money. But they always found a way to afford my clodhoppers.

So, when you compare what I paid for my made-in-Texas, size 13 slim shoes to what Mom and Dad paid a half century ago for my clodhoppers, I figure I’m getting a real bargain. And, it reconfirms what I already knew. I had very special parents.

Accuracy In Media The case for exonerating Libby

by Roger Aronoff and Cliff Kincaid

There are generally two opinions on the verdict in the Lewis Libby case. One is that he was guilty of lying but a fall guy for higher-ups. The other is that he was a victim who deserves a presidential pardon. Another possibility is that his lawyers blew it. They permitted the seating of a tainted jury and failed to make the case for Libby’s exoneration.

The jurors who have spoken about convicting Scooter Libby generally sympathized with him. They might have been receptive to arguments making the case that Libby was telling the truth to the grand jury and the FBI, as he recalled it, and that the truth was that the whole case stemmed from a CIA campaign against President Bush’s Iraq policy. That is the case that Libby attorney Ted Wells should have made. The judge may have resisted this kind of defense, but it would have been worth a try and desirable from the standpoint of setting the record straight and eliminating media-created misperceptions about the case.

Two jurors, Denis Collins and Ann Redington, have said they would have no problem if Libby were to be pardoned. This is just what many conservative columnists and publications are calling for. The Wall Street Journal editorial page and National Review have called for a pardon, as did the syndicated columnist Charles Krauthammer and journalist Ken Timmerman. The merits of the case for pardon are strong, but a pardon would not be viewed as exoneration. Indeed, the MSNBC types might view it as evidence of a cover-up.

However, exoneration could occur if the guilty verdict is appealed and the appellate courts overturn the conviction. That could lead to another review of the case and a determination that Libby committed no crime and did nothing wrong. In the end, the media, led by Tim Russert of NBC News, could still end up with egg on their faces.

There’s no doubt that a pardon would create a political firestorm. Harry Reid, the Democratic Senate Majority

Leader, says that President Bush “must pledge not to pardon Libby for his criminal conduct.”

Criminal behavior?

But many people would take issue with the notion that, without an underlying crime as the basis for the prosecution, comments made to federal authorities about what reporters knew or said about Valerie Plame’s affiliation with the CIA would rise to the level of “criminal conduct.”

The jury verdict was based on the evidence, or lack thereof, before them. Did Libby lie to the grand jury and the FBI investigators, was he just confused or mistaken, or was he, in fact, being truthful when he said he had learned about Valerie Plame’s affiliation with the CIA from NBC’s Russert? The jury, after nearly 10 days of deliberations, accepted most of Special Prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald’s allegations.

On one level, it is certainly true that the jury believed Russert, rather than Libby. But the jury was clearly confused, as demonstrated by questions put to the judge during the long deliberations. Pressure eventually got them to reach a verdict.

For his part, Russert had denied that he told Libby that Plame worked for the CIA. But Russert used his position at NBC News, in the run-up to the trial, to prejudice the jury pool. He covered and commented on the Libby case before, during and after the trial. This conduct was improper and unethical and a clear-cut violation of the code of conduct of the Society of Professional Journalists. Bluntly speaking, Russert was orchestrating pre-trial publicity on his own behalf, in order to make the jury believe his version of events. On the other hand, Libby stayed silent, on the advice of his lawyers.

To make matters worse for Libby, it turned out that one of the jurors, Denis Collins, a registered Democrat and

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former Washington Post reporter who complained about White House aide Karl Rove not being charged in the case, is an old neighbor of Russert's and wrote a book about the CIA and the intelligence community. Collins, who also knew or worked with several other media figures, including Bob Woodward, then wrote about the case on the liberal HuffingtonPost Web site. This is a notorious outlet for liberal misinformation that has been after Bush and Cheney from the get-go.

Who Is Denis Collins?

The entire process makes the suspiciously minded wonder if Collins might have been a plant who was supposed to get the jury to convict Libby of something, in order to create the public perception that the media were right about the case from the start. According to this theory, the next step in the process is to impeach Vice President Cheney, or get him to resign, and then President Bush. That seems to be where MSNBC and the Huffington Post are heading. Perhaps Collins simply saw the trial as an opportunity to make a name for himself. What is perfectly clear is that Collins should never have been seated on the jury. It was clearly a mistake to let him sit in judgment of Libby.

It is also clear that a presidential pardon at this point would only add to the public misperception that there was an administration cabal behind Libby when the real conspiracy emanated from the CIA.

The jury was so prejudiced in favor of the media that it found Libby guilty of lying about his conversation with Time magazine reporter Matt Cooper. But Cooper couldn't prove that his version of his conversation with Libby was correct. Cooper didn't e-mail his editor about it and did not write about it. Six other reporters, including Bob Woodward, Walter Pincus and Glenn Kessler of the Post, David Sanger of the New York Times and Evan Thomas of Newsweek, spoke with Libby and said that he never told them anything about Wilson's wife. This testimony proved that Libby was not out to get Plame or her husband Joe Wilson, sent by the CIA on her recommendation to probe an Iraq-uranium link.

One of many questions is why, after Libby had acknowledged to the FBI and the grand jury that he first learned of Plame's CIA affiliation from Cheney, would he then lie to them about how he learned it. He said that Russert asked him, "Did you know that Ambassador Wilson's wife works at the CIA?" Libby then told the grand jury that when Russert asked him that, "I thought this is something ... I was first learning." Russert says he never asked that, because he didn't know it at that time.

What we now know is that, based on the testimony of various witnesses, Libby was told about Plame by several different people in the administration and had different conversations about her. It's also clear that he was mostly a recipient of information, rather than someone who provided it, and his purpose in talking to the press was to set the record straight about the vice president not playing a role in Wilson's trip to Africa. The blame for that junket was at the CIA.

If Special Prosecutor Fitzgerald had wanted to charge someone with making inconsistent or incomplete statements, he could have picked on Russert or some other media figure. In a previous column, we documented how Russert, as well as New York Times reporter Judith Miller, had their own faulty memories. Andrea Mitchell, chief foreign correspondent for NBC, had stated that Plame's CIA affiliation was "widely known among those of us who cover the intelligence community" but later claimed that she had misspoken and was confused. That was a very convenient memory lapse.

The New York Daily News ran a headline after the verdict, "The Fall Guy." This was an unfortunate phrase used by Libby's own lawyer, Ted Wells.

The phrase took on a life of its own. At MSNBC, correspondent David Shuster wondered whether Libby would turn on Cheney to get a lighter sentence. But how do they think Libby could turn on Cheney? Would he say that Cheney broke a law when he asked Libby to rebut Joe Wilson's accusations? Nothing that Cheney did was against the law. In fact, everything he did was consistent with getting out the truth about Plame being behind her husband Joe Wilson's trip to Africa to investigate the Iraq-uranium connection. And behind Plame was her employer, the CIA.

The CIA role

This is the part of the story, of course, that Fitzgerald didn't pursue. He had determined that no crime was committed when deputy secretary of state Richard Armitage told Bob Woodward and Bob Novak that Wilson's wife worked for the CIA, and that she played a role in sending him to Africa. But Fitzgerald decided to pursue the matter of who told what to whom. But the real story was why he was appointed. And that stemmed from a CIA complaint to the Justice Department about the public disclosure of Plame's CIA affiliation. The CIA was protecting Plame, under the Intelligence Identities Protection Act, when she didn't deserve any such legal protection. And the CIA knew it.

Fitzgerald knew it, too. That's why he went after the complex and confusing matter of what Libby told various reporters about Plame, and what they told Libby. In order to bring his case, he had to convince the jury that he knew what Libby was thinking about, and what he knew at any given time, when he was talking to the media. Libby, on the advice of his attorney, didn't get on the stand to rebut any of this. This was a critical mistake.

What's more, Fitzgerald's repeated and misleading references during the trial to Plame being "covert" or "classified" unfairly prejudiced the jury. In effect, he was carrying water for the CIA, which was anxious from the start to divert attention from its role in the ill-conceived Wilson trip. This kind of talk on the part of Fitzgerald, according to Victoria Toensing, who helped draft the Intelligence Identities Protection Act, could serve as the basis for an appeal of Libby's guilty verdict. Toensing noted that, even if Plame's job description were classified, providing her name and information about her agency affiliation would not constitute a criminal act. So such talk by Fitzgerald was completely out of place in the Libby trial.

Plame's CIA connection was pretty much an open secret among Washington elites, with the only mystery surrounding what exactly she did at the agency. The work apparently was a desk job in the field of weapons of mass destruction. There was some attention paid to a dummy company she supposedly ran, but she was certainly not a covert CIA officer risking danger and running agents and networks around the world. After being "outed," she emerged, with her husband, as partisan Democrats anxious to defeat Bush in 2004. Still, most of our media portrayed them as the victims.

To their credit, the editorial page editors of the Washington Post saw through their ruse and seemed to understand what most of this case has been about.

In the lead editorial the day after the verdict, the paper criticized Libby and the Bush administration for their handling of the investigation, but saved their harshest criticism for Wilson, and even contradicted points made on their news pages. Wilson, they wrote, "claimed to have debunked evidence that Iraq was seeking uranium from Niger; suggested that he had been dispatched by Mr. Cheney to look into the matter; and alleged that his report had circulated at the highest levels of the administration." But "all of these claims were false," the Post said, and in fact he was "recommended for the Niger trip by Ms. Plame, his wife." That is exactly what White House officials told the press and what the Senate Intelligence Committee confirmed.

The Post editorialists stated that "The trial has provided convincing evidence that there was no conspiracy to punish Mr. Wilson by leaking Ms. Plame's identity — and no evidence that she was, in fact, covert." The editorial also said that once Fitzgerald had determined that Armitage had actually leaked Plame's name to columnist Bob Novak and reporter Bob Woodward, an opponent of the Bush policy on Iraq, the investigation should have ended.

Of course, it didn't end there, and that is where the Post fails to follow up. It is clear to any serious observer of this case that the CIA's role in getting Fitzgerald on the case deserves an investigation of its own. But who has the courage to take on this permanent and corrupted bureaucracy?

The case, the Post said, was not about Iraq policy, and that's an important point as well. Yet the case has been exploited by those on the left to suggest that the guilty verdict against Libby means that Joe Wilson was right after all.

Right From the Start

To the contrary, it is the Bush administration that was right then and right now. Bush was correct in making the charge in his State of the Union address that Saddam Hussein's Iraq was seeking uranium from Africa. He cited

British intelligence as his source, but Wilson had come back from Niger, whose only major export is uranium, also confirming that Iraq had met with a trade delegation from that Africa country. So Wilson's own report buttressed the President's case! Wilson told the press the opposite and even stated in his misnamed book, *The Politics of Truth*, that his wife didn't play any role in sending him to Africa because if she had, it would have been a violation of federal nepotism laws. It was a clever case of misdirection that the Washington Post eventually saw through.

Ironically, the entire Joe Wilson affair, including the Libby trial, confirms that the Bush administration was not only mostly correct in its appraisal of Saddam Hussein's aggressive intentions, but was correct in trying to rebut Wilson's misinformation, and setting the record straight about the role of his wife at the CIA. That's why the Libby verdict is so difficult to understand, based on an objective analysis of the case. Libby never had any reason to lie because he knew the facts of the case as they related to what Wilson and the CIA were doing to undermine the administration.

For the record, in terms of the actual justification of the war, Clarice Feldman wrote an article noting that the National Intelligence Estimate (NIE) of October 2002 said:

"Although we assess that Saddam does not yet have nuclear weapons or sufficient material to make any, he remains intent on acquiring them. Most agencies assess that Baghdad started reconstituting its nuclear program about the time that UNSCOM inspectors departed — December 1998."

The NIE specifically addressed claims of Iraq seeking uranium from Africa:

"A foreign government service reported that as of early 2001, Niger planned to send several tons of 'pure uranium' (probably yellowcake) to Iraq. As of early 2001, Niger and Iraq reportedly were still working out arrangements for this deal, which could be for up to 500 tons of yellowcake. We do not know the status of this arrangement."

"Reports indicate Iraq also has sought uranium ore from Somalia and possibly the Democratic Republic of the Congo. We cannot confirm whether Iraq succeeded in acquiring uranium ore and/or yellowcake from these sources."

And finally, the NIE offered these conclusions with "high confidence":

"Iraq is continuing, and in some areas expanding its chemical, biological, nuclear and missile programs contrary to UN resolutions."

"We are not detecting portions of these weapons programs."

"Iraq possesses proscribed chemical and biological weapons and missiles. Iraq could make a nuclear weapon in months to a year once it acquires sufficient weapons-grade fissile material."

That is the information that both Congress and the White House had, as well as the 50 nations that signed on with us to go to war.

The work of the Iraq Survey Group, headed by Charles Duelfer, was given a lot of publicity when it declared there were no stockpiles of weapons of mass destruction. But it also said that, "Saddam aspired to develop a nuclear capability, in an incremental fashion. ... but he intended to focus on ballistic missile and tactical chemical warfare (CW) capabilities."

So it turns out that Saddam was an emerging chemical and nuclear threat to the region and the world. That's what the Bush administration told us. The only thing holding Saddam back were the U.N. sanctions, which were in danger of being lifted. War was the only option in terms of making sure that Saddam didn't become a nuclear weapons threat.

What's next?

We thought Libby would be found not guilty or that the trial would produce a hung jury. We didn't anticipate that Libby would be so poorly served by his attorneys and that the jury would be so tainted by pre-trial publicity and would include a former Post reporter with questionable ongoing associations with the Fourth Estate.

The verdict was such a miscarriage of justice that, in our view, Libby's interests can only be served by a time-consuming and expensive legal process that will see the judgment completely overturned. Libby's legal defense trust will need a lot of money to get the exoneration that he deserves and put the spotlight back on the media.

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Public notices

OWYHEE COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
FEBRUARY 26, 2007
OWYHEE COUNTY
COURTHOUSE
MURPHY, IDAHO

Present were Commissioner’s Freund, Tolmie, and Hoagland, Clerk Sherburn, Treasurer Richards, Sheriff Aman, Assessor Endicott, Fred Grant and Jim Desmond.

The Board amended the agenda to include potential litigation for executive session, and pay authorization for planning and zoning and the building department employees.

Commissioner Tolmie was appointed as vice-chair in Commissioner Freund’s absence.

The Board approved an increase in the credit card limit from \$500 to \$1,000 for Road District 1.

The Board discussed dues for the Treasure Valley Partnership. A meeting will be set up at a later date.

The Board approved the agreement with Language Line services for an interpreting service in the Sheriff’s office.

The Board approved the pay authorization request from the Building Department to hire part-time employee Hope Reinertson at a 4A on the pay scale.

The Board approved the request by the Sheriff to sell county surplus weapons through a licensed gun dealer. Tools and other property will be disposed of through other county agencies.

The Board approved the purchase of Bright mail Antivirus for the county computer system.

The Board called for an executive session.

After adjournment of the executive session the following items were acted upon.

Indigent and Charity:
07-08, 07-09, 07-10 liens were approved.

07-05 denied pursuant to I.C. 31-3505

06-55 withdrawal of application by the hospital.

98-16 denied request to reduce payments.

Approval of merit pay for Deputy Bish.

The Board authorized the Administrative Assistant Deborah Caldwell in Planning and Zoning to start at a 4A on the pay scale.

Discussion was held with Dr. Noak on ways to pay for mosquito abatement to control the West Nile Virus. No action was taken.

The Board adjourned until February 28th.

The Board moved to reconvene at 10:10 a.m. to hold the Public Hearing for the Idaho Community Development Block Grant application for a Community Center.

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

/s/Richard Freund
Attest:/s/Charlotte Sherburn
3/21/07

INVITATION TO BID
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of GEM HIGHWAY DISTRICT #3 COMMISSIONERS invites bids for the following:

To buy ten thousand (10,000) cubic yards of seal coat chips.

Seller agrees that the price includes delivery of said seal coat chips to Buyer’s gravel pit located South of Marsing, Idaho on State Highway 78.

If further information is needed call Rick Meade, Road Superintendent 208-896-4581.

Dated March 21, 2007

Virginia Belknap
Secretary
3/21,28/07

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2. 1986 Honda
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March 23, 2007 at 11:00 a.m.,
Harvey’s Auto and Towing, 211
Main Street, Marsing, ID 83639
3/14,21/07

**NOTICE OF DEADLINE
FOR FILING
DECLARATION OF
CANDIDACY
MARSING JOINT SCHOOL
DISTRICT NO. 363
MARSING, IDAHO 83639**

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing nominating petitions for the election of one (1) Trustee for a term of three (3) years from Trustee Zone 2 and one (1) Trustee for a term of three (3) years from Trustee Zone 4, not later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 13, 2007. The election will be held on May 15, 2007.

Any person legally qualified to hold the office of school trustee in Joint School District No. 363, Marsing, Idaho, may file a declaration of candidacy for the office, each of which shall bear the name of the candidate, state the term for which the declaration of candidacy is made, and bear the signature of not less than five (5) school district electors resident of the trustee zone of which the candidate is resident. A declaration of candidacy may be obtained at the School District Administration Office, Highway 78, Marsing, Idaho. The declaration shall be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Trustees of school district not later than 5:00 p.m. on the fifth Friday preceding the day of election of trustees.

Deborah Holzhey, Clerk
Board of Trustees
Joint School District 363,
Marsing, Idaho
3/21,28/07

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL
MEETING**

Notice is hereby give that a meeting of the members of the MARSING COMMUNITY DISASTER FUND, an association will be held at eight (8:00 p.m.) o’clock p.m., Tuesday, April 3, 2007 at the MARSING PHIPPS/ WATSON COMMUNITY CENTER for the purpose of electing (4) directors for a term of three years. One (1) each from the communities of Riverside, Knowlton Heights, Opaline and (1) for Director at Large from within the Association boundaries, for the election of officers for the Association and any other business relative to the Annual Meeting.

Thomas Ineck
Association Secretary
March 14, 2007
3/21,28/07

NOTICE
The Southwest District Board of Health will hold a **Board Meeting** on Tuesday, March 27, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Southwest District Health, Room 206, 920 Main Street, Caldwell, Idaho.
3/21/07

**The following application(s)
have been filed to appropriate
the public waters of the State
of Idaho:
2-10327**

RED ROCK POND
HOMEOWNERS ASSN
6622 RED ROCK RD
MARSING ID 83639
Point(s) of Diversion L7
(SENW) S34 T03N
R04W OWYHEE County Source
SNAKE RIVER
Tributary To COLUMBIA
RIVER
Point(s) of Diversion L8 (NENW)
S34 T03N R04W OWYHEE
County Source WASTE
WATER
Tributary To SNAKE RIVER
Use: WILDLIFE 01 / 01 To
12/31 1 CFS
Use: WILDLIFE STORAGE
01/01 To 12/31 22 AFA\
Use: DIVERSION TO
STORAGE 01/01 To 12/31
1 CFS
Total Diversion: 1 CFS
Date Filed: 12/20/2005
Place Of Use: WILDLIFE
T03N R04W S34 NENW Lot
8 NWNW
WILDLIFE STORAGE SAME
AS WILDLIFE
Permits will be subject to all prior
water rights. Protests may be
submitted based on the criteria of
Sec 42-203A, Idaho Code.

Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 04/09/2007. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR.,
Interim Director
3/21,28/07

**The following application(s)
have been filed to appropriate
the public waters of the State
of Idaho:
57-11689**

US DEPT OF INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND
MANAGEMENT
1387 S VINNELL WAY
BOISE ID 83709-1657
Point(s) of Diversion NENWNW
S8T02SR05WOWYHEE County
Source UNNAMED STREAM
Tributary To DRY CREEK
Use: STOCKWATER STORAGE
01/01 To 12/31 1 AFA
Use: WILDLIFE STORAGE
01/01 To 12/31 1 AFA
Total Diversion: 1 AFA
Date Filed: 07/12/2006
Place Of Use: STOCKWATER
STORAGE
T02S R05W S8 NWNW
WILDLIFE STORAGE SAME
AS STOCKWATER STORAGE
Permits will be subject to all prior
water rights. Protests may be
submitted based on the criteria of
Sec 42-203A, Idaho Code.

Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 04/09/2007. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR.,
Interim Director
3/21,28/07

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. CV-07-036
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE STATE
OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR
THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE**

In the Matter of the Estate of
Frederick G. Brown, Decedent.

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that the undersigned
has been appointed as the Public
Administrator of the above-named
decedent.

All persons having claims
against the decedent or the estate
are required to present their claims
within four (4) months after the
date of the first publication of
this Notice, or said claims will be
forever barred.

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

Dated this 24th day of January,
2007

/s/Brenda Richards, Public
Administrator
Owyhee County Courthouse
PO Box 128
Murphy, ID 83650
Matthew W. Faulks
Prosecuting Attorney
PO Box 128
20381 State Hwy 78
Murphy, ID 83650
(208) 485-1153
2/28;3/7,14,21/07

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. CV2007-026
IN THE DISTRICT COURT**

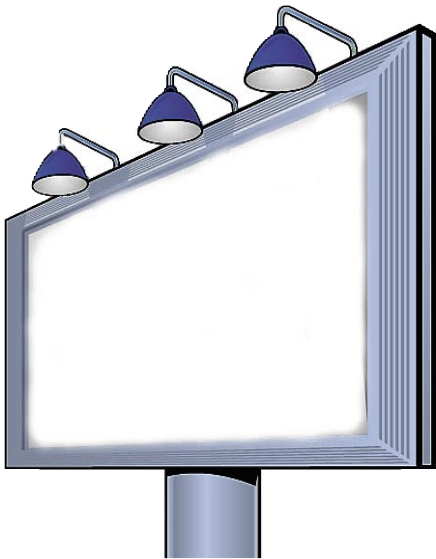
**OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE**

In the Matter of the Estates
of: WILLIAM R. HALL and
MARGUERITE L. HALL, Both
Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
That the undersigned have
been appointed Co-Personal
Representatives of the above
entitled estates. All persons
having claims against the said
deceased are required to present
their claims within four (4)
months after the date of the first
publication of this notice or said
claims will be forever barred.
Claims must either be presented
to LEONARD J. HALL and
NONA C. DONALDSON, the
Co-Personal Representatives
of the estates, or the office of
Wiebe & Fouser, P.A., Attorneys
at Law, 702 E. Chicago Street,
P.O. Box 606, Caldwell, Idaho,
83606-0606, this being the place
fixed for the transaction of the
business of said estate, or filed
with the Court.

Dated this 26th day of
February, 2007.

/s/Leonard J. Hall
Co-Personal Representative
8185 Jaybird Lane
Opaline, ID 83641
/s/Nona C. Donaldson
Co-Personal Representative
810 No. Junction
Grangeville, ID 83530
3/14,21,28/07



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Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
T.S. NO.: ID-06-63980-NF
LOAN NO.: 33468075

On 6/28/2007 at 11:00:00 AM (recognized local time), at the following location In the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho: In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse Located on the corner of highway 78 and Hailey St., 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, Fidelity National Title Insurance Company , as Trustee, on behalf of U.S. Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of Home Equity Asset Trust 2004-5, Home Equity Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-5 will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of Owyhee , State of Idaho, and described as follows: All of Lot 12 and the west 25 feet of Lot 13 of Block 8 of the Amended plat of the Townsite of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 508 West Montana Avenue, Homedale, ID 83628 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by: Carlos Nunez, a married man , as Grantor/Trustor, in which Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., (MERS) as nominee for Meritage Mortgage Corporation, is named as Beneficiary and Pioneer Title as Trustee and recorded 5/28/2004 as Instrument No. 247962 in book -, page - of Official Records in the office of the recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 5/10/2004. The monthly installments of Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$ 398.39 , due per month for the months of 6/1/2006 through 2/14/2007, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$ 57,277.67 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.25000 per cent (%) per annum from 5/1/2006. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fee, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder’s sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Dated: 2/27/2007 By: Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp. 319 Elm

Street, 2nd Floor San Diego, CA 92101, as Agent By: Kathy Rush *** For Sale Information Call: 714-259-7850 or login to: www.fidelityasap.com If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder’s rights against the real property only. This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 830117
3/14,21,28;4/4/07

SUMMONS
CASE NO. CV-07-063
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE

RONALD C. ROSE and
DIANA G. ROSE, husband and
wife, Plaintiffs,
Vs.
FRED ROBBINS, et. al,
Defendants.

TO: FRED ROBBINS and
IRENE J. ROBBINS, husband
and wife, ALVIN P. JEROME and
ALMA I. JEROME, husband and
wife, RONALD T. CAMMACK
a/k/a RONALD THOMAS
CAMMACK and LUCY K.
CAMMACK, husband and wife,
DeRUYTER PROPERTIES
LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, an
Idaho limited partnership, NICK
DeRUYTER and SUZANNE
DeRUYTER, husband and wife,
JOHN DOES 1-5 and JANE
DOES 1-5, being the unknown
partners comprising DeRuyter
Properties Limited partnership,
JOHN DOES 6-25 and JANE
DOES 6-25, being all past or
present owners of real property
adjacent to or adjoining, or any
persons claiming an interest in
or having a potential claim in or
against Tract 1 (Audit 6416) A
tract of land in Owyhee County,
Idaho, being all that portion of
the right of way of the Union
Pacific Railroad Company, a
Delaware corporation (successor
in interest by merger to Union
Pacific Railroad Company, a Utah
corporation, and to the Oregon
Short Line Railroad Company),
being that same tract of land
heretofore acquired by the said
Oregon Short Line Railroad
Company by virtue of that certain
Bargain and Sale Deed dated June
15, 1922, from Gem Irrigation
District, a municipal corporation
of the State of Idaho, the said
instrument having been filed for
record in the said Owyhee County
on October 5, 1922, at Page 328 of
Book 16 of Deeds, the said tract
of land being more particularly
described therein as follows: “A
strip of land one hundred (100)
feet wide, being fifty (50) feet
on each side of the center line
of main track of the Homedale
Branch Extension of the Oregon
Short Line Railroad as the same
is now located over the across the
Northwest quarter of the Southeast
quarter (NW ¼ SE ¼) of Section
Fourteen (14), Township Three
(3) North, Range Five (5) West of
the Boise Meridian. The location
of said center line of main track
being more particularly described
as follows: Beginning at a point in
the North and South center line of
said Section Fourteen (14), one

hundred seventy-five (175) feet,
more or less, South of the center
line of said Section; thence South
52° 50’ East, sixteen hundred
forty-six (1646) feet, more or
less, to a point in the East line
of said Northwest quarter of the
Southeast quarter (NW ¼ SE ¼),
one hundred eighty-two (182)
feet, more or less, North of the
Southeast corner thereof; said strip
of land containing in all three and
seventy-eight hundredths (3.78)
acres, more or less; also A strip of
land one hundred fifty (150) feet
wide, being one hundred (100)
feet on the Southwesterly side of
fifty (50) feet on the Northeasterly
side of the said center line of main
track, as the same is now located
over and across the Southeast
quarter of the Southeast quarter
(SE ¼ SE ¼) of said Section
Fourteen (14). The location of
said center line of main track
being more particularly described
as follows: Beginning at a point in
the North line of said Southeast
quarter of the Southeast quarter
(SE ¼ SE ¼), two hundred thirty-
eight (238) feet, more or less, East
of the Northwest corner thereof;
thence South 52° 50’ East, thirteen
hundred fifty-one (1351) feet,
more or less, to a point in the
East line of said Section Fourteen
(14), five hundred seventeen (517)
feet, more or less, North of the
Southeast corner thereof. Said
strip of land containing in all four
and eighty-two hundredths (4.82),
acres more or less; also A strip of
land one hundred (100) feet wide,
being fifty (50) feet on each side
of the said center line of main
track as the same is now located
over and across the Southwest
quarter of the Southwest quarter
(SW ¼ SW ¼) of Section Thirteen
(13), Township Three (3) North,
Range Five (5) West of the Boise
Meridian. The location of said
center line of main track being
more particularly described as
follows: Beginning at a point in the
West line of said Section Thirteen
(13), five hundred seventeen
(517) fee, more or less, North
of the Southwest corner thereof;
thence South 52° 50’ East, six
hundred twenty-seven (627)
feet, more or less; thence along a
curve to the left, with a radius of
fifty seven hundred twenty-nine
and six-tenths (5729.6) feet, for
a distance of two hundred forty
(240) feet, more or less, to a point
in the South line of said Section
Thirteen (13), seven hundred two
(702) feet, more or less, East of
the Southwest corner thereof. Said
strip of land containing in all one
and ninety-nine hundredths (1.99)
acres, more or less. The Total of
land herein conveyed containing
in all ten and fifty-nine hundredths
(10.59) acres, more or less. Situate
in Owyhee County, Idaho. Tract
2 (Audit 6417) A tract of land in
Owyhee County, Idaho, being all
that portion of the right of way
of the Union Pacific Railroad
Company, a Delaware corporation
(successor in interest by merger to
Union Pacific Railroad Company,
a Utah corporation, and to the
Oregon Short Line Railroad
Company), being that same tract
of land heretofore acquired by the
said Oregon Short Line Railroad
Company by virtue of (i) that
certain Bargain and Sale Deed
dated June 15, 1922, from Gem
Irrigation District, a municipal
corporation of the State of Idaho,
the said instrument having been
filed for record in the said Owyhee
County on October 5, 1922, at Page
326 of Book 16 of Deeds; and (ii)
that certain Quitcliam Deed dated
June 23, 1922, from M. L. Walker
and Jessie D. Walker, his wife, the

said instrument having been filed
for record in the said Owyhee
County on October 5, 1922, at
Page 324 of Book 16 of Deeds;
the said tract of land being more
particularly described therein
as follows: “A strip of land one
hundred (100) feet wide, being
fifty (50) feet on each side of the
center line of main track of the
Homedale Branch Extension of
the Oregon Short Line Railroad as
the same is now located over and
across Lot Three (3) of Section
Fourteen (14), Township Three
(3) North, Range Five (5) West of
the Boise Meridian. The location
of said center line of main track
being more particularly described
as follows: Beginning at a point
in the west line of said Lot Three
(3), one hundred eighty-two (182)
feet, more or less, North of the
Southwest corner thereof; thence
52° 50’ East, two hundred ninety-
four (294) feet, more or less, to
a point in the South line of said
Lot Three (3), two hundred thirty-
eight (238) feet, more or less, East
of the Southwest corner thereof.
Said strip of land containing in
all sixty-eight hundredths (0.68)
of an acre, more or less.” Situate
in Owyhee County, Idaho.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN
SUEDBYTHEABOVE-NAMED
PLAINTIFFS. THE NATURE OF
THE CLAIM AGAINST YOU IS
FOR QUIETING PLAINTIFFS’
TITLE IN AND TO THE REAL
PROPERTY DESCRIBED
ABOVE, AND TO TERMIANTE
ANY CLAIM YOU MAY HAVE
IN OR TO SAID PROPERTY.
THE COURT MAY ENTER
JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU
WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE
UNLESS YOU RESPOND
WITHIN 20 DAYS.

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

If you wish to seek the advice
or representation by an attorney
in this matter, you should do so
promptly so that your written
response, if any, may be filed
in time and other legal rights
protected.

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

1. The title and number of this case.
2. If your response is an Answer to the Verified Compliant, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Verified Complaint and other defenses you may claim.
3. Your signature, mailing

address, and telephone
number, or the signature,
mailing address, and
telephone number of your
attorney.

4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to Plaintiffs’ attorney, as designated above.

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

DATED this 13th day of
February, 2007.

CHARLOTTE SHERBURN
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT
COURT

By: Trina Aman, Deputy
Dan C. Grober
Attorney at law
17 East Wyoming Ave.
PO Box 325
Homedale, ID 83628
(208) 337-4945
Fax (208) 337-4854
Attorney for Plaintiffs
3/14,21,28;4/4/07

NOTICE OF DEADLINE
FOR FILING
DECLARATION OF
CANDIDACY
PLEASANT VALLEY
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 364
Owyhee County, Idaho

Notice is hereby given that the
deadline for filing nominating
petitions for the election of one
(1) Trustee for a term of two (2)
years from Trustee Zone 2 and
one (1) Trustee for a term of three
(3) years from Trustee Zone 3,
not later than 5:00 p.m., Friday,
April 13, 2007. The election will
be held on May 15, 2007.

Any person legally qualified to
hold the office of school trustee
in Pleasant Valley School District
No. 364, Owyhee County, Idaho,
may file a declaration of candidacy
for the office, each of which shall
bear the name of the candidate,
state the term for which the
declaration of candidacy is made,
and bear the signature of not
less than five (5) school district
electors resident of the trustee
zone of which the candidate
is resident. A declaration of
candidacy may be obtained at the
School District Office, Pleasant
Valley School, Owyhee County,
Idaho. The declaration shall be
filed with the Clerk of the Board
of Trustees of school district
not later than 5:00 p.m. on the
fifth Friday preceding the day of
election of trustees.

Rosa Maria, Clerk
Board of Trustees
Pleasant Valley School District
No. 364, Owyhee County, Idaho
3/21,28/07

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Letters to the editor policy

The Owyhee Avalanche welcomes letters to the editor.

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

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

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

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Owyhee County Church Directory

**Knight Community Church
Grand View**
Pastor Paul H. Ryan • 834-2639
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
Adult Bible Study: Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Knight's Neighborhood:
(Youth Activity Group) Friday 5-6:30 pm

**Assembly of God Church
Homedale**
15 West Montana, 337-4458
Pastor George Greenwood
Sunday School 9:30am
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am
Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm

**Crossroads Assembly of God
Wilder**
Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644
Sunday School 10am
Sunday Morning Worship 11am
Sunday Evening Worship 6pm
Wed. Bible Study 7pm

Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church
1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell
459-3653
Mass:
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am
Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm
Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon

**Mt. Calvary Lutheran
Homedale**
337-4248 or 454-1528
SE corner Idaho and West 7th
Sunday School: 9:00 to 9:45 am
Services: 10:00 am
Wednesday Night Adult Bible Study:
7 to 8:30 pm

**Friends Community Church
Wilder - Homedale**
17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464
Pastor: John Beck
Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays
Sunday School: 9:30 am
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm
CLC - Wednesdays at 3:15

**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Homedale**
708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112
Bishop Alan McRae
Bishop Dwayne Fisher
Sunday 1st Ward 9am
Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm

**Homedale Baptist Church
Homedale**
212 S. 1st W.
Sunday School 10am & 11am
Sunday Evening 7pm
Wednesday Evening 7pm
Pastor James Huls

**Wilder Church of God
Wilder**
205 A St. E, 482-7839
Pastor Ray Gerthung
Sunday School 9:45am
Sunday Service 11am
Sunday Eve. 6:00pm
Wed. Eve. 7:00pm

Mountain View Church of the Nazarene
26515 Ustick Road, Wilder
337-3151
Sunday School 9:30
Worship 10:30
Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm
Bible Based Recovery: Friday 7:00 pm


**MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY
Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing**
221 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho
Pastor Ricardo Rodriguez
896-5552 or 371-3516
Sunday School 1:30 pm • Sunday Service 3 pm
Thursday Service 7 pm • (Bilingual Services/Espanol)

**Iglesia Evangelica
Wilder**
317 3rd st.,
Pastor Ramiro Reyes
10 am Sunday School
11 am Service
482-7484
Bilingual

**Marsing Church of Christ
Marsing**
932 Franklin, Marsing

Minister Gib Nelson
Sunday Bible Study 10am
Sunday Worship 11am

**Christian Church
Homedale**
110 W. Montana, 337-3626
Pastor Maurice Jones
Sunday Morning Worship 11am
Church school 9:45

**Bible Missionary Church
Homedale**
West Idaho, 337-4437
Pastor Paul Miller
Sunday School 10am
Worship 11am
Sunday Evening 7pm
Wednesday Evening 7:30

**Assembly of God Church
Marsing**
139 Kerry, 896-4294
Pastor Rick Sherrow
Sunday School 10am
Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm

**Lizard Butte Baptist Church
Marsing**
Pastor London
116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059
Sunday worship 11am-12pm
Sunday school 10 am-10:55am
Sunday evening 7pm-8pm
Wednesday evening 7pm-8pm
Every 3rd Sat. family video at 6 pm

**Nazarene Church
Marsing**
Pastor Bill O'Connor
896-4184
12 2nd Avenue West
Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm
Teen Services Sundays 7:00 pm
Sunday School - 9:45am
Mid Week TLC Groups

**Trinity Holiness Church
Homedale**
119 N. Main
Pastor Samuel Page
337-5021
Sunday School 10am
Sunday Morning Worship 11am
Sunday Evening 7pm
Thursday Evening 7:30pm

**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Marsing**
215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151
Bishop Streibel
Sunday 1st Ward 9am
Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm
Primary 11am

**Vision Community Church
Marsing**
221 West Main Marsing, Idaho
208-896-5407
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.

**United Methodist Church
Wilder**
Corner of 4th St. & B Ave.
880-8751
Pastor Carolyn Bowers
Sunday Services 9:30am

**First Presbyterian Church
Homedale**
320 N. 6th W., 337-3060
Pastor Marianne Paul
Sunday Morning Worship 11am
Sunday School 11am

**Calvary Holiness Church
Wilder**
Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave., • 761-7843
Pastor Matthew Hunt
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.
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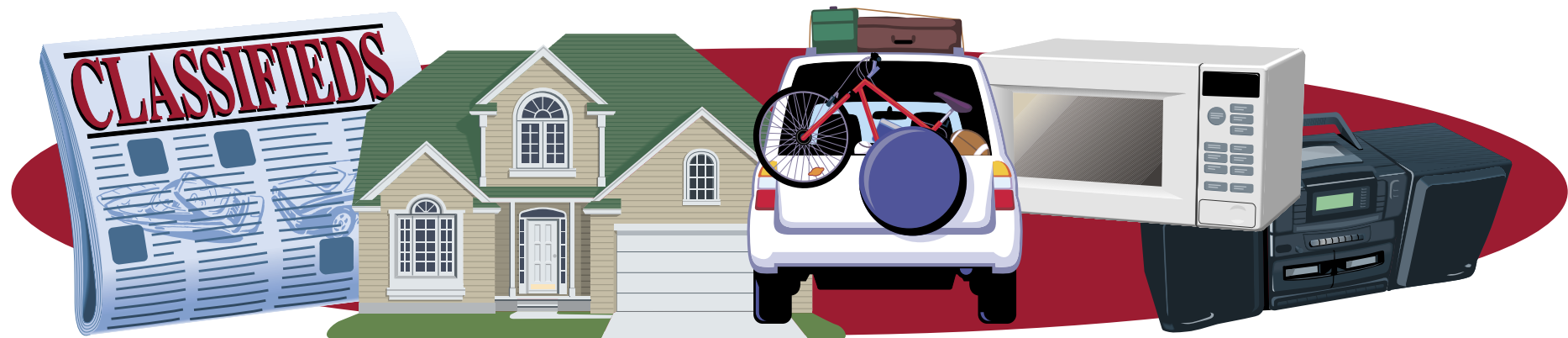
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