Presenting the Class of **High School Graduates of area schools** Marsing High School Homedale High School Jordan Valley High School

The Owyhee Avalanche
May 16, 2007

Homedale

Large class graduates May 26

More than 80 seniors are scheduled to graduate from Homedale High School during commencement exercises on Saturday, May 26.

The ceremony takes place at 2 p.m. inside the school's main gymnasium.

Mike Greeley, who has taught at Homedale High School for 20 years, will be the guest speaker for the event.

Homedale doesn't name a valedictorian or a salutatorian, but six National Honor Society members will conclude their high school careers with 4.0 gradepoint averages and head up the list of 29 honor graduates.

The six seniors with perfect GPAs include:

• Chanda Cox was a member of the Treasure Valley Honor Band and plans to major in music education at George Fox University.

- Shanae Galloway, who played tennis for the Trojans, served on the school's INL Scholastic Team that competed in the state tournament in Boise in March. She'll attend Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa and pursue a degree in Graphic Design.
- Ryan Johnson, who played football and baseball for the Trojans, also was an INL Scholastic Team member. He plans to study Biology at the University of Idaho.
- Joshua Myers won the 2006 Integrity Award from the Better Business Bureau. Myers will student at Albertson College of Idaho and may pursue a career in medicine. He has been a top boys singles player for the Homedale tennis team throughout his career.
- Bonnie Price, another tennis player, has served as a regional vice-president for Business

Professionals of America and was scheduled to participate in that organization's national competition earlier this month in New York. As a junior, Price earned a \$1,000 Capitol Scholars scholarship from Boise State University, where she will study Nursing. She was a member of the INL Scholastic Team

• Mark Vance is student body president this year. He plans to study Engineering at the University of Idaho. Vance played football and was part of the record-setting 4x100-meter relay team in track this spring. Vance also is vice-president of the Science Club and was a member of the INL Scholastic Team.

Through Extra Hands for ALS program, Vance and Price also have volunteered to assist people afflicted with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or Lou Gehrig's

Marsing

Retired principal returns as speaker

Retired Marsing High School principal Charles V. Stella returns to the school on Thursday, May 24, to be the keynote speaker for commencement exercises.

Samantha Wilson, valedictorian, and Taryn Chenoweth, salutatorian, will lead their fellow senior classmates at the 7 p.m. ceremony inside the high school gymnasium on Main Street.

A total of 39 seniors will receive their diplomas from Marsing High School acting principal and counselor John Cossel. Former principal Charles V. Stella, who retired earlier this year for health reasons, will be the keynote speaker.

Wilson, more commonly known as "Sam," is the daughter of Ken and Dee Wilson. The 17-year-old earned a 3.90 grade-point average during her time at Marsing.

She plans to attend Boise State University after graduation.

In her Marsing career, Wilson was a top student-athlete for the Huskies, lettering in girls basketball, volleyball, track and field and softball.

Her leadership skills have been honed through her role this year as president of the National Honor Society. Wilson has been a member of the National Honor Society for three years.

Other extra-curricular memberships for Wilson include four years with the Business Professionals of America, of which she was president as a junior; and two years with the school's Future Farmers of America (FFA) chapter and the M-club. She was vice-president in her first year with the M-club.

Wilson's favorite quote is "Live, laugh, love." She likes to dance, and enjoys the outdoors in several ways, including boating, jet skiing, swimming and camping.

Chenoweth, 18, is the daughter of Bruce and Judi Russell and Bob Chenoweth.

She carried a 3.89 GPA and received Academic Achievement Awards for upper division classes, including advance biology and chemistry.

She'll major in International Studies at Western Oregon University in Monmouth.

She currently serves as senior class vice-president after spending her junior year as class president.

Other senior class officers include president Aaron Salvas, secretary/treasurer Alicia Ponce, boys representative Troy Dines and girls representative Keshia Stafford

Chenoweth has been the Youth Group co-president at Caldwell United Methodist Church for four years.

A three-year member of the National Honor Society, Chenoweth is highly active in the school's BPA chapter, too. In two years with the club, she has been historian and vice-president.

She states one of her hobbies is watching and playing sports, and that rang true with the Huskies as she participated in volleyball and basketball four years. She also was a three-year member of the track team and played softball for one year.

Her favorite quote reflects her work ethic: "The only place success comes before work is in the dictionary."

Other pastimes include reading all kinds of books, listening too various music genres, including rap, hip/hop, rock and country. She says she likes to stay active, hang out with her friends and family and watch all kinds of movies.

Dear Class of 2007

Contrary to some opinions, in recent years, earning a high school diploma has become more of an accomplishment, not less. Why? Unlike 30 years ago when I earned my high school diploma, now to graduate from a institution like Homedale High School, a student has to not only earn credits by demonstrating a level of mastery in a variety of subject areas, but they also have had to pass a rigorous, standardized statewide test that measures their competency in mathematics, reading and language. This high-stakes test, the Idaho Standards Achievement Test (ISAT), has added an extra element of validation to the legitimacy of

high school diplomas in this state.

So, the Class of 2007 is to be congratulated on earning a diploma that truly confirms their acquisition of the skills, knowledge and attributes that are necessary for them to enter the workforce, serve their country in the military or continue their academic studies at institutions of higher learning.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and all 150 employees of the Homedale School District, I offer the Class of 2007 the heartiest of congratulations and the best of luck.

Tim Rosandick Homedale School District superintendent

Congratulations to our 2007 Graduates!



Jacob Anthony



Greg Monreal



Elizabeth Calderon



Cassondra Ortiz



Homedale, Idaho 337-4679

Dear Class of 2007

Congratulations to each of you on what you have achieved during the years you have been at Marsing High. Because of you, Marsing High has continued to achieve high standards in academics. All of you have been successful in meeting the challenges you have faced during your high school years.

If you can, remember back to when you were freshmen and you thought that you would never be able to get through the years to graduation. Not only did you get through, you did it in a very positive way and can take many great memories with you as you leave Marsing High School and face the challenges in your future.

I want you to know how much I have enjoyed watching you grow through the years into responsible young adults. You are a special group of students, and it has been an honor to be able to work with all of you during your years at the high school.

I wish you the best of luck in your future.

Charles V. Stella retired Marsing High School principal

Read all about it in the Avalanche!

Jordan Valley

Small class reflects close community

to both of the honor graduates from Jordan Valley High School.

Luisa Mari Lowry, valedictorian, and Bailey Ann Kershner, salutatorian, were part of a 14member senior class that graduated inside the Jordan Valley gymnasium Tuesday.

Lowry, 18, has dreams of coming back to the Owyhee country to teach after she completes her planned Elementary Education at Covenant College in Lookout Mountain, Mo.

"My dream is to come back and teach in a rural area like Jordan Valley, Marsing or Homedale," she said.

The daughter of Miren Lowry, Luisa Lowry carried at 3.98 grade-point average during her career at Jordan Valley and earned a college prep diploma with honors along with classmates Kershner, Breann Hipwell and Jerry Wroten.

She served as a class officer and was a member of the National Honor Society and Student Council.

The granddaughter of Tim and Rosemary Lowry, Lowry also participated in FFA, junior varsity basketball and volleyball.

She said she enjoys reading,

Family and roots are important trying new recipes, meeting new people and spending time with family and friends.

> She listed Bible verses as her favorite quotes:

> Romans 8:28: "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose."

> Jeremiah 29:11: "For I know the plans I have for, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future."

> Kershner, the class salutatorian, is the daughter of Kenny and Teresa Kershner. She achieved a 3.96 GPA at Jordan Valley.

> Kershner was senior class secretary, and she was a member of the Student Council, FFA and National Honor Society as well as the school's academic team.

> The 18-year-old is very active and lists her hobbies as sports, roping, fishing and hunting.

She played basketball and volleyball for the Mustangs.

She plans to major in Animal Science Pre-Vet at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

Kershner's favorite quote is "Never, never give up," by former British prime minister Winston Churchill.

Rimrock

Academy appointee leads class

Rimrock High School's Class of 2007 graduates at 2 p.m. Sunday inside the school's gymnasium. Twenty-six seniors are scheduled receive diplomas.

The valedictorian for this year's class is Leigh Martin. The salutatorian is Robert Charles

Martin, the son of Debbi and Allen Martin, finished his career at Rimrock with a 3.965 gradepoint average. He has attended Bruneau/Grand View School District schools all his life.

After being nominated to three different service academies, Martin has decided to attend the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and major in engineering. He said he would like to become an officer in the U.S. military.

Martin has participated in extra-curricular school activities throughout his high school career. He lettered in varsity track and field in 2006, served as a People to People Ambassador in 2004 and attended the ACE Academy and the Air Force Academy Summer Seminar in June 2006.

To make money during his high school years, he has done tile work, mowed lawns, sold vegetables from his own garden and worked on the family ranch.

He has been the Rimrock FFA chapter president and a member of the yearbook staff as well as the National Honor Society and Student Council.

Martin thanked his family, friends and the community for the support through the years.

"Without them, I would not have been able to do the things I have done, or be the person that I am," he said.

Bobby Jackson, as he is most commonly known, compiled a 3.947 GPA at Rimrock. The son of Peter and Ruth Jackson, Jackson studied in the Bruneau/Grand View district for five years.

Jackson said he plans to take a cruise to Mexico before working at Riddle Ranches to save money for college. He has narrowed his choices down to either Montana Tech or the University of Idaho, and he plans to pursue an Engineering degree.

Jackson is a former recipient of the Elks Student of the Year Award for the 2004-05 school year. He has participated in the Honor Society, Student Council, Idaho Drug Free Youth and FFA and Family Community Career Leaders of America.

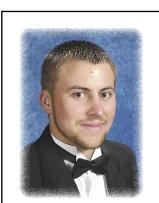
He also played football and basketball and ran track.

His favorite quote comes from 19th century abolitionist Henry Ward Beecher: "A person without a sense of humor is like a wagon without springs. It's jolted by every pebble in the road."





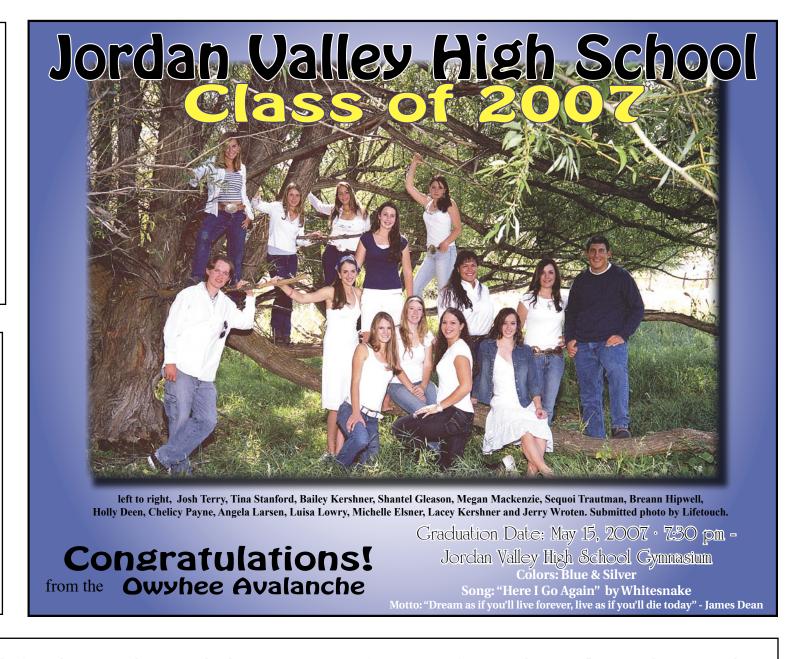
Breann Emeline Hipwell God Bless You on your graduation and always! - Your Family and Friends



Way to go, Kevin! - The Crew at **Owyhee Publishing**



Congratulations, James! You actually did it! Love, your family



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HOMEDALE HIGH SCHOOL - CLASS OF 2007



Class motto: We came together as strangers, but we leave as eternal friends • Class Song: Graduation Song by Dave Matthews Band Class Flower: Snapdragon • Class colors: Scarlet, Silver & Black • Speaker: Mike Greely

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Owyhee Family Dental Center
Perfection Repair
Snake River Lumber
Les Schwab Tire Center
Paul's Markets

Bowen & Parker
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Owyhee Restaurant
Emerald Insurance
Matteson's Owyhee Motors
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Idaho Sporting Clays
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Auto Body by Alan
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Moxie Java
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Marsing High School Class of 2007



CJ Anderson



Levi Bowers



Lindsey Jo Brewer



Robert Carter



Taryn Chenoweth



Troy Dines



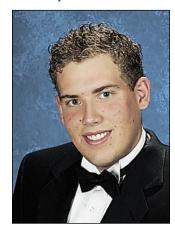
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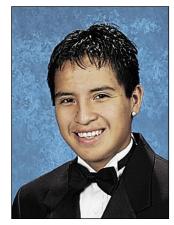
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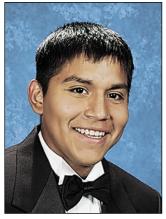
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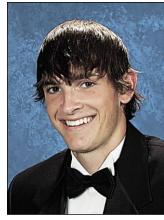
Juan Martinez



Miguel Quebrado



Kallie Roeser



Aaron Salvas



Kortni Scott



James Sevy

Congratulations, Graduates!

Marsing Hardware & Pump Haken Insurance Desert High Realty Snake River Mart Sandbar Restaurant Harvey's Auto Parts

Showalter Construction
Owyhee Auto Supply / NAPA
ION Truck Plaza
River Rock Pawn, Inc.
Owyhee Publishing
Owyhee Avalanche

Marsing High School Class of 2007



Chelan Cobiskey



Ericka Cook



Kaila Cook



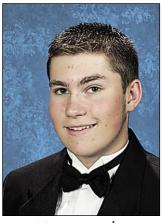
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Cristina Cuevas



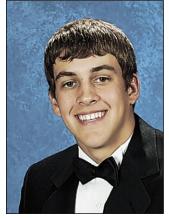
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Trevin Henske



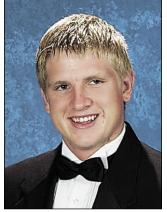
Manuel Herrera



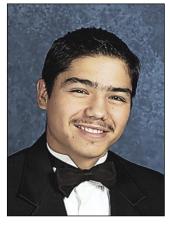
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Tyler Johnson



Shea Mcclellin



Jose Moreno



Cole Nielsen



Jennifer Pfeifer



Alicia Ponce



Keshia Stafford



Michael Tuckness



Samantha Wilson



Brandi Wright

Graduation Ceremony: May 24 - 7:00 p.m. Marsing High School Gymnasium

Speaker: Charles V. Stella Class Colors: Blue and Gold

Class Flower: White Lily · Class Song: "Time of your life" Green Day

Rimrock High School Class of 2007



HUGO ARAUJO



ESTRELLA AYALA



KHRYSTINA BELLING



JOSEPH BLACK



JONATHAN BURNETT



STEPHEN CAMPBELL



STEPHANIE DEMING



TRUDE EGGESVIK



BOBBY JACKSON



BRENDA JOHNSON



DEVANI LAWSON



CHELSEY LEMON



JAY LONG



LEIGH MARTIN



BREANEE MERRICK



CECILIA MORALES



LENZI MURRAY



MICHAEL MYERS



ALBERTO PENA



CINDY SALINAS-GOMEZ



KATRINA SCHIERMEIER



SHAWN SERVIS



JAKE STEINER



RILEY TIMMONS



KATHLEEN WILSON



Laura Zaragoza

Sunday,
May 20, 2007
2:00 pm
High School Gymnasium

Class Colors: Dark Green & Pearl White Class Flower: White Rose

Class Motto:
You live your life only once,
but if lived right, once is enough

Good Luck, Seniors!

Owyhee Avalanche
Gus's Gas & Fishin' Hole
Simplot Livestock
Simplot Growers Solutions
US Ecology
Bruneau Beauty Shop
United Oil